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[Time: 3 Hours]

[Total Marks: 100]

Note: Attempt *ALL* questions. Assume suitable data, if required. All question carry equal marks.

1. Attempt any *five* parts of the following: - **(4x5=20)**

- (a) What are two reasons for using layered protocols?
- (b) Television channels are 6 MHz wide. How many bits/sec can be sent if four-level digital signals are used? Assume a noiseless channel.
- (c) What is the essential difference between message switching and packet switching?
- (d) A cable TV system has 100 commercial channels, all of them alternating programs with advertising. Is this more like TDM or like FDM? Justify your answer?
- (e) Enumerate the difference between distributed and client-server based system ?
- (f) Why do we need to modulate a data signal?
- (g) What is the main difference between TCP and UDP?

2. Attempt any *two* parts of the following: - **(10x2=20)**

- (a) A bit stream 10011101 is transmitted using the standard CRC method. The generator polynomial is $x^3 + 1$. Show the actual bit string transmitted. Suppose the third bit from the left is inverted during transmission. Show that this error is detected at the receiver's end.
- (b) Compare and Contrast CSMA/CD with CSMA/CA
- (c) Consider the delay of pure ALOHA versus slotted ALOHA at low load. Which one is less? Explain your answer.

3. Attempt any *two* parts of the following: - **(10x2=20)**

- (a) A computer on a 6-Mbps network is regulated by a token bucket. The token bucket is filled at a rate of 1 Mbps. It is initially filled to capacity with 8 megabits. How long can the computer transmit at the full 6 Mbps?
- (b) Explain Link State routing with the help of an example?
- (c) A network on the Internet has a subnet mask of 255:255:240:0. What is the maximum number of hosts it can handle?

4. Attempt any *two* parts of the following: - (10x2=20)

- (a) Describe Nagle's and Clark's algorithm in transport layer. Give a potential disadvantage when Nagle's algorithm is used on a badly-congested network.
- (b) Explain the difference in TCP and UDP? Draw & explain their frame formats as well.
- (c) Explain TCP window congestion control. If TCP can identify a packet loss reason due to congestion or error? Explain.

4. Attempt any *two* parts of the following: - (10x2=20)

- (a) Write a brief note on network security.
- (b) Explain the need of a browser in accessing web pages on internet?
- (c) What is the basic difference between POP3 and IMAP?