

Practical 7

AIM:

Write a program to implement flow control at data link layer using SLIDING WINDOW PROTOCOL. Simulate the flow of frames from one node to another.

ALGORITHM:

Initialize Frames:

- Input the window size from the user.
- Input a message to be sent as a sequence of frames.
- Create a list of frames from the message, where each frame consists of:
 - A frame number (frame_no).
 - The data (a single character from the message).
 - An acknowledgment status (acknowledged), initially set to False.

Set Initial Variables:

- Set base to 0, representing the starting position of the sliding window.
- The window_size determines how many frames can be sent without waiting for acknowledgments.

Loop Until All Frames are Sent:

• **Send Frames:**

- Send up to window_size frames starting from the current base.
- Display the frame numbers and data being sent.
- Introduce a delay (2 seconds) to simulate transmission time.

• **Receive Acknowledgments:**

- Simulate acknowledgment for each frame in the window:
 - With an error probability of 20%, mark the frame as not acknowledged.

- Otherwise, mark the frame as successfully acknowledged.
- Display the acknowledgment status for each frame (OK for success, ERROR for failure).
- Introduce a delay to simulate acknowledgment processing time.

Update Window Base:

- Shift the window (base) to the next unacknowledged frame:
 - Move base forward as long as frames at base are acknowledged.
 - If base has moved to the next set of unacknowledged frames, resend the remaining frames in the window.

Repeat Until All Frames are Acknowledged:

- Continue until base reaches the end of the frame list.
- If there are still frames left unacknowledged after a complete cycle, resend them.
- Introduce a delay for retransmission.

End Protocol:

- Print a confirmation message that all frames have been sent and acknowledged.

OUTPUT:

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Enter window size: 3
Enter a message to send: Deepika

--- Sending Frames ---
Sent Frame 0: D
Sent Frame 1: e
Sent Frame 2: e
Frames sent, waiting for acknowledgments...

--- Receiving Frames ---
Received Frame 0: D [OK]
Received Frame 1: e [ERROR]
Received Frame 2: e [OK]

Resending unacknowledged frames...

--- Sending Frames ---
Sent Frame 1: e
Sent Frame 3: p
Frames sent, waiting for acknowledgments...

--- Receiving Frames ---
Received Frame 1: e [OK]
Received Frame 3: p [OK]

Resending unacknowledged frames...
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--- Sending Frames ---

Sent Frame 4: i

Sent Frame 5: k

Sent Frame 6: a

Frames sent, waiting for acknowledgments...

--- Receiving Frames ---

Received Frame 4: i [OK]

Received Frame 5: k [OK]

Received Frame 6: a [OK]

All frames sent and acknowledged!