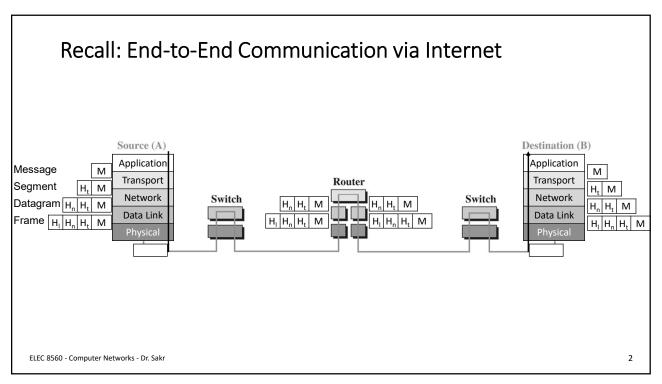
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Data Link Layer



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- Communication at the data link layer
- Data link control
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- Addressing and address resolution

- Recommended reading: Forouzan Chapter 3
- Extra reading: Kurose and Ross Chapter 6

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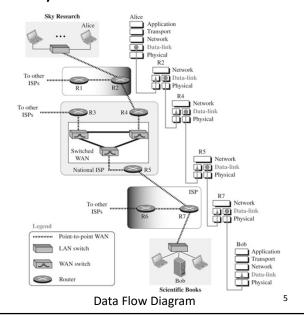
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Communication at the Data Link Layer

- Data link layer provides services to the network layer and receives services from the physical layer
 - Transport datagrams to adjacent node
 - Sender: encapsulates datagram from network layer into frames, passes to physical layer
 - Receiver: reassemble frames into datagrams, delivers to network layer

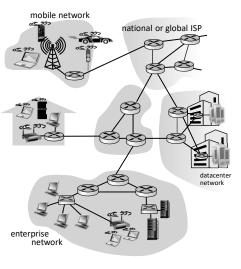


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Nodes and Links

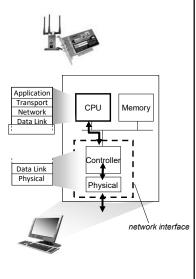
- Communication at the data link layer is node-to-node
 - Nodes: hosts and routers
 - Links: connections between nodes
 - Point-to-point link: dedicated to two devices
 - Broadcast link: shared between several pairs
 - Example: landline phones vs. cell phones



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Where is The Link Layer Implemented?

- Data link layer is in each-and-every host
- Data link and physical layers are implemented in Network Interface Card (NIC) or on a chip
- Combination of hardware, software, firmware



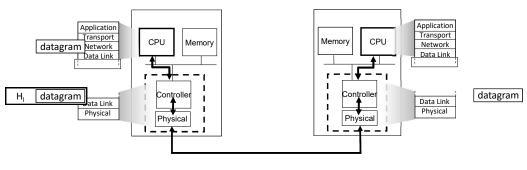
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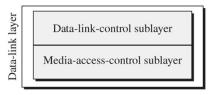
- Sender:
 - Encapsulates datagram in frame
 - Adds headers, trailers, flow control, etc.
- Receiver:
 - Checks for errors, etc.
 - Extracts datagram and passes to upper layers



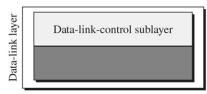
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Two Sublayers

- Data link layer can be divide into two sublayers:
 - Data Link Control (DLC): procedures for communication between two adjacent nodes whether link is dedicated or broadcast
 - Media Access Control (MAC): channel access control mechanisms to enable nodes to communicate in a network (i.e., broadcast links)



a. Data-link layer of a broadcast link



b. Data-link layer of a point-to-point link

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Data Link Control (DLC)

- DLC services:
 - Framing: pack bits into frames
 - Error control: detection and correction of errors and manage retransmissions
 - Flow control: restrict the amount of data the sender can send before waiting for an acknowledgement

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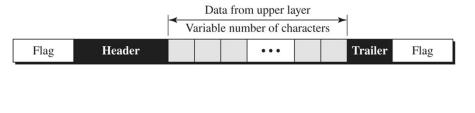
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Framing

- Encapsulating datagrams into frames and adding header and trailer
- Frames can be fixed or variable size
- For variable-size frames:
 - Need to define the boundary of the frame if size is variable
 - Two approaches are used for variable-size framing: bit-oriented or characteroriented



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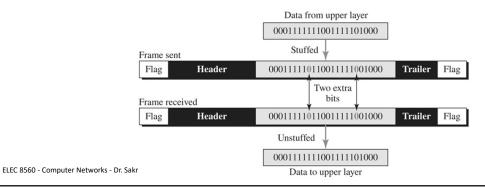
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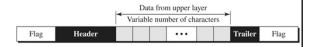
Bit-Oriented Framing



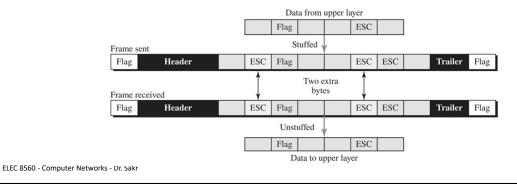
- Data is a sequence of bits + an 8-bit flag (01111110) as a delimiter
- Bit-stuffing to prevent a byte to be interpreted as beginning or end of the message
 - adding one extra 0 whenever five consecutive 1s follow a 0 in the data, so that the receiver does not mistake the pattern for a flag



Character-Oriented Framing



- Data is a sequence of 8-bit characters (e.g., ASCII code) + a special character flag as a delimiter
- Byte-stuffing to prevent a special character to be interpreted as beginning or end of the message
 - adding 1 extra byte whenever there is a flag or escape character in the text



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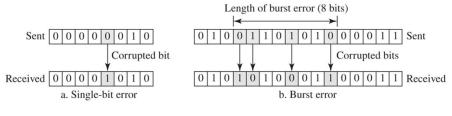
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Single-bit vs. Burst Error

- Data unit: a byte, character, or packet
- Single-bit error: only 1 bit of a given data unit is changed from 1 to 0 or from 0 to 1
- Burst error: 2 or more bits in the data unit have changed from 1 to 0 or from 0 to 1
 - · does not necessarily mean errors occur in consecutive bits
 - · more likely to occur than a single-bit error



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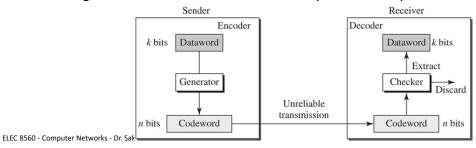
Error Control: Detection vs. Correction

- Errors may be caused by signal attenuation, noise, interference, etc.
 - · Unpredictable, change the shape of the signal
 - To detect or correct errors, we need to send extra (redundant) bits with data
- Error detection:
 - Receiver checks if any errors occurred
 - Not interested in the number of corrupted bits
 - Ask for retransmission or drops frame
- Error correction:
 - Receiver identifies and corrects bit error without retransmission
 - Know exact number of corrupted bits and their location
 - More difficult

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Block Coding

- Main concept in detecting or correcting errors is redundancy
- Block Coding:
 - Sender divides message into blocks of k bits \rightarrow datawords
 - Sender adds r redundant bits that are based on actual data bits → codewords of length n=k+r
 - Receiver checks the relationship to detect or correct corrupted bits
 - Higher ratio of redundant to data bits yields better performance



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Example: Block Coding

- Table shows a list of datawords and codewords
- Sender encodes dataword 01, sends codeword 011
- Case I: Receiver gets 011
 - It is a valid codeword, receiver extracts the dataword 01
- Case II: Corrupted during transmission, and 111 is received
 - · Not a valid codeword and is discarded
- Case III: Corrupted during transmission, and 000 is received
 - Valid codeword, receiver incorrectly extracts the dataword 00
 - Two corrupted bits have made the error undetectable

How many errors a code can detect or correct?

k=2 and n=3

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Codewords			
000			
011			
101			
110			

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Hamming Distance

- Very important in coding theory for error control
- Hamming distance between two words (of the same size) is the number of differences between the corresponding bits

$$d(2173896, 2233796) = 3$$

 $d(0001, 0010) = 2$

■ For binary strings a and b, it is equal to the number of 1s in a XOR b

0001 XOR 0010 = 0011
$$\rightarrow$$
 d(0001, 0010) = 2
10001 XOR 00010 = 10011 \rightarrow d(10001, 00010) = 3

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Minimum Hamming Distance

 \blacksquare A code is said to be k-error detecting if, and only if, the minimum Hamming distance between any two of its codewords is at least k+1

$$d_{min} \ge k+1$$

■ A code is said to be k-error correcting if, and only if, the minimum Hamming distance between any two of its codewords is at least 2k+1

$$d_{min} \ge 2k+1$$

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Example 1: Minimum Hamming Distance

What is the minimum Hamming distance of the code in the table below?

Solution:

- Minimum Hamming distance is 2
- This code guarantees detection of only a single error
- If two errors occur, the received codeword may match a valid codeword and the errors are not detected

Datawords	Codewords	
00	000	
01	011	
10	101	
11	110	

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Example 2: Minimum Hamming Distance

A code scheme has a Hamming distance $d_{min} = 4$. What is the error detection and correction capability of this scheme?

Solution:

- This code guarantees the detection of up to three errors (i.e., $4 \ge k+1$)
- It can correct up to one error (i.e., $4 \ge 2k+1$)
- Note: if this code is used for error correction, part of its capability is wasted
 - Error correction codes need to have an odd minimum distance (3, 5, 7, ...)

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Linear Block Codes

- Linear block code is a code in which the XOR of two valid codewords creates another valid codeword
- Minimum Hamming distance is the number of 1s in the nonzero valid codeword with the smallest number of 1s
- Almost all block codes used today are linear block code
 - Parity Check Codes
 - Cyclic Codes

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Example: Linear Block Codes

Is the code in the table below a linear block code? If so, find d_{\min} using no. of 1s.

Solution:

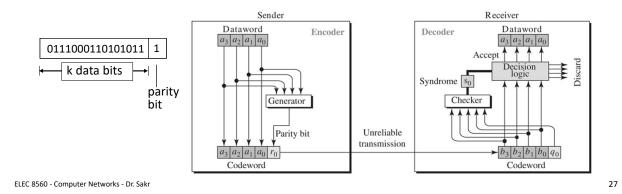
- Code is a linear block code because the result of XORing any codeword with any other codeword is a valid codeword
- The numbers of 1s in the nonzero codewords are 2, 2, and 2, so the minimum Hamming distance is 2

Datawords	Codewords		
00	000		
01	011		
10	101		
11	110		

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Parity Check Code

- The most familiar error-detecting code (linear block code)
- A k-bit dataword is changed to an n-bit codeword where n=k+1
- Extra bit, called the parity bit, is selected to make the total number of 1s in the codeword even



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Example: Parity Check Code

Assume sender encodes dataword 1011. Show all possible cases for error detection. Solution:

Sender encodes dataword 1011 and sends codeword 10111:

- Case I No error: Receiver gets 10111. Syndrome is 0. Dataword 1011 created.
- Case II One single-bit error: Receiver gets 10011 is received. Syndrome is 1. No dataword created. Same if parity bit is corrupted.
- Case III Two single-bit error: Receiver gets 11011 is received. Syndrome is 0.
 Receiver incorrectly create the dataword 1101.
- Case IV Three single-bit error: Receiver gets 11010 is received. Syndrome is 1.
 No dataword created.

A parity-check code can detect an odd number of errors

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Cyclic Codes

- Cyclic codes are special linear block codes with one extra property:
 - If a codeword is cyclically shifted (rotated), the result is another codeword
 - Example: if 1011000 is a codeword and we cyclically left-shift, then 0110001 is also a codeword
- Can detect single-bit errors, double errors, an odd number of errors, and some burst errors
- Can easily be implemented in hardware (faster) and software
- Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) codes, a subset of cyclic code, widely used in current networks such as Ethernet and Wi-Fi

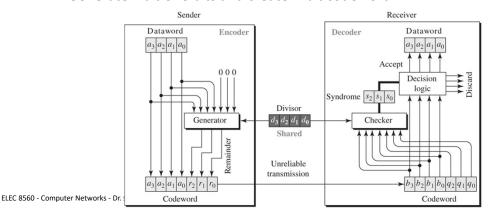
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Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC)

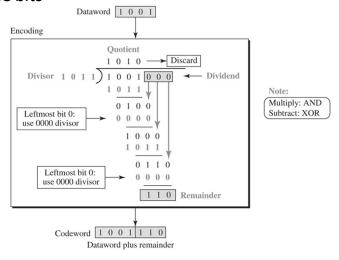
- More powerful error-detecting code (burst errors $\leq r$ bits guaranteed)
- Goal:
 - Given: k-bit dataword and (r+1)-bit generator (divisor or pattern)
 - Generate r-bit CRC bits and create n-bit codeword



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Example: CRC Encoder

■ Sender knows generator → divides 2^r · dataword by generator → remainder is CRC bits

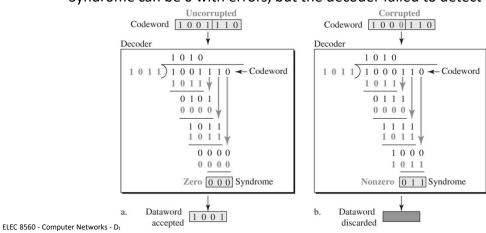


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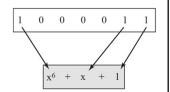
Example: CRC Decoder

- Receiver knows generator → divides codeword by generator → if syndrome/remainder is non-zero → error detected
 - Syndrome can be 0 with errors, but the decoder failed to detect them



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Standard Generator Polynomials



- Generators must (for all single errors can be caught):
 - have at least two bits
 - have 1s in the rightmost and leftmost bits
- Common generators:

Name	Binary	Application
CRC-8	100000111	ATM header
CRC-10	11000110101	ATM AAL
CRC-16	1000100000100001	HDLC
CRC-32	100000100110000010001110110110111	LANs

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Two DLC Protocols

- The data link layer combines framing, flow control, and error control to achieve the delivery of data from one node to another
- Two DCL protocols actually implement the concepts discussed so far:
 - High-level Data Link Control (HDLC) protocol:
 - · Bit-oriented protocol
 - Used for communication over point-to-point and multipoint links
 - Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP):
 - Byte-oriented protocol
 - One of the most common protocols for point-to-point access
 - Used by an Internet service provider (ISP) to provide several services

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Media Access Control (MAC)

- Access control is needed in broadcast (shared) links
 - single shared broadcast channel
 - two or more simultaneous transmissions by nodes → collision
- MAC protocol is distributed algorithm that determines how nodes share channel, i.e., determine when node can transmit
- MAC protocols classes:
 - Random Access: random, allow collision
 - Controlled Access: taking turns, more data more wait
 - Channelization: partition channels, exclusive use





shared radio: 4G/5G



shared radio: Wi-Fi

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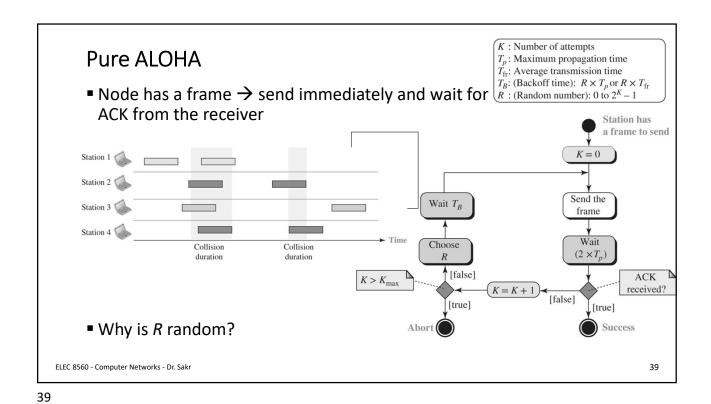
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Random Access

- No node is superior and none is assigned control over another
- When node has packet to send:
 - · transmit at full channel data rate
 - no a priori coordination among nodes
- Two or more transmitting nodes: collision
- Random Access MAC protocol specifies:
 - How to detect collisions
 - How to recover from collisions (e.g., via delayed retransmissions)
- Examples:
 - ALOHA, Slotted ALOHA
 - CSMA, CSMA/CD, CSMA/CA

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Example: Pure ALOHA

The stations on a wireless ALOHA network are a maximum of 600 km apart. Assume signals propagate at 3×10^8 m/s and second failed attempt to transmit, what are the possible values of the T_B ?

Solution:

- First, we find $T_p = (600 \times 10^3)/(3 \times 10^8) = 2 \text{ ms}$
- For K = 2, the range of R is {0, 1, 2, 3}
- This means that T_B can be 0, 2, 4, or 6 ms, based on the outcome of the random variable R

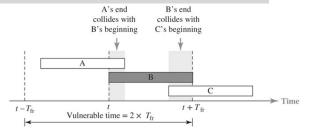
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Example: Vulnerable Time for Pure ALOHA

A pure ALOHA network transmits 200-bit frames on a shared channel of 200 kbps. What is the requirement to make this frame collision-free?

Solution:

- Average frame transmission time T_{fr} is 200 bits/200 kbps = 1 ms
- The vulnerable time is 2 × 1 ms = 2 ms
- This means no station should send later than 1 ms before this station starts transmission and no station should start sending during the period (1 ms) that this station is sending



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Throughput of Pure ALOHA Networks

- Let *G* be the average number of frames generated by the network during one frame transmission time
- Throughput is the average number of successfully transmitted frames

$$S = G \times e^{-2G}$$

■ Maximum throughput of pure ALOHA is 18% when G=0.5!

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Example: Throughput

A pure ALOHA network transmits 200-bit frames on a shared channel of 200 kbps. What is the throughput if the system (all stations together) produces: (a) 1000 frames per second, (b) 500 frames per second, and (c) 250 frames per second?

Solution:

- The frame transmission time is 200/200 kbps = 1 ms
- a. If the system creates 1000 frames per second, or 1 frame per millisecond, then G = 1
 - In this case $S = G \times e^{-2G} = 0.135$ (or 13.5%) \rightarrow Throughput = $1000 \times 0.135 = 135$ frames per sec
 - Only 135 frames out of 1000 will probably survive
- b. If the system creates 500 frames per second, or 0.5 frame per millisecond, then G = 0.5
 - In this case $S = G \times e^{-2G} = 0.184$ (or 18.4%) \rightarrow Throughput = 500 \times 0.184 = 92 frames per sec
 - Only 92 frames out of 500 will probably survive

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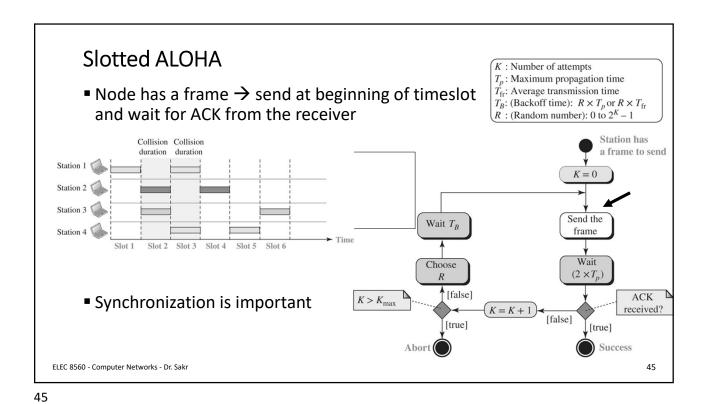
Example: Throughput (cont.)

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Solution:

- c. If the system creates 250 frames per second, or 0.25 frame per millisecond, then G = 0.25
 - In this case $S = G \times e^{-2G} = 0.152$ (or 15.2%) \rightarrow Throughput = 250 \times 0.152 = 38 frames per sec
 - Only 38 frames out of 250 will probably survive

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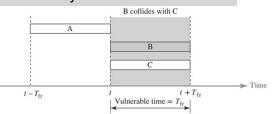


Example: Vulnerable Time for Slotted ALOHA

A slotted ALOHA network transmits 200-bit frames on a shared channel of 200 kbps. What is the requirement to make this frame collision-free?

Solution:

- Average frame transmission time T_{fr} is 200 bits/200 kbps = 1 ms
- The vulnerable time is 1 × 1 ms = 1 ms
- This means no station should start sending at the same timeslot this station is sending



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Throughput of Slotted ALOHA Networks

- Let G be the average number of frames generated by the network during one frame transmission time
- Throughput is the average number of successfully transmitted frames

$$S = G \times e^{-G}$$

■ Maximum throughput of pure ALOHA is 36% when *G=1*!

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Example: Throughput

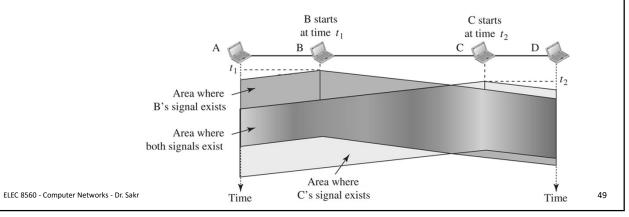
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- The frame transmission time is 200/200 kbps = 1 ms
- a. If the system creates 1000 frames per second, the G = 1
 - In this case $S = G \times e^{-G} = 0.368$ (or 36.8%) \rightarrow Throughput = $1000 \times 0.368 = 368$ frames per sec
 - Only 368 frames out of 1000 will probably survive
- b. If the system creates 500 frames per second, then G = 0.5
 - In this case $S = G \times e^{-G} = 0.303$ (or 30.3%) \rightarrow Throughput = 500 \times 0.303 = 151 frames per sec
 - Only 151 frames out of 500 will probably survive
- c. If the system creates 250 frames per second, then G = 0.25
 - In this case $S = G \times e^{-G} = 0.195$ (or 19.5%) \rightarrow Throughput = 250 \times 0.195 = 49 frames per sec
 - · Only 49 frames out of 250 will probably survive

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Carrier Sense Multiple Access (CSMA)

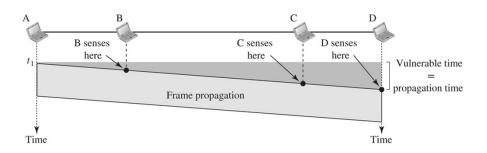
- To reduce chances of collision, listen before transmit:
 - If channel sensed idle: transmit entire frame
 - If channel sensed busy: defer transmission
- Space and time model of a collision due to propagation delay



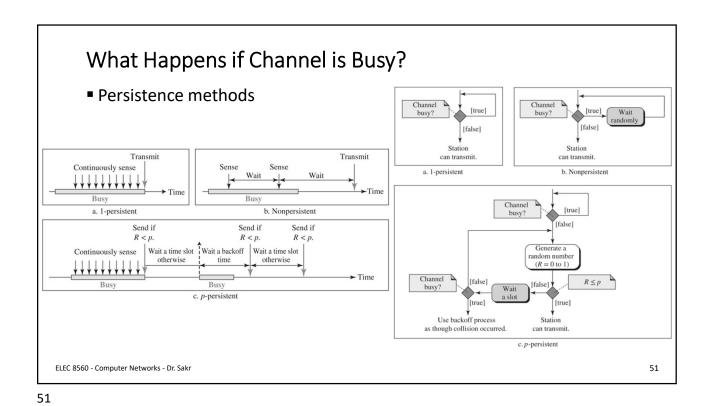
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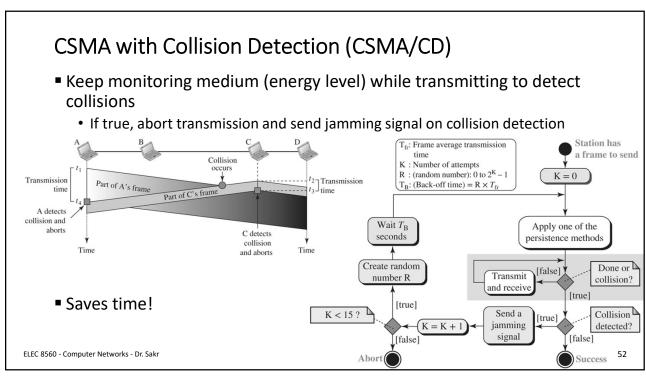
Vulnerable Time in CSMA

Distance and propagation delay play role in in determining collision probability



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Minimum Frame Size

- Frame size has to be restricted to a minimum size to make sure nodes detect collisions, if any, before sending the last bit of the frame
- Scenario:
 - Nodes A and B are the maximum distance apart
 - Node A transmits at time 0
 - Node B transmits at time T_p
 - So the effect of a collision may take up to $2T_p$ sec
 - If node A finishes transmission before that, it will stop monitoring the channel and clear the frame
- So, the minimum frame duration T_{fr} is $2T_p$ sec and size is $2T_p \times R$

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Example: CSMA/CD

A network using CSMA/CD has a bandwidth of 10 Mbps. If the maximum propagation time is 25.6 μ s, what is the minimum size of the frame?

Solution:

- The minimum frame transmission time is $T_{fr} = 2 \times T_p = 51.2 \,\mu s$
- \blacksquare This means, in the worst case, a station needs to transmit for a period of 51.2 μs to detect the collision
- The minimum size of the frame is 10 Mbps × 51.2 µs = 512 bits or 64 bytes
 - This is actually the minimum size of the frame for Standard Ethernet as we will see

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CSMA/CD in Standard Ethernet

- 1. NIC receives datagram from network layer, creates frame
- 2. NIC senses channel:
 - If idle: start frame transmission
 - If busy: wait until channel idle, then transmit (i.e., 1-persistent)
- 3. If NIC transmits entire frame without collision, NIC is done
- 4. If NIC detects another transmission while sending: abort, send jamming signal
- 5. After aborting, NIC enters binary (exponential) backoff:
 - After K-th collision, NIC chooses R at random, NIC waits R T_{fr} , returns to Step 2
 - More collisions: longer backoff interval

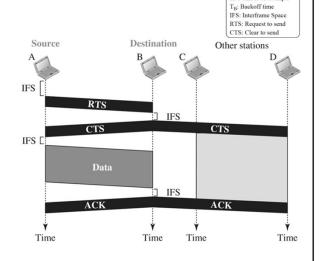
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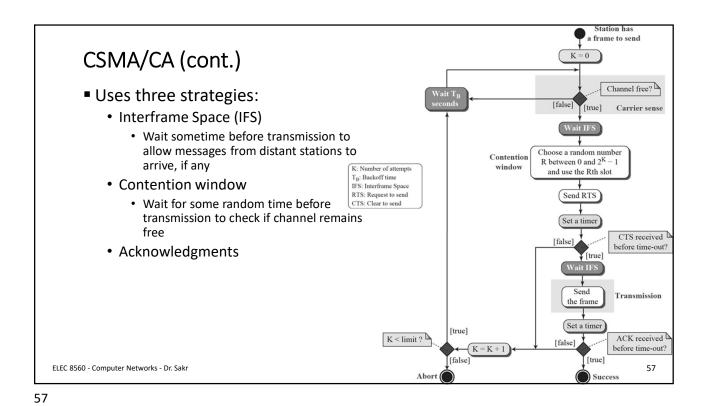
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CSMA with Collision Avoidance (CSMA/CA)

- Invented for wireless networks to avoid collisions
- Idea: reserve channel
 - Sender transmits small RTS packet
 - Receiver broadcasts CTS in response
 - All nodes defer transmissions and Sender transmits data frame



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Controlled Access

- Stations consult one another to find which station has the right to send
- A station cannot send unless it has been authorized by other stations
- Examples:
 - Reservation
 - Polling
 - Token Passing

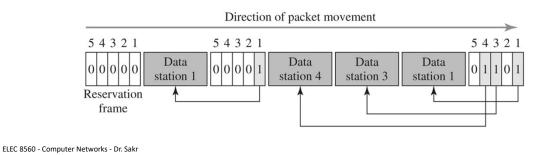
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Reservation

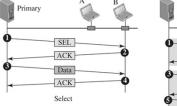
- A station needs to make a reservation before sending data
- Time is divided into intervals
- In each interval, a reservation frame precedes the data frames sent in that interval
 - When a station wants to transmit, it makes a reservation in an assigned slot

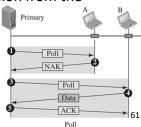


Polling

- One device is designated as a primary station and other devices are secondary stations
- The primary device controls the channel and determine which device is allowed to use the channel at a given time
- Secondary devices must follow its instructions for all data exchanges
 - Select function by primary is used when it needs to send data to some secondary device

 Poll function is used by the primary device to solicit transmission from the secondary devices



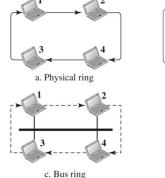


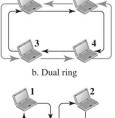
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Token Passing

- Stations in a network are organized in a logical ring
- Each station has a predecessor (before) and a successor (after)
- A special packet called a token circulates through the ring
- The possession of the token gives the station the right to access the channel and transmit its data





d. Star ring

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Outline

- Communication at the data link layer
- Data link control
- Media access control
 - Channelization
- Addressing and address resolution

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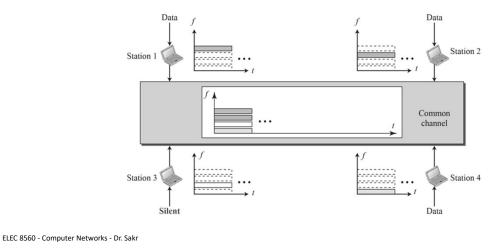
Channelization

- Sometimes called channel partitioning
- A multiple-access method in which the available bandwidth of a link is shared in time, frequency, or through code, among different stations
- Used in wireless LAN
- Examples:
 - Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA)
 - Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA)
 - Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA)

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Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA)

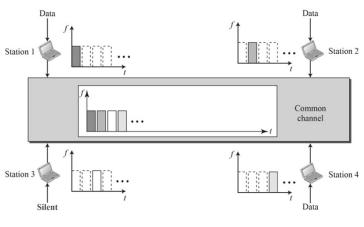
- Available bandwidth is divided into frequency bands (+ guard bands)
- Each station is allocated a band to send its data simultaneously



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Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA)

- Stations share the entire channel bandwidth in time and take rounds
- Each station is allocated a timeslot during which it can send data

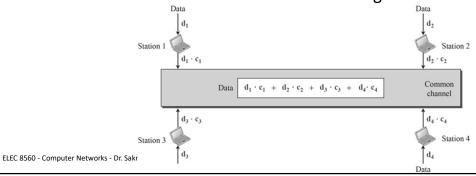


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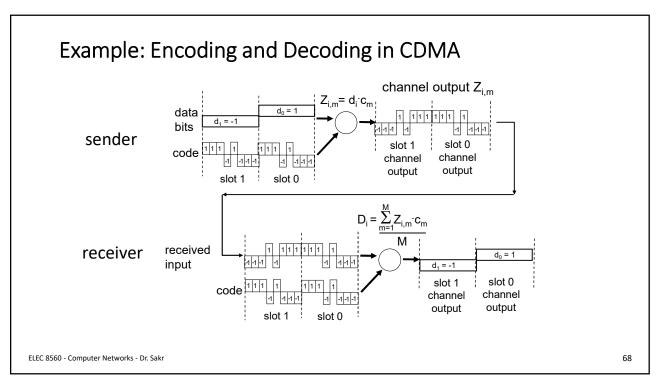
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Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA)

- All stations share the entire channel bandwidth and can send data simultaneously as they are separated in code
 - Encoding: each station multiplies its data by its code before transmitting
 - Decoding: a station can detect the data sent by another station using its code
- That is, multiple users coexist and transmit simultaneously with minimal interference when codes are orthogonal

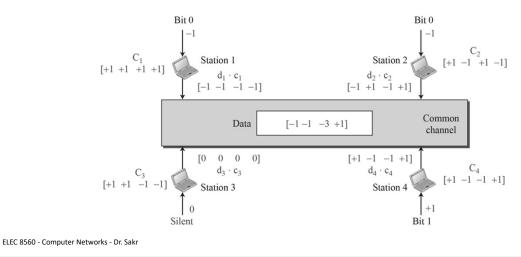


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Example: Sharing Channel in CDMA

■ Note that the multiplication of two different sequences, element by element and adding the results yield 0



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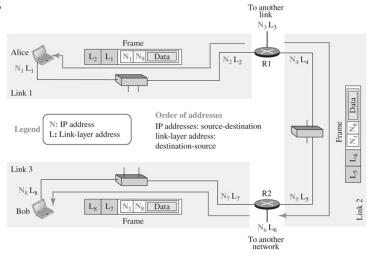
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Link Layer Addressing

- In an internetwork such as the Internet we cannot make a datagram reach its destination using only IP addresses
- Source and destination IP addresses define the two ends but cannot define which links the packet should pass through



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MAC Addresses

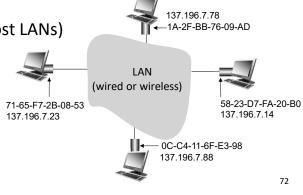
- Also called LAN, Physical, or Ethernet address
- Each interface on LAN has a unique MAC address (paired with a local IP address)

Used locally to get a frame from one interface to another physicallyconnected interface

■ 48-bit (6-byte) MAC address (for most LANs)

burned in NIC ROM

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MAC Addresses (cont.)

- Some link-layer protocols define three types of addresses:
 - Unicast Address: Each interface is assigned a unicast address
 - Example: Ethernet A2-34-45-11-92-F1
 - Multicast Address: Means one-to-many communication
 - Example: Ethernet 47-20-1B-2E-08-EE
 - Broadcast Address: Means one-to-all address
 - Example: Ethernet FF-FF-FF-FF

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Address Resolution Protocol (ARP)

- How to determine interface MAC address, knowing its IP address
- Any time a node has a packet to send to another node, it has its IP address and needs the link-layer address of the next node
- ARP is located in the network layer



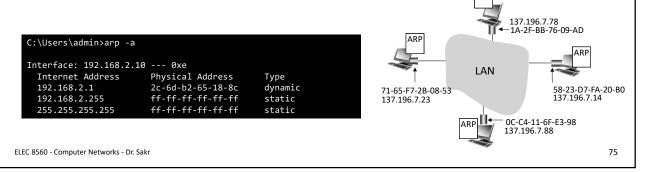
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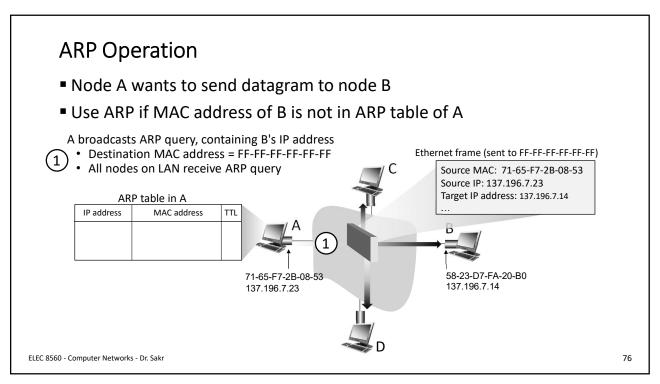
ARP Table

■ Each IP node (host, router) on LAN has table contains IP/MAC address mappings for some LAN nodes

< IP address; MAC address; TTL>

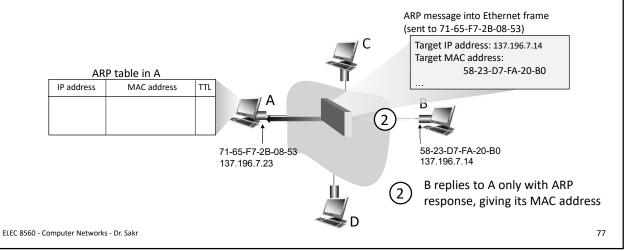
■ TTL (Time To Live) is the time after which address mapping will be forgotten (typically 20 min)







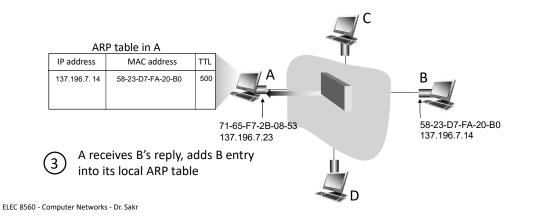
- Node A wants to send datagram to node B
- MAC address of B is not in ARP table of A → use ARP



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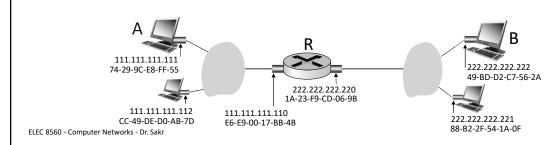
ARP Operation (cont.)

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Example: Flow of Packets over Internetworks

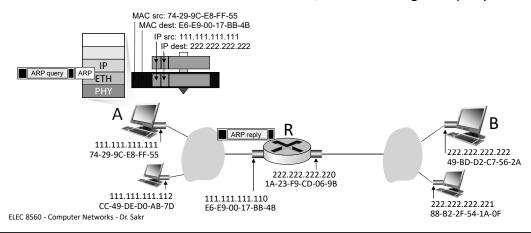
- Node A wants to send datagram to node B
- A knows IP address of R and B (more details later)



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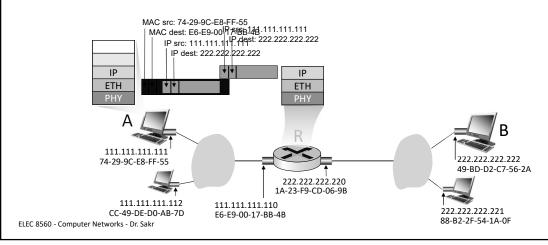
- A creates IP datagram with IP source A, destination B
- A creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram
 - R's MAC address is frame destination, obtained using ARP query



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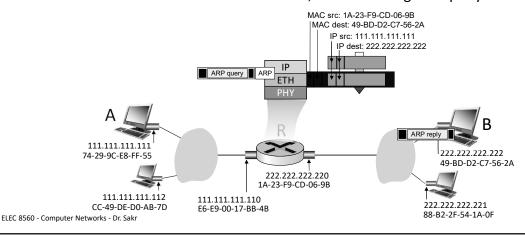
- Frame sent from A to R
- Frame received at R, datagram removed, passed up to IP



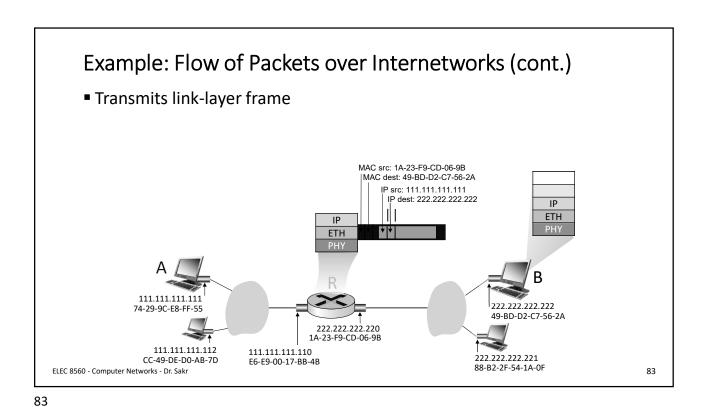
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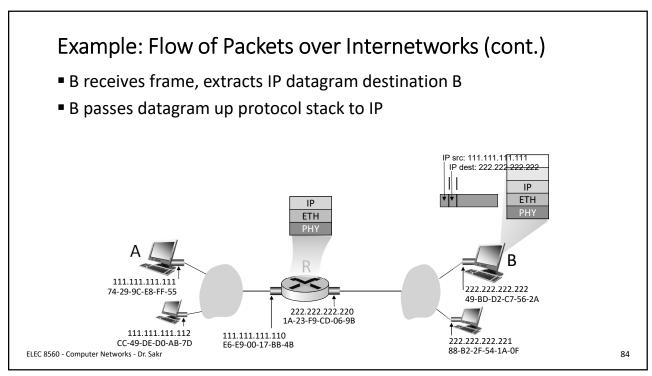
Example: Flow of Packets over Internetworks (cont.)

- R determines outgoing interface, passes datagram to link layer
- R creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram
 - B's MAC address is frame destination, obtained using ARP query



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Summary

- We covered:
 - Data link control: framing and error control
 - Media access control: random, controlled, and channelization
 - MAC addresses
 - Address resolution protocol (ARP)

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