Subject Overview

COMP90007 Internet Technologies

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A Little Bit of Myself

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Research Interests:

- Smart wearables and Internet of Things: Developing wirelessly charged sensors to measure critical health metrics of workers for health and safety monitoring.
- Internet services energy modelling: Developing vendor agnostic non-propriety energy models and assessment methodologies for telecommunication service providers to determine the energy consumption of the services they provide.
- Network analytics: Developing big data network analytics and service modelling techniques to provide cloudification of personalized content and service access to next generation mobile users.
- Energy-efficiency of optical access networks: Developing new energy-efficient technologies for point-to-point and point-to-multipoint optical access networks.

Publications:

https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Chien_Chan

How To Contact Me?

- Preferably at the end of lectures
- Email: chienac@unimelb.edu.au
 (Start the subject field of your email by the word COMP90007)
- Try to get back to you at most within 2 business days (QoS)
- Office: Networked Society Institute, Level 4, Dept. EEE (Building 193)
- Consultation: By appointment

About Yourself

- Take two minutes to know who is sitting next to you
- I will ask few people to introduce their peers in the following format

This is [name]. S/he is from [country] and s/he is doing a [course]

Subject Structure

- 12 Weeks of Lectures
 - 3 hours of teaching + 1 hour of workshop
 - Visit LMS pages for time and venue of lectures.

Assessment:

- 35% Project/Assignment
 - □ 2 assignments (total 10%, each individual work) → (50% Hurdle)
 - □ 2 projects (total 25%, each individual work) → (50% Hurdle)
- 5% Mid-semester test
- 60% Final examination (50% Hurdle)
- Hurdle is important, if you fail any hurdle then your mark will be minimum of 49 and your total marks.

Project Work (25% - Individual work)

Two Parts:

- 1. Network Analysis (10 %): A project assignment requiring a report due in *Week 8*
- 2. Report Project (15 %): A 1,000 word report on a chosen topic completed individually. Due sometime in *Week 11*. Details will appear later

 Detailed specification will appear after Assignment 1

Plagiarism

- This is a very important issue and the teaching team will be extremely strict on this in marking your Assignments and Project Reports.
- You CANNOT copy your reports submitted in previous semester (self-plagiarism), you CANNOT copy from all other reports submitted in previous semesters (plagiarism) and you CANNOT copy from Internet websites, published papers, technical reports, Internet forums, textbooks, etc. (plagiarism).
- You must use your own wording in your report and provide proper referencing. Students who have high similarity index in their reports will be penalised heavily.

Mid-semester Test [Dates to be Confirmed]

■ **Tentative date**: Week 8 or 9

Assignments

- Assignment 1 due Week 4
- Assignment 2 due Week 7

Subject Resources

- Prescribed Textbook:
 - Computer Networks (5th Edition) by Andrew S. Tanenbaum
- Subject LMS: http://www.lms.unimelb.edu.au/
- The textbook website: http://www.prenhall.com/tanenbaum
- Your fellow students (for discussion, not sharing assignments)
- The University Libraries

Other Resources:

- Data and Computer Communications by Richard Stallings (ERC 004.6 Stal)
- High-Performance Communication Networks by Walrand & Varaiya (ERC 621.3821 Walr)
- Computer Networks by Andrew Tanenbaum (ERC 004.6 Tane)

Computational Resources:

- Workshop and Project: networking tools for analysis, measurement and experimentation
 - Wireshark
 - lperf
 - telnet
 - Traceroute
 - wget
- The above software has been installed on computers in all workshop venues
- Publicly Available

Subject Outline

- Develop an understanding of network technologies and applications, and be able to demonstrate proficiency in internetworking and its management
- The subject will introduce the basics of computer networks to students through a study of layered models of computer networks and applications.
 - The first half of the subject deals with data communication protocols in the lower layers of OSI and TCP/IP reference models.
 - The second half of the subject deals with the upper layers of the TCP/IP reference model through a study of several Internet applications.

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Topics covered include:

- Introduction to Internet, OSI reference model layers, protocols and services, data transmission basics, interface standards, network topologies
- data link protocols
- message routing, LANs, WANs, TCP/IP suite
- detailed study of common network applications (e.g., email, Web)
- network management

Course Plan (Dates to be Confirmed)

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Topics by week:
1 Introduction to Networking (Ch 1)
2 Physical Layer (Ch 2)
3 Data link Layer (Ch 3)
4 Medium Access Control Sublayer (Ch 4) Assignment 1 due (5%)
5 Network Layer (Ch 5)
6 Transport Layer (Ch 6)
7 Applications (current) (Ch 7) Assignment 2 due (5%)
8 Applications (emerging) (Ch 7) Network Analysis due (10%)
9 Network Management
10 Security (Ch 8)
11 Guest lectures Report Project due (15%)
12 Review
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Mid-sem

test (5%)

date TBC

Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

- Having completed this unit the student is expected to:
 - to develop an understanding of network technologies and applications.
 - to be able to use correct terminology within the domain of computer networks.
 - to be able to conceptualise and explain the functionality of the different layers within a network architecture.
 - 4. to be able to explain the architecture and operation of the Internet.

Generic Skills

- On completing this subject, students should have the following skills:
 - Be able to undertake problem identification, formulation and solution
 - Have a capacity for independent critical thought, rational inquiry and self-directed learning
 - Have a profound respect for truth and intellectual integrity, and for the ethics of scholarship.