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COMPUTER NETWORKS ASSIGNMENT

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CN Assignment (Question Bank 1&2)

1) Network topology refers to the layout or arrangement like various elements in a computer networks. Different types of topologies have different purpose based on network size, efficiency and reliability.

Types:-

1. Bus Topology:

→ In a bus topology, all devices share a single communication line or cable. Data is transmitted line in both direction along the bus, but only one device can send data at a time. It is cost-effective and easy to set up for small networks.



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Ring Topology:

Each device is connected to two other, forming a circular (ring) pathway for signals. Data travels in one direction, passing through each devices until it reaches its final destination. It is simple to install and manage, suitable for small networks.

Star Topology:

All devices are connected to a central hub (or) switch, communication between devices goes through this central point. It is easy to manage, troubleshoot and expand as the failure of one device does not affect the others. If the central hub fails, the network fails.



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Mesh Topology: Each device is connected to every other device, allowing multiple paths for data. This topology is often used in mission-critical environment. High redundancy and reliability, as failure in one path doesn't disrupt the network. Expensive and complex to implement for large network due to the number of connection needed.

2. Topology use LAN, MAN, WAN

LAN (Local Area Network):

• common topologies: star, bus, and sometimes ring.

Explanation:

• Star topology is prevalent in LANs due to its ease of management and scalability. Most LANs, especially those in homes and small offices, use it for its efficiency.



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• Bus Topology was common in early LAN Setup, but not now due to its limitations

• Ring Topology can also be used, but, it's popular due its complexity and vulnerability to network disruptions.

2. Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)

• Ring and Sometimes Mesh

Explanations:

• Ring Topology is often used in MANs for its structured layout, especially when connecting network across a city

• Mesh Topology may be used in certain MAN setups for enhanced redundancy, ensuring reliable communications for critical infrastructures.



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5) Wide Area Network

• Mesh and Hierarchical (Trees)

Explanation:-

• Mesh Topology is favored in WANs due to its high reliability and fault tolerance especially for connecting geographically distant locations.

• Hierarchical (Trees) Topology may also be used to organize complex WANs by connecting different LANs and MANs under a structured backbone, which simplifies management across regions.

2) Circuit Switching

In circuit switching, a dedicated communication path is established between the sender and the receiver for the entire duration of communication process. This path is exclusive for the communication for that session.



How it works

- Connection Establishment : A path is established before the communication data transmission starts . Each intermediate link form an unbroken link .
- Data Transmission : After the setup , data transmission began without interruptions .
- Connection Termination : After the period ends . the path is closed . and is open for other transmission .

Advantages:-

- guaranteed bandwidth and consistent low latency

Disadvantages:-

- inefficient for data traffic with bursty connection setup time can introduce delay .



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Packet switching:-

Data is divided into separate packets and then transmitted across the network. Each packet may take different route to reach destinations. Then they are reassembled in the original data.

• Data Segmentation : Data divided into Packet, each with header like source, destination and sequence number.

• Transmission and Routing :- Each packet is transmitted across using different and most efficient route to the destination.

• Reassembly :- At reassembly data packet is assembled according to their sequence number.



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Advantage:-

- efficient use of network resources
- flexible and resilient.

Disadvantages

- variable (delay).
- requires more time to process the divided data

3) Guided Media:-

It refers to the physical pathway that carry data signal in a specific direction, data travels along the solid medium, like a cable

The main type of guided media are twisted pair cable, coaxial cable, and fiber optic cable

Types of guided media

- 1) Twisted pair cable
- 2) coaxial cable
- 3) fiber optic cable.



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Twisted pair cable:

It consists of pairs of insulated copper wire twisted together to reduce electromagnetic interference from external source & other pair.

Types:

(i) Unshielded Twisted pair (UTP)

- The most common type.
- used in LAN

(ii) Shielded Twisted pair:-

- Additional layer of shield

Coaxial cable:

It has central copper conductor surrounded by an insulation layer, a metallic shield and outer insulating cable

Types:

(i) Thick coaxial cable

- provides longer range

Transmission.



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(i) Thin coaxial cable

- flexible, easier to install
- less common today.

Fiber optic cable

It transmit data through a pulse of light through glass or plastic fiber, allowing for high data transmission. Speed over long distance.

Typest

• Single Mode Fiber(SMF)

- Small core diameter.
- multimode fibre(MMF)
- has a larger core diameter

These are some types of unguided media data transfer method with each it's advantage and Disadvantages.



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6) Given

185.28.17.9.

Soln
No. of address:-

• /24 network has $2^{32-24} = 2^8 = 256$ address

First address: 185.28.17.0

Last address: 185.28.17.255.

8) Given

IP 216.21.5.0

Soln:-

$$2^{32-x} = 32.$$

$$x \Rightarrow 2^{32-x} = 32 \Rightarrow 32-x = 5 \Rightarrow x = 27$$

∴ /27 subnet mask.

Subnetting the network:-

Start with 216.21.5.0/27, subnet with 32 address each



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Subnet 1:-

Network Address : 216.21.5.0

Range of usable IPs : 216.21.5.1 to 216.21.5.30

Broadcast Address : 216.21.5.31

Subnet 2:-

Network Address : 216.21.5.32

Range of usable : 216.21.5.33 to 216.21.5.62

Broadcast Address : 216.21.5.63

Subnet 3:-

Network Address : 216.21.5.64

Range of usable : 216.21.5.65 to 216.21.5.94

Broadcast Address : 216.21.5.95.

Subnet 4:-

Network Address : 216.21.5.96

Range of usable : 216.21.5.97 to 216.21.126

Broadcast Address : 216.21.5.127

Subnet 5:-

Network Address : 216.21.5.128

Range of usable : 216.21.5.129 to 216.21.5.158

Broadcast Address : 216.21.5.159.



23) ISO/OSI Model

The OSI/ISO mode (open system interconnection Model) is a conceptual frame work developed by the International Organisation for Standardization (ISO) that standardize and simplifies Seven distinct layers, each with specific function that facilitate smooth connection. Introduced in 1984 communication between devices over the network. It helps design and understand complex network interactions by breaking them into manageable layers.



Physical Layer (Layer 1)

The physical layer is responsible for the actual transmission of raw data (bits) over a physical medium, such as cable, radio waves, or fiber optics. It defines the hardware elements involved, including cable, switches and ~~loop~~ network interface cards.

- Bit-level transmission
- Physical network topology and signal transmission.
- Data encoding and modulation for various transmission media.

Example:

Ethernet cable, PPP, MAC, network switches.



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2) Data Link Layer :

This layer handles data framing, error detection and corrections, as well as flow control, it packages bits into frames and insures that they are error free when moving across the network error free in a single network.

- Frame synchronization and addressing
- Flow control
- Error detection

Example:

- Ether
- PPP
- MAC



3) Network Layer:

It manages data link across (data routing) across multiple link and subnet, determining the best path for data transfer between devices in different network.

- Logical addressing and routing
- Error handling
- Path Selection, forwarding,

Example:-

IP, routers

routing protocol OSPF

BGP.



Transport Layer

It ensures reliable data transfer between system by managing error detection, correction, and data flow, it establishes, maintains, and terminates connections between devices.

- Data segmentation and reassembly
- Reliable (TCP) and unreliable (UDP)
- Flow control.

Example :

• TCP

• UDP

• Port number for application



Session layer :-

It manages sessions or connection between applications on different devices, allowing them to start, maintain, and terminate communication sessions.

- Session establishment, maintenance & termination.
- Dialog control to manage data flow in either full duplex or half duplex mode
- Synchronization and checkpointing to ensure continuity.

Example :-

- RPC
- Net BIOS
- Session management in network application



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Presentation layer :-

It handles data transmission, encryption and compression, ensuring that data sent from one system can be correctly interpreted by other.

- Data transmission
- Data translation
- Data encryption
- Data compression

Example :-

- SSL / TLS
- JPEG
- ASCII encoding



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Application Layer:

It is the closest to the end user and provides interfaces for software application to access network services directly.

This layer communication between software on different devices.

- Network service requests and response
- user authentication, data integrity
- interfacing with other application

Example:-

- HTTP
- FTP
- SMTP
- DNS.



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4) Unguided Media:-

It is also called wireless media, Transmitted data through air without using physical means . conductor.

Types:-

(i) Radio waves:-

Suitable for long-distance communication , used in . radio . and tv broad casting , and mobile . network . It's reliable but . susceptible to . interference .



• Micro waves:

Used in Point-to-Point communication, used in radio and TV broadcasting, and mobile networks. It's reliable but susceptible to interference.

• Infrared:

Used for short range communication like remote control and some wireless peripheral devices.



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5.

Given

$$\text{Packet Size} = 5000 \text{ bits}$$

$$\text{Line Bandwidth} = 1 \text{ Gbps}$$

$$\text{Propagation Delay per Link} = 10 \text{ microseconds.}$$

From the given information:-

$$\cdot \text{Transmission Delay per Link} = \frac{\text{Packet Size}}{\text{Bandwidth}}$$

$$= \frac{5000}{1 \text{ Gbps}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \text{ microseconds}$$

$$\cdot \text{Total Delay per Link} = 5 + 10$$

$$= 15 \text{ microseconds.}$$



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9. Subnet 150.15.0.0 into 500 hosts

1. $2^9 = 512$

2. 9 bits for host. 123 (or) 255.255.254.0.

3. Subnets: Each subnet .512 address.

• First Subnet : 150.15.0.0 to 150.15.1.255

• Second Subnet : 150.15.2.0 to 150.15.3.255.

10) Subnet 10.0.0.0 into 100 hosts.

1. $2^7 = 128$

2. 125 (or) 255.255.255.128 using 7 bits
for host.



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3. .128 subnet provides 126 usable address.

First Subnet: 10.0.0.0 to 10.0.0.127

Second Subnet: 10.0.0.128 to 10.10.0.0.255

Connects upto 100 hosts per subnet.

Q1) Bandwidth: 10 mbps = 10^6 bps

Data network can pass on average = 12,000 in 60 seconds.

1 frame = 10,000 bits.

Calc:

\therefore data network can pass in 60 seconds,

$$12,000 \times 10,000$$



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Throughput is data network can pass in 1 second

$$\text{Throughput} = \frac{12,000 \times 12,000}{60} \Rightarrow 2,000,000 \text{ bPS}$$

$\Rightarrow 2 \text{ mbPS.}$

11) A host in a block has

25.3a.12.56/16

1. First Address (Network Address)

25.34.0.0.

2. Last Address (Broadcast Address)

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The 116 mask indicates that the network portion is the first two octets.

12' Class B network with Subnet mask

255. 255. 248. 0

1. Subnet mask (in binary)

11111111. 11111111. 11110000. 00000000

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2. most bits : 11 most bits are available

3. maximum host per subnet : $2^{11} - 2 = 2046$
 hosts.



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Variable Length Subnet Masking (VLSM)

allows the creation of subnet with different size based on the specific requirement.

of the network. It's more efficient than

fixed-length subnetting as it uses IP address more effectively.

Ex & requirement

- Subnet A needs 100 host

- Subnet B needs 50 host

2. For Subnet A (100 hosts),

needed: 128 address, so, 25 (subnet mask 255.255.255.128) will be used.



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• Subnet A: 192.168.10.0 to 192.168.10.0125.

Range: 192.168.10.1 - 192.168.10.126

Broadcast: 192.168.10.127.

For Subnet B (50 hosts): We need 64 addresses,
so 126 will be used.

• Subnet B: 192.168.10.128 to 192.168.10.191

Range: 192.168.10.129 - 192.168.10.190

Broadcast: 192.168.10.191



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25. Fixed length subnetting involves dividing a network into smaller, equally sized subnets by borrowing bits from the host portion of the IP address. Every subnet has the same number of host addresses, which provides simplicity and flexibility.