

Assignment No - I

Q.1 Write short notes on all the following:

- 1) Repeater.
- ⇒ • A repeater is a dynamic network device used to reproduce the signals when they transmit over a greater distance so that signal's strength remains equal.
• It can be used to create an Ethernet network.
• A repeater that occurs as the first layer of the OSI layer is the physical layer.
• The significant point to be noted regarding these devices is that they do not strengthen the signal.
• Whenever the signal gets weak, they reproduce it at the actual strength.
• A repeater is a two-port device.

2) Hub

- ⇒ • A Hub is common connection point, also known as network hub which is used for connections of devices in a network.
• It works as a central connection for all devices that are connected through a hub.
• The hub has numerous ports.
• If a packet reaches at one port, it is able to see all the segments of the network due to a packet is copied to the other ports.

- Network Hubs are classified as -
 - 1) Active Hub
 - ⇒ These hubs have their own power supply and these hubs are used to clean, increase and transmit the signal using the network.
 - 2) Passive Hub
 - ⇒ These hubs collect wiring from the power supply and different nodes of an active hub.
 - 3) Smart Hub
 - ⇒ It works like active hubs and include remote management capabilities.
- 3) Bridges
 - ⇒ • A bridge in the computer network is used to unite two or more network segments.
 - The main function of bridge in network architecture is to store as well as transmit frames among the various segments.
 - Bridges use MAC hardware for transferring frames.
 - In the OSI model, bridges work at the data link and physical layers to divide the networks from larger to smaller by controlling the data flow between the two.
 - These are also used for connecting two

physical local area networks to a larger logical local area network.

4) Switches

- • Similar to a hub, this also works at the layer in the LAN and a switch is more clever compare with a hub.
- The hub is used for data transferring, whereas a switch is used for filtering and forwarding the data.
- So this is the more clever technique to deal with the data packets.
- Whenever a data packet is obtained from the interfaces in the switch, then the data packet can be filtered and transmits to the interface of the proposed receiver.
- Due to this reason, a switch maintains a content addressable memory table to maintain system configuration as well as memory. This table is also named as FIB (Forwarding Information Base).

5) Router

- • A network router is one kind of network device in a computer network and it is used for routing traffic from one network to another.
- These two networks could be private to public company networks.

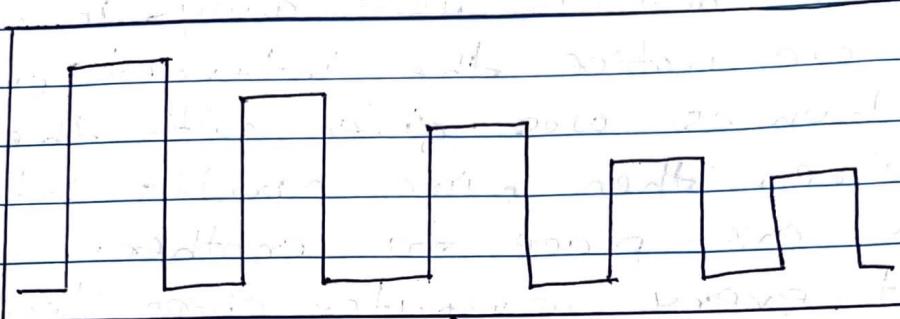
- Example : A router is considered as traffic police at the junction , he directs dissimilar traffic networks to dissimilar directions.

- 6) Gateway
- Generally a gateway performs at the session and transport layers in the OSI model.
 - Gateways offer conversion between networking technologies like OSI and TCP / IP.
 - Because of this , these are connected to two or many autonomous networks, where each network has its own domain name service , routing algorithm , topology , protocols , and procedures of network administration and policies.
 - Gateways execute all the functions of routers.
 - Actually , a router with additional conversion functionality is a gateway , so the conversion between various network technologies is known as a protocol converter.

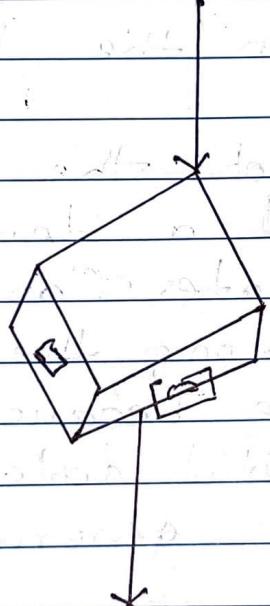
7) Modem

- A modem is the most important network device and it is used daily in our life.
- If we notice the internet connections to homes was given with the help of a wire, then wire carries internet data from one place to another.
- But, every computer gives digital or binary data in the form of zeros and ones.
- The full form of the modem is a modulator and a demodulator.
- So it modulates as well as demodulates the signal among the computer and a telephone line because the computer generates digital data whereas the telephone line generates an analog signal.

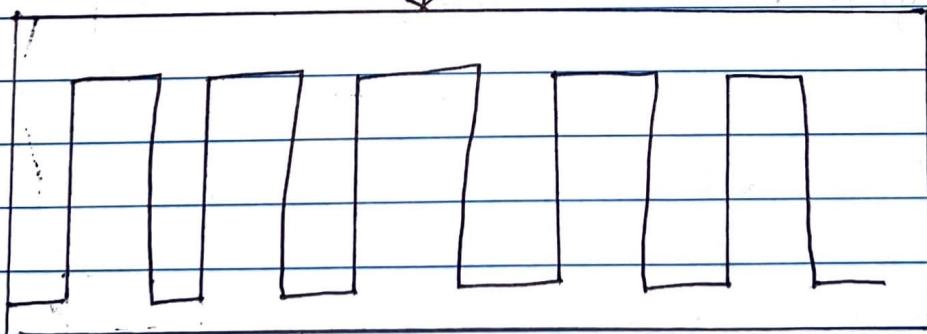
- Repeater



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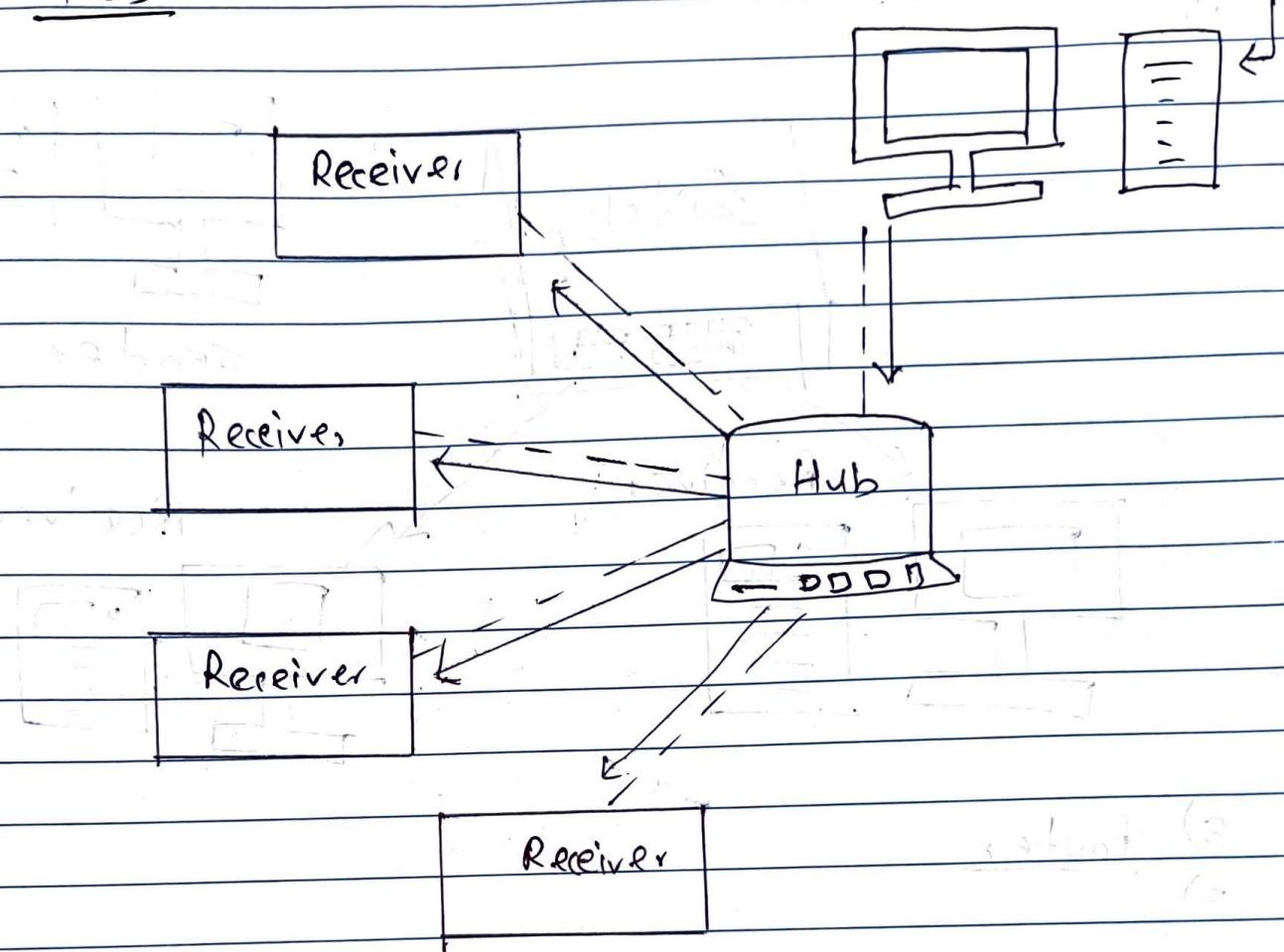


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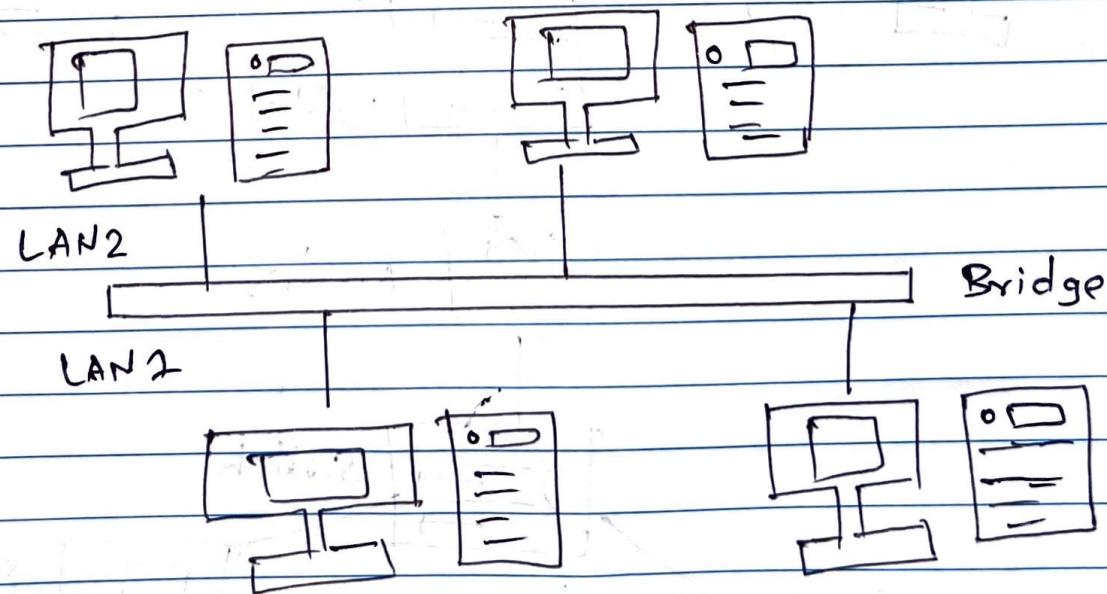


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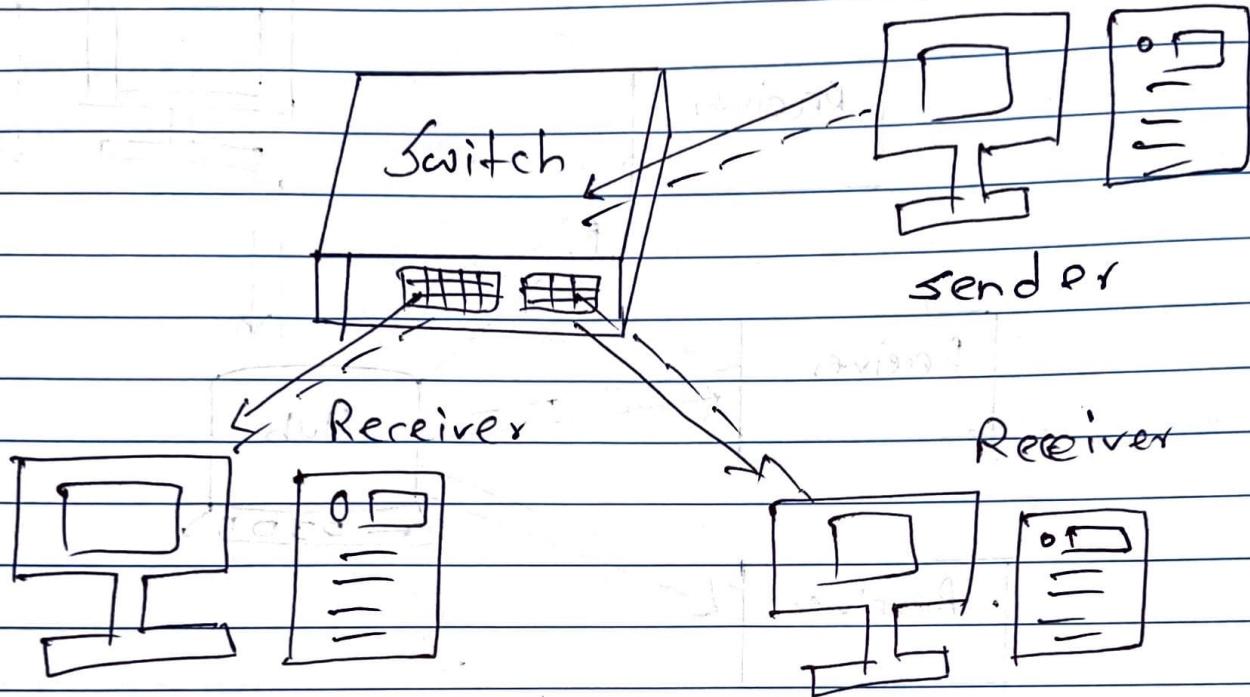
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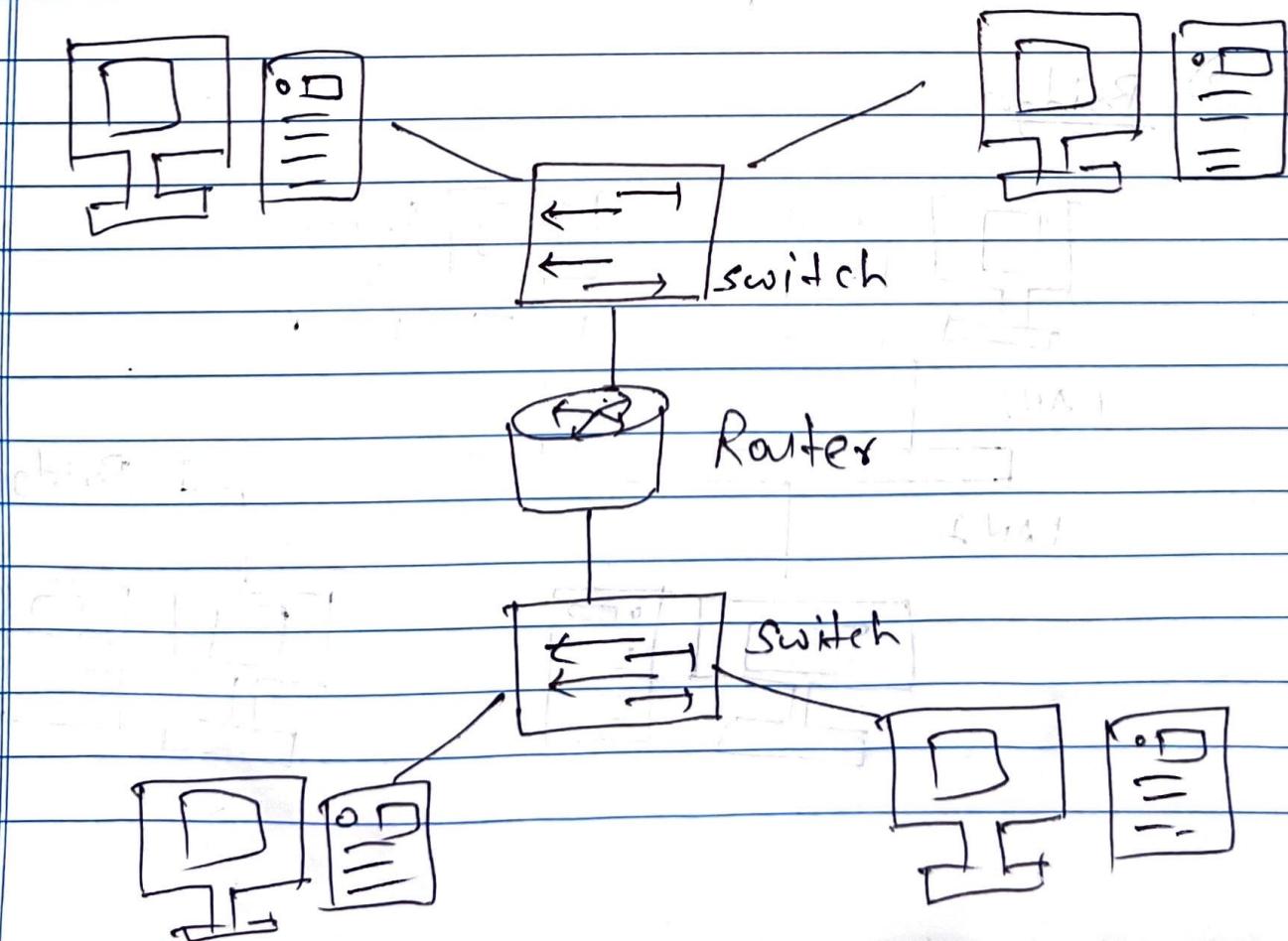
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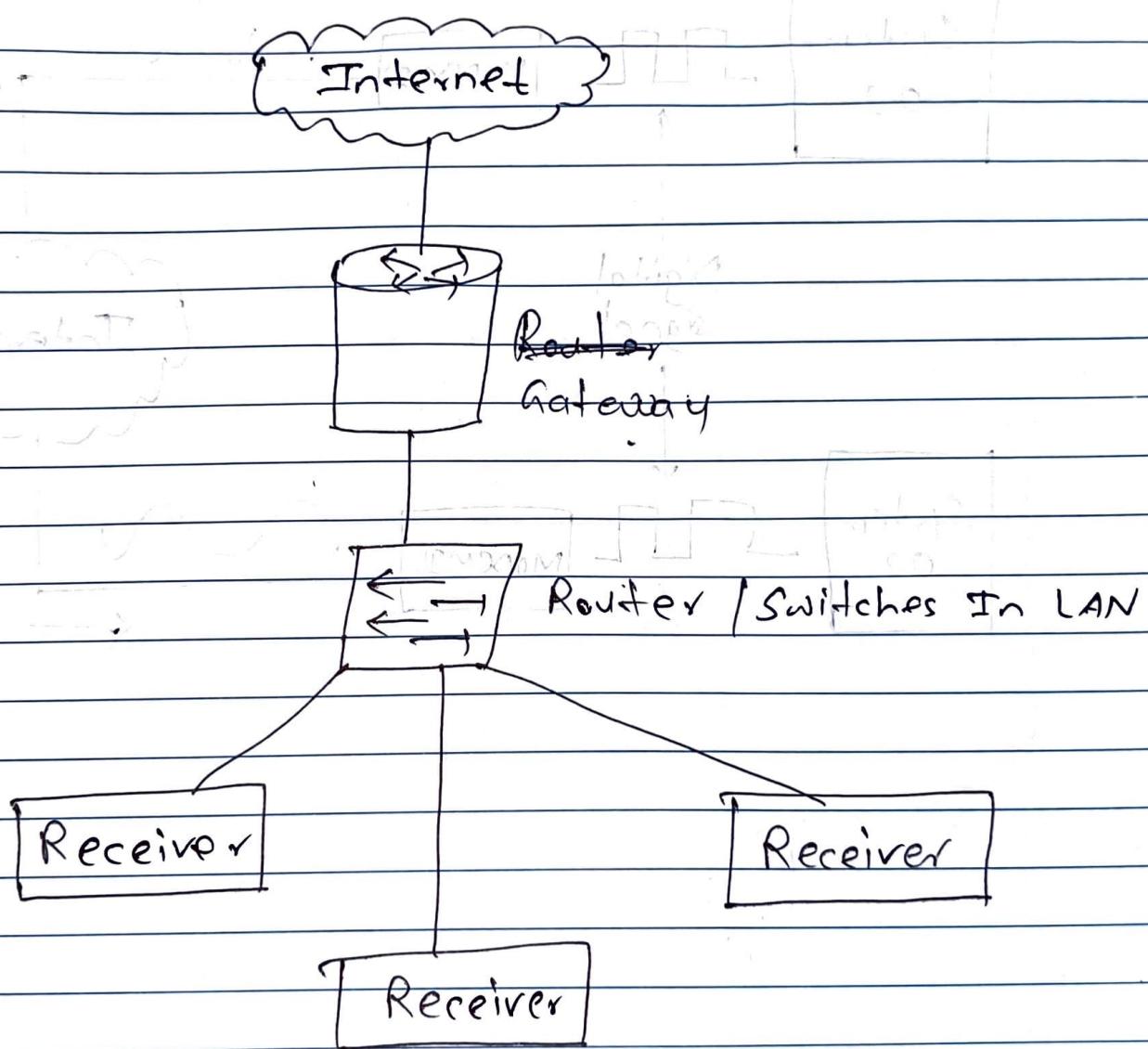
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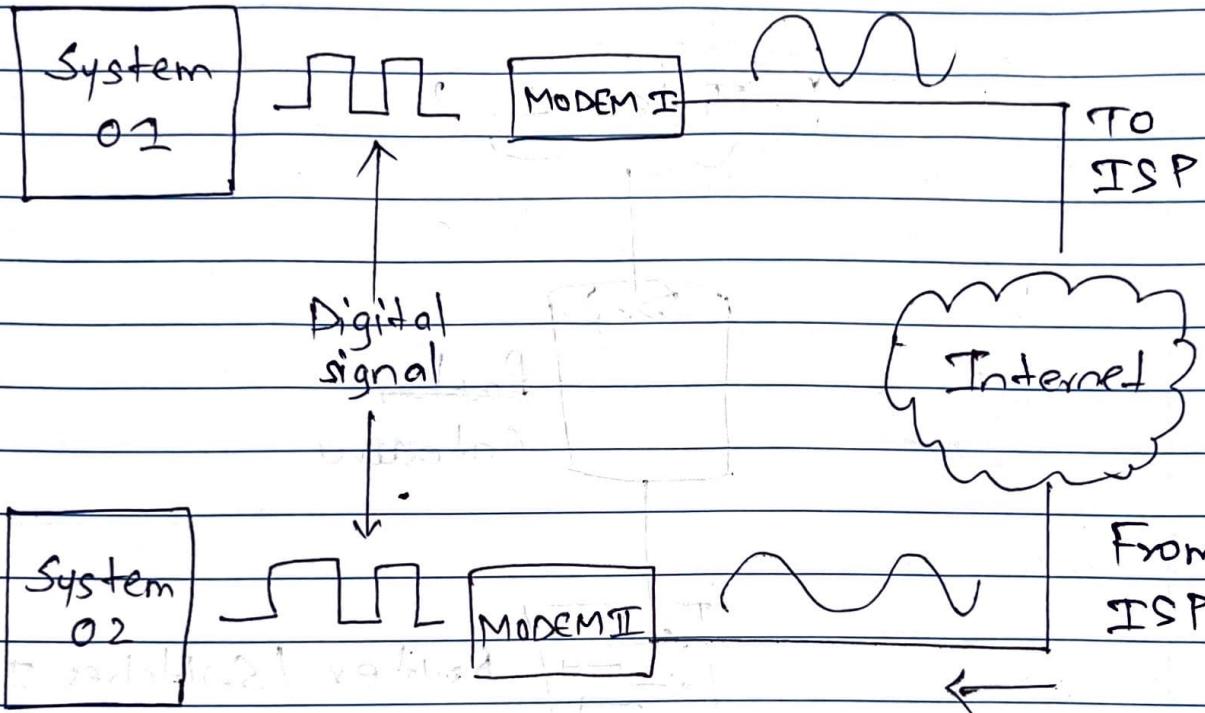
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