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UNIT 2

Mobile Networks

1. Cellular Network Concepts

- 1. What is a cellular network?
- 2. Explain the concept of frequency reuse in cellular networks.
- 3. What are the primary benefits of using cellular networks over traditional wired networks?
- 4. Define the term "cell" in the context of cellular networks.
- 5. How do base stations facilitate communication in cellular networks?

2. Frequency and Interface in Cells

- 6. What is the role of frequency allocation in cellular networks?
- 7. Explain the concept of handover in cellular networks.
- 8. Describe how frequency hopping is used in cellular systems.
- 9. What challenges are associated with frequency management in cellular networks?
- 10. How does the concept of cell splitting enhance network capacity?

3. Access Channels

- 11. What are access channels in a cellular network?
- 12. Differentiate between random access channels and dedicated access channels.
- 13. How does the Mobile Station (MS) initiate a call using access channels?
- 14. What role do control channels play in cellular networks?
- 15. Explain the significance of access channel capacity in cellular communication.

4. Mobile Network Architecture

- 16. What are the key components of mobile network architecture?
- 17. Describe the function of the Mobile Station (MS) in a cellular network.
- 18. How do Base Station Subsystems (BSS) contribute to network performance?
- 19. What is the role of the Network Switching Subsystem (NSS) in mobile networks?
- 20. Explain the importance of a hierarchical structure in mobile network architecture.

5. Mobile Station

- 21. Define the term Mobile Station (MS) in the context of cellular networks.
- 22. What components make up a typical Mobile Station?
- 23. How does a Mobile Station communicate with the Base Station?
- 24. What is the significance of the Subscriber Identity Module (SIM) in a Mobile Station?
- 25. Discuss the power management features in a Mobile Station.

6. Base Station Subsystems (BSS)

- 26. What are the main components of a Base Station Subsystem (BSS)?
- 27. Describe the function of the Base Transceiver Station (BTS).
- 28. What is the role of the Base Station Controller (BSC) in the BSS?
- 29. How does the BSS manage handovers between cells?
- 30. Explain the concept of signal processing in the Base Station Subsystem.

7. Network Switching Subsystems (NSS)

- 31. What is the function of the Network Switching Subsystem (NSS)?
- 32. How does the NSS manage call routing in a cellular network?
- 33. Discuss the role of the Mobile Switching Center (MSC) in the NSS.
- 34. What are the main functions of a Visitor Location Register (VLR)?
- 35. Explain how the NSS interacts with other components of the mobile network.

8. Mobile Network Protocol Stacks

- 36. What is a mobile network protocol stack?
- 37. List the layers in a typical mobile network protocol stack.
- 38. Explain the role of the physical layer in mobile network communication.
- 39. What protocols are commonly used in the data link layer of mobile networks?
- 40. Discuss the significance of the transport layer in mobile communication.

9. Core Networks

- 41. What is the role of core networks in mobile communications?
- 42. Describe the components of a core network in a cellular system.
- 43. How do core networks manage data traffic in mobile networks?
- 44. What is the significance of gateways in core networks?
- 45. Explain the challenges faced by core networks in modern mobile communications.

10. Additional Topics

- 46. What is the impact of cellular technology on mobile data services?
- 47. How do 4G and 5G technologies differ from earlier generations?
- 48. What are some common applications of cellular networks?
- 49. Explain how cellular networks support emergency communication services.
- 50. Discuss the future trends in cellular network technology.