

La Trobe University  
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ELE2EMI 2007  
Assignment 4  
Due: 2 pm, Monday 22 October 2007

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### Question 1. (General Purpose Interface Bus)

- (1) *State* three (3) **advantages** of **automated test equipment** (ATE).
- (2) *Name* the four (4) **types** of **devices** in the **general purpose interface bus** (GPIB).
- (3) A **minimal** GPIB system consists of which two (2) **types** of **devices**?
- (4) *What* are the three (3) **functions** of a GPIB **controller**?
- (5) *Give* the two (2) GPIB **data rates**, in kilobytes per second.

### Question 2. (Noise)

- (1) *How* does **pink** noise *differ* from **white** noise?
- (2) *Define* **thermal noise**.
- (3) *Calculate* the **effective thermal noise bandwidth**  $\Delta f$  of a 16 k $\Omega$  resistor with 4V RMS across its terminals at a temperature of 300 K. (*Hints:*  $P=4kT\Delta f$  and  $V_{\text{RMS}}^2=PR$  and Boltzmann's constant  $k$  is given in the first chapter of the lecture notes.)
- (4) **Electrically coupled** interference voltage increases with what four (4) quantities?
- (5) *What causes* **shot** noise?

### Question 3. (Grounding)

- (1) *State* the international standard **colors** for the three (3) lines in an AC power cord.
- (2) *What is* **leakage current**?
- (3) *Name* two (2) likely effects on a *human* of a current in *excess* of 6A passing through the body.
- (4) *What is* a **ground loop**?
- (5) *Give* a possible *solution* to **crosstalk**.

### Question 4. (Noise Measures, Shielding and Filtering)

- (1) *Define* the **signal-to-noise ratio** (S/N).
- (2) *Name* two (2) properties of **real amplifiers** that give rise to **distortion**.
- (3) *What is* **hiss** noise?
- (4) *What* might you use to *eliminate* the interference caused by the 50 Hz *hum* from the mains power?
- (5) If an **electric shield** has an opening in the shape of a *cylinder* with a *circumference*  $2\pi r = 16$  cm and a *sleeve* of length  $L = 80$  cm, then what is the **attenuation** (in dB) of an interference waveform of *wavelength*  $\lambda = 10$  cm that enters that opening? (*Hint:* for this geometry, the attenuation =  $4.5(L/\lambda_c) \sqrt{1 - (\lambda_c/\lambda)^2}$  dB, where  $\lambda_c = \pi r$ .)

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