

Computer Networks
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Assignment 10

Problem 31 (4 points):

Consider three LANs interconnected by two routers, as shown in the diagram in problem 12 on page 475 of the Computer Networking book.

- (a) Redraw the diagram and assign IP addresses to all of the interfaces. For LAN 1 use addresses of the form 111.111.111.xxx, for LAN 2 use addresses of the form 122.222.222.xxx, and for LAN 3 use addresses of the form 133.333.333.xxx. (1 point)
- (b) Include adapters in the diagram and assign a LAN address to each of them. (1 point)
- (c) Consider sending an IP datagram from host A to host F . Suppose all of the ARP tables are up-to-date. Enumerate all the steps as done for the single-router example in Section 5.4.2. (2 points)

Problem 32 (1 point):

Illustrate the format of a bridge protocol data unit (or BPDU) as specified in IEEE 802.1d. (Hint: it contains 12 fields.)

Problem 33 (2 points):

- (a) At which clock rate (in MHz) does 10BaseT Ethernet have to operate to ensure a maximum throughput of 10 Mbps? (1 point)
- (b) At which clock rate does 100BaseT Ethernet have to operate to ensure a maximum throughput of 100 Mbps? (1 point)

Problem 34 (2 points):

Consider the CSMA/CA protocol and suppose that all hosts are perfectly synchronized (i.e. everybody sends its RTS, CTS, data, and ACK packet at the same time). Explain why in this case CSMA/CA can avoid collisions of data packets and acknowledgements. How about the general case, i.e. non-synchronized nodes?

Problem 35 (1 point):

Which organization is responsible for the HDLC standard? Illustrate the format of a standard HDLC frame.