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CPU3245 – COMPUTER NETWORKS AND SECURITY
DURATION: Three Hours (3 hours)

Date: 28/11/2014	Time: 1.30 pm – 4.30 pm

Answer **FOUR** Questions **Only**

QUESTION 1

1.1)   Give brief description on PAN, CAN and WAN network classifications.

1.2)   Give the color codes of the both sides of a UTP cross cable.

1.3)   What is the difference between a layer 2 switch and a layer 3 switch ?

1.4)   Server Hard Disk has a data transfer rate of 160Mbps. Local network link has a speed of 1000Mbps. All the bandwidth and the transfer rates are equally distributed among connected clients. Common operating system read/write overhead of the server is 10Mbps. Suppose five clients are connected at the same time to the server using LAN to download 15GB file. Calculate the time required to download 15GB file to a client PC.

QUESTION 2

2.1)   List two (2) examples each for the reliable connection oriented service and unreliable connectionless service in the context of data communications.

2.2)   Explain the two techniques the *bit stuffing* and the *byte stuffing* that are used in determining the start and the end of a data frame.

2.3)   Compare *slotted aloha* and *pure aloha* multiple access protocols.

2.4)   A message sized 8192 bytes has to be sent over an Ethernet communication channel. The channel has the default maximum transferable unit size (MTU). Assume TCP header length of 20 bytes and IP header length of 32 bits are present. Calculate the minimum number of segments required to transfer the above message. State your assumptions.
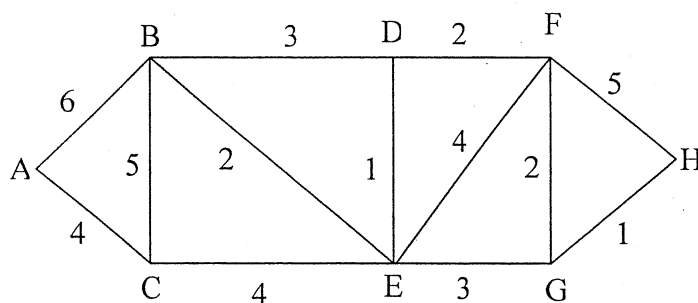
QUESTION 3

3.1)   What is an *OU (organizational unit)* in a Windows domain ?

3.2)   Explain the difference of *public* and *private* address mechanisms. List the public and the private address ranges of the IP classes in the IP version 4.

3.3)   Nirmana company has several branches and PCs (number given within brackets) located in Kandy (270), kurunegala (150), Anuradhapura (68) and Badulla(18). Company is having plans of opening a branch in Kegalle (39) as well. An IP address of the main IP block of the company is given as 125.140.145.120/20.

Answer the following;

    a) Find the Network address of the main IP block of the company. What is the maximum number of hosts that could be accommodated for the company without breaking down into sub networks.

    b) Subnet the given network (based on the answer of 3.3.a) to all the existing and proposed branches. Provide the network address, subnet mask, starting host address and the broadcast address of each subnet allocated to a particular branch.

    c) Suppose the Kandy branch has to be further subnetted into 2 departments namely HR and academic each having the same number of PCs. Based on the answer of 3.3.b give the network address, starting host address and ending host address of the each department in the Kandy branch.

QUESTION 4

4.1)   What is the difference between *packet switching* and *circuit switching* in the context of computer networks?

4.2)   Calculate the shortest path from Node A to Node H using the Dijkstra algorithm. Draw diagrams to show node traversal path and intermediate calculations done at each node. A-H are the router node labels and numbers are the distance between the nodes.

4.3)   Use the following topology and information provided to answer the rest of the question. The .1 , .2 , .10 , .11 or .12 shown close to each interface of the equipment is the last octet number of the IP address assigned to each interface. Always assume that you are at the USER mode login prompt. Give appropriate commands to be entered in the console for each of the routers.
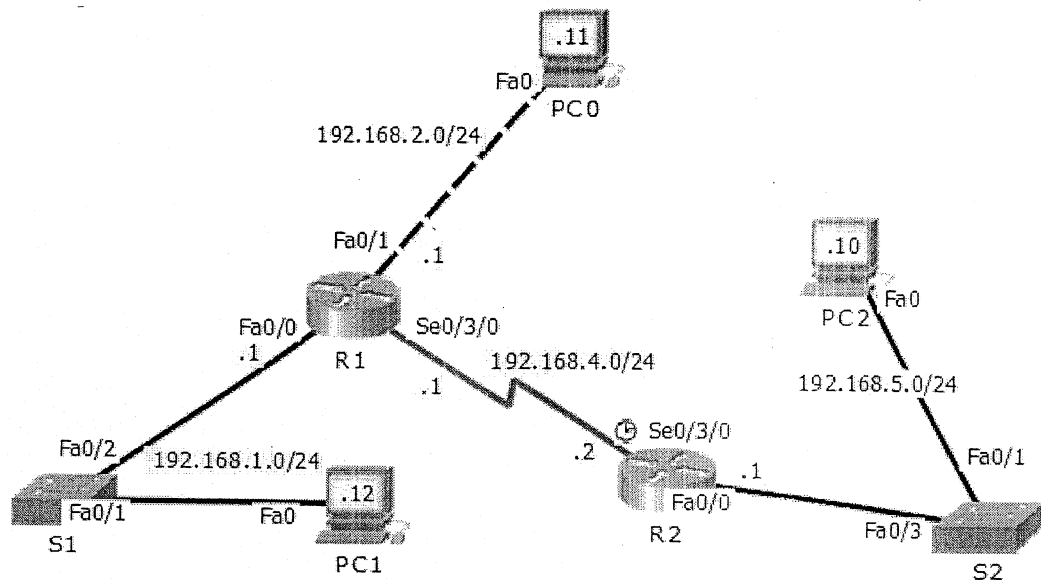
a) Write commands to set the hostname of the Router 2 to R2.

b) Configure R1 console password to *meandworkshop* and the login banner to "*hi this is workshop router*".

c) Write commands to setup the IP addresses of the interfaces of the router R1.

d) Give the command to list all the IP addresses that you assign for router interfaces in a specific router.

e) Configure RIP routing in all the routers.

QUESTION 5

5.1)   Give the functionality of the forward lookup zone and the reverse lookup zone in a DNS server

5.2)   List the functionality of the following types of records in a DNS.

a) A type
b) NS type
c) MX type

5.3)   Explain the operation of the following IP tables commands. \ is used to write the command in two lines.

a)
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iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --syn -m limit --limit 5/s \
    -i eth1 -j ACCEPT
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b)
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iptables -A FORWARD -s 0/0 -i eth0 -d 192.168.1.58 \
    -o eth1 -p TCP --sport 1024:65535 --dport 80 -j ACCEPT
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QUESTION 6

6.1)   What is the purpose of having a *DMZ honeynet* in a computer network ?

6.2)   Explain in steps how public/private key mechanism is used to verify sender and the receiver.

6.3)   Decode the following cipher text to plain text using *transposition cipher*. Use the key "sparemount".

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