ITS 323 –	QUIZ 2	(CS)	ANSWERS
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Question 1 [1 mark]

a) What is the bandwidth of the signal shown in the figure below?



Answer: 65 Hz

b) How long does it take to send out a single character (8 bits), if the device sending rate is 1000 b/s?

Answer: 8 ms

Question 2 [3 marks]

Encoding scheme *A* maps the following signal levels into sequences of bits:

Signal Level (volts)	Bit sequence
+7	000
+5	001
+3	010
+1	011
-1	100
-3	101
-5	110
-7	111

a) For the encoding scheme *A*, what is the maximum data rate that can be achieved in a 1MHz noise-free channel?

Answer:	
Nyquist: C	$= 2B \log (M)$
	$= 2 \times 1 MHz \log (8)$
	= 6Mb/s

b) If a second encoding scheme *B* mapped a signal level to a sequence of 5 bits, how many signal levels would be needed?

Answer: 32	
c) What is an advantage of encoding scheme A, compared to encoding scheme B?	

Answer: Less chance of errors

Question 3 [2.5 marks]

Consider a channel with a 1MHz bandwidth and an SNR of 63.

- a) What is the upper limit to the data rate that the channel can carry?
- b) The result of part (a) is the upper limit. However, as a practical matter, better error performance will be achieved at a lower data rate. Assume we choose a data rate of 2/3 the maximum theoretical limit. How many signal levels are needed to achieve this data rate?

Answer: a. Shannon: $C = B \log (1 + SNR)$ $= 1MHz \log (64)$ = 6Mb/sb. Nyquist: $C = 2B \log (M)$ We know $C = 2/3 \times 6Mb/s = 4Mb/s$, therefore we can find M: $2/3 \cdot 6Mb/s = 2B \log (M)$ $2x10^6 = B \log (M)$ Log M = 2M = 4

Question 4 [2 marks]

True or false (select the most appropriate answer):

a) The best method for encoding digital data onto a digital signal is to map 1's to a high voltage and map 0's to a low voltage.

b) According to the free space loss equation, an increase in transmit antenna gain will increase the amount of power lost between transmitter and receiver.

T / F

c) Providing higher quality shielding on copper cables (e.g. Shielded Twisted Pair, as opposed to Unshielded Twister Pair) increases the data rate and cost of the cable.

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d) Satellite microwave transmission has a much larger delay than terrestrial microwave transmission because of the data rate on satellite links is typically less than terrestrial microwave.

T / F

Answers:		
F; F; T; F		