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SCHOOL OF COMPUTING AND ENGINEERING SCIENCES
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER NETWORKS AND CYBER SECURITY
Assignment 1 - Times
BTC 3201 – WAN TECHNOLOGIES

DATE: 21 June, 2023

Time: 1 Hour

Instructions

Attempt **ALL** questions.

Question 1

- a. Name the four SONET VT types and calculate the data rate of each. **[6 Marks]**
- b. Calculate the approximate number of PRI ISDN services (American standards) that can fit into a SONET STS-1 frame. **[2 Marks]**
- c. Explain what Simulated Brillouin Scattering is and how it affects fiber optic communications. **[2 Marks]**
- d. Describe four types of delay that affect transmission of data on computer networks? **[5 Marks]**
- e. Using diagrams explain how the following congestion control mechanisms operate: choke packet, back pressure and implicit congestion control **[5 Marks]**
- f. Suppose two hosts, A and B, are separated by 20,000 kilometres and are connected by a direct link of $R = 2$ Mbps. Suppose the propagation speed over the link is 2.5×10^8 meters/sec. Consider sending a file of 800,000 bits from Host A to Host B. Suppose the file is sent continuously as one large message. What is the maximum number of bits that will be in the link at any given time? **[4 Marks]**