

$$\frac{N(N-1)}{2}$$

1. In a mesh topology, how many links are required to connect four (4) devices?

B

A 5

B 6

C 4

D 3

4. Which of the following is a valid modulation technique for transmission over an analog channel?

B

A All of the above.

B Amplitude Shift Keying (ASK)

C Manchester

D Non Return to Zero (NRZ)

7. A sender is experiencing one of the following scenarios: (i) a missing frame, (ii) a missing acknowledgement, or (iii) its transmitted frame is received with error. What happens next?

A

A The sender waits for a timeout.

B The receiver timeouts

C The sender retransmits an acknowledgement

D The receiver retransmits an acknowledgement

10. A sender just received an ACK message from a receiver. Which of the following option(s) is true?

C

A The previous message/frame has arrived successfully at the receiver

B The receiver is waiting for the next frame

C All of the above.

D The CRC/FCS of the previous frame is correct

13. Which of the following concept(s) is located at the physical layer?

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A All of the above.

B NRZ-I

C ARP data link

D TCP

2. Which of the following is a reason for dividing the protocol stack into multiple layers?

D

A It helps with the understanding of a complex system

B Option A and B.

C It helps determine the key features/functions of a communication system

D It allows a network to operate over different channels

5. The sequence number in an acknowledgement or ACK packet indicates ...

D

A The previous packet is missing

B The receiver's window size

C The timeout value of the sender

D None of the above.

8. In the TCP/IP protocol stack, which of the following is correct about layer-2?

C

A It uses an identifier or number to identify a receiver

B Option B and C.

C It is responsible for error checking

D It is responsible for routing

11. Why does negative ACK help improve throughput?

C

A There is no reason. It does not help improve throughput

B All of the above.

C A missing packet can be recovered without using a timeout

D The sender can retransmit multiple packets quicker

14. Which modulation method has the highest data rate?

D

A Manchester

B NRZ-I

C 8-QAM

D 64-QAM

1 bit 2 symbol

1 : 1

3 bit 1 symbol

6 bit 1 symbol

3. Which of the following method(s) can be used to synchronize a receiver's clock?

B

A A sender transmits a constant signal

B A sender transmits a waveform with many transitions

C None of the above.

D By transmitting multiple I and Q signals

6. Which of the following is true about full duplex communication?

A

A Both the sender and receiver can transmit simultaneously

B The communication is only one way

C The sender uses a sliding window.

D Both sender and receiver must use TCP

9. When designing a protocol in a communication system, a network engineer aims to meet which of the following characteristics?

D

A The protocol ensures all bits/packets arrive in order

B The protocol ensures all bits/packets arrive on time

C The protocol must deliver data to the correct destination(s)

D All of the above.

12. A sender is using Selective ARQ with a window size of 8. What is the size of the receiver window?

A

A 8.

B 3

C 6

D 2

15. Two users who have never met want to derive/compute a common key. Which protocol/method can they use?

A Hash function

B Diffie-Hellman

C ARP

D Rivest-Shamir-Adleman (RSA)

16. A channel has a capacity of 24 Mbps. Which of the following is true?

- A A 100 Mbyte file will take 33.33 seconds to transmit
- B It can transmit 24 million bits in one second
- C Option A and B.
- D It can only run Manchester encoding

19. Why is it important for a receiver to know the start and end of a bit or symbol?

- A It allows a receiver to detect the encoding method used by a sender
- B It allows the receiver to detect errors
- C None of the above.
- D It allows a receiver to synchronize its clock

22. When accessing a channel, computers need to carry out back-off. Why?

- A To ensure nothing is transmitted
- B To reduce the probability of another collision
- C To ensure they experience another collision
- D To ensure they wait a long time before transmission.

25. Which of the following IP address is wrong?

- A 200.130.1.1 ✓
- B None of the above.
- C 0.0.0.0 ✓
- D 130.130.10.1 ✓

28. Which of the following address blocks allow an engineer to create 1000 subnets?

- A 10.1.20.30/30 X
- B 10.13.1.1/32 X
- C 130.130.1.1/31 X
- D 1.0.0.0/8

1024
2¹⁰

17. Assume the sender is using even parity. Which one of the following bitstring has an error?

- A 10001001
- B 10101000
- C 00110100
- D All of the above.

20. When computing the CRC or FCS, the operation $X^4(X^3+X+1)$ does what?

- A Shifts the bitstring to the right by 4 X
- B Provide space for FCS/CRC or remainder
- C Enables the generator polynomial to detect more errors X
- D Does nothing. It's redundant X

23. Consider the (12,8) Hamming code. Which of the following option(s) is true?

- A It uses AND operation when calculating parity bits
- B There are 2⁸ possible valid codewords
- C Option A and B
- D Valid codewords are 12 bits in length

26. Consider the following notation: 130.130.10.1/18. What does the 18 refer to?

- A The port number of the server
- B None of the above.
- C The number of addresses in the address block
- D The number of subnets

29. The DNS protocol can be used to?

- A All of the above.
- B Obtain an IPv4 address for a host
- C Determine the hostname for an IP address
- D Obtain the name server responsible for a zone

18. After computing the parity of a bitstring, a receiver finds that there is no error. This is not always true. Why?

- A The channel never changes a bitstring
- B A channel may have re-ordered the transmitted bits
- C It could have an error pattern that leads to the correct parity.
- D The sender could have used a different parity calculation

21. A receiver is calculating the CRC of a bitstring using the divisor X^3+X^2+X+1 . For the bitstring X^3+1 , what is its remainder?

- A X^2+X X
- B X^3 X
- C X^3+X^2+X+1 X
- D X^3+1 X

$$\begin{array}{r} X^3(X^2+1) \\ X^5+X^3 \\ \hline X^2+X^2+1 \\ X^5+X^3+X^2+X^2+1 \\ \hline X^5+X^3+X^2+X^2+1 \\ X^5+X^3+X^2+X^2+1 \\ \hline X^2+X^2+X+1 \\ X^2+X^2+X+1 \\ \hline X+1 \end{array}$$

24. Which of the following protocol should be used over a channel with a large propagation delay and low errors to ensure the highest throughput?

- A Go-Back-10
- B Go-Back-20
- C Go-Back-100.
- D Go-Back-1 or Stop-and-Wait

27. Which of the following address blocks has exactly two addresses?

- A 10.13.1.1/32
- B 130.130.1.1/31
- C 1.0.0.0/8.
- D 10.1.20.30/24

30. A TCP sender encounters a timeout. This means ...?

- A Congestion is severe (very bad)
- B Congestion is mild (channel is not 100% full)
- C None of the above.
- D There is no congestion



C 31. Which of the following option(s) is correct about TCP's slow start phase?

- A There is no packet loss during the slow-start phase
- B The congestion window increases much slower than the congestion avoidance phase
- C Each acknowledgment increases the sender's congestion window by one
- D Option A and B.

D 34. Bob has Alice's public key. How does Bob use it to authenticate Alice?

- A Bob asks Alice for her name
- B Bob asks Alice to use the Diffie-Hellman algorithm
- C Bob sends Alice her public key
- D None of the above.

A 37. How does Alice prove to Bob that they know each other?

- A None of the above.
- B By using DNS
- C By proving they know a shared secret
- D By using the Diffie-Hellman algorithm

C 40. Why do we need layer-3 or IP layer?

- A It allows TCP to overcome channel with a long propagation delay
- B e.g., delays less than 100ms.
- C It allows nodes connected using different layer-2 and layer-1 technologies to communicate with one another
- D It allows a node to have a higher throughput
- E It ensures packets are transmitted over channels with some guarantees,

C 32. What is the main purpose (or functionality) of the Domain Name System (DNS)?

- A To obtain the port number of an application
- B To obtain the IP address given a machine's physical address
- C To obtain the IP address of a machine given its name
- D To obtain the password to access a machine.

C 35. Why does CSMA have better performance as compared to Aloha?

- A The sender can transmit whenever it has a message
- B The sender uses CRC
- C The sender can first check whether the channel is busy before transmission
- D The sender can send multiple messages at the same time.

B 38. Which of the following option(s) is true about the Dijkstra algorithm?

- A It uses TCP
- B A node/router knows the exact path to a destination node
- C Option A and B.
- D It works together with the Bellman-Ford algorithm

33. The XOR operation is used in which of the following calculation?

- A CRC/FCS
- B All of the above.
- C When computing the syndrome of a Hamming code
- D Encryption and decryption

A 36. The forwarding table of a switch contains which of the following information?

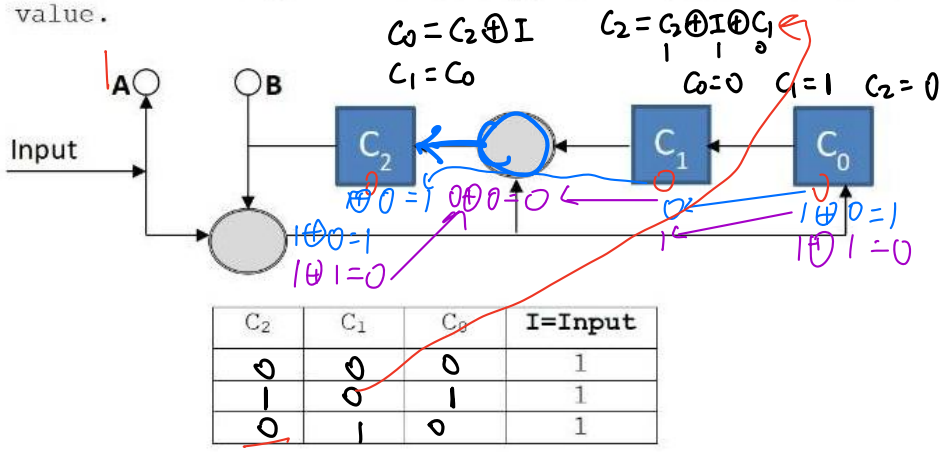
- A All of the above.
- B The number of machines on a channel or port
- C Port number
- D MAC address

39. Which of the following option is true?

- A In framed Slotted Aloha, all nodes transmit at most once in each frame
- B All of the above.
- C Slotted Aloha requires all nodes to know the start of a time slot
- D Both Aloha and CSMA use back-off

QUESTION 1B - (10 marks)

(a) Complete the table below for the input below. The circle denotes an XOR gate. Initially, the registers have a zero value.



Note: show the value of each register after a given input. (5 marks)

(b) Write the corresponding polynomial for the Linear Feedback Shift Register (LFSR) above.

$x^3 + x^2 + 1$ *C₂最高次对应x最高次xⁿ⁻¹ 有一个0代表一个+* (3 marks)

(c) How many bits are in the remainder?

3bits (2 marks)

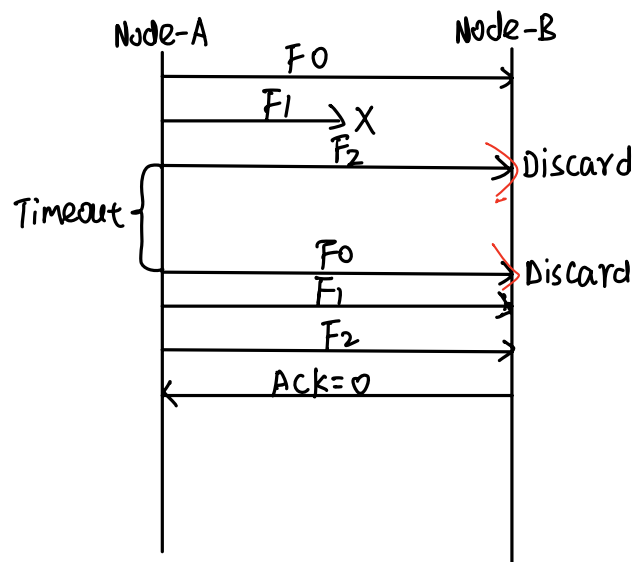
QUESTION 2B - (5 Marks)

Assume that Node-A has **three (3)** packets for Node-B and both nodes use **Go-Back-N** with **N=3**. Show the sequence of transmissions between the two nodes and show what happens when the second packet is lost.

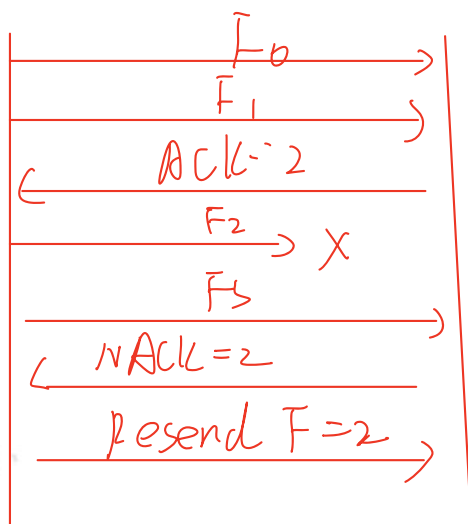
(3 marks)

n Assume a device is using CSMA. Its current contention window is 64. In other words, it selects a backoff value from the range $[0, 1, \dots, 63]$. Upon experiencing a collision, its contention window increases to what value?

128

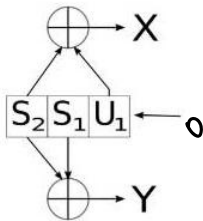


Selective Repeat ARQ - 一次发2个



QUESTION 3B - (10 Marks)

Consider the following encoder, and answer the questions below.



2个输入

- (i) Assume the registers are initially zero. What is the output (XY) for the following bitstring: 101. (2 mark)
- (ii) Complete the following tables for the encoder on the previous page.

S2	S1	U1	X	Y	S2	S1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	1	1	1

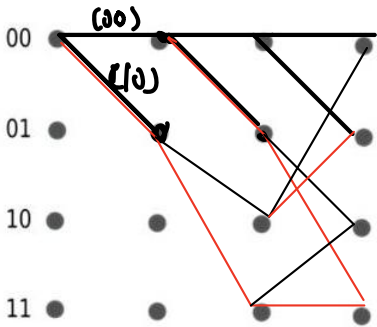
S2	S1	U1	X	Y	S2	S1
0	0	1	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	0	0	1	1

1 0 0 1
1 1 1 1
0 1 0 1
1 1 1 1

(4 mark)

- (iii) Complete the Trellis diagram below. Note, you do not need to draw a complete Trellis diagram.

input 0
1



(4 mark)

QUESTION 4B - (4 marks)

(a) Consider Figure 1B. Answer the following questions:

(i) At RTT=5, each ACK increases the congestion window by one? (2 Marks)

(ii) At RTT=6 and RTT=18, the congestion window reduces to one. Why? (2 Marks)

timeout

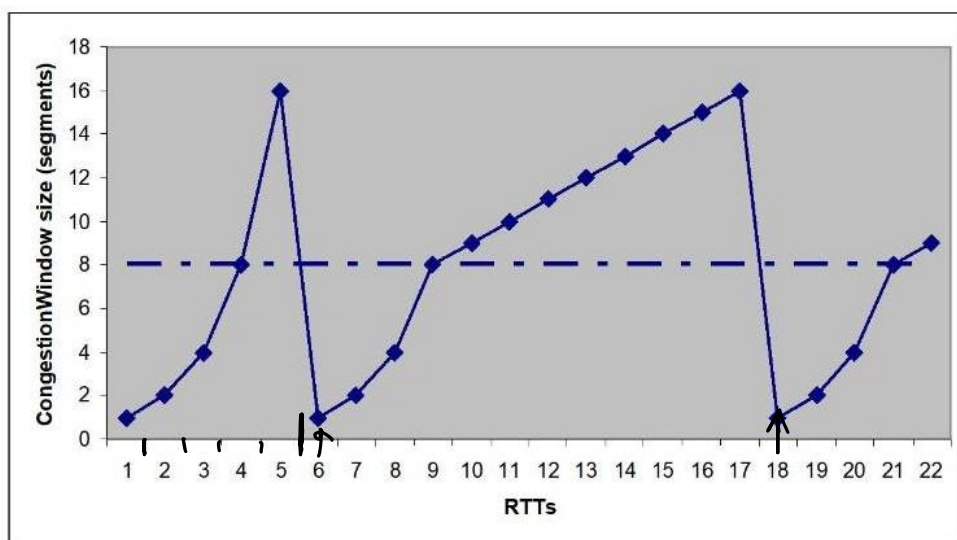


Figure 1B

Question 5B (6 Marks)

Consider Figure 2B below. Answer the questions below:

- (i) What is the ssthresh value at RTT=16? Note, the highest congestion window (cwnd) has value 42. (2 mark)

- (ii) What is the throughput between RTT=6 (cwnd=32) and RTT=16 (cwnd=42). Assume each RTT is 100 ms and the packet size is 1024 bytes. (4 mark)

1 byte
= 8 bit.

$$\frac{(32 + 42) \times 11 \times 1024 \times 8}{2}$$

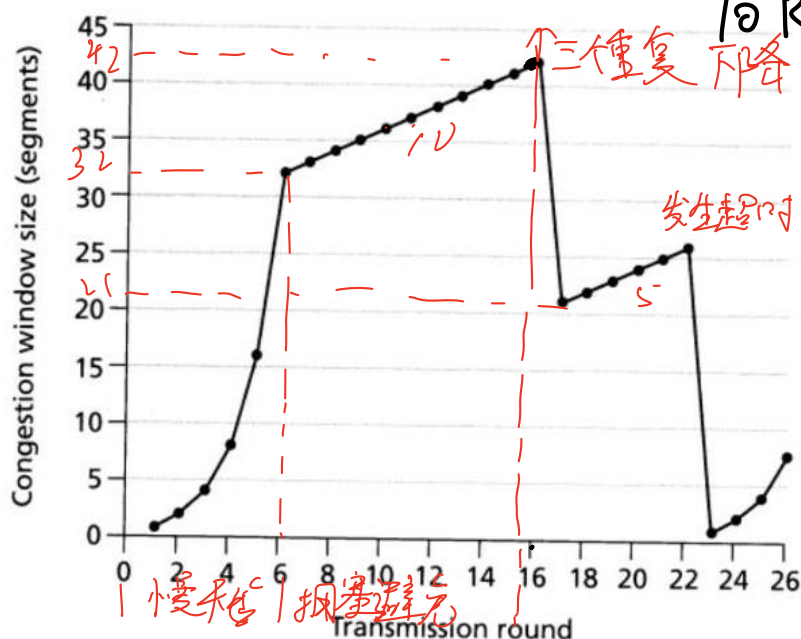
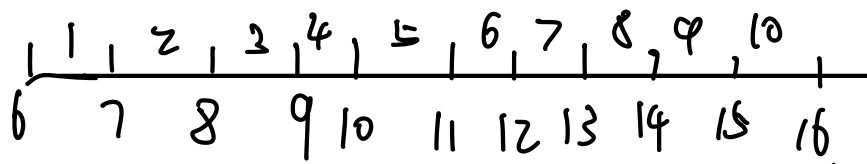


Figure 2B



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QUESTION 5B - (20 Marks)

- (a) Consider the network shown in Figure 3B. Use Dijkstra's shortest-path algorithm to compute the least cost path from node-1 to all network nodes. Fill in the table below.

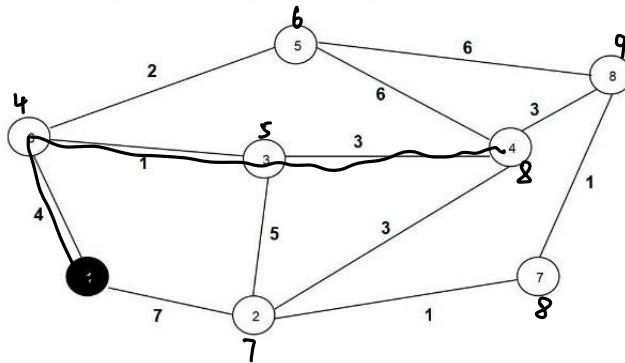


Figure 3B

T	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	7	∞	∞	∞	4	∞	∞
1,6	7	5	∞	6	4	∞	∞
1,6,3	7	5	8	6	4	∞	∞
1,6,3,5	7	5	8	6	4	∞	12
1,6,3,5,2	7	5	8	6	4	∞	12
1,6,3,5,2,7	7	5	8	6	4	8	9
1,6,3,5,2,7,4	7	5	8	6	4	8	9
1,6,3,5,2,7,4,8	7	5	8	6	4	8	9

T	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	7	∞	∞	∞	4	∞	∞
1,6	7	5	∞	6	4	∞	∞
1,6,3	7	5	8	6	4	∞	∞
1,6,3,5	7	5	8	6	4	∞	12
1,6,3,5,2	7	5	8	6	4	8	12
1,6,3,5,2,7	7	5	8	6	4	8	12
1,6,3,5,2,7,4	7	5	8	6	4	8	12
1,6,3,5,2,7,4,8	7	5	8	6	4	8	12

(10 Marks)

- (c) Router A using distance vector routing has the following routing table (assume all link cost is 1):

Dest	Cost	Next-Hop
Net2	6	A
Net3	4	E
Net4	4	A
Net6	8	D
Net7	1	B

①修改发送的报文 距离+1 下一跳都为x
②对比 { 没有 → 加入
相同下一跳 → 更新
不同下一跳 { d 更短 → 更新
d 同 → 不变
d 更大 → 不变

- (i) Router A receives the following route advertisement datagram/packet from router B. Show the updated routing table of Router A. (3 Marks)

Net8	2
Net9	1

上表中无
接口

- (ii) After that, router A receives the following route advertisement from router E. Show the updated routing table at router A. (3 Marks)

Net3	2
Net9	1

Net3 3 L 与表中下一跳相同均是E,更新
Net9 2 L 下一跳不同 对比一样

- (iii) Define route convergence. (2 Marks)
route convergence mean all routing table do not change. 不变
(iv) In distance vector routing, a router does not know the path used by a neighboring router to reach a destination. True/False? True. (1 Mark)
(v) In link state routing, all routers/nodes must run the Dijkstra algorithm. True/False? (1 Mark)

True

QUESTION 6B - (5 Marks)

Explain the rules used by the following methods to encode bits.

- NRZ-I
- Manchester
- 16-QAM
- FSK
- ASK

① Rule: 1 (transition) 0 (stay at current signal)

② Rule: Negative to positive "┐" is 1
positive to Negative "└" is 0

③ Rule: combines Ask with PSK

changes both Amplitude and phase to represent a 0 and 1 by 4 bits

④ Rule: Frequency of the signal is changed to represent a 0 and 1

⑤ Rule: Amplitude of the signal is changed to represent a 0 and 1