

BCA-354: Computer Networks

Maximum Marks: 100

Minimum Pass Marks: 35

Time: 3 hours

External: 80

Internal: 20

Note: Examiner will be required to set Nine Questions in all. First Question will be compulsory, consisting of objective type/short-answer type questions covering the entire syllabus. In addition to that eight more questions will be set, two questions from each Unit. Student will be required to attempt FIVE questions in all. Question Number 1 will be compulsory. In addition to compulsory question, student will have to attempt four more questions selecting one question from each Unit. All questions will carry equal marks.

UNIT – I

Introduction to Data Communication and Computer Networks; Uses of Computer Networks; Types of Computer Networks and their Topologies; Network Hardware Components: Connectors, Transceivers, Repeaters, Hubs, Network Interface Cards and PC Cards, Bridges, Switches, Routers, Gateways; Network Software: Network Design issues and Protocols; Connection-Oriented and Connectionless Services; OSI Reference Model; Networking Models: Distributed Systems, Client/Server Model, Peer-to-Peer Model, Web-Based Model and Emerging File-Sharing Model;

UNIT – II

Analog and Digital data and signals; Bandwidth and Data Rate, Capacity, Baud Rate; Transmission Impairment; Data Rate Limits; Guided Transmission Media; Wireless Transmission ; Communication Satellites; Switching and Multiplexing; Modems and Modulation techniques; ADSL and Cable Modems;

UNIT - III

Data Link Layer Design issues; Error Detection and Correction; Sliding Window Protocols: One-bit, Go Back N and Selective Repeat; Media Access Control: ALOHA, Slotted ALOHA, CSMA, Collision free protocols; Introduction to LAN technologies: Ethernet, Switched Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, Gigabit Ethernet; Token Ring; Introduction to Wireless LANs and Bluetooth; VLANs

UNIT – IV

Routing Algorithms: Flooding, Shortest Path Routing, Distance Vector Routing; Link State Routing, Hierarchical Routing; Congestion Control; Traffic shaping; Choke packets; Load shedding; Elements of Transport Protocols; Network Security Issues: Security attacks; Encryption methods; Digital Signature; Digital Certificate

TEXT BOOKS:

- Andrew S. Tanenbaum, “Computer Networks”, Pearson Education.
- Michael A. Gallo, William M. Hancock, “Computer Communications and Networking Technologies”, CENGAGE Learning.

REFERENCE BOOKS:

- Behrouz A Forouzan, “Data Communications and Networking”, McGraw Hill.
- Bhushan Trivedi, “Computer Networks”, Oxford