

# Written examination in Computer Networks

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By attending this written exam, you confirm that you are working on it alone and feel healthy and capable to participate. Once you have received the examination paper, you are considered to have participated in the exam, and it will be graded.

- Use the provided sheets. Do *not* use own paper.
- You are allowed to use a *self prepared, single sided DIN-A4 sheet* in the exam. Only *hand-written originals* are allowed, but no copies.
- You are allowed to use a non-programmable calculator.
- Do *not* use a red pen.
- Time limit: *90 minutes*
- Turn off your mobile phones!

**Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

Questions:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	$\Sigma$
Maximum Points:	15	9	8	12	12	8	10	9	7	90
Achieved Points:										

**1.0:** 90.0-85.5, **1.3:** 85.0-81.0, **1.7:** 80.5-76.5, **2.0:** 76.0-72.0, **2.3:** 71.5-67.5,  
**2.7:** 67.0-63.0, **3.0:** 62.5-58.5, **3.3:** 58.0-54.0, **3.7:** 53.5-49.5, **4.0:** 49.0-45.0, **5.0:** <45

# Question 1)

Points: ..... of 15

4 Points

- (1) An image has a size of 3200x2400 pixels (Quad UXGA) with true color (3 Bytes per pixel are used for the color information). Calculate how long it takes to transmit the uncompressed image via a 50 Mbps (=  $50 * 10^6$  Bits per second) DSL connection.

11 Points

- (2) Fill out all empty fields.  
*(Fill in each empty cell only one correct answer!)*

### ISO/OSI Reference Model

Layer	Protocol	Device	Sort of Data (data unit)	Addresses
7			Message	
6				
5				
4		(VPN-)Gateway		
3				
2				
1				

## Question 2)

Points: ..... of 9

1 Point

(1) Explain the difference between serial and parallel data transmission.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(2) Computer networks usually implement. . .

*Serial data transmission*       *Parallel data transmission*

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(3) Data Link Layer protocols specify the format of. . .

physical network addresses       logical network addresses

1 Point

(4) Explain what the physical topology of a computer network describes.

1 Point

(5) Explain what the logical topology of a computer network describes

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(6) Name the topology that is used by modern Ethernet standards.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(7) Name the topology that is used by Thin and Thick Ethernet.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(8) Name the topology that is used by Token Ring (physical).

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(9) Name the topology that is used by Token Ring (logical).

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(10) Name the topology that is used by WLAN without an Access Point.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(11) Name the topology that is used by WLAN with an Access Point.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(12) Name one topology that contains a single point of failure.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(13) Name the topology that is used by mobile phones (GSM standard).

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(14) Name one topology where a cable failure causes the entire network to fail.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  Point

(15) Name one topology that has no central component.

## Question 3)

Points: ..... of 8

4 Points

- (1) Error Detection via CRC: Check, if the received frame was transmitted correctly.

Received frame: 1010010110100

Generator polynomial: 100101

4 Points

- (2) Transmission errors can be detected via CRC checksums. If it is important to not only recognize errors, but also to be correct them, then the data to be transmitted must be encoded in a way, that error-correction is possible. Error correction can be realized e.g. via the Simplified Hamming Code we discussed in the computer networks course.

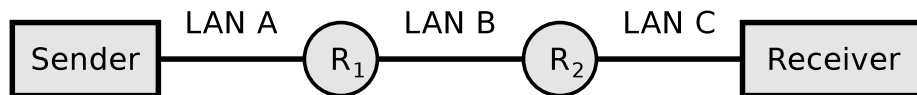
Verify, if the following message was transmitted correctly: 0001101100101101

# Question 4)

Points: ..... of 12

5000 bytes payload need to be transmitted via the IP protocol.

The payload must be fragmented, because it is transmitted over multiple physical networks, whose MTU is < 5000 bytes.



	LAN A	LAN B	LAN C
Network technology	WLAN	PPPoE	Ethernet
MTU [bytes]	2312	1492	1500
IP header [bytes]	20	24	28
maximum payload [bytes] in theory			
Multiple of 8 [yes/no]			
maximum payload [bytes] in practice			

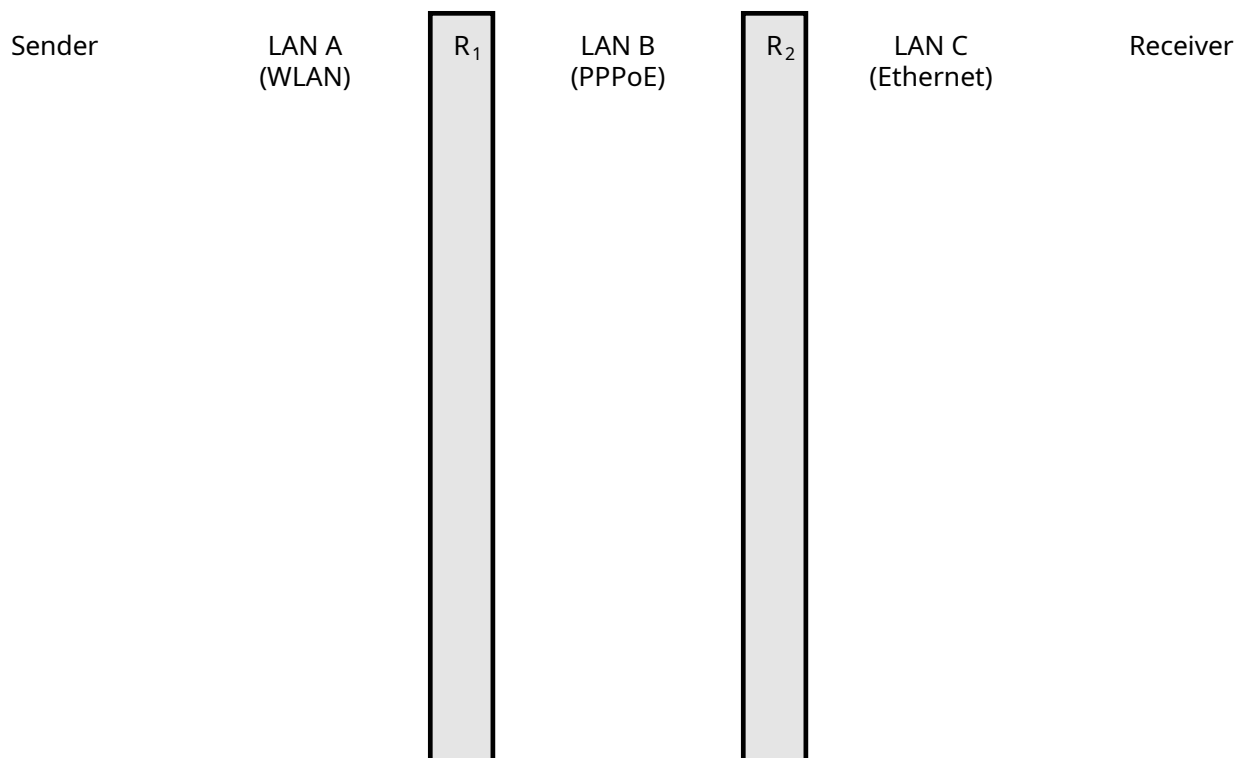
*Hint: In practice, the fragment offset is counted in 8-byte increments; therefore, the payload in a fragment must be a multiple of 8.*

4½ Points

(1) Calculate the max. payload [bytes] per network and fill the values into the table.

7½ Points

(2) Display graphically the way, the payload is fragmented, and how many bytes of payload each fragment contains.

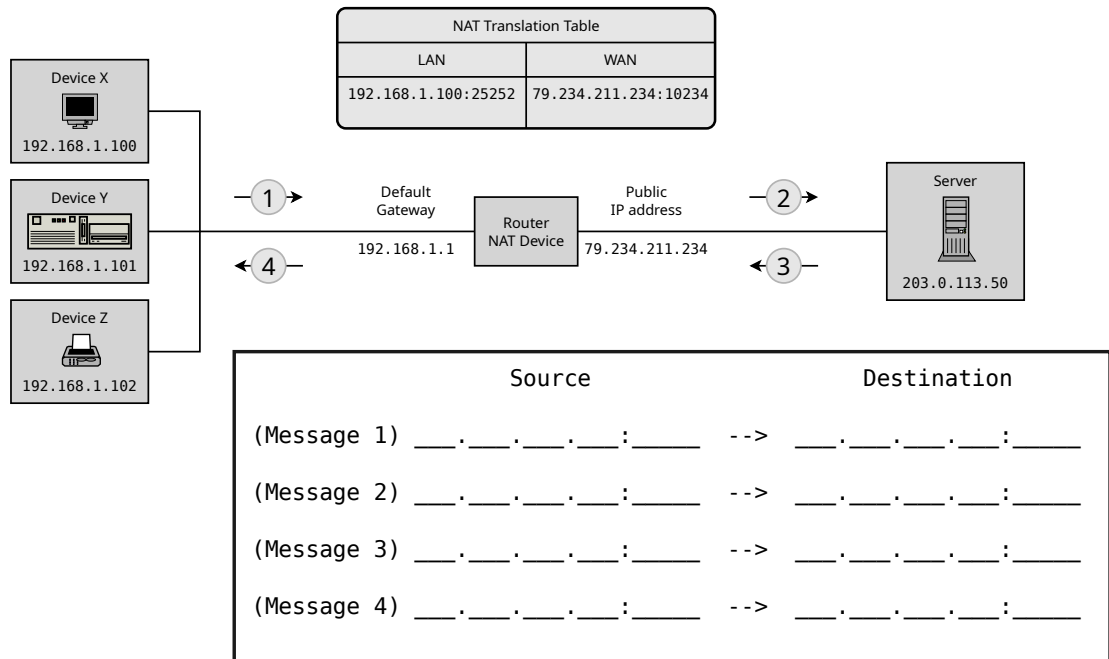


# Question 5)

Points: ..... of 12

8 Points

- (1) Fill the missing IP addresses and port numbers into the figure that describes a NAT scenario where device X sends a request for a web page to a web server process that runs on the server and can be accessed via port number 80.



1 Point

- (2) Simplify this IPv6 address:  
2001:0db8:0001:0000:0000:0000:0000:0001

1 Point

- (3) Simplify this IPv6 address:  
fe80:0000:0000:0000:0204:61ff:fe9d:f156

1 Point

- (4) Provide all positions of this simplified IPv6 address:  
2001:db8::ff00:42:8329

1 Point

- (5) Provide all positions of this simplified IPv6 address:  
2001:db8::abcd:0:0:1234

# Question 6)

Points: ..... of 8

4 Points

- (1) Split the class B network 189.23.0.0 for implementing 20 subnets. Calculate the subnet mask and fill in the missing numbers.

Network ID: 10111101.00010111.00000000.00000000 189.23.0.0

Number of bits for subnet IDs: .....

Subnet mask: ..... . ..... . ..... . ..... . ..... . ..... . ..... . .....

Number of bits for host IDs: .....

Number of host IDs per subnet: .....

4 Points

- (2) Split the class C network 195.3.128.0 into subnets which contain 60 hosts each. Calculate the subnet masks and fill in the missing numbers.

Network ID: 11000011.00000011.10000000.00000000 195.3.128.0

Number of bits for host IDs: .....

Number of bits for subnet IDs: .....

Number of possible subnets: .....

Subnet mask: ..... . ..... . ..... . ..... . ..... . ..... . .....

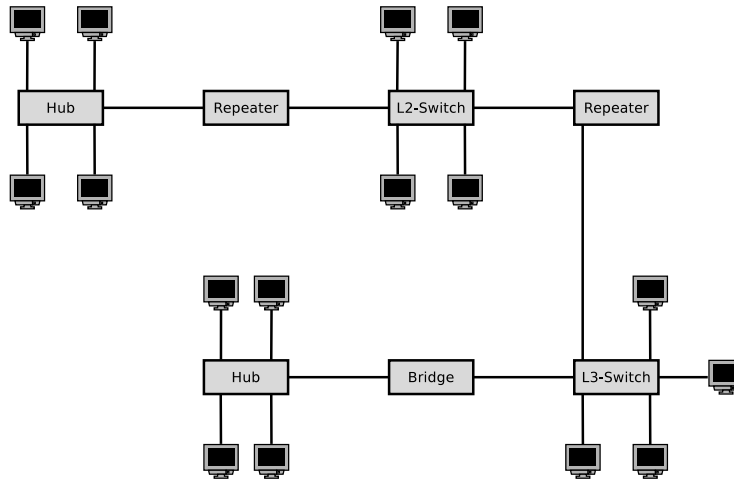
binary representation	decimal representation
10000000	128
11000000	192
11100000	224
11110000	240
11111000	248
11111100	252
11111110	254
11111111	255

# Question 7)

Points: ..... of 10

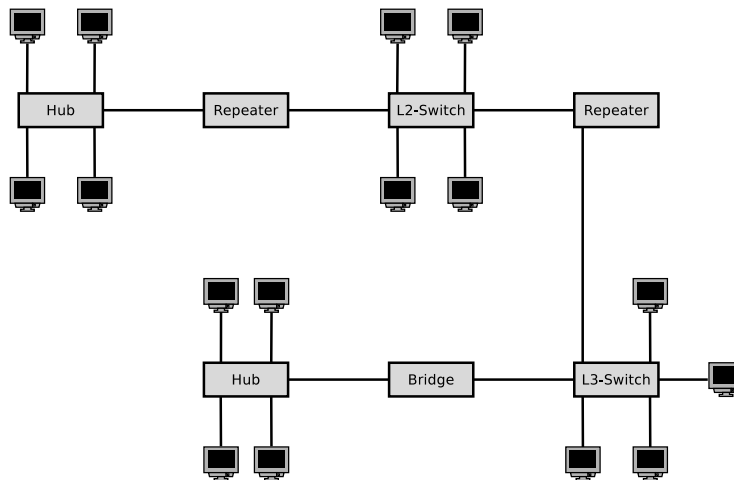
6 Points

(1) Sketch in the diagram all collision domains.



3 Points

(2) Sketch in the diagram all broadcast domains.



1 Point

(3) Give the number of logical subnets required for the given network topology.



## Question 8)

Points: ..... of 9

1 Point

(1) Mark the label of Twisted Pair Cables that have no cable and no pair shielding.

*ATP*     *FTP*     *STP*     *UTP*     *XTP*     *ZTP*

2 Points

(2) Explain the meaning of the information **24AWG**, **26AWG**, and **28AWG** on cables and explain the effect on the attenuation and installation.

2 Points

(3) Explain the meaning of the information **SOLID** and **STRANDED** on cables and explain the effect on the installation.

4 Points

(4) A scientific experiment produces 50 PB ( $50 * 10^{15}$  Byte) of data per year, which need to be stored. Calculate the height of the stack of storage media, if for storing the data SSDs with 2 TB ( $2 * 10^{12}$  Byte) capacity and 0.7 cm thickness are used?

## Question 9)

Points: ..... of 7

2 Points

- (1) Name and describe the two special characteristics of the transmission medium in wireless networks that cause undetected collisions at the receiver.

2 Points

- (2) Name a benefit and a drawback of using the control frames Request To Send (RTS) and Clear To Send (CTS).

1 Point

- (3) Explain what the function of the Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) is.

1 Point

- (4) Explain what the ARP cache is and why it is used in practice.

1 Point

- (5) Explain why loops on Data Link Layer can cause malfunctions in the network.