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EIT 2207: MULTIMEDIA SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
SERIES: FEBRUARY 2013
TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

Question One (Compulsory)

- a) Define a Multimedia System. **(2 marks)**
- b) List the core components of a multimedia system. **(4 marks)**
- c) Explain how a codec functions. **(3 marks)**
- d) State the roles played by each of the following professionals in multimedia production team. **(8 marks)**
 - (i) Multimedia designer
 - (ii) Scriptwriter
 - (iii) Webmaster
 - (iv) Graphic Designer
- e) Explain the meaning of the following terms as used in multimedia technologies. **(3 marks)**

Question Two

- a) Explain the stages in a multimedia production. **(10 marks)**
- b) List the Advantages and Disadvantages of Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI) **(10 marks)**

Question Three

- a) Characterize HDTV, SDTV and ITV. **(9 marks)**
- b) Explain any **FOUR** prerequisites that should be present if a multimedia based application is to capture the full attention of the market. **(8 marks)**
- c) State **THREE** advantages of multimedia technologies. **(3 marks)**

Question Four

- a) Explain **THREE** issues in networked multimedia. **(6 marks)**
- b) Explain how data rate affects audio and video in relation to compressed and uncompressed data. **(8 marks)**
- c) Explain the following propagation techniques:
 - (i) Multicast
 - (ii) Unicast
 - (iii) Broadcast**(6 marks)**

Question Five

- a) Explain the following properties of Text **(8 marks)**
 - (i) Leaching
 - (ii) Kerning
 - (iii) Dithering
 - (iv) Tracking
- b) (i) Differentiate between Lossy and Lossless compression. **(4 marks)**

(ii) Explain any **TWO** techniques for audio compression for each of the above two compression methods. **(8 marks)**