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QUESTION NO 1

Suppose there is exactly one packet switch between a sending host and a receiving host. The transmission rates between the sending host and the switch and between the switch and the receiving host are R_1 and R_2 , respectively. If the switch uses store-and-forward packet switching, what is the total end-to-end delay to send a packet of length L ? (Ignore queuing, propagation delay, and processing delay.)

Data:

- L = Length of Packet
- R_1 = Transmission rate b/w source host and switch
- R_2 = Transmission rate b/w switch and receiving host.

- Time taken by the host to reach the switch from source host = L/R_1
- Time taken by the packet to reach the destination host from switch = L/R_2
- Total end-to-end delay = $L/R_1 + L/R_2$

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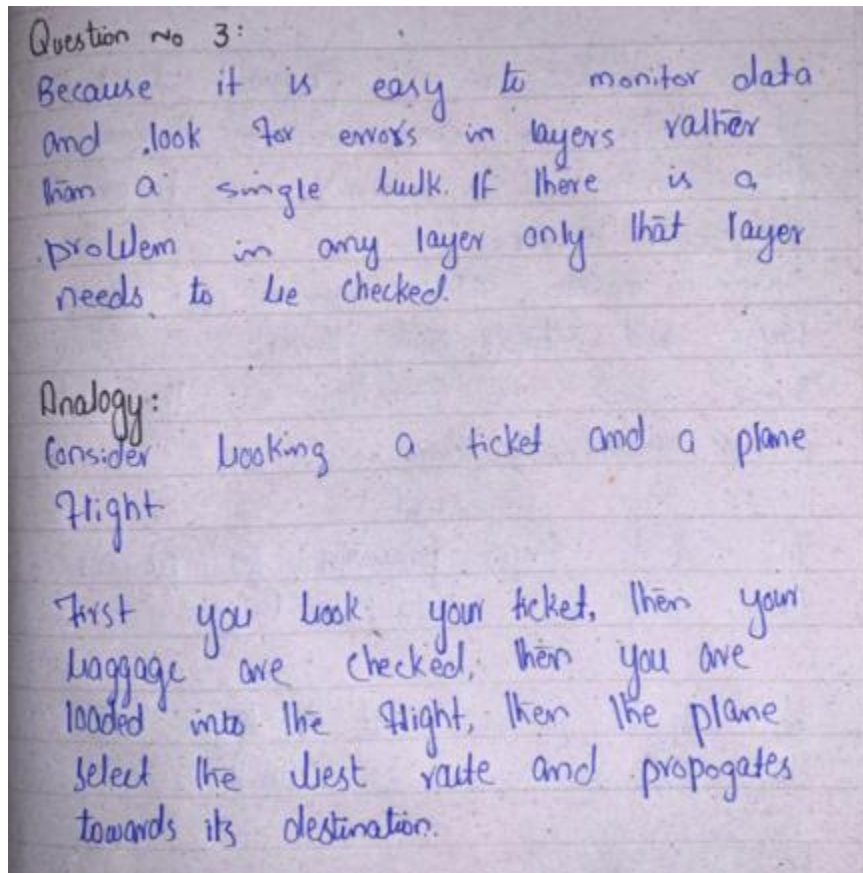
QUESTION NO 2

Which layers in the Internet protocol stack does a router process and what kind of message use in this layer? Which layers does a link-layer switch process? Which layers does a host process? Explain with the help of figure.

- Since router is a physical device it acts as a medium between the hosts and network, so it process physical layer.
Some router also process data link layer and network link layer.
Some act as firewalls so they also process transport layer.
- The link layer ^{switch} processes the physical layer and the data-link layer.
- The host process all 5 layer of the internet protocol stack.

QUESTION NO 3

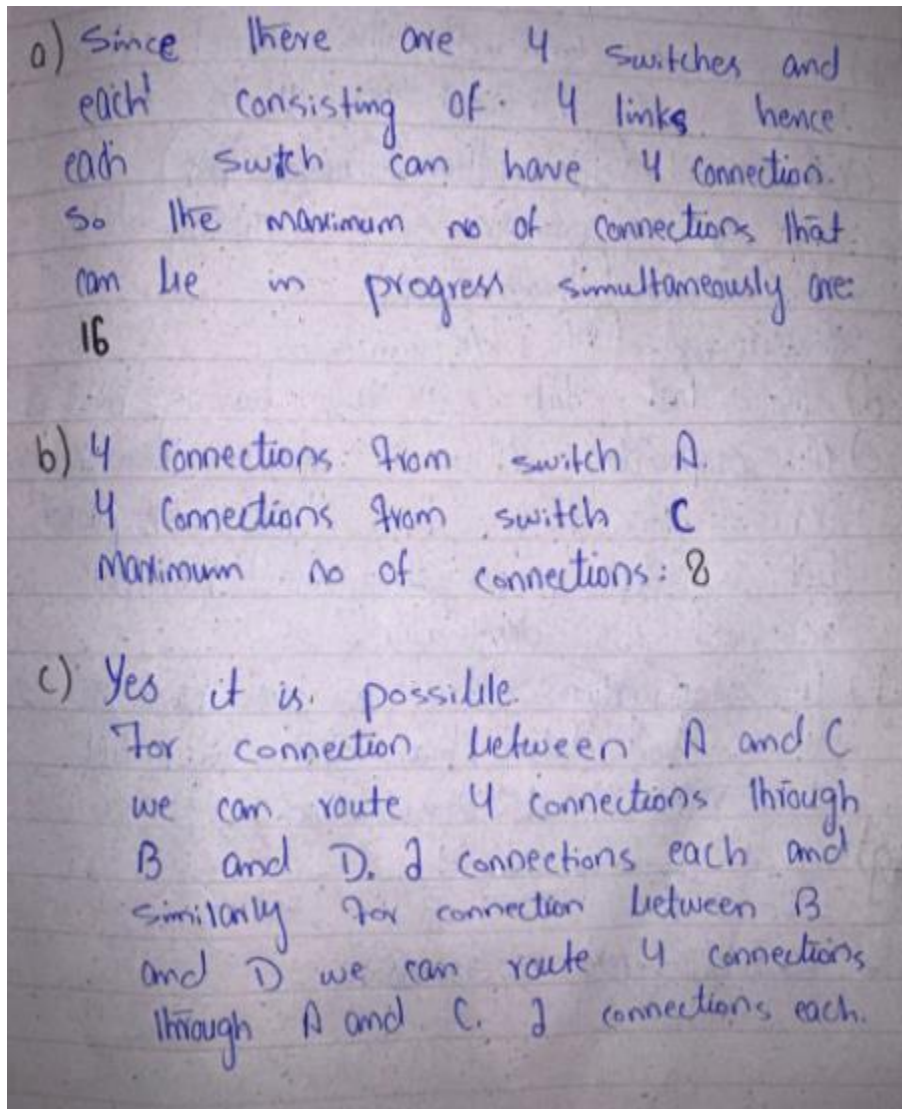
Why layering is important in internet protocol stack? Explain your answer in detail with the help of figure or analogy. Name the protocols use in each inter protocol layer?



QUESTION NO 4

Consider the circuit-switched network in Figure 1.13. Recall that there are four circuits on each link. Label the four switches A, B, C, and D, going in the clockwise direction.

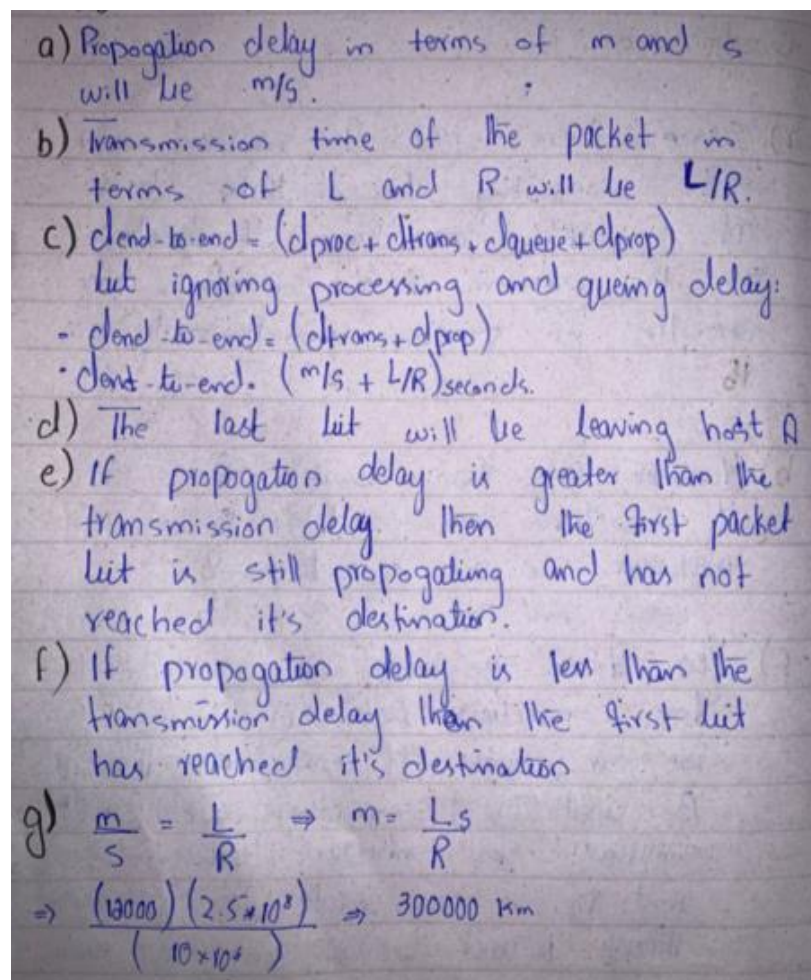
- What is the maximum number of simultaneous connections that can be in progress at any one time in this network?
- Suppose that all connections are between switches A and C. What is the maximum number of simultaneous connections that can be in progress?
- Suppose we want to make four connections between switches A and C, and another four connections between switches B and D. Can we route these calls through the four links to accommodate all eight connections?



QUESTION NO 5

This elementary problem begins to explore propagation delay and transmission delay, two central concepts in data networking. Consider two hosts, A and B, connected by a single link of rate R bps. Suppose that the two hosts are separated by m meters, and suppose the propagation speed along the link is s meters/sec. Host A is to send a packet of size L bits to Host B.

- a. Express the propagation delay, d_{prop} , in terms of m and s .
 - b. Determine the transmission time of the packet, d_{trans} , in terms of L and R .
 - c. Ignoring processing and queuing delays, obtain an expression for the end-to-end delay.
 - d. Suppose Host A begins to transmit the packet at time $t = 0$. At time $t = d_{\text{trans}}$, where is the last bit of the packet?
 - e. Suppose d_{prop} is greater than d_{trans} . At time $t = d_{\text{trans}}$, where is the first bit of the packet?
 - f. Suppose d_{prop} is less than d_{trans} . At time $t = d_{\text{trans}}$, where is the first bit of the packet?
- Suppose $s = 2.5 \times 10^8$, $L = 1500$ bytes, and $R = 10$ Mbps. Find the distance m so that d_{prop} equals d_{trans} .



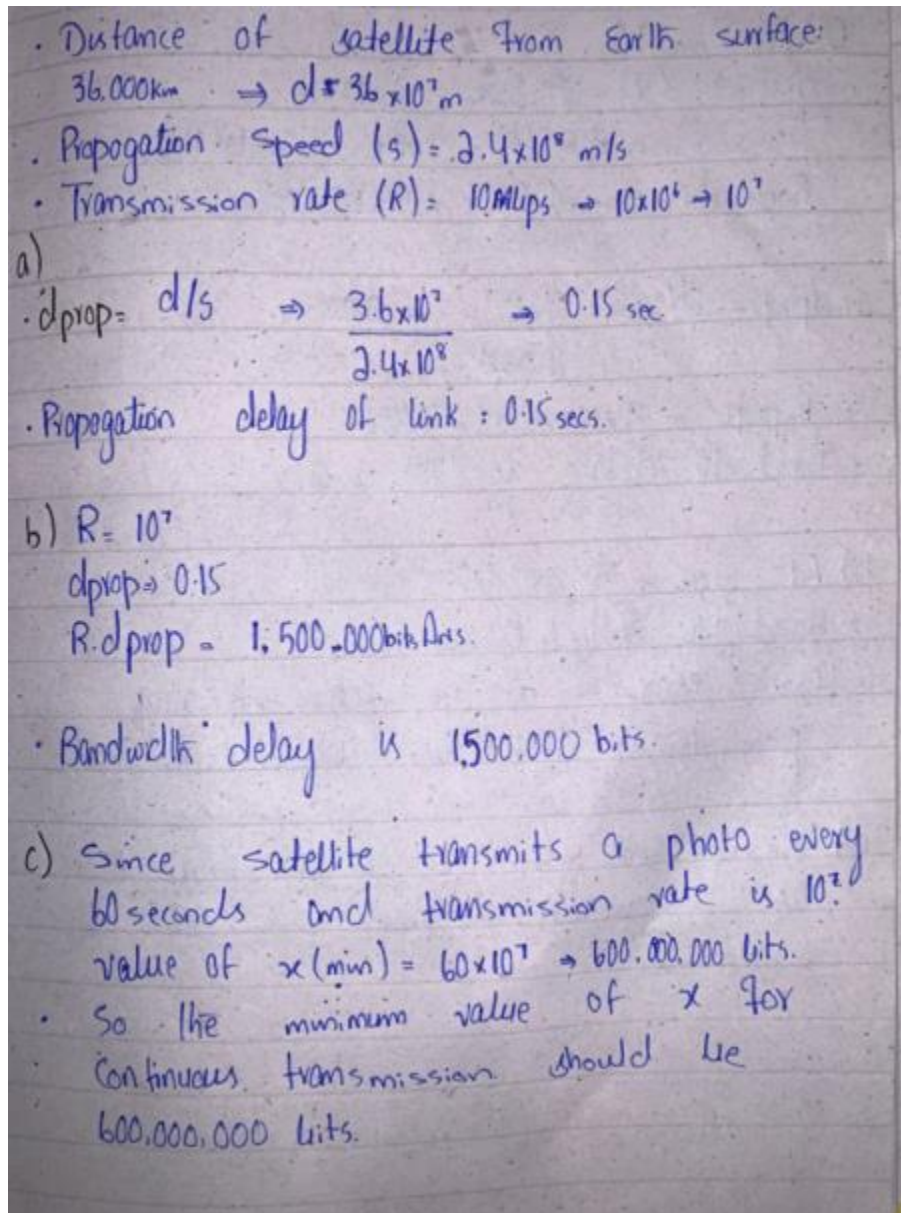
Handwritten solution for Question No 5:

- a) Propagation delay in terms of m and s will be m/s .
- b) Transmission time of the packet in terms of L and R will be L/R .
- c) $d_{\text{end-to-end}} = (d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{trans}} + d_{\text{queue}} + d_{\text{prop}})$
 but ignoring processing and queuing delay:
 $- d_{\text{end-to-end}} = (d_{\text{trans}} + d_{\text{prop}})$
 $- d_{\text{end-to-end}} = (m/s + L/R) \text{ seconds}$
- d) The last bit will be leaving host A
- e) If propagation delay is greater than the transmission delay then the first packet bit is still propagating and has not reached its destination.
- f) If propagation delay is less than the transmission delay then the first bit has reached its destination
- g) $\frac{m}{s} = \frac{L}{R} \Rightarrow m = \frac{L \cdot s}{R}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{(1500)(2.5 \times 10^8)}{(10 \times 10^6)} \Rightarrow 300000 \text{ km}$

QUESTION NO 6

Suppose there is a 10 Mbps microwave link between a geostationary satellite and its base station on Earth. Every minute the satellite takes a digital photo and sends it to the base station. Assume a propagation speed of 2.4×10^8 meters/sec.

- What is the propagation delay of the link?
- What is the bandwidth-delay product, $R \cdot d_{\text{prop}}$?
- Let x denote the size of the photo. What is the minimum value of x for the microwave link to be continuously transmitting?



Handwritten solution for Question No 6:

- Distance of satellite from Earth surface: $36,000 \text{ km} \Rightarrow d = 36 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$
- Propagation speed (s) = $2.4 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
- Transmission rate (R) = $10 \text{ Mbps} \Rightarrow 10 \times 10^6 \Rightarrow 10^7$

a)

$$d_{\text{prop}} = d/s \Rightarrow \frac{36 \times 10^3}{2.4 \times 10^8} \Rightarrow 0.15 \text{ sec}$$

Propagation delay of link: 0.15 secs.

b) $R = 10^7$

$$d_{\text{prop}} = 0.15$$
$$R \cdot d_{\text{prop}} = 1,500,000 \text{ bits}$$

Bandwidth delay is 1,500,000 bits.

c) Since satellite transmits a photo every 60 seconds and transmission rate is 10^7

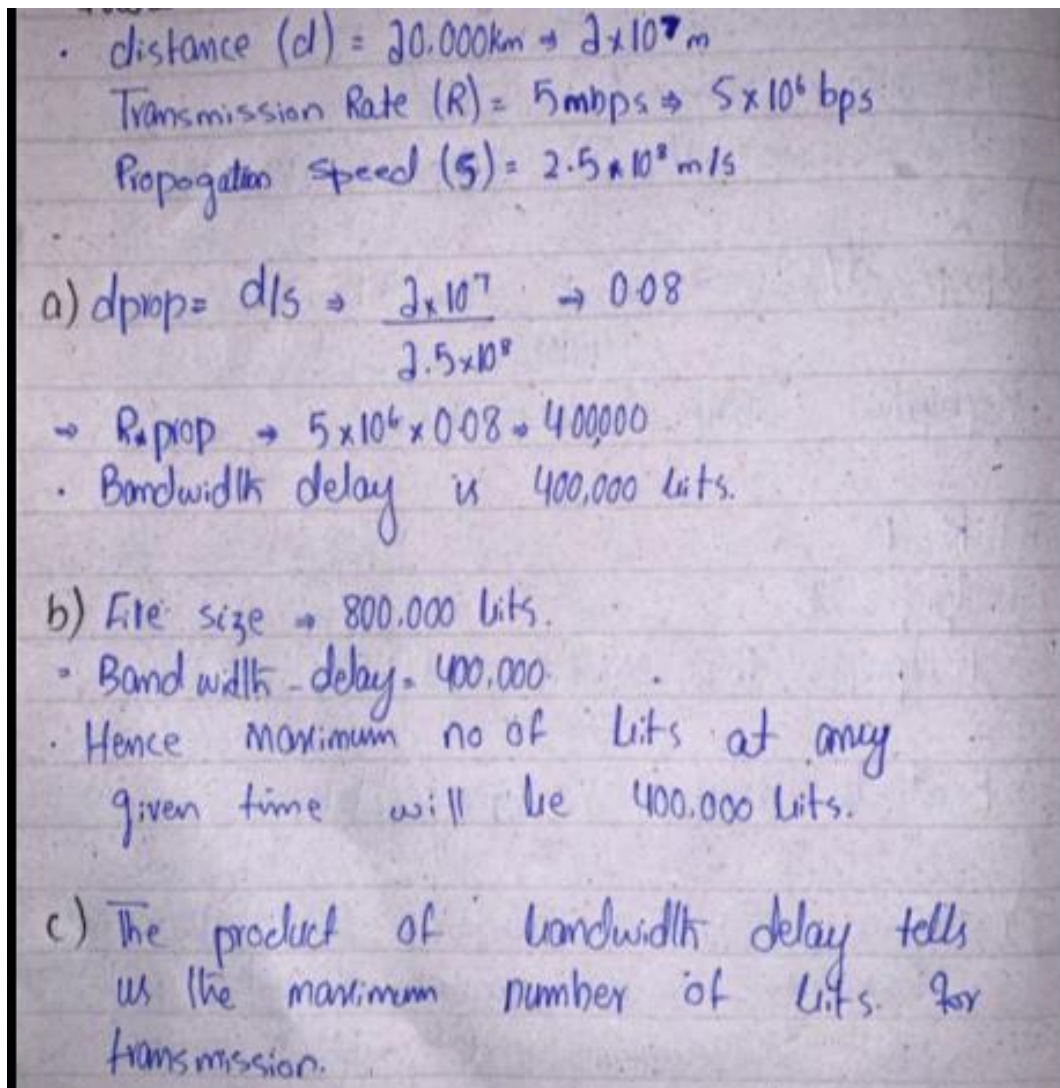
$$\text{value of } x(\text{min}) = 60 \times 10^7 \Rightarrow 600,000,000 \text{ bits}$$

So the minimum value of x for continuous transmission should be 600,000,000 bits.

QUESTION NO 7

Suppose two hosts, A and B, are separated by 20,000 kilometers and are connected by a direct link of $R = 5$ Mbps. Suppose the propagation speed over the link is 2.5×10^8 meters/sec.

- Calculate the bandwidth-delay product, $R \cdot d_{\text{prop}}$.
- Consider sending a file of 800,000 bits from Host A to Host B. Suppose the file is sent continuously as one large message. What is the maximum number of bits that will be in the link at any given time?
- Provide an interpretation of the bandwidth-delay product.
- What is the width (in meters) of a bit in the link? Is it longer than a football field?
- Derive a general expression for the width of a bit in terms of the propagation speed s , the transmission rate R , and the length of the link m .



Handwritten solution for Question No 7:

- distance (d) = 20,000 km $\Rightarrow 2 \times 10^7$ m
- Transmission Rate (R) = 5 mbps $\Rightarrow 5 \times 10^6$ bps
- Propagation Speed (s) = 2.5×10^8 m/s

a) $d_{\text{prop}} = d/s \Rightarrow \frac{2 \times 10^7}{2.5 \times 10^8} \Rightarrow 0.08$

$\Rightarrow R \cdot d_{\text{prop}} \Rightarrow 5 \times 10^6 \times 0.08 \Rightarrow 400,000$

- Bandwidth delay is 400,000 bits.

b) File size $\Rightarrow 800,000$ bits.

- Bandwidth-delay = 400,000.
- Hence maximum no of bits at any given time will be 400,000 bits.

c) The product of bandwidth delay tells us the maximum number of bits for transmission.

d) Length/width of a bit $\Rightarrow \frac{S}{R} \Rightarrow \frac{2.5 \times 10^3}{5 \times 10^6} \Rightarrow 50 \text{ m/bit}$

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Football field = 91 m

No, it is no longer than a football field.

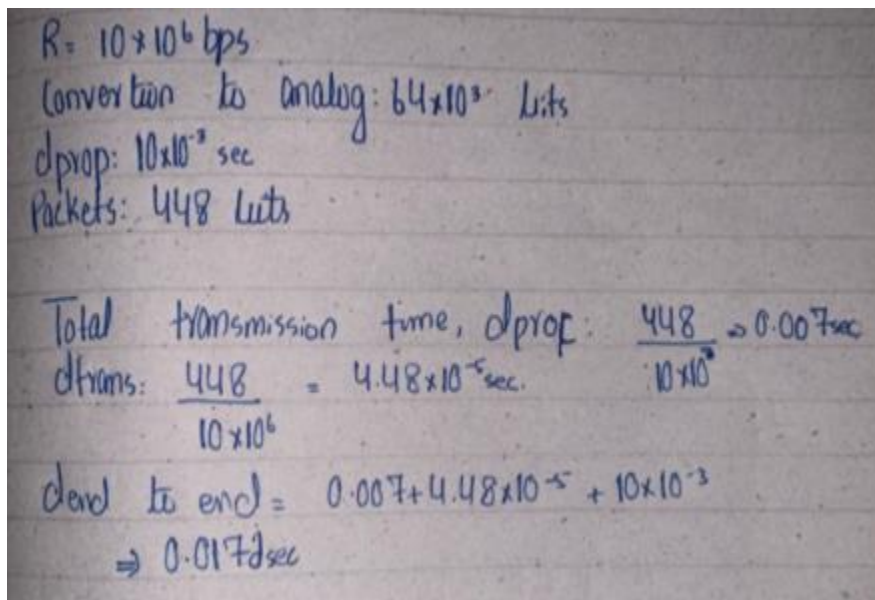
e) $\frac{m}{R} \times c_{\text{prop}} = m/R \times \text{m/s}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m}{R} \times \frac{s}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{s}{R}$$

QUESTION NO 8

In this problem, we consider sending real-time voice from Host A to Host B over a packet-switched network (VoIP). Host A convert's analog voice to a digital 64 kbps bit stream on the fly. Host A then groups the bits into 56-byte packets. There is one link between Hosts A and B; its transmission rate is 10 Mbps and its propagation delay is 10 msec. As soon as Host A gathers a packet, it sends it to Host B. As soon as Host B receives an entire packet, it converts the packet's bits to an analog signal. How much time elapses from the time a bit is created (from the original analog signal).



Handwritten calculations for the VoIP delay problem:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= 10 \times 10^6 \text{ bps} \\ \text{Conversion to analog: } &64 \times 10^3 \text{ bits} \\ d_{\text{prop}} &= 10 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec} \\ \text{Packets: } &448 \text{ bits} \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total transmission time, } d_{\text{prop}} &= \frac{448}{10 \times 10^6} = 4.48 \times 10^{-5} \text{ sec} \\ \text{dtrans: } &\frac{448}{10 \times 10^6} = 4.48 \times 10^{-5} \text{ sec} \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} \text{dend to end} &= 0.007 + 4.48 \times 10^{-5} + 10 \times 10^{-3} \\ &\Rightarrow 0.0174 \text{ sec} \end{aligned}$$

QUESTION NO 9

Review the car-caravan analogy in Section 1.4. Suppose the caravan has 10 cars, and that the tollbooth services (that is, transmits) a car at a rate of one car per 2 seconds. Assume a propagation speed of 100 km/hour.

- Suppose the caravan travels 175 km, beginning in front of one tollbooth, passing through a second tollbooth, and finishing just after a third tollbooth. What is the end-to-end delay?
- Repeat (a), now assuming that there are eight cars in the caravan instead of ten.

a) Propagation Speed = 100 km/h
Caravan Speed = 175 km/h
Transmission rate = 2 seconds

$\rightarrow \frac{175 \text{ km/h}}{100 \text{ km/h}} \rightarrow 1.75 \text{ hr} \rightarrow 1 \text{ hour } 45 \text{ min.}$

• Overall service time for 10 cars = $10 \times 2 \times 3 = 60 \text{ sec}$

• End to end delay = $1 \text{ hour } 45 \text{ mins} + 1 \text{ min}$
 $= 1 \text{ hour } 46 \text{ mins.}$

b) Overall service time for 8 cars = $8 \times 2 \times 3 = 48 \text{ sec}$

• $48 \text{ sec} = 0.76 \text{ min}$

• End to end delay = $60 \text{ mins} + 45 \text{ mins} + 0.76 \text{ min}$
 $\rightarrow 105.76 \text{ mins}$ or
 $\rightarrow 1 \text{ hour } 45 \text{ mins } 48 \text{ seconds.}$

QUESTION NO 10

Consider a packet of length L that begins at end system A and travels over three links to a destination end system. These three links are connected by two packet switches. Let d_i , s_i , and R_i denote the length, propagation speed, and the transmission rate of link i , for $i = 1, 2, 3$. The packet switch delays each packet by d_{proc} . Assuming no queuing delays, in terms of d_i , s_i , R_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3$), and L , what is the total end-to-end delay for the packet? Suppose now the packet is 1,500 bytes, the propagation speed on all three links is $2.5 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$, the transmission rates of all three links are 2.5 Mbps, the packet switch processing delay is 3 msec, the length of the first link is 5,000 km, the length of the second link is 4,000 km, and the length of the last link is 1,000 km. For these values, what is the end-to-end delay?

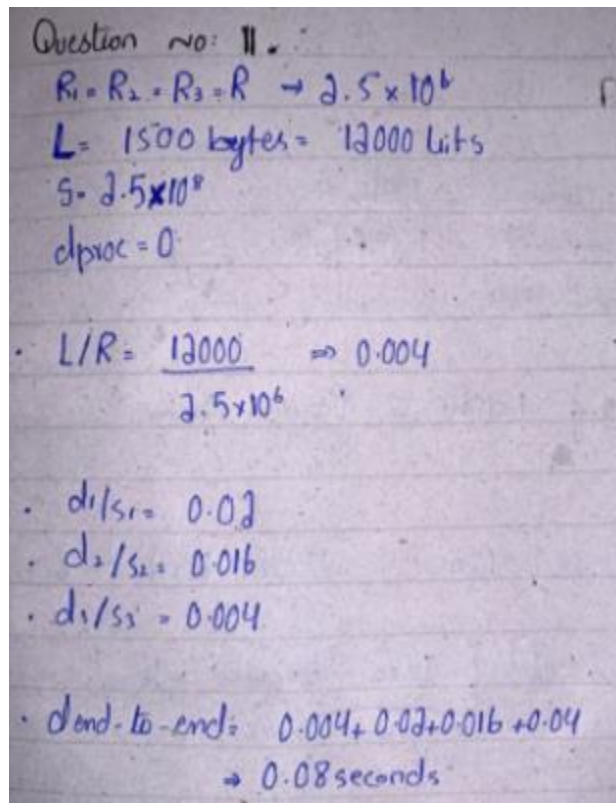
$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= 1500 \text{ bytes} \rightarrow 12000 \text{ bits} \\
 d_{\text{proc}} &= 3 \text{ msec} \rightarrow 0.003 \\
 R &= 2.5 \times 10^6 \\
 d_1 &= 5000 \text{ km} \rightarrow 5000 \times 10^3 \\
 d_2 &= 4000 \text{ km} \rightarrow 4000 \times 10^3 \\
 d_3 &= 1000 \text{ km} \rightarrow 1000 \times 10^3 \\
 S &= 2.5 \times 10^8 \\
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{delay}_{\text{end-to-end}} &= L/R_1 + L/R_2 + L/R_3 + d_1/s_1 + d_2/s_2 + d_3/s_3 \\
 &\quad + d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{proc}} \\
 &\rightarrow 0.004 + 0.004 + 0.004 + 0.02 + 0.016 + 0.004 + 0.003 + 0.003 \\
 &\rightarrow 0.058 \text{ sec.} \\
 \end{aligned}$$

So end-to-end delay is 0.058 seconds.

QUESTION NO 11

In the above problem, suppose $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R$ and $d_{proc} = 0$. Further suppose that the packet switch does not store-and-forward packets but instead immediately transmits each bit it receives before waiting for the entire packet to arrive. What is the end-to-end delay?



Handwritten solution for Question No. 11:

Question no: 11.

$R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R \rightarrow 2.5 \times 10^6$

$L = 1500 \text{ bytes} = 12000 \text{ bits}$

$S = 2.5 \times 10^8$

$d_{proc} = 0$

$\cdot \frac{L}{R} = \frac{12000}{2.5 \times 10^6} \Rightarrow 0.004$

$\cdot d_1/s_1 = 0.02$

$\cdot d_2/s_2 = 0.016$

$\cdot d_3/s_3 = 0.004$

$\cdot d_{end-to-end} = 0.004 + 0.02 + 0.016 + 0.004$
 $\Rightarrow 0.08 \text{ seconds}$