



18CSC302J- Computer Networks



Unit I



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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

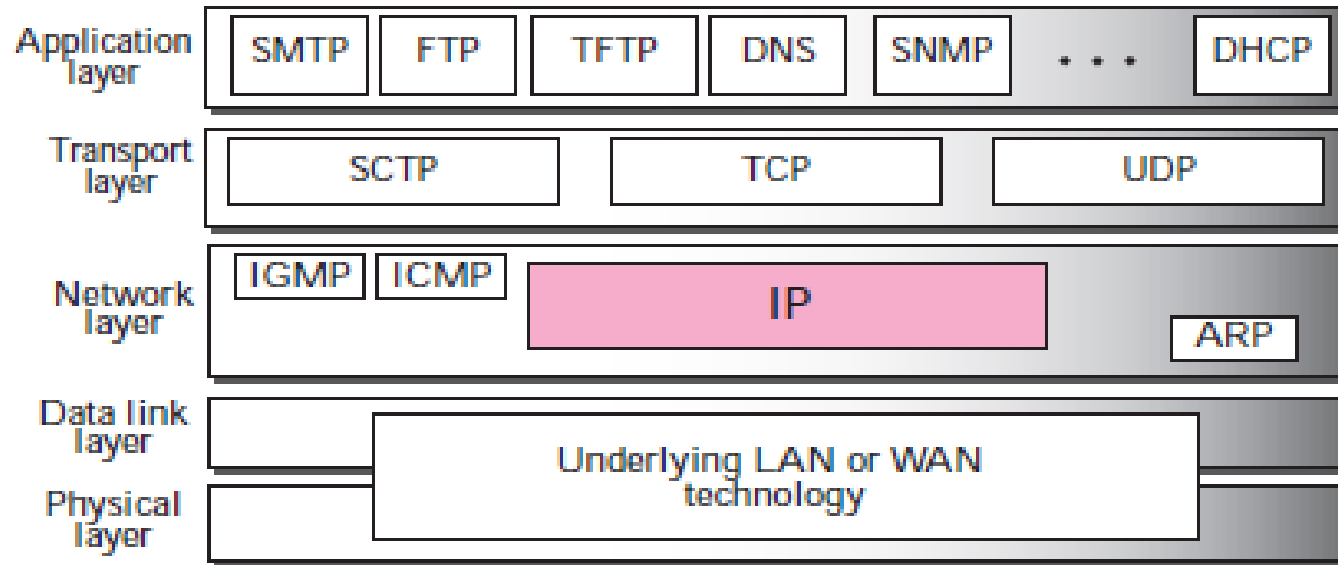




IP Header & IP Fragmentation

IP– An Introduction

- The **Internet Protocol (IP)** is the transmission mechanism used by the TCP/IP protocols at the network layer Operates at higher level



Position of IP in TCP/IP protocol suite



IP Header & IP Fragmentation

IP– An Introduction

- IP is an unreliable and connectionless datagram protocol—a **best-effort delivery** service.
- The term *best-effort* means that IP packets can be corrupted, lost, arrive out of order, or delayed and may create congestion for the network.
- If reliability is important, IP must be paired with a reliable protocol such as TCP.



IP Header & IP Fragmentation

IP– An Introduction

➤ *Example*

- ✓ The post office does its best to deliver the mail but does not always succeed. If an unregistered letter is lost, it is up to the sender or would-be recipient to discover the loss and rectify the problem.
 - ✓ The post office itself does not keep track of every letter and cannot notify a sender of loss or damage.
- IP is also a connectionless protocol for a packet switching network that uses the datagram approach
- This means that each datagram is handled independently, and each datagram can follow a different route to the destination.



IP Header & IP Fragmentation

IP Datagram

Bit 0

Bit 31

Header

Version (4)	Header Len (4)	TOS (8)	Total Length in bytes (16)	
Identification (16 bits)			Flags (3)	Fragment Offset (13)
Time to Live (8)		Protocol (8)	Header Checksum (16)	
Source IP Address				
Destination IP Address				
Options (if any)				

Data

Data (variable length)



IP Header & IP Fragmentation



Version

- Version number of IP protocol
- Current version is Version 4
- Version 6 has different header format

IP Packet Header

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

- **Header Length** (in 32 bit words)
 - Indicates end of header and beginning of payload
 - If no options, Header length = 5

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

➤ Type of Service (TOS)

- Allows different types of service to be requested
- Initially, meaning was not well defined
- Currently being defined (diffserv)

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

- Packet Length (in Bytes)
 - Unambiguously specify end of packet
 - Max packet size = $2^{16} = 65,535$ Bytes

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

- These three fields for Fragmentation Control

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation



Time to Live

- Initially set by sender (up to 255)
- Decrement by each router
- Discard when TTL = 0 to avoid infinite routing loops

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

➤ Protocol

- Value indicates what is in the data field
- Example: TCP or UDP

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

➤ Header Checksum

- Checks for error in the header only
- Bad headers can harm the network
- If error found, packet is simply discarded

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➤ Source and Destination IP Addresses

- Strings of 32 ones and zeros

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

➤ Options

- Example: timestamp, record route, source route

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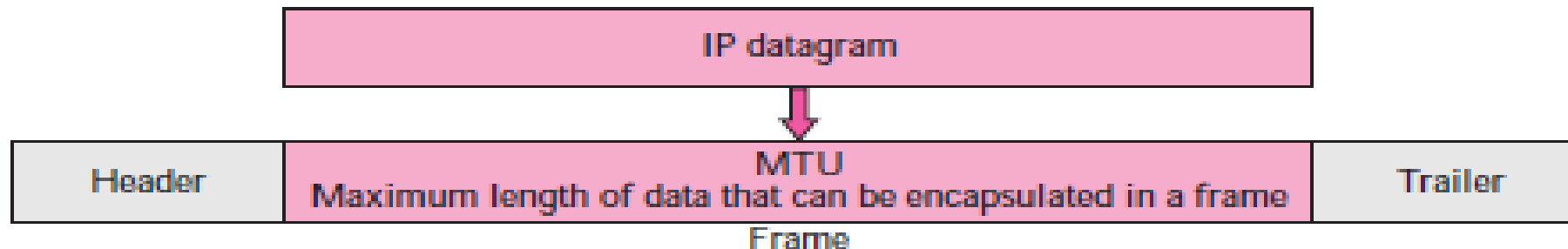
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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

IP Fragmentation & Reassembly

- Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU)
 - Largest IP packet a network will accept
 - Arriving IP packet may be larger (max IP packet size = 65,535 bytes)
- Sender or router will split the packet into multiple fragments
- Destination will reassemble the packet
- IP header fields used to identify and order related fragments





IP Header & IP Fragmentation

IP Fragmentation & Reassembly

- Divide the datagram to make it possible to pass through these networks called **fragmentation**.
- A fragmented datagram may itself be fragmented if it encounters a network with an even smaller MTU.
- A datagram can be fragmented by the source host or any router in the path
- the reassembly of the datagram, however, is done only by the destination host



IP Header & IP Fragmentation

➤ Identification

- All fragments of a single datagram have the same identification number

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

- Flags:
- 1st bit: reserved, must be zero
 - 2nd bit: DF -- Do Not Fragment
 - 3rd bit: MF -- More Fragments

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IP Header & IP Fragmentation

- Fragment Offset (in units of 8 bytes)
 - Used for reassembly of packet
 - 1st fragment has offset = 0

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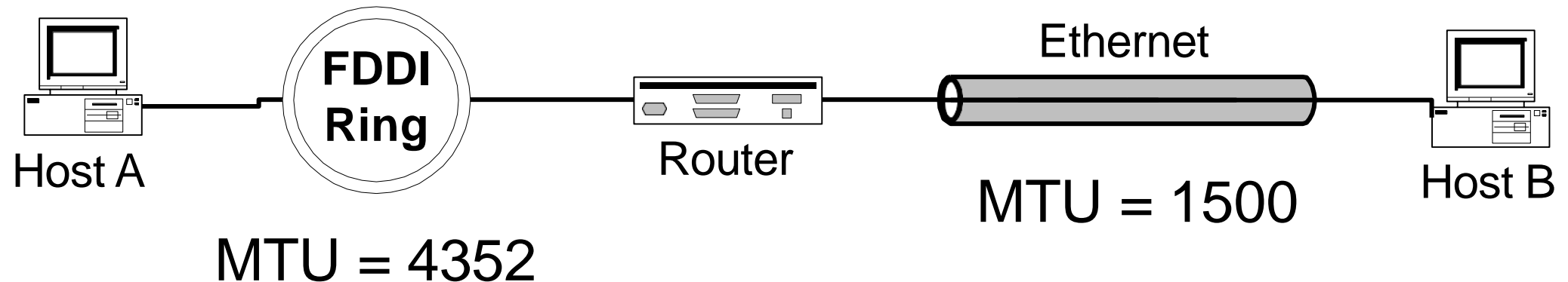
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IP Fragmentation Example

- Host A wants to send to Host B an IP datagram of size = 4000 Bytes





IP Header & IP Fragmentation

IP Fragmentation Example

	length =4000	ID =x	MF =0	offset =0	
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One large datagram becomes
several smaller datagrams

	length =1500	ID =x	MF =1	offset =0	
	length =1500	ID =x	MF =1	offset =1480	
	length =1040	ID =x	MF =0	offset =2960	



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Multiple Fragmenting Points

Let MTUs along internet path be

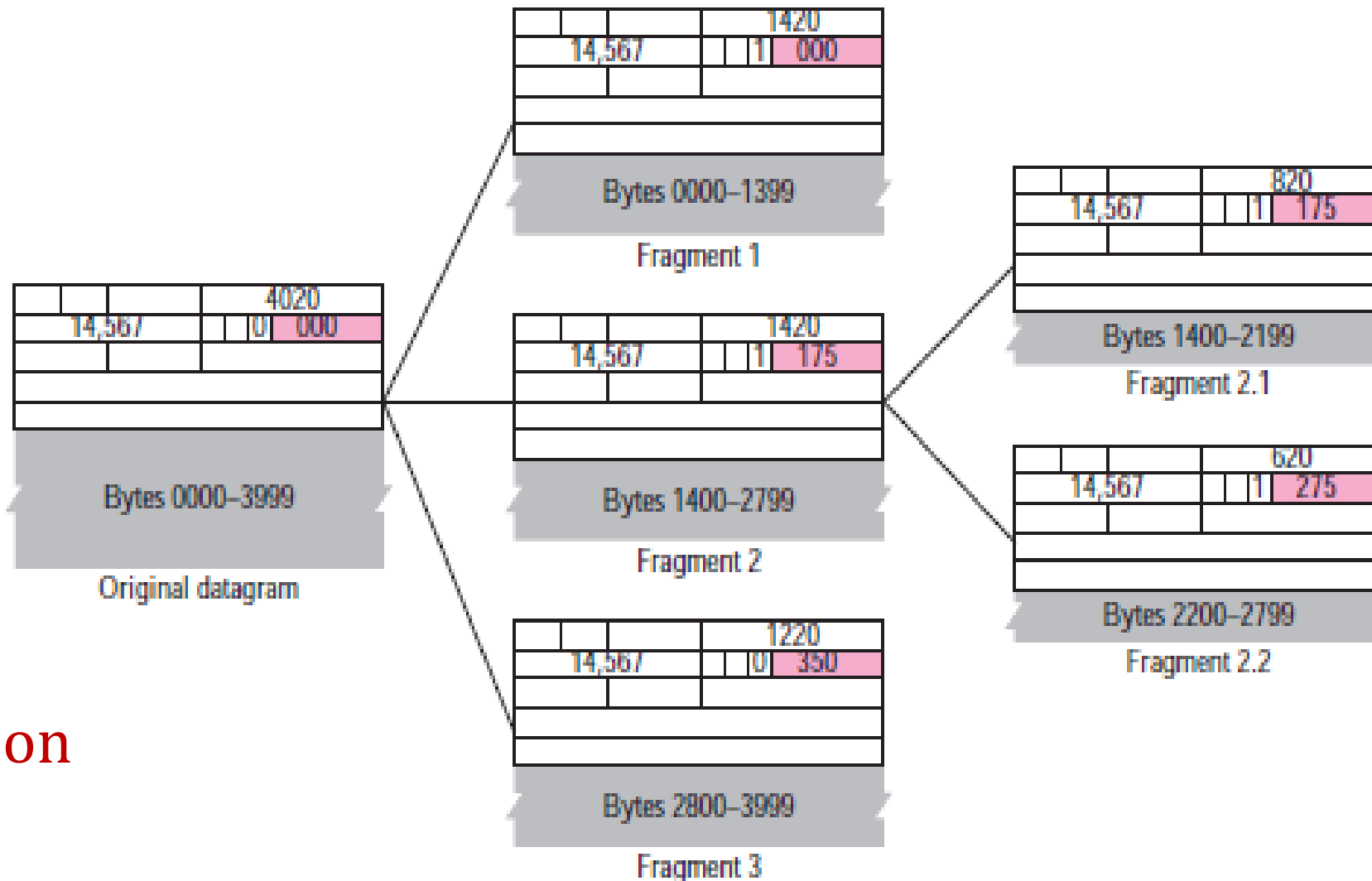
- 1500
- 1500
- 1000
- 1500
- 576
- 1500

Result: fragmentation can occur twice



IP Header & IP Fragmentation

Multiple Fragmenting Points



Detailed
fragmentation
example



IP Header & IP Fragmentation

- The figure shows what happens if a fragment itself is fragmented.

In this case the value of the offset field is always relative to the original datagram.

- The first fragment has an offset field value of zero.
- Divide the length of the first fragment by 8. The second fragment has an offset value equal to that result.
- Divide the total length of the first and second fragment by 8. The third fragment has an offset value equal to that result.
- Continue the process. The last fragment has a *more* bit value of 0.