

ALCCS – NEW SCHEME

Time: 3 Hours

AUGUST 2012

Max. Marks: 100

PLEASE WRITE YOUR ROLL NO. AT THE SPACE PROVIDED ON EACH PAGE IMMEDIATELY AFTER RECEIVING THE QUESTION PAPER.

NOTE:

- Question 1 is compulsory and carries 28 marks. Answer any FOUR questions from the rest. Marks are indicated against each question.
- Parts of a question should be answered at the same place.

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- Q.1**
- a. What is the relationship between a base station and a mobile switching center?
 - b. What is the maximum number of callers in each cell in a GSM?
 - c. Explain briefly the functions of Host Controller Interface (HCI) and Service Discovery Protocol (SDP).
 - d. What is Hidden Terminal and Exposed Terminal problem? Explain.
 - e. Mention atleast four limitations/challenges that wireless LAN technology needs to overcome.
 - f. Differentiate between adjacent channel and co-channel interference.
 - g. What is objective of WEP? How it is achieved? (7×4)
- Q.2**
- a. Explain the term interference and countermeasures in SDMA, TDMA, FDMA and CDMA systems. (8)
 - b. Discuss various identifiers/addresses-IMEI, IMSI, MSISDN, MSRN, LAI, TMSI, LMSI, CI and BSIC- provided in GSM. Distinguish between user related and system related identifiers. (10)
- Q.3**
- a. Describe Bluetooth architecture and protocol. Also discuss its limitations. (10)
 - b. What are the several requirements that accompanied the development of the mobile IP as a standard to enable mobility in the internet? (8)
- Q.4**
- a. How is handoffs in cellular mobile communication affected by handoff threshold and minimum acceptable signal level? Illustrate Hard Handoff and Soft Handoff in cellular mobile communication systems. (6)

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- b. What do you mean by the following terms: AUC, HLR, VLR, and EIR? Explain briefly. (8)
- c. Looking at the HLR/VLR database approach used in GSM—how does this architecture limit the scalability in terms of users, especially moving users? (4)
- Q.5** a. What are the different types of Inter Frame Space (IFS) used by IEEE 802.11 protocol? Explain their purpose. (4)
- b. Explain in brief the Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum (FHSS) technique. (4)
- c. Most wired LANs products use Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) as the MAC protocol. However wireless topologies can create a problem for CSMA/CD. What challenges must be dealt with by the MAC used for IEEE 802.11? Discuss main steps of the solution to these problems. (10)
- Q.6** a. Give an overview of mechanism, advantages and disadvantages of following classical enhancements to TCP for mobility: (12)
- (i) Indirect TCP
 - (ii) Snooping TCP
 - (iii) M-TCP
 - (iv) Fast retransmit /fast recovery
- b. Discuss two basic transport mechanisms used by Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB). (6)
- Q.7** a. What are the functions of authentication and encryption in GSM? How is system security maintained? (4)
- b. Discuss three different forms of human-computer interaction: active, passive and coercive with respect to pervasive computing. (6)
- c. Discuss working of Mobile agent. For what types of applications mobile agents are suitable? (8)