

Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur
B.Tech. (CST) 6th Semester Mid-Term Examination, March 2022
Subject: Digital Communication & Computer Networks (CS - 3202)

Time: 45 minutes

Full Marks: 30

Answer all Questions
(Write all parts of the same question together)

1. Suppose a link is of 100 bps speed and the data packets that are transferred over that link are 100,000 bits long. To establish connection over that link by three-way handshaking, a certain number of control packets of 200 bits long are exchanged. Assume that the link supports N parallel connections each get $1/N$ of the speed.

Now consider that a user visits a website and wants to download a webpage that is 100 Kbits long over the mentioned link. The downloaded webpage contains 5 referenced objects. Compute the response delays the user experiences if his/her browser supports (a) non-persistent HTTP connection, (b) persistent HTTP connection (You should consider the connection establishment delay and can ignore the propagation delay between the user and the website). **[4 + 4 = 8]**

2. Assume TCP Reno is used as the transport layer protocol and the following events happened during the transmissions taken place in an observed interval $[0, 24]$:

(i) Slow start state in the interval $[0, 5]$; (ii) Congestion avoidance state in the interval $[6, 16]$; (iii) Triple-duplicate acknowledgement segments received at 17th transmission round; (iv) Congestion avoidance state in the interval $[18, 22]$; (v) Segment loss occurred at the 23rd transmission round. Answer the following (with brief reasons) in the context of on the abovementioned events:

- a. How did $cwnd$ grow in the interval $[0, 5]$ and what was its size after 5th transmission round? **[1+2]**
- b. What was initial the value of $ssthresh$? **[2]**
- c. How did the $cwnd$ grow in the interval $[6, 16]$ and what value it attained? **[1 + 2]**
- d. After event (iii) happened, what was the updated values of $ssthresh$ and $cwnd$? **[2 + 2]**
- e. At 23rd transmission round, what was the new value of $cwnd$? **[2]**

3. Write short notes of the following (any two): **[4+4 = 8]**

- a. Web cache
- b. Network topologies
- c. Virtual circuit network
- d. DNS records
- e. Datagram fragmentation and reassembly