

- (A) multiplexed
(C) amplified
- (B) grounded
(D) conditioned

g. VLF propagation occurs in _____.

- (A) troposphere
(C) surface
- (B) ionosphere
(D) space

h. A maximum cable length of 50 feet is specified in standard _____.

- (A) EIA-232
(C) EIA-423
- (B) EIA-449
(D) EIA-422

PART I

Answer any THREE Questions. Each question carries 14 marks.

- Q.2** a. With neat diagrams give an account of OSI layering. Discuss in brief functions of each layer with emphasis on the network layer and its services to above layers.
(8)
- b. With a neat flow chart give all digital-to-analog methods and explain their relevance to modems with an example.
(4)
- c. Calculate the highest bit rate for a telephone channel given, the bandwidth of the line to be 3000Hz and the signal to noise ratio being 35 dB.
(2)
- Q.3** a. What is HDLC? Explain its frame format and its various fields with a neat diagram. How is it superior to SDLC frame format?
(8)
- b. What is line encoding? List the factors considered for selecting a line-encoding format. Draw and explain line-encoding formats for AMI and Manchester code.
(6)
- Q.4** a. Write a note on error detection and correction methods. Construct the Hamming code for the bit sequence 10011101.
(7)
- b. With neat diagrams discuss Frame relay and explain why it is unsuitable for real-time communication.
(7)
- Q.5** a. Explain M-ary coding. For a 16-QAM modulator with an input bit rate (f_b) equal to 20 Mbps and a carrier frequency of 100 MHz, determine the minimum double-sided Nyquist bandwidth (f_N) and the baud rate.
(5)

- b. What is TDM? With the help of a block diagram, explain how it works. What is statistical TDM? What is its advantage? Discuss its frame format. **(9)**

- Q.6** a. With the help of neat diagrams, explain the 802.3 frame format and its working. How does 4B/5B encoding guarantee that there will be no sequences of four or more 0s in the data field?
(7)

- b. Explain any two shortest path routing protocols you have studied. Explain why adaptive routing techniques are superior to non-adaptive routing? **(7)**

PART II

Answer any THREE Questions. Each question carries 14 marks.

- Q.7** a. What is the difference between N-ISDN and B-ISDN? Discuss the functions of ISDN physical layer? **(7)**

- b. How does ATM differ from frame relay? List and briefly define the ATM service categories. What are the services provided by AAC? **(7)**

- Q.8** a. Draw and discuss the IP Datagram frame format. Discuss in detail the various fields. What is subnetting? **(10)**

- b. Show by calculation how many hosts per network each IP address class A, B, and C can have. **(4)**

- Q.9** a. Discuss the problems of hidden station and exposed station in a wireless LAN. Discuss MACAW algorithm. **(10)**

- b. What are the two popular approaches to packet switching? **(4)**

- Q.10** a. Discuss about different networking devices. What is a firewall? Explain its role with reference to OSI model. **(10)**

- b. How are HTTP and the WWW related to the internet? **(4)**

- Q.11** Answer the following in brief:

- (i) Distinguish between a null modem and intelligent modem. **(5)**
 (ii) Distinguish between circuit switching and packet switching. **(4)**
 (iii) Congestion control methods. **(5)**