



M.E DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: JUNE 2018

(Regulation 2015)

Second Semester

COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

P15COTE26 : Cognitive Radio

COURSE OUTCOMES

CO1: Appreciate the motivation and the necessity for cognitive radio communication.

CO2: Demonstrate Software Defined Radio techniques.

CO3: Demonstrate the impact of the evolved solutions in future wireless network design.

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the Questions:-

PART A (10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

1. Assertion (A): In digital communication systems, the metric of reliability for a given transmission is commonly referred to as the bit error rate (BER) or probability of bit error, which is measured at the receiver output CO1 [K₄]
Reason (R): Several data transmission applications require a minimum data rate, where the amount of information transferred from information source to information sink must be achieved within a specific time duration
- a) Both A and R are Individually true and R is the correct explanation of A b) Both A and R are Individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
c) A is true but R is false d) A is false but R is true
2. SDR is based on which of the following principles CO1 [K₁]
- a) Dynamic Spectrum Cost b) Dynamic Spectrum Auction
c) Dynamic Spectrum Access d) Dynamic Spectrum Overflow
3. Gaps in the bandwidth with respect to utilization is termed as, CO1 [K₂]
- a) Spectrum Gaps b) Spectrum Limited Access
c) Spectrum Holes d) Spectrum Diversity

4. Match List I with List II

CO1 [K₄]

List I	List II
A. SDR	i. PDR
B. Broadband DSP	ii. FPGA, SoC, GPPS & DSP
C. Noise reduction	iii. Simplex, Complex & Q Connected
D. Function call parameters	iv. Heterodyne & Super Heterodyne

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| a) | ii | i | iv | iii |
| b) | iii | iv | ii | i |
| c) | ii | iv | iii | i |
| d) | iii | i | ii | Iv |

5. Assertion (A): In a heterodyne system, mixer is driven by an LO whose frequency determines the channel selection CO2 [K₃]

Reason (R): Phase noise is considered to be an important characteristic of an LO

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6. The processing model core for decision making and trigger events in Cognitive Radio environments is called, CO2 [K₂]

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| a) Spectrum Manager | b) Spectrum Data Logger |
| c) Spectrum Allocator | d) Spectrum Data Core |

7. Allocation of band to a secondary user is done through Spectrum _____ and vacating the band when needed is Spectrum _____ CO2 [K₂]

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| a) Mobility, Access | b) Sensing, Management |
| c) Sensing, Mobility | d) Access, Vacating |

8. The stages of a Cognition Cycle for PnP devices are ordered as follows; CO2 [K₃]

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| a) Observe, Decide, Act, Learn | b) Observe, Act, Learn, Decide |
| c) Observe, Decide, Learn, Act | d) Observe, Learn, Decide, Act |

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| 9. | Which IEEE standard determines the features of a Cognitive Radio? | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| | a) IEEE 802.11 | | |
| | b) IEEE 802.5 | | |
| | c) IEEE 802.22 | | |
| | d) IEEE 802.10 | | |
| 10. | Which is a proper sequence for a DSP receiver? | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| | a) AGC, BPF, LNA, ADC | | |
| | b) ADC, BPF, AGC, LNA | | |
| | c) BPF, LNA, AGC, ADC | | |
| | d) LNA, BPF, AGC, ADC | | |

PART B (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

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| 11. | Compare software architecture with radio architecture | CO1 | [K ₄] |
| 12. | Justify the reason for the following statement; “SDR does not require new architectural infrastructure” | CO1 | [K ₅] |
| 13. | Name the functional components of Cognitive Radio Architecture | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| 14. | What is a spectrum hand off? | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 15. | What is meant by plug and play in the SDR interface? | CO2 | [K ₁] |
| 16. | Interpret the driving requirements in evolution of SDR | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 17. | Classify the sensing mechanism in cognitive radios | CO2 | [K ₄] |
| 18. | Give the relationship between cognitive radio and SDR | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 19. | Categorize the design rules of cognitive radio | CO3 | [K ₄] |
| 20. | Identify the parameters to represent the quality of the particular spectrum band | CO3 | [K ₃] |

PART C (10 x 5 = 50 Marks)

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| 21. | List primary reasons that the military sector might embrace the open architecture SDR | CO1 | [K ₄] |
| 22. | Briefly discuss the importance of any six components to the overall performance of SDR | CO1 | [K ₆] |
| 23. | Express how acoustic based sensors are utilized for cognitive location aware applications | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 24. | Discuss the methods to estimate the position using radio sensing sensors | CO2 | [K ₆] |
| 25. | Compare intelligent radio and policy based radio | CO2 | [K ₅] |
| 26. | Draw the block diagram of SDR | CO2 | [K ₁] |
| 27. | Estimate the parameters that affect the quality of the user application in cross layer spectrum management. | CO3 | [K ₅] |
| 28. | Elaborate the Challenges in spectrum management | CO3 | [K ₆] |
| 29. | Classify the spectrum sensing techniques | CO3 | [K ₄] |
| 30. | Assess the Open research issues for routing in XG networks | CO3 | [K ₅] |

Answer any TWO Questions
PART D (2 x 10 = 20 Marks)

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| 31. | (i) Describe RF front end in SDR architecture. | (5) | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| | (ii) Identify the components of Digital back end in SDR and explain. | (5) | CO1 | [K ₃] |
| 32. | (i) Explain the XG network communication functionalities with an appropriate Diagram. | (5) | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| | (ii) Describe the physical architecture of the cognitive radio. | (5) | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| 33. | (i) Examine how will emerging CR services differentiate products. | (5) | CO2 | [K ₄] |
| | (ii) Analyze the benefits of CR to users on the way to a vision of the future. | (5) | CO2 | [K ₄] |
