

**MOCKBOARD EXAMINATION IN  
COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING**

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1. Extra-terrestrial noise is observable at frequencies from
  - a. 0 to 20 kHz
  - b. above 2 GHz
  - c. 8.1.43 GHz
  - d. 5 to 8 GHz
2. Band of light waves, that are too short to be seen by human eye.
  - a. Visible
  - b. Infrared
  - c. Ultraviolet
  - d. Amber
3. Two wires that are bent 90 degrees apart.
  - a. Hertz
  - b. Dipole
  - c. Log- periodic
  - d. Rhombic
4. The first symbol in the designation of radio emission under the ITU rules refer to
  - a. nature of signal (s) modulating the main carrier
  - b. type of information to be transmitted
  - c. bandwidth
  - d. Simplex operation
5. Operating method in which the transmission is made alternately in each direction of a telecommunication channel.
  - a. Semi duplex operation
  - b. Duplex operation
  - c. Half-duplex operation
  - d. Simplex operation
6. Production of radiation by a radio transmitting station.
  - a. Monitoring
  - b. Emission
  - c. Radiation
  - d. Transmission
7. The third symbol in the designation of radio emission under the ITU rules refers to
  - a. type of modulation of the main carrier
  - b. bandwidth
  - c. nature of signal(s) modulating the main carrier
  - d. type of information to be transmitted
8. A form of telecommunication for the transmission of transient images of fixed or moving objects.
  - a. E- mail
  - b. Television
  - c. radio
  - d. Internet
9. Radiation pattern of a Discone.
  - a. Unidirectional
  - b. Bidirectional
  - c. Omnidirectional
  - d. Figure of eight
10. Another SEG function that allows a person to be superimposed on another scene.
  - a. Visual effect
  - b. Wiper
  - c. Chroma keying
  - d. Special effect generation
11. What signal- to- noise ratio is required for satisfactory telephone services?
  - a. 50 dB
  - b. 30 dB
  - c. 40 dB
  - d. 20 dB
12. The use of telecommunication for automatic indicating or recording measurement at the distance from the measuring instrument.
  - a. Monitoring
  - b. Tracking
  - c. Telemetry
  - d. Telecommand
13. The standard deviation of the variation in the transmission loss of a circuit should not exceed.
  - a. 3 dB
  - b. 1 dB
  - c. 5 dB
  - d. 0.5 dB
14. Noise caused by the thermal agitation of electrons in resistance.
  - a. All of these
  - b. Thermal noise
  - c. Johnson's noise
  - d. White noise
15. Unity gain antenna.
  - a. Isotropic
  - b. Rhombic
  - c. Half- wave dipole
  - d. Dummy
16. The series of periodically recurrent pulses is modulated in amplitude by the corresponding instantaneous samples.
  - a. PFM
  - b. PWM
  - c. PDM
  - d. PAM
17. This of transmission permits communication in the frequency range from 30 to 60 MHz and over distances from about 1000 to 2000 km.
  - a. Troposcatter
  - b. Ionospheric scatter

- c. Ducting
  - d. Microwave
18. A region in front of a paraboloid antenna.
- a. Transmission zone
  - b. All of these
  - c. Fraunhofer
  - d. Fresnel
19. Designates the sensation of low or high in the sense of the base and treble.
- a. Frequency
  - b. Intensity
  - c. Pitch
  - d. SPL
20. A good example of a pilot tone system used in commercial frequency modulation stations.
- a. FDM
  - b. Time division
  - c. Stereo multiplexing
  - d. Frequency modulation
21. Emission on a frequency or frequencies immediately outside the necessary bandwidth which result from the modulation process except spurious emission.
- a. Radiation
  - b. Noise
  - c. Out of the band
  - d. Interference
22. A helical antenna is used for satellite tracking because of \_\_\_\_\_.
- a. broad bandwidth
  - b. good front-to-back
  - c. maneuverability
  - d. circular polarization
23. Background noise is the same as the following except
- a. impulse noise
  - b. white noise
  - c. thermal noise
  - d. gaussian noise
24. An electronic equipment used to measure standing wave ratio.
- a. Reflectometer
  - b. Wavemeter
  - c. Altimeter
  - d. Multimeter
25. A single sideband emission in which the degree of carrier suppression enables the carrier to be reconstituted and to be used for demodulation.
- a. Reduce carrier single sideband emission
  - b. Half carrier single sideband emission
  - c. Full carrier single sideband emission
  - d. Standard single sideband emission
26. Station in the mobile service not intended to be used while in motion.
- a. Coast station
  - b. Fixed station
  - c. Base station
  - d. Land station
27. The electric field in a plane perpendicular to the earth's surface.
- a. Elliptical polarization
  - b. Circular polarization
  - c. Horizontal polarization
  - d. Vertical polarization
28. Known to be the first satellite capable to receive and transmit simultaneously.
- a. Score
  - b. Syncom 1
  - c. Telstar 1
  - d. Echo 1
29. A digital carrier facility used to transmit a DSI-formatted signal at 1.544 Mbps.
- a. T2
  - b. T1
  - c. T4
  - d. T3
30. 12 voice channels are sampled at 8000 sampling rate and encoded into 8 bit PCM word. Determine the rate of the data stream.
- a. 354 kbps
  - b. 750 kbps
  - c. 768 kbps
  - d. 640 kbps
31. The most common device used as a light detector in fiber optic communication system.
- a. LED
  - b. Darlington phototransistor
  - c. APDs
  - d. PIN diode
32. Two resistor,  $20\text{ k}\Omega$  are at ambient temperature. Calculate for a bandwidth equal to 100 kHz, the thermal noise voltage for the two resistors connected in parallel.
- a. 0.4782  $\mu\text{V}$
  - b. 4278  $\mu\text{V}$
  - c. 4.78  $\mu\text{V}$
  - d. 47.8  $\mu\text{V}$
33. Calculate the energy of the photon of infrared light energy at 1.55  $\mu\text{m}$
- a.  $1.28 \times 10^{-19}\text{ J}$
  - b.  $1.6 \times 10^{19}\text{ J}$
  - c.  $1.22 \times 10^{-16}\text{ J}$
  - d.  $1.9 \times 10^{-14}\text{ J}$
34. If a fiber optic system has a rise time of 38.55 ns, the source rise time is 12 ns and the detector rise

time is 12 ns, what is the cable rise time?

- a. 34.61 ns
- b. 14.55 ns
- c. 52.55 ns
- d. 26.25 ns

35. Nominal voice channel

- a. 20 to 40 kHz
- b. 16 to 16 kHz
- c. 3 to 3 kHz
- d. 4 kHz

36. Two or more antennas separated by 9 wavelengths are used.

- a. Hybrid diversity
- b. Space diversity
- c. Polarized diversity
- d. Frequency diversity

37. nif stands for

- a. narrow intermediate frequency
- b. noise interference figure
- c. noise improvement factor
- d. non- intrinsic figure

38. Any small element of space in the path of a wave may be considered as a source of secondary wavelet.

- a. De Morgan's Principle
- b. Faraday's Law
- c. Huygen's Principle
- d. Fresnel's Law Principle

39. Modulation in which the modulated wave is always present.

- a. Carrier modulation
- b. Front-end
- c. Continuous modulation
- d. Log-periodic modulation

40. Atmospheric noise is less at severe frequencies above

- a. Audio level
- b. 30 MHz
- c. 10 GHz
- d. 1GHz

41. At height about 180 km above, the \_\_\_\_ exist only during daylight.

- a. F2 layer
- b. D layer
- c. E layer
- d. F1 layer

42. Radiation characteristics of a dipole.

- a. Figure of eight
- b. Omnidirectional
- c. Bidirectional
- d. Unidirectional

43. Determine the gain of a 6 ft. parabolic dish operating at 1800 MHz.

- a. 30 dB
- b. 11.2 dB
- c. 15.5 dB

- d. 28.78 dB

44. An electromagnetic wave is \_\_\_\_\_ polarized when the electric field lies wholly in one plane containing the direction of propagation.

- a. horizontally
- b. linearly
- c. circularly
- d. vertically

45. A device that reduces the intensity of light in fiber optics communication systems.

- a. Reducer
- b. Quality factor
- c. Optical attenuator
- d. Compressor

46. Propagation mode of microwave in a waveguide is known as

- a. TM
- b. TE
- c. SW
- d. TEM

47. The width of the frequency band which is just sufficient to ensure the transmission of information at the rate and with the quality required under a specified condition and class of emission.

- a. Occupied bandwidth
- b. Reference frequency
- c. Necessary bandwidth
- d. Frequency tolerance

bandwidth

48. A convenient method of determining antenna impedance.

- a. Stub matching
- b. Reactance circle
- c. Smith chart
- d. Trial and error

49. Which of the following falls under the high frequency band of the radio spectrum?

- a. 8.2345MHz
- b. 150.50 MHz
- c. 2.4555 MHz
- d. 8.3254 MHz

50. The electric field in a plane parallel to the earth's surface.

- a. Elliptical polarization
- b. Horizontal polarization
- c. Vertical polarization
- d. Circular polarization

51. The use of telecommunication for the transmission signals to initiate, modify or terminate functions of equipment at a distance.

- a. Tracking
- b. Telemetry
- c. Telecommand

- d. Space telemetry
52. The product of the power supplied to the antenna and its gain relative to a half-wave dipole in a given direction.
- Peak envelope power
  - ERP
  - Rated power
  - Carrier power
53. The KU-band in the satellite service.
- 14/11 GHz
  - 37/17 GHz
  - 8/ 7 GHz
54. The sinusoidal carrier is pulsed so that one of the binary states is represented by a carrier while the other is represented by its absence.
- FSK
  - ASK
  - PSK
  - QAM
55. Width measured in degrees of a major lobe between end of the lobe at which the relative power is one half (3dB) its value from the lobe.
- Bandwidth
  - Wavelength
  - Radiation
  - Beamwidth
56. The most common unit of noise measurement in white noise voltage testing.
- APR
  - dBm
  - dBW
  - dBm
57. Any governmental office responsible in discharging the obligations undertaken in the convention of the ITU and the regulation.
- Administration
  - The union
  - Country
  - Telecommunications office
58. A large speaker having a large diameter (15 cm. and above).
- Coaxial speaker
  - Woofer
  - Tweeter
  - Triaxial speaker
59. Coaxial lines are used on those system operating \_\_\_\_\_.
- below 2 GHz
  - at 300 Mhz
  - above 10 kHz
  - above 10 GHz
60. Determined the dynamic range for a 10 bit sign magnitude code.
- 1023
  - 425
- 511
  - 756
61. A coherent binary phase shift keyed BPSK transmitter operates at a bit rate of 20 Mbps with a carrier to noise ratio C/N of 8.8 Eb/No.
- 73 dB
  - 62.4 dB
  - 81.8 dB
  - 8.8 dB
62. Receives and collects satellite.
- LNB
  - Yagi-uda array
  - Satellite receiver
  - Satellite dish
63. What is the effect in over modulated amplitude modulated radio broadcasting transmission?
- Interference to adjacent channel
  - Higher fidelity
  - Increase noise
  - Higher audio signal
64. Average power of a radio transmitter supplied to the antenna transmission line by a transmitter during one radio frequency cycle taken under the condition of no modulation.
- Peak envelop power
  - Rated power
  - Carrier power
  - Mean power
65. A method of expressing the amplitude of a complex non-periodic signals such as speech.
- Frequency
  - Wavelength
  - Volume
  - Pitch
66. Transmission that can occur only in both directions, but not at the same time.
- simplex
  - half-duplex
  - full duplex
  - full/full duplex
67. Radio communication operation service between mobile and land stations or between mobile stations.
- Land mobile satellite service
  - Maritime mobile service
  - Mobile service
  - Land mobile
68.  $10^{15}$  is
- terahertz
  - exahertz
  - petahertz
  - gigahertz
69. A radio communications service use in radio regulation between

specified fixed points provided primarily for the safety of air navigation and for the regular efficient and economical air transport.

- a. Space Operation Service
- b. Space Service
- c. Aeronautical Mobile Service
- d. Aeronautical Fixed Service

70. Harmonic suppressor connected to an antenna.

- a. High pass filter
- b. Low pass filter
- c. Tank circuit
- d. M-derived filter

71. The tendency of the sound energy to spread.

- a. Rarefaction
- b. Reflection
- c. Refraction
- d. Diffraction

72. An earth satellite whose period of revolution is equal the period of rotation of the earth about its axis.

- a. Geosynchronous
- b. Steerable
- c. Passive
- d. Active

73. A figure of merit used to measure the performance of a radiation detector

- a. Noise equivalent power
- b. Ripple factor
- c. Safe factor
- d. Quality factor

74. Radio wave concentration in the direction of the signal emitted by a directional antenna.

- a. Back lobe radiation
- b. Side lobe radiation
- c. Major lobe radiation
- d. Transmitted signal

75. What is the channel bandwidth of a standard analogue telephone system?

- a. 300-500 Hz
- b. 1200 kHz
- c. 100-300 Hz
- d. 300-3400 Hz

76. A satellite receives an uplink frequency of \_\_\_\_\_ MHz from a ground station of 3700 MHz

- a. 8150 MHz
- b. 1475 MHz
- c. 2225 MHz
- d. 5925 MHz

77. The outer conductor of a coaxial transmission line is always grounded at the

- a. input only
- b. input and output

- c. output only
- d. point of high SWR

78. Sound intensity is given as

- a.  $df/dP$
- b.  $dE/dP$
- c.  $dA/dP$
- d.  $dP/dA$

79. The lowest frequency produced by an instrument.

- a. Harmonic
- b. Fundamental
- c. Midrange
- d. 0 Hz

80. The reflector and director of an antenna array are considered as

- a. parasitic elements
- b. transcendental elements
- c. feed-points
- d. driven elements

81. The core of the optical fiber has \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. a medium index of refraction
- b. a lower index of refraction than the cladding
- c. a lower index of refraction than air
- d. a higher index of refraction than the cladding

82. What makes an antenna physically long but electrically short?

- a. Top loading
- b. Adding C in series
- c. Adding L in series
- d. All of these

83. An AM transmitter is rated 100W at 100% modulation. How much power required for the carrier?

- a. 33.33 W
- b. 66.66 W
- c. 83.33 W
- d. 100 W

84. Used for time division multiplexing.

- a. Frequency modulation
- b. Pulse modulation
- c. SSB
- d. Amplitude modulation

85. A means of beyond the line-of-sight propagation of microwave signal.

- a. Space wave
- b. Microwave link
- c. Troposcatter
- d. Point-to-point

86. Which of the following refers to the smallest beam of satellite antenna's radiation pattern?

- a. Hemispheric beam
  - b. Spot beam
  - c. Zone beam
  - d. Global beam
87. Theoretical gain of a Hertian dipole.
- a. 0 dB
  - b. 1.76 dB
  - c. 3 dB
  - d. 2.15 dB
88. Satellite system or part of a satellite system, consisting of only one satellite and the operating earth station.
- a. Satellite system
  - b. Satellite network
  - c. Space system
  - d. Multi-satellite link
89. The difference between the original and reconstructed signal gives rise to
- a. s factor
  - b. quantizing noise
  - c. S/N
  - d. fade margin
90. An impedance coil with resistance and inductance equal to  $30\Omega$  and 0.416 H respectively is connected in series with a 10  $\mu$ F capacitor. What is the lower half-power frequency?
- a. 78
  - b. 72.3
  - c. 83.7
  - d. none of these
91. Refers to a land station in a maritime mobile service.
- a. Coast station
  - b. Ship earth station
  - c. Coast earth station
  - d. Maritime station
92. Modulation in which no signal is present between pulses.
- a. Pulse modulation
  - b. QAM
  - c. PSK
  - d. FSK
93. In the designation of bandwidth and emission, what letter in the first symbol represent a doubled-sideband type of modulation?
- a. A
  - b. B
  - c. C
  - d. H
94. Loss due to the diffraction of light when it strikes on the irregularities formed during the manufacturing process of the fiber optics.
- a. Absorption loss
  - b. Attenuation
  - c. Bending loss
  - d. Rayleigh scattering loss
95. What is the unit of electric field strength?
- a. Watt/meter
  - b. Ohms/meter
  - c. Ampere/meter
  - d. Watt/meter<sup>2</sup>
96. Refers to the first generation of local loop system in telecommunication technology.
- a. GSM
  - b. DECT
  - c. Analogue cellular
  - d. TACS
97. An area on the surface of the earth within which the boresight of the steerable satellite beam intended to be pointed.
- a. Effective boresight area
  - b. Countour boresight area
  - c. Coordination boresight area
  - d. Equivalent boresigth area
98. For a sample rate of 40 kHz, determine the maximum analog input frequency.
- a. 30 kHz
  - b. 40 kHz
  - c. 20 kHz
  - d. 10 kHz
99. An antenna that can only receive a television signal.
- a. Isotropic antenna
  - b. TVRO
  - c. Reference antenna
  - d. Yagi antenna
100. Halo is also called
- a. flare
  - b. dark current
  - c. glitch
  - d. ghost

1. C 8 to 1.43 GHz
  2. C Ultraviolet
  3. B Dipole
  4. D type of modulation of the main carrier
  5. C Half-duplex operation
  6. B Emission
  7. D type of information to be transmitted
  8. B Television
  9. C Omnidirectional
  10. C Chroma keying
  11. A 50 dB
  12. C Telemetry
  13. B 1 dB
  14. D All of these
  15. A Isotropic
  16. D PAM
  17. B Ionospheric scatter
  18. B All of these
  19. C Pitch
  20. C Stereo multiplexing
  21. C Out of the band
  22. D Circular polarization
  23. A impulse noise
  24. A Reflectometer
  25. A Reduced carrier single sideband emission
  26. D Land station
  27. D Vertical polarization
  28. C Telstar I
  29. B T1
  30. C 768 kbps
- Solution:
- Rate = (8 bits /channel)  
(12 channels) ( 8000 samples /s)  
Rate = 768 kbps
31. C APDs
  32. C 4.78 uV
- Solution:
- $$R_T = (20 \text{ k}\Omega)(50 \text{ k}\Omega) / (20 \text{ k}\Omega + 50 \text{ k}\Omega)$$
- $$R_T = 14.28 \text{ k}\Omega$$
- $$e_{nT} = \sqrt{4(1.38 \times 10^{-23})(290 \text{ K})(100 \times 10^3)(14.28 \text{ k}\Omega)}$$
- $$e_{nT} = 4.78 \text{ uV}$$
33. A  $1.2 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$
- Solution:
- $$E = hf, \text{ Joule ( J )}$$
- where h = Planck's constant
- $$f = c/\lambda$$
- $$f = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} / 1.55 \text{ um}$$
- $$f = 1.935 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$
- $$E = (6.6256 \times 10^{-34})(1.935 \times 10^{14})$$
- $$E = 1.28 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$
34. A 34.61 ns
- Solution:
- $$\text{System rise time (ns)} = 1.1 \sqrt{S^2 + D^2 + C^2}$$
- Where S = source rise time(ns) = 12 ns  
D = detector rise time (ns) =12 ns  
C = cable rise time (ns)
- $$38.55 \text{ ns} = 1.1 \sqrt{(12)^2 + (12)^2 + C^2}$$
- $$C = 30.66 \text{ ns}$$
35. D 4kHz
  36. B Space diversity
  37. C noise improvement factor
  38. C Huygen's Principle
  39. C Continous modulation
  40. B 30 MHz
  41. D F1 layer
  42. C Bidirectional
  43. D 28.17 dB
- Solution:
- $$G(\text{dB}) = 7.5 + 20 \log f_{\text{GHz}} + 20 \log D_{\text{ft}}$$
44. B linearly
  45. C Optical attenuator
  46. B TE
  47. C Necessary bandwidth
48. C Smith chart
  49. A 8.2345 MHz
  50. B Horizontal polarization
  51. C Telecommand
  52. B ERP
  53. A 14/11 GHz
  54. B ASK
  55. D beamwidth
  56. A NPR
  57. A Administrator
  58. B Woofer
  59. A below 2 GHz
  60. C 511
- Solution:
- $$DR = 2^n - 1$$
- $$n = 10 - 1$$
- $$n = 9 \text{ bits (excluding sign bit)}$$
- $$DR = 2^9 - 1 = 511$$
61. D 8.8 dB
- Solution:
- $$E_b/N_0 (\text{dB}) = 10 \log C/N + 10 \log B/f_b$$
- where:  $10 \log C/N = 8.8 \text{ dB}$   
 $f_b = 20 \text{ Mbps}$   
 $B = 20 \text{ MHz} = f_b \text{ for BPSK}$   
Then  $E_b/N_0 = 8.8 \text{ dB} + 10 \log 20/20$   
 $= 8.8 \text{ dB}$
62. D Satellite disk
  63. A Interference to adjacent channel
  64. C Carrier power
  65. C Volume
  66. B Half-duplex
  67. C Mobile Service
  68. C Petahertz
  69. D Aeronautical Fixed Service
  70. B Low pass filter
  71. D Diffraction
  72. A Geosynchronous
  73. A Noise equivalent power
  74. C Major lobe radiation
  75. D 300-3400 Hz
  76. D 5925 MHz
- Solution:
- $$u = f_d = 2225 \text{ MHz}$$
- $$225 \text{ MHz} = f_o = u \text{ wave oscillator frequency}$$
- $$u = 3700 + 2225$$
- $$f_u = 5925 \text{ MHz}$$
77. B input and output
  78. D dB/dA
  79. B Fundamental
  80. A parasitic elements
  81. D a higher index of refraction than the cladding
  82. B Cladding C in series
  83. B 66.66 W
- Solution:
- $$T = P_c (1 + m^2 / 2)$$
- With  $m = 1$
- $$T = 1.5 P_c$$
- $$P_c = 100 \text{ W} / 1.5 = 66.67 \text{ W}$$
84. B Pulse modulation
  85. C Troposcatter
  86. B Spot beam
  87. B 1.76 dB
  88. B Satellite network
  89. B quantizing noise
  90. B 72.3 Hz
- $$f_1 = f_r - (R/4\pi L) = 72.3 \text{ Hz}$$
91. A Coast station
  92. A Pulse modulation
  93. A A
  94. C Rayleigh scattering loss
  95. Bonus No particular answer
  96. C Analogue cellular
  97. A Effective boresight area
  98. C 20 kHz

Solution:

$$f_s = 2 f_a$$

$$f_a = f_s / 2 = 40 \text{ kHz} / 2$$

$$f_a = 20 \text{ kHz}$$

99. B TVRO

100. A flare