

Course Code	:	CSLR52
Course Title	:	Networks Laboratory
Number of Credits	:	0-0-3-2
Pre-requisites (Course Code)	:	-
Course Type	:	PL

Course Objectives

- To create client and server applications using the "Sockets" API and the implementation of Data link layer protocol and TCP layer
- To conduct computer communication network simulations
- To have a hands on experience of computer network simulation and modelling techniques using NS-3 simulation software

Exercises

1. Exercises on Socket Programming using C and Java
2. Exercises using NS-3 Network Simulator
 - a. Basics of Network Simulation
 - Introduction , Platform required to run network simulator, Backend Environment of Network Simulator, Agents and applications, Tracing
 - b. Simulating a Local Area Network
 - Local Area Network, LAN Topologies, MAC Protocol, Taking turns, Ethernet, Ethernet Frame Structure, Ethernet Versions, Simulating a LAN using Network Simulator3
 - Implementation of various MAC protocols
 - Setting up of various network topologies
 - Measurement of routing protocols
 - c. Measuring Network Performance
 - Network Performance Evaluation, Performance Evaluation Metrics, Parameters Affecting the Performance of Networks, Performance Evaluation Techniques, Network Performance Evaluation using NS-3
 - Setting up of network that carries various application protocols and analyzing the performances
3. Hands on experiments on Network equipments
 - a. Switches, Routers
 - b. Hardware firewall

Course Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, the students will be able to:

- Invoke analytical studies of Computer Networks through network simulation
- Design a network using NS-3 toolkit and its importance in designing a real network
- Measure and analyze the network parameters for a high throughput network
- Practice experiments on Network Equipments

Text Books

1. W. Richard Stevens, "UNIX Network Programming – Networking APIs: Sockets and XTI", Vol. 1, Second Edition, Prentice Hall, 1998.
2. Eitan Altman, Tania Jimenez, "NS Simulator for Beginners", Morgan & Claypool Publishers, 2011.

Reference Book

1. Jack L. Burbank, "An Introduction to Network Simulator 3", First Edition, Wiley-Blackwell, 2015.