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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
YEAR THREE SEMESTER ONE EXAMINATIONS**

**FOR THE DEGREE IN
(INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)**

COURSE CODE : BIT311

**COURSE TITLE : WIRELESS AND MOBILE
COMPUTING**

DATE : 9/12/2019

TIME:

8.00 AM-10.00AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTIONS ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO.

QUESTION ONE [30 MARKS] – (COMPULSORY)

- a) Define the following terms [4 marks]
- i) Mobile computing
 - ii) Wireless communication
 - iii) Pervasive computing
 - iv) Cellular network
- b) Explain any three challenges of mobile computing [6 marks]
- c) What is the principle of frequency reuse in context of cellular networks? List the ways of increasing the capacity of a cellular system? [4 marks]
- d) Describe are HLR and VLR? [4 marks]
- e) State any three wireless standards [3 Marks]
- f) Explain the function of Dynamic Host Control Protocol [4 marks]
- g) Explain the reason why in cellular networks the cell is a hexagonal shape [5 Marks]

QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- a) Define handoff and explain four types of handoff [9 marks]
- b) State five reason why handoff occurs in cellular networks [5 Marks]
- c) Identify six functions of base station controller [6 Marks]

QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- a) Differentiate between cellular IP and Mobile IP [5 marks]
- b) Define GSM and state any three features of GSM [5 marks]
- c) State and explain the different cell sizes in GSM network [10 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]

- a) State four components of GSM architecture [4 marks]
- b) Define synchronous transmission [2 marks]
- c) State and four applications of mobile computing [4 marks]
- d) Define duplexing and state and explain three approaches used [10 marks]

QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]

- a) Discuss any three levels of location management [9 marks]
- b) Describe the communication process steps in a cellular networks [11 Marks]