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## **Exam Instructions:**

- This exam contains 7 pages (including this cover page) and 40 questions.
- The use of any electronic device is not allowed during the exam.
- $\bullet$  All answers must be written in the designated answer table.
- Use the following information to help with unit conversions:
  - 1 second = 1000 milliseconds (msec) = 1000000 microseconds.
  - 1 Mb = 1000 Kb = 1000000 bits.

## **Answer Table**

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1.	ABCDE	21.	ABCDE
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20.	(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)	40.	(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)

1. Which of the following physical layer technologies has the highest transmission rate and lowest bit error rate in practice?
(A) Coaxial cable. (B) Satellite channel. (C) Fiber optic cable. (D) Twisted pair. (E) All of the mentioned.
2. Guided media examples include:
(A) Copper. (B) Fiber. (C) Coaxial. (D) All of the mentioned. (E) None of the mentioned.
3. Packet forwarding function is responsible for:
A Getting a packet from one host to another over the network.
(B) Getting a packet from a router's input link to the appropriate output link.  (C) Delivering a packet without errors.
(D) Retransmitting a packet when errors occur. (E) All of the mentioned.
4. One of the causes of packet loss is (select the best option):
(A) A long path from the source to the destination. (B) A large packet size.
(C) A low bandwidth link. (D) Router's port buffer overflow. (E) None of the mentioned.
5. One of the main jobs of an Internet Exchange Point (IXP) is:
A Providing Internet connectivity to end users by a direct connection.
B Providing a point of network traffic exchange for multiple ISPs.
C Connecting end users of the same access network to each other.
D Forwarding packets from one device to another in a home network.
(E) None of the mentioned.
6. Out of the following points, which one <b>does not</b> have an impact on propagation delay?
(A) Physical link length. (B) Propagation speed. (C) Packet length. (D) A and B. (E) B and C.
7. What guarantee does UDP offer?
(A) Reliability. (B) Congestion and flow control. (C) Security.
(D) Minimum throughput. (E) None of the mentioned.
8. What guarantee does TCP offer?
(A) Reliability. (B) Low delay. (C) Security. (D) Minimum throughput. (E) A and D.
9. One of the main reasons of using a web cache is:
(A) Eliminate the need to connect to origin servers. (B) Store all objects in the Internet.
(C) Reduce response time for clients. (D) Reduce requested object size. (E) All of the mentioned.
10. When traffic intensity of an access network link gets close to 1, the best thing we can do is:
(A) Install a web cache close to the origin server. (B) Buy a faster access link. (C) Install a
web cache close to the client's access network. (D) A and B. (E) All of the mentioned.

11.	It is not practical to install only one DNS server for the whole Internet for the following reason(s)							
	(A) It does not scale. (B) It is a single point of failure. (C) It will have a high maintenance cos							
	(D) A and B. (E) All of the mentioned.							
12.	Which of the following DNS record types is used to retrieve the authoritative name server of a given domain?							
	(A) Type A. (B) Type CNAME. (C) Type NS. (D) Type MX. (E) None of the mentioned.							
13.	Which of the characteristics below best describes the technique of packet switching?							
(A) Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM) and Time Division Multiplexing (TDM) are to proaches for implementing this technique.								
	(B) Resources are used on demand, not reserved in advance.							
	C Reserves resources needed for a connection between source and destination.							
	(D) This technique is no longer used in the Internet.							
	(E) None of the mentioned.							
14.	Which of the characteristics below are associated with the technique of circuit switching?							
	(A) Data may be queued before being transmitted due to other user's data that's also queueing for							
	transmission.							
	(B) Resources are used on demand, not reserved in advance.							
	C Reserves resources needed for a connection between source and destination.							
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20.	Which of these statements is true with regards to per-router control plane in the traditional routing approach?						
	(A) Only a subset of routers run individual routing algorithm components.						
	(B) Only one router runs routing algorithm components.						
	(C) Each router runs individual routing algorithm components.						
	(D) Hosts run individual routing algorithm components. (E) None of the mentioned.						
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21. Which of these statements is true with regards to the software-defined networking (SDN) appr							
	(A) Each router runs individual routing algorithm components.						
	(B) Hosts run individual routing algorithm components.						
	(C) Routers run software versions of routing algorithms.						
	(D) A remote controller computes packet routes and installs forwarding tables in routers.						
(E) None of the mentioned.							
22.	Which of these statements is true with regards to Selective Repeat (SR)?						
	(A) It is used by UDP to retransmit lost packets. (B) It is used to offer minimum delay guarantee.						
	(C) All packets within the sender's window get retransmitted in the event of a timeout.						
	(D) Lost packets get retransmitted individually. (E) None of the mentioned.						
23.	Fast retransmit is a mechanism used for retransmitting:						
	(A) Lost packets at fastest speed. (B) Lost packets before a timeout occurs. (C) Lost						
	packets after a timeout occurs. (D) Lost packets over a fast link. (E) None of the mentioned.						
24.	Longest prefix match is used to:						
	A Route a packet through the longest path possible.						
	(B) Match a packet to the longest address prefix of a given source address.						
	$\stackrel{\smile}{({f C})}$ Match a packet to the longest address prefix of a given destination address.						
	(D) Drop a packet if it is too long. (E) All of the mentioned.						
25.	Time spent waiting in packet buffers for link transmission is called:						
	(A) Propagation delay. (B) Queuing delay. (C) Transmission delay. (D) Processing delay.						
	(E) None of the mentioned.						
26.	Time needed to perform an integrity check, lookup packet information in a local table and move the packet from an input link to an output link in a router:						
	(A) Propagation delay. (B) Queuing delay. (C) Transmission delay. (D) Processing delay.						
	(E) None of the mentioned.						
27.	What is the maximum throughput achievable for UDP traffic between sender and receiver in the						
	scenario shown below?						
	sender						
	link capacity: link capacity: receiver 1.5 Mbits/sec 10 Mbits/sec						
	(A) 0.75 Mbps. (B) <b>1.5 Mbps.</b> (C) 3 Mbps. (D) 10 Mbps. (E) 15 Mbps.						

28. Select the correct order of protocol packet encapsulation that takes place when one host sends an

	application message over the Internet. Each is encapsulated by the one that follows it.							
	(A) message, datagram, segment, frame.	B mess	age, segment, frame, datagrar	m.				
	© message, frame, datagram, segment.	(D) mess	age, datagram, frame, segmen	ıt.				
	(E) message, segment, datagram, frame.							
29.	29. Which of the following datagram and segment header fields are used, when demultiplexing data u to a TCP socket?							
	A Destination IP address and port number only.							
	B Source and destination IP addresses, and source and destination port numbers.							
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	(A) Destination IP address and port number only.							
	(B) Source and destination IP addresses, and source and	destination	n port numbers.					

31. What is the Internet Checksum of these two sixteen bit numbers? 10110100 01000110

01001000 01101111

(A) 111111100 10110101

(C) Destination port number only.

(B) 00000011 01001010

(C) 01001010 00000011

(E) None of the

(D) 10110101 11111100

(E) 11111111 00000000

(D) Source port number only.

32. Consider the network shown in the figure below, with three links, each with a transmission rate of 2 Mbps, and a propagation delay of 2 msec per link. Assume the length of a packet is 4000 bits.

What is the end-end delay of a packet from when it first begins transmission on link 1, until is it received in full by the server at the end of link 3? Assume store-and forward packet transmission.



(A) 2 msec

(B) 6 msec.

(C) 8 msec.

(D) 12 msec

E 15 msec

## Note: the following figure (Figure-1) is used for the next 4 questions.

Consider the figure below, where a TCP sender sends 8 TCP segments at  $t=1,\,2,\,3,\,4,\,5,\,6,\,7,\,8$ . Suppose the initial value of the sequence number is 0 and every segment sent to the receiver each contains 100 bytes. The delay between the sender and receiver is 5 time units, and so the first segment arrives at the receiver at t=6. The ACKs sent by the receiver at  $t=6,\,7,\,8,\,10,\,11,\,12$  are shown. The TCP segments (if any) sent by the sender at  $t=11,\,13,\,15,\,16,\,17,\,18$  are not shown. The segment sent at t=4 is lost, as is the ACK segment sent at t=7.

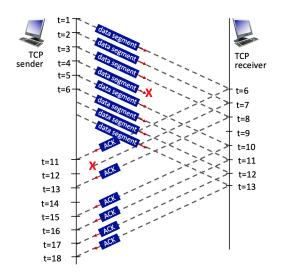
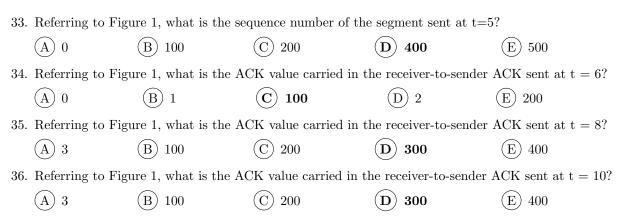


Figure 1: TCP Segment Flow.



Note: the following figure (Figure-2) is used for the next 4 questions.

Consider the figure below, with 6 sockets shown across the network, and the corresponding Python code at each host. There are four TCP segments in flight. Match the source and destination port numbers for each segment with a value below.

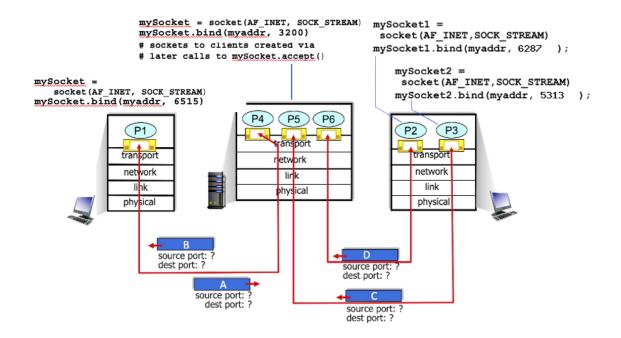


Figure 2: TCP Sockets.

- 37. Referring to Figure 2, segment A destination port number is:
  - (A) 6515
- (B) 3200
- (C) 5313
- (D) 6287
- (E) 443

- 38. Referring to Figure 2, segment A source port number is:
  - (A) 6515
- (B) 3200
- (C) 5313
- (D) 6287
- (E) 443

- 39. Referring to Figure 2, segment C source port number is:
  - (A) 6515
- (B) 3200
- (C) 5313
- (D) 6287
- (E) 443

- 40. Referring to Figure 2, segment B source port number is:
  - (A) 6515
- (B) 3200
- (C) 5313
- (D) 6287
- (E) 443