



Course description

This course will explore the various types of data communication systems, networks and their applications. Concepts & terminologies like computer networks, layered architecture (OSI & TCP/IP), network hardware, network software, standardization, network medium, and IP addressing will be explored. The practical aspect will deal with building small to medium level networks including Cabling, Configuring TCP/IP, Peer to Peer Networking, Sharing resources, Client Server Networking.

Course objectives components

- By the end of this course, students will be able to:
- Understand the concepts and principles of data communications and computer networks
- Understand data transmission and transmission media
- Understand Protocols and various networking
- Understand TCP/IP & OSI Reference Model
- Understand LAN and WAN technologies
- Understand and implement IP addressing.
- Build small to medium level Computer networks
- Understand subnets

Chapter 1: Data Communication and Computer Networking Basics (5 hours)

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| 1.1 Data Communication | 1.1.4 Digital Data Transmission formats | 1.1.8 Protocols and standards |
| 1.1.1 Definition of Data Communication | 1.1.5 Transmission Impairments | 1.1.9 Circuit switching and Packet switching, |
| 1.1.2 Communication Basics | 1.1.6 Modes of Data transmission | |
| 1.1.3 Data Representation techniques | 1.1.7 Elements of Data Communication | |
| 1.2 Computer Network | 1.2.3.1.3 MAN | 1.2.4.2 Software Components |
| 1.2.1 Network Definition | 1.2.3.1.4 WAN | 1.2.5 Network Topology |
| 1.2.2 Network Applications | 1.2.3.2 Architecture | 1.2.5.1 Physical |
| 1.2.3 Network Types | 1.2.3.2.1 Peer-to-Peer | 1.2.5.2 Logical |
| 1.2.3.1 Geographical Area | 1.2.3.2.2 Client/server | 1.2.6 Network Models |
| 1.2.3.1.1 PAN | 1.2.4 Network Components | 1.2.6.1 OSI Reference Model |
| 1.2.3.1.2 LAN | 1.2.4.1 Hardware Components | 1.2.6.2 TCP/IP Protocol Suite |
| 1.3 Transmission Media | 1.3.1.3 Fiber Optics/Optical Fiber | 1.3.2.3 Microwave Communication |
| 1.3.1 Guided | Cable | 1.3.2.4 Infrared Communication |
| 1.3.1.1 Twisted Pair Cable | 1.3.2 Unguided | 1.3.2.5 Wi-Fi |
| 1.3.1.2 Coaxial Cable | 1.3.2.1 Wireless LAN | 1.3.2.6 Bluetooth Technology |
| | 1.3.2.2 Radio Communication | 1.3.2.7 Satellite communication |

Chapter 2: Application, Session and Presentation Layers (5 hours)

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| 2.1. Application Layer Introduction | 2.3. Application Protocols | 2.5. Session Layer |
| 2.2. Client-Server Model | 2.4. Network Services | 2.6. Presentation Layer |

Chapter 3: Transport Layer (6 hours)

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| 3.1. Segmentation | 3.5. Unreliable/Reliable | 3.6.2.2. Error Control |
| 3.2. Addressing | 3.6. Protocols in Transport | 3.6.2.3. Congestion control |
| 3.6. Protocols in Transport | 3.3. Multiplexing and DE-Layer | 3.6.2.4. TCP Variants |
| 3.3. Multiplexing and DE-Layer | | |
| 3.4. Connectionless | 3.6.1. UDP | |
| 3.6.1. UDP | 3.6.2. TCP | |
| 3.6.2. TCP | 3.6.2.1. Flow control | |
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Chapter 4: Network Layer Addressing and Routing (8 hours)

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| 4.6.1. Types of Messages | 4.7.3. Message Format | 4.1.5. Unicasting, Multicasting and |
| 4.6.2. Message Format | 4.7.4. IGMP Operation | Broadcasting |
| 4.1.1. Error Reporting and Query | 4.7.5. Encapsulation | 4.9. IPv6 |

4.1.2. ICMPv6 4.7.6. Netstat 4.9.1. structure
 4.7. IGMP: 4.8. Routing and forwarding 4.9.2. Address space
 4.7.1. Group Management 4.1.3. Routing algorithms
 4.7.2. IGMP Messages 4.1.4. Routing in the Internet Chapter 5: Link

Layer and Physical Layer (8 hours)

5.1. Link layer services	5.1.5. Data Link and its responsibilities	5.2.4. LAN Devices: Repeaters, Hubs, Bridges and switches
5.1.1. Framing	5.1.5.1. Data Link Control,	5.2.5. WAN Devices Routers, Layer 3 Switches and Gateways
5.1.2. Multiple Access Protocols	5.1.5.2. Error detection and correction	5.2.6. Signaling and encoding
5.1.2.1. CSMA/CD and CSMA/CA	5.1.5.3. Data Link Layer Protocols	5.2.6.1. Signal Encoding Techniques
5.1.3. Link layer addressing	5.2. Physical Layer Services	5.2.7. Physical Layer and its
5.1.3.1. MAC address	5.2.1. Bits	
5.1.4. Data Link Sub Layers	5.2.2. Ethernet,	
5.1.4.1. Logical Link Control (LLC) Control	5.2.3. Point-to-Point Protocol responsibilities and Data Link	

Assessment methods

- Assignments/quizzes 15%
- Lab Assessments 15%
- Mid semester examination 20%
- Final examination 50% **Textbooks:**

1. Data Communications and Networking, 5th Edition, Behrouz A. Forouzan **Reference**

books:

1. Andrew S. Tanenbaum, David J. Wetherall, Computer Networks (5th Edition), Pearson; 2010.
2. William Stallings, Data and Computer Communications, 10th Edition, Pearson, 2014 **Laboratory Outline**

Week 1: Designing cables

1.1. Crossover cable	1.2. Straight-through cable	1.3. Rollover cable
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Week 2: Creating Peer to Peer network

2.1. Building a Switched based network	2.2. Sharing Files and Printers b/n Windows OSs	2.3. Sharing Files between Windows OSs
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Week 3: Study of IPv4 Address

3.1. Classification of IP Addresses		
3.2. Subnetting	3.3. Super netting	3.4. NIC addressing

Week 4: Study of Basic Network Configuration commands

4.1. ping	4.4. netstat	4.7. ftp
4.2. tracert/traceroute	4.5. telnet	4.8. nslookup
4.3. ifconfig/ipconfig	4.6. ssh	4.9. pathping

Week 5: Configuring a Switch

Week 6: Configuring a VLAN

Week 7: Configuring a Router

Week 8: Configuring NAT

Week 9: Configuring Routing Information Protocol (RIPv2)

Week 10: Configuring Interior Gateway Protocol (IGRP)

Week 11: Configuring Open Shortest Path First (OSPF)

Week 12: Configuring Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP)

Week 13: Configuring Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)

Week 14: Configuring Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System (IS-IS)