Course Unit Description - (REPUT)

(Public Telecommunications Networks)

(Mestrado em Engenharia Electrotécnica e de Computadores)

Academic year: 2009/2010



Subject group: Electrónica e Telecomunicações				
	Semestral	Compulsory		
Mode of study	Diurno	Hours/Week T-Teórica	2	
Year	2 ⁰	PL-Prática-Laboratorial	2	
Semester	1 ⁰	OT-Orientação Tutorial	1	

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Objectives

This course provides an understanding of systems and technologies used in the public telecommunication networks. After the course students shall be able to understand, plan and select the most appropriate technologies for a real application scenario.

Course Contents

Introduction	
- The public switched telephone network (PSTN)	
- Network and Services	
- Functional architecture of network	
Transmission technologies	
- Temporal Multiplexing Hierarchies	
Signaling systems	
- V5 and SS7 systems	
Marks of technological evolution	
- ISDN	
- Frame Relay	
Core Technologies	
- ATM	
- MPLS	
Digital de Access Network	
- xDSL	
- Cable systems	
Mobile networks	
- GSM	
- GPRS	
- UMTS	
- WiMax	
Services	
- VoIP	
- IPTV	

Recommended reading

Digital Telephony, John Bellamy, Willey Series in Telecommunications, 2000 ATM for Public Networks, Ronald Davis, McGraw-Hill Telecommunications, 1999 Modern Cable Television Technology, 2nd Edition, W. Ciciora, J. Farmer, D. Large, M. Adams, Morgan Kaufmann, 2004 Implementation and Application of DSL Technology, P. Golden et al., Auerbach Publications, 2008 Mobile Communications, 2nd Ed, Jochen Schiller, Addison Wesley, 2003 GSM Architecture, Protocols and Services, J. Eberspacher et al., John Wiley & Sons, 2009 UMTS Networks and Beyond, Cornellia Kappler, John Wiley & Sons, 2009 Fundamentals of WiMAX, J. Andrews et al., Prentice Hall, 2007 Voice-Enabling the Data Network: H.323, MGCP, SIP, QoS, SLAs and Security, James F. Durkin, Cisco Press, 2003.

Teaching Methods

Lectures are of 3 types: theoretical, exercises and laboratorial.

The theoretical lectures consist on the oral presentation and discussion of the subjects.

In the exercise lectures several problems are presented that students shall solve.

In the laboratorial lectures students develop two types of work. The former is a research work about technological themes, and the latter consists in a small project of implementation and configuration of a specific telecommunications scenario.

Assessment methods

The assessment is achieved in two different instants, parts A and B, named PA and PB assessment components, respectively. Part A is a midterm assessment and part B is realized at the course term. The grades of Px (PA and PB) components result from the assessments obtain in an exam (PE), lab reports (LR) and oral presentation and discussion (PD) of the work solutions of each student: Px = PE.72% + LR.12% + PD.16%

The grade of the final assessment (FA) is achieved by FA = PA.45% + PB.55%

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