

11. A Sliding window protocol of a 4 Mbps point-to-point link has a propagation delay of 0.5 sec. Assume that each frame carries 2KB of data. What is the minimum no. of bits used for the sequence number field?

- (A) 10 (B) 9
(C) 12 (D) 8

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

Propagation delay 1-way latency = 0.5 sec
RTT (2-way latency) = $2T_{prop} = 2 \times 0.5 = 1$ -sec
Bandwidth (B) = 4Mbps
Length (L) = 2KB of data

$$T_{trans} = L/B = 2 \times 1024 \times 8 \text{ bits} / 4 \times 10^6 \text{ bits/sec} = 4.096 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec}$$

$$RTT = 1 \text{ sec} = 1000 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Window size} &= T_{trans} + 2 \times T_{prop} / T_{trans} \\ &= (4.096 \times 10^{-3}) + (1000 \times 10^{-3}) / 4.096 \times 10^{-3} = 245.14 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, no. of sequence bits} = \text{ceil}(\log_2 W_s) = \text{ceil}(\log_2 245.14) = 8$$

12. A system that uses the Sliding window Protocol has a bandwidth of 10Mbps with a window size of 100. What is the size of data if the distance between the sender and receiver is 72000 km and the propagation speed is 3×10^8 m/sec? Given utilisation is 0.5

- (A) 2048 bytes (B) 3015 bytes
(C) 4096 bytes (D) 3072 bytes

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

Given Bandwidth B = 10Mbps = 10×10^6 bits/sec
Distance between sender and receiver d = 72000 km = 72×10^6 m
Speed of signal V = 3×10^8 m/sec
Window size = 100

$$\text{Utilization or efficiency} = \frac{W}{1+2a}$$

Where $a = T_{prop} / T_{trans}$

$$\text{Therefore, utilization} = \frac{W \times T_{trans}}{T_{trans} + 2T_{prop}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{W \cdot T_{trans}}{T_{trans} + 2T_{prop}} \\ & \Rightarrow T_{trans} + 2T_{prop} = 2 \cdot W \cdot T_{trans} \\ & \Rightarrow T_{trans} (2W - 1) = 2T_{prop} \\ & \Rightarrow L/B = 2T_{prop} / (2W - 1) \\ & \Rightarrow L = 2B \cdot T_{prop} / (2W - 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{prop} &= d / V = (72 \cdot 10^6 \text{ m}) / 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ Sec} = 24 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ sec} = 0.24 \text{ Sec} \\ \text{Therefore, } L &= 2 \cdot (10 \cdot 10^6 \text{ bits/sec}) \cdot (0.24 \text{ sec}) / (2 \cdot 100 - 1) \\ &= 0.48 \cdot 10^7 \text{ bits} / 199 \\ &= 24120.60302 \text{ bits} \\ &= 3015.075 \text{ bytes} \\ &= 3015 \text{ bytes (approx)} \end{aligned}$$

13. A broadcast channel has ten nodes and a total capacity of 16Mbps. It uses polling for medium access. Once a node finishes transmission, there is a polling delay of 100 μseconds to poll the next node. Whenever a node is polled, it is allowed to transmit a maximum of 1500 Bytes. The maximum throughput of the broadcast channel is:

- (A) 8 Mbps (B) 14 Mbps
(C) 100/11Mbps (D) 750/85 Mbps

Answer: Option (B)

Explanation:

$$\begin{aligned} B &= 16 \text{ Mbps} \\ T_{poll} &= 100 \mu\text{sec} \\ L &= 1500 \text{ bytes} = 12000 \text{ bits} \end{aligned}$$

$$T_{trans} = \frac{L}{B} = \frac{12000 \text{ bits}}{16 \times 10^6 \text{ b/sec}} = \frac{3}{4} \times 10^{-3} \text{ Sec} = 0.75 - 750 \mu\text{sec}$$

$$\text{Cycle time} = T_{trans} + T_{poll} = 750 + 100 = 850 \mu\text{sec}$$

$$\text{Utilization} = \frac{750}{850} = 0.8823$$

$$\text{Throughput} = 0.8823 \times 16 \text{ Mbps} = 14.1176 \text{ Mbps}$$

14. Station A needs to send a message consisting of 15 packets to station 'B' using a sliding window (window size 4) and go-back-N error control strategy. All packets are ready and immediately available for transmission. If every 6th packet that 'A' transmits gets lost (but no Acks from 'B' ever gets lost), then what is the number of packets that 'A' will transmit for sending the message to 'B'?

- (A) 29 (B) 33
(C) 27 (D) 25

Solution: Option (B)

Explanation:

Every sixth packet is lost and the window size is 4.

1 2 3 4 5 6(Lost) 7 8 9 6 7 8(Lost) 9 10 11 8 9 10(Lost) 11 12 13 10 11 12(Lost) 13 14 15 12 13 14(Lost) 15 14 15 = #33

15. Suppose a CSMA/CD network is operating at 1 Gbps, and suppose there are no repeaters and the length of cable is 1 km. Determine the minimum frame size if the signal propagation speed is 200 Km/ms.

- A. 10000 bits
- C. 1000 bits

- B. 20000 bits
- D. 2000 bits

Solution: 10000 bits

Explanation:

1 msec ----- 200 km

1 sec -----?

$V = 200 \text{ km} / 1 \text{ msec} = 200 \times 10^3 \text{ km/sec}$

$T_x = 2 * T_p$

$L / B = 2 * \quad / \quad \Rightarrow L = 2 \times 1 \text{ km} \times 1 \times 10^9 \text{ bps} / 200 \times 10^3 \text{ km/s} = 10^4 \text{ bits} \Rightarrow L = 10000 \text{ bits}$

16. Station 'A' uses 64 Byte packets to transmit messages to station 'B' using a sliding window protocol. The round trip delay between A and B is 80 milliseconds, and the bottleneck bandwidth on the path between 'A' and 'B' is 128 Kbps. What is the sender window size for maximum efficiency?-----

Solution: 21

Explanation:

$T_t = L / B = 64 \text{ Bytes} / 128 \text{ Kbps} = 64 * 8 \text{ bits} / 128 * 10^3 \text{ bits} = 4 * 10^{-3} \text{ sec} = 4 \text{ msec}$

Round trip delay = 80 msec

$2T_p = 80 \text{ msec}$

$T_p = 40 \text{ msec}$

Optimal window size = $1 + 2 * a$ (where $a = T_p / T_t$)
 $= 1 + 2 * 40 / 4 \Rightarrow 21$

17. In a sliding window ARQ scheme, the transmitter's window size is 'N', and the receiver's window size is 'M'. The minimum number of sequence numbers (distinct) required to ensure correct operation of the ARQ scheme is:

- (A) Min (M, N)
- (C) M + N

- (B) Max (M, N)
- (D) M * N

Solution: Option (C)

Explanation:

$W_s + W_r \leq \text{Sequence numbers}$ (as the maximum number of unacknowledged packets at sender will be W_s and at the receiver, it will be W_r . similar to the sequence numbering in Selective Repeat)

Where W_s is the size of the sender window and W_r is the receiver window size.

18. A 25 Kbps satellite link has a propagation delay of 400 ms. The transmitter employs a “Selective Repeat” scheme with N set to 8. Assume each frame is 100 Bytes long; what is the maximum bandwidth utilization? (where N is window size)

- (A) 5 Kbps
- (C) 15 Kbps

- (B) 7.7 Kbps
- (D) 10 Kbps

Solution: Option (B)

Explanation:

Transmission delay $T_t = L / B = 100 \times 8 \text{ bits} / 25 \text{ Kbps} = 32 \text{ ms}$

Propagation delay $T_p = 400 \text{ ms}$,

$a = T_p / T_t = 400 / 32 = 12.5$

Efficiency of GBN = $w / (1 + 2a)$, where $w = \text{window size} = 8$
 $= 8 / (1 + 25) = 8/26$

BW utilisation or throughput or max data rate = efficiency * BW
 $= (8/26) * 25 = 7.69 \text{ Kbps}$

19. A channel has a bit rate of 4 Kbps and a one-way propagation delay of 20 ms. The channel uses the stop-&-wait protocol. The transmission time of the acknowledgement frame is negligible. To get a channel efficiency of at least 75%, the minimum frame size should be:

- (A) 480 Bytes
- (C) 160 Bytes

- (B) 480 bits
- (D) 160 bits

Solution: Option (B)

Explanation:

Efficiency of Stop & Wait protocol = $1 / 1 + 2a$
 $0.75 = 1 / 1 + 2a$

$$\begin{aligned} 3/4 &= 1 / 1 + 2a \\ 3(1 + 2a) &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$6a = 1$$

$$a = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$T_p / T_t = 1 / 6$$

$$T_t = 6T_p$$

$$L / B = 6T_p$$

$$L = 6T_p * B \Rightarrow 6 * 4 \text{ kbps} * 20 \text{ ms} = 480 \text{ bits}$$

20. In the Go-Back-N protocol, if the maximum window size is 127, what is the range of the sequence number?

(a) 0 to 127

(b) 0 to 128

(c) 1 to 127

(d) 1 to 128

Solution: Option (a)

Explanation:

Sender window size is 127 (i.e. a sender window will have numbers from 0 to 126). Now,

the sequence number required \geq Sender window size(127) + receiver window size(1) \geq 128.
Therefore, the range of sequence numbers is 0 to 127.