

First Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, February 2013

Computer Networks

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

- 1 a. What are the factors to be considered to measure the performance of a network? Explain. (10 Marks)
- b. Suppose a 128 Kbps point-to-point link is set up between Earth and a rover on Mars. The distance from Earth to Mars is approximately 55 Gm and data travels over the link at the speed of light 3×10^8 m/sec.
 - i) Calculate the minimum RTT for the link.
 - ii) Calculate the delay \times bandwidth product for the link.
 - iii) A camera on the rover takes pictures of its surroundings and sends these to earth. How quickly after a picture is taken can it reach mission control on earth? Assume that each image is 5 MB in size. (10 Marks)
- 2 a. Explain the high level data link control protocol with the frame format. (06 Marks)
- b. Explain the stop and wait protocol. (06 Marks)
- c. Explain in detail the working of 802.5 token ring. (08 Marks)
- 3 a. Explain virtual circuit switching with an example. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the ATM adaption layer 3/4 along with the packet format. (10 Marks)
- 4 a. What is the need for DHCP? Explain the working of DHCP. (08 Marks)
- b. For the network given below give global distance vector tables when:
 - i) Each node knows only the distances to its immediate neighbors.
 - ii) Each node has reported the information it had in the preceding step to its immediate neighbors.
 - iii) Step (ii) happens a second time.

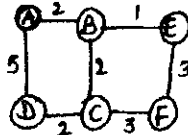


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- c. Explain the IPV4 header format. (06 Marks)
- 5 a. Explain the connection establishment phase in TCP. (06 Marks)
- b. What is Silly window syndrome? Explain Nagle's algorithm to handle Silly window syndrome. (08 Marks)
- c. Explain RPC mechanism with a diagram. (06 Marks)
- 6 a. List the methods used by TCP to handle congestion in TCP. Explain any one method in detail. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the three dimensions along which resource allocation mechanisms can be characterized. (06 Marks)
- c. Explain how fair queuing method is used to buffer packets in a network. (04 Marks)
- 7 a. Explain the different types of HTTP messages. (06 Marks)
- b. Explain with an example how names are translated into addresses by DNS. (06 Marks)
- c. Explain the working of simple mail transfer protocol. (08 Marks)
- 8 Write short notes on: a) User datagram protocol, b) Ethernet. (20 Marks)

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