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2G: IS-95, GSM;

3G: IMT-2000

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Ans:

(a) Key Features of IMT-2000 include:

- High degree of commonality of design worldwide;
- Compatibility of services within IMT-2000 and with the fixed networks;
- High quality;
- Small terminal for worldwide use;
- Worldwide roaming capability;
- Capability for multimedia applications, and a wide range of services and terminals.

(b)

- 2 Mbps for fixed environment;
- 384 Kbps for indoor/outdoor and pedestrian environment;
- 144 kbps for vehicular environment.

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Ans: Ground, Sky and Space waves

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Ans:

- Reflection: Propagation wave impinges on an object which is large as compared to wavelength
- Diffraction: Radio path between transmitter and receiver obstructed by surface with sharp irregular edges
- Scattering: Objects smaller than the wavelength of the propagation wave

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Ans:

- (a) Path Loss: The signal strength decays exponentially with distance d between transmitter and receiver; $L_p = \frac{P_t}{P_r}$,
- (b) Slow fading is caused by movement over distances large enough to produce gross variations in the overall path between transmitter and receiver.
- (c) Fast fading is due to scattering of the signal by object near transmitter.
- (d) The same frequency band or channel used in a cell can be “reused” in another cell as long as the cells are far apart and the signal strengths do not interfere with each other.
- (e) the distance between the two cells using the same channel
- (f) the cluster size or the number of cells per cluster
- (g) Handoff occurs only if the new BS is sufficiently stronger (by a margin H) than the current one.