

**Code: DE21/DC11****Subject: DATA COMMUNICATION & NETWORKS****Time: 3 Hours****Max. Marks: 100****DECEMBER 2007****NOTE: There are 9 Questions in all.**

- **Question 1 is compulsory and carries 20 marks. Answer to Q. 1. must be written in the space provided for it in the answer book supplied and nowhere else.**
  - **Out of the remaining EIGHT Questions answer any FIVE Questions. Each question carries 16 marks.**
  - **Any required data not explicitly given, may be suitably assumed and stated.**
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**Q.1 Choose the correct or the best alternative in the following: (2x10)**

- a. Which of the following performs modulation and demodulation?
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| (A) Fiber optic   | (B) Satellite |
| (C) Coaxial cable | (D) Modem     |
- b. The process of converting analog signals into digital signals so that they can be processed by a receiving computer is referred to as:
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|-------------------|--------------------|
| (A) Modulation    | (B) Demodulation   |
| (C) Synchronizing | (D) Asynchronizing |
- c. A required characteristic of an on-line real-time system is:
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| (A) More than one CPU      | (B) Offline batch processing |
| (C) No delay in processing | (D) All the above            |
- d. The systematic access of small computers in a distributed data processing system is referred to as:
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| (A) Dialed service | (B) Multiplexing        |
| (C) Polling        | (D) Conversational mode |
- e. A teleprocessing system may consist of
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|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| (A) User systems            | (B) Communications Systems |
| (C) Computer center systems | (D) All of the above       |
- f. Computer network often work on the principle of
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| (A) Remote switching | (B) Hybrid switching  |
| (C) Packet switching | (D) Message switching |
- g. In a \_\_\_\_\_ topology, if there n devices in a network, each device has (n-1) ports to Band is always equivalent to
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| (A) Mesh | (B) Star |
| (C) Bus  | (D) Ring |
- h. Communication circuits that transmit data in both directions but not at the same time are operating in:
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| (A) A Simplex mode     | (B) A Half-duplex mode |
| (C) A full-duplex mode | (D) Asynchronous mode  |
- i. An example of the medium-speed, switched communications services is:
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| (A) Series 1000 | (B) Data phone 50    |
| (C) DDD         | (D) All of the above |
- j. A Communications device that combines transmission form several I/O devices into online is a:
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| (A) Concentrator | (B) Modifier |
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(C) Multiplexer

(D) Full-duplex line

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**Answer any FIVE Questions out of EIGHT Questions.  
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- Q.2** a. What is Packet switching? Write the advantages and disadvantages of packet switch network. (8)
- b. What are the different activities of Data link layer? (8)
- Q.3** a. State the principles that are applied to arrive at seven layers in OSI reference model. (6)
- b. Television channel is 6 M Hz wide. How many bits per second can be sent if four level digital signals are used? (4)
- c. Discuss the various factors, affecting the performance of Network at the router level. (6)
- Q.4** a. Write a short notes on ISDN and explain the advantages of it. (6)
- b. How does Errors Happen? Give the name of the concerned network layer in which error control exists and explain the basic services of that layer. (6)
- c. A binary signal is sent over a 3000 Hz channel whose (S/N) = 10 dB.  
What is the maximum achievable data rate? (4)
- Q.5** a. Illustrate different network topologies. Explain one topology in detail, which is widely used in computer networking and comment as to why it is widely used. (6)
- b. State the design issues for the layers in Network Architecture. (6)
- c. What is encoding and why it is needed in digital transmission? (4)
- Q.6** a. What is the function of routing algorithm? Explain Link -Static routing. (7)
- b. What are the functions of the ATM adaptation layer? List the various ATM services. (5)
- c. What are X.25 protocol layer? How does each relate to the OSI layers? Name the frame types of X.25 and cite their primary functions. (4)
- Q.7** a. What do you mean by TCP/IP? Explain TCP segment format with a detailed diagram. (10)
- b. Write short notes on Error Correction. (6)
- Q.8** a. Give a brief description of the application and discuss the advantages of the following types of transmission media:  
(i) Twisted pair lines.  
(ii) Microwaves. (10)
- b. Briefly explain the following with reference to application layer:  
(i) WWW  
(ii) HTTP  
(iii) SNMP (6)
- Q.9** a. Discuss the three main switching methods. How is space division switching superior to time division switching. (8)
- b. Explain briefly the design issues of an application layer including FTAM, E-mail and virtual terminals. (8)

