

## Lecture 26

- ❖ Sections 6.3.2, 6.3.3, 6.4 and 6.4.1
  - Multiple access protocols
    - Random access protocols
    - Taking turns protocols
  - Switched local area networks
    - Link-layer addressing and ARP

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## CSMA (Carrier Sense Multiple Access)

### CSMA:

listen before transmit:

- ❖ If channel sensed idle: transmit entire frame
- ❖ If channel sensed busy: defer transmission
  
- ❖ human analogy: don't interrupt others!

Can collisions still occur?

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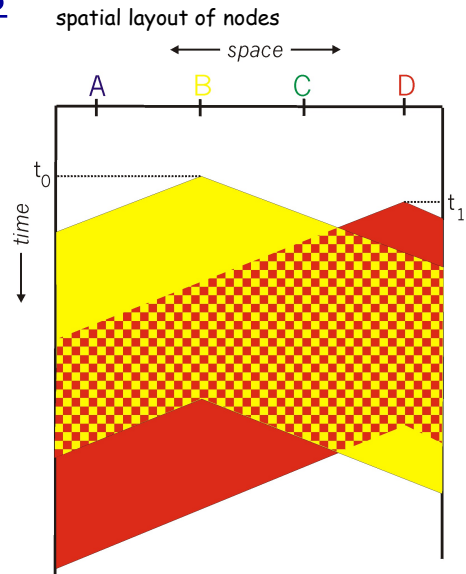
## CSMA collisions

collisions *can* still occur:

propagation delay means  
two nodes may not hear  
each other's transmission

collision:

entire packet transmission  
time wasted



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## CSMA/CD (Collision Detection)

**CSMA/CD:** carrier sensing, deferral as in CSMA

❖ listen after transmission for collisions:

- if there is a collision:

- collision *detected* within short time, and stop transmission (colliding transmissions aborted), hence reducing channel wastage
- reschedule collided transmission after some random time

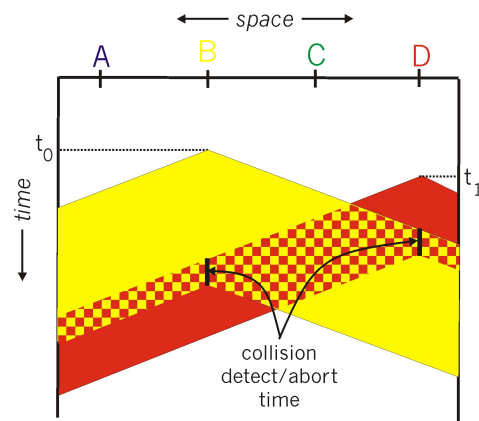
❖ collision detection:

- easy in wired LANs: measure signal strengths, compare transmitted, received signals
- difficult in wireless LANs: received signal strength overwhelmed by local transmission strength

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## CSMA/CD collision detection



*What is the maximum time to detect a collision, if any?*

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## “Taking Turns” MAC protocols

### channel partitioning MAC protocols:

- share channel *efficiently* and *fairly* at high load
- inefficient at low load: delay in channel access, 1/N bandwidth allocated even if only 1 active node!

### random access MAC protocols

- efficient at low load: single node can fully utilize channel
- high load: collision overhead

### “taking turns” protocols

look for best of both worlds!

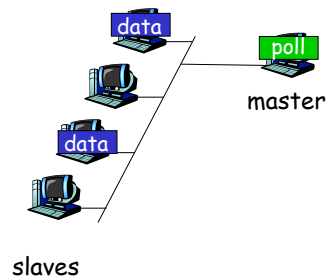
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## “Taking Turns” MAC protocols

### Polling:

- ❖ master node “invites” slave nodes to transmit in turn
- ❖ asymmetric node capabilities
- ❖ concerns:
  - polling overhead
  - latency
  - single point of failure (master)



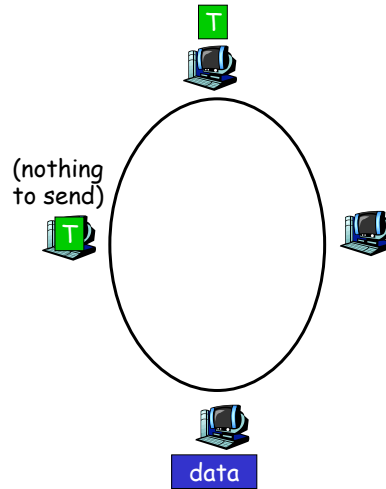
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## “Taking Turns” MAC protocols

### Token passing:

- ❖ control **token** passed from one node to next sequentially.
- ❖ token message
- ❖ concerns:
  - token overhead
  - latency
  - single point of failure (token)



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## Summary of MAC protocols

- ❖ *channel partitioning* (static):
  - Time Division, Frequency Division
- ❖ *random access* (dynamic),
  - ALOHA, S-ALOHA, CSMA, CSMA/CD
  - carrier sensing: easy in some technologies (wire), hard in others (wireless)
  - CSMA/CD used in Ethernet
  - CSMA/CA used in 802.11
- ❖ *taking turns*
  - polling from central site (master-slave operation), token passing
  - Bluetooth, FDDI, IBM Token Ring

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## Link Layer

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- 6.2 Error detection and correction
- 6.3 Multiple access protocols
- 6.4 Switched Local Area Networks
  - 6.4.1 Link-Layer Addressing and ARP

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## MAC Addresses and ARP

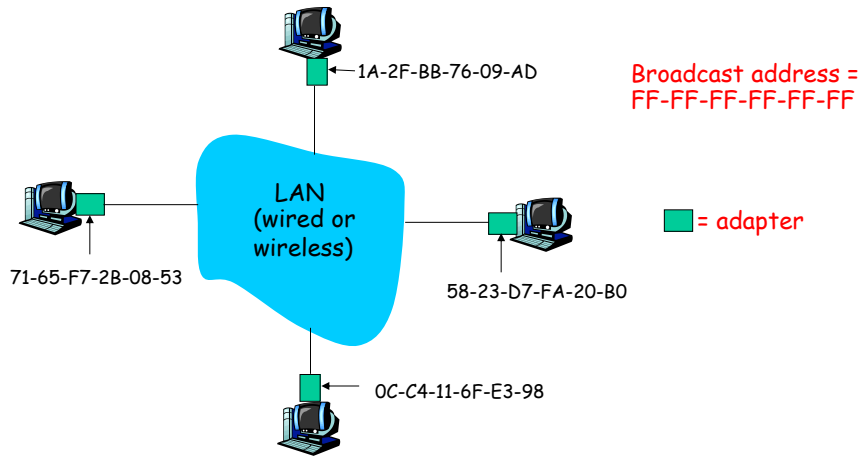
- ❖ 32-bit IP address:
  - *network-layer* address
  - used to get datagram to destination IP subnet
- ❖ MAC (or LAN or physical or Ethernet) address:
  - function: *get frame from one interface to another physically-connected interface (same network)*
  - 48 bit MAC address (for most LANs)
    - burned in NIC ROM, also sometimes software settable

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## LAN Addresses and ARP

Each adapter on LAN has unique LAN address



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## LAN Address (more)

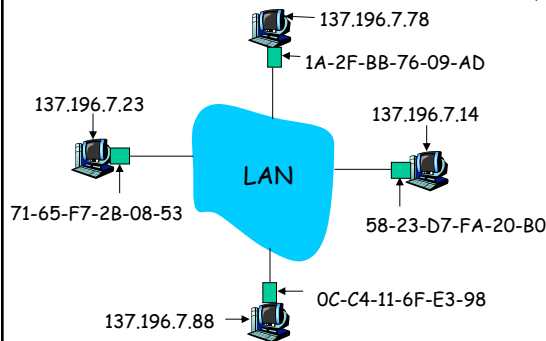
- ❖ MAC address allocation administered by IEEE
- ❖ manufacturer buys portion of MAC address space (to assure uniqueness)
- ❖ analogy:
  - (a) MAC address: like Social Security Number
  - (b) IP address: like postal address
- ❖ MAC flat address → portability
  - can move LAN card from one LAN to another
- ❖ IP hierarchical address NOT portable
  - address depends on IP subnet to which node is attached

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## ARP: Address Resolution Protocol

Question: how to determine MAC address of B knowing B's IP address?



- ❖ Each IP node (host, router) on LAN has **ARP** table
- ❖ ARP table: IP/MAC address mappings for some LAN nodes
  - < IP address; MAC address; TTL >
    - TTL (Time To Live): time after which address mapping will be forgotten (typically 20 min)

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## ARP protocol: Same LAN (network)

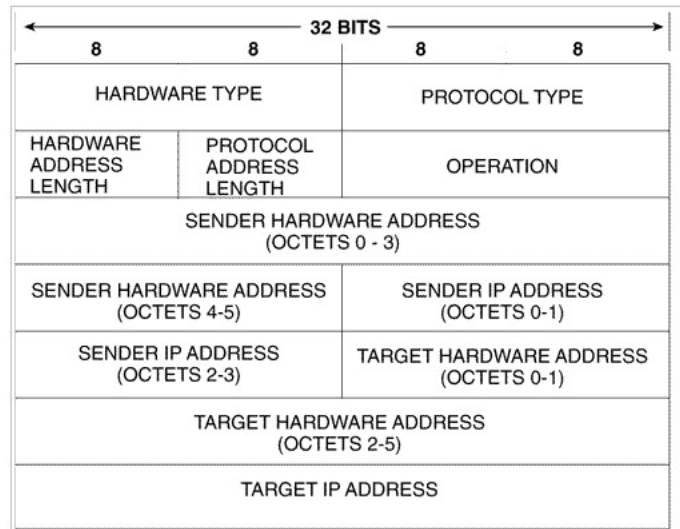
- ❖ A wants to send datagram to B, and B's MAC address not in A's ARP table.
- ❖ A **broadcasts** ARP query packet, containing B's IP address
  - dest MAC address = FF-FF-FF-FF-FF-FF
  - all machines on LAN receive ARP query
- ❖ B receives ARP packet, replies to A with its (B's) MAC address
  - frame sent to A's MAC address (unicast)
- ❖ A caches (saves) IP-to-MAC address pair in its ARP table until information becomes old (times out)
  - soft state: information that times out (goes away) unless refreshed
- ❖ ARP is "plug-and-play":
  - nodes create their ARP tables *without intervention from net administrator*

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## ARP Packet Format



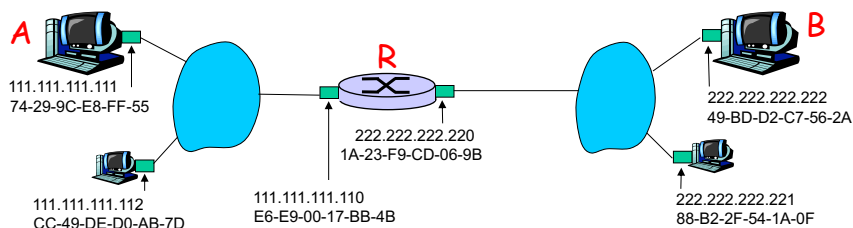
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## Addressing: routing to another LAN

walkthrough: **send datagram from A to B via R.**

- focus on addressing - at both IP (datagram) and MAC layer (frame)
- assume A knows B's IP address
- assume A knows IP address of first hop router, R (how?)
- assume A knows MAC address of first hop router interface (how?)

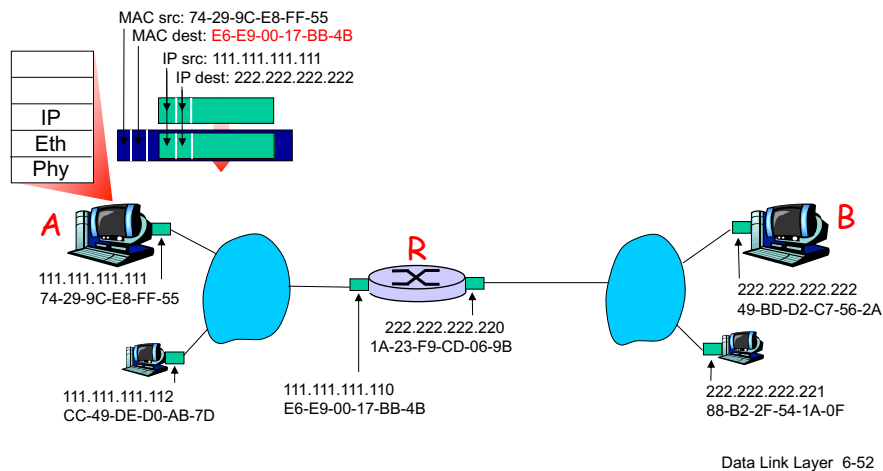


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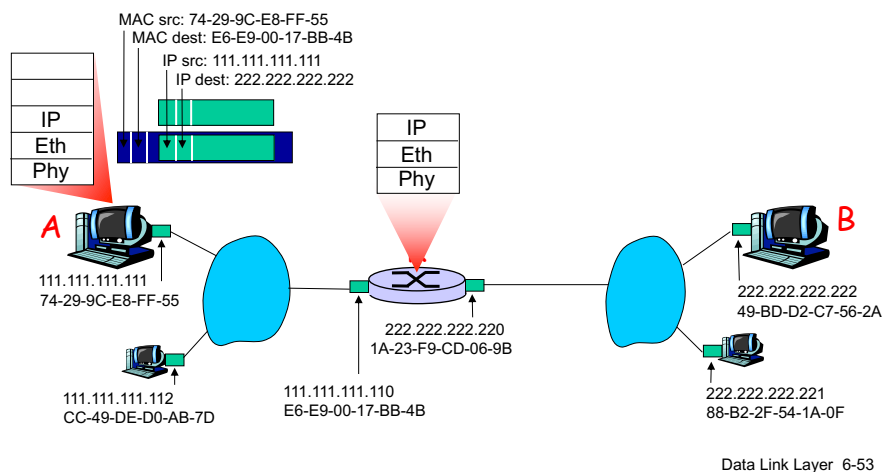
- ❖ A creates IP datagram with IP source A, destination B
- ❖ A creates link-layer frame with R's MAC address as dest, frame contains A-to-B IP datagram



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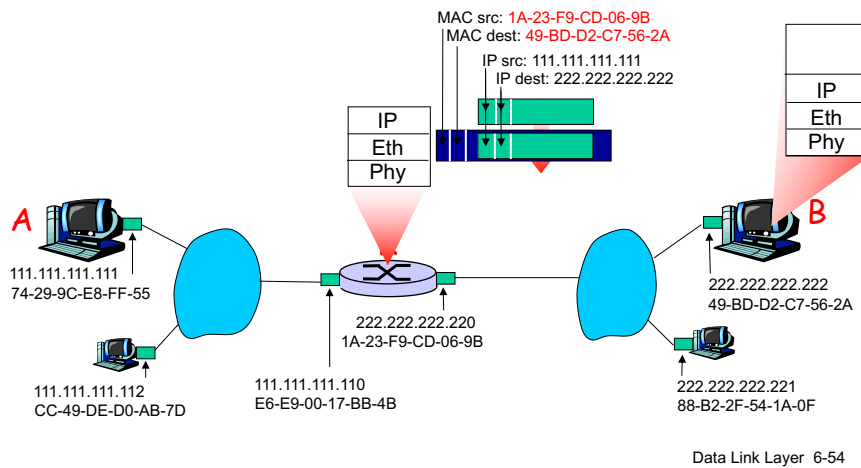
- ❖ frame sent from A to R
- ❖ frame received at R, datagram removed, passed up to IP



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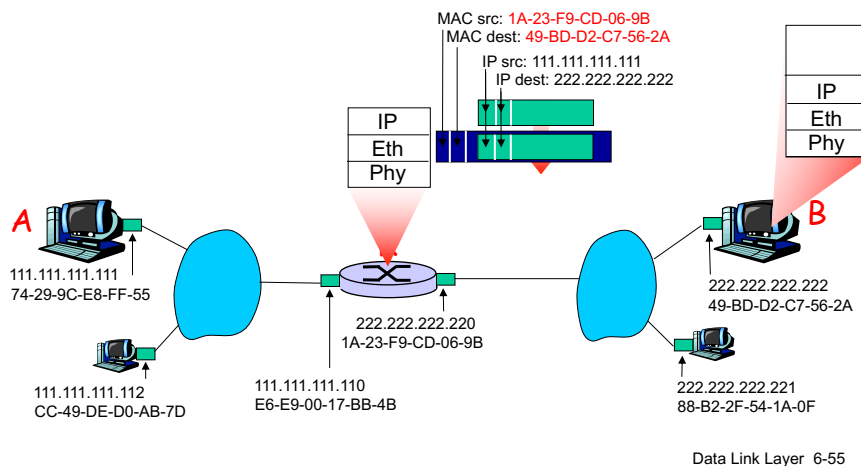
- ❖ R forwards datagram with IP source A, destination B
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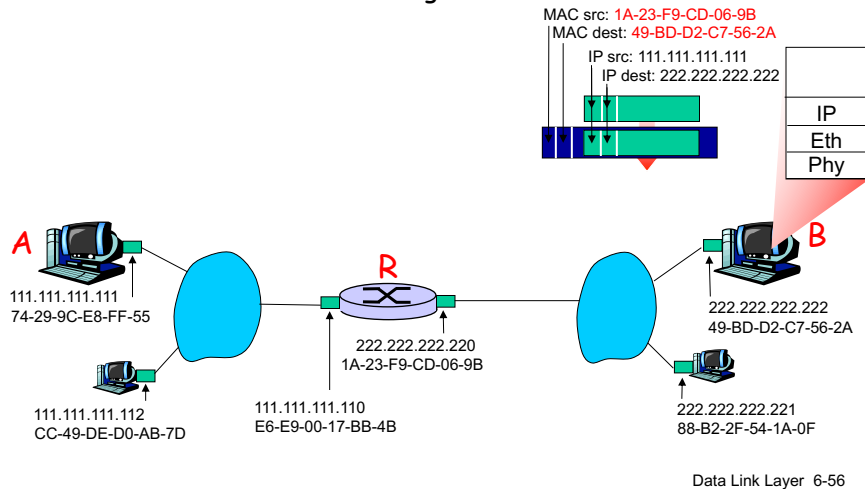
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