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**Faculty of Sciences**  
**2024 1 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: CIT 722**

**COURSE TITLE: COMPUTER NETWORKS**

**CREDIT: 3 Units**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours**

**INSTRUCTION: Question ONE is compulsory and any other three (3) questions**

**Question One**

- 1a. i. With you knowledge and understanding as a networking student, discuss a Bridge as a Networking Hardware. **[5 marks]**
- 1a. ii. What are the considerations to make when choosing a Topology? **[3marks]**
- 1a. iii. From what is the word *protocol* derived and what does it mean? **[1 mark]**
- 1b. i. In the present usage, what does the term Ethernet refer to? **[2 marks]**
- 1b. ii. Without using any diagrams, state and discuss the TWO (2) major types of Network Operating System. **[5 marks]**
- 1c. i. What are Protocol Stacks? **[1 mark]**
- 1c. ii. Write a short note on Topology **[3 marks]**
- 1d. i. The Network Interface Card (NIC) is a very component of the networking hardware. Elaborately discuss the NIC. **[3 mark]**
- 1d. ii. List four (4) types of the most common topologies. **[2 marks]**

**Question Two**

- 2a. i. Write short notes on the following terms. **[5 marks]**  
i. FDDI  
ii. ARCNET
- 2a. ii. Describe the function of the layers of the OSI Model with one sentence for each layer. **[1 mark]**
- 2a. iii. Discuss the interaction between OSI Model Layers Protocols as it occurs in the Presentation Layer. **[2 marks]**
- 2b. i. As a network/system administrator, enumerate the three (3) configuration steps for setting up a client-server network. **[3 marks]**
- 2b. ii. Describe the Characteristics of the OSI 7 Layers Model **[4 marks]**