2003 Paper 6 Question 3

Digital Communication I

- (a) Define the term *multiplexing* as applied to communication systems. [4 marks]
- (b) Describe three types of multiplexing, identifying in each case
 - (*i*) mechanisms by which symbols are associated with particular channels;
 - (*ii*) mechanisms by which transmitters are assigned channel resource;
 - (*iii*) characteristics of the multiplexed channels;
 - (iv) applications which are suited to the type of multiplexing. [16 marks]