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CS/M.Tech(ECE)/SEM-2/MCE-205A/2012

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SATELLITE COMMUNICATION

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

Answer Question No. 1 and any *four* from the rest.

1. Answer any *five* questions : $5 \times 2 = 10$

- i) Which satellite system is known as Iridium satellites and why ?
- ii) What are the conditions for a perfect geostationary orbit of a satellite ?
- iii) What do you mean by ascending and descending nodes ?
- iv) How many types of satellite orbits do you know based on inclination ?
- v) What is meant by frequency reuse ?
- vi) The range between a ground station and a satellite is 42000 km. Calculate the free space loss at frequency of 6 GHz.
- vii) Define frame efficiency.
- viii) What is PDOP ?

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2. a) Draw a neat block diagram of basic satellite system. 3
b) Discuss LEO, MEO, GEO and HEO satellite systems. 12
3. a) Define orbital period and orbital velocity for satellite and deduce expression for it. 6
b) What are the three Kepler's laws ? Give their statements with mathematical expression. 6
c) An shuttle is orbiting at an radius of 270 km above earth's surface in circular orbit. Calculate its period. (Mean earth's radius is approximately 6378 km) 3
4. a) What is a Link Budget ? Write steps to make a good Link Budget. 2 + 4
b) What do you mean by system Noise temperature ? Explain with the help of an example how system Noise temperature is calculated with the noise model. 3 + 6
5. a) What are transponders ? Discuss types of transponders you know with the help of neat block diagrams. 1 + 6
b) Discuss footprint categories of satellite antenna you know. 4
c) Define roll, pitch and yaw axis. 4
6. a) What is meant by intermodulation distortion ? Derive the expression of it and explain. What precaution will you take to avoid intermodulation noise ? 2 + 6 + 3
b) Discuss Asynchronous TDM in short. 4



7. a) Deduce expression for elevation angle. 6
- b) What are the conditions to make satellite visible? 3
- c) Typical minimum elevation angles used by earth stations operating in commercial fixed services using satellite communications are as follows :
- C band 5°, Ku band 10°, Ka band 20°.
- i) Determine the minimum and maximum range in km from an earth station to a geostationary satellite in the 3 bands.
- ii) To what round-trip signal propagation times do this range corresponds ?
- (Assuming signal propagation with velocity of light) 3 + 3
8. a) What is GPS stands for ? Discuss all the segments of GPS system. 1 + 6
- b) Discuss working of GPS. 8
9. Write short notes on any *three* of the following : 3 × 5
- a) Effect of rain on satellite communication
- b) Satellite launching systems
- c) VSAT
- d) Orbital effects in communication systems performance.

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