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End - Term Examinations – MAY/ JUNE 2025

Date: 03-06-2025

Time: 09:30 am – 12:30 pm

School: SOE	Program: B. Tech ECE	
Course Code: ECE3035	Course Name: Biomedical Signal Processing DEV	
Semester: VI	Max Marks: 100	Weightage: 50%

CO - Levels	CO1	CO2	CO3	CO4	CO5
Marks	24	26	26	24	-

Instructions:

- Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.
- Do not write anything on the question paper other than roll number.

Part A

Answer ALL the Questions. Each question carries 2marks.

10Q x 2M=20M

1.	How is signal envelope extraction helpful in diagnosing neurological disorders from EEG signal?	2 Marks	L2	CO3
2.	How does autoregressive modeling help in signal prediction?	2 Marks	L2	CO4
3.	What causes the P-wave in an ECG signal?	2 Marks	L2	CO1
4.	List any two distinguishing features between EEG and EMG signals.	2 Marks	L1	CO1
5.	Compare the frequency ranges of ECG, EEG, and EMG signals.	2 Marks	L2	CO2
6.	What are the applications of the Envelopogram in biomedical research?	2 Marks	L2	CO3
7.	Explain the need for amplification in the acquisition of bio-signals.	2 Marks	L2	CO2
8.	Explain the use of autocorrelation in analyzing EEG rhythms.	2 Marks	L2	CO4
9.	Why is adaptive filtering preferred in removing motion artifacts?	2 Marks	L2	CO2
10.	Why FFT is very popular in biomedical signal processing applications?	2 Marks	L2	CO3

Part B

Answer the Questions.

Total Marks 80M

11.	a.	During a clinical study, a biomedical engineer faces several obstacles while acquiring blood pressure signals. What are the primary challenges associated with accurate BP signal recording, and in what ways can these issues affect the reliability and precision of the data collected?	10 Marks	L3	C01
Or					
12.	a.	Photoplethysmography (PPG) is commonly used in wearable devices to monitor cardiovascular health. Explain the principle of PPG and explain the challenges faced during PPG signal acquisition, particularly with motion artifacts, and suggest potential solutions to mitigate these issues.	10 Marks	L3	C01
13.	a.	EMG signals are used to monitor muscle activity and diagnose neuromuscular conditions. Describe the origin of EMG signals and explain how they are used to measure muscle activity. Explain the characteristic features of EMG signals and their relevance in diagnosing various muscle and nerve-related disorders.	10 Marks	L3	C01
Or					
14.	a.	Respiration rate is an important physiological parameter used to monitor respiratory health. Explain the origin of respiration signals and explain how respiration rate is measured from bio-signals. Describe the characteristic patterns in respiration signals and explain their significance in diagnosing respiratory conditions.	10 Marks	L3	C01
15.	a.	A signal $x[n] = [1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 2, 1, 0, 1, 3, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3]$ is given in discrete-time form. Use a 4-point moving filtering technique to smooth the signal. Compute the filtered sequence and visualize both the original and the processed signal using a discrete-time plot to demonstrate the noise-smoothing effect.	10 Marks	L3	C02
Or					
16.	a.	You are tasked with designing an appropriate filter to enhance Photoplethysmogram (PPG) signals for biomedical applications. As a biomedical engineer, what key considerations must be addressed during filter design (e.g., noise sources, frequency range, and real-time performance)? Explain a concise methodology for developing and implementing this filter in PPG signal processing.	10 Marks	L3	C02
17.	a.	Mr. Smith is developing a system to improve the quality of bio-signals affected by noise. He is evaluating the use of a Wiener	10 Marks	L3	C02

		filter for this purpose. Describe the working principle of the Wiener filter and explain why it is effective for signal denoising. Also, highlight its practical benefits and potential drawbacks.			
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18.	a.	Mr. David is developing a signal processing solution aimed at analyzing signals with minor but continuous changes. To ensure optimal filtering, he must select the most appropriate time-domain filtering technique. Which filtering method would best suit this application? Provide justification for your choice and explain how well it maintains the essential features of the original signal.	10 Marks	L3	CO2
19.	a.	In the process of collecting bio-signals from patients of different genders, what challenges arise due to biological and physiological differences? Explain in brief the process followed for data collection of human subjects.	20 Marks	L4	CO3
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20.	a.	The Pan-Tompkins algorithm is a popular method for detecting QRS complexes in ECG signals, especially in real-time applications. Describe the step-by-step process of the Pan-Tompkins algorithm with the help of a suitable diagram. How does the algorithm ensure reliable detection of QRS complexes even in the presence of noise? Explain potential limitations when dealing with poor-quality signals and suggest possible strategies to overcome them.	20 Marks	L4	CO3
21.	a.	Parametric modeling of biomedical systems is crucial for understanding signal behavior. How do models like Autoregressive (AR), Autocorrelation, and ARMA contribute to accurate prediction and analysis of biomedical signals, and what are their limitations in real-world applications?	20 Marks	L4	CO4
Or					
22.	a.	In biomedical signal processing, different models like Autoregressive (AR), Autoregressive Moving Average (ARMA), and Autocorrelation are used to understand and predict signals such as EEG or ECG. Compare these three models by explaining how they work, how well they predict signals, and where they are used. Explain how each model handles noisy data, changing signals, and complex signal patterns. Give examples and explain the advantages and disadvantages of each model in practical healthcare situations	20 Marks	L4	CO4