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# FOURTH SEMESTER (CBCSS-UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022

Common Course for L.R.P. (Language Reduced Pattern)

## A13—DATA COMMUNICATION AND OPTICAL FIBERS

Time: Two Hours and a Half

Maximum: 80 Marks

#### Section A

Answer atleast ten questions.

Each question carries 3 marks.

All questions can be attended.

Overall ceiling 30.

- 1. What are the two types of line configuration?
- 2. What is the difference between information and signal?
- 3. How do a guided media differ from unguided media?
- 4. What is the purpose of guard bands?
- 5. List two applications of multiplexing.
- 6. How is synchronization achieved in GSM?
- 7. What are the mobile services permitted by GSM?
- 8. Why is flow control needed?
- 9. Define the term protocol as it relates to data communication?
- 10. How are LAPB, LARD and LAPM different from each other?
- 11. What is collision?
- 12. What are the advantages of double heterostructure?
- 13. Define Numerical aperture. Obtain an equation for the same.
- 14. Define cut off wavelength.
- 15. What are the conditions to be satisfied for laser action?

 $(10 \times 3 = 30 \text{ marks})$ 

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### Section B

Answer atleast **five** questions.

Each question carries 6 marks.

All questions can be attended.

Overall ceiling 30.

- 16. Discuss the different transmission modes with examples.
- 17. List the steps that take an analog signal to PCM code.
- 18. What are the elements of Radio subsytem in GSM architecture? What are their functions?
- 19. Why and when are different signalling channels needed? What are their differences?
- 20. Describe the types of BSC frames.
- 21. What are the two popular approaches of packet switching?
- 22. What are the different materials used for the manufacture of optical fibers? How are refractive index varied in these materials?
- 23. Explain the working of a PIN photodiode.

 $(5 \times 6 = 30 \text{ marks})$ 

#### Section C

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries 10 marks.

- 24. What are the different types of propagation of radio waves in an unguided media?
- 25. Discuss the three major multiplexing techniques in detail.
- 26. Write a note on different types of LANs.
- 27. Briefly discuss on the different optical sources that are used in optical fiber communications.

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$