



B.E/B.TECH DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: NOV/DEC 2023

(Regulation 2018)

Seventh Semester

ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING

U18ECE0002: Satellite Communication

COURSE OUTCOMES

- CO1:** Discuss orbital mechanics and Launch methodologies
CO2: Describe various space subsystems
CO3: Explain different subsystems of earth segment
CO4: Apply signal processing for satellite communication
CO5: Design and analyze link power budget for satellite
CO6: Describe various Satellite Applications

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the Questions:-

PART A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

(Answer not more than 40 words)

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| 1. State Kepler's third law. | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| 2. Differentiate geostationary and geosynchronous satellite. | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| 3. Define sky noise. | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 4. A satellite downlink at 12 GHz operates with a transmit power of 6W and an antenna gain of 48. 2dB. Calculate the EIRP in dBW. | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| 5. Formulate uplink and downlink equation of a satellite access. | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| 6. Enumerate guard time. | CO4 | [K ₂] |
| 7. Define noise factor. | CO4 | [K ₂] |
| 8. Explain saturation flux density. | CO5 | [K ₂] |
| 9. Give the frequency range of US DBS systems with high power satellites. | CO6 | [K ₂] |
| 10. List out the regions covered by INMARSAT. | CO6 | [K ₂] |

Answer any FIVE Questions: -

PART B (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)

(Answer not more than 400 words)

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| 11. a) Describe in detail the launching procedure of a satellite. | 8 | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| b) Explain the features of typical satellite launch vehicles. | 8 | CO1 | [K ₂] |

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| 12. | a) | Determine the limits of visibility for an earth station situated at mean sea level, at a latitude 48.42° north and longitude 89.26° west. Assume a minimum angle of elevation 5° . | 8 | CO2 | [K ₄] |
| | b) | A satellite is orbiting in the equatorial plane with a period from perigee to perigee of 12 h. Given that the Eccentricity is 0.002. Calculate the semi major axis. The earth's equatorial radius is 6378.1414 km. | 8 | CO2 | [K ₄] |
| 13. | a) | Examine how the attitude and orbit control system (AOCS) is achieved through spin stabilization system? Give necessary diagrams. | 8 | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| | b) | Define and explain the terms roll, pitch and yaw. | 8 | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| 14. | a) | Briefly explain in detail the effects of rain in uplink and downlink in satellite communication. | 8 | CO4 | [K ₄] |
| | b) | What is spread spectrum (SS) technique? Explain any one type of SS techniques. | 8 | CO4 | [K ₄] |
| 15. | | Derive the satellite power budget equation and examine the various interferences that may affect the satellite link performance. | 16 | CO5 | [K ₄] |
| 16. | a) | Describe the mobile services offered by Satellite Systems. | 8 | CO6 | [K ₂] |
| | b) | Explain in details about INTELSAT satellites with respect to basic space craft characteristics and vehicle types. | 8 | CO6 | [K ₂] |
