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#### **VI Semester**

**CBM 370 - Wearable Devices** 

## Unit-3 (A) WIRELESS HEALTH SYSTEMS

## 2 Marks Questions and Answers

#### 1. Outline the primary need for wireless monitoring in healthcare settings. K1

- Remote Patient Monitoring
- Real-time Data Transmission
- Reduced Hospital Visits and Costs
- Better Emergency Response

#### 2. Define the term "Body Area Network" (BAN).

- A Body Area Network (BAN) is a wireless network of wearable or implanted sensors and devices that monitor and transmit physiological data from a person's body.
- It enables continuous health monitoring by collecting real-time data such as heart rate, blood pressure, temperature, and movement, which can be transmitted to healthcare providers for analysis and intervention.

## 3. Why is wireless monitoring important in healthcare?

Wireless monitoring is important in healthcare because it enables **real-time tracking** of patient health, **early detection** of medical conditions, and **remote patient monitoring**, reducing hospital visits and improving overall care. It enhances **mobility**, allowing patients to move freely while still being monitored, and supports **faster emergency response** by alerting healthcare providers to critical changes.

**K2** 

#### 4. List two advantages of BAN in healthcare applications.

**K1** 

- Continuous Health Monitoring BAN enables real-time tracking of vital signs, allowing early detection of medical issues and timely intervention.
- Enhanced Patient Mobility Patients can move freely without being confined to hospital beds while still being monitored wirelessly.

# 5. What is the primary advantage of using a BAN over traditional wired K1 monitoring systems in healthcare?

The primary advantage of using a **Body Area Network (BAN)** over traditional wired monitoring systems in healthcare is **enhanced mobility and comfort** for patients. BAN eliminates the need for bulky wires, allowing continuous health monitoring while enabling patients to move freely, improving their quality of life and reducing hospital stays.

#### 6. What are the components of a Body Area Network?

- Sensors
- Processor (Microcontroller/Node)
- Communication Module
- Power Source
- Gateway Device
- Cloud/Server & Data Storage
- User Interface

#### 7. Mention two examples of devices used in a healthcare BAN. K1

- Wearable ECG Monitor Tracks heart activity and detects irregularities in real time.
- Smart Glucose Monitor Continuously measures blood sugar levels for diabetes management.

## 8. Name any two challenges of implementing BAN in healthcare.

- Data Security and Privacy Risks Protecting sensitive patient data from cyber threats and unauthorized access is a major challenge.
- Limited Battery Life BAN devices rely on small batteries, requiring efficient power management for continuous operation.

## 9. How does wireless monitoring improve patient care?

K2

**K1** 

Wireless monitoring improves patient care by:

- Enabling Real-time Health Tracking Continuously monitors vital signs, allowing early detection of health issues.
- Enhancing Patient Mobility Reduces hospital stays by allowing remote monitoring, improving comfort and quality of life.
- Providing Faster Emergency Response Sends instant alerts to healthcare providers in case of critical health changes.

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