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FACULTY OF SCIENCES

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Course Code: CIT 852

Course Unit: 3

Course Title: Data Communication and Networks

Instruction: Answer Question One and Any Four Other Questions

Time Allowed: 2 ¹/₂

- 1a. Explain the TCP/IP reference model in detail.
6 marks
- b. Differentiate between Client/Server and Peer-to-Peer Architecture.
4 marks
- c. List three methods of framing
3 marks
- d. Define Cryptography
3 marks
- e. Write a short note on VPN, List the types of VPN.
6 marks

- 2a. Enumerate three major advantages of networks
1½ marks
- b. Describe the three major problems transmission lines suffer from.
6 marks
- c. Explain the following terms

- i. Simplex ii. Half-Duplex iii. Full Duplex
4½ marks

3a. what are the drawbacks of TCP/IP model?
3 marks

b. Differentiate between Synchronous and statistical Time Division Multiplexing
3 marks

c. Write a short note on Wireless LAN
3 marks

d. What are the disadvantages of using radio transmitters
3 marks

4a. Define the following terms

- i. Bandwidth ii. Frequency iii. Parity Bits iv. Stop bit(s)
6 marks

b. Explain Reverse path forwarding 3
marks

c. differentiate between open and closed loop congestion control algorithms
3 marks

5a. Enumerate three typical characteristics of a Metropolitan Area Networks
3 marks

b. Describe the two basic approaches to switching
5 marks

c. Why is DLL divided into two sub layers? What are the key functions of those sub layers?

4 marks

6a. What is the difference between the bit rate and the baud rate?
2 marks

b. describe any two types of error may occur during transmission over the network
3 marks

c. Which of the following protocols are connection-less services

- i. IP ii. TCP iii. UDP
3 marks

- d. differentiate between IP address and MAC address
4 marks