

# UNIT II

## Computer Networks

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(For Examination Question No. 3)

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## GLIMPSES

- ❖ **3G.** 3rd Generation of Mobile Communications Technology.
- ❖ **Bandwidth.** The transmission capacity of a communication channel.
- ❖ **Bridge.** A Bridge is a network device that establishes an intelligent connection between two local networks with the same standard but with different types of cables.
- ❖ **Carrier Wave.** A signal of chosen frequency generated to carry data ; often used for long distance transmissions.
- ❖ **CDMA.** Code-Division Multiple Access.
- ❖ **Decryption.** The process of converting encrypted data back into original form.
- ❖ **DNS.** A way to translate a URL (domain name) into IP address.
- ❖ **Domain Name System.** DNS
- ❖ **Encryption.** Process of converting electronic data to an unrecognizable form.
- ❖ **Firewall.** A Firewall is a system designed to prevent unauthorized access to or from a private network.
- ❖ **Full Duplex.** Abbreviated FDX. The capability for simultaneous transmission in two directions, so that devices can be sending and receiving data at the same time.
- ❖ **Gateway.** It is a network device that connects dissimilar networks.
- ❖ **Half Duplex.** Abbreviated HDX. The ability to transmit data on the same channel.
- ❖ **Hub.** Hardware device used to connect several computers together.
- ❖ **Internet.** The Internet is a worldwide network of computer networks.
- ❖ **Internetworking.** Connection of two or more networks.
- ❖ **LAN.** Local Area Network. It is a small network confined within a building or a small area.
- ❖ **MAN.** Metropolitan Area Network. It is a network spread within a city or in an area of radius of 10 kms.
- ❖ **Modulation.** Process of adding message information on a carrier wave, so that it can be transmitted over long distances.
- ❖ **Network.** It is an interconnected collection of autonomous computers.
- ❖ **Protocol.** A standard or set of rules that computers and other devices use when communicating with one another.
- ❖ **Repeater.** Repeater is a network device that amplifies and restores signals for long-distance transmission.
- ❖ **Router.** A Router is a network device that is used to separate different segments in a network, and can handle different protocols.
- ❖ **Routing Table.** A table stored in a router ; used to keep track of routes to specific network destination.
- ❖ **Routing.** The process of directing packets from a network source node to the destination node.
- ❖ **Switch.** Device used to segment networks into different subnetworks called subnets.

- ◇ **TCP.** Connected oriented protocol that facilitates data transmission over the Internet. A part of TCP/IP protocol stack.
- ◇ **Topology.** The pattern of interconnection of nodes in a network is called topology.
- ◇ **Transceiver.** Transmitter/Receiver.
- ◇ **Transmission Control Protocol.** TCP
- ◇ **WAN.** Wide Area Network. It is a network spread across cities, countries, continents etc.
- ◇ **Wireless Communication.** Data communication without the use of landlines.

## TYPE A

### OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS

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#### Multiple Choice Questions

1. Computer Network is
  - (a) Collection of hardware components and computers
  - (b) Interconnected by communication channels
  - (c) Sharing of resources and information
  - (d) All of the Above
2. Protocols are
  - (a) Agreements on how communication components and devices are to communicate
  - (b) Logical communication channels for transferring data
  - (c) Physical communication channels used for transferring data
  - (d) None of above
3. Two devices are in network if
  - (a) a process in one device is able to exchange information with a process in another device
  - (b) a process is running on both devices
  - (c) the processes running on different devices are of same type
  - (d) none of the mentioned
4. What is a stand alone computer ?
  - (a) A computer that is not connected to a network
  - (b) A computer that is being used as a server
  - (c) A computer that does not have any peripherals attached to it
  - (d) A computer that is used by only one person
5. Which of these is not a characteristic of a LAN ?
  - (a) It covers a wide geographical area
  - (b) Computers are connected together using a leased line or cable
  - (c) Users can share files and peripherals
  - (d) Data communication is faster

6. Which of these is a characteristic of a WAN ?
- (a) It covers a small geographical area
  - (b) Normally has a lower bandwidth/speed than a LAN
  - (c) It is contained within one building
  - (d) Users are not able to share files and peripherals
7. Central Computer which is powerful than other computers in the network is called as \_\_\_\_\_ .
- (a) Client
  - (b) Server
  - (c) Hub
  - (d) Switch
8. Network in which every computer is capable of playing the role of a client, or a server or both at same time is called
- (a) peer-to-peer network
  - (b) local area network
  - (c) dedicated server network
  - (d) wide area network
9. In peer-to-peer network, each computer in a network is referred as
- (a) server
  - (b) client
  - (c) peer
  - (d) sender
10. Which of these statements is true?
- (a) A client-server network has a central computer that provides services to the rest of the network
  - (b) A client-server network is cheap and easy to set up
  - (c) A client-server network cannot be used to share files
  - (d) Each computer on a client-server network is maintained separately
11. Where are you most likely to find a peer-to-peer network?
- (a) In a large organisation
  - (b) In a home
  - (c) In a large office
  - (d) Across several offices in a company
12. Which of these is the correct definition of a router?
- (a) Forwards data packets along a network
  - (b) Corrects errors that are found in data packets
  - (c) A type of transmission media that provides the greatest bandwidth
  - (d) A server within a network
13. Which transmission media is capable of having a much higher bandwidth (data capacity) ?
- (a) Coaxial
  - (b) Twisted pair cable
  - (c) Untwisted cable
  - (d) Fibre optic
14. Which type of transmission media is the least expensive to manufacture?
- (a) Coaxial
  - (b) Twisted pair cable
  - (c) CAT cable
  - (d) Fibre optic

15. Which of these components is internal to a computer and is required to connect the computer to a network ?  
(a) Wireless Access Point (b) Network Interface card  
(c) Switch (d) Hub
16. A device that forwards data packet from one network to another is called a  
(a) Bridge (b) Router (c) Hub (d) Gateway
17. Which of the following is the fastest media of data transfer ?  
(a) Co-axial Cable (b) Untwisted Wire  
(c) Telephone Lines (d) Fibre Optic
18. Which is a network device that is used to regenerate or replicate signals that are weakened or distorted by transmission over long distances ?  
(a) Repeater (b) Hub (c) Switch (d) Bridge
19. Which of the following is a common connection point for devices in a network?  
(a) Repeater (b) Hub (c) Switch (d) Bridge
20. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a network point that acts as an entrance to another network.  
(a) Repeater (b) Hub (c) Gateway (d) Bridge
21. Which is a device that connects a local area network (LAN) to another local area network that uses the same protocol ?  
(a) Repeater (b) Hub (c) Switch (d) Bridge
22. \_\_\_\_\_ is a networking device that forwards data packets between computer networks.  
(a) Repeater (b) Hub (c) Switch (d) Router
23. Hub is a  
(a) Broadcast device (b) Unicast device  
(c) Multicast device (d) None of the above
24. Switch is a  
(a) Broadcast device (b) Unicast device  
(c) Multicast device (d) None of the above
25. 'Connecting two separate networks as if they were a single network', is the function of which device ?  
(a) Switch (b) Hub (c) MAU (d) Bridge
26. The device that can operate in place of a hub is a :  
(a) Switch (b) Bridge (c) Router (d) Gateway
27. A repeater takes a weak and corrupted signal and \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
(a) Amplifies (b) Regenerates  
(c) Resembles (d) Reroutes
28. Which of the following is not a type of cloud ?  
(a) Private (b) Public (c) Protected (d) Hybrid

29. In this type of cloud, an organization rents cloud services from cloud providers on-demand basis.
- (a) Private (b) Public  
(c) Protected (d) Hybrid
30. In this type of cloud, the cloud is composed of multiple internal or external clouds.
- (a) Private (b) Public  
(c) Protected (d) Hybrid
31. In this type of cloud, the cloud is fully owned and used by an organisation.
- (a) Private (b) Public  
(c) Protected (d) Hybrid
32. Computer communication signal which is in form of continuous wave is called
- (a) digital signal (b) modulation signal  
(c) analog signal (d) binary signal
33. In computer, converting a digital signal in to an analog signal is called
- (a) modulation (b) demodulation  
(c) conversion (d) transformation
34. Signals generated by an operating system to send it over phone line must be further converted into a
- (a) AC signal (b) analog signal  
(c) digital signal (d) microwave
35. In computer, process of superimposing a low frequency signal over a high frequency signal is called
- (a) modulation (b) demodulation  
(c) frequency modulation (d) amplitude modulation
36. In computer, process of superimposing the amplitude of message signal over amplitude of carrier signal is called
- (a) modulation (b) demodulation  
(c) frequency modulation (d) amplitude modulation
37. Find EVEN parity bit for 10010110
- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) none of these  
above
38. Find EVEN parity bit for 10010001
- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) none of these
39. Find ODD parity bit for 10010110
- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) none of these
40. Find ODD parity bit for 10010001
- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) none of these
41. Find ODD parity bit for 11100011
- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) none of these

42. Traditionally, Internet checksum is  
(a) 8-bit (b) 16-bit (c) 24-bit (d) 32-bit
43. If value of checksum is 0, then message is  
(a) accepted (b) rejected (c) sent back (d) resend
44. Checksums use \_\_\_\_\_ arithmetic.  
(a) two's complement arithmetic (b) one's complement arithmetic  
(c) either (a) or (b) (d) none of the above
45. The checksum of 1111 and 1111 is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 1111 (b) 0000 (c) 1110 (d) 0111
46. The checksum of 0000 and 0000 is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 1111 (b) 0000 (c) 1110 (d) 0111
47. Which of the following devices translate hostnames into IP addresses ?  
(a) DNS Server (b) Hub  
(c) DHCP Server (d) Firewall
48. The \_\_\_\_\_ translates internet domain and hostnames to IP address.  
(a) domain name system (b) routing information protocol  
(c) network time protocol (d) internet relay chat
49. Servers handle requests for other domains  
(a) directly (b) by contacting remote DNS server  
(c) it is not possible (d) none of the mentioned
50. DNS database contains  
(a) name server records (b) hostname-to-address records  
(c) hostname aliases (d) all of the mentioned
51. HTTP resources are located by  
(a) unique resource locator (b) unique resource identifier  
(c) both (a) and (b) (d) none of these
52. What is the access point (AP) in wireless LAN ?  
(a) Device that allows wireless devices to connect to a wired network  
(b) Wireless devices itself  
(c) Both (a) and (b)  
(d) None of the mentioned
53. Protocol/Standard that is used to transfer data among computers on the Internet  
(a) FTP (b) Archie (c) TCP (d) Gopher
54. HTTP is a  
(a) Programming Language (b) Scripting Language  
(c) Web Browser (d) Network Protocol
55. SMTP is a  
(a) Networking Protocol





65. What does Router do in a network ?
- (a) Forwards a packet to all outgoing links
  - (b) Forwards a packet to the next free outgoing link
  - (c) Determines on which outgoing link a packet is to be forwarded
  - (d) Forwards a packet to all outgoing links except the originated link
66. What is the address size of IPv4 ?
- (a) 32 bit
  - (b) 64 bit
  - (c) 128 bit
  - (d) 256 bit
67. What is the address size of IPv6 ?
- (a) 32 bit
  - (b) 64 bit
  - (c) 128 bit
  - (d) 256 bit
68. Which command helps identify if a given system is connected to a network ?
- (a) Getmac
  - (b) ping
  - (c) ifconfig
  - (d) netstat
69. Which command is used for finding the IP address and default gateway of your network ?
- (a) ipconfig
  - (b) ping
  - (c) ifconfig
  - (d) netstat
70. Which command shows the path of a packet going from your host/computer through each of the individual routes from one router to another up to the final host/destination ?
- (a) ipconfig
  - (b) ping
  - (c) traceroute
  - (d) netstat
71. Which network command provides DNS lookup utility ?
- (a) nslookup
  - (b) ping
  - (c) traceroute
  - (d) ipconfig
72. Which command returns information about the registered Domain Names, an IP address block, Name Servers?
- (a) nslookup
  - (b) whois
  - (c) traceroute
  - (d) ipconfig
73. What does SSL stand for ?
- (a) Secure Socket Layer
  - (b) Special Security License
  - (c) Secure Space Layer
  - (d) Straight Socket Loop
74. A protocol is :
- (a) a set of rules computers must follow
  - (b) a way of connecting a server
  - (c) a decision made by the router
  - (d) essential to the CPU
75. Every network interface card (NIC) comes with its own \_\_\_\_\_ address.
- (a) Internet Protocol (IP)
  - (b) Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)
  - (c) Physical (MAC)
  - (d) Open Systems Interconnection (OSI)
76. What is the address size of MAC address ?
- (a) 32 bit
  - (b) 48 bit
  - (c) 64 bit
  - (d) 128 bit

77. Network congestion occurs
- (a) in case of traffic overloading
  - (b) when a system terminates
  - (c) when connection between two nodes terminates
  - (d) none of the mentioned
78. The length of an IP address is:
- (a) 8 bits
  - (b) 16 bits
  - (c) 32 bits
  - (d) 48 bits
79. What is such communication system called wherein data cannot be sent in both directions simultaneously ?
- (a) Synchronous
  - (b) Asynchronous
  - (c) Full duplex
  - (d) Half duplex
80. What is the full form of CSMA/CA ?
- (a) Collision Sense Multiple Access/Collision Act
  - (b) Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Act
  - (c) Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Avoidance
  - (d) Collision Sense Multiple Access/Collision Avoidance
81. For wired networks, which protocol is used for handling collisions ?
- (a) CSMA
  - (b) CSMA/CD
  - (c) CSMA/CA
  - (d) All of these
82. For wireless networks, which protocol is used for handling collisions ?
- (a) CSMA
  - (b) CSMA/CD
  - (c) CSMA/CA
  - (d) All of these
83. Which is such communication system is called where data can be sent in both the directions simultaneously ?
- (a) Synchronous
  - (b) Asynchronous
  - (c) Full duplex
  - (d) Half duplex
84. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a network spread across a building, or a factory/plant or campus or nearby buildings.
- (a) MAN
  - (b) WAN
  - (c) LAN
  - (d) PAN
85. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a network spread across states, countries or whole world.
- (a) MAN
  - (b) WAN
  - (c) LAN
  - (d) PAN
86. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a network spread across a small area connecting various related devices such as laptop, mobile phone, wifi, printers etc.
- (a) MAN
  - (b) WAN
  - (c) LAN
  - (d) PAN
87. A set of rules that governs data communication in computer networks is called \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- (a) Standard
  - (b) Protocol
  - (c) Stack
  - (d) None of these
88. Which of the following is correct statement for IoT ?
- (a) It is a collection of networks
  - (b) It is a collection of protocols
  - (c) It is network of physical objects or "things" embedded with chips, sensors etc.
  - (d) None of these

89. The communication protocol used by the Internet is :  
 (a) HTTP                      (b) WWW                      (c) TCP/IP                      (d) FTP
90. Which of the following is not a protocol ?  
 (a) HTTP                      (b) NIC                      (c) SMTP                      (d) POP

### Fill in the Blanks

91. A computer network that spans a relatively large geographical area is called \_\_\_\_\_ .
92. WAN stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
93. Wired networks use an access method called \_\_\_\_\_ .
94. Wireless networks use an access method called \_\_\_\_\_ .
95. \_\_\_\_\_ is a protocol which allows users to download E Mail messages from mail server to a local computer.
96. \_\_\_\_\_ is a protocol that allows to send/upload email message from local computer to an email server.
97. A network of networks is known as \_\_\_\_\_ .
98. In a network, a machine is identified by unique address called \_\_\_\_\_ .
99. IP stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
100. HTML stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
101. The unique address of web page on the web is called \_\_\_\_\_ .
102. TCP/IP stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
103. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the protocol used to make hypertext document readable on the WWW.
104. HTTP stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
105. FTP stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
106. \_\_\_\_\_ is a high level communication protocol of Internet that manages the data.
107. Every computer on the internet has a unique \_\_\_\_\_ .
108. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a computer that performs actions for another computer in a network.
109. A \_\_\_\_\_ is the computer that asks for the action in a network.
110. SMTP stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
111. All computers connected to the Internet and wanting to use it for sending/receiving data must follow a common set of rules for communication called \_\_\_\_\_ .
112. E mail denotes \_\_\_\_\_ .
113. CSMA/CA stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
114. \_\_\_\_\_ Protocol tells each system how to form mail messages and transfer them between computers.
115. DNS denotes \_\_\_\_\_ .

116. \_\_\_\_\_ network-type comprises of multiple LANs / MANs.
117. A stand-alone computer becomes a \_\_\_\_\_ as soon as it gets attached to a network.
118. A computer that facilitates data sharing, resource sharing etc. on a network is known as \_\_\_\_\_ .
119. A network card attached to a host so as to establish network connections, is called \_\_\_\_\_ .
120. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a computer on network, dedicated to processing client requests.
121. The physical address assigned by NIC manufacturer is called \_\_\_\_\_ address.
122. A MAC address consumes \_\_\_\_\_ bytes or \_\_\_\_\_ bits.
123. For access control, \_\_\_\_\_ is used for collision handling in wireless networks while \_\_\_\_\_ is used for collision handling in wired networks.
124. \_\_\_\_\_ is the technique of changing the characteristics of the signal being transmitted so that it carries data on it.
125. \_\_\_\_\_ is the process of extracting data from the received modulated signal.
126. Sum of data bits calculated from digital data so as to ensure data integrity is called \_\_\_\_\_ .
127. \_\_\_\_\_ is the process of efficiently selecting a path/route in a network along which the data packets will travel to their destination.
128. The table maintained by routers for routing purposes, is called \_\_\_\_\_ table.
129. Special condition in a network where more data packets are coming to network devices than they can handle, is called \_\_\_\_\_ .

### True / False Questions

130. HTTP is HyperText Transfer Protocol.
131. Secure Socket Protocol is not a security protocol in WWW.
132. A LAN is connected to large geographical area.
133. A client is the computer that asks for the action in a network.
134. A computer is identified by 64 bit IP address.
135. Every object on the Internet has a unique URL.
136. DNS is a network service type.
137. Traditionally, LANs are said to have geographical spread of upto 1 km.
138. A stand alone computer may also be referred to as host.
139. Big networks can be of peer-to-peer types.
140. MAC address is a 48 bit address.
141. A switch can work in place of a hub.
142. A gateway is like a modem.

143. The cloud is a generic term used for Internet.
144. CSMA/CD can be used by wireless networks.
145. TCP is a connection oriented protocol.
146. UDP is a connection oriented protocol.
147. UDP is a connectionless protocol.
148. NSLOOKUP is a network type.
149. PING checks if a computer is connected to a network or not.
150. WHOIS is a protocol.
151. IMAP, SMTP, POP3 are all email protocols.
152. HTTP, TCP/IP, UDP are Internet protocols.
153. HTTP is a secure protocol.
154. HTTPS is a secure protocol.
155. SSL provides a safe passage for data over Internet.

## ANSWERS

### Multiple Choice Questions

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1. (d)  | 2. (a)  | 3. (a)  | 4. (a)  | 5. (a)  | 6. (b)  |
| 7. (b)  | 8. (a)  | 9. (c)  | 10. (a) | 11. (b) | 12. (a) |
| 13. (d) | 14. (b) | 15. (b) | 16. (b) | 17. (d) | 18. (a) |
| 19. (b) | 20. (c) | 21. (d) | 22. (d) | 23. (a) | 24. (b) |
| 25. (d) | 26. (a) | 27. (b) | 28. (c) | 29. (b) | 30. (d) |
| 31. (a) | 32. (c) | 33. (a) | 34. (b) | 35. (c) | 36. (d) |
| 37. (a) | 38. (b) | 39. (b) | 40. (b) | 41. (a) | 42. (b) |
| 43. (a) | 44. (b) | 45. (b) | 46. (a) | 47. (a) | 48. (a) |
| 49. (b) | 50. (d) | 51. (c) | 52. (a) | 53. (c) | 54. (d) |
| 55. (b) | 56. (b) | 57. (a) | 58. (c) | 59. (b) | 60. (b) |
| 61. (a) | 62. (a) | 63. (b) | 64. (d) | 65. (c) | 66. (a) |
| 67. (c) | 68. (b) | 69. (a) | 70. (c) | 71. (a) | 72. (b) |
| 73. (a) | 74. (a) | 75. (c) | 76. (b) | 77. (a) | 78. (c) |
| 79. (d) | 80. (c) | 81. (b) | 82. (c) | 83. (c) | 84. (c) |
| 85. (b) | 86. (d) | 87. (b) | 88. (c) | 89. (c) | 90. (b) |

### Fill in the Blanks

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|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| 91. WAN  | 92. Wide Area Network | 93. CSMA/CD                     | 94. CSMA/CA    |
| 95. IMAP   | 96. SMTP              | 97. Internet                    | 98. IP address |
| 99. Internet Protocol                                |                       | 100. Hyper Text Markup Language |                |
| 101. URL or URI                                      |                       | 103. HTTP                       |                |
| 102. Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol |                       | 105. File Transfer Protocol     |                |
| 104. Hyper Text Transfer Protocol                    |                       | 107. Address                    | 108. Server    |
| 106. TCP   |                       |                                 |                |

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|----------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 109. Client          | 110. Simple Mail Transfer Protocol                               | 111. Protocol         |
| 112. Electronic mail | 113. Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance      |                       |
| 114. SMTP            | 115. Domain name server  | 116. WAN              |
| 118. Server          | 119. NIC/TAP/NIU ; Network Interface Card/Network Interface Unit | 117. Host/Workstation |
| 120. Server          | 121. MAC   | 122. 6, 48            |
| 124. Modulation      | 125. Demodulation  | 123. CSMA/CA, CSMA/CD |
| 127. Routing         | 128. routing   | 126. Checksum         |
|                      | 129. Network congestion  |                       |

### True / False Questions

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| 130. T | 131. F | 132. F | 133. T | 134. F | 135. T |
| 136. T | 137. T | 138. F | 139. F | 140. T | 141. T |
| 142. F | 143. T | 144. F | 145. T | 146. F | 147. T |
| 148. F | 149. T | 150. F | 151. T | 152. T | 153. F |
| 154. T | 155. T |        |        |        |        |

### Very Short Answer Questions

156. Define a network.

Ans. A network is an interconnected collection of autonomous computers.

157. Define the following terms :

- (i) Node    (ii) Workstation    (iii) Server    (iv) NIU    (v) TAP

Ans.

- (i) **Node.** A computer that is attached to a network is known as a node.  
(ii) **Workstation.** A node is also called workstation.  
(iii) **Server.** A computer that facilitates resource sharing on a network.  
(iv) **NIU.** NIU means *Network Interface Unit*. It is an interpreter that helps establish communication between the server and the work stations.  
(v) **TAP.** TAP means *Terminal Access Point*. It is another name for NIU.

158. What are the uses of microwave signals ?

Ans. Microwave signals are used to transmit data without the use of cables. The microwave signals are similar to radio and television signals and are used for long distance communication.

159. What is meant by internetworking ?

Ans. Internetworking is the connection of two or more networks.

160. What is a Gateway ?

Ans. A gateway is a device that connects dissimilar networks.

161. What is a bridge ?

Ans. A bridge is a device that links two networks together.

162. Define the following : (i) Hub (ii) Switch.

Ans. **Hub** is a hardware device used to connect several computers together.  
**Switch** is a device used to segment networks into different subnetworks called subnets.

163. What is Ethernet ?

**Ans.** Ethernet is a LAN architecture developed by Xerox Corp. in association with DEC and Intel. Ethernet uses bus or star topologies and can support data transfer rates of upto 10 Mbps.

164. What is the basic difference between functioning of a hub and switch when both precisely connect computers into a network ?

**Ans.** A Hub shares and distributes bandwidth among all connected computers whereas a Switch does not share bandwidth, rather each computer gets full bandwidth.

A hub is a broadcast device while a switch is a unicast device.

165. What is E-mail ? What are its advantages ?

Or

What is an Electronic Mail ? Give its advantages.

[CBSE QB 98]

Or

Describe the advantages of E-mail Service.

[CBSE QB 98]

**Ans.** The E-mail (Electronic mail) is sending and receiving messages by a computer.

The major advantages of E-mail are :

(i) Easy record maintenance

(ii) Waste reduction

(iii) Low Cost

(iv) Fast delivery

166. Give the full form for the following :

(a) FM

(b) AM

(c) NFS

(d) FTP.

[CBSE QB 98]

**Ans.**

(a) Frequency Modulation

(b) Amplitude Modulation

(c) Network File Server

(d) File Transfer Protocol.

167. What are repeaters ?

[CBSE D 98 ; OD 98]

**Ans.** A repeater is a device that regenerates a signal being transmitted on the network. It is used in long network lines, which exceed the maximum rated distance for a single run.

168. What is the difference between LAN and MAN ?

[CBSE D 98]

**Ans.** LAN (*Local Area Network*) is confined to relatively small areas such as a building or a group of buildings. e.g., university campus.

MAN (*Metropolitan Area Network*) is a network spanning a small city or town.

[CBSE OD 98]

169. What are Routers ?

**Ans.** It is a device that works like a bridge but can handle different protocols. While connected to other networks, routers keep working to find the best route for sending data over network.

170. What is the difference between LAN and Internet ?

[CBSE OD 11, 98]

**Ans.** LAN refers to *Local Area Network*, a network spread over an office or a building. However, Internet is a world wide network. It is a network of networks.

[CBSE D 99]

171. What is the purpose of using FTP ?

**Ans.** FTP (*File Transfer Protocol*) transfers files from one system to another. It defines rules for file transfer that both systems. (In which file transfer is taking place) must adhere to.

172. What out of the following, will you use to have an audio-visual chat with an expert sitting in a far-away place to fix-up a technical issue ?

- (i) email      (ii) VoIP      (iii) FTP

[CBSE D 12 ; OD 12]

Ans. (ii) VoIP

173. Write the following abbreviations in their full form :

(i) LAN

[CBSE D 02]

(ii) FTP

[CBSE D 08, 07 ; OD 02, 04]

(iii) WAN

[CBSE D 02, 06]

(iv) HTTP

[CBSE OD 09, 08 ; D 06]

(v) TCP/IP

[CBSE D 08, 05 ; OD 07]

(vi) URL

[CBSE D 06 ; OD 04]

(vii) MAN

[CBSE OD 06]

Ans.

- |       |        |   |
|-------|--------|---|
| (i)   | LAN    | Local Area Network                          |
| (ii)  | FTP    | File Transfer Protocol                      |
| (iii) | WAN    | Wide Area Network                           |
| (iv)  | HTTP   | Hyper Text Transfer Protocol                |
| (v)   | TCP/IP | Transfer Control Protocol/Internet Protocol |
| (vi)  | URL    | Uniform Resource Locator                    |
| (vii) | MAN    | Metropolitan Area Network                   |

174. Name two transmission media for networking.

[CBSE OD 06]

Ans. (i) Coaxial Cable      (ii) Microwave

175. What is MAC address ?

Ans. The NIC manufacturer assigns a unique physical address to each NIC card ; this physical address is known as **MAC address**.

A MAC address is a 6-byte address with each byte separated by a colon, e.g.,

10 : BS : 03 : 63 : 2E : FC

176. What is a Gateway ?

Ans. A Gateway is a network device that connects dissimilar networks. It establishes an intelligent connection between a local network and external networks with completely different structures.

177. Mention two line-of-sight unguided media.

Ans. Microwaves and Laser.

178. For secure transmission through unguided media, which ones would you avoid ?

Ans. Microwave and Radiowave.

179. For difficult terrain, which unguided media would you suggest ?

Ans. Microwave and Radiowave.



180. For the security reasons which high capacity communication medium would you choose ?  
Why ?  
Ans. Fiber-optic as it is very difficult to breach the signal.
181. Which protocol is used for the transfer of hypertext documents on the Internet ? [CBSE SP 11]  
Ans. HTTP (or HyperText Transfer Protocol).
182. Which of the following : (i) is not a broadcast device (ii) offers a dedicated bandwidth ?  
(a) repeater                      (b) bridge                      (c) hub                      (d) switch  
Ans.  
(i) (b) Bridge is not a broadcast device, as it filters traffic depending upon the receiver's MAC address.  
(d) Switch is also a unicast device.  
(ii) (d) Switch offers dedicated bandwidth.
183. What is Router ?  
Ans. A router is a device which is responsible for sending data from source to destination over the computer network by finding the best route.
184. What is HTTP ?  
Ans. HTTP stands for HyperText Transfer Protocol. This protocol is responsible for web content over WWW (World Wide Web).
185. What is IoT ?  
Ans. IoT stands for **Internet of Things**. It is basically a network using which devices with some sensor and RFID like technologies, known as **things** can communicate with each other using Internet.
186. What is bridge networking device ?  
Ans. Bridge is a hardware networking device used to connect two LANs. A bridge operates at data link layer of the OSI reference model.
187. What is a repeater ?  
Ans. Repeater is a hardware device used to strengthen signals being transmitted on a network.
188. What is a switch ?  
Ans. A switch is a networking device that manages networked connections between devices on a star networks.
189. What is routing ?  
Ans. Routing is a process of selecting paths in a network through which network traffic is sent.
190. What is a routing table ?  
Ans. A routing table is a table maintained by routers, which lists the best routes to other networks the router is connected to.
191. What is the purpose of using router ?  
Ans. A router can work like a bridge and can also handle different protocols. A router can locate the destination required by sending the traffic to another router, if the destination is unknown to itself.

192. Define an internetwork.

Ans. A collection of interconnected network is called an internetwork.

193. What is NIC ?

Ans. NIC stands for *Network Interface Card*. It is also known as Network Adapter. It is in the form of add-in card and is installed in a computer so that the computer can be connected to a network.

Each NIC has a MAC address which helps in identifying the computer on a network.

194. What are the security concerns related to IoT ?

Ans. Data security and privacy are major concerns related to IoT. These devices are vulnerable to hacking and cloud endpoints could be used by hackers to attack servers.

195. What is modulation ?

Ans. The process of altering the characteristics (amplitude or frequency etc.) of a high-frequency wave called the carrier wave so that it can carry low-frequency information along with it while being transmitted, is called **modulation**.

196. What is carrier wave ? What is modulated wave ?

Ans. The high frequency wave whose characteristics are altered to superimpose message information, is the **carrier wave** and after altering the characteristics, the new resultant wave is called the **modulated wave**.

197. What is amplitude modulation ?

Ans. When a high-frequency carrier wave's amplitude is varied in accordance with the amplitude of the information (wave) to be transmitted, keeping the frequency and phase of the carrier wave unchanged, this process is called *Amplitude Modulation*.

198. What is frequency modulation ?

Ans. When a high-frequency carrier wave's frequency is varied in accordance with the frequency of information (wave) to be transmitted, keeping the amplitude and phase of the carrier wave unchanged, this process is called *frequency modulation*.

199. What is demodulation ? How is it different from modulation ?

Ans. Modulation is the technique of changing the characteristics of the signal being transmitted so that it carries data and Demodulation is the reverse process of modulation where data is extracted from the received signal (*i.e.*, from the modulated wave).

200. What is CSMA/CA ?

Ans. Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Avoidance (CSMA/CA) is a media access protocol that is used by wireless networks to avoid collisions during information transmission.

201. What is ACK(Acknowledgment) signal ?

Ans. The acknowledgment signal or the ACK signal is a control code, which is sent by the receiving computer to indicate that the data has been received without error and that the next part of the transmission may be sent.

202. Which two statements are correct about IPv4 and IPv6 addresses ? (choose two.)

(a) IPv4 addresses are represented by hexadecimal numbers.

(b) IPv4 addresses are 32 bits in length.

- (c) IPv4 addresses are 128 bits in length.
- (d) IPv6 addresses are represented by decimal numbers.
- (e) IPv6 addresses are represented by hexadecimal numbers.
- (f) IPv6 addresses are 32 bits in length.

Ans. (b) and (e).

203. Why are protocols needed ?

Ans. In networks, communication occurs between the entities in different systems. Two entities cannot just send bit streams to each other and expect to be understood. For communication, the entities must agree on a common set of rules called *protocol*. A protocol is thus a set of rules that governs data communication.

204. What does routing metric mean ?

Ans. A routing metric is a unit calculated by a routing algorithm for selecting or rejecting a routing path for transferring data/traffic.

205. What is TCP ?

Ans. TCP (*Transmission Control Protocol*) provides a connection oriented, reliable byte stream service. The connection oriented means the two applications using TCP must establish a TCP connection with each other before they can exchange data.

206. What is congestion ?

Ans. When too many packets rush to a node or a part of network, the network performance degrades. This situation is called as congestion. When load on network is greater than its capacity, there is congestion of data Packets. Congestion occurs because routers and switches have queues or buffers.

207. What is DNS ?

Ans. DNS (*Domain Name System*) is a client/server application that identifies each host on the internet with a unique user friendly name.

208. What is SMTP ?

Ans. SMTP (*Simple Mail Transfer Protocol*) is a standard and reliable host to host mail transport protocol that lets an email message to be sent from a local computer to an email server.

209. What is File Transfer Protocol ?

Ans. It is a standard mechanism provided by the Internet for copying a file from one host to another.

210. What is the Domain name system responsible for ?

Ans. The Domain Name system converts domain names (such as [www.myname.com](http://www.myname.com)) into IP numbers.

211. What are POP and IMAP ?

Ans. Post Office Protocol, version3 (POP3) and Internet Mail Access Protocol version4 (IMAP4) are protocols used by a mail server in conjunction with SMTP to receive and hold mail for hosts.

212. What is Single bit error ?

Ans. The term single bit error means that only one bit of a given data unit (such as byte character/data unit or packet) is changed from 1 to 0 or from 0 to 1 during transmission.

213. What is burst error ?

Ans. Burst error means that 2 or more bits in the data unit have changed from 1 to 0 or from 0 to 1 during transmission.

214. What is a *tracert* or *tracert* command ?

Ans. This networking command **tracert** traces the route through the Internet from the sending device to the destination computer. The signal generally goes from a computer to the Internet Service Provider (ISP) and then to their provider until it reaches a 'backbone' provider. It then eventually transfers to the destination 'backbone' provider and finally reaches to the destination computer.

The *tracert* command lists all the hops the signal has visited from sending device to destination device.

215. What is the use of *Whois* networking command ?

Ans. The **whois** networking command is used to find the registration records for a specific domain name such as who is the owner of this domain name, when was it registered and till when it is valid, etc.

## TYPE B

### SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

[2, 3 Marks]

216. What is a network ? Why is it needed ?

Or

Mention one advantage of networking.

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Ans. A network is an interconnected collection of autonomous computers that can share and exchange information.

Major reasons that emphasize on the need of networks are :

- (i) *Resource Sharing*. Through a network, data, software and hardware resources can be shared irrespective of the physical location of the resources and the user.
- (ii) *Reliability*. A file can have its copies on two or more computers of the network so if one of them is unavailable, the other copies could be used. That makes a network more reliable.
- (iii) *Reduced Costs*. Since resources can be shared, it greatly reduces the costs.
- (iv) *Fast communication*. With networks, it is possible to exchange information at very fast speeds.

217. Explain in brief the capabilities and services supported by LAN.

Ans. Small computer networks that are confined to a localised area (e.g., an office, a building or a factory) are known as *Local Area Networks* (LANs). The key purpose of a LAN is to serve its users in resource sharing. The hardware as well as software resources are shared through LANs.