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- Q1** (a) Discuss the consequences for each of the following networks if one connection line fails:
- (i) Five devices arranged in bus topology
  - (ii) Five devices arranged in star topology
  - (iii) Five devices arranged in ring topology
  - (iv) Five devices arranged in mesh topology
- (8 marks)
- (b) A channel is to be upgraded to a higher capacity. Analyse how the capacity can be improved if:
- (i) the bandwidth is doubled.
  - (ii) the SNR is doubled.
- (4 marks)
- (c) Show the pattern of the NRZ-I encoding scheme using each of the following data streams. Assume that the last preceding signal level was positive.
- (i) 00000000
  - (ii) 11111111
  - (iii) 01010101
  - (iv) 00110011
- (8 marks)
- (d) Explain the following:
- (i) The importance of data fragmentation.
  - (ii) How and where fragmentation occurs.
- (5 marks)

- Q2** (a) Examine which of the following applications are delay-sensitive when you use the Internet:
- (i) Sending an e-mail
  - (ii) Copying a file
  - (iii) Watching a streaming video
- (6 marks)
- (b) A frame of 5 million bits is being sent on a link with 10 routers each having a queuing time of  $2 \mu\text{s}$  and a processing time of  $1 \mu\text{s}$ . The length of the link is 2000 km. The speed of the link is  $2 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$  and the data rate is 5 Mbps.
- (i) Analyse which component of the total delay is dominant.  
(6 marks)
  - (ii) Propose (by showing the related calculation) how to reduce the value of the dominant delay without affecting the performance of the system.  
(4 marks)
- (c) A network of 1 Mbps is sending frames of 1000 bits each. Stations are 600 km apart and the signals propagate at  $3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$ . Determine the vulnerable time of the following networks:
- (i) ALOHA
  - (ii) Slotted ALOHA
  - (iii) CSMA
- (5 marks)
- (d) Assume a channel has a bandwidth of 1 MHz bandwidth and SNR of 18dB. Calculate the appropriate bit rate and the signal level.  
(4 marks)

- Q3** (a) In CRC, the dataword (the original data) is 5 bits and the codeword (the data being transmitted) is 8 bits. Determine:
- (i) the number of 0s to be added to the dataword to make the dividend.
  - (ii) the size of the remainder.
  - (iii) the size of the divisor.
- (5 marks)
- (b) An audio-visual real-time application uses packet switching to transmit 32 kbps speech and 64 kbps video over the network connection as shown in **Figure Q3 (b)**. Two choices of packet length are being considered: In option 1 a packet contains 10 ms of each speech and audio information; in option 2 a packet contains 100 ms of each speech and audio information. Each packet has a 40-byte header.
- (i) Calculate the percentage of overhead for each option.  
(4 marks)
  - (ii) Analyse all the delay components for both choices of packet length. Assume that the signal propagates at a speed of 1 km / 5  $\mu$ s.  
(8 marks)
  - (iii) Evaluate your finding in (ii).  
(2 marks)
- (c) In the Internet, with regards to the packets at the transport layer, explain:
- (i) Why some packets may be lost.
  - (ii) Why some packets may be duplicated.
  - (iii) Why some packets may be received out of order.
- (6 marks)

- Q4** (a) Explain the consequences of replacing bridges with routers in LAN. (4 marks)
- (b) The following are estimates of the population of major regions of the world: Africa 900 million; South America 500 million; North America 400 million; East Asia 1500 million; South and Central Asia 2200 million; Russia 200 million; Europe 500 million. Suppose each region is to be assigned 100 IP addresses per person. Determine if this is possible. If not, what are the options? (5 marks)
- (c) Suppose a router receives an IP packet containing 600 data bytes and has to forward the packet to a network with maximum transmission unit of 200 bytes. Assume that IP header is 20 bytes long. The data length of each fragment must be a multiple of eight bytes. Show all the fragments that the router creates. (5 marks)
- (d) When one end station, *A* needs to be connected to another end station, *B*, three phases are involved, which are the setup, data-transfer, and disconnection. End-to-end addressing is important in certain switching phases. Explain why:
- (i) A circuit-switched network needs end-to-end addressing during the setup and disconnection phases.
  - (ii) A datagram network needs end-to-end addressing during the data-transfer phase.
  - (iii) A virtual-circuit network needs end-to-end addressing during all three phases.
- (6 marks)
- (e) Find the error, if any, in the following IPv4 addresses:
- (i) 111.56.045.78
  - (ii) 221.34.7.8.20
  - (iii) 75.45.301.14
  - (iv) 11100010.23.14.67
  - (v) 12.74.16.18
- (5 marks)

- Q5** (a) Consider the network in **Figure Q5 (a)**.
- (i) Use the Bellman-Ford algorithm to produce the set of shortest paths from all nodes to destination node.
  - (ii) Now suppose the link between node 2 and 4 breaks down. Produce the new routing table using the same algorithm.
  - (iii) Evaluate the performance of the network before and after the link between node 2 and 4 breaks down.
- (9 marks)
- (b) Assume a system is using a five-layer protocol. If the application layer (i.e the top layer) sends a message of 150 bytes and each layer (including the top and bottom layer) adds a header of 20 bytes to the data unit, calculate the percentage of overhead of the transmitting system before being passed to the receiving end.
- (5 marks)
- (c) In a certain data-link layer protocol, the first frame is sent and acknowledged. The second frame is sent, but lost. After time-out, it is resent. The third frame is sent and acknowledged, but the acknowledgement is lost. The frame is resent.
- (i) Draw the timeline diagram of this protocol.
  - (ii) Identify the problem of the protocol.
  - (iii) Explain how the problem can be solved.
- (5 marks)
- (d) An organization is granted the block 211.17.180.0/24. The administrator wants to create 32 subnets. Find:
- (i) the subnet mask.
  - (ii) the number of addresses in each subnet.
  - (iii) the first and last valid addresses in subnet 32.
- (6 marks)

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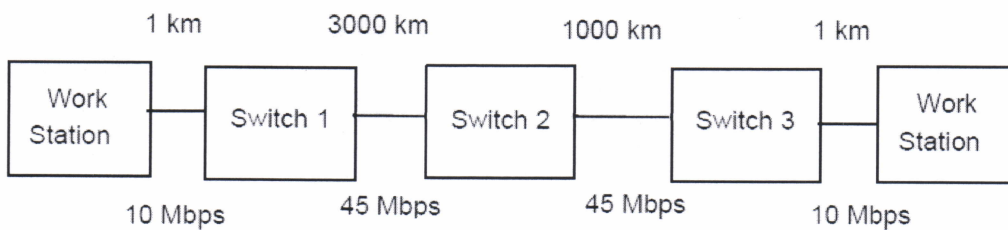


Figure Q3 (b)

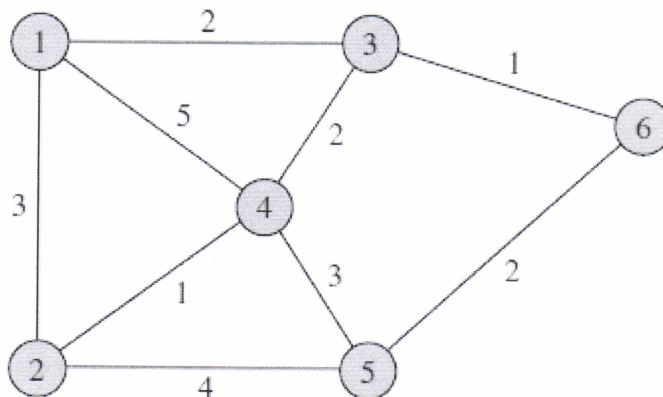


Figure Q5 (a)