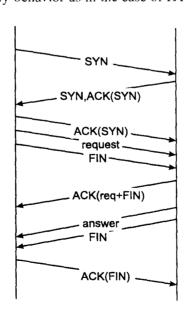
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1a	Explain how the Ethernet protocol works.	10pt
1b	If a host sends an IP packet to a destination host on an Ethernet network, the source will need to know the Ethernet address of the destination. How does it find that address?	5pt
1c	How can a host connected to only an Ethernet network, simultaneously support two different network-layer protocols (e.g. IP and AppleTalk)?	10pt
2a	Explain what flooding is and how we can prevent network traffic coming to a complete halt.	10pt
2b	What is the main advantage of hierarchical routing? Explain your answer.	10pt
2c	What is the purpose of weighted fair queuing, and how does it work?	5pt
3a	Explain how a reflection attack works.	5pt
3b	Why is it better to use session keys, when possible, instead of public/private keys when sending confidential data over a TCP connection?	10pt
<i>3c</i>	Give a general technique to defend against message replay.	5pt
4a	Is the statement "TCP is connection-oriented, so packets follow the same route from sender to receiver," true or false? Explain your answer.	5pt
4b	HTTP is a protocol that relies on TCP/IP. Do HTTP packets follow the same route from sender to receiver?	5pt
4c	A typical HTTP session over TCP is shown below. How can TCP be improved if you knew it had to support only request/reply behavior as in the case of HTTP?	10pt



Grading: The final grade is calculated by accumulating the scores per question (maximum: 90 points), and adding 10 bonus points. The maximum total is therefore 100 points.