

# COMP 3725: Assignment #1

## General Instruction

- To receive any credit, the answers for this assignment must be handwritten and need to be legible by the grader.
- When you solve a problem, show all the steps and add comments as necessary to make sure your answers are clear and unambiguous to the grader.
- You may discuss questions in broad terms with others but ultimately your answers should demonstrate your own individual thought process and effort.
- All work submitted is subject to the standards of conduct as specified in BCIT Policy 5104.

## Submission

- This assignment is due on May 25, 2025 by 2359 at the latest. No late assignments will be accepted.
- Submit in a single file, using the filename lastname\_firstname.pdf to BCIT Learning Hub (Assignment Submission | Assignment 1). You are allowed only one submission and no late assignments will be accepted.
- Your submissions must include a cover page clearly specifying your name, student number and set.

## Marking

- This assignment consists of 4 questions totaling 40 marks.

## Problems

(1) [13 marks] Determine the value of  $x$ , for  $x > 0$ , in each of the following:

- a) [2 marks]  $\log_3 27x = 5$
- b) [2 marks]  $\log_3 \frac{x}{2} = 3$
- c) [3 marks]  $\log_2 4x = \log_4 64x^4 - 6$
- d) [3 marks]  $\log_b(16 - 4x) - \log_{b^2} 4x^2 = \log_b 6$
- e) [3 marks]  $\log_{b^2} \frac{1}{4} + \log_b 8x^2 = \log_b(12x - 9)$

(2) [6 marks] Given  $x = \log_b 8$  and  $y = \log_b 3$ , express each of the following in terms of  $x$  and  $y$ .

- a) [3 marks]  $\log_b 648$
- b) [3 marks]  $\log_{3b} \frac{9}{64b}$

(3) [11 marks] Consider a composite signal defined by

$$s(t) = 4 \sin 2t (1 - 2 \sin^2 t) + 3 - 6 \sin^2 \left( \frac{t}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

- a) [4 marks] Using trigonometric identities, decompose the composite signal,  $s(t)$ , into a linear combination of simple sine functions, i.e.,  $A_1 \sin(2\pi f_1 t + \theta_1) + A_2 \sin(2\pi f_2 t + \theta_2) + \dots$
- b) [3 marks] Determine the peak amplitude,  $A$ , frequency,  $f$ , and phase,  $\theta$ , of each simple sine function in (a).
- c) [2 marks] Plot each simple sine function in (a) for  $t = [0, 2\pi]$ .
- d) [2 marks] Plot the composite signal by summing the simple sine functions in (a) over  $t$ .

- (4) [10 marks] Ernest, a CST student at BCIT is designing an autonomous drone for delivery of uncompressed 4K video (4096 x 2160 pixels, 10 bits for each of red, green and blue components, 30 fps, 60 mins), from the BCIT Burnaby campus to the Downtown campus. Assume that the distance between the two campuses is 15 km. Determine the minimum speed the drone must travel at such that the drone, loaded with a single SATA II 2 TB hard disk drive, can deliver the video faster than gigabit Ethernet (GbE).

Recall that latency is made of four components: propagation time, transmission time, queuing time and processing delay. Assume that both the queuing time and processing delay are negligible and that there is no data transmission time at the receiver. The propagation speed of electromagnetic signals in guided media is  $2 \times 10^8$  m/s.