

- 2.2.** (a) What universal set of communication services is provided by TCP/IP?
(b) How is independence from underlying network technologies achieved?
(c) What economies of scale result from (a) and (b)?

2.5. Why is the transport layer not present inside the network?

- 4.57.** A set of trunks has an offered load of 10 Erlangs. How many trunks are required to obtain a blocking probability of 2%? Use the following recursive expression for the Erlang B blocking probability:

$$B(c, a) = \frac{aB(c-1, a)}{c + aB(c-1, a)} \quad B(0, a) = 1$$

- 4.58.** Compare the blocking probabilities of a set of trunks with offered load $a = 9$ and $c = 10$ trunks to a system that is obtained by scaling up by a factor of 10, that is, $a = 90$ and $c = 100$. Hint: Use the recursion in Problem 4.57 in a spreadsheet or program.
- 4.59.** Calls arrive to a pool of 50 modems according to a Poisson process. Calls have an average duration of 25 minutes.
- (a) What is the probability an arriving call finds all modems busy if the arrival rate is two calls per minute?
 - (b) What is the maximum arrival rate that can be handled if the maximum acceptable blocking probability is 1%? 10%?