COMP3331/9331 Computer Networks and Applications

Recap

Preparing for the Final Hurdle End of Semester Exam (weighting 40%)

- Minimum requirements for obtaining a Pass grade or better are: a mark of 40% in the Final Exam, and an overall grade of at least 50%.
- If you cannot clear the 40% hurdle in the final exam, the maximum final grade that will be reported is 40/100.

Example Marks

■ Example 1:

- Mid-session Test: 20/20
- Labs: 20/20
- Assignment: 20/20
- Final Exam: 17/40 [clears the hurdle; hurdle = 16/40]
- Final Grade: 20+20+20+17=77

■ Example 2:

- Mid-session Test: 20/20
- Labs: 20/20
- Assignment: 20/20
- Final Exam: 15/40 [fails the hurdle]
- Final Grade: 40

Health Check

Activities	Score (1-10, 10 is the best)
Lectures attended (+interactions during lecture)	
Labs attended (+marks obtained)	
Homework problems attempted on time (weekly)	
Moodle quiz attempted on time (weekly)	
Mid-session test attempted (+marks obtained)	
Text book chapters read (+pondered)	
TOTAL SCORE	60 maximum

Preparing for the Final Exam What to study?

- Lecture notes
- Textbook chapters as directed in lecture notes
- All Moodle Quiz (135 of them)
- All Homework problems (52 of them)

How to Study

- Try to understand the fundamental concepts (don't just memorize formulas!)
- For each week's lecture, make sure you understand all the key (micro) topics listed on Moodle
- For each Moodle Quiz you attempt, try to create another similar quiz based on the same concept
- For each homework problem you attempt, try to create and solve another similar problem based on the same concept

Examination Rules

- 1. Time allowed: 2 hours plus 10 minutes reading time
- 2. There is a total of 8 questions and you must answer all questions.
- 3. There are two sections. Answer each section in a separate booklet.
- 4. Note that if the question asks you to derive a result or perform some calculations, it is important for you to show us your intermediate steps and tell us the arguments that you have made to obtain the result. Both the intermediate steps and the arguments carry marks.
- 5. If the question asks you to give an explanation, you should aim to give a succinct and to the point answer.
- 6. This is a closed-book examination. UNSW approved calculators are allowed.
- 7. Questions could be drawn from any topic covered in the lectures, NO multiple choice, NO true/false, NO programming questions, NO negative marking

Sample Exam Questions

- 'Similar' to the style of shomework problems
 - But could be more extensive
 - Some have exact precise answer
 - Others require answers that can be explained in different ways