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Mid - Term Examinations - March 2026

Date: 13-03-2026

Time: 11.45am to 01.15pm

School: SOE	Program: B. Tech. in ECE		
Course Code: ECE3035	Course Name: Biomedical Signal Processing		
Semester: VI	Max Marks: 50	Weightage: 25%	

CO - Levels	C01	C02	C03	C04	C05
Marks	26	24			

Instructions:

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

Part A

Answer ALL the Questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

5Q x 2M=10M

1	Explain the purpose of the Wilson Central Terminal (WCT) in a 12-lead ECG system.	2 Marks	L2	C02
2	Name two sources of noise commonly encountered in EEG signal acquisition and briefly explain how each can affect the recording.	2 Marks	L1	C02
3	List the typical amplitude and frequency ranges for a diagnostic-quality Electrooculogram (EOG) signal.	2 Marks	L1	C01
4	Explain why biomedical signals are classified as "power signals" rather than "energy signals" in signal processing terms.	2 Marks	L2	C01
5	Describe the term "causality" in the context of recorded physiological signals. Why are all recorded biosignals considered causal?	2 Marks	L2	C01

Part B

Answer the Questions.

Total Marks 40M

6.	a.	<p>A 5-second epoch of an EEG signal from an occipital (back of the head) electrode, recorded from a relaxed subject with eyes closed, is analyzed. The calculated power spectral density (PSD) shows the following average power in four standard frequency bands:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Delta(δ) : 1 – 4 Hz \rightarrow 25 μV^2 Theta(θ) : 4 – 8 Hz \rightarrow 30 μV^2 Alpha(α) : 8 – 13 Hz \rightarrow 80 μV^2 Beta(β) : 13 – 30 Hz \rightarrow 25 μV^2</p> <p>Calculate:</p> <p>i) The Total Power (P_{total}) in the 1–30 Hz range. ii) The Relative Power for each band (as a percentage of the total power). iii) Based on the relative power distribution, identify the dominant rhythm observed. What common physiological state does this pattern suggest?</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO2
	b.	<p>A surface EMG signal is recorded from the biceps muscle during a controlled arm flexion exercise. The recorded raw signal (in mV) over 10 samples (sampling frequency = 2 KHz) is:</p> <p>Raw EMG Data:</p> $x[n] = [0.02, -0.05, 0.03, -0.70, 1.50, -1.30, 0.85, -0.40, 0.10, -0.01] \text{ mV}$ <p>i) Calculate the rectified EMG signal $y[n] = x[n]$. ii) Apply a 3-point moving average filter to the rectified signal to obtain the envelope $z[n]$. The moving average is defined as:</p> $z[n] = (y[n-1] + y[n] + y[n+1])/3$ <p>iii) If the muscle activation threshold is set at 0.45 mV in the envelope domain, determine at which sample number the muscle activation begins.</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO2
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7.	a.	<p>A patient is monitored using an invasive arterial catheter. The pressure transducer outputs a voltage signal calibrated such that 1 mV = 10 mmHg. The recorded signal for one cardiac cycle is shown below (in mV):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time t_1: Signal = 1.5 mV, Time t_2: Signal = 13.0 mV, Time t_3: Signal = 6.5 mV <p>Given that t_1 corresponds to the end of diastole, t_2 corresponds to the systolic peak, and t_3 corresponds to the dicrotic notch.</p> <p>Calculate:</p> <p>i) The patient's Systolic Blood Pressure (SBP) in mmHg.</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO2

		<p>ii) The patient's Diastolic Blood Pressure (DBP) in mmHg.</p> <p>iii) The Pulse Pressure (PP).</p> <p>iv) The Mean Arterial Pressure (MAP) using the standard approximation formula.</p>			
	b.	<p>In a 12-lead ECG, the net QRS voltages measured in Lead I and Lead aVF are +10 mm and +8 mm, respectively.</p> <p>Calculate:</p> <p>i) The mean electrical QRS axis (in degrees) using the quadrant method.</p> <p>ii) Categorize the calculated axis as Normal, Left Axis Deviation, Right Axis Deviation, or Extreme Axis Deviation.</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO2

8.	a.	<p>In a 12-lead ECG setup, the following instantaneous potentials (in mV) are measured at the electrodes:</p> $R_A = +0.2 \text{ mV}$ $L_A = +0.4 \text{ mV}$ $L_L = +0.9 \text{ mV}$ $R_L = 0.0 \text{ mV (ground)}$ <p>Chest electrodes:</p> $V_1 = +0.3 \text{ mV}$ $V_2 = +0.5 \text{ mV}$ $V_3 = +0.7 \text{ mV}$ $V_4 = +0.8 \text{ mV}$ $V_5 = +0.9 \text{ mV}$ $V_6 = +0.6 \text{ mV}$ <p>i) Calculate the three bipolar limb leads: Lead I, Lead II, Lead III. ii) Compute the Wilson Central Terminal (WCT) voltage. iii) Determine the three augmented limb leads: aVR, aVL, aVF. iv) Calculate the six precordial (chest) leads: $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4, V_5, V_6$. v) Verify Einthoven's Law using your calculated values.</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO1
	b.	<p>A healthy human neuron at rest has the following ionic concentrations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intracellular Potassium ion concentration, $[K^+]_i = 140 \text{ mM}$ Extracellular Potassium ion concentration, $[K^+]_o = 3.5 \text{ mM}$ <p>The universal gas constant,</p> $R = 8.314 \text{ J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ <p>The Faraday constant,</p> $F = 96,485 \text{ C} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ <p>Normal human body temperature, $T = 37^\circ\text{C}$</p> <p>Calculate:</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO1

		<p>i) The Nernst Potential for Potassium ions (E_K) for this neuron at body temperature.</p> <p>ii) If during a metabolic disturbance, the extracellular K^+ concentration rises to 8 mM, what will be the new E_K? Comment on what this change means for the cell's excitability.</p>			
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9.	a.	<p>During a routine clinical examination, a patient's 12-lead electrocardiogram (ECG) is recorded. The tracing clearly shows a series of regular, well-defined QRS complexes. By measuring the time between two consecutive R-peaks — known as the R-R interval — the cardiac cycle length is determined to be 0.85 seconds.</p> <p>i) Calculate the patient's heart rate in beats per minute (BPM) using the standard physiological formula.</p> <p>ii) Explain the physiological significance of the R-R interval and the relationship between cycle length and heart rate.</p> <p>iii) Interpret the calculated heart rate with reference to the normal adult resting range and briefly discuss one clinical condition that could result in a similar heart rate.</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO1
	b.	<p>In a 12-lead ECG setup, the following instantaneous potentials (in mV) are measured at the electrodes:</p> $R_A = +0.3 \text{ mV}, L_A = +0.7 \text{ mV}, L_L = +1.2 \text{ mV}, R_L = 0.0 \text{ mV (ground)}$ <p>Chest electrodes:</p> $V_1 = +0.4 \text{ mV}, V_2 = +0.6 \text{ mV}, V_3 = +0.8 \text{ mV}, V_4 = +1.0 \text{ mV}, V_5 = +1.1 \text{ mV}, V_6 = +0.9 \text{ mV}$ <p>i) Calculate the three bipolar limb leads: Lead I, Lead II, Lead III.</p> <p>ii) Compute the Wilson Central Terminal (WCT) voltage.</p> <p>iii) Determine the three augmented limb leads: aVR, aVL, aVF.</p> <p>iv) Calculate the six precordial (chest) leads: $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4, V_5, V_6$.</p> <p>v) Verify Einthoven's Law using your calculated values.</p>	10 Marks	L3	CO1