

Assignment

Unit - 2

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How does full-duplex Ethernet reduce collision and increase throughput?

→ Traditional Half-Duplex

Devices share a single communication channel

Uses CSMA/CD

Only one device can transmit at a time

If two devices simultaneously, a collision occurs, data is corrupted, and both must retransmit after a random backoff delay.

Throughput suffers: Significant overhead from collision detection, waiting, and retries. Effective bandwidth is much less than the nominal speed

→ full-Duplex

Requires a dedicated point to point link.

Simultaneous Two-way Communication: The device can transmit and receive data at the same time on separate wire pairs within the cable.

Reduced Latency: No waiting for the medium to be free or dealing with collision backoff delays.

2. What cable types are best suited for this setup?

→ Twisted Pair Copper:

→ Cat 5e (Category 5e): Minimum for Gigabit Ethernet (1000 BASE-T) Full duplex. Supports 1 Gbps up to 100 meters. Widely available and cost-effective.

→ Cat 6 (Category 6): Recommended for Gigabit and essential for 10 Gigabit Ethernet (10 Gb BASE-T) up to 55 meters. Better crosstalk and noise performance than Cat 5e. Supports 1 Gbps up to 100m.

→ Critical requirement All 4 pairs (8 wires) must be properly terminated and functional.

→ Fiber Optic:

→ Multimode Fiber MMF (OM3/OM4/OM5): Ideal for high-speed (10, 100, 250, 40, 1000) links within buildings or campuses. Uses LEDs/VCSLS.

→ Single-mode Fiber: Essential for very long distance and highest speed. Uses laser light sources. Highest performance and cost.