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# Computer Networking and IT-Security

**Exam:** INHN0012 / Midterm

**Examiner:** Prof. Dr.-Ing. Stephan Günther

**Date:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

**Time:** 12:15 – 13:00

## Working instructions

- This exam consists of **8 pages** with a total of **3 problems**.  
Please make sure now that you received a complete copy of the exam.
- The total amount of achievable credits in this exam is 45 credits.
- Detaching pages from the exam is prohibited.
- Allowed resources:
  - one **non-programmable pocket calculator**
  - one **analog dictionary** English ↔ native language
- Subproblems marked by \* can be solved without results of previous subproblems.
- **Answers are only accepted if the solution approach is documented.** Give a reason for each answer unless explicitly stated otherwise in the respective subproblem.
- Do not write with red or green colors nor use pencils.
- Physically turn off all electronic devices, put them into your bag and close the bag.

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## Problem 1 Multiple Choice (15 credits)

The following subproblems are multiple choice / multiple answer, i. e. at least one answer per subproblem is correct. Subproblems with a single correct answer are graded with 1 credit if correct. Those with more than one correct answers are graded with 1 credit per correct answer and -1 credit per wrong answer. Missing crosses have no influence. The minimal amount of credits per subproblem is 0 credits.

*Mark correct answers with a cross*



*To undo a cross, completely fill out the answer option*



*To re-mark an option, use a human-readable marking*



a)\* Which statements regarding MLT-3 are correct?

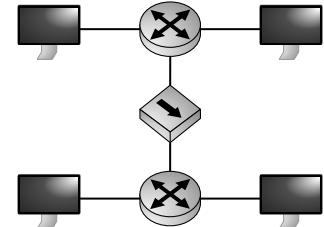
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|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> It is a line code    | <input type="checkbox"/> It is a source code      | <input type="checkbox"/> It is guaranteed to be DC-free           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> It is a channel code | <input type="checkbox"/> One symbol encodes 3 bit | <input type="checkbox"/> The spectrum is narrower than Manchester |

b)\* What is the correct shortened form of 2001:000a:0000:0000:0001:0002:1122:0101/64?

- 2001:a::1:2:1122:0101/64
- 2001:000a:0000:0000:0001:0002:1122:0101/64
- 2001:a:0000:1:2:1122:0101/64
- 2001:a:0:0:1:2:1122:0101/64

c)\* How many broadcast domains does the network to the right contain?

- 4
- 2
- 3
- 1
- 6
- 5



d)\* How many collision domains does the network to the right contain?

- 2
- 5
- 3
- 4
- 6
- 1

e)\* What subnet can 192.168.8.0/23 and 192.168.12.0/23 directly be aggregated to?

- 192.168.8.0/24
- 192.168.8.0/22
- 192.168.0.0/16
- Cannot be aggregated

f)\* How long is an IPv6 address in octets?

- 12
- 20
- 16
- 10
- 8
- 6
- 4

g)\* What subnet can 192.168.8.0/23 and 192.168.12.0/23 directly be aggregated to? (Duplicate)

- 192.168.0.0/16
- 192.168.8.0/22
- Cannot be aggregated
- 192.168.8.0/24

h)\* Which address type is used to send ARP requests?

- Unicast
- Multicast
- Broadcast
- Turbocast

i)\* Which are IPv4 private address ranges?

- 127.0.0.0/8
- 169.254.0.0/16
- 192.168.0.0/16
- 192.168.0.0/8
- 172.16.0.0/12
- 0.0.0.0/8
- 10.0.0.0/8
- fe80::/10

j)\* Which feature of the IPv4 header does a traceroute directly rely on?

- Flags
- Identification
- TTL
- Fragment Offset
- IHL

k)\* CRC in Ethernet is used for ...

- error detection.
- error propagation.
- error correction.
- error translation.

l)\* What is true regarding 16-QAM?

- At the same baudrate it needs more bandwidth than 2-PSK
- It is more robust than 2-PSK
- It uses only the phase of the signal to encode data
- It is short for Quart-Archimedes Modulation

## Problem 2 Waternet (15 credits)

Figure 2.1 shows a hypothetical network that uses pipes filled with water as a transmission medium instead of copper cables. The distribution unit  $V$  essentially consists only of a sphere filled with water without any further logic. To simplify matters, we assume that reflections do not play a role. The distance between  $PC_1$  or  $PC_3$  and  $V$  is 20 m and 10 m, respectively. The distance between  $V$  and  $PC_2$  is so small that it can be neglected.

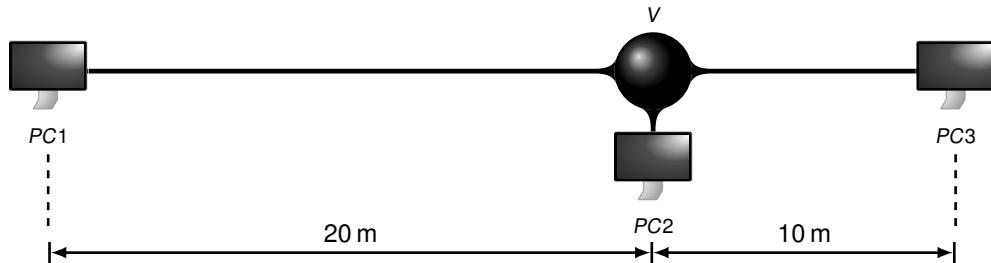


Figure 2.1: Waternet consisting of three computers and one distribution unit.

The propagation speed  $c_{sw}$  of sound in water at 20 °C is approx. 1500 m/s. This technology, known as Waternet, uses CSMA/CD as the media access method, just like conventional Ethernet. The transmit rate is 1 Mbit/s.

0
1
2

- a)\* Which device does the distribution unit  $V$  in an ordinary Ethernet correspond to? Give a reason for your answer.

At time  $t_0 = 0$   $PC_1$  starts to transmit a frame of 1500 B.

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1
2

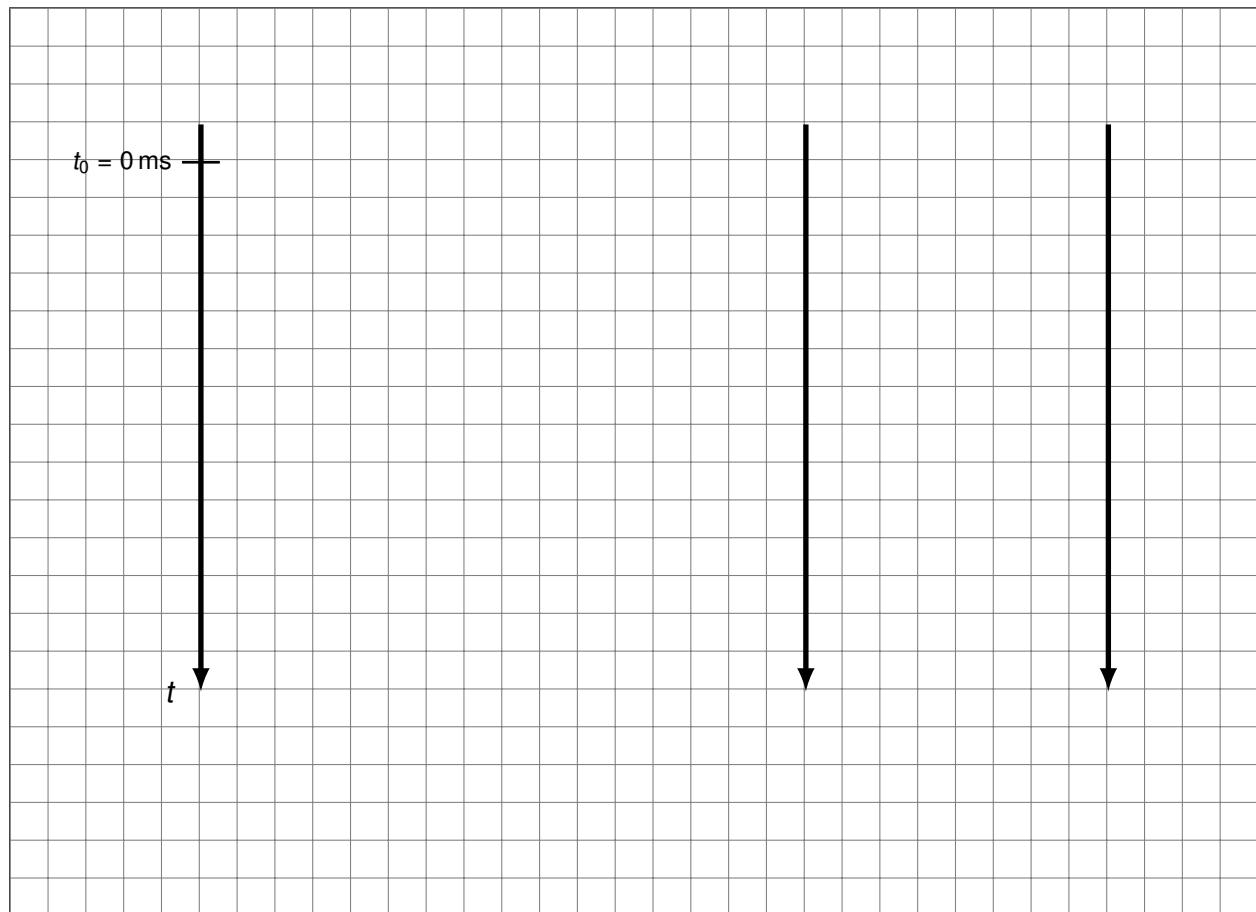
- b)\* Determine the serialization time  $t_s$ .

0
1
2

- c)\* Determine the propagation delay  $t_p$  between  $PC_1$  and  $PC_2$ .

At time  $t_1 = 15 \text{ ms}$  PC2 and PC3 also have data to be transmitted, 1500 B each.

- d) Draw a network communication diagram that shows all events starting at  $t_0 = 0 \text{ ms}$ . In case there is a jam signal, it is sufficient to mark its starting time. Completely mark the diagram (devices, serialization time, and propagation delay). **Scale:** horizontally 1 cm  $\triangleq 2.5 \text{ m}$ , vertically 1 cm  $\triangleq 10 \text{ ms}$ .

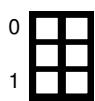


- e) Reason whether or not CSMA/CD correctly works under these conditions.

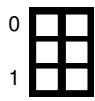
- f) Suggest a modification so that CSMA/CD works correctly. We expect a calculation here.

### Problem 3 CRC (15 credits)

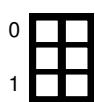
In this problem we consider the binary message 00100110 which should be protected by a CRC as we introduced it for Ethernet-based networks in the lecture. We assume the reduction polynomial  $r(x) = x^2 + 1$ .



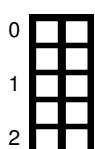
a)\* Briefly explain what CRC is used for in the context of Ethernet.



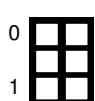
b)\* What is the reduction polynomial being used for?



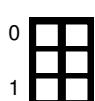
c)\* What does it mean if the reduction polynomial is *irreducible*.



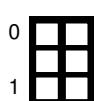
d)\* Reason whether or not CRC requires an irreducible reduction polynomial.



e)\* Show whether or not  $r(x)$  is irreducible.



f)\* Assuming **Ethernet**, what is the reaction of the receiving node when a bit error is detected.



g)\* Assuming **IEEE 802.11**, what is the reaction of the receiving node when a bit error is detected.

h)\* Determine the CRC checksum for the given message (see beginning of the problem).

i) Explicitly state the transmitted message.

Let us assume a different message (including its checksum): 111011010010111001. Assume that this message is transmitted and arrives as 111011010010111100 at the receiver.

j)\* Argue whether or not the error is being detected.

**Additional space for solutions—clearly mark the (sub)problem your answers are related to and strike out invalid solutions.**

A large grid of squares, approximately 20 columns by 30 rows, intended for students to write their solutions. The grid is composed of thin black lines on a white background.