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Part 1 - Multiple Choice Question Paper
(2 Hours for both Part 1 and Part 2)

Important Instructions

- This paper has **two (2) parts, Part 1 and Part 2**.
- The total duration of **both Part 1 and Part 2 is 2 hours**.
- The final mark for the paper will be determined by averaging the scores of Part 1 and Part 2, each of which is graded out of **100**.
- The medium of instructions and questions is English.
- This paper (Part 1) has **25 MCQ questions** on **6 pages**. Answer **all** questions.
- Each question will have **5 (five)** choices with **ONLY ONE** correct answer.
- Answers should be marked on the **special answer sheet** provided.
- Note that questions appear on both sides of the paper. If a page or part of a page is not printed, please inform the supervisor/invigilator immediately.
- Mark the correct choices on the question paper first and then transfer them to the given answer sheet which will be machine marked. **Please completely read and follow the instructions given on the other side of the answer sheet before you shade your correct choices.**
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- Calculators are **not allowed**.
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1). What is the name of the **Protocol Data Unit (PDU)** used in the Transport layer in the OSI model?

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| (a) Frame | (b) Bit | (c) Packet |
| (d) SPDU | (e) Segment | |

2). In the OSI model, which layer is responsible for ensuring process to process data delivery?

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| (a) Network Layer | (b) Transport Layer | (c) Physical Layer |
| (d) Datalink Layer | (e) Internet Layer | |

3). What is the size of the **fixed header** of Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) Protocol Data Unit (PDU)?

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| (a) 1 bytes | (b) 10 bytes | (c) 20 bytes |
| (d) 40 bytes | (e) 512 bytes | |

4). Rank the following transmission media in order of their bandwidth, starting from the lowest and ending with the highest?

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| (a) Coaxial cable < Fiber optic cable < Twisted Pair |
| (b) Twisted Pair < Coaxial cable < Fiber optic cable |
| (c) Fiber optic cable < Twisted Pair < Coaxial cable |
| (d) Coaxial cable < Twisted Pair < Fiber optic cable |
| (e) Twisted Pair < Fiber optic cable < Coaxial cable |

5). Which DNS resource record type specifies the servers responsible for receiving emails for a particular domain?

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| (a) SOA | (b) AAAA | (c) MX |
| (d) TXT | (e) SPF | |

6). What is the flag need to be set to immediately send the segment to the network layer in Transmission Control Protocol?

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| (a) ACK | (b) PSH | (c) URG |
| (d) RST | (e) SYN | |

7). Which component of the Software Defined Networks (SDN) architecture facilitates the programming of the network behaviour through the controller?

- (a) Data Plane
- (b) SDN Applications
- (c) Network Operating System
- (d) Southbound API
- (e) **Northbound API**

8). Which of the following communication models best describes the network topology formed by Bluetooth devices?

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| (a) Client-Server | (b) Peer-to-Peer | (c) Master-Slave |
| (d) Publish-Subscribe | (e) Sender-Receiver | |

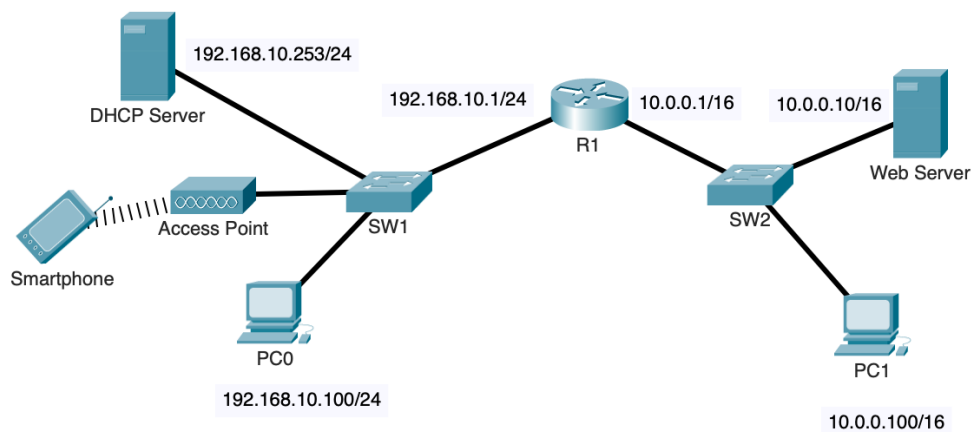
9). What is meant by byte stuffing used in the data link layer?

- (a) Byte stuffing is used to expand a frame
- (b) It is used to add randomness to a frame
- (c) Byte stuffing is another name for encryption
- (d) **Byte stuffing refers to inserting an escape byte before FLAG bytes inside the data**
- (e) It refers to removing some bytes from a frame

10). What advantage do hardware routing tables offer compared to software-based routing tables in network devices?

- (a) **Keep the high-speed links and to route packets at link speeds.**
- (b) Increase the maintainability.
- (c) Enable to configure from a central point.
- (d) Possible to enforce policies centrally to the network.
- (e) Ability of seeing the entire network at once.

Answer questions **11 to 20** based on the following network diagram. Device **R1** is a router and **SW1** and **SW2** are two network switches. **PC0** and **PC1** has only wired network interfaces. All the devices are connected using cables except the connection between **Smartphone** and the **Access Point**.



11). What is the Datalink layer protocol that can be used between PC0 and SW1?

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| (a) UDP | (b) IEEE 802.11 | (c) TCP |
| (d) IP | (e) Ethernet | |

12). What is the Datalink layer protocol that can be used to communicate between Smartphone and the AccessPoint?

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| (a) Ethernet | (b) IP | (c) TCP |
| (d) IEEE 802.11 | (e) UDP | |

13). Which of the following IP addresses can be used as the default gateway of the PC0?

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| (a) 192.168.10.100 | (b) 192.168.10.1 | (c) 10.0.0.1 |
| (d) 10.0.0.10 | (e) 10.0.0.100 | |

14). What is the **transport layer** protocol used by PC0 when requesting the website from the Web server?

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| (a) HTTP | (b) TCP | (c) UDP |
| (d) FTP | (e) ARP | |

15). What is the **application layer** protocol used by PC0 when requesting the website from the Web server?

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| (a) HTTP | (b) TCP | (c) UDP |
| (d) FTP | (e) ARP | |

16). What should be the destination IP address included in the packet created by PC0 when requesting a web site from the web server?

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| (a) 192.168.10.1 | (b) 10.0.0.1 | (c) 10.0.0.10 |
| (d) 192.168.10.255 | (e) 10.0.0.255 | |

17). What is the protocol used by PC1 to discover the MAC address of the Web server?

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| (a) DHCP | (b) ICMP | (c) EIJRP |
| (d) OSPF | (e) ARP | |

18). Assume that the Smartphone is just connected to the WiFi network and needs the IP configuration. What message does the Smartphone should broadcast to locate a DHCP server?

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| (a) DHCP DISCOVER | (b) DHCP OFFER | (c) DHCP ACK |
| (d) DHCP REQUEST | (e) DHCP SYN | |

19). What should be the destination MAC address of the message broadcasted by the Smartphone to locate the DHCP server?

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| (a) 00:00:00:00:00:00 |
| (b) FF:FF:FF:00:00:00 |
| (c) FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:FF |
| (d) FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:00 |
| (e) 00:00:00:00:00:FF |

20). Assume that the Smartphone has received the IP configurations from the DHCP server. What will be the Broadcast IP address assigned to the Smartphone?

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| (a) 192.168.1.0 | (b) 192.168.1.255 | (c) 192.168.10.0 |
| (d) 192.168.10.255 | (e) 255.255.255.255 | |

Answer questions **21 to 25** using the following information.

A machine in a network (L) uses the IP address 8.8.8.8/25.

21). What is the subnet mask used in this network in dotted decimal notation?

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| (a) 255.255.255.128 | (b) 255.255.255.0 | (c) 255.255.255.1 |
| (d) 1.255.255.255 | (e) 255.255.255.25 | |

22). What is the maximum number of machines that can be connected to L ?

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| (a) 24 | (b) 25 | (c) 126 |
| (d) 130 | (e) 255 | |

23). What is the broadcast address of the network L ?

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| (a) 8.8.8.8 | (b) 255.255.255.0 | (c) 0.0.0.0 |
| (d) 1.1.1.1 | (e) 8.8.8.127 | |

24). Assume that the network L is divided into 2 equal size sub networks, $L1$ and $L2$. A machine with the IP address 8.8.6.100 is in $L2$. What is the network address of $L2$?

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| (a) 8.8.8.8 | (b) 8.8.8.64 | (c) 0.0.0.0 |
| (d) 1.1.1.1 | (e) 8.8.8.255 | |

25). Assume that the network L is divided into 4 equal size sub networks. Which one of the following is a broadcast address of one of those sub networks?

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| (a) 8.8.8.31 | (b) 8.8.8.32 | (c) 8.8.8.65 |
| (d) 8.8.8.128 | (e) 8.8.8.256 | |

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