Chapter 04 Medium Access Control (MAC)

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Key Points

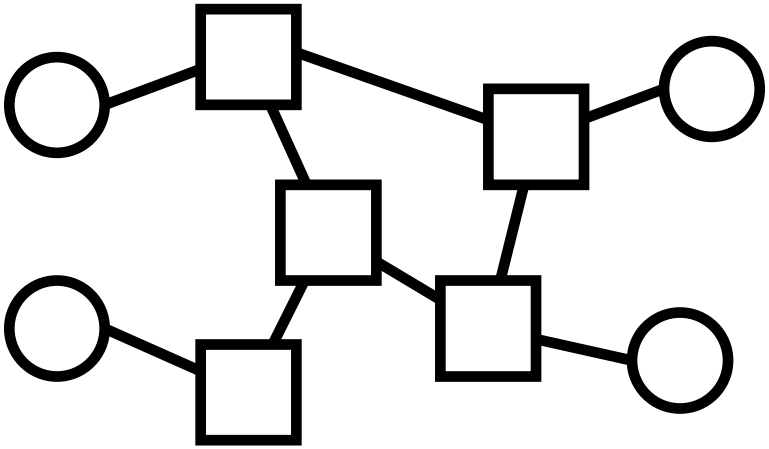
MAC	LAN model & Topology	熟练掌握
	CSMA/CD & analysis, CSMA/CA	
Ethernet	Frame format, MAC Address	熟练掌握
	CSMA/CD & Backoff Algorithm	
	Standards	掌握
Inter-connection	Repeater/Hub, Bridge/Switch, Router, Gateway	掌握
LAN Switching	Switching Methods	掌握
	Learning, Filtering & Forwarding	熟练掌握
	Spanning Tree Protocol	掌握
VLAN	Benefits, Types, Trunk, 802.1Q tagged frame	熟练掌握

Questions to be answered

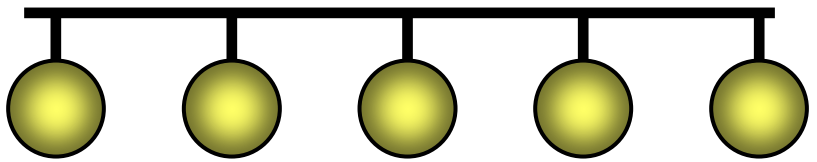
- In broadcast networks, how is the channel divided between competing users?
- What is Medium Access Control (MAC)?
- What protocols are used for allocating a multiple access channel?

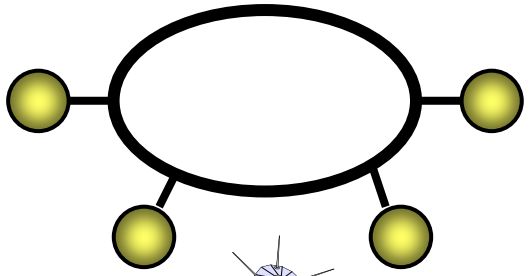
Chapter 4: Roadmap

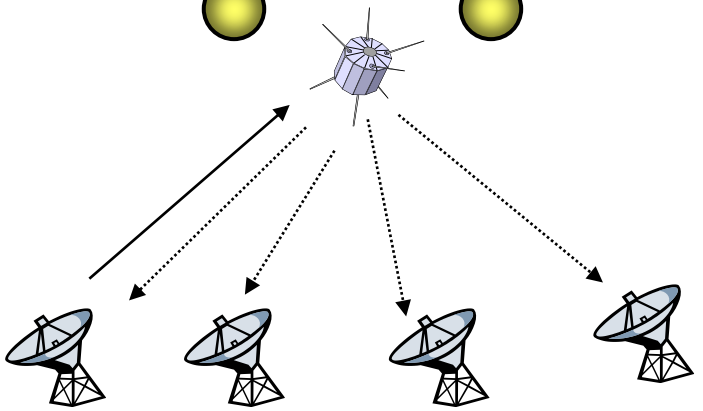
- 4.1 Medium Access Control
- 4.2 Local Area Networks (LANs) and IEEE 802
- 4.3 Ethernet
- 4.4 Wireless LAN
- 4.5 LAN Interconnection
- 4.6 LAN Switching
- 4.7 VLAN



Broadcast channel







Point-point link:

- Error and flow control.

Broadcast link:

- Media access control.
- Scalability.

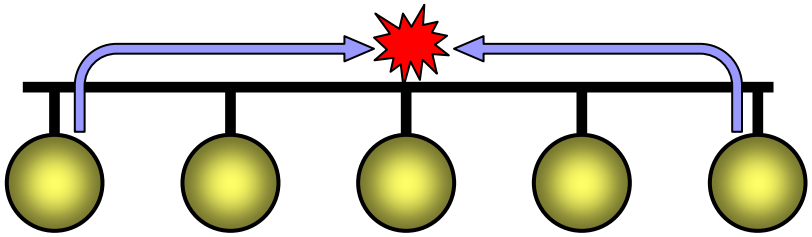
Multiple Access

- **What are the multiple access?**

  Multiple hosts sharing the same medium. If one station sends, all the others get to hear it.

- **What are the new problems?**

  When two or more nodes transmit at the same time, their frames will collide and the link bandwidth is wasted during collision



Multiple Access

- For Broadcast network and shared channel, the key issue is:

  How to determine who gets to use the channel when there is competition for it?

Solution

Allocate the channel to one of the competing stations.

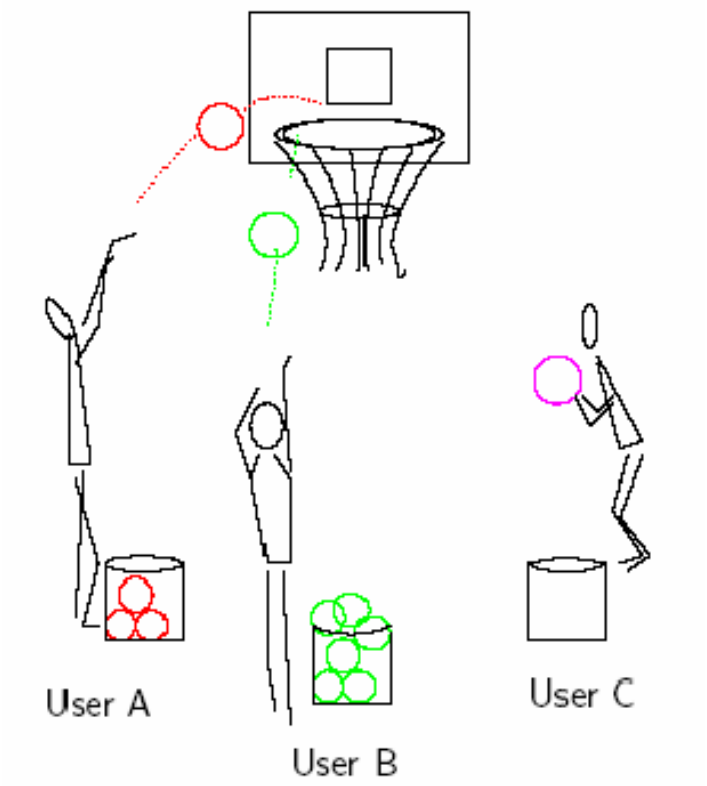
The Channel Allocation Problem

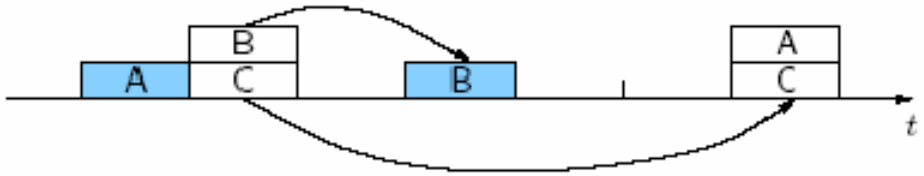
- **Requirements:**
  - ***efficiently*** ***i.e.*** **maximize message throughput**
  - ***fairly***
  - ***minimize*** **mean waiting time**
- **Two schemes to allocate a single channel:**
  - **Static Channel Allocation**
  - **Dynamic Channel Allocation**

Static Channel Allocation

- Each user is statically allocated the bandwidth or time slots.
  - FDM and TDM
  - No interference between users.
- inefficient
- Poor performance

Dynamic Channel Allocation





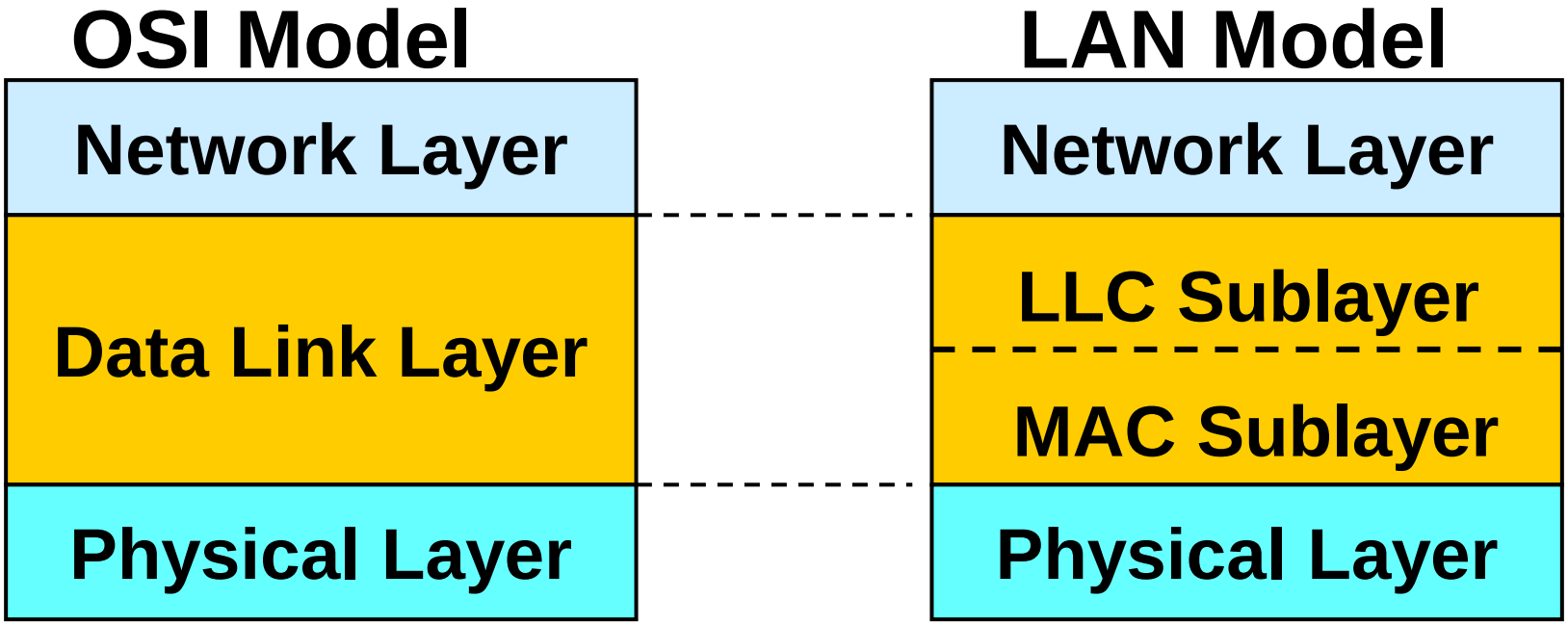
Objectives

- Small delay in light traffic.
- **Bounded** delay for a large (possibly infinite) number of users.

Collision may occur

What is MAC?

- **MAC: medium access control.**
- **MAC is a sublayer of the Data-link layer.**

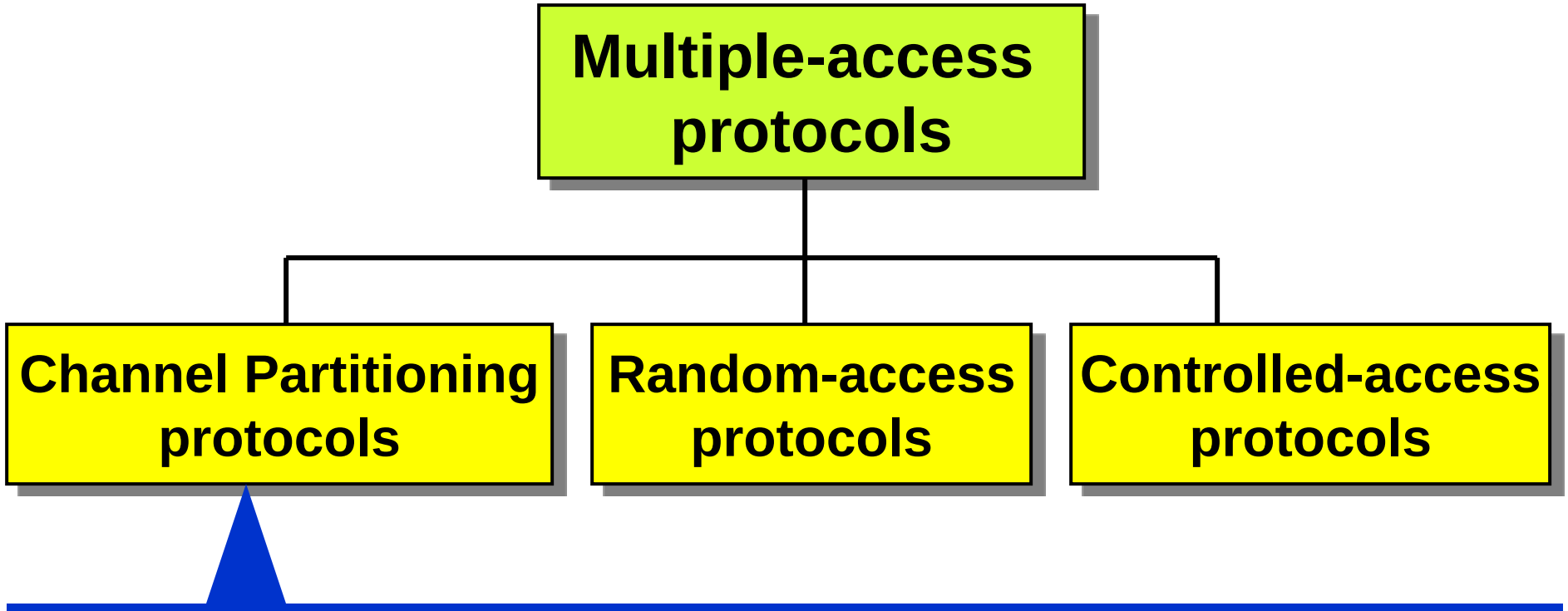


Data link layer divided into two functionality-oriented sublayers

MAC Protocols: a taxonomy

- The MAC protocols used to determine who goes next on a multi-access channel belongs to a MAC sublayer.
- Three broad classes:
  - Channel Partitioning
  - Random-access
  - Controlled-access protocols

MAC Protocols: a taxonomy



- Divide channel into smaller “pieces” (time slots, frequency, code)
- Allocate piece to node for exclusive use

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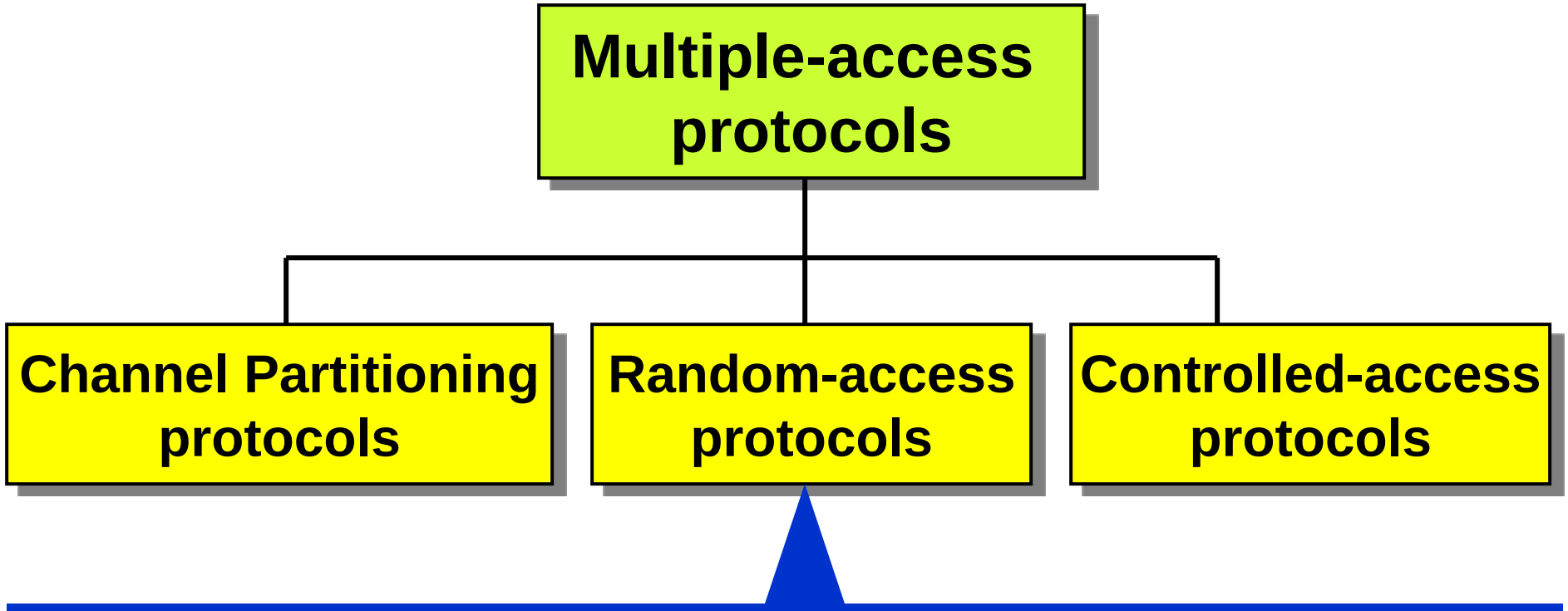

- Channel not divided, allow collisions
- "Recover" from collisions

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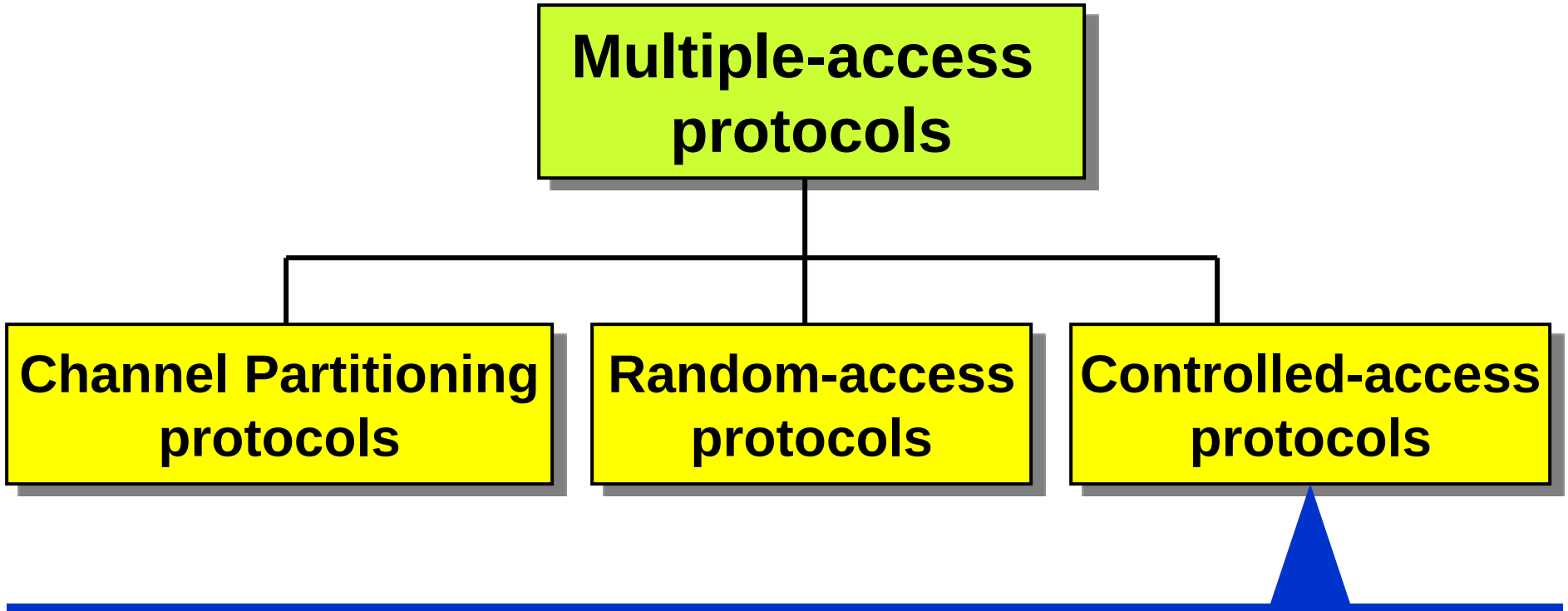

- Nodes take **turns** to shared medium so that every station has chance to transfer (fair protocol).

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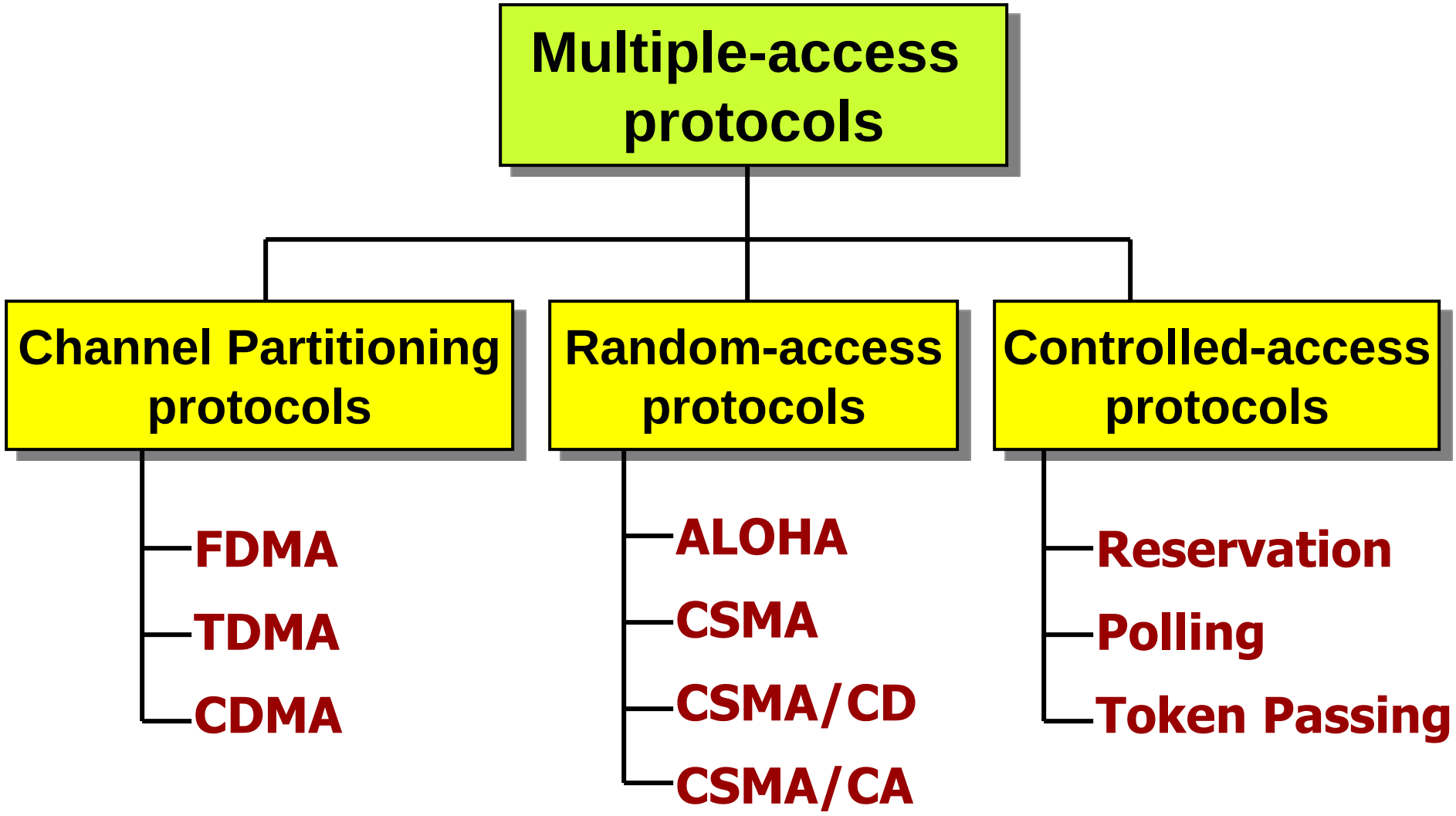


Random Access

When node has frame to send:

- **transmit at full channel data rate.**
- **no *a priori* coordination among nodes.**

When two or more transmitting nodes

→ collision

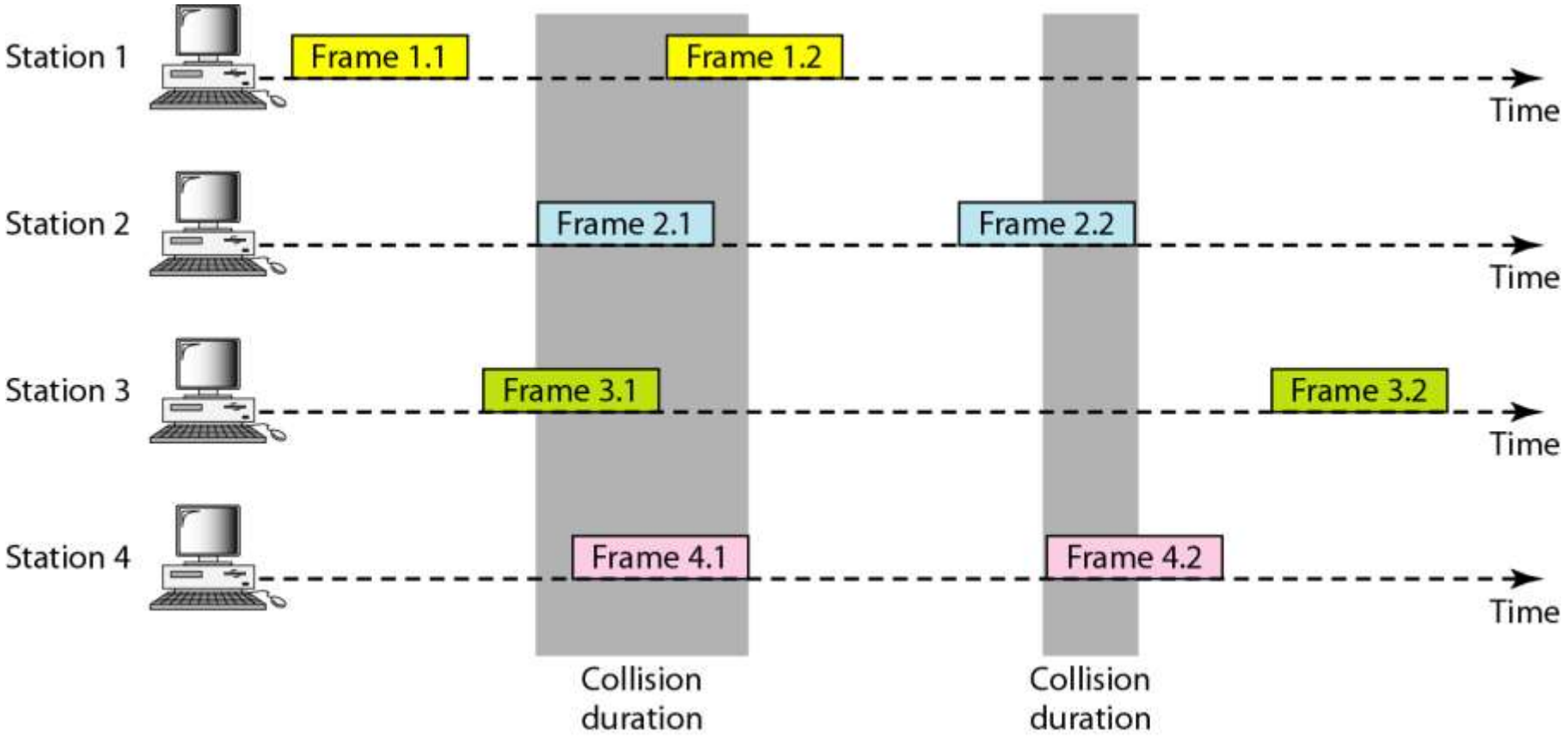
Random Access

- **Random access MAC protocol specifies:**
  - **how to detect collisions**
  - **how to recover from collisions (e.g., via delayed retransmissions)**
- **Examples:**
  - **ALOHA: pure ALOHA, slotted ALOHA**
  - **CSMA, CSMA/CD, CSMA/CA**

Pure ALOHA

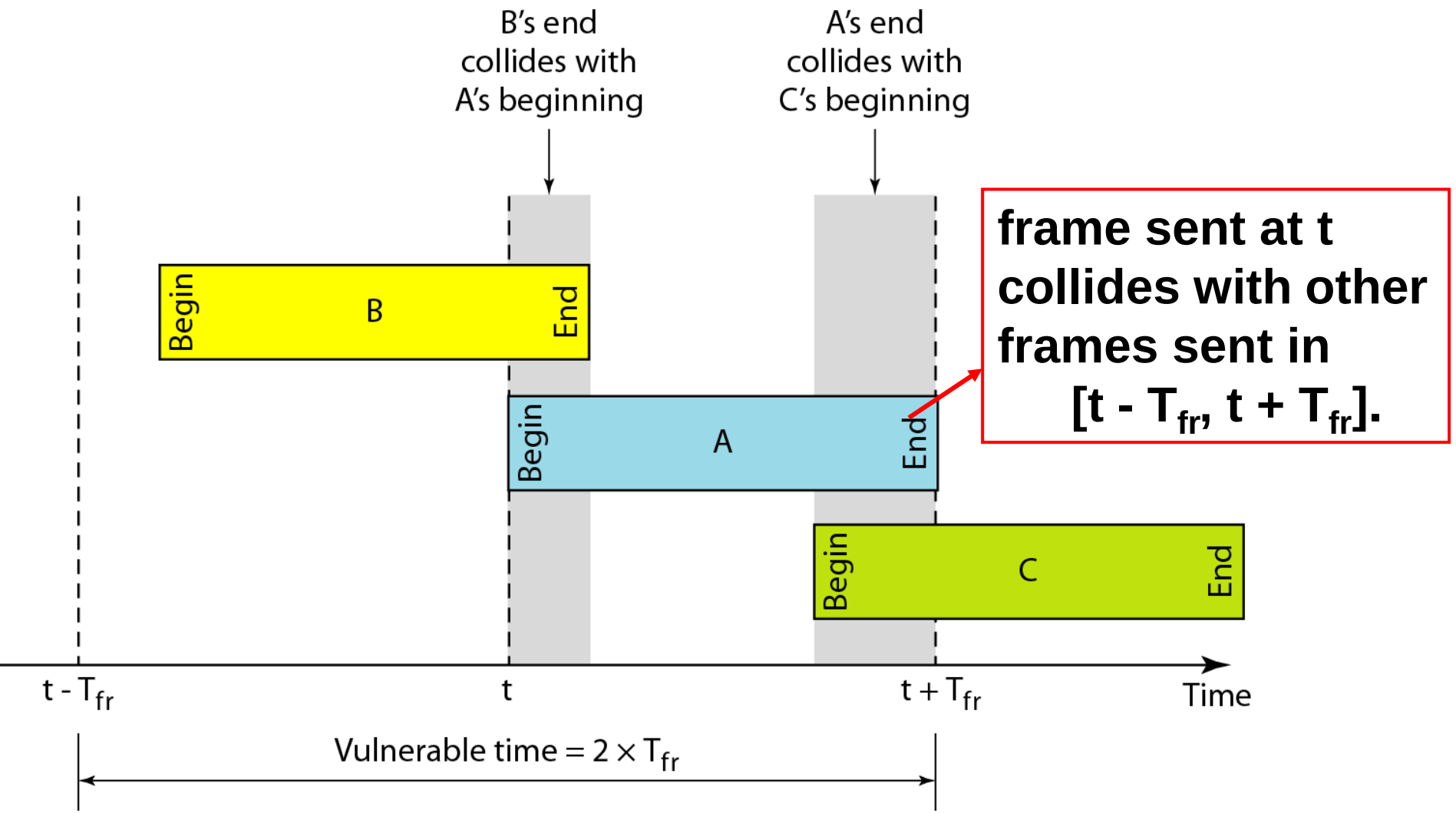
- 1, Let users transmit whenever they have data to be sent.
- 2, Expected collisions will occur.
- 3, The collided frames will be destroyed.
- 4, Using a feedback mechanism to know about the status of frame.
- 5, Retransmit the destroyed frame

Pure ALOHA



Frames in a pure ALOHA network

Pure ALOHA



Vulnerable time for pure ALOHA protocol

Pure ALOHA

Note

The throughput for pure ALOHA is $S = G \times e^{-2G}$.

The maximum throughput $S_{max} = 0.184$ when G= (1/2).

Pure ALOHA

Example

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 or 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 one 1-ms period that this station is sending.

Pure ALOHA

Example

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

c. 250 frames per second.

Pure ALOHA

Solution

The frame transmission time is 200/200 kbps or 1 ms.

a.

If the system creates 1000 frames per second, this is 1 frame per millisecond. The load is 1. In this case $S = G \times e^{-2G}$ *or* $S = 0.135$ *(13.5 percent). This means that the throughput is* $1000 \times 0.135 = 135$ *frames. Only 135 frames out of 1000 will probably survive.*

Pure ALOHA

Solution

b.

If the system creates 500 frames per second, this is (1/2) frame per millisecond. The load is (1/2). In this case $S = G \times e^{-2G}$ or S = 0.184 (18.4 percent). This means that the throughput is 500 × 0.184 = 92 and that only 92 frames out of 500 will probably survive.

Note that this is the maximum throughput case.

Pure ALOHA

Solution

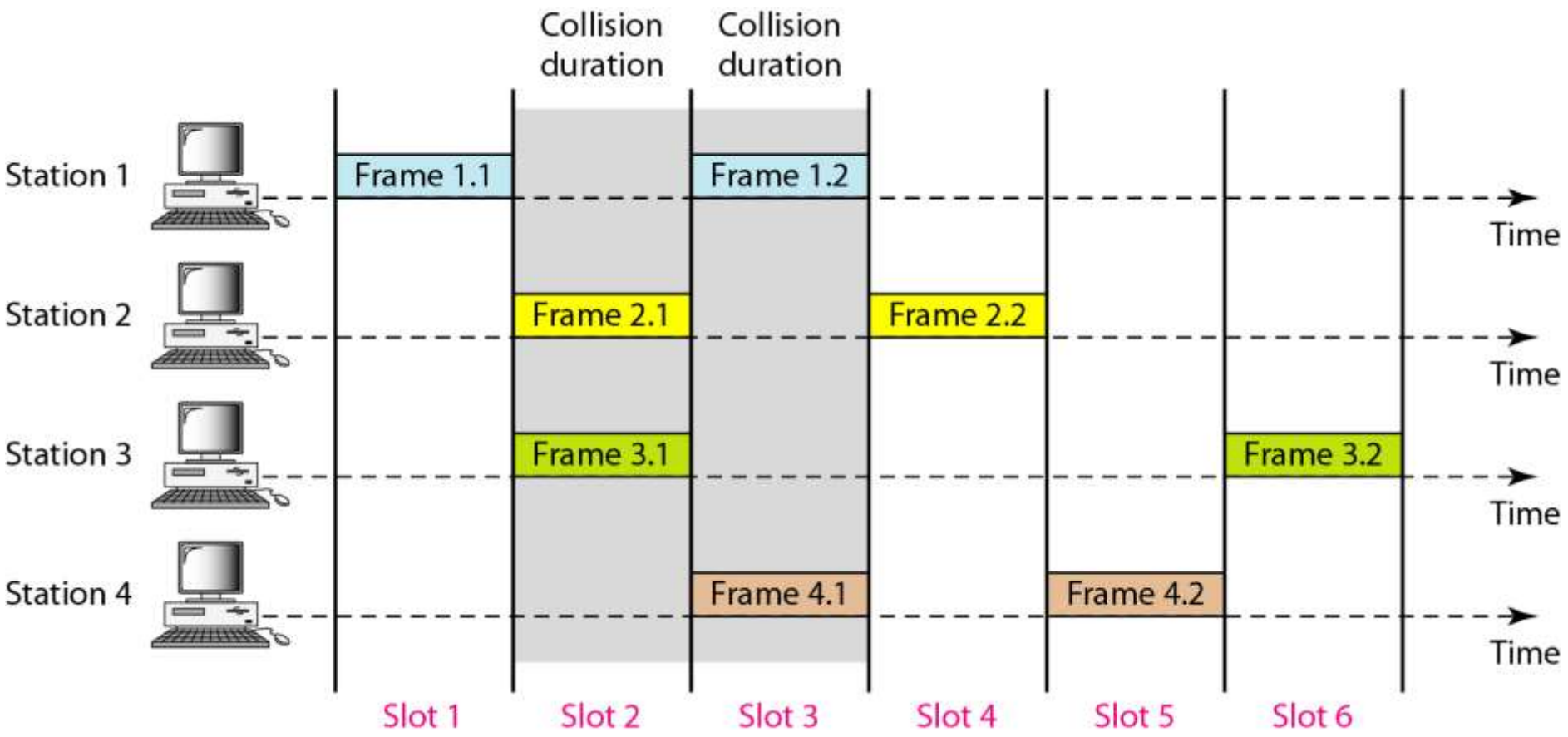
c.

If the system creates 250 frames per second, this is (1/4) frame per millisecond. The load is (1/4). In this case $S = G \times e^{-2G}$ ***or*** $S = 0.152$ ***(15.2 percent). This means that the throughput is*** $250 \times 0.152 = 38$***. Only 38 frames out of 250 will probably survive.***

Slotted ALOHA

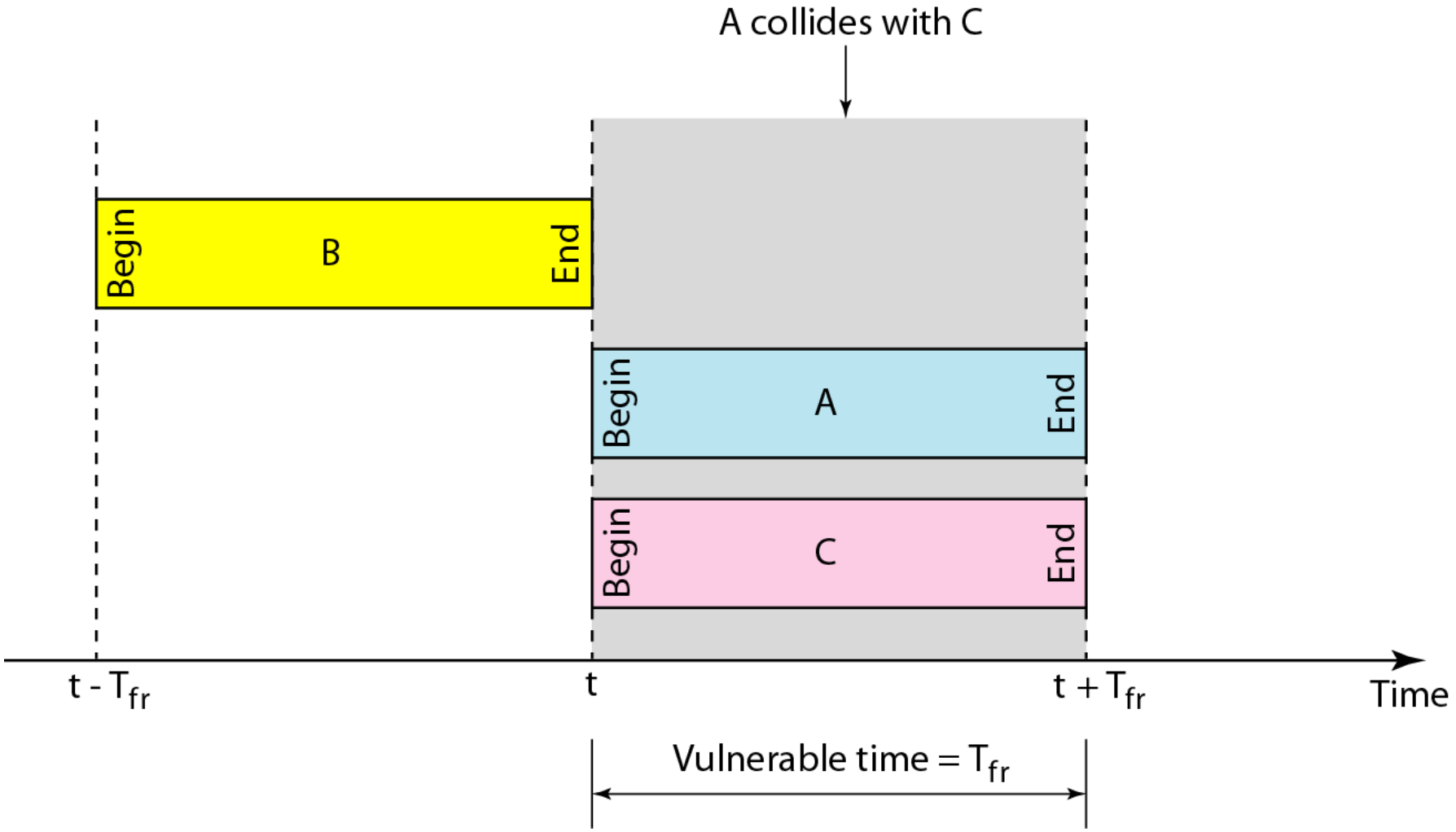
- Split time into pieces (slots), each slot equals to frame transmission time.
- A station can transmit at the beginning of a slot only.
- If a station misses the beginning of a slot, it has to wait until the beginning of the next time slot.
- A central clock or station informs all stations about the start of a each slot

Slotted ALOHA



Frames in a slotted ALOHA network

Slotted ALOHA



Vulnerable time for slotted ALOHA protocol

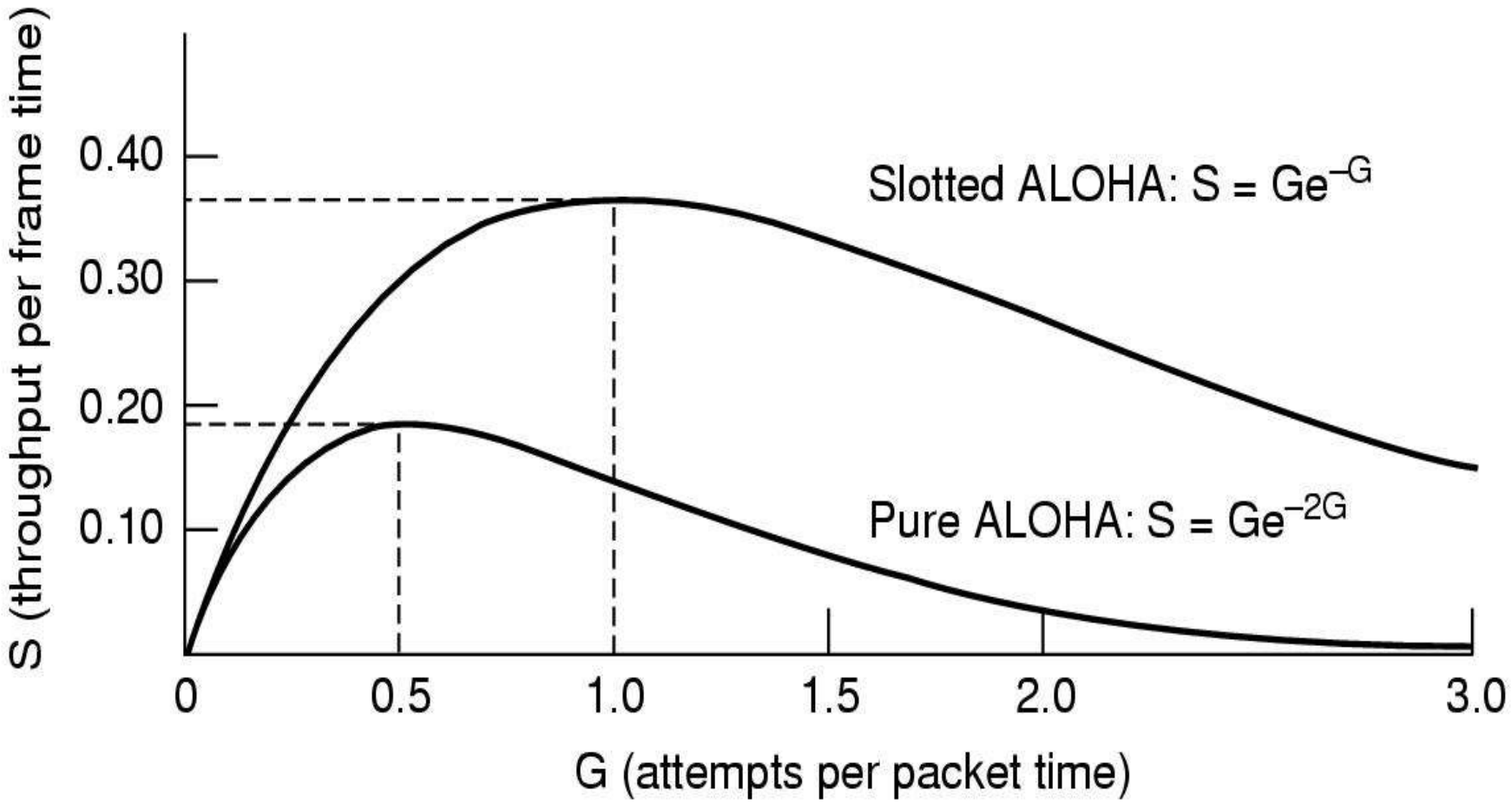
Slotted ALOHA

Note

The throughput for slotted ALOHA is $S = G \times e^{-G}$.

The maximum throughput $S_{max} = 0.368$ when G = 1.

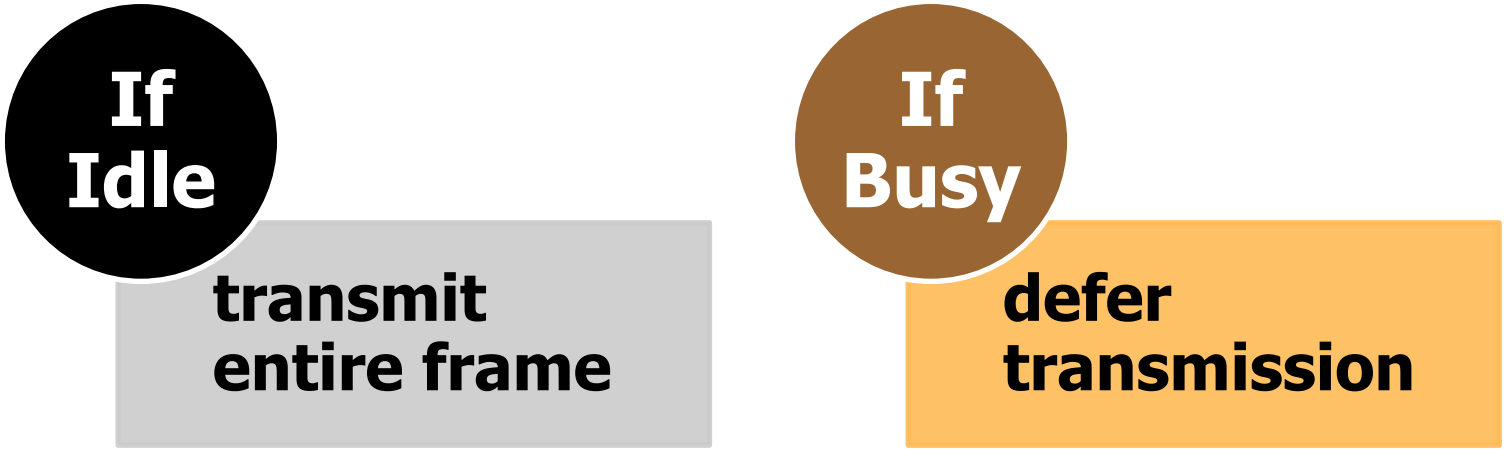
Efficiency of Aloha



Throughput versus offered traffic for ALOHA systems

CSMA

- **Carrier Sense Multiple Access**
- **Monitor the channel before transmission.**

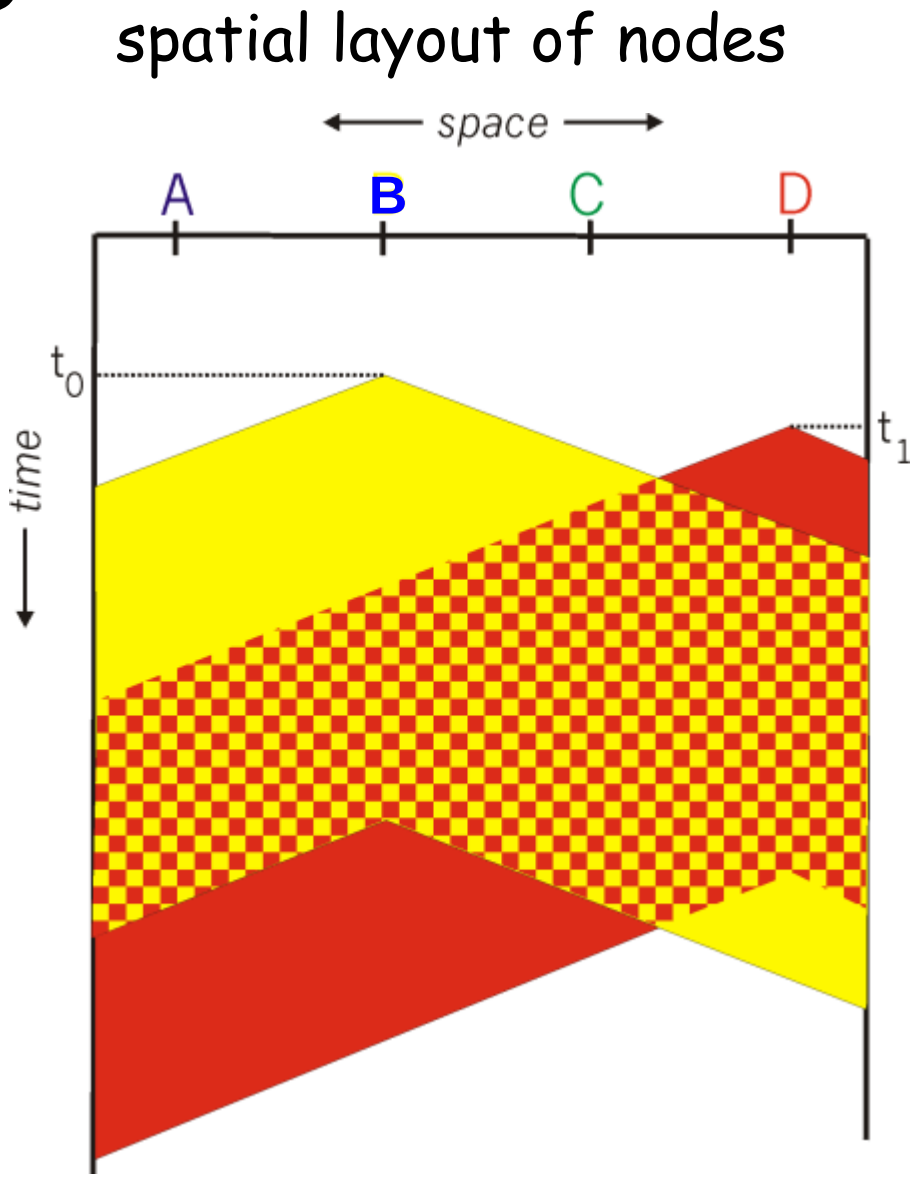


Will collision occurs?

CSMA Collisions

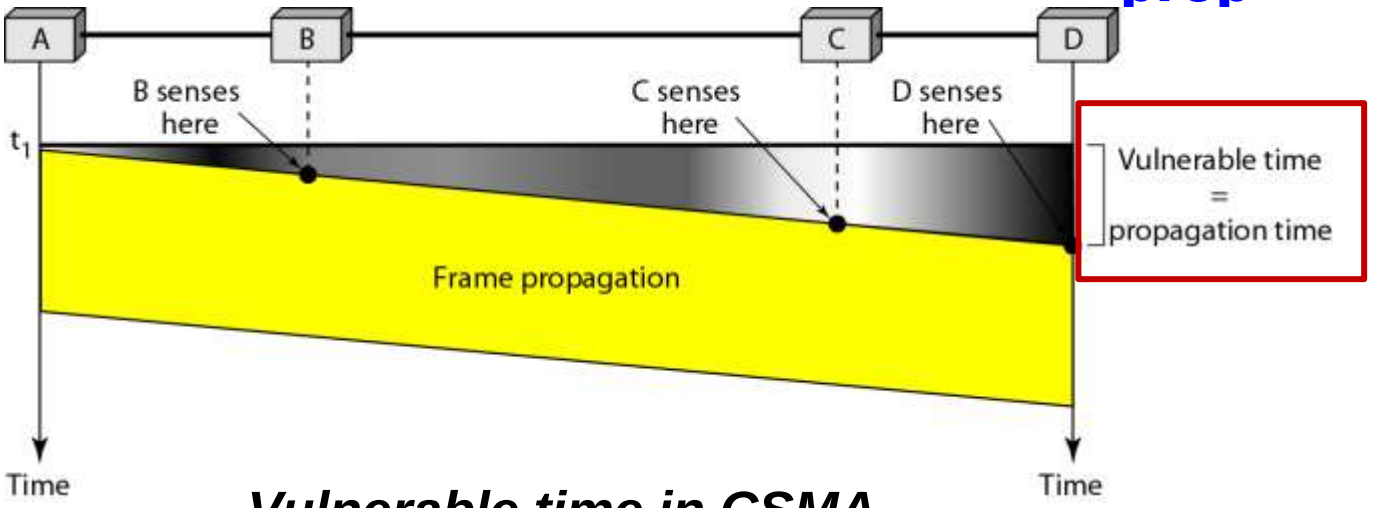
Collisions *can* still occur:
propagation delay means two nodes may not hear each other's transmission

When collide:
entire transmission time wasted



CSMA Collisions

- **Vulnerable time for CSMA is the maximum propagation time, t_{prop}**



Vulnerable time in CSMA

- **The longer the propagation delay, the worse the performance of the protocol because of the above case.**

Types of CSMA

- Different CSMA protocols that determine:
  - What a station should do when the medium is idle?
  - What a station should do when the medium is busy?

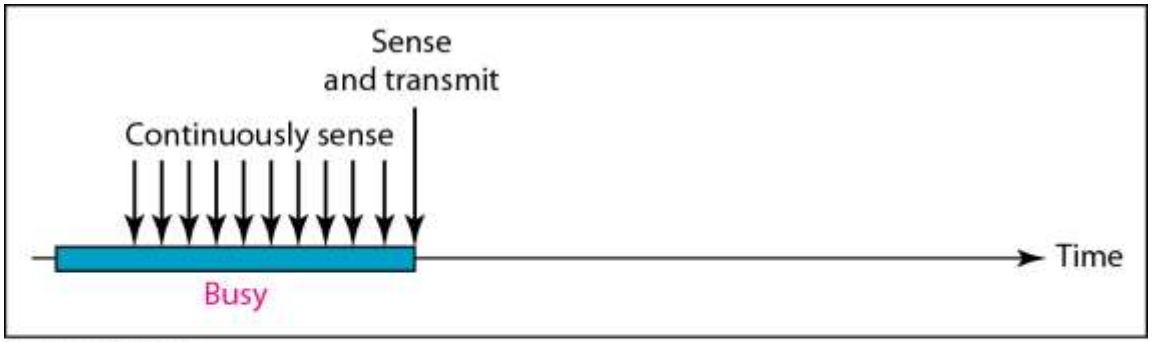
- Different techniques
  - Non-Persistent CSMA
  - 1-Persistent CSMA
  - p-Persistent CSMA

Types of CSMA

- **1-persistent:**
  - if busy, constantly sense channel
  - if idle, send immediately
  - if collision is detected, wait a random amount of time before retransmitting
- **Non-persistent:**
  - if busy, wait a random amount of time before sensing again;
  - if idle, transmit as soon as it is idle
  - collisions reduced because sensing is not immediately rescheduled
  - drawback: more delay

Types of CSMA

- **p-persistent:** combines 1-persistent goal of reduced idle channel time with the non-persistent goal of reduced collisions.
  - sense constantly if busy
  - if the channel is idle, transmit packet with probability *p*
  - with probability 1-*p* station waits an additional t_{prop} before sensing again
  - *p*=1 is not really good, *p*=0 makes you *really* polite



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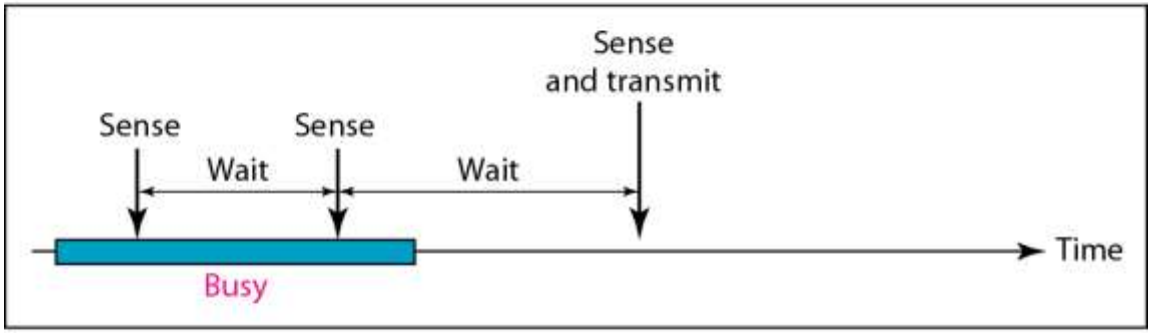

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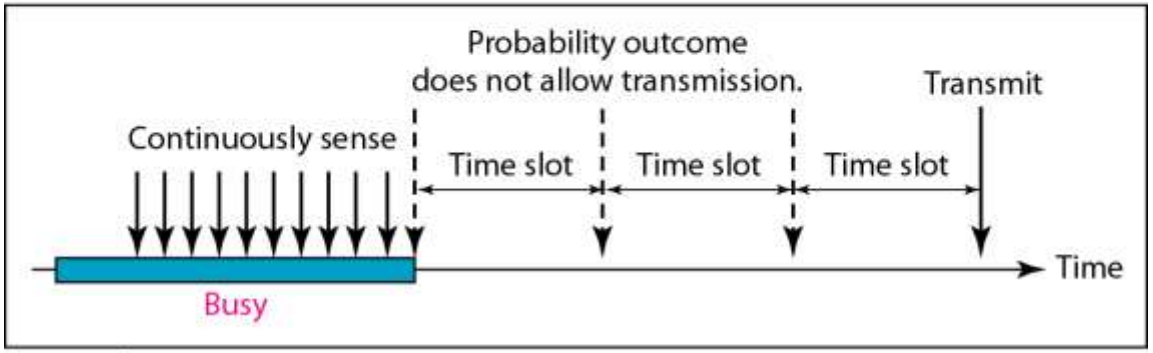
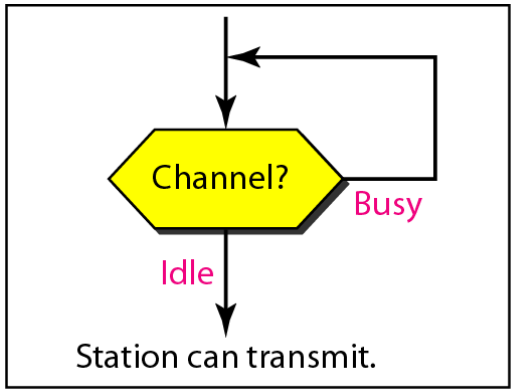


c. p-persistent

Behavior of three persistence methods



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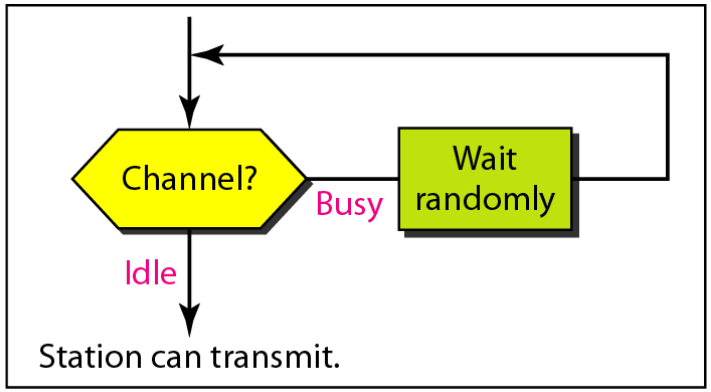

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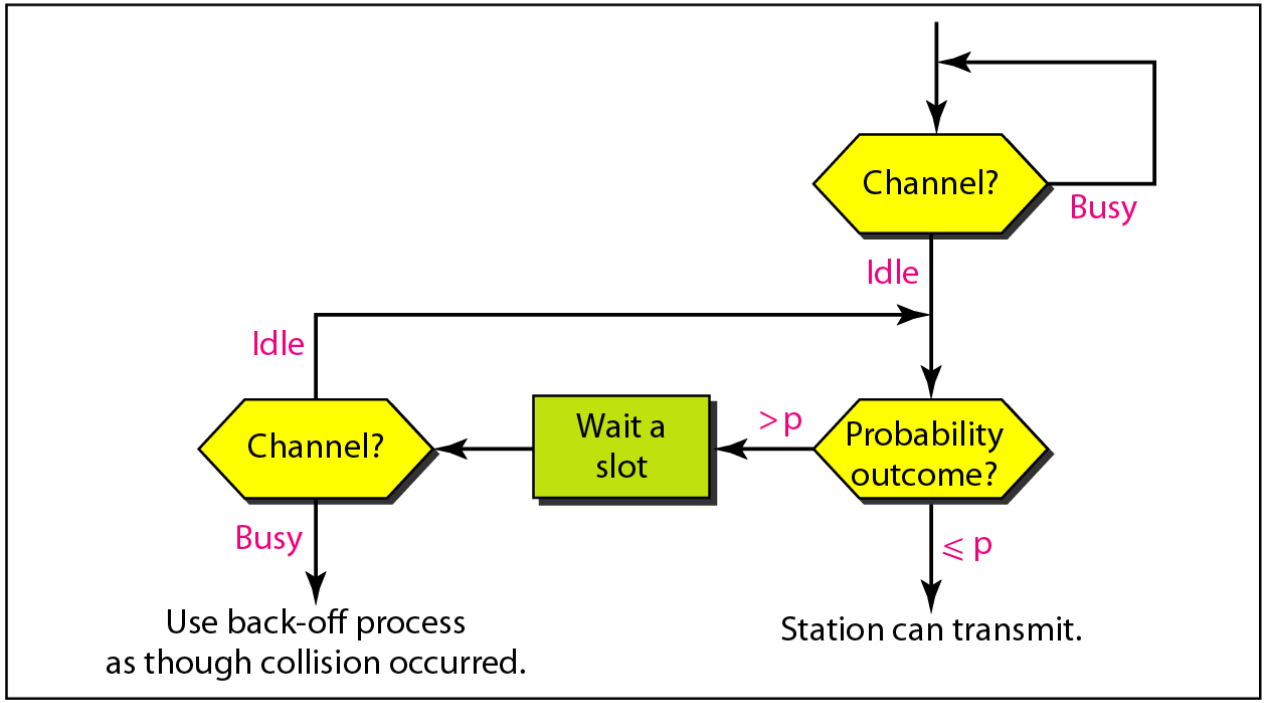
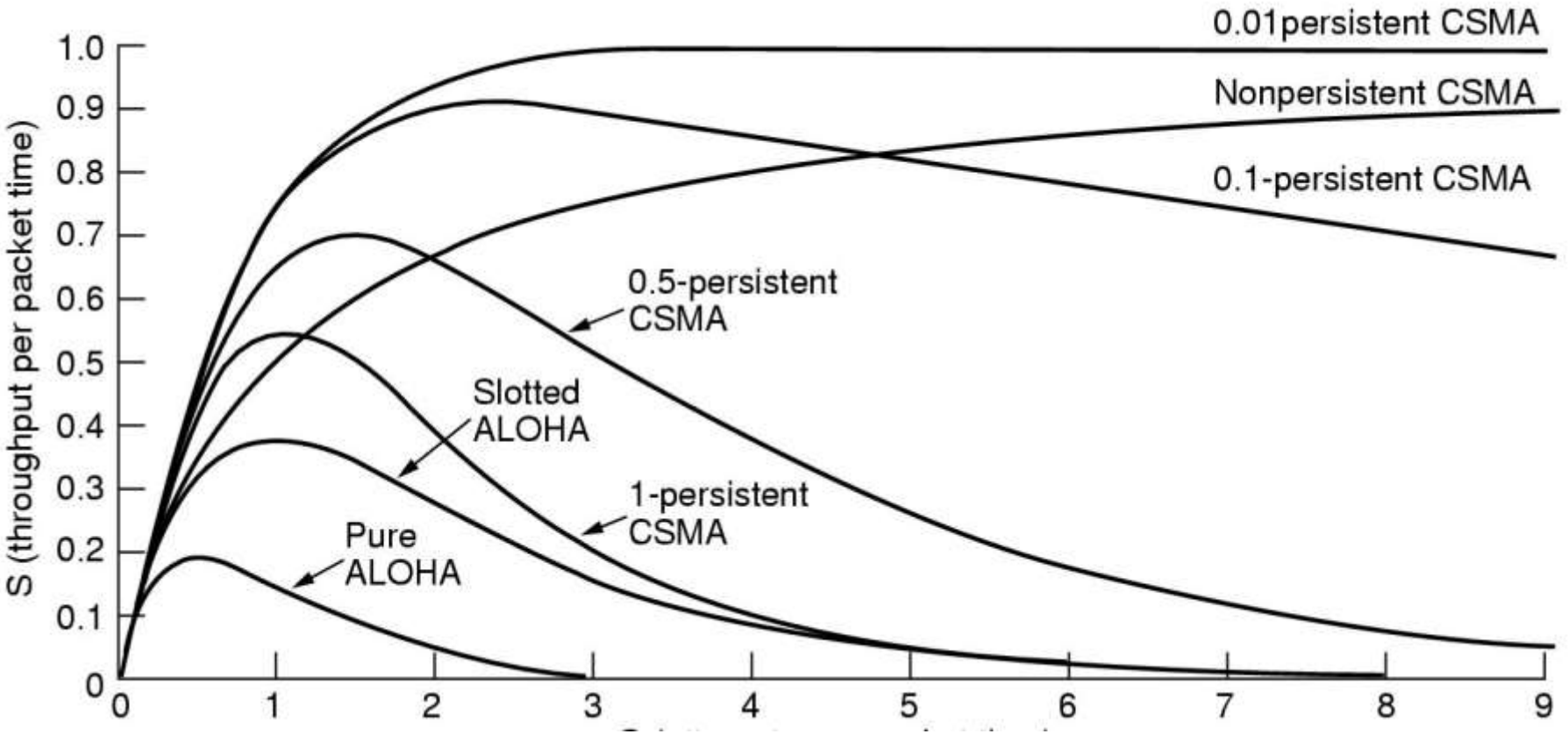


c. p-persistent

Flow diagram for three persistence methods



Comparison of the channel utilization versus load for various random

Question: What are we actually displaying here? Should the conclusion be that p-persistent protocols are really good with p is close to 0?

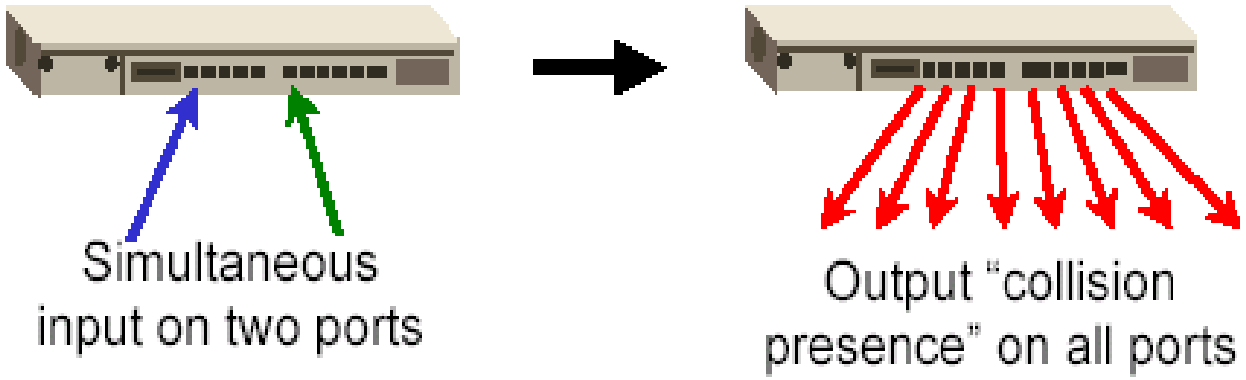
CSMA/CD (Collision Detection)

- **CSMA has an inefficiency.**
- **CSMA/CD (Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection) overcomes this as follows:**
  - **While transmitting, the sender is listening to medium for collisions. (Listening while talking)**
  - **Sender stops transmission if collision has occurred reducing channel wastage.**
- **CSMA/CD is Widely used for bus topology LANs (IEEE 802.3, Ethernet).**

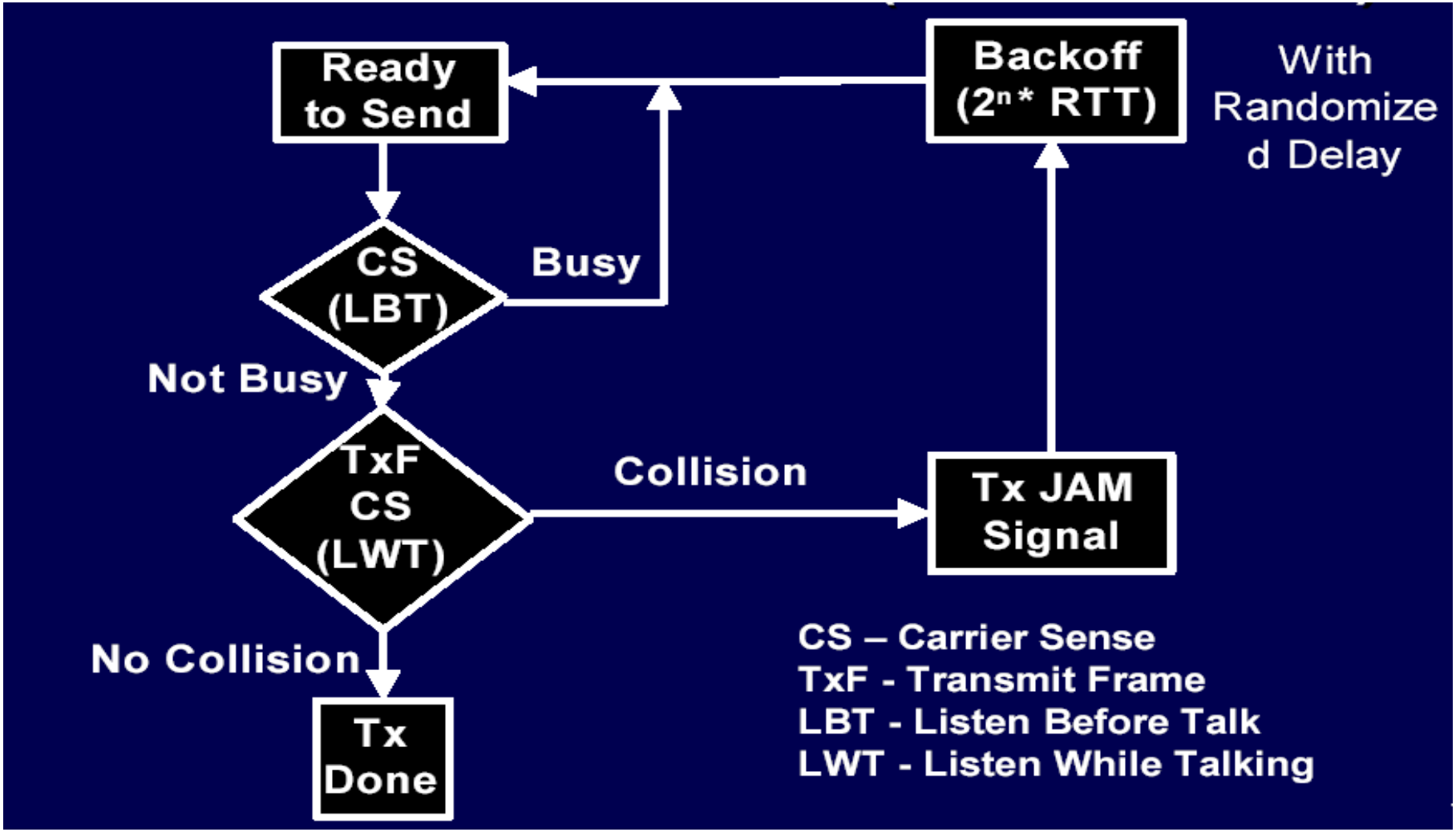
How to detect collision?

Transceiver: **A node monitors the media while transmitting. If the observed power is more than transmitted powe**of its own signal, it means collision occurred

Hub: **if input occurs simultaneously on two ports, it indicates a collision. Hub sends a collision presence signal on all ports.**



CSMA/CD Protocol



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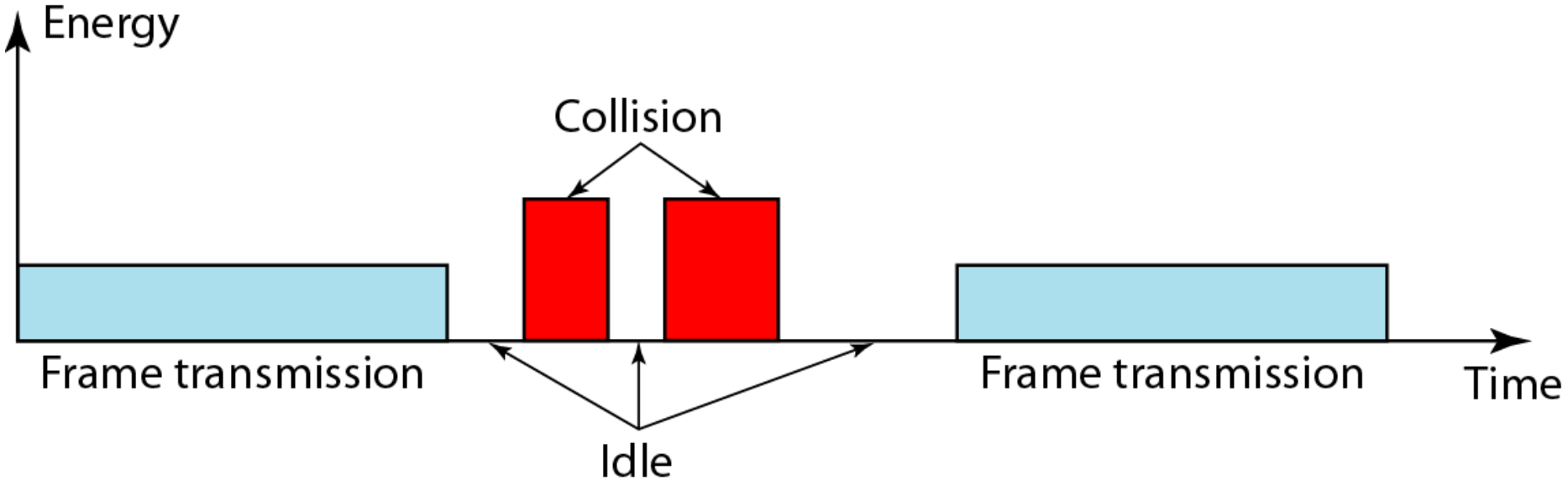


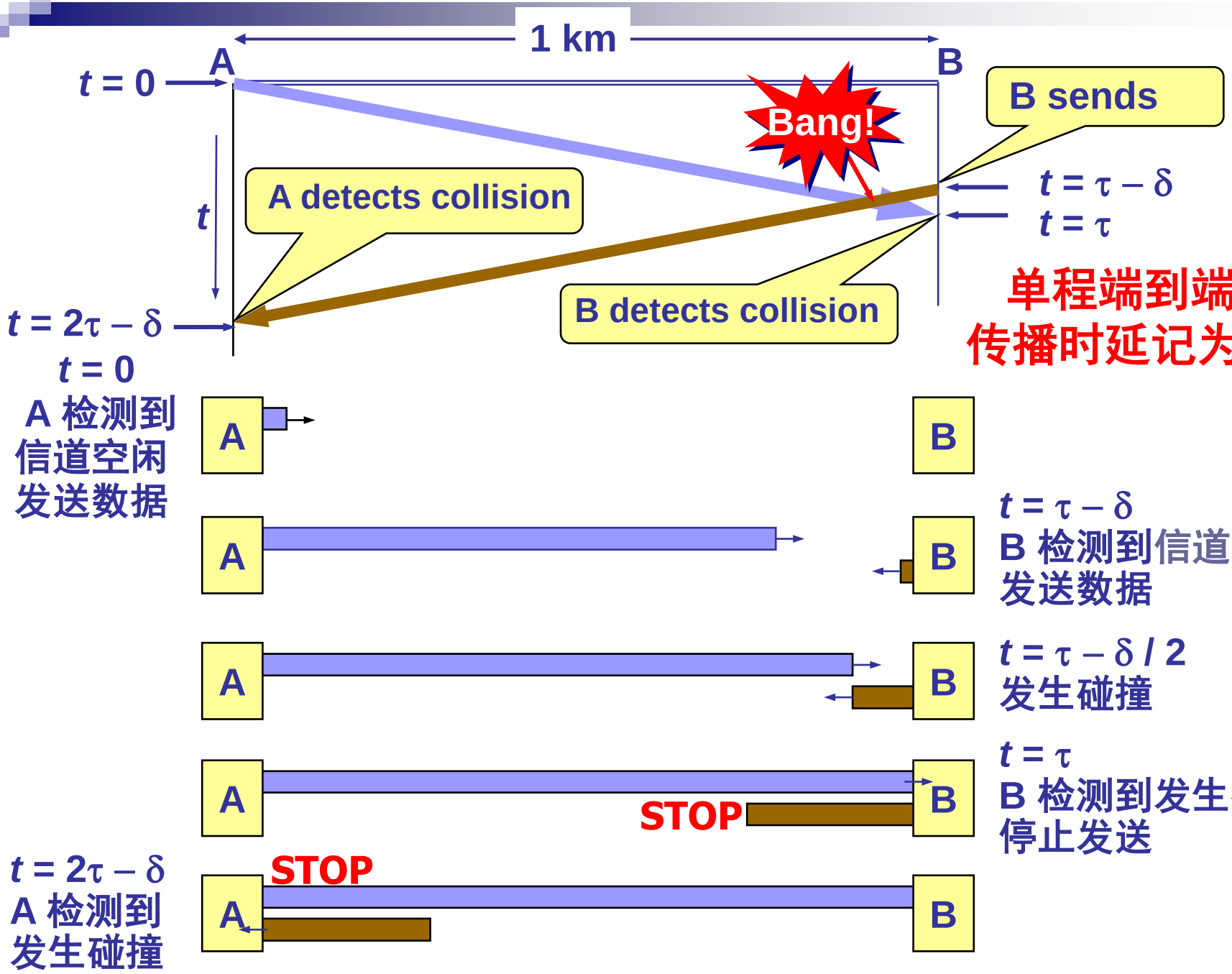
Energy level during transmission, idleness, or collision

Contention Period

- ***Question:*** **How long does it take to detect a collision?**
- ***Answer:*** ***In the worst case,*** **twice the maximum propagation delay of the medium.**

Contention slot must be 2 τ.

τ is maximum propagation delay on a channel.


1 km
A
B
t = 0
Bang!
B sends
A detects collision
t
t = τ – δ
t = τ
B detects collision
t = 2τ – δ
单程端到端
传播时延记为τ
t = 0
A 检测到
信道空闲
发送数据
A
B
t = τ – δ
B 检测到信道空闲
发送数据
t = τ – δ / 2
发生碰撞
STOP
t = τ
B 检测到发生碰撞
停止发送
t = 2τ – δ
A 检测到
发生碰撞
STOP

Contention Period

- **Restrictions of CSMA / CD:**

  Frame transmission time should be at least as long as the time needed to detect a collision (2 * maximum propagation delay + *jam sequence* transmission time).

  Otherwise, CSMA/CD does not have an advantage over CSMA.

TimeSlot >=
2 * T_{prop} + jam sequence transmission time

Contention Period

- **Minimum frame length**

$$L_{\min} = R \cdot a = 2R\left(S/0.7C + T_{phy}\right)$$

where:

a - Contention period

R – Data rate

T_{phy} – Physical layer delay

Note: Process delay must be taken account into whole contention slot.

Example

A network using CSMA/CD has a bandwidth of 10 Mbps. If the maximum propagation time (including the delays in the devices and ignoring the time needed to send a jamming signal) is 25.6 μs, what is the minimum size of the frame?

Example

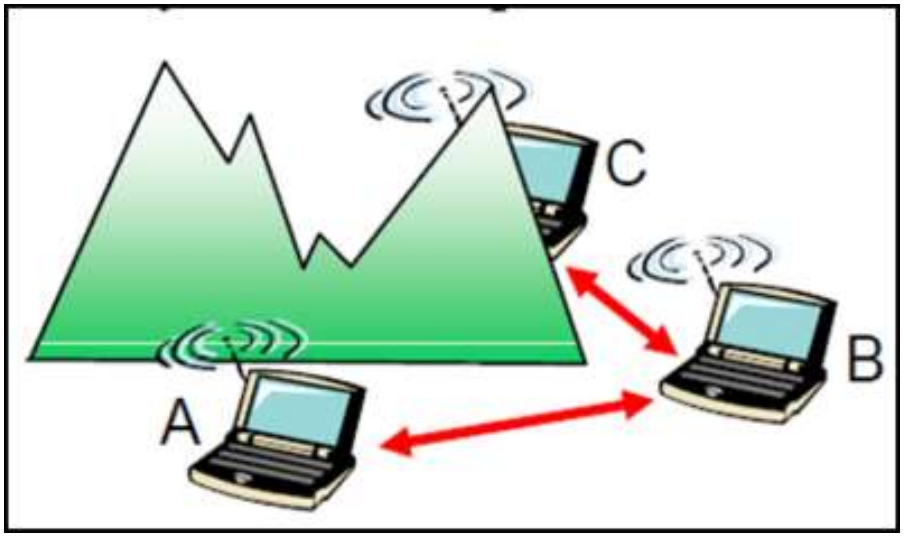
Solution

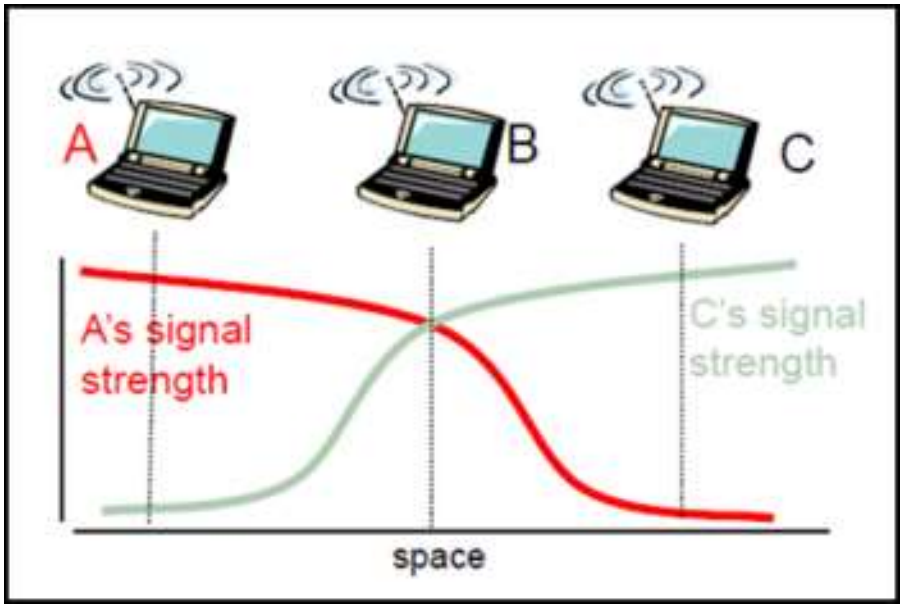
- The frame transmission time $T_{fr} = 2 \times T_p = 51.2\ \mu s$. This means, in the worst case, a station needs to transmit for a period of 51.2 μs to detect the collision.
- The minimum size of the frame is 10 Mbps × 51.2 μs = 512 bits or 64 bytes.

CSMA/CA

- Used often in wireless networking.
- CA: collision avoidance
  - Collision avoidance BEFORE transmission
- CSMA/CD does not work in wireless LAN.
- Three reasons:
  - Station must be able to send and receive data at the same time.
  - Collision may not be detected because of the hidden terminal problem.
  - Distance between stations in wireless LANs can be great. Signal fading could prevent a station at one end from hearing a collision at other end.

Hidden terminal problem





The hidden terminal problem occurs when station A is visible to station B while not visible to station C, and station C is visible to station B

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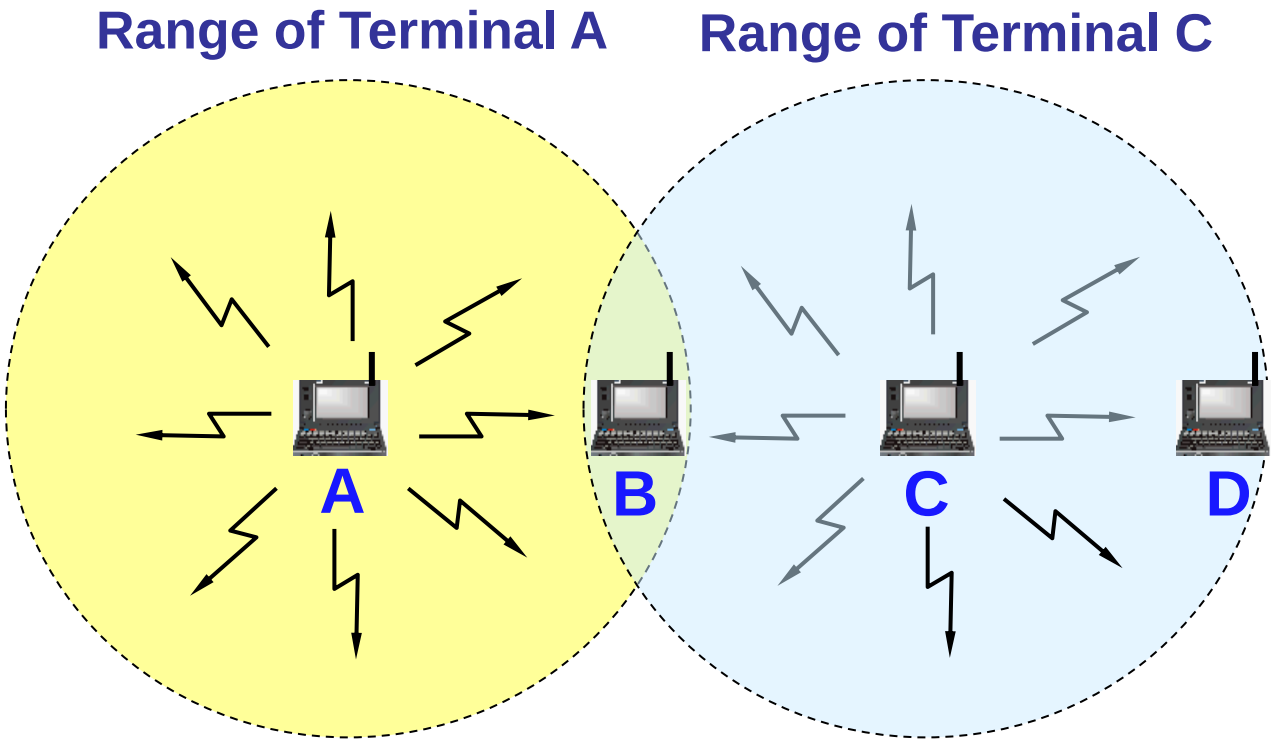
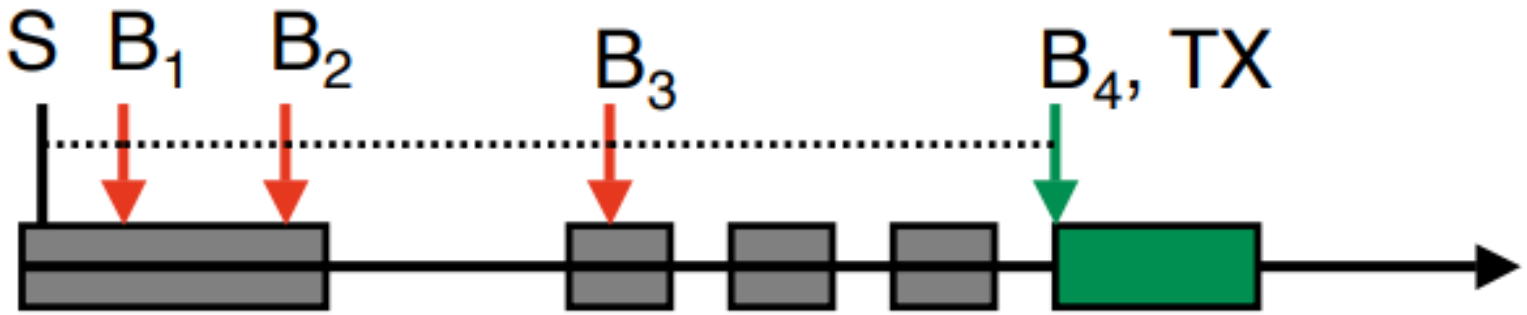


collision occurs when station A starts a transmission to station B while simultaneously, station C (it doesn't hear station A) starts another transmission to station B.

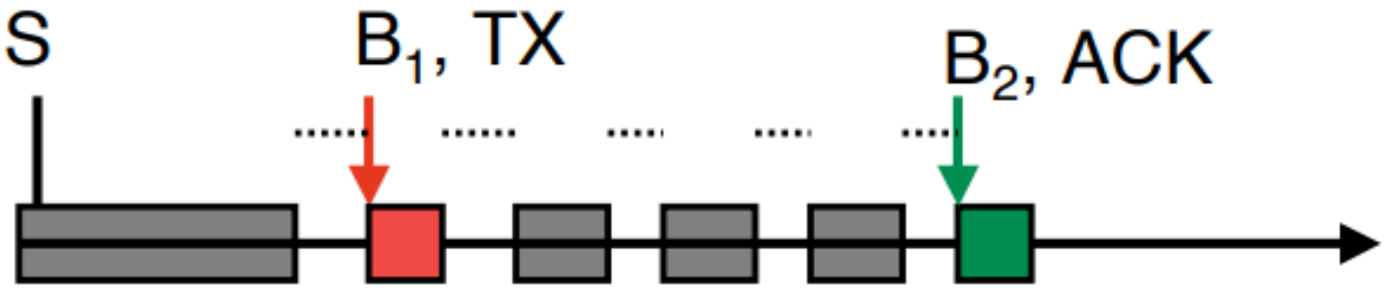
Simple CSMA/CA

- 1) Wait a small random period, check the channel
- 2) If the channel is busy, go to 1 (maybe longer wait)
- 3) Transmit packet



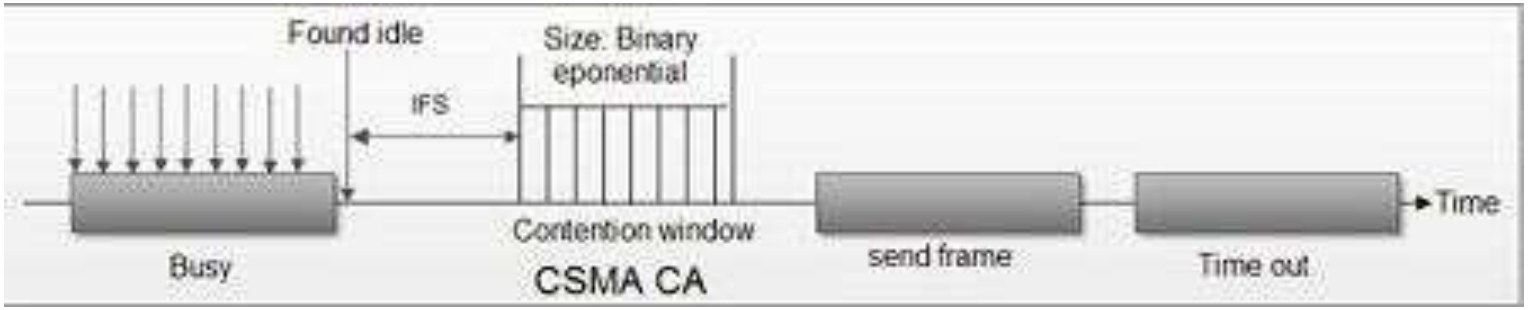
802.11b MAC: CSMA/CA

- Maintain a waiting counter c
- For each time step channel is idle, c − −
- When c = 0, transmit
- If packet is not acknowledged (layer 2), pick a new, larger c
  - Use lack of layer 2 ack as collision detect



CSMA/CA

- **CSMA/CA avoids the collisions using three basic techniques.**
  - **(i) Interframe space**
  - **(ii) Contention window**
  - **(iii) Acknowledgements**



CSMA/CA

- (i) Interframe space (IFS)
  - Whenever the channel is found idle, the station does not transmit immediately. It waits for a period of time called interframe space (IFS).
  - The purpose of IFS time is to allow this transmitted signal to reach other stations.
  - If after this IFS time, the channel is still idle, the station can send, but it still needs to wait a time equal to contention time.

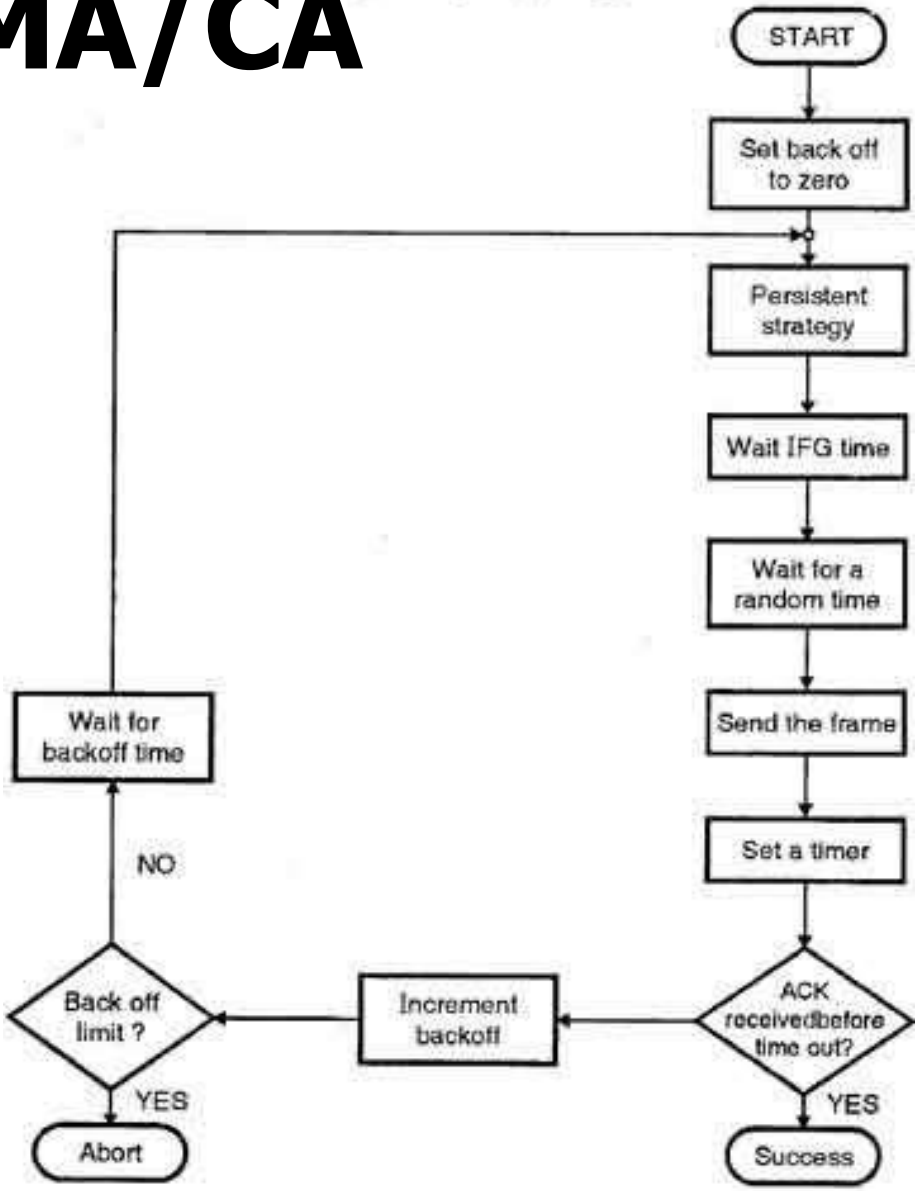
CSMA/CA

- (ii) Contention window
  - Contention window is an amount of time divided into slots.
  - A station that is ready to send chooses a random number of slots as its wait time.
  - The number of slots in the window changes according to the binary exponential back-off strategy.
  - In contention window the station needs to sense the channel after each time slot.
  - If the station finds the channel busy, it does not restart the process. It just stops the timer & restarts it when the channel is sensed as idle.

CSMA/CA

- (iii) Acknowledgements
  - Despite all the precautions, collisions may occur and destroy the data.
  - The positive acknowledgment and the time-out timer can help guarantee that receiver has received the frame.

CSMA/CA

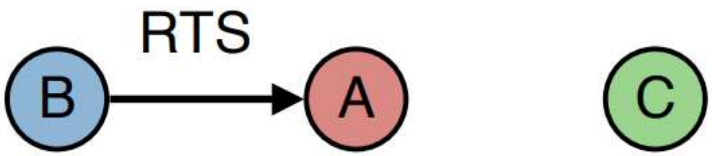


CSMA/CA procedure

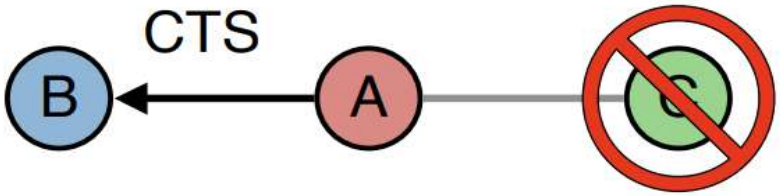
But can not solve Hidden Terminal Problem.

CSMA/CA with RTS/CTS

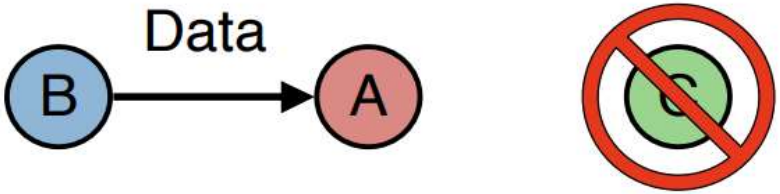
- **Request-to-send, Clear-to-send (RTS/CTS)**
- **Allows transmitter to check availability of channel at receiver**



After the channel is found idle, the station waits for a period of time called the Distributed interframe space (DIFS); then the station sends a control frame called request to send (RTS).

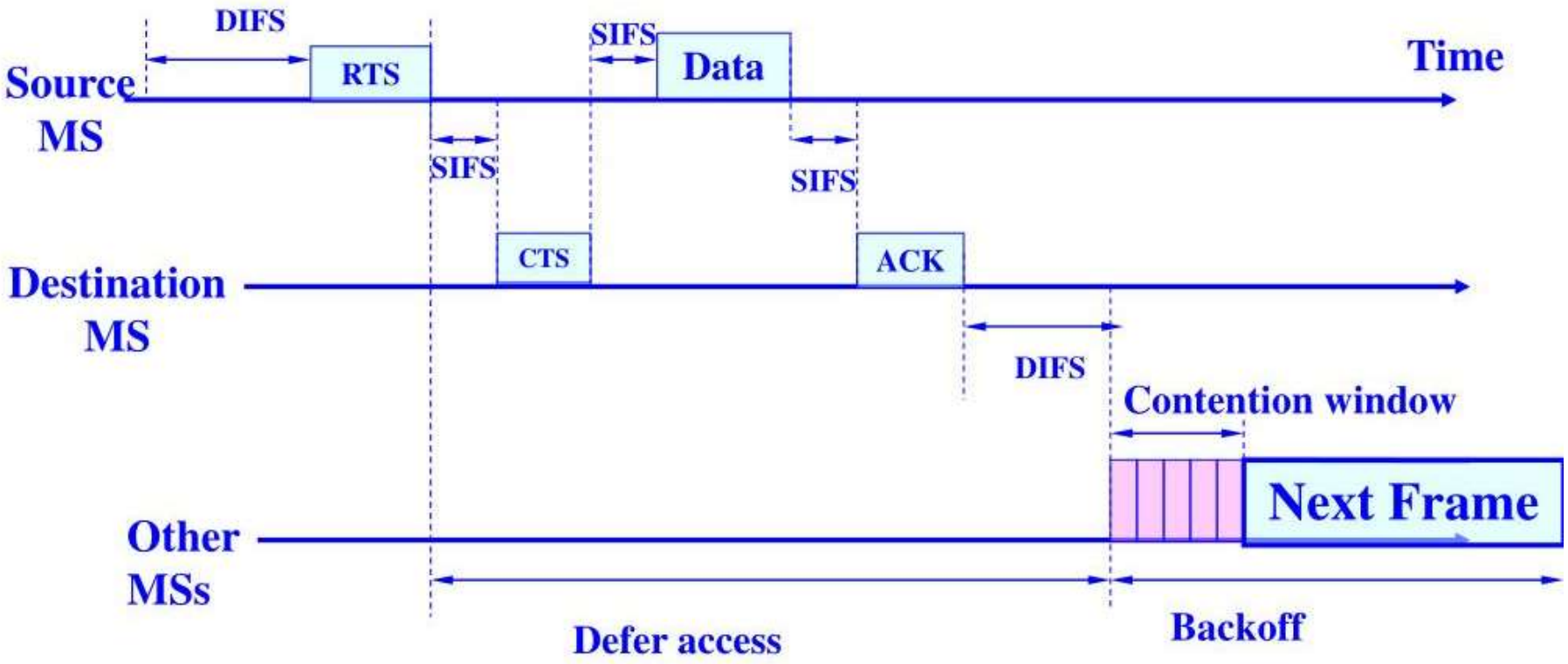


After receiving RTS, the destination waits for a period called Short interframe space (SIFS), the destination station sends a control frame, called Clear to Send (CTS) to source. This control frame indicates that the destination station is ready to receive data.



Source sends data after waiting for SIFS
Destination sends ACK after waiting for SIFS.

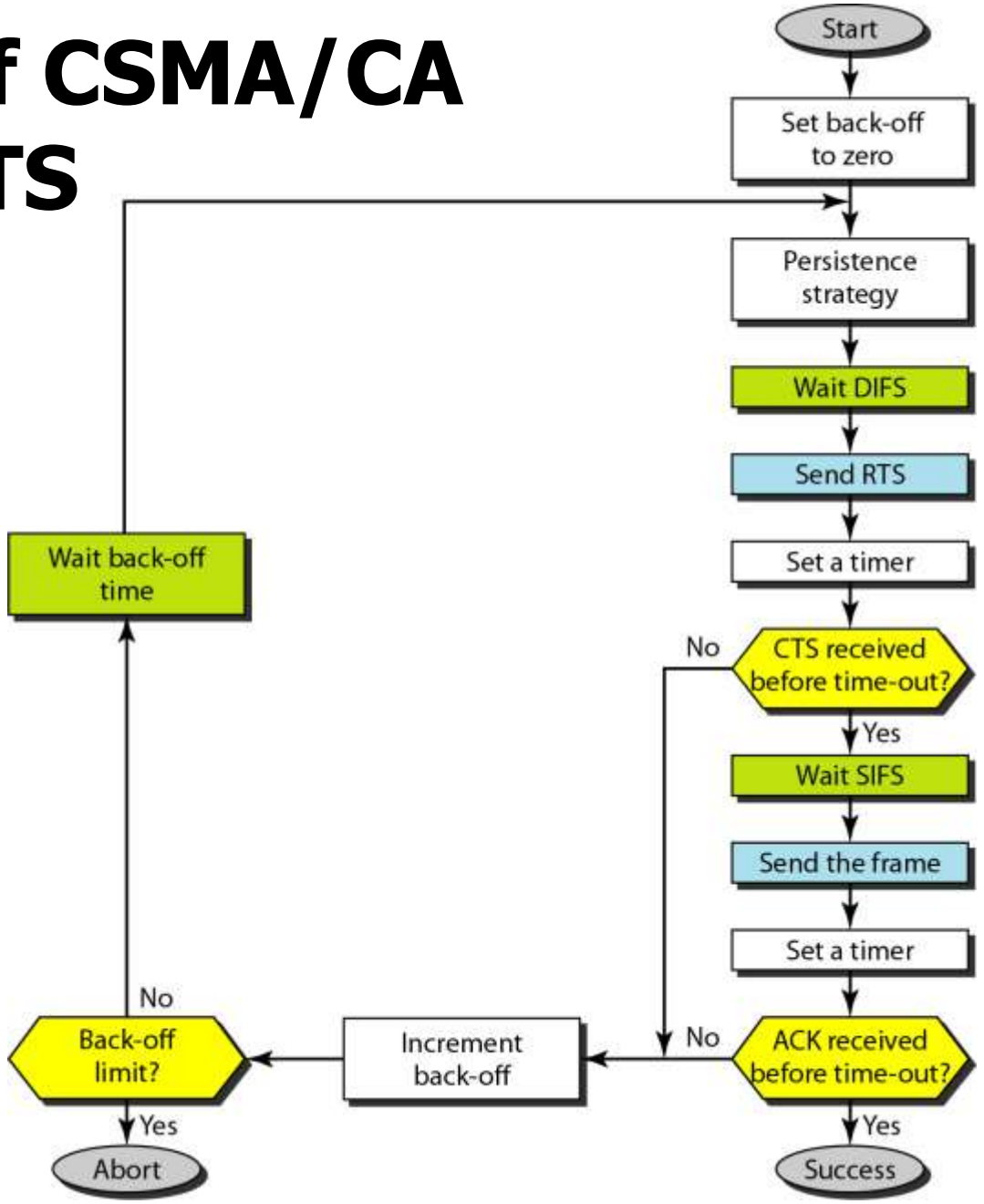
CSMA/CA with RTS/CTS



DIFS: Distributed interframe space

SIFS: Short interframe space

Flowchart of CSMA/CA with RTS/CTS



Performance of Random Access Protocols

- Simple and easy to implement.
- Decentralized.
- In low-traffic, frame transfer has low-delay
- However, limited throughput and in heavier traffic, frame delay has no limit.
- In some cases, a station may never have a chance to transfer its frame (unfair protocol).

Performance of Random Access Protocols

- A node that has frames to be transmitted can transmit continuously at the full rate of channel (R) if it is the only node with frames.
- If (M) nodes want to transmit, many collisions can occur and the rate for each node will not be on average R/M.

Others

- Collision-Free Protocols
- Limited-Contention Protocols
- The Adaptive Tree Walk Protocol
- Wavelength Division Multiple Access Protocols
- ……
- Study by yourself !!!

Controlled Access or Scheduling

- Provides in order access to shared medium so that every station has chance to transfer (fair protocol)
- Eliminates collision completely
- Three methods for controlled access:
  - Reservation
  - Polling
  - Token Passing
- Study by yourself !!!

Chapter 4: Roadmap

- Medium Access Control
- Local Area Networks (LANs) and IEEE 802
- Ethernet
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- LAN Interconnection
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- VLAN

IEEE 802 Reference Model

- IEEE 802 committee developed, revises, and extends standards
- Three-layer protocol hierarchy:
  - physical
  - medium access control (MAC)
  - logical link control (LLC)

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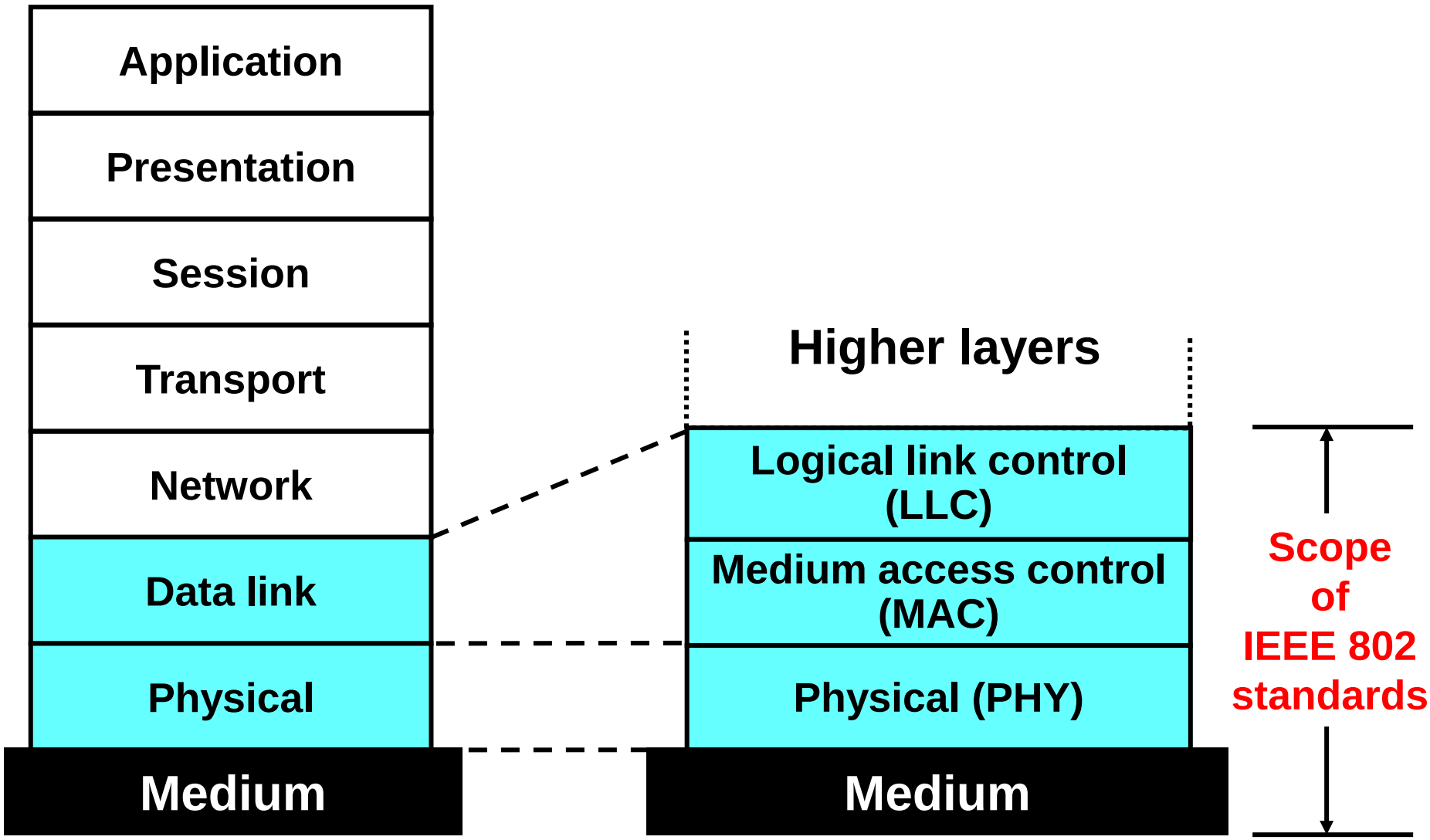


Physical Layer

- Encoding/decoding of signals and bit transmission/reception
- Specification of the transmission medium.
- The choice of transmission medium is critical in LAN design, and so a specification of the medium is included

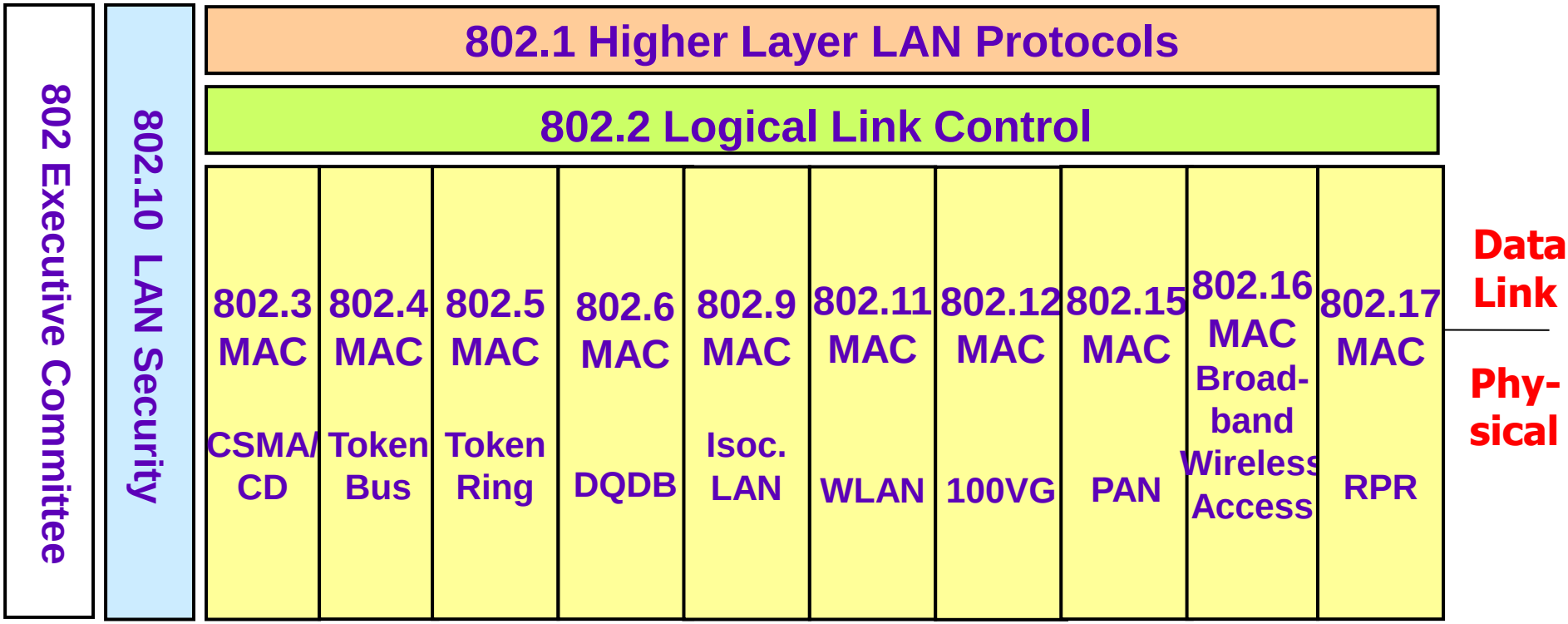
Logical Link Control

- Specifies method of addressing and controls exchange of data
- Independent of topology, medium, and medium access control
- Services:
  - Unacknowledged connectionless service (higher layers handle error/flow control, or simple apps)
  - Acknowledged connectionless service (no prior connection necessary)
  - Connection-mode service (devices without higher-level software)

Media Access Control

- Assembly of data into frame with MAC control, address and error detection fields
- Disassembly of frame
  - Address recognition
  - Error detection
- Govern access to transmission medium
- For the same LLC, several MAC options may be available

IEEE LAN Standards



IEEE LAN Standards

- 802.1 Higher LAN Protocols
- 802.2 Logical link control (LLC) (No Activity)
- **802.3 CSMA/CD (Ethernet)**
- 802.4 Token Bus (No Activity)
- 802.5 Token Ring (No Activity)
- 802.6 Metropolitan area network (No Activity)
- 802.7 Broadband technical advisory (No Activity)
- 802.8 Fiber optic technical advisory (Obsolete)
- 802.9 Integrated services LAN (No Activity)
- 802.10 Interoperable LAN Security (No Activity)
- **802.11 Wireless LAN**
- 802.12 100 VG-AnyLAN (No Activity)
- 802.14 Cable-TV based broadband (Obsolete)
- 802.15 Wireless Personal Area Network
- 802.16 Broadband Wireless Access (WiMAX)
- 802.17 Resilient Packet Ring (RPR)

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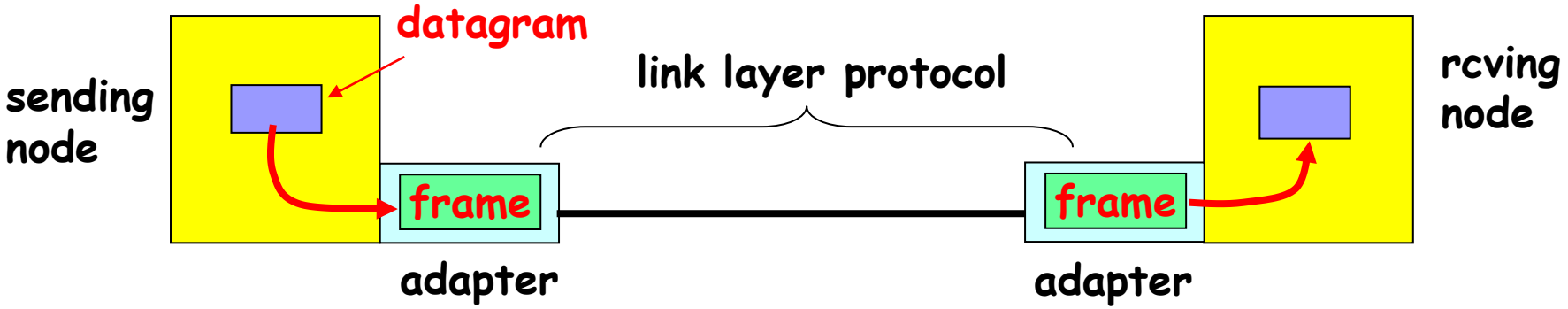

- link layer implemented in "adaptor" (aka NIC)
  - Ethernet card, PCMCI card, 802.11 card
- sending side:
  - encapsulates datagram in a frame
  - adds error checking bits, flow control, etc.
- receiving side
  - looks for errors, flow control, etc
  - extracts datagram, passes to rcving node
- adapter is semi-autonomous link & physical layers

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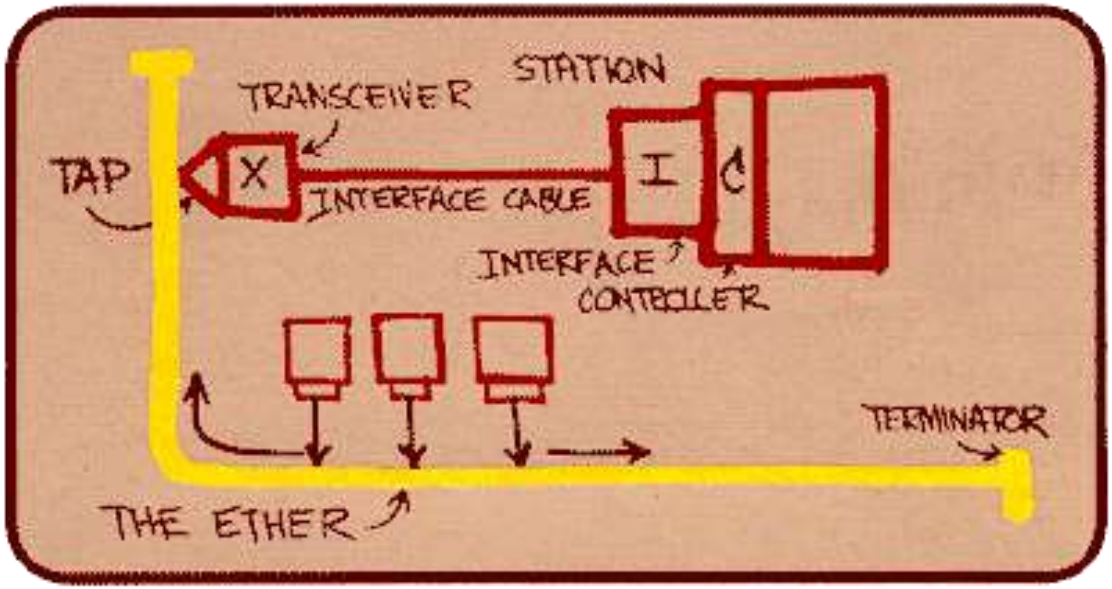
Ethernet

"Dominant" wired LAN technology

- First widely used LAN technology
- Simpler, cheaper than token LANs and ATM
- Kept up with speed race: 10 Mbps – 10 Gbps



Metcalfe's Ethernet Sketch, 1972

Origin of Ethernet

- Developed by Xerox Palo Alto Research Center (PARC) in late 1972
- Original designed as a 2.94 Mbps system to connect 100 computers on a 1 km cable
- Later, Xerox, Intel and DEC drew up a standard support 10 Mbps
- Basis for the IEEE's 802.3 specification

Ethernet Basics

- **Topologies:** Linear bus, Star, Tree
- **Signaling:** Mainly baseband (digital)
- **Access method:** CSMA/CD
- **Specifications:** IEEE 802.3
- **Transfer speed:** 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, or above
- **Cable types:** Coaxial cables, UTP

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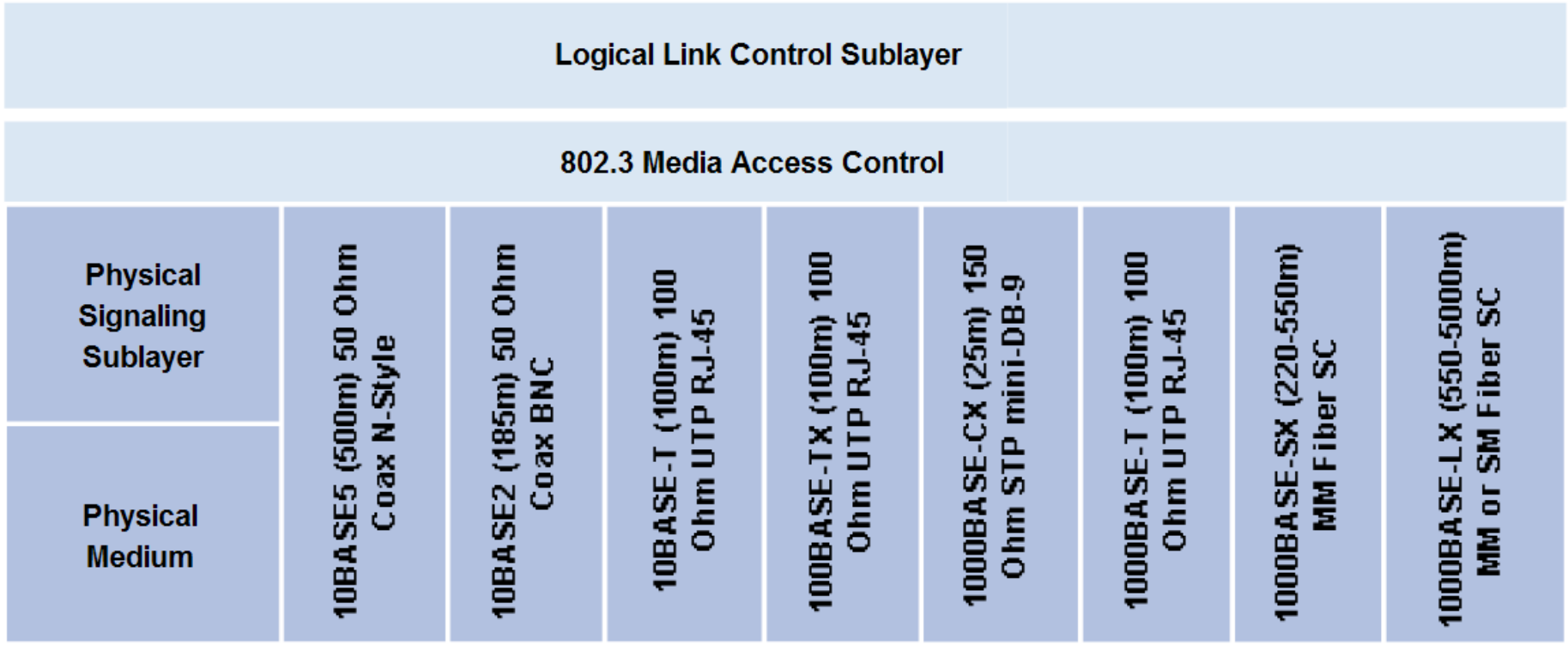
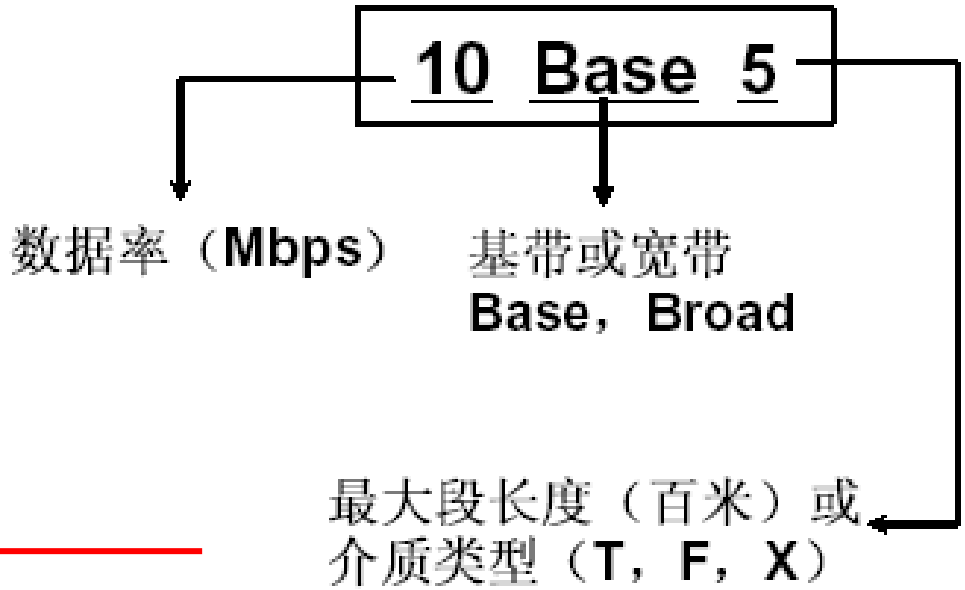
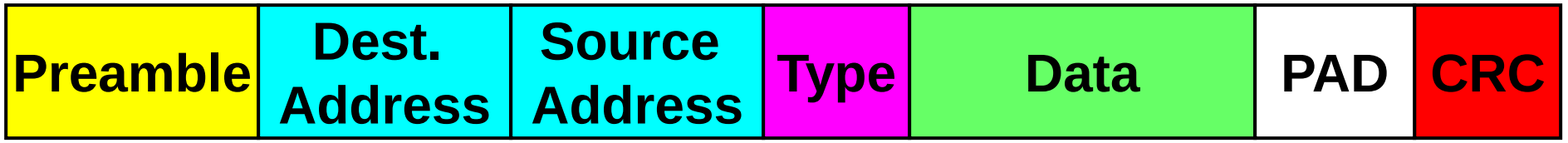


802.3 Cabling

- 1Base5 双绞线
- 10Broad36 CATV
- 10Base5 粗同轴
- 10Base2 细同轴
- 10BaseT UTP
- 10BaseF MMF
- 100BaseT UTP
- 100BaseF MMF/SMF
- 1000BaseX STP/MMF/SMF
- 1000BaseT UTP



Ethernet Frame Structure



Preamble:

7 bytes with pattern 10101010 followed by one byte with pattern 10101011, used to synchronize receiver, sender clock rates.

Addresses: 6 bytes (48 bits)

if adapter receives frame with matching destination address, or with broadcast address, it passes data in frame to net-layer protocol otherwise, adapter discards frame.

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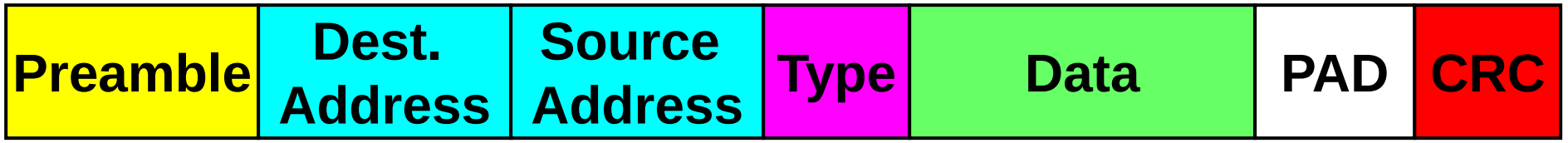

Type:

indicates the higher layer protocol (mostly IP but others may be supported such as Novell IPX and AppleTalk).

CRC:

checked at receiver, if error is detected, the frame is simply dropped.

Frame length: Min. =64B, Max. = 1518B

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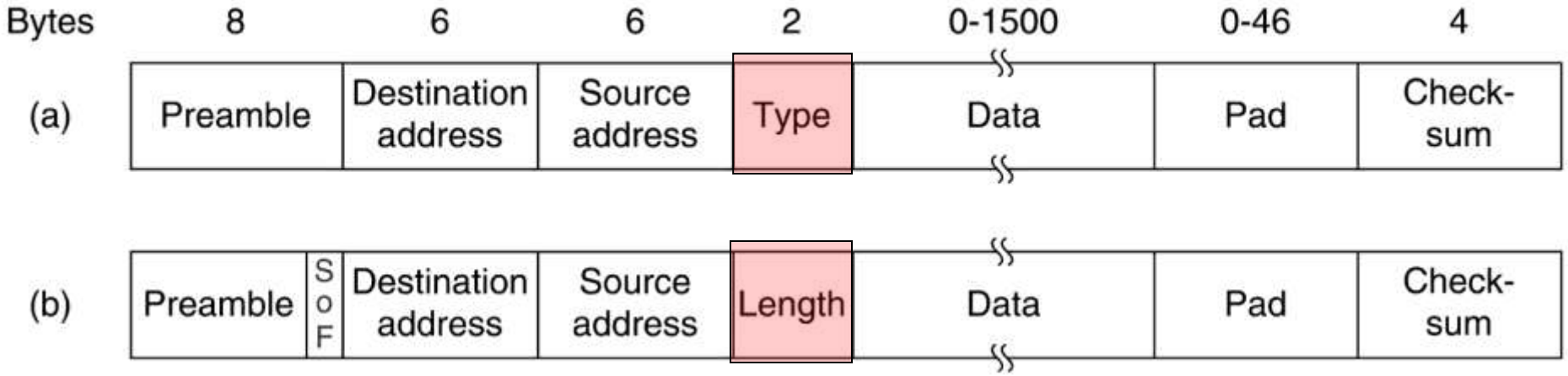


(a) Ethernet frame (b) IEEE 802.3 frame

Ethernet Address

- 48 bits long: 00 00 E2 15 1A CA
- Governed by IEEE and are usually imprinted on Ethernet cards when the cards are manufactured → physical address or hardware address.
- Type:
  - Single address: one station
  - Group address: a group of stations
  - Broadcast address (all '1'): all stations

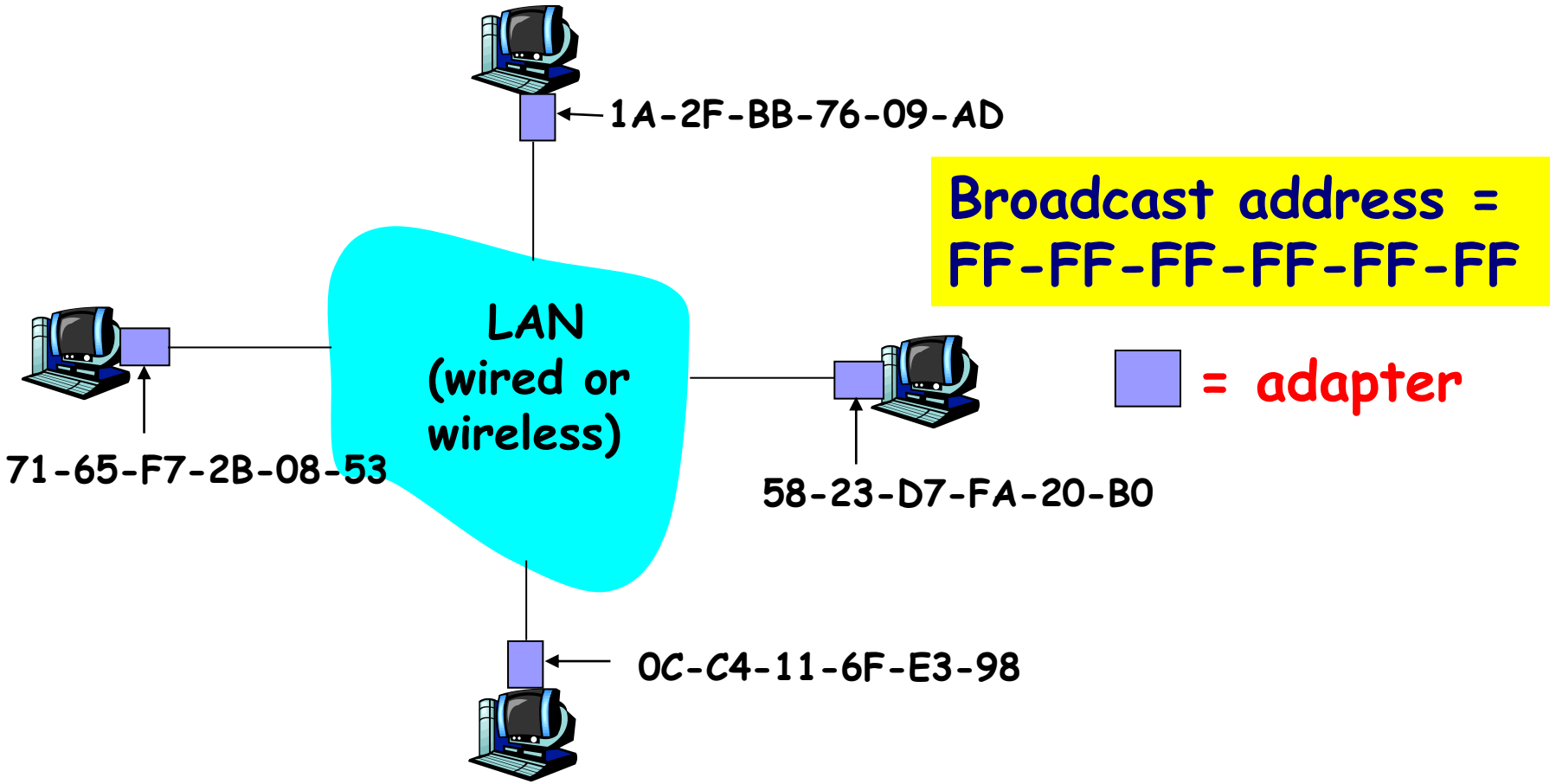
Ethernet Address

Examples of Manufacturer IDs

Cisco	: 00-00-0C-	3Com	: 00-60-8C-
	: 00-60-09-		: 00-60-08-
Sun	: 08-00-20-	IBM	: 08-00-5A-
Nokia	: 00-40-43-		

Ethernet Address

Each adapter on LAN has unique address



Ethernet uses CSMA/CD

- 1-persistent CSMA/CD
  - If line is idle (no carrier sensed)
    - Send immediately
    - Send maximum of 1500B data (1518B frame)
    - Wait 9.6 μs before sending again
  - If line is busy (carrier sensed)
    - Wait until line becomes idle
      - called *1-persistent* sending
  - If collision detected
    - Stop sending and send jam signal
    - Try again later

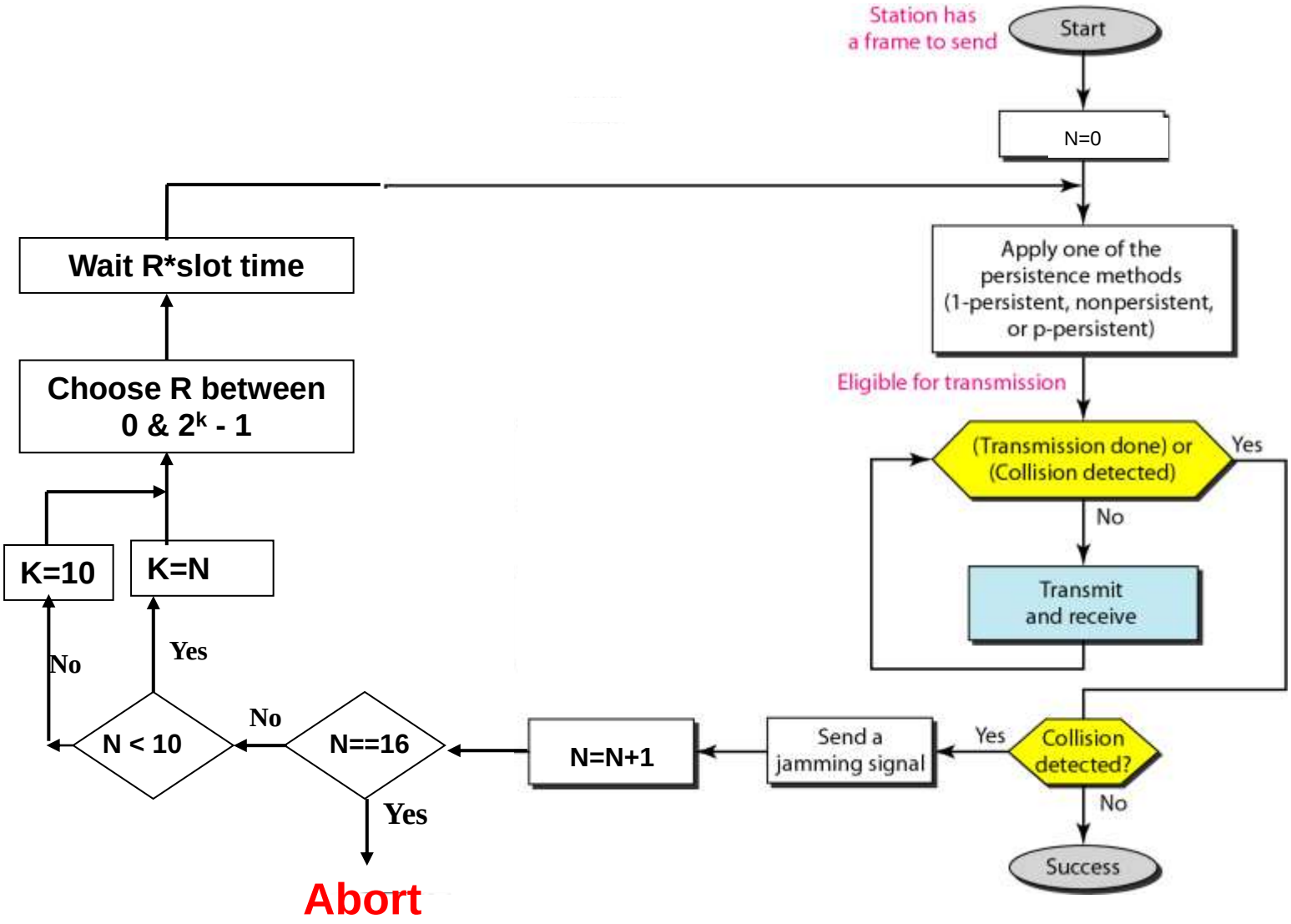
Exponential Backoff Algorithm

- If a station is involved in a collision, it waits a random amount of time before attempting a retransmission.
- The random time is determined by the Exponential Backoff Algorithm

Exponential Backoff Algorithm

$$\begin{cases} R = random[0, 2^{k-1}] \\ WaitingTime = R \bullet SlotTime \end{cases}$$

- **K = Min[# of retransmission, 10]**
- **SlotTime = 2*maximum propagation delay + Jam sequence transmission time (= 51.2 usec for Ethernet 10-Mbps LAN)**
- **Give up after 16 unsuccessful attempts and report failure to higher layers.**



Flow diagram for the CSMA/CD

Questions

- How comes the minimum frame size of 64 bytes?
  - IEEE 802.3 specifies max value of slot to be 51.2us.This relates to maximum distance of 2500m between hosts (propagation delay)
  - At 10Mbps it takes 51.2us to send 512 bits (64B)
  - So, Ethernet frames must be at least 64B long
    - 14B header, 46B data, 4B CRC
    - Padding is used if data is less than 46B
  - The minimum frame size is also called slottime
- Why we need minimum size?
  - Detecting frame collision
  - Distinguish good frame from damaged ones

Questions

- **Q: If we keep the minimum frame size of 64 bytes for compatibility reason, what is the contention time for 100M and 1000M Ethernet?**
  - **5.12 μs for 100M, network span is 204m**
  - **0.512 μs for 1000M, network span is 20m ???**
- **1000M Ethernet contention time is 4.096 μs, remain the network span 204m**

CSMA/CD Maximum efficiency

- When every nodes send in turn without collision, max. throughput achieved

$$T = \frac{L}{t_p + t_{trans}} = \frac{L}{d/v + L/R}$$

Where

L – frame length

t_p – propagation delay

t_{trans} – frame transmission delay

R – Data rate

d – distance

v – signal speed

CSMA/CD Maximum efficiency

- **Maximum efficiency：**

$$U = \frac{T}{R} = \frac{L/R}{d/v + L/R}$$

- **Let $a = t_p / t_{trans}$**

$$U = \frac{1}{\alpha + 1}$$

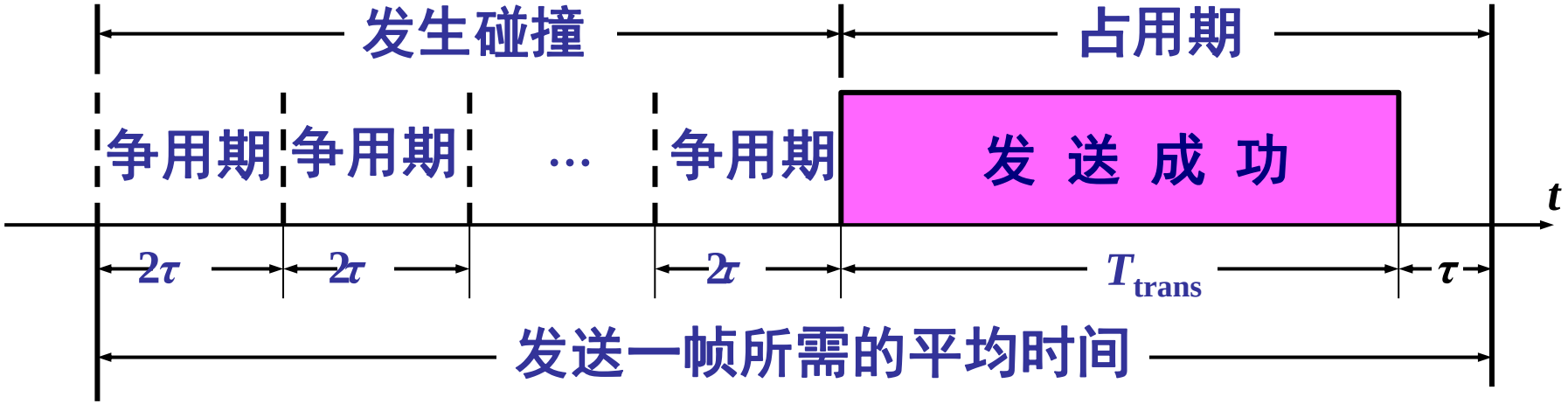
- **a = (d/v) / (L/R) = Rd/vL**

  a越大（R与d乘积越大）信道利用率越低

  其中

CSMA/CD efficiency

- 一个帧从开始发送，经可能发生的碰撞后，将再重传数次，到发送成功且信道转为空闲(即再经过时间 τ 使得信道上无信号在传播)时为止，是发送一帧所需的平均时间。



CSMA/CD efficiency

- t_{prop} = max prop between 2 nodes in LAN
- t_{trans} = time to transmit max-size frame

$$efficiency = \frac{1}{1 + 5t_{prop}/t_{trans}} = \frac{1}{1 + 5\alpha}$$

Where

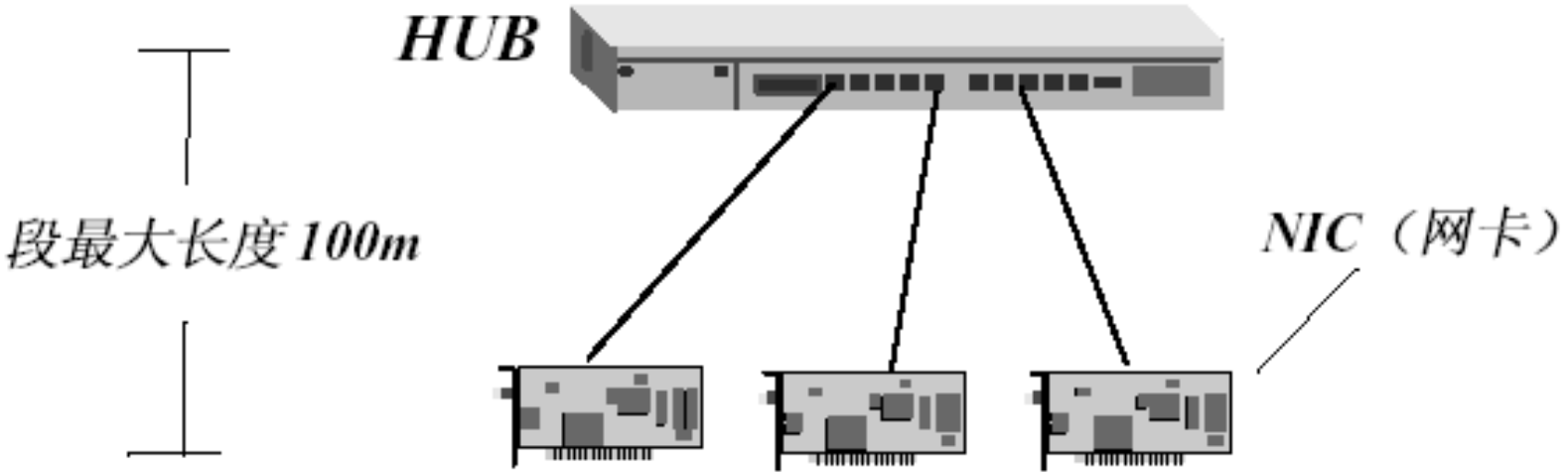
$\alpha = t_{prop}/t_{trans} = T/(L/R) = TR/L$

T – Max. prop. time between two nodes

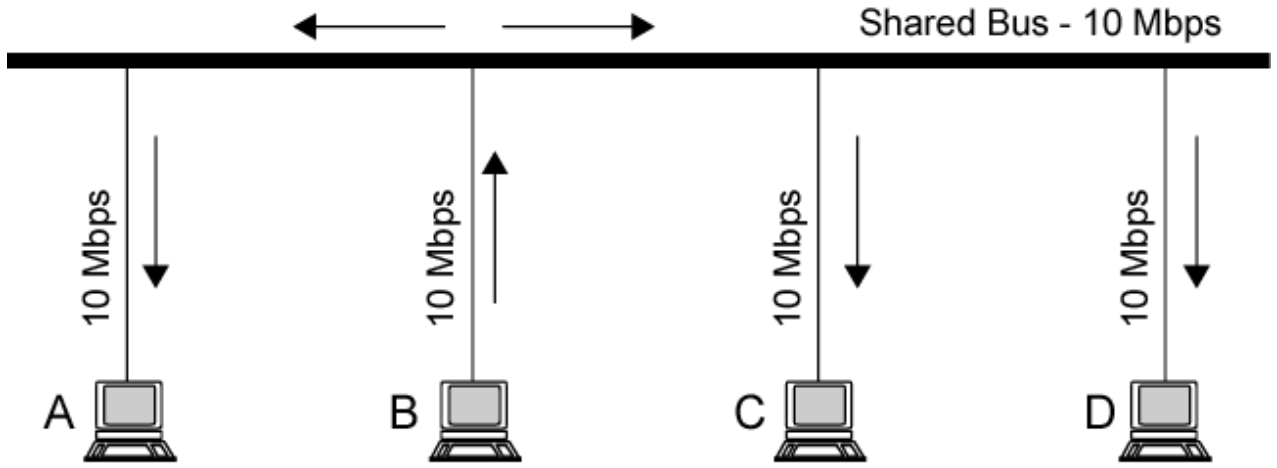
α small ➔ early collision detection, efficiency
α large ➔ late collision detection, inefficiency

Ethernet: 10Base_T

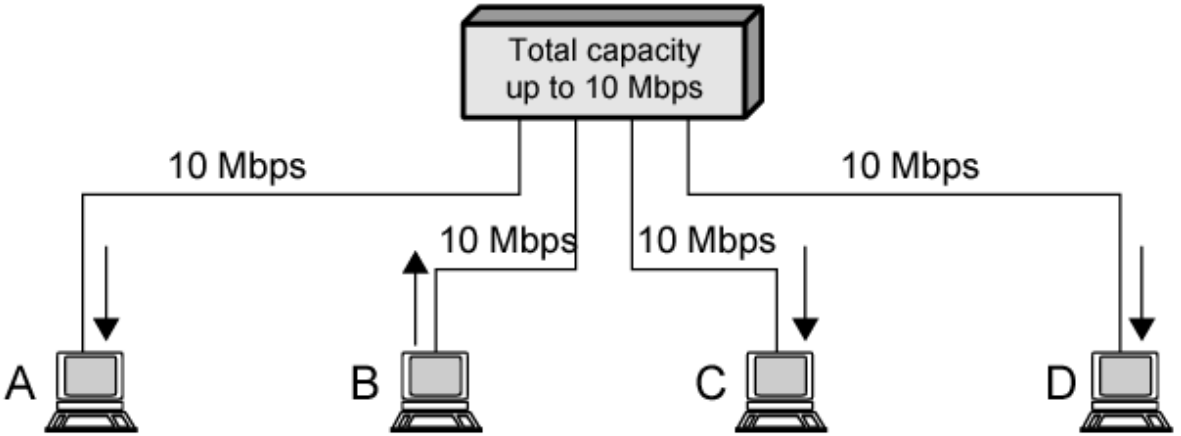
- 10Mbps rate
- T stands for Twisted Pair
- Nodes connect to a hub: "star topology"; 100m max distance between nodes and hub



Shared Medium Bus and Hub



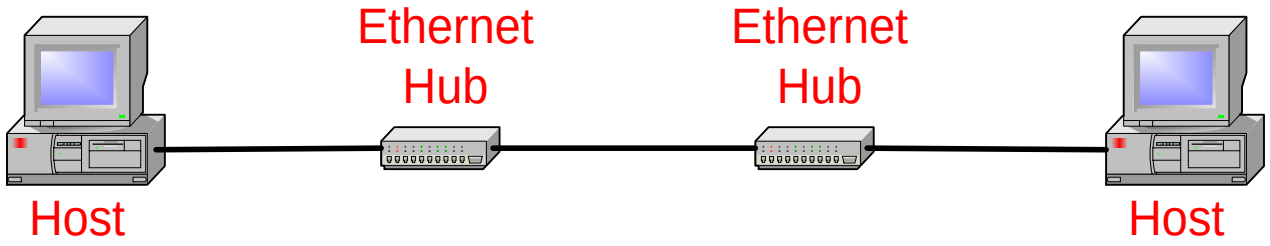
(a) Shared medium bus



(b) Shared medium hub

Ethernet Hub

- **Used to connect hosts to Ethernet LAN and to connect multiple Ethernet LANs**
- **Collisions are propagated.**



Hub:

- **Essentially physical-layer repeater**
- **Same bandwidth shared by all nodes**
- **Single Collision Domain**

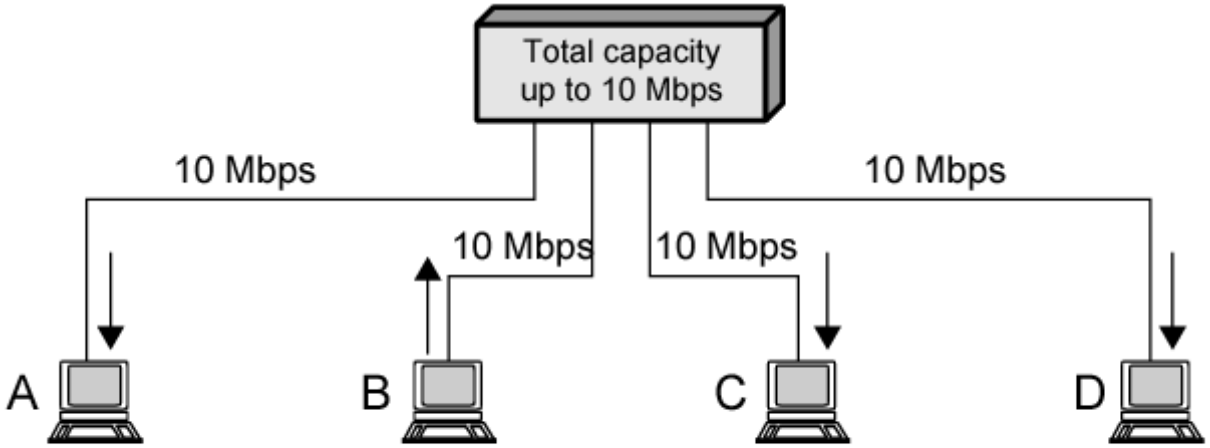
Switched Ethernet

- **Shared Ethernet Problem:**

  As more stations are added, traffic will go up, and so will the possibility of collisions, then, the network will saturate.

- **Solution:** Divide the network into separate sub-LANs and connect them through a high-speed switch.

Switched Ethernet



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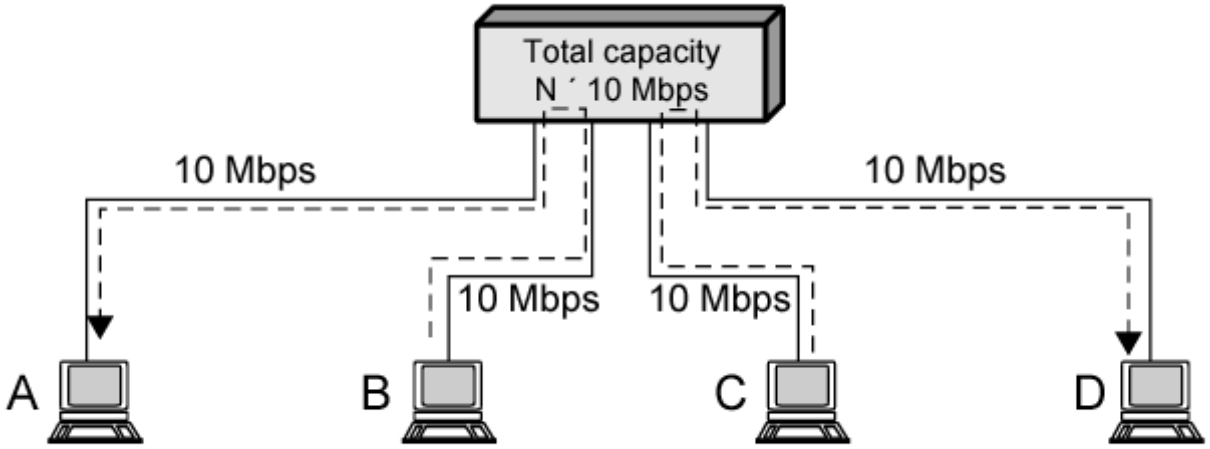
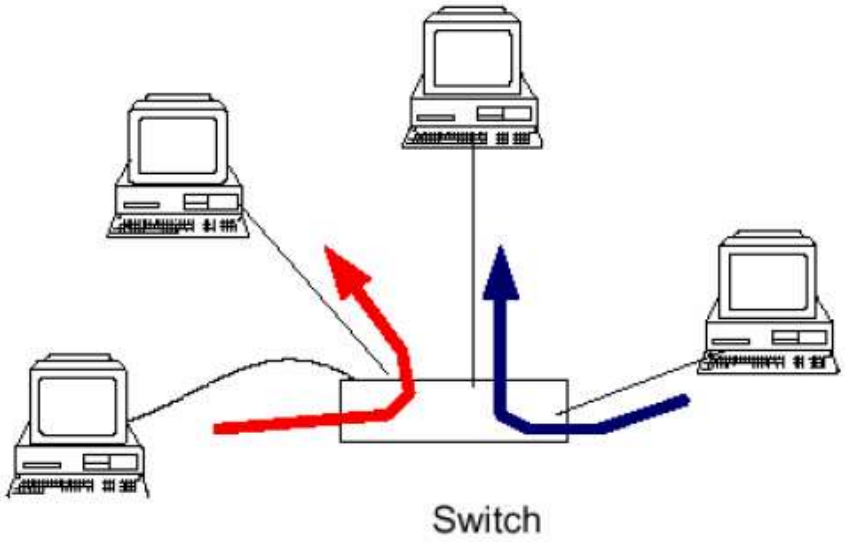


(c) Layer 2 switch

Switched Ethernet

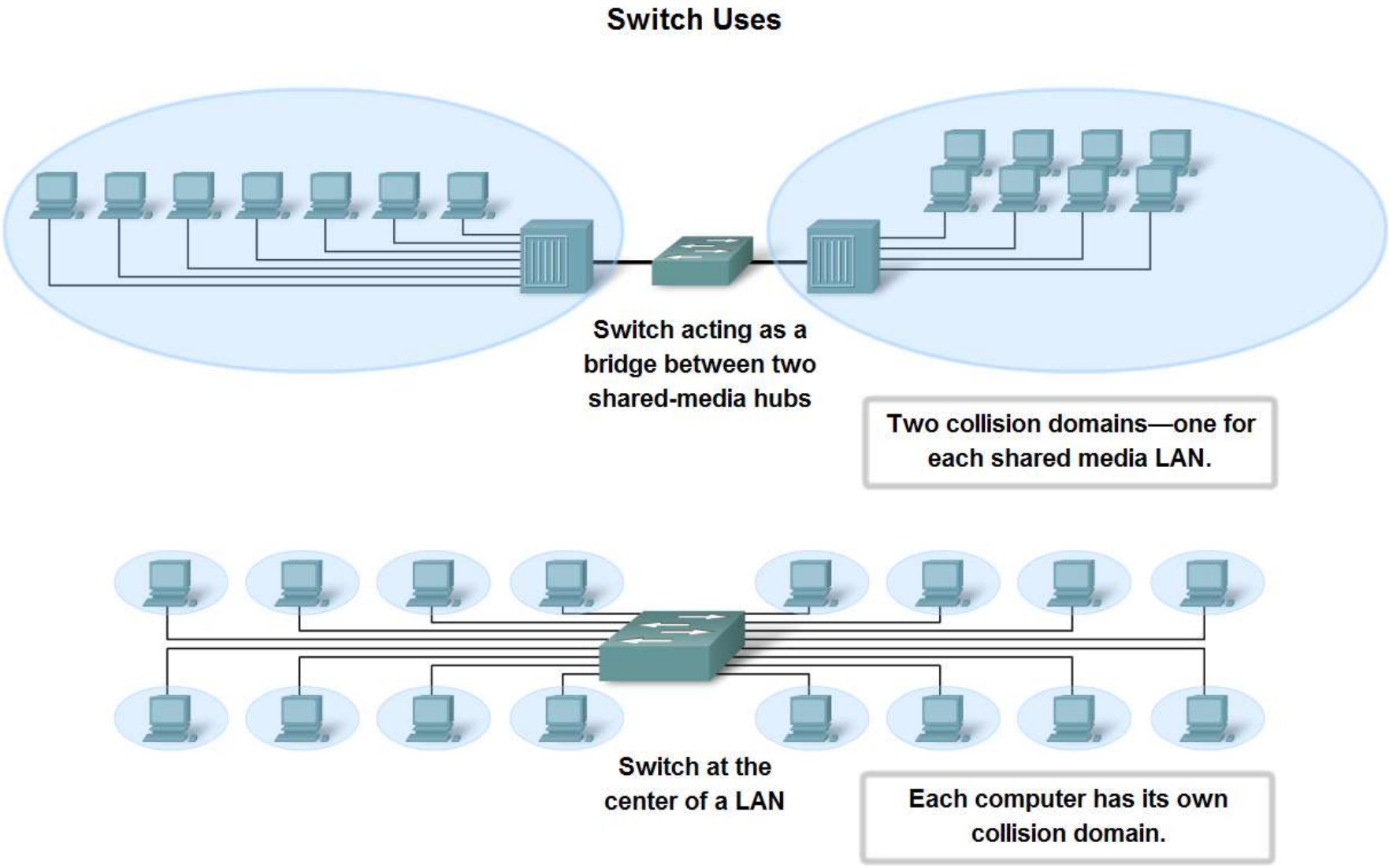
- Multiple transmissions are possible
- Switch stores frames that wait for same output



Switch:

- Dedicated bandwith
- Each switch port is a collision domain

Switched Ethernet



以太网交换机

- **Cisco Catalyst 6500系列交换机**

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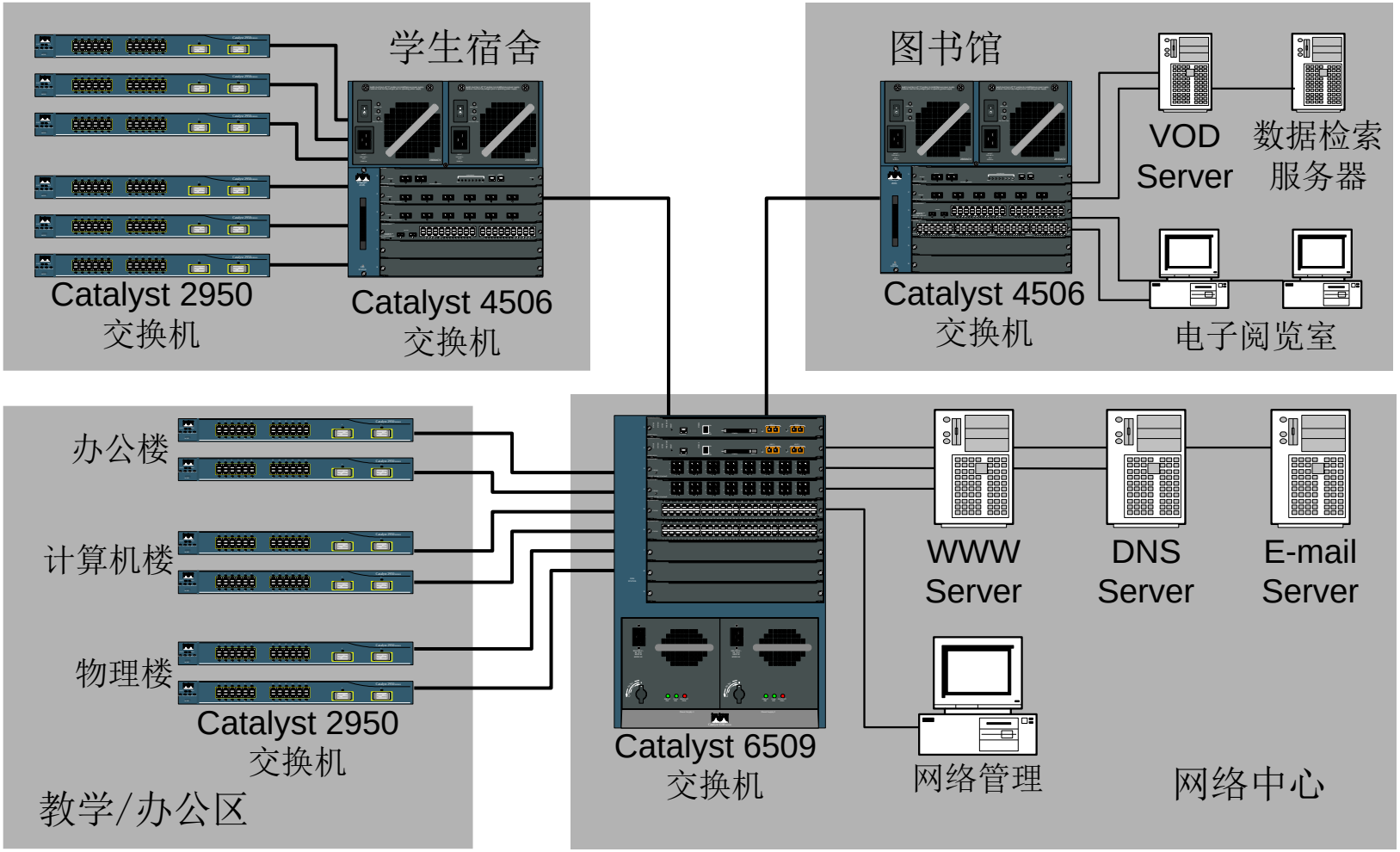
- **Cisco Catalyst 3750系列交换机——堆叠实例**

交换机组网实例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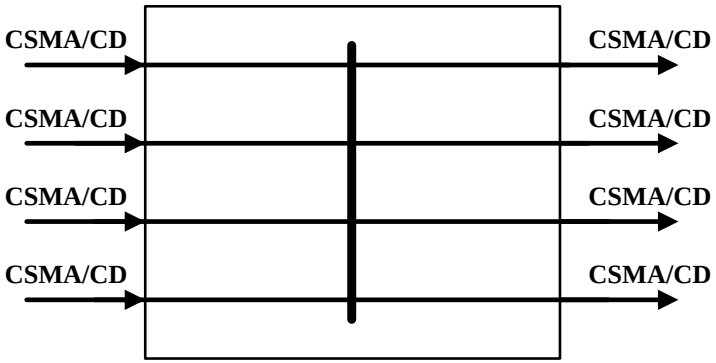
Ethernet Hubs vs. Ethernet Switches

- An **Ethernet switch** is a switch for Ethernet frames
  - **Buffering** of frames prevents collisions.
  - Each port is isolated and builds its own **collision domain**
- An **Ethernet Hub** does not perform buffering:
  - Collisions occur if two frames arrive at the same time.

Hub



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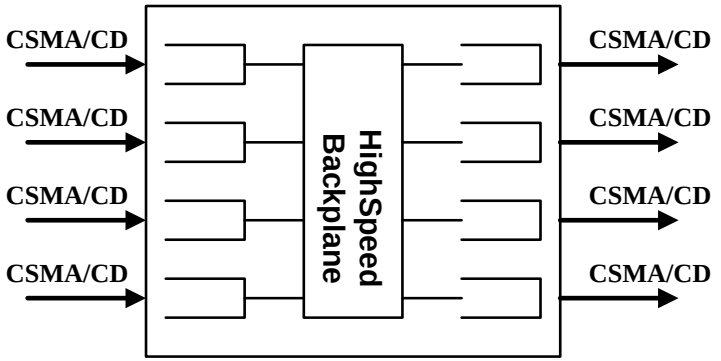
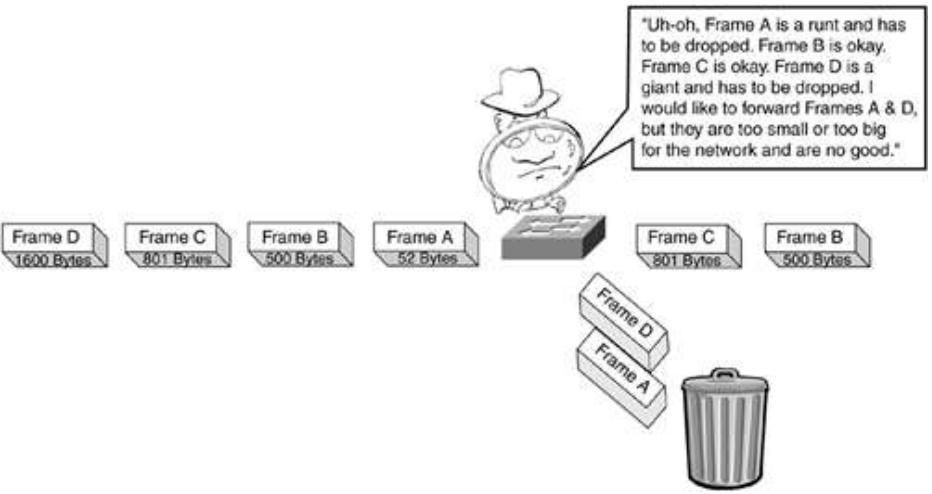


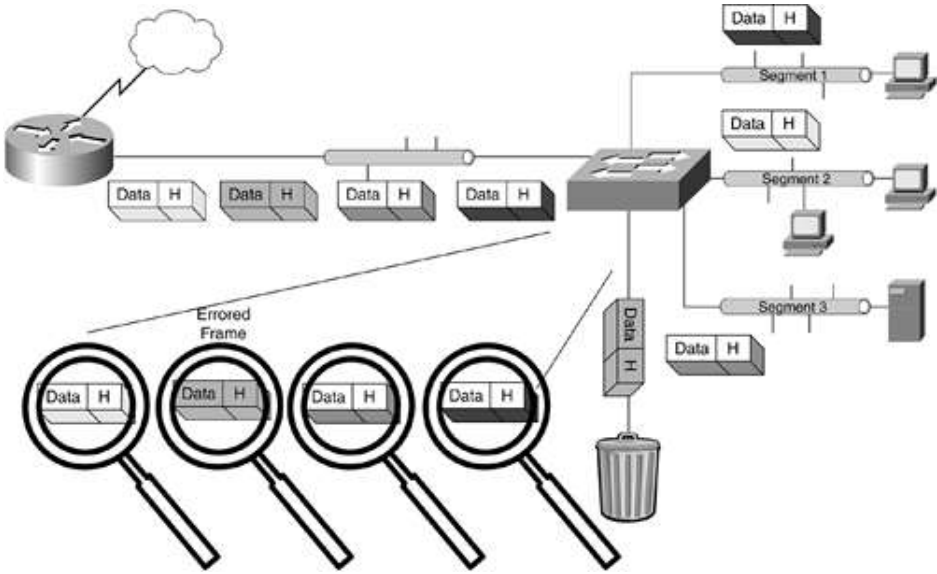
Layer 2 Switches

- Central hub acts as switch
- Incoming frame from particular station switched to appropriate output line
- Unused lines can switch other traffic
- More than one station transmitting at a time
- Multiplying capacity of LAN

Layer 2 Switching Methods

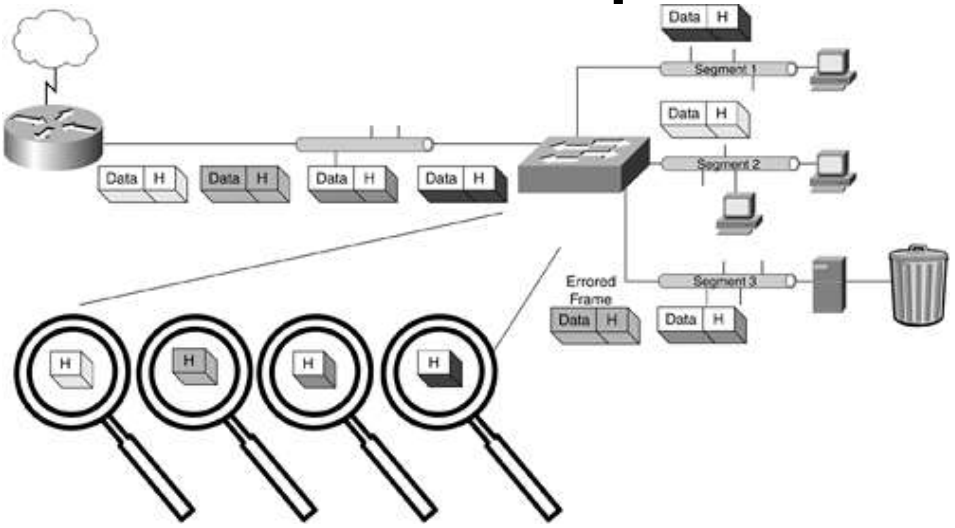
- **Store-and-forward switching**
  - Accepts frame on input line
  - Buffers it briefly,
  - Then routes it to appropriate output line
  - Delay between sender and receiver
  - Boosts integrity of network





Layer 2 Switching Methods

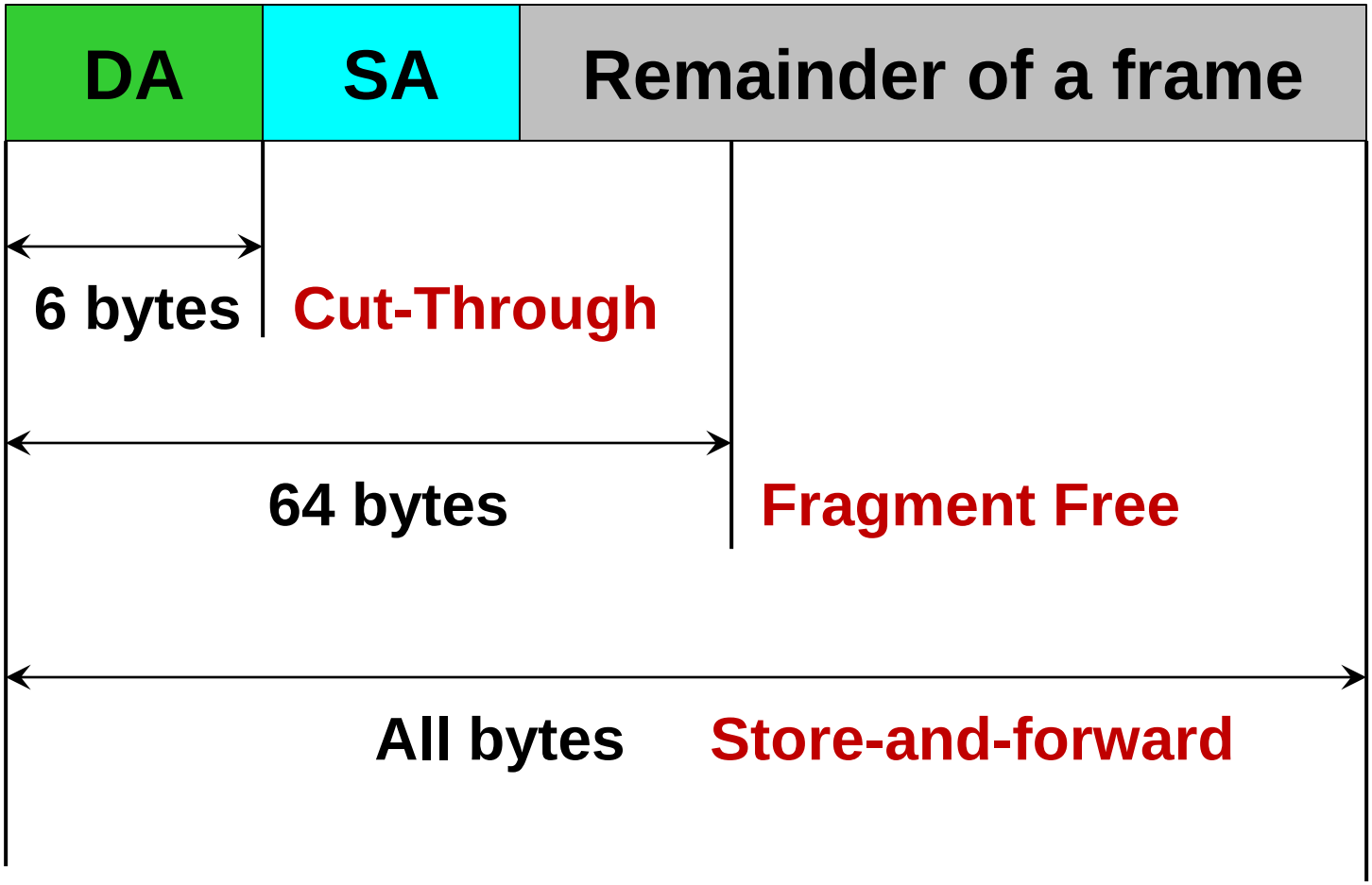
- **Cut-through switching**
  - Takes advantage of destination address appearing at beginning of frame
  - Switch begins repeating frame onto output line as soon as it recognizes destination address
  - Highest possible throughput
  - Risk of propagating bad frames
    - Switch unable to check CRC prior to retransmission



Layer 2 Switching Methods

- **Fragment Free switching**
  - A hybrid version of Store and Forward and Cut- Through.
  - It stores and checks the first 64 bytes of the frame before forwarding. It processes only those frames that have first 64bytes valid.
  - Any frame less than 64 bytes is known as runt. Runt is an invalid frame type.
  - This method filters runt while maintaining the speed.

Layer 2 Switching Methods



Layer 2 Switch

- **Challenge**
  - Learning which frames to copy across links
  - Avoiding forwarding loops

WHY and HOW?

Fast Ethernet

- IEEE 802.3u
- 10x speed increase (100m max cable length retains min 64 byte frames)
- Replace Manchester with 4B/5B
- Full-duplex operation using switches
- Speed & duplex auto-negotiation

- 在半双工方式下，仍使用 IEEE 802.3 的CSMA/CD 协议。
- 可在全双工方式下工作而无冲突发生。此时不使用 CSMA/CD 协议
- MAC 帧格式仍然是 802.3 标准规定的

Fast Ethernet

- 三种不同的物理层标准
  - 100BASE-TX
    - 使用 2 对 UTP 5 类线或屏蔽双绞线 STP
  - 100BASE-FX
    - 使用 2 对光纤
  - 100BASE-T4
    - 使用 4 对 UTP 3 类线或 5 类线

Name	Cable	Max. segment	Advantages
100Base-T4	Twisted pair	100 m	Uses category 3 UTP
100Base-TX	Twisted pair	100 m	Full duplex at 100 Mbps
100Base-FX	Fiber optics	2000 m	Full duplex at 100 Mbps; long runs

Gigabit Ethernet

- IEEE 802.3{z, ab}
- uses standard Ethernet frame format
- allows for point-to-point links and shared broadcast channels
- in shared mode, CSMA/CD is used; short distances between nodes required for efficiency
- Full-Duplex at 1 Gbps for point-to-point links

Gigabit Ethernet Specifications

- **Two different modes of operation**
  - **Full-duplex mode:** allows traffic in both direction at the same time, point-to-point communication, no contention, **CSMA/CD is not used**.
  - **Half-duplex mode:** connected to a hub, collisions are possible, **CSMA/CD is required**, the maximum distance is 100 times less, or 25 meters for 64-byte short frame, to maintain the essential properties of Ethernet.

Gigabit Ethernet Specifications

- **Two features to the standard to increase the radius**
  - **Carrier extension:** tells the hardware to add its own padding after the normal frame to extend the frame to 512 bytes, has a line efficiency of 9%(46/512).
  - **Frame bursting:** allows a sender to transmit a concatenated sequence of multiple frames in a single transmission, if the total burst is less than 512 bytes, the hardware pads it again.

Gigabit Ethernet

- 不同的物理层
  - 1000BASE-X：基于光纤通道的物理层
    - 1000BASE-SX　SX表示短波长
    - 1000BASE-LX　LX表示长波长
    - 1000BASE-CX　CX表示铜线
  - 1000BASE-T
    - 使用 4对 5 类线 UTP

Name	Cable	Max. segment	Advantages
1000Base-SX	Fiber optics	550 m	Multimode fiber (50, 62.5 microns)
1000Base-LX	Fiber optics	5000 m	Single (10 μ) or multimode (50, 62.5 μ)
1000Base-CX	2 Pairs of STP	25 m	Shielded twisted pair
1000Base-T	4 Pairs of UTP	100 m	Standard category 5 UTP

Chapter 4: roadmap

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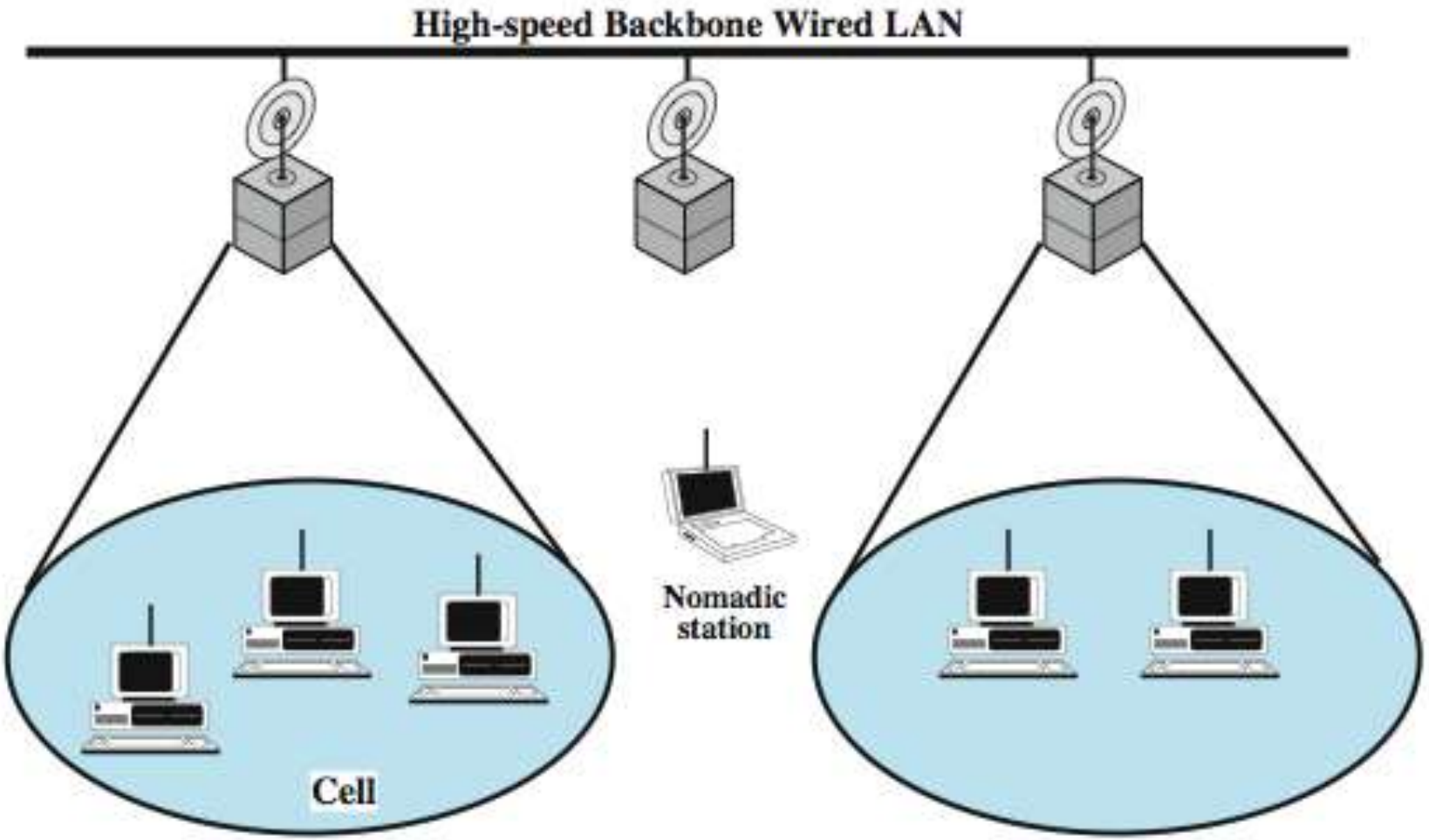
Wireless LAN

- A wireless LAN or WLAN is a wireless local area network that uses radio waves as its carrier.
- Key application areas:
  - LAN extension
  - cross-building interconnect
  - nomadic access
  - ad hoc networking

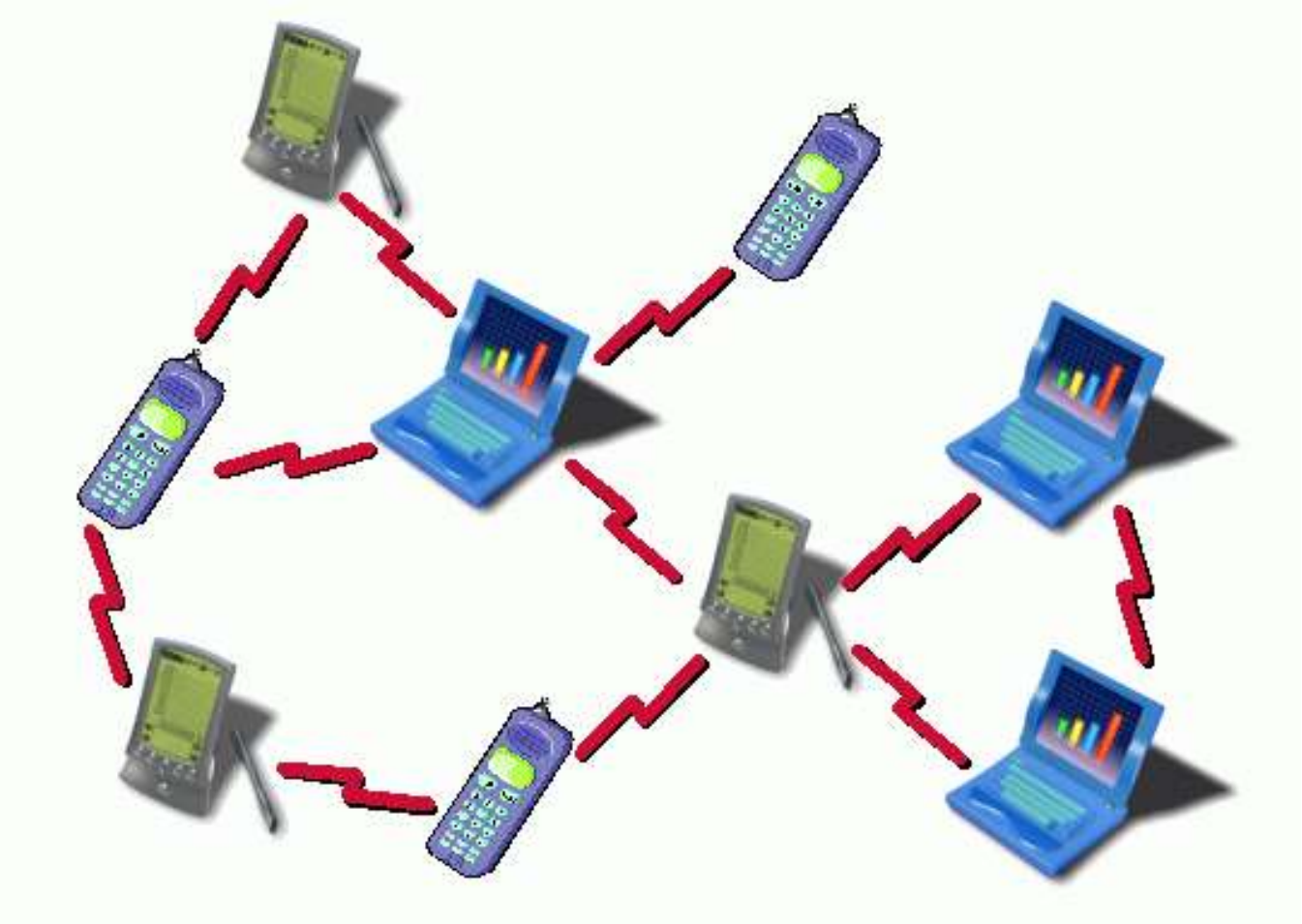
Infrastructure Wireless LAN



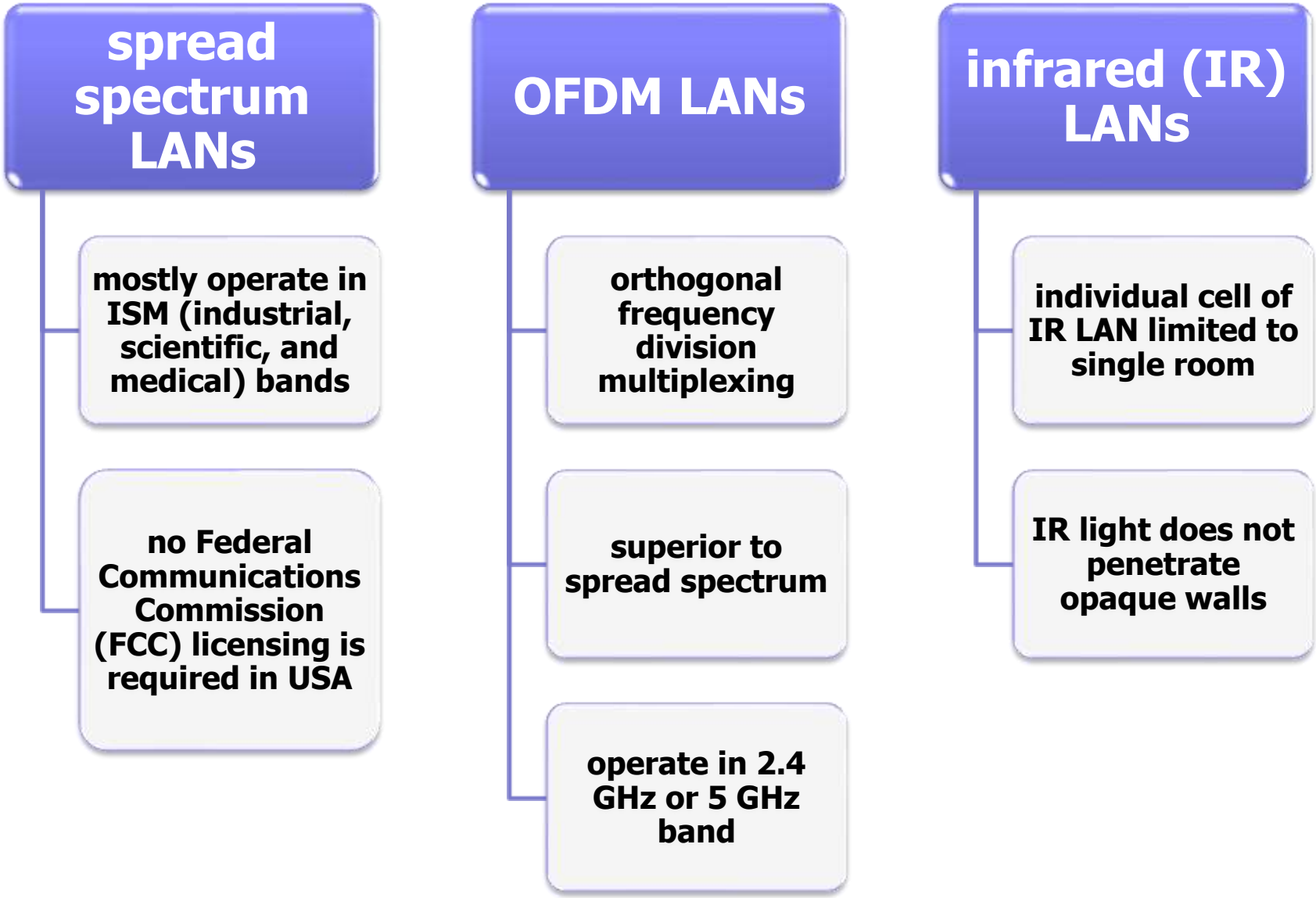
(a) Infrastructure Wireless LAN

Ad Hoc Networking

temporary peer-to-peer network (no infrastructure)



Wireless LAN Technologies

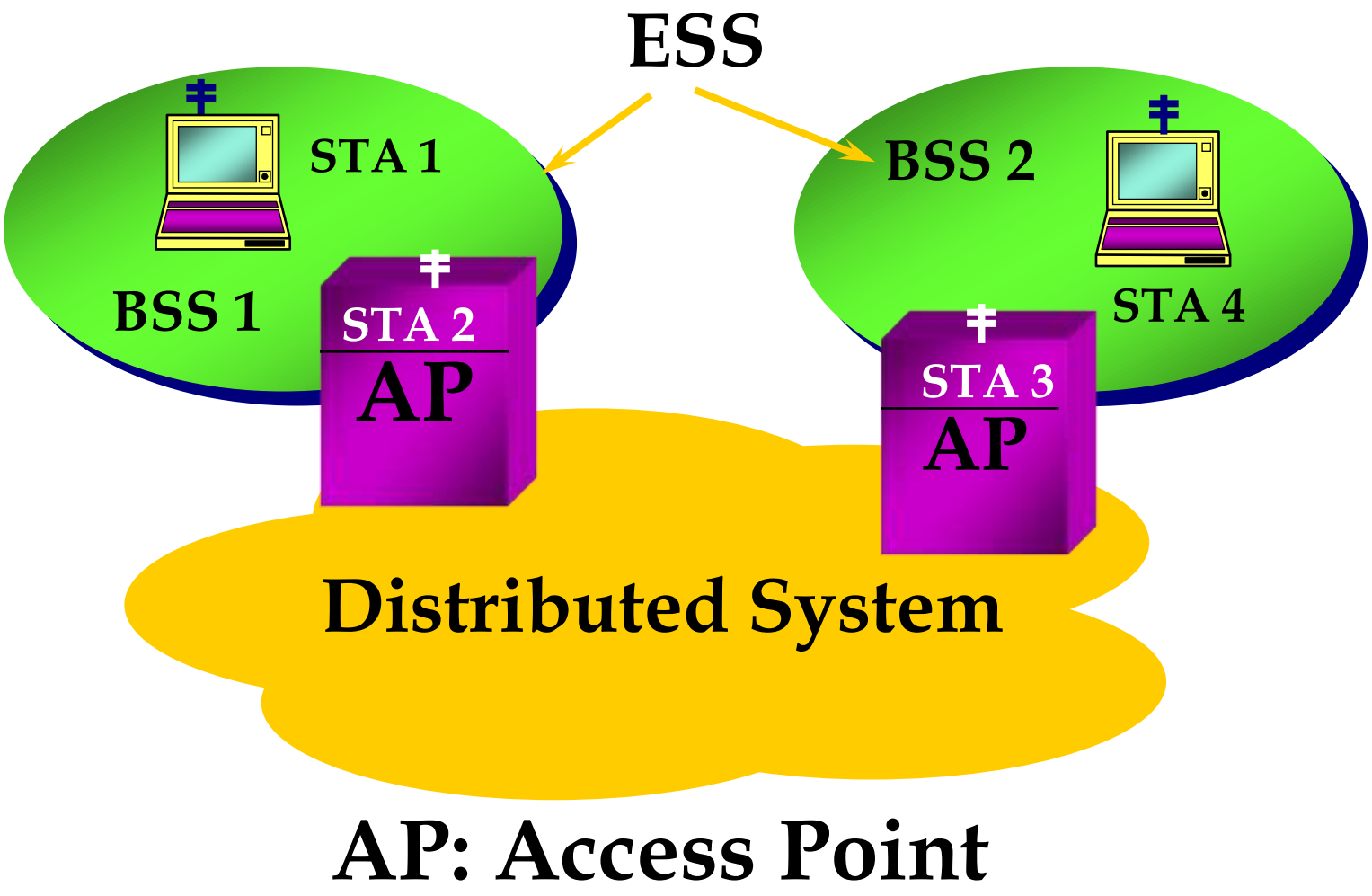


Standard	Scope
IEEE 802.11	Medium access control (MAC): One common MAC for WLAN applications
	Physical layer: Infrared at 1 and 2 Mbps
	Physical layer: 2.4-GHz FHSS at 1 and 2 Mbps
	Physical layer: 2.4-GHz DSSS at 1 and 2 Mbps
IEEE 802.11a	Physical layer: 5-GHz OFDM at rates from 6 to 54 Mbps
IEEE 802.11b	Physical layer: 2.4-GHz DSSS at 5.5 and 11 Mbps
IEEE 802.11c	Bridge operation at 802.11 MAC layer
IEEE 802.11d	Physical layer: Extend operation of 802.11 WLANs to new regulatory domains (countries)
IEEE 802.11e	MAC: Enhance to improve quality of service and enhance security mechanisms
IEEE 802.11f	Recommended practices for multivendor access point interoperability
IEEE 802.11g	Physical layer: Extend 802.11b to data rates >20 Mbps
IEEE 802.11h	Physical/MAC: Enhance IEEE 802.11a to add indoor and outdoor channel selection and to improve spectrum and transmit power management
IEEE 802.11i	MAC: Enhance security and authentication mechanisms
IEEE 802.11j	Physical: Enhance IEEE 802.11a to conform to Japanese requirements
IEEE 802.11k	Radio resource measurement enhancements to provide interface to higher layers for radio and network measurements
IEEE 802.11m	Maintenance of IEEE 802.11-1999 standard with technical and editorial corrections
IEEE 802.11n	Physical/MAC: Enhancements to enable higher throughput
IEEE 802.11p	Physical/MAC: Wireless access in vehicular environments
IEEE 802.11r	Physical/MAC: Fast roaming (fast BSS transition)
IEEE 802.11s	Physical/MAC: ESS mesh networking
IEEE 802.11,2	Recommended practice for the Evaluation of 802.11 wireless performance
IEEE 802.11u	Physical/MAC: Interworking with external networks

IEEE 802.11 Standards

IEEE 802.11 only standardizes the physical and medium access control layers.

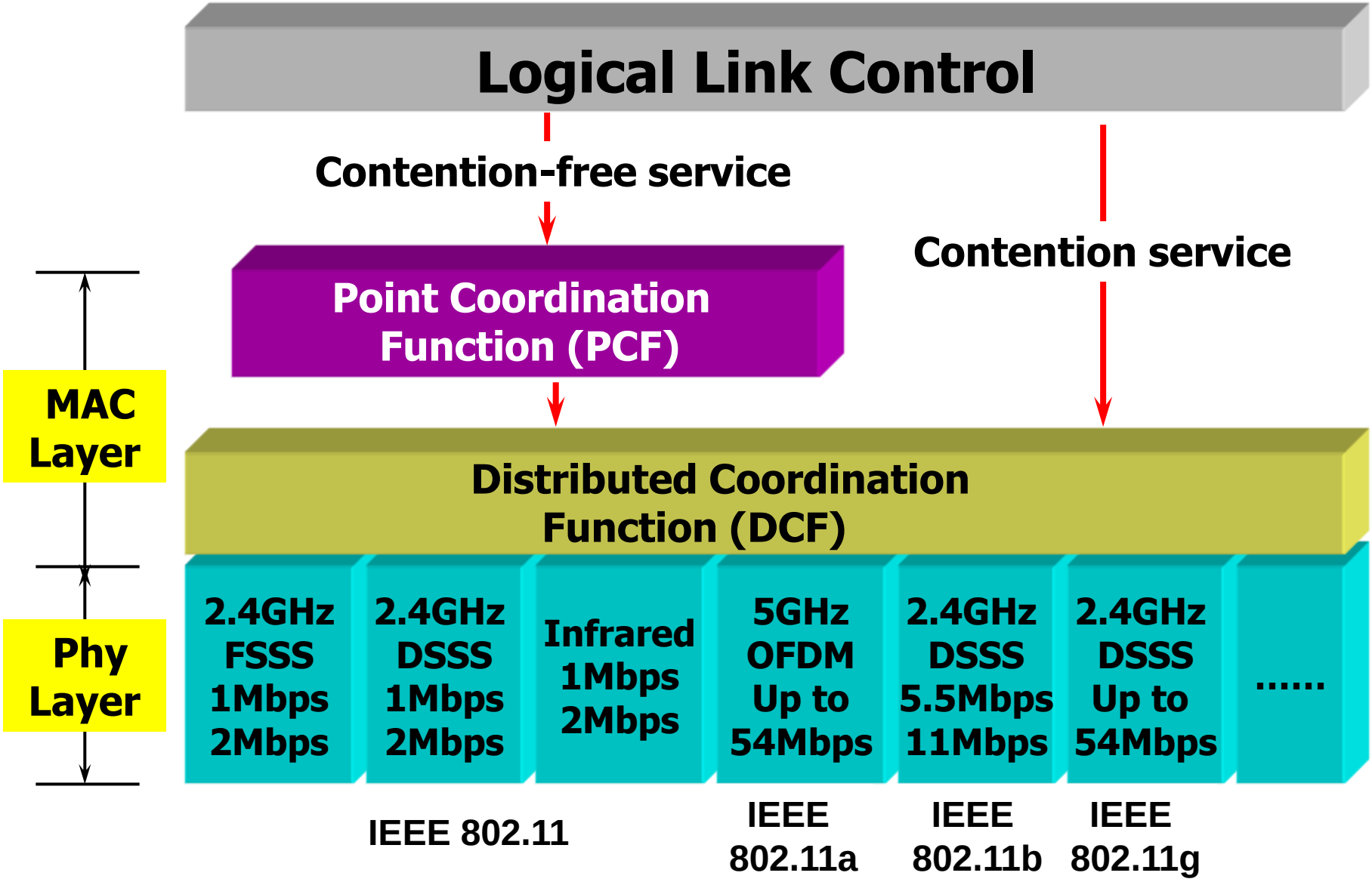
802.11 Architecture Components



IEEE 802.11 Terminology

- **Access point (AP):** A station that provides access to the DS.
- **Basic service set (BSS):** A set of stations controlled by a single AP.
- **Distribution system (DS):** A system used to interconnect a set of BSSs to create an ESS.
  - DS is implementation-independent. It can be a wired 802.3 Ethernet LAN, or another 802.11 medium.
- **Extended service set (ESS):**Two or more BSS interconnected by DS
- **Portal:** Logical entity where 802.11 network integrates with a non 802.11 network.

Medium Access Control



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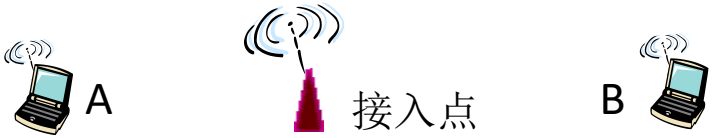

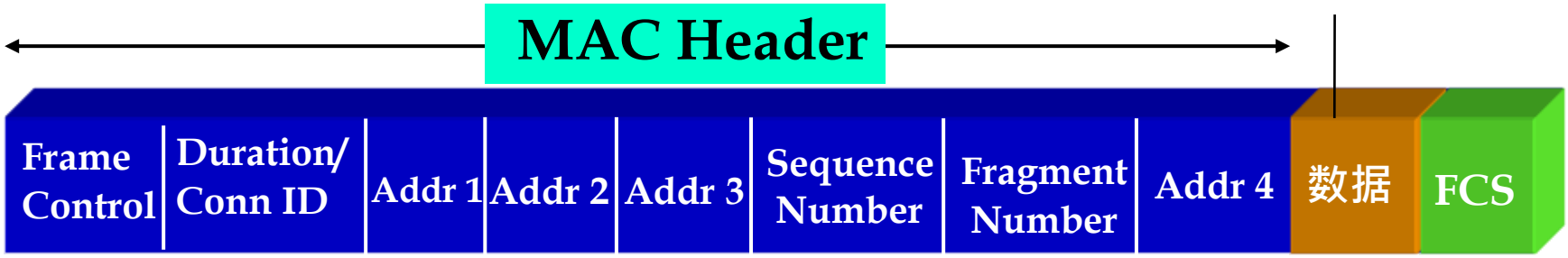

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0	0	DA	SA	BSSID	N/A
0	1	DA	BSSID	SA	N/A
1	0	BSSID	SA	DA	N/A
1	1	RA	TA	DA	SA

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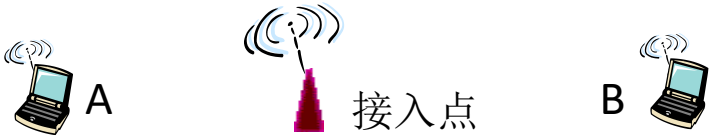

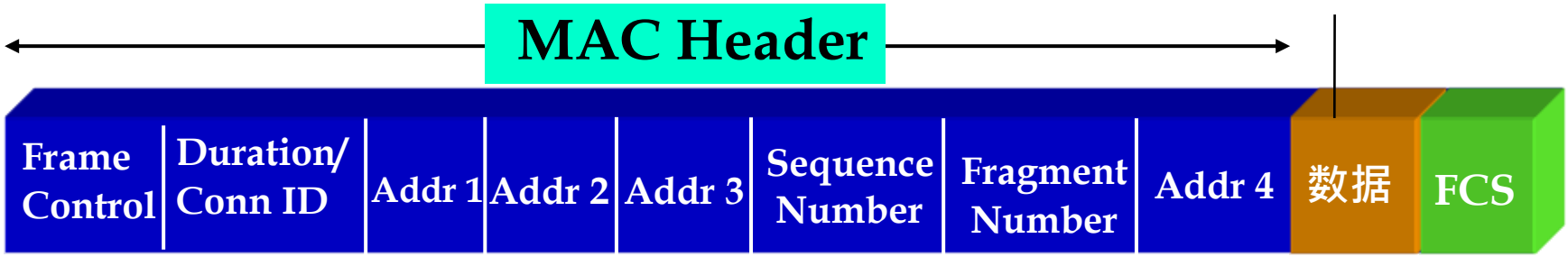

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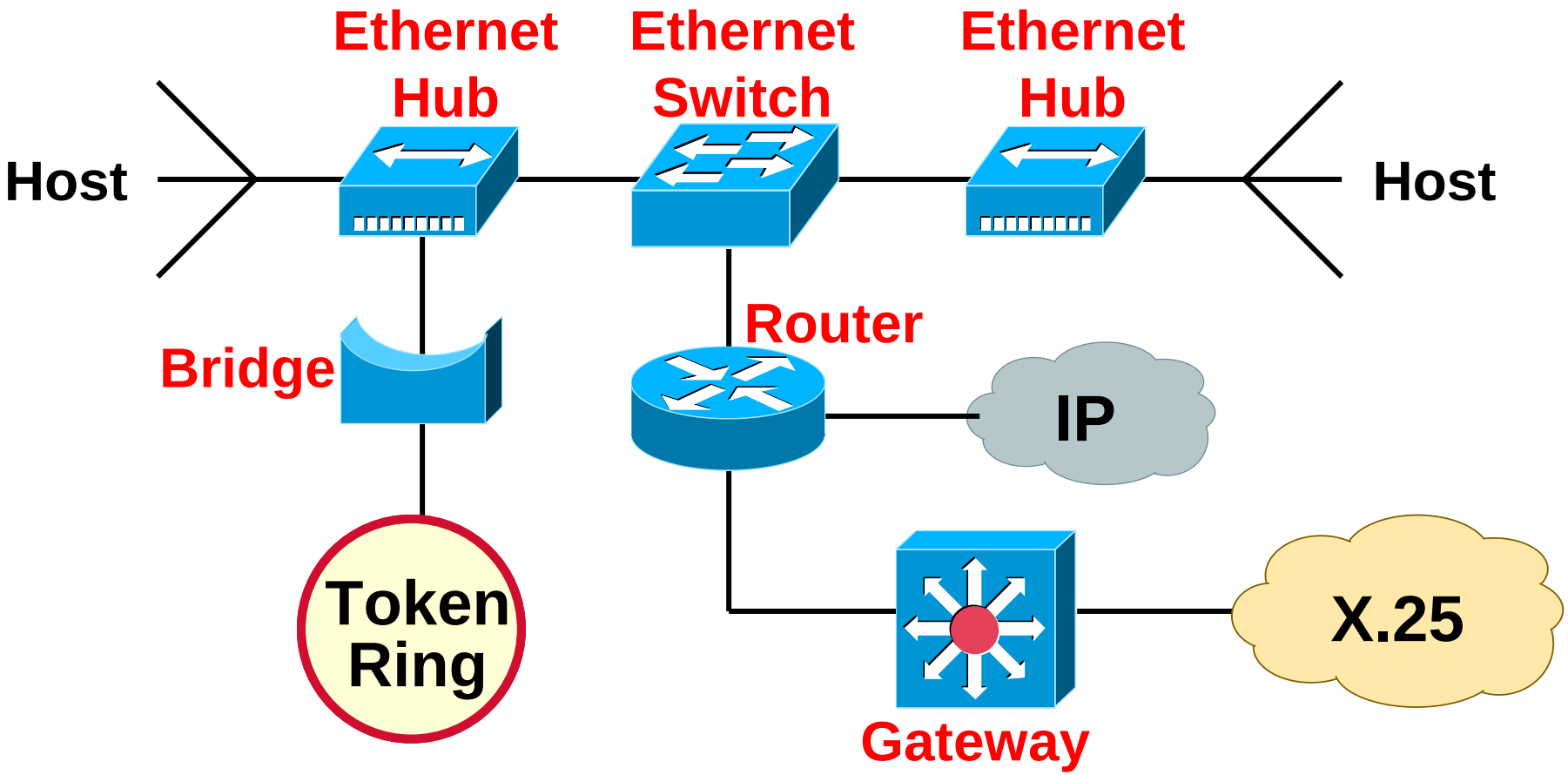
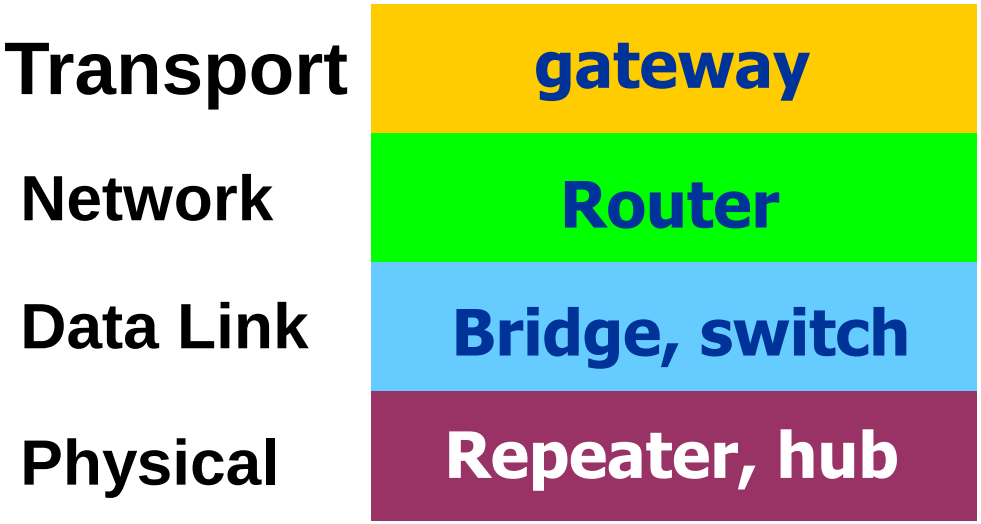
LAN Interconnection

- There are many different devices for interconnecting networks



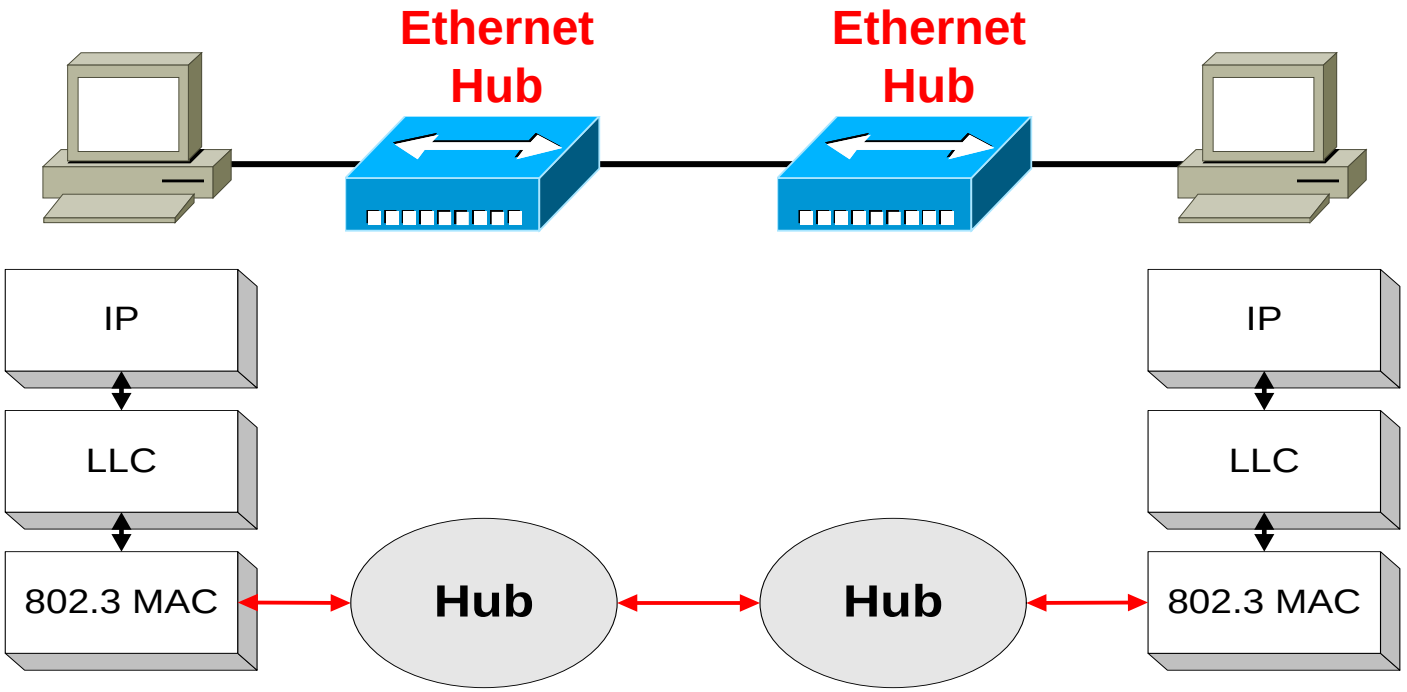
LAN Interconnection

- Different devices switch different things
  - **Physical layer:** electrical signals (repeaters and hubs)
  - **Link layer:** frames (bridges and switches)
  - **Network layer:** packets (routers)
  - **Transport and above layers:** message (gateways)



Hub/Repeater

- Operate at physical layer
- Used to connect hosts to Ethernet LAN and to connect multiple Ethernet LANs
- Collisions are propagated



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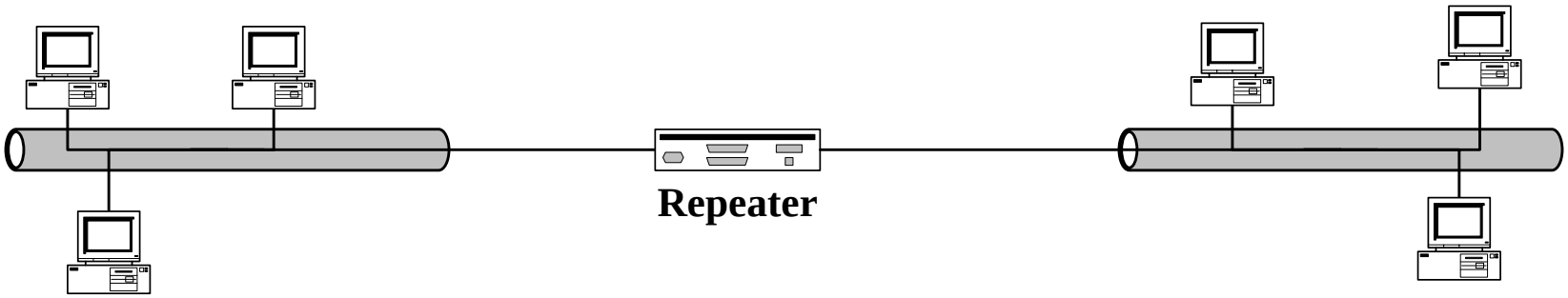

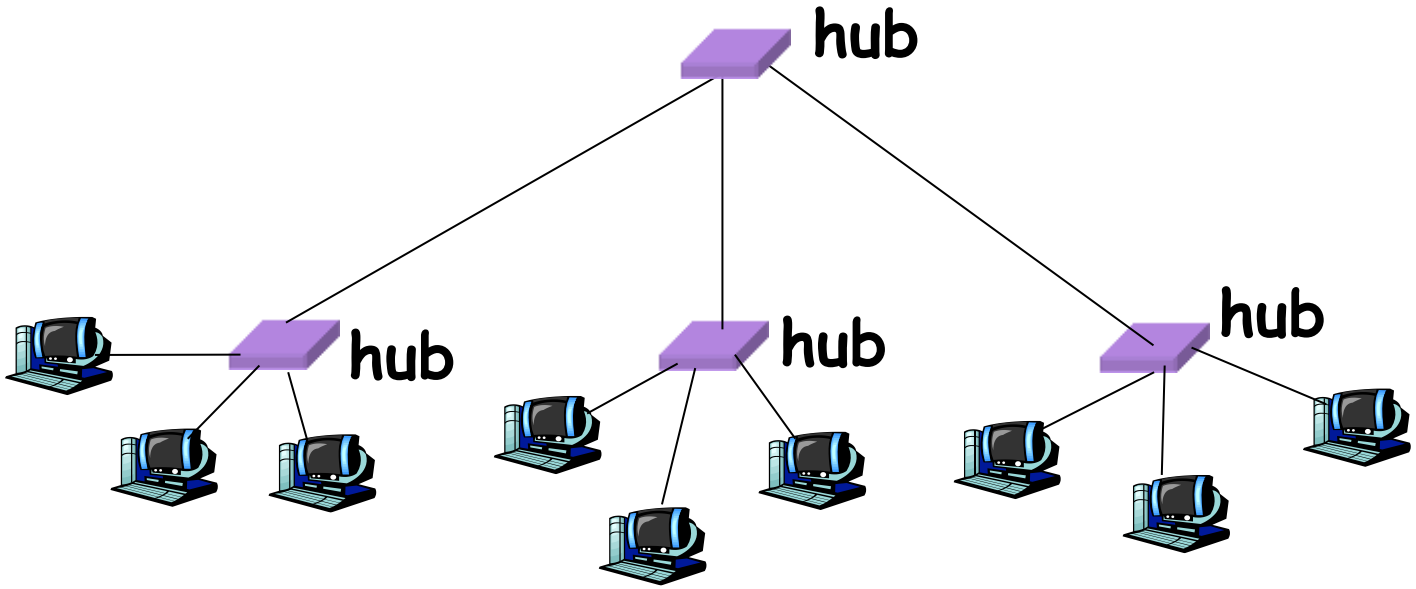

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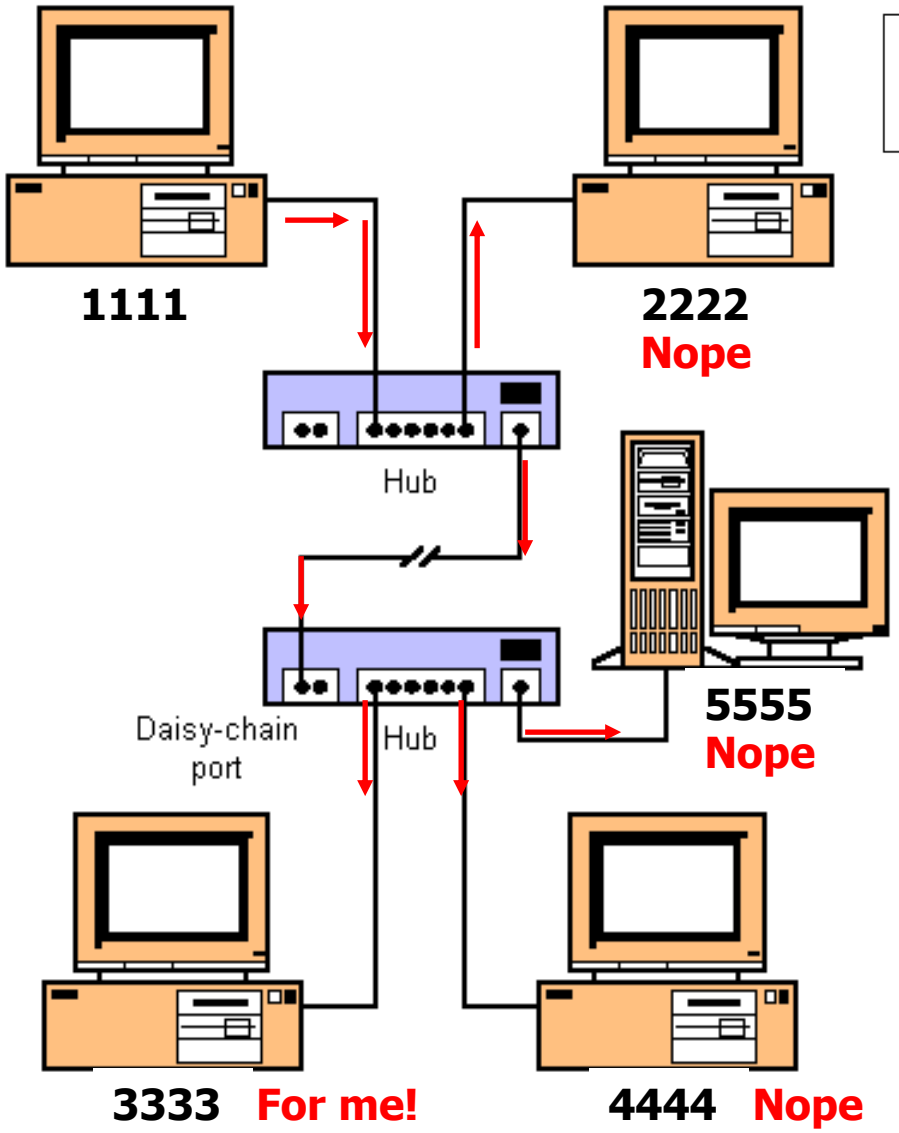


Preamble	Destination Address	Source Address	Type	Data	Pad	CRC

3333 1111

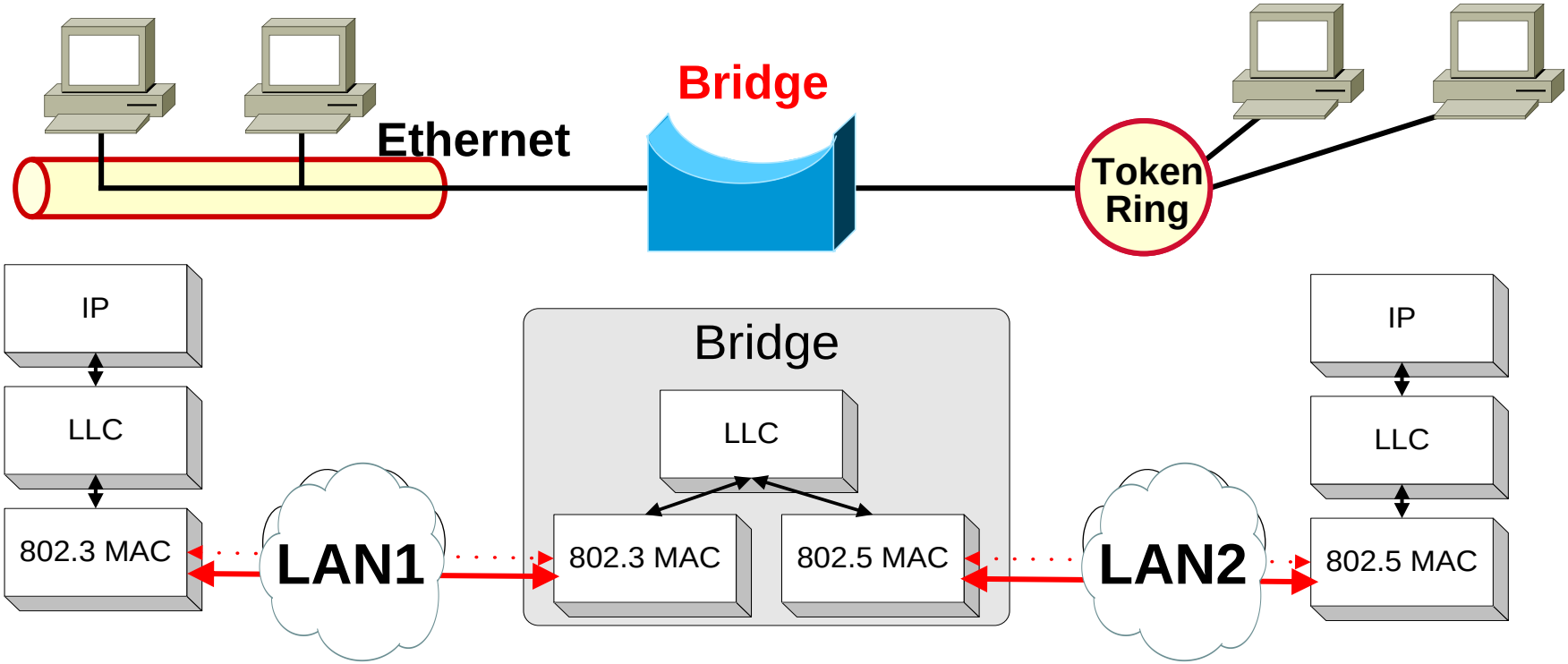
- The hub will flood it out all ports except for the incoming port.
- A hub or series of hubs is a single collision domain.

Limitations of Repeaters and Hubs

- **One large collision domain**
  - Every bit is sent everywhere
  - So, aggregate throughput is limited
  - E.g., three departments each get 10 Mbps independently
    - … and then connect via a hub and must share 10 Mbps
- **Cannot support different LAN technologies**
  - Does not buffer or interpret frames
  - So, can't interconnect between different rates or formats
    - E.g., 10 Mbps Ethernet and 100 Mbps Ethernet
- **Limitations on maximum nodes and distances**
  - Does not circumvent the limitations of shared media
    - E.g., still cannot go beyond 2500 meters on Ethernet

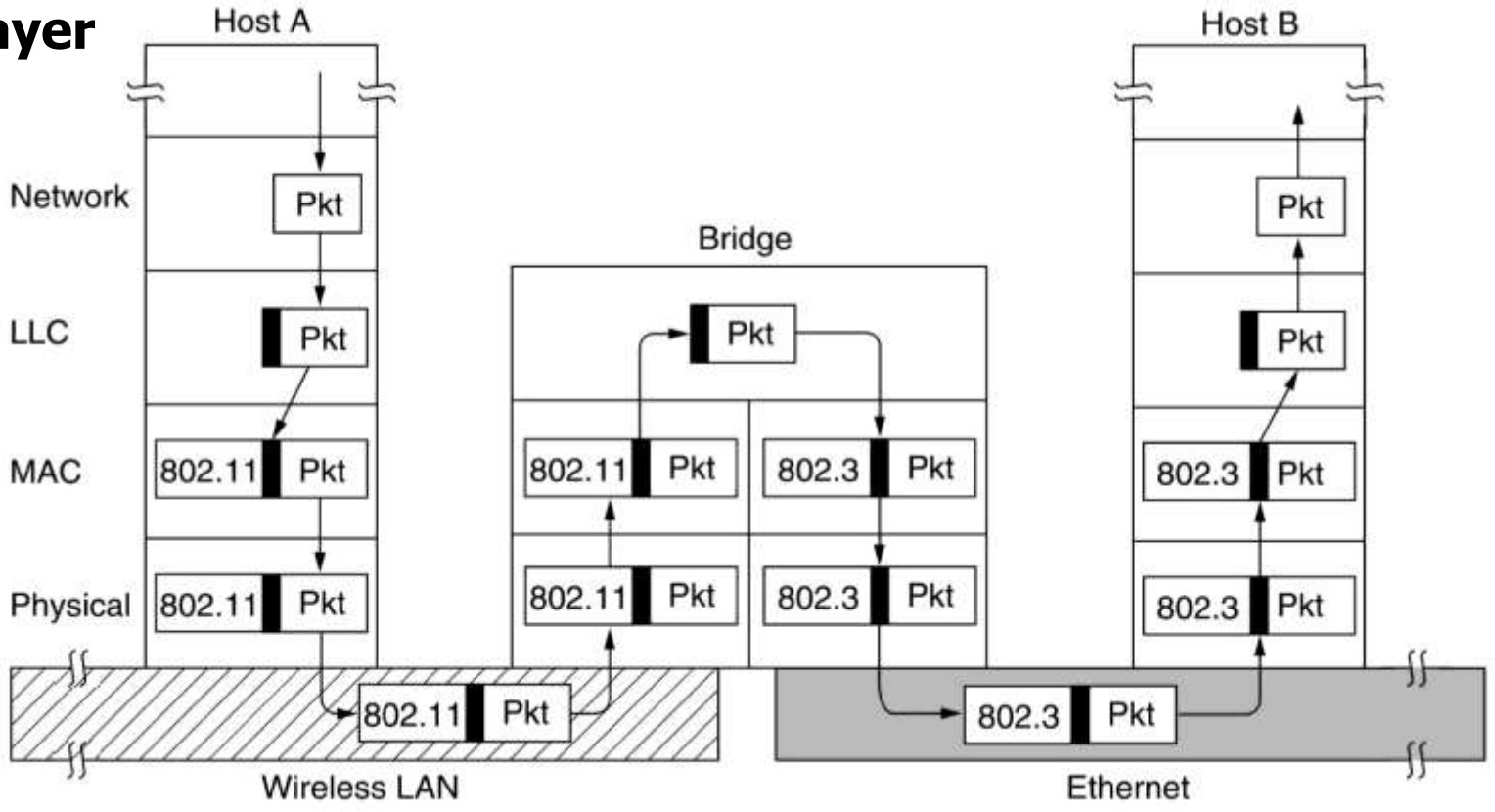
Bridges

- **Operate at Data-Link layer (Layer 2)**
- **Interconnects two or more Local Area Networks (LANs) and forwards frames between these networks.**



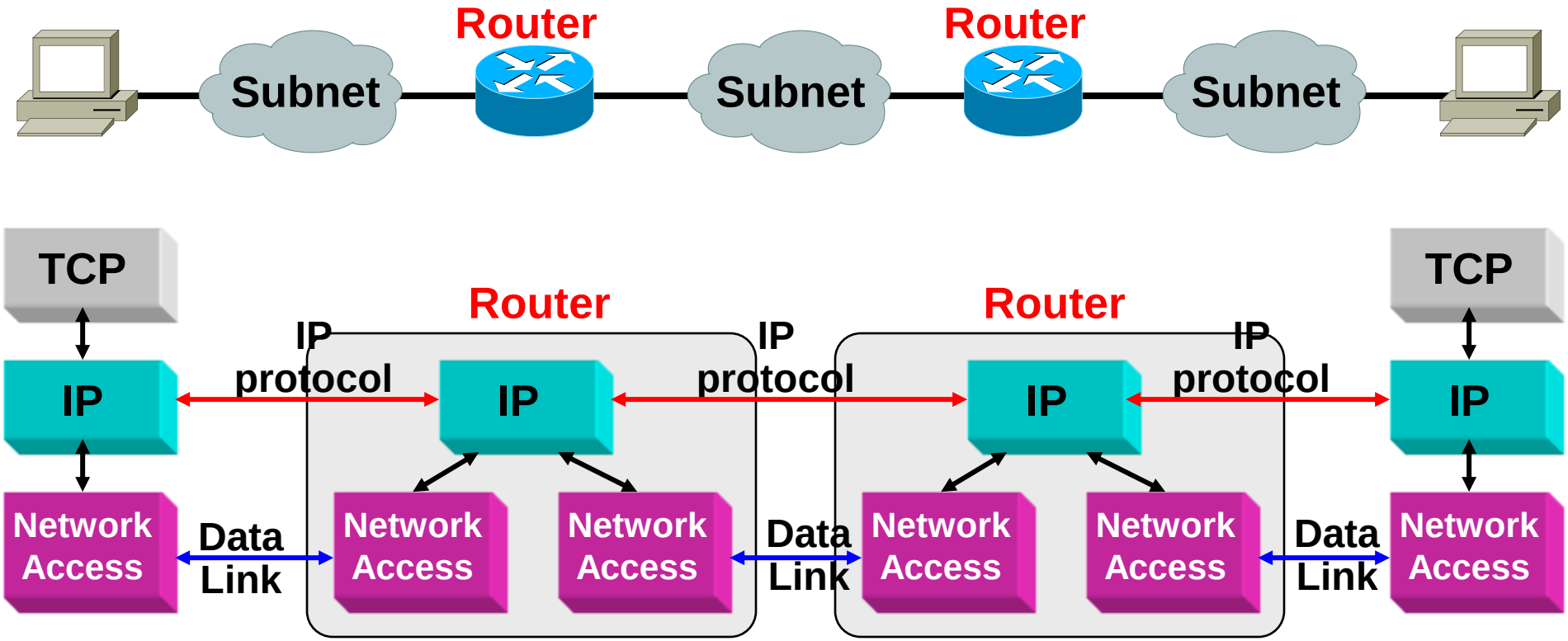
Bridges from 802.x to 802.y

- **Principle Operations**
  - A packet is passed to the data link layer (LLC part)
  - It is then passed to the MAC layer (specific access strategy)
  - A bridge converts the stuff above the MAC layer, in the LLC layer



Routers

- Operate at the Network Layer (Layer 3)
- Interconnect different subnetworks



Routers

- Packet forwarding
- Packet filtering
- Packet switching (Routing)
- Traffic management
- QoS
- …

Not transparent to hosts!

Gateways

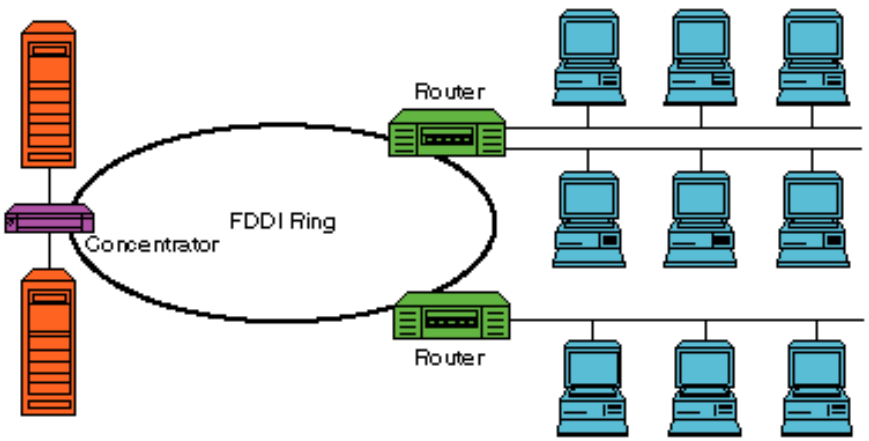
- Different meanings in different contexts:
  - a generic term for routers (Level 3)
  - also used for a device that interconnects different Layer 3 networks and which performs translation of protocols ("Multi-protocol router")

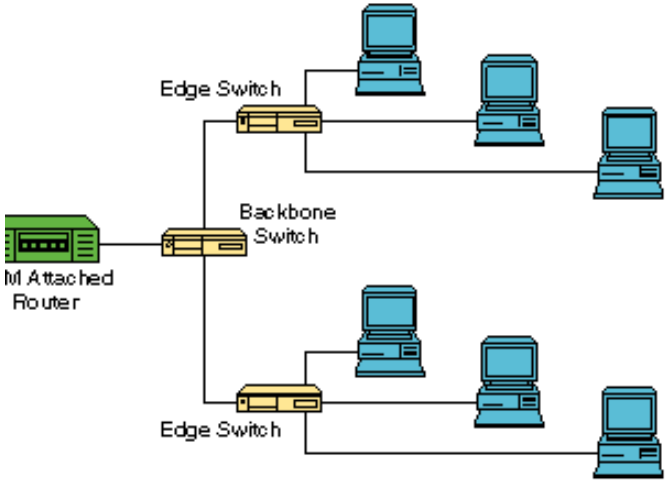
Gateways

- 功能：
  - 报文格式转换
  - 地址映射
  - 网络协议转换
  - 原语连接转换
  - 连接不同体系结构的网络

Bridges/Switches versus Routers

- An enterprise network (e.g., university network) with a large number of local area networks (LANs) can use routers or bridges
- **Until early 1990s**: most LANs were interconnected by routers
- **Since mid1990s**: LAN switches replace most routers





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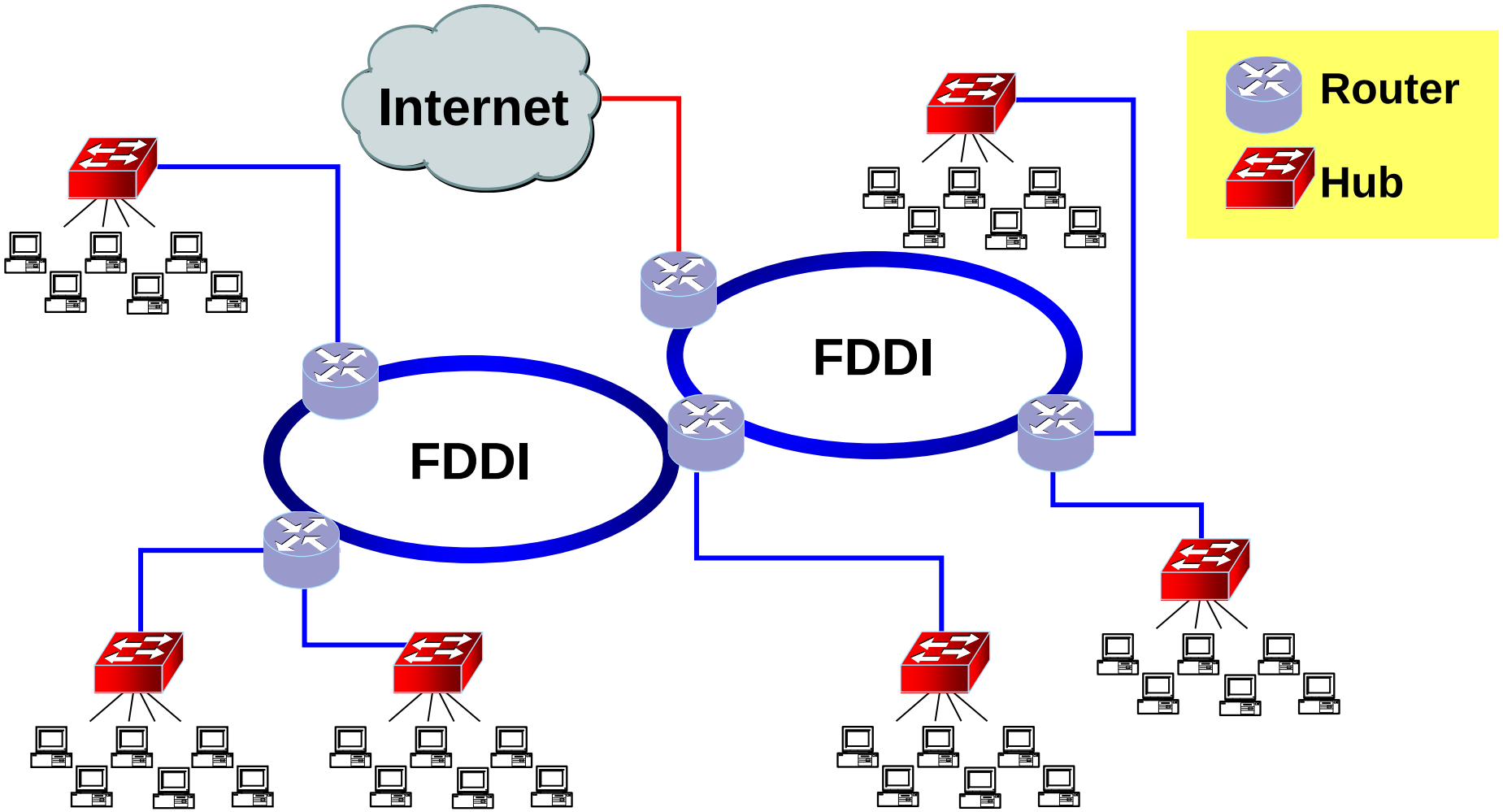

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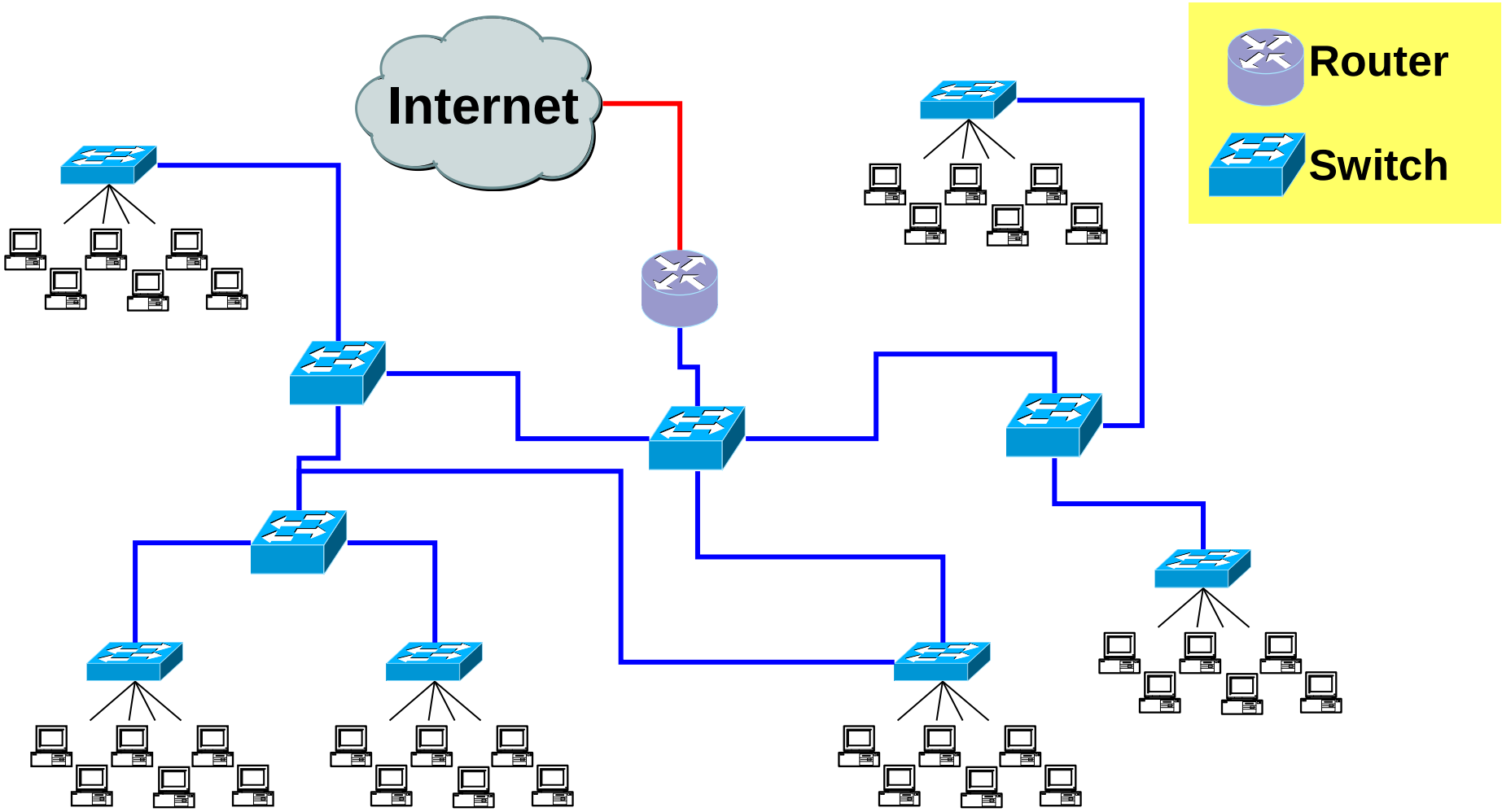


Bridges/Switches versus Routers

Routers

- Each host's IP address must be configured
- If network is reconfigured, IP addresses may need to be reassigned
- Routing done via RIP or OSPF
- Each router manipulates packet header (e.g., reduces TTL field)

Bridges/Switches

- MAC addresses are hardwired
- No network configuration needed
- No routing protocol needed (sort of)
  - learning bridge algorithm
  - spanning tree algorithm
- Bridges do not manipulate frames

Chapter 4: roadmap

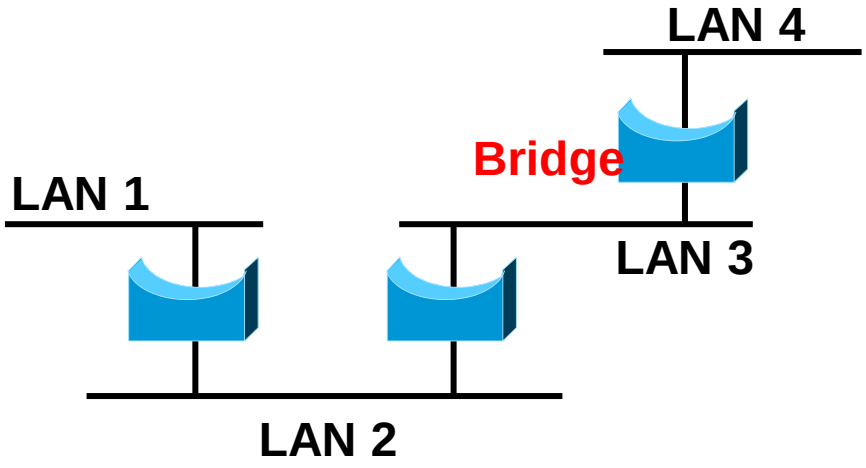
- Medium Access Control
- Local Area Networks (LANs) and IEEE 802
- Ethernet
- Wireless LAN
- LAN Interconnection
- LAN Switching
- VLAN

LAN Switching

- Traditional LAN
  - Shared medium (e.g., Ethernet)
  - Cheap, easy to administer
  - Supports broadcast traffic
- Problem
  - Scale
    - Larger geographic area (> O(1 km))
    - More hosts (> O(100))
  - But retain LAN-like functionality
- Solution
  - Bridges/Switches

Bridges

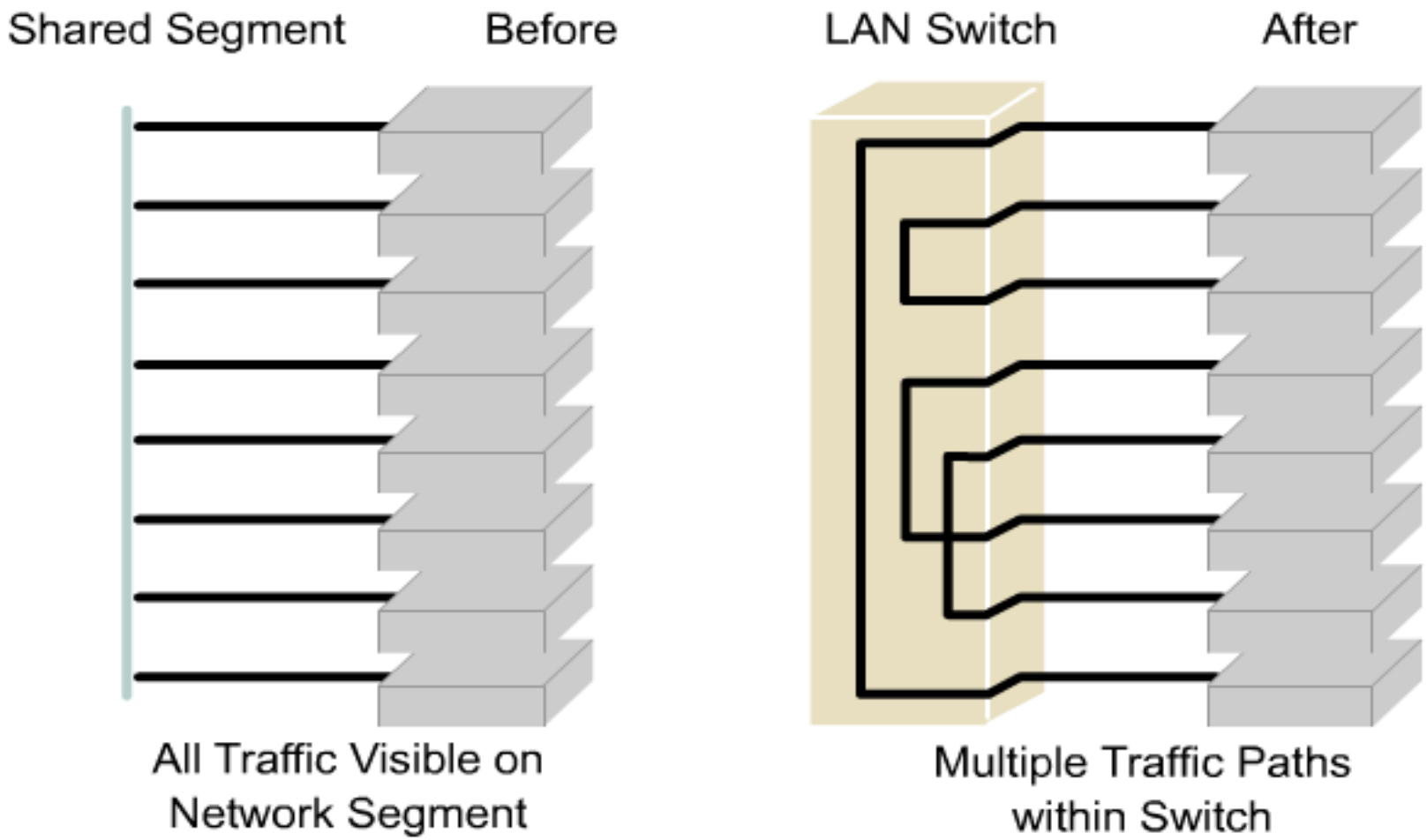
- Connect two or more LANs
  - Accept and forward
  - Level 2 connection (no extra packet header)
  - Each LAN is its own collision domain
- A collection of LANs connected by bridges is called an extended LAN



Bridges vs. Switches

- **Bridge**
  - Connect shared media
  - All ports bidirectional
  - **Limited scalability**
  - **Slow and Expensive**
- **Link layer switch**
  - Connects hosts and/or shared media
  - Many interfaces
  - Hardware-based switching fabric

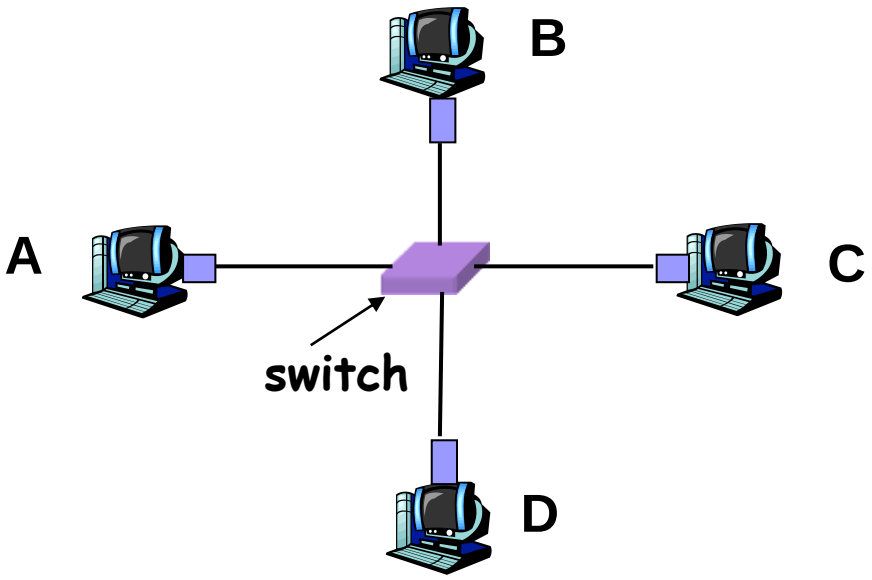
Switched Fabric



Switches: dedicated access

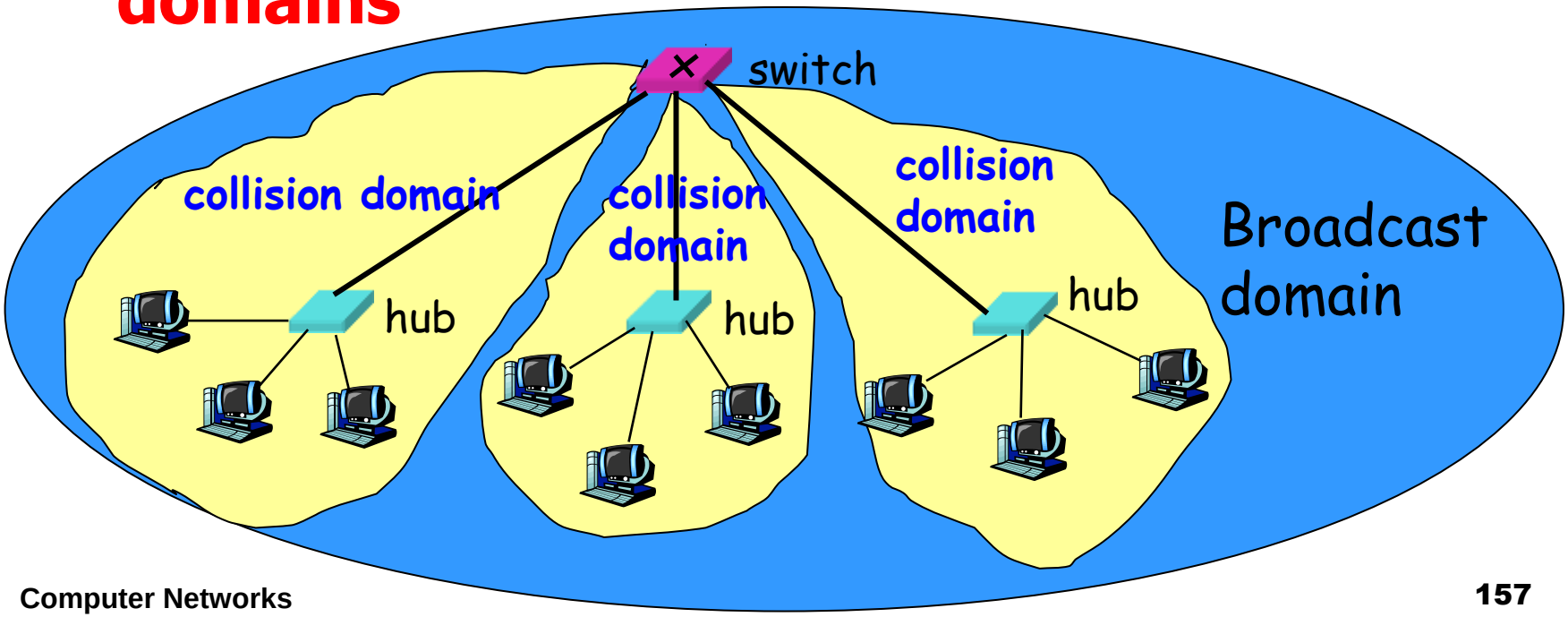
- With many interfaces
- Hosts have direct connection to switch
- full duplex
- No collisions;

Switching:
A-to-C and B-to-D simultaneously, no collisions.



Switch: traffic isolation

- Switch breaks subnet into LAN segments
- Switch filters frames:
  - same-LAN-segment frames not usually forwarded onto other LAN segments
  - segments become separate collision domains



Advantages Over Hubs/Repeaters

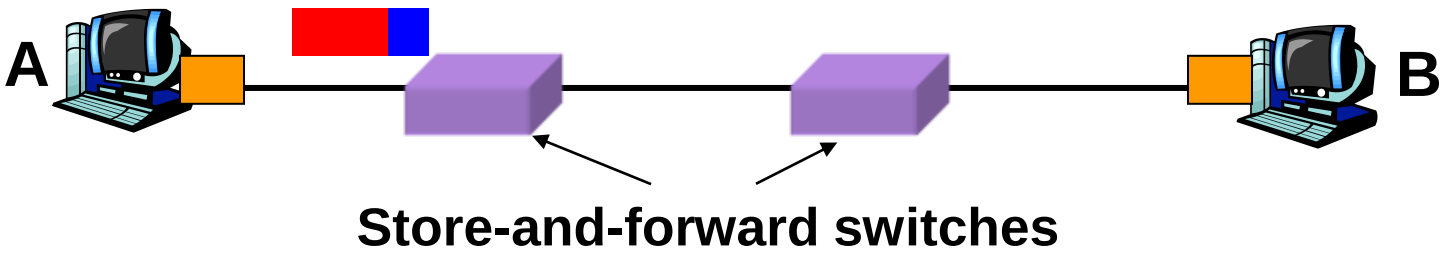
- **Only forwards frames as needed**
  - Filters frames to avoid unnecessary load on segments
  - Sends frames only to segments that need to see them
- **Extends the geographic span of the network**
  - Separate collision domains allow longer distances
- **Improves privacy by limiting scope of frames**
  - Hosts can "snoop" the traffic traversing their segment
  - … but not all the rest of the traffic
- **Applies carrier sense and collision detection**
  - Does not transmit when the link is busy
  - Applies exponential back-off after a collision
- **Joins segments using different technologies**

Disadvantages Over Hubs/Repeaters

- **Delay in forwarding frames**
  - Switch must receive and parse the frame
  - … and perform a look-up to decide where to forward
  - Storing and forwarding the packet introduces delay
  - **Solution: cut-through switching**
- **Need to learn where to forward frames**
  - Switch needs to construct a forwarding table
  - Ideally, without intervention from network administrators
  - Solution: self-learning
- **Higher cost**
  - More complicated devices that cost more money

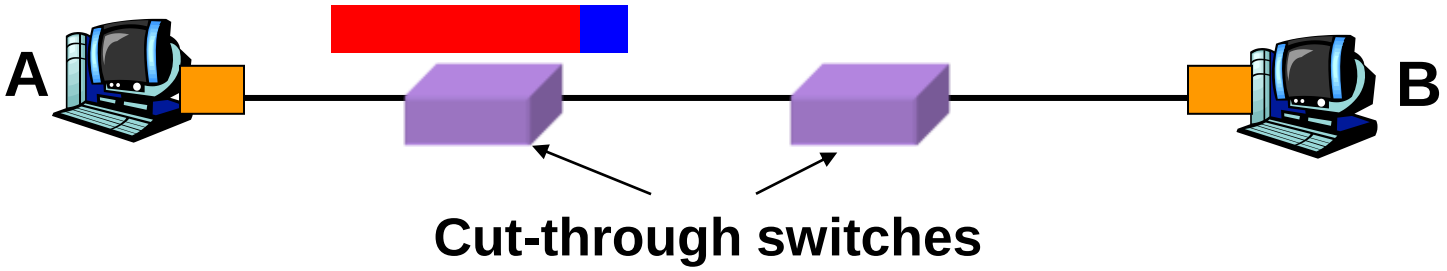
Motivation For Cut-Through Switching

- **Buffering a frame takes time**
  - Suppose L is the length of the frame, and R is the transmission rate of the links
  - Then, receiving the frame takes L/R time units
- **Buffering delay can be a high fraction of total delay**
  - Propagation delay is small over short distances

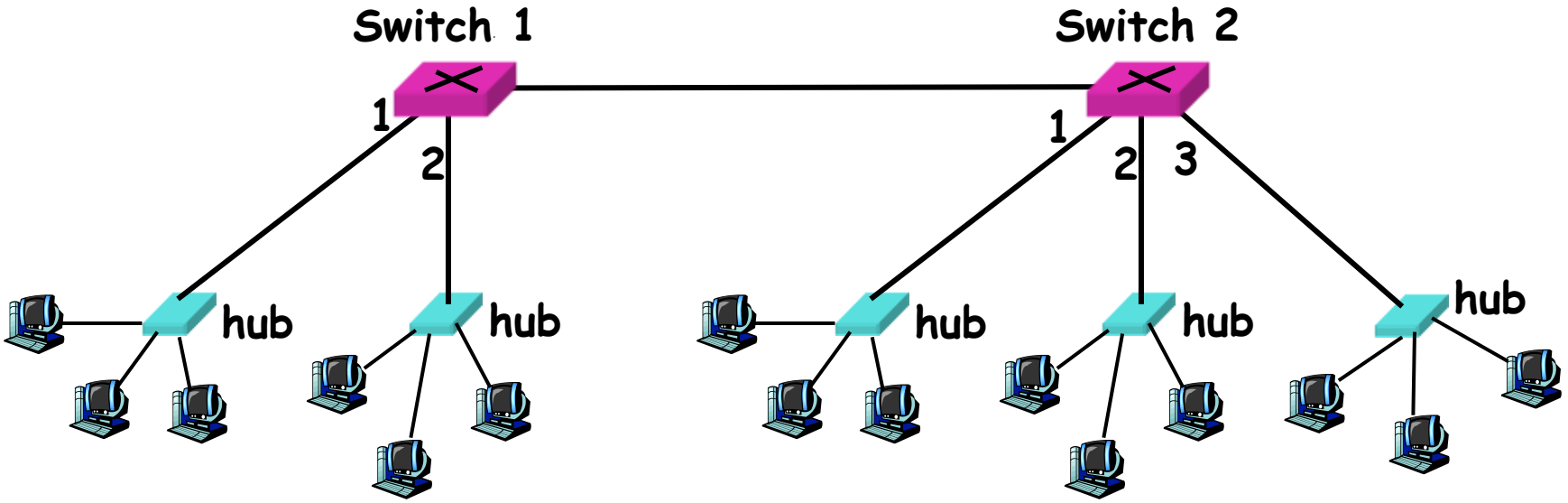


Cut-Through Switching

- **Start forward transmission as soon as possible**
  - Inspect the frame header and do the look-up
  - If outgoing link is idle, start forwarding the frame
- **Overlapping transmissions**
  - Transmit the head of the frame via the outgoing link,
  - … while still receiving the tail via the incoming link
  - Delay: head of the frame



Forwarding



- **Question:**
  How do determine onto which LAN segment to forward frame?

Self learning

- A switch has a switch table (Forwarding database, Forwarding table, MAC table)
- Entry in switch table:

  (MAC Address, Port, Age)

  MAC address: host name or group address

  port: port number of switch / bridge

  age: aging time of entry (stale entries in table dropped)

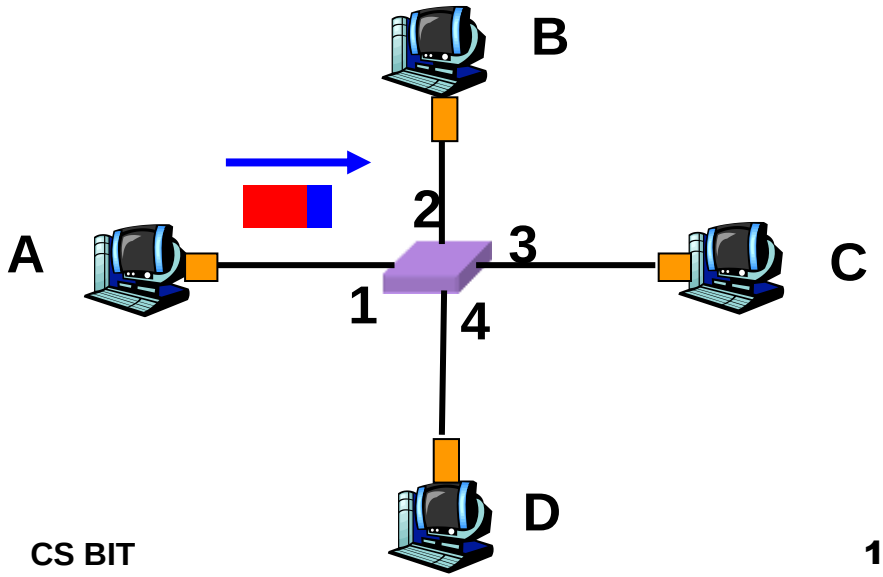
Interpretation:

a machine with MAC address lies in direction of the port number from the bridge. The entry is age time units old.

Self Learning: Building the Table

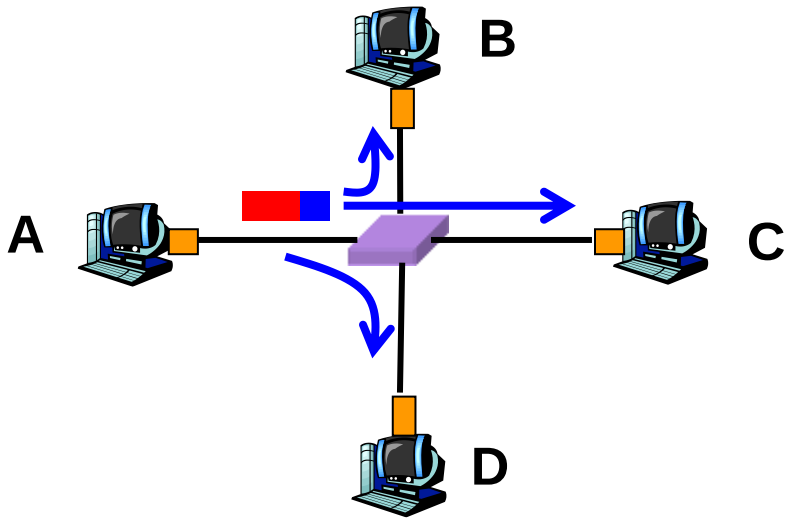
- When a frame arrives
  - Inspect the *source* MAC address
  - Associate the address with the *incoming* interface
  - Store the mapping in the switch table
  - Use a time-to-live field to eventually forget the mapping

Switch learns how to reach A.



Self Learning: Handling Misses

- **Miss:** output port to destination is not in switch table
- When frame arrives with **unfamiliar destination,** forward the frame out **all of the interfaces**
  - except for the one where the frame arrived



Filtering/Forwarding

When switch receives a frame:

index switch table using MAC dest address

if entry found for destination

then{

if dest on segment from which frame arrived

then drop the frame

else forward the frame on interface indicated

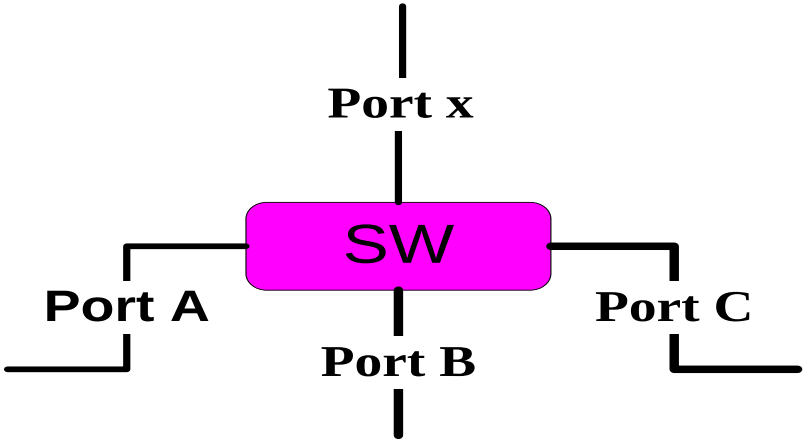
}

else flood

forward on all but the interface on which the frame arrived

Filtering/Forwarding

- **Assume a MAC frame arrives on port x.**



Is MAC address of destination in forwarding database for ports A, B, or C ?

Found?

Not found ?

Forward the frame on the appropriate port

Flood the frame, i.e. send the frame on all ports except port x.

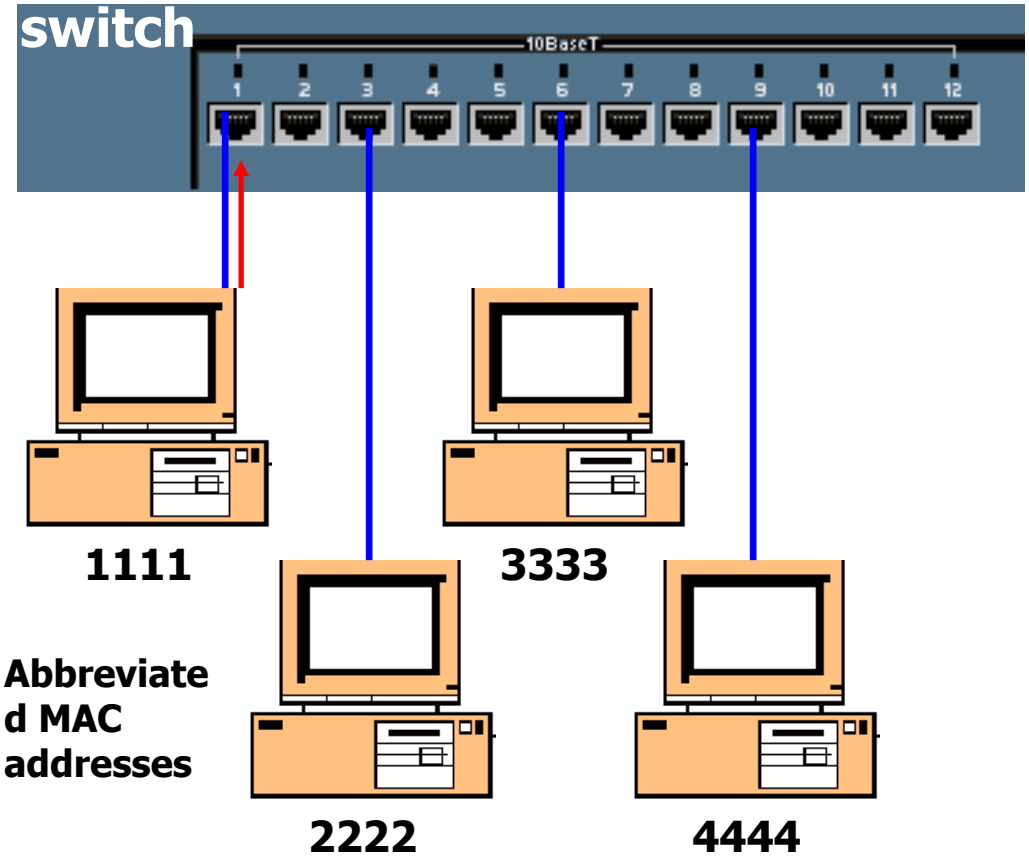
Sending and receiving Ethernet frames via a switch

Source Address Table

Port	Src. MAC Add.	Port	Src. MAC Add.

Preamble	Destination Address	Source Address	Type	Data	Pad	CRC

3333 1111



- Switches are also known as **learning bridges** or learning switches.
- A switch receives an Ethernet frame it searches the source address table for the Destination MAC address.

No Destination Address in table, Flood

Source Address Table

Port	Src. MAC Add.	Port	Src. MAC Add.
1	1111		

Preamble	Destination Address	Source Address	Type	Data	Pad	CRC
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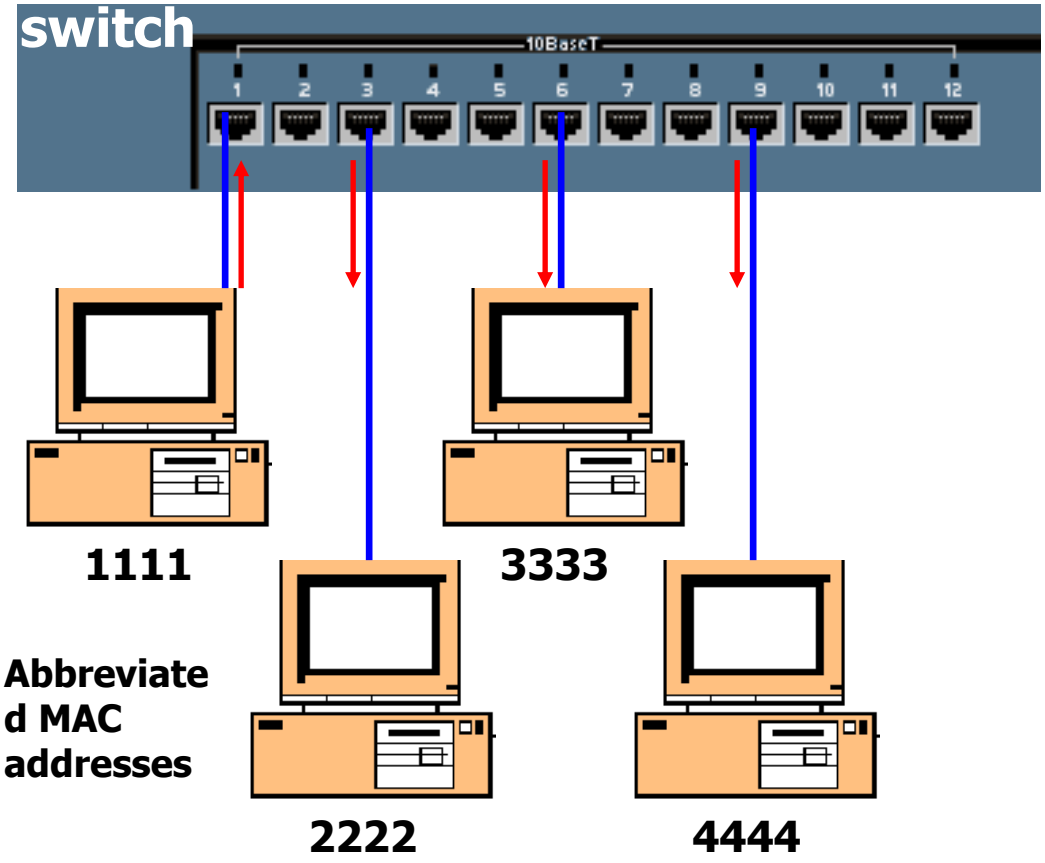

- If the SA (1111) is in it's table, it resets the timer (more in a moment).
- If it is NOT in the table it adds it, with the port number.
- Next, the switch will flood the frame out all other ports, because the DA is not in the source address table.

Destination Address in table, Filter

Source Address Table

Port	Src. MAC Add.	Port	Src. MAC Add.
1	1111	6	3333

Preamble	Destination Address	Source Address	Type	Data	Pad	CRC
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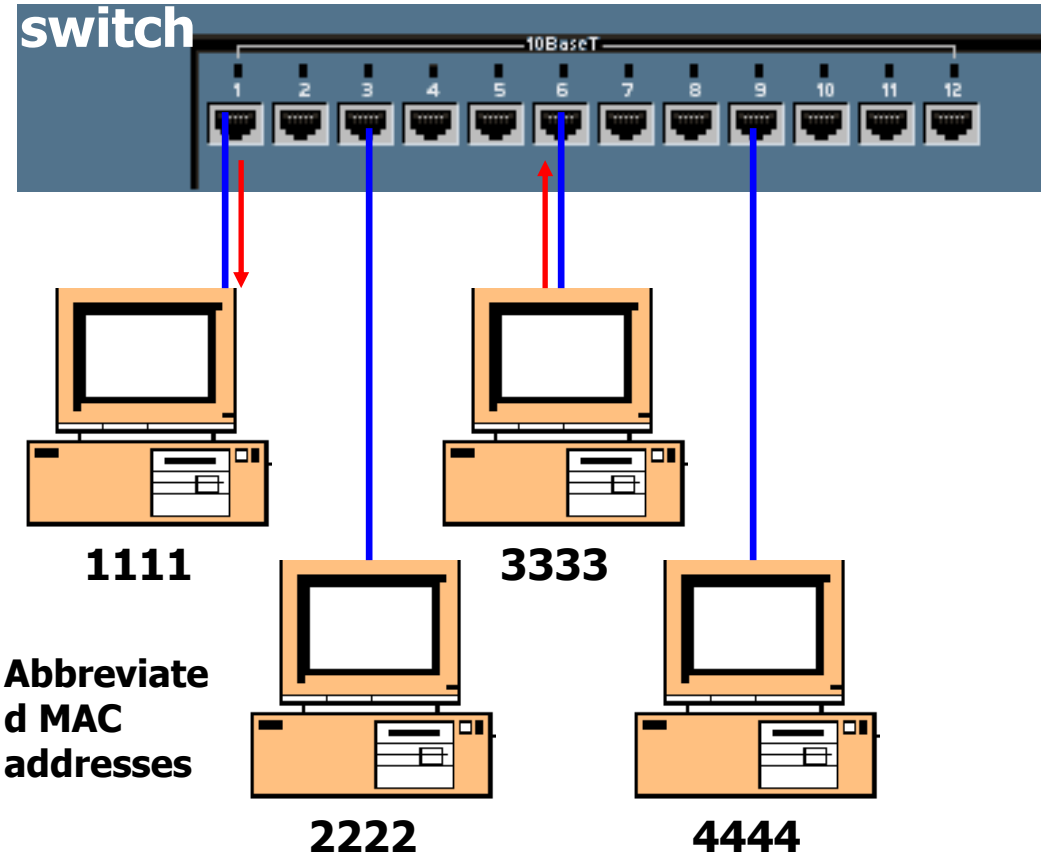

- Now 3333 sends data back to 1111.
- The switch sees if it has the SA stored.
- It does NOT so it adds it.
- Next, it checks the DA and in our case it can filter the frame, by sending it only out port 1.

Destination Address in table, Filter

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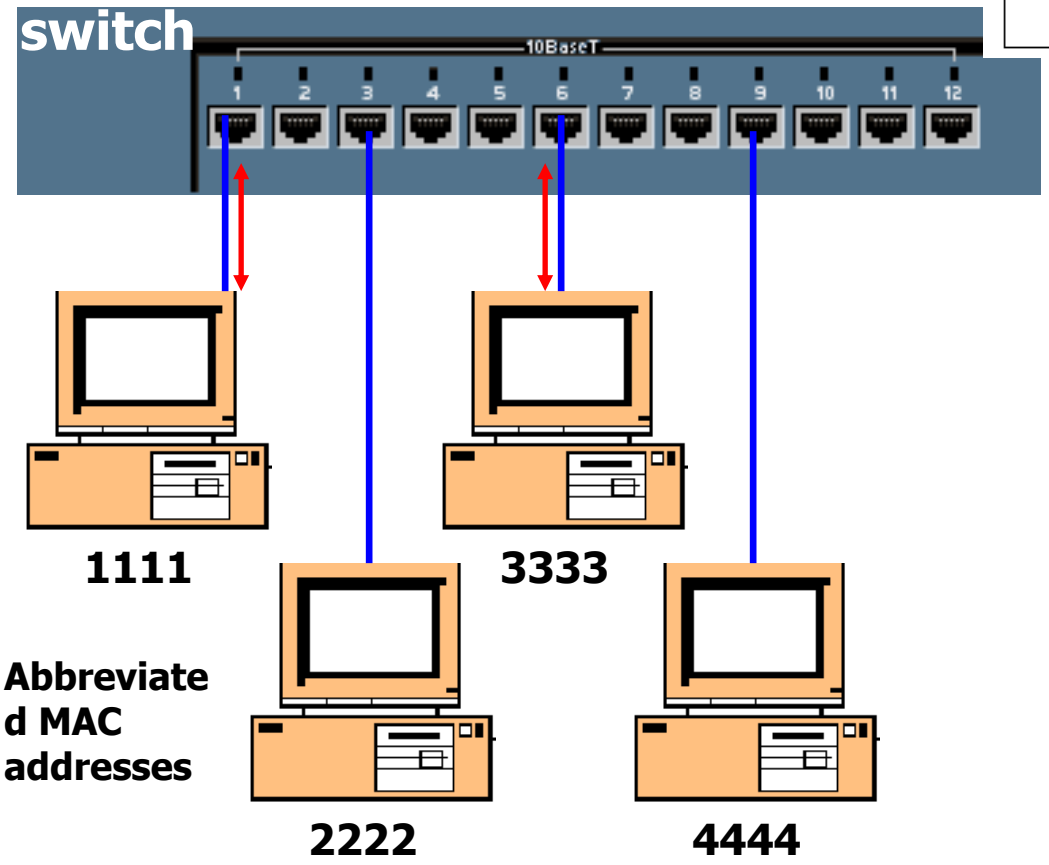
1111 3333



- **Question:**
- **What happens when two devices send to same destination?**
- **What if this was a hub?**
- **Where is (are) the collision domain(s) in this example?**

No Collisions in Switch, Buffering

Source Address Table

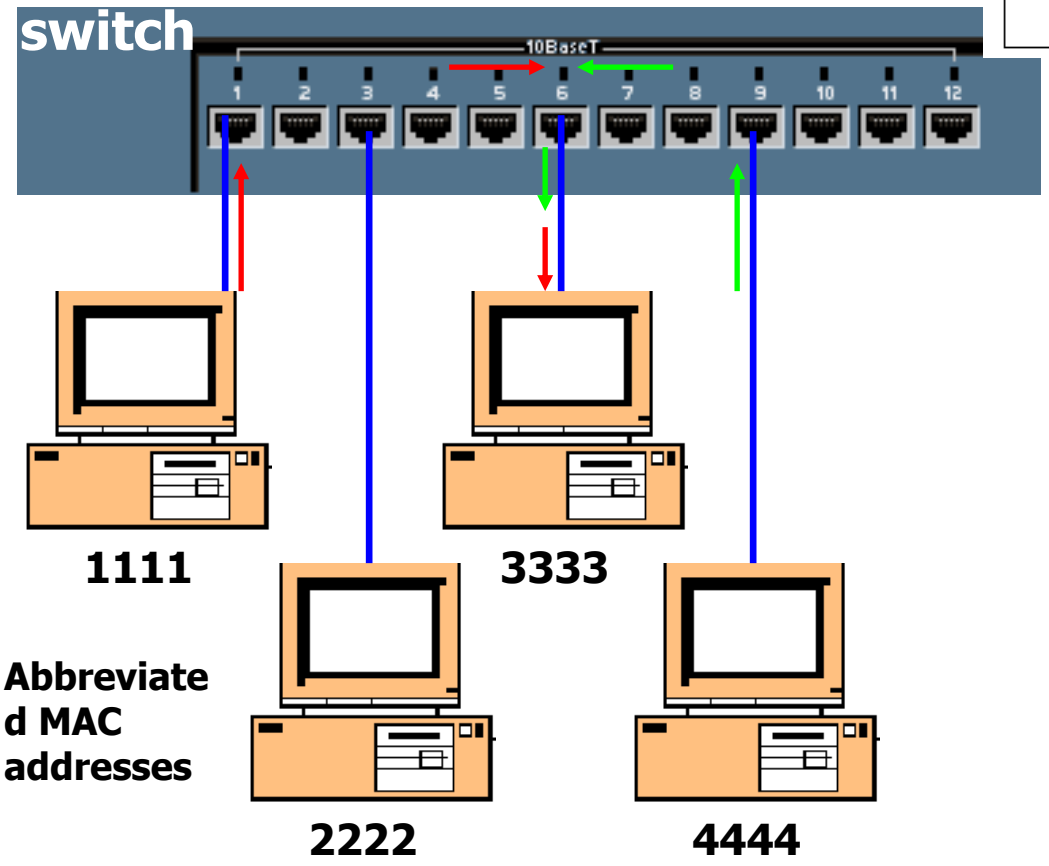
Port	Src. MAC Add.	Port	Src. MAC Add.
1	1111	6	3333
9	4444		

Preamble	Destination Address	Source Address	Type	Data	Pad	CRC

3333 1111

Preamble	Destination Address	Source Address	Type	Data	Pad	CRC

3333 4444



- Unlike a hub, a collision does NOT occur, which would cause the two PCs to have to retransmit the frames.
- Instead the switch buffers the frames and sends them out port #6 one at a time.

Collision Domains: Half Duplex vs. Full Duplex

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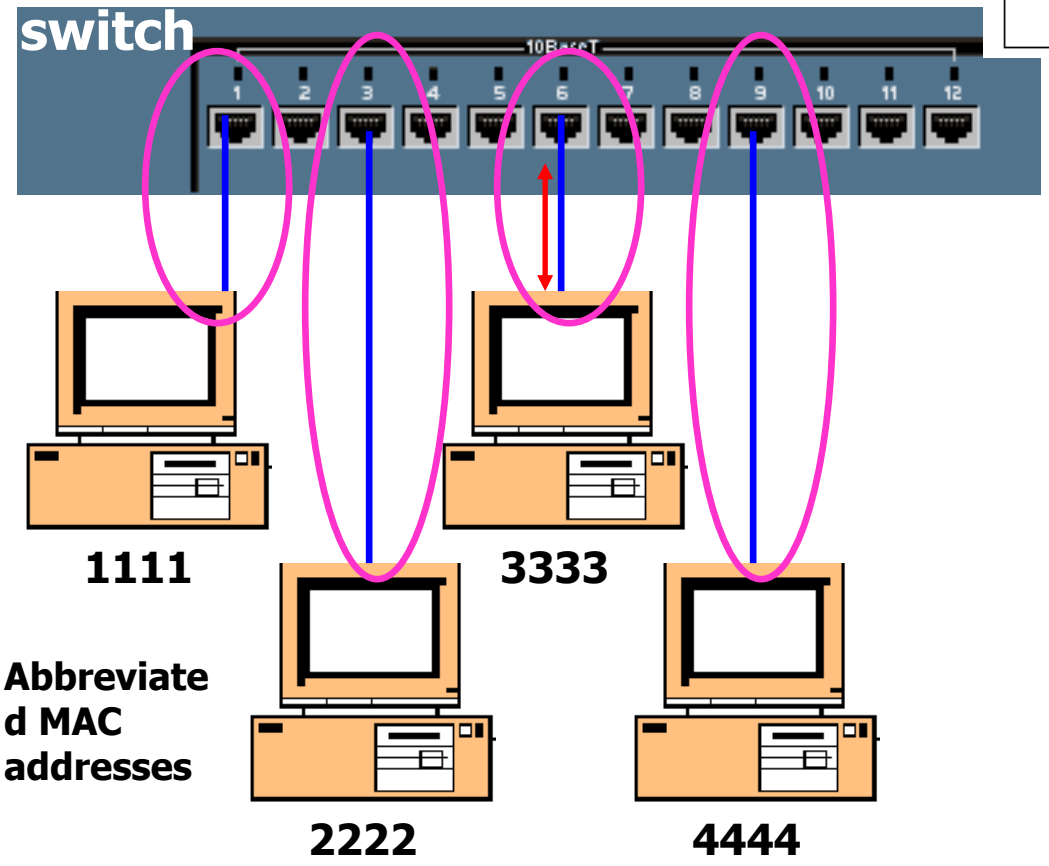
Collision Domains



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- In half-duplex mode, the collision domain is only between the PC and the switch.
- With a full-duplex PC and switch port, there will be no collision.

Example

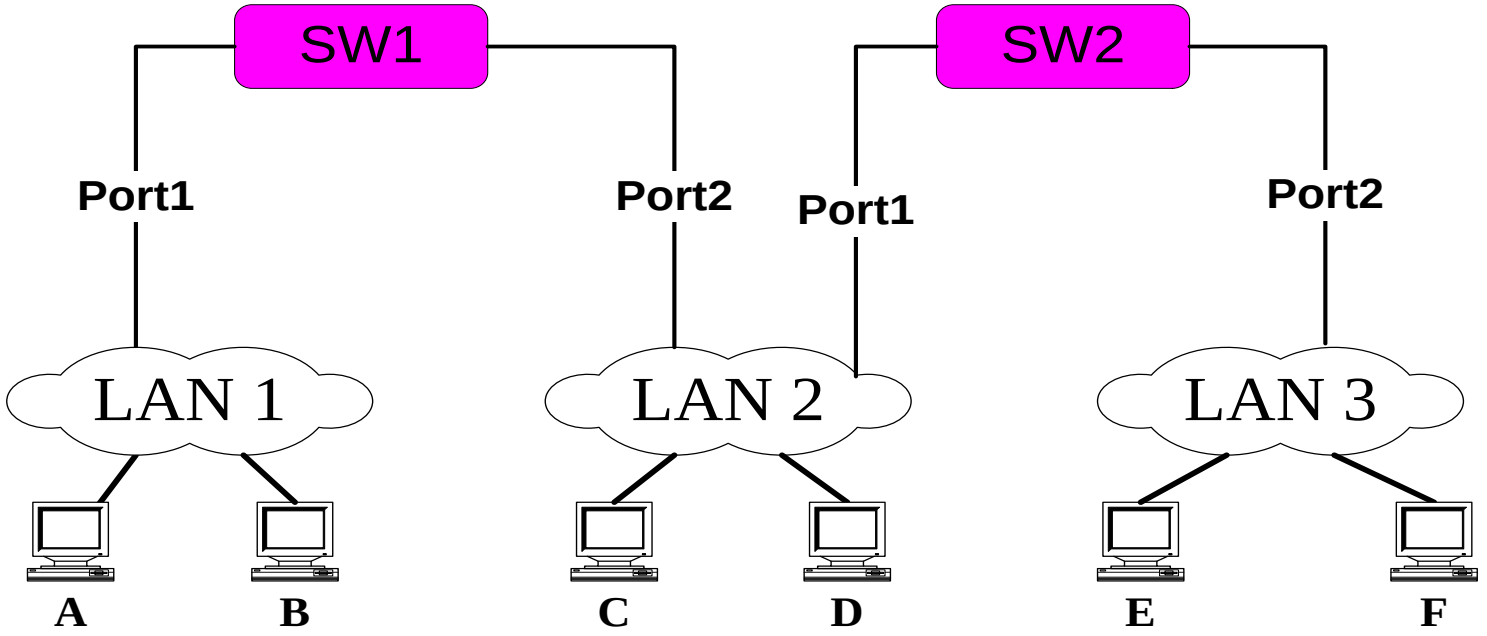
- Consider the following packets:

  (Src=A, Dest=F)

  (Src=C, Dest=A)

  (Src=E, Dest=C)

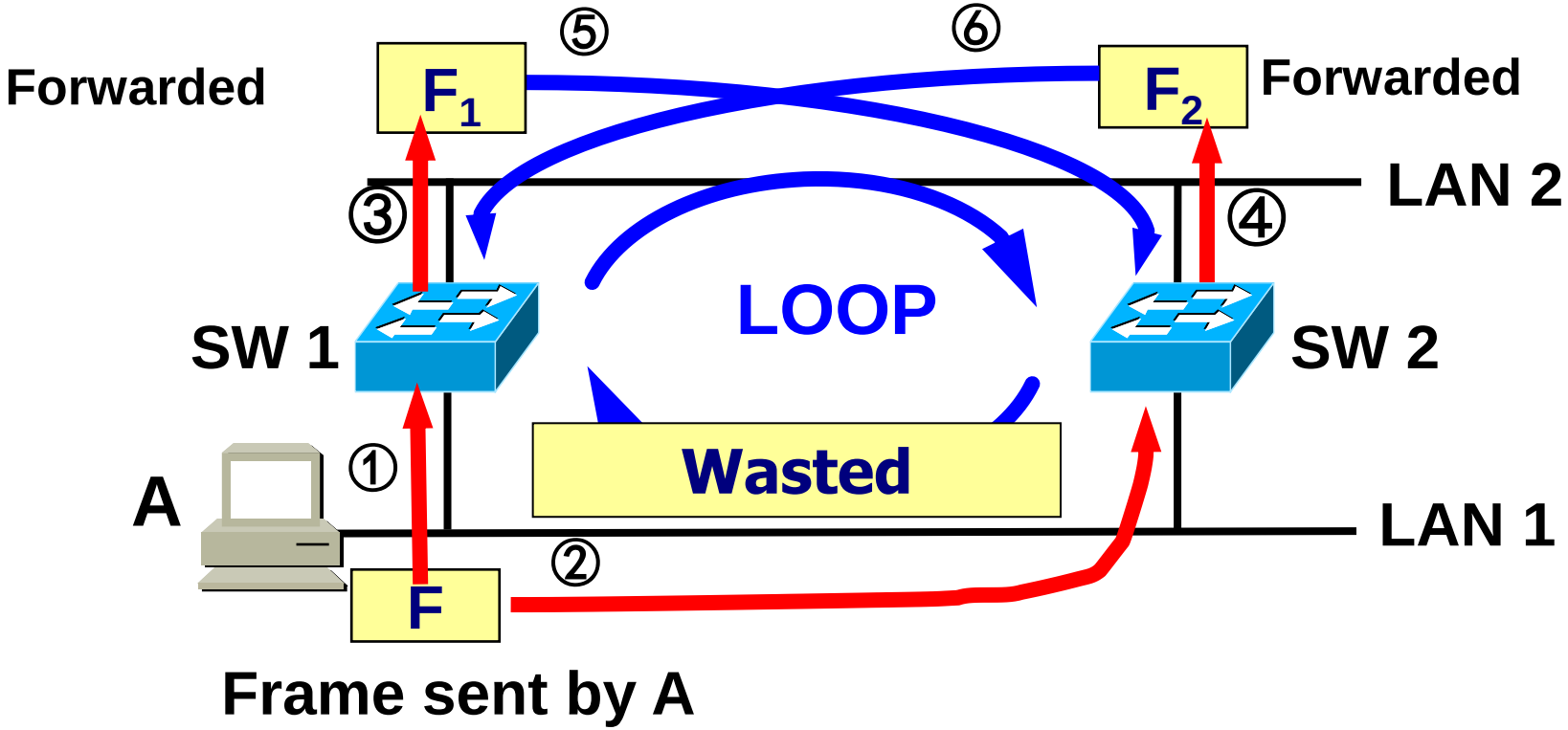
- What have the switches learned?



Flooding Can Lead to Loops

- Switches sometimes need to broadcast frames
  - Upon receiving a frame with an *unfamiliar destination*
  - Upon receiving a frame sent to the *broadcast address*
- Broadcasting is implemented by flooding
  - Transmitting frame out every interface
  - … except the one where the frame arrived
- Flooding can lead to forwarding loops
  - E.g., if the network contains a cycle of switches
  - Either accidentally, or by design for higher reliability

Forwarding loop



Solution: Spanning Trees

- **Ensure the topology has no loops**
  - Avoid using some of the links when flooding
  - … to avoid forming a loop
- **Spanning tree**
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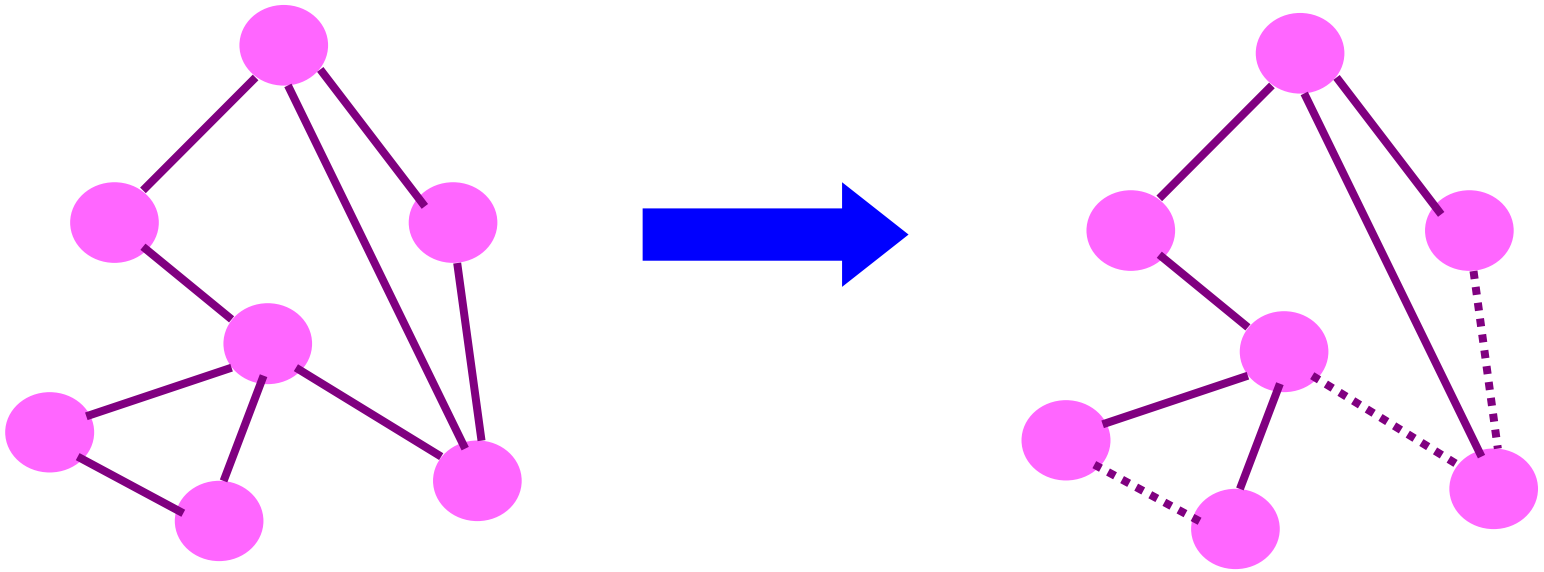

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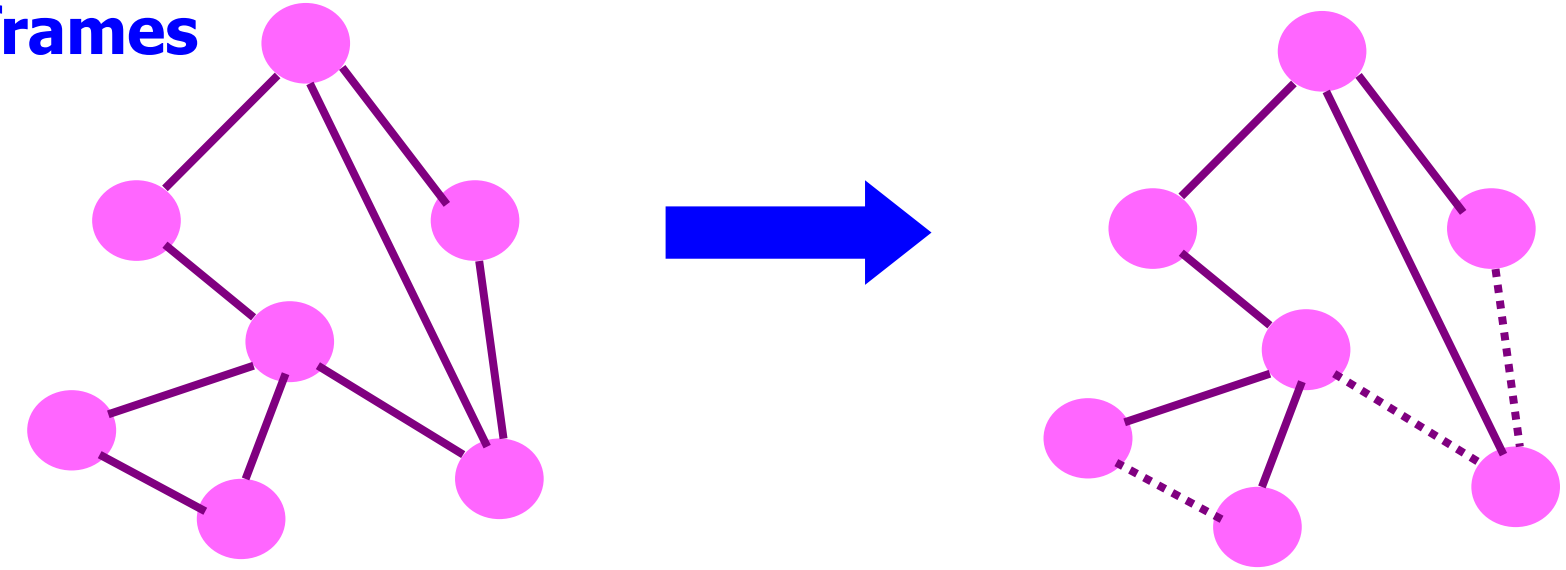
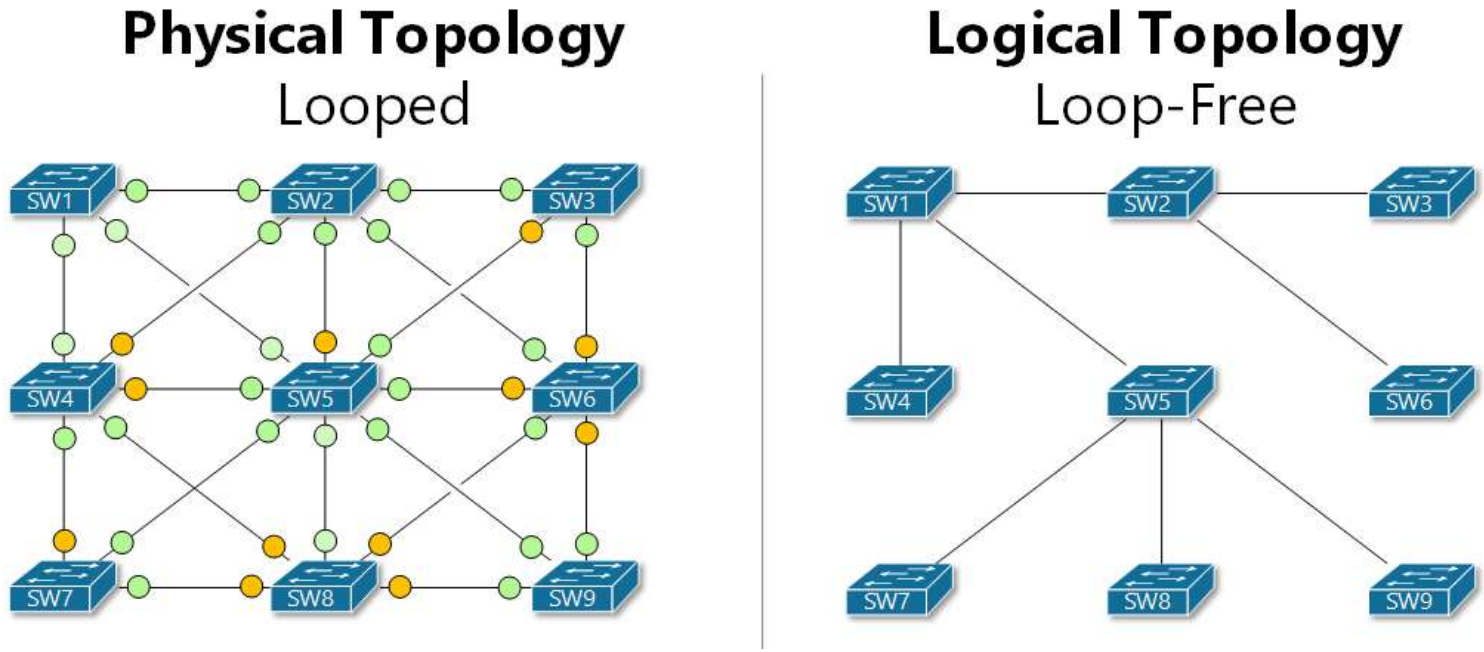
  - **Links not in the spanning tree do not forward frames**



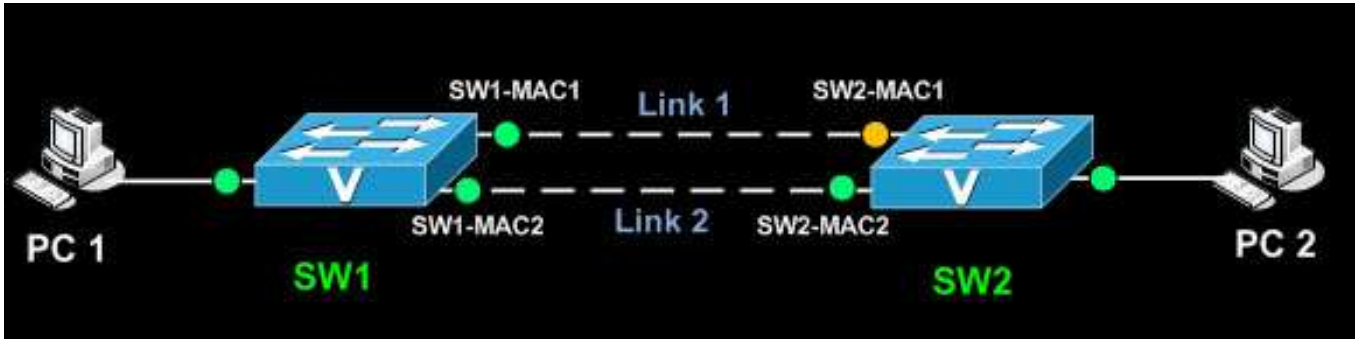
Redundant topology and spanning tree



- It is a spanning tree because all devices in the network are reachable or spanned.
- The algorithm used to create this loop free logical topology is the **spanning-tree algorithm**.

Spanning Tree Protocol

- **IEEE 802.1d has an algorithm that builds and maintains a spanning tree in a dynamic environment**
- **Bridges/Switches that run 802.1d are called transparent bridges**
- **Bridges exchange BPDU (Bridge Protocol Data Unit) to configure the bridge to build the tree.**



What do the BPDUs do?

With the help of the BPDUs, bridges can:

- Elect a single bridge as the root bridge.
- Calculate the distance of the shortest path to the root bridge
- Each bridge can determine a root port, the port that gives the best path to the root.
- Each LAN can determine a designated bridge, which is the bridge closest to the root bridge. The designated bridge will forward packets towards the root bridge.
- Select ports to be included in the spanning tree.

Using Hubs / Repeater

- Layer 1 devices
- Inexpensive
- In one port, out the others
- One collision domain
- One broadcast domain

Using Switches / Bridges

- Layer 2 devices
- Layer 2 filtering based on Destination MAC addresses and Source Address Table
- One collision domain per port
- One broadcast domain across all switches

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Evolution Toward Virtual LANs

- In the olden days…
  - Thick cables snaked through cable ducts in buildings
  - Every computer they passed was plugged in
  - All people in adjacent offices were put on the same LAN
  - Independent of whether they belonged together or not
- More recently…
  - Hubs and switches changed all that
  - Every office connected to central wiring closets
  - Often multiple LANs (*k* hubs) connected by switches
  - Flexibility in mapping offices to different LANs

Group users based on organizational structure, rather than the physical layout of the building.

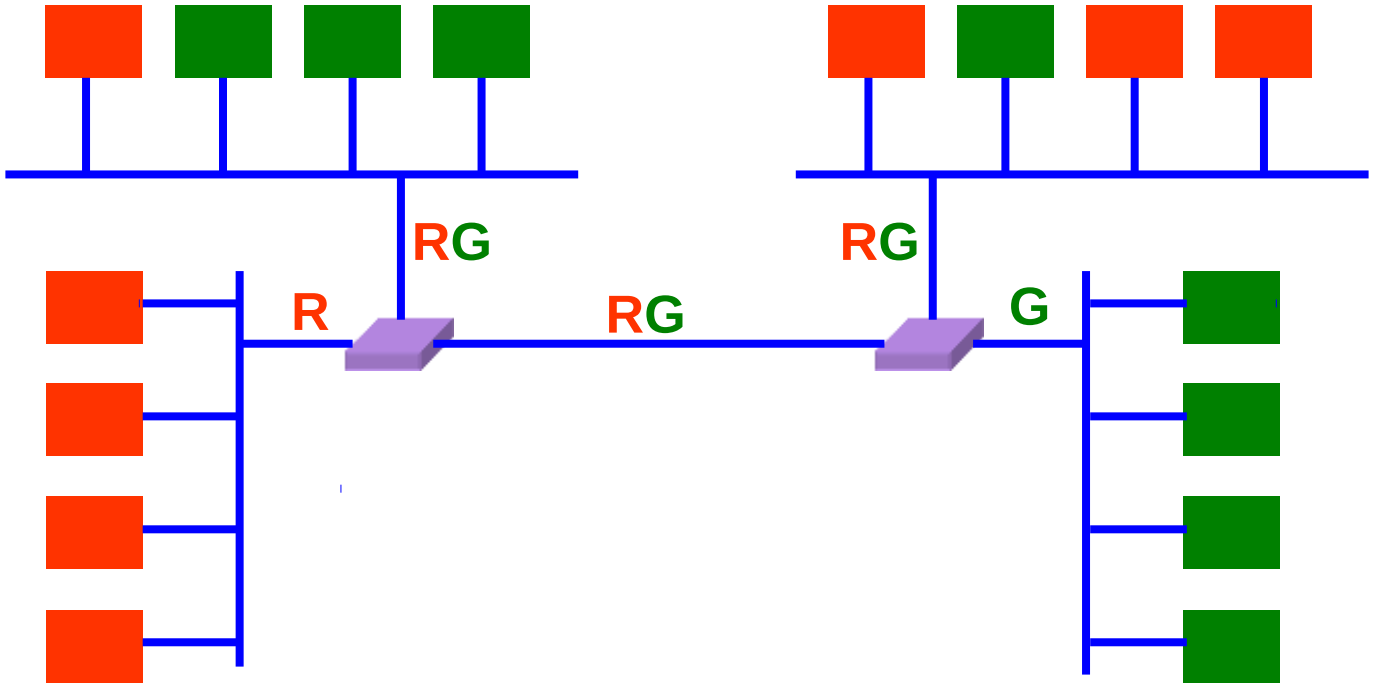
Why Group by Organizational Structure?

- **Security**
  - Ethernet is a shared media. Any interface card can be put into "promiscuous" mode, and get a copy of all of the traffic (e.g., midterm exam)
  - Isolating traffic on separate LANs improves security
- **Load**
  - Some LAN segments are more heavily used than others, can saturate their own segment and not the others
  - Plus, there may be natural locality of communication

People Move, and Roles Change

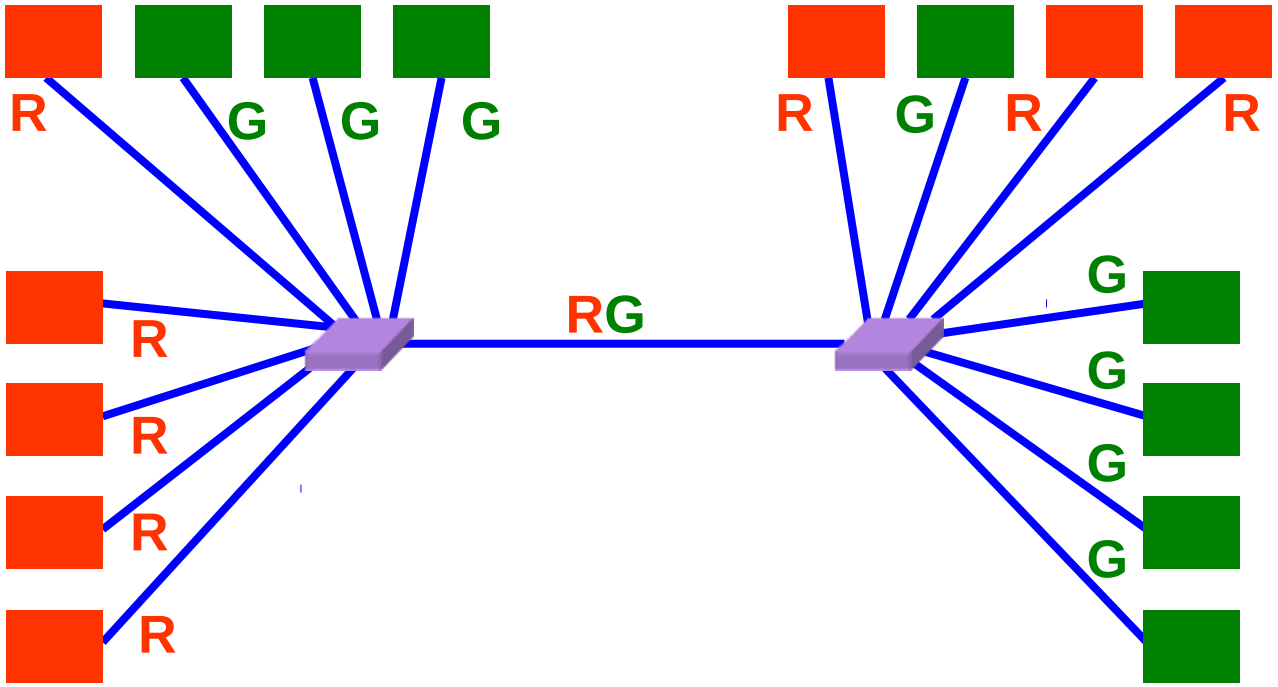
- **Organizational changes are frequent**
  - E.g., faculty office becomes a grad-student office
  - E.g., graduate student becomes a faculty member
- **Physical rewiring is a major pain**
  - Requires unplugging the cable from one port
  - … and plugging it into another
  - … and hoping the cable is long enough to reach
  - … and hoping you don't make a mistake
- **Would like to "rewire" the building in software**
  - The resulting concept is a Virtual LAN (VLAN)

Example: No Virtual LANs



Red workgroup and Green workgroup
Bridges/Switches forward traffic to all

Example: Two Virtual LANs



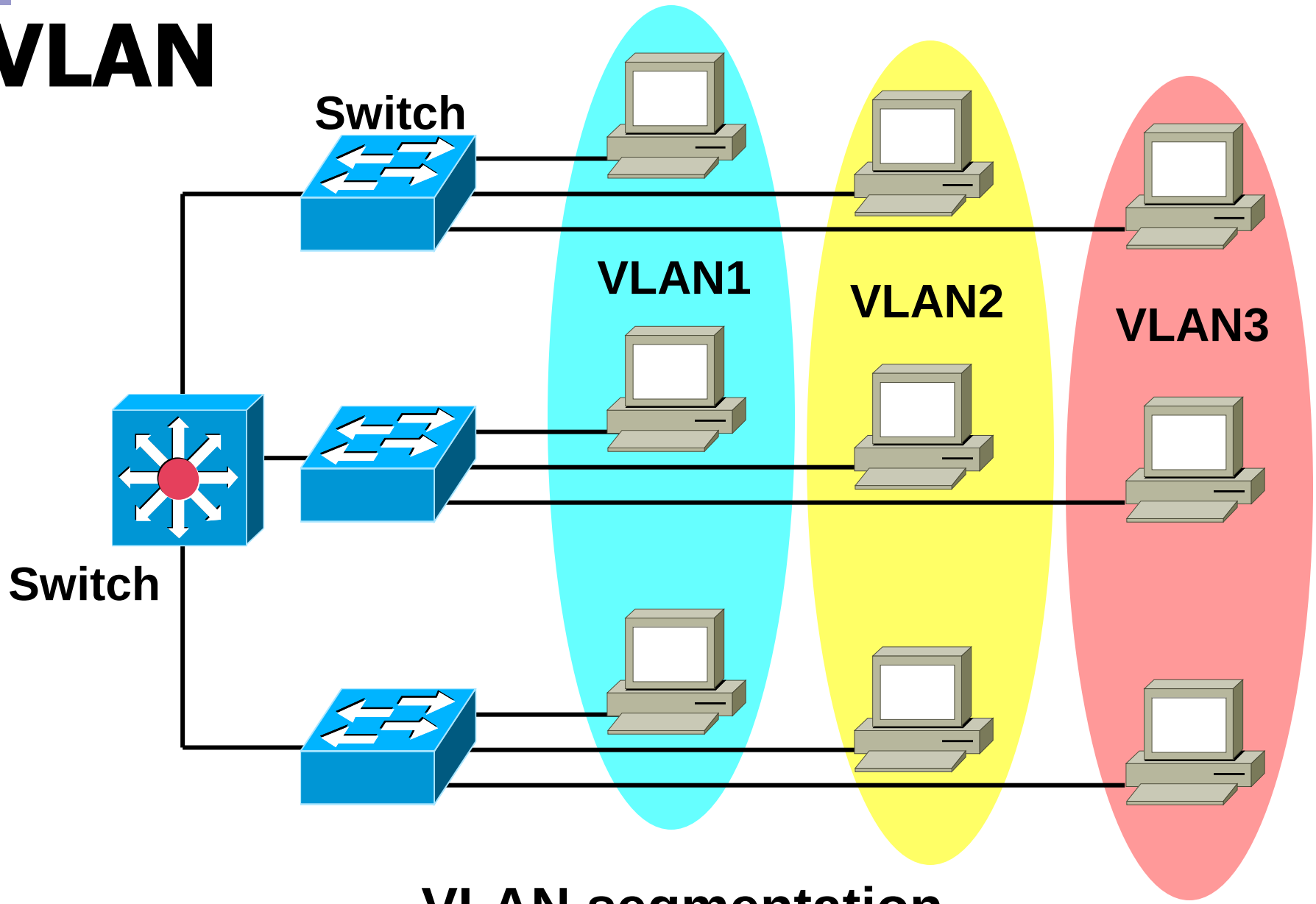
Red VLAN and Green VLAN

Switches forward traffic as needed

VLAN

- VLAN stands for Virtual Local Area Network.
- Can be seen as a group of end hosts, perhaps on multiple physical LAN segments, that are not constrained by their physical location and can communicate as if they were on a common LAN.
- Configured through software rather than hardware.

VLAN

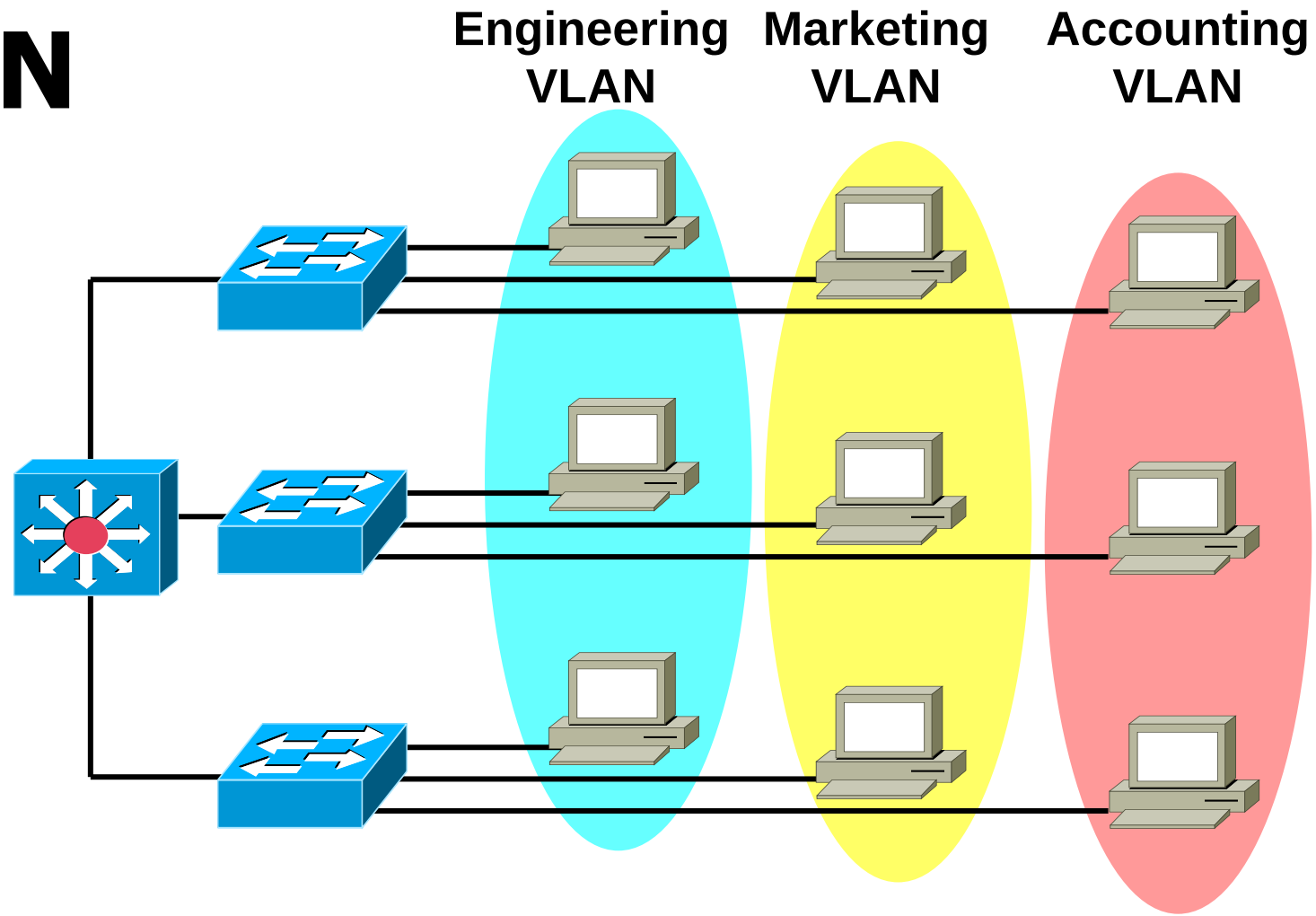


VLAN segmentation

Why Using VLAN?

- **Separate broadcast domains:** a group of end hosts will not be bothered by the broadcast traffic generated by another group of end hosts.
- **Achieve higher security:** now a host cannot snoop on the traffic of another group of hosts.
- **Ease management:**
  - do not need to change a host's IP address when it moves.
  - VLANs can be assigned and managed dynamically without physical limitations.
  - VLAN can be used to balance bandwidth allotment per group

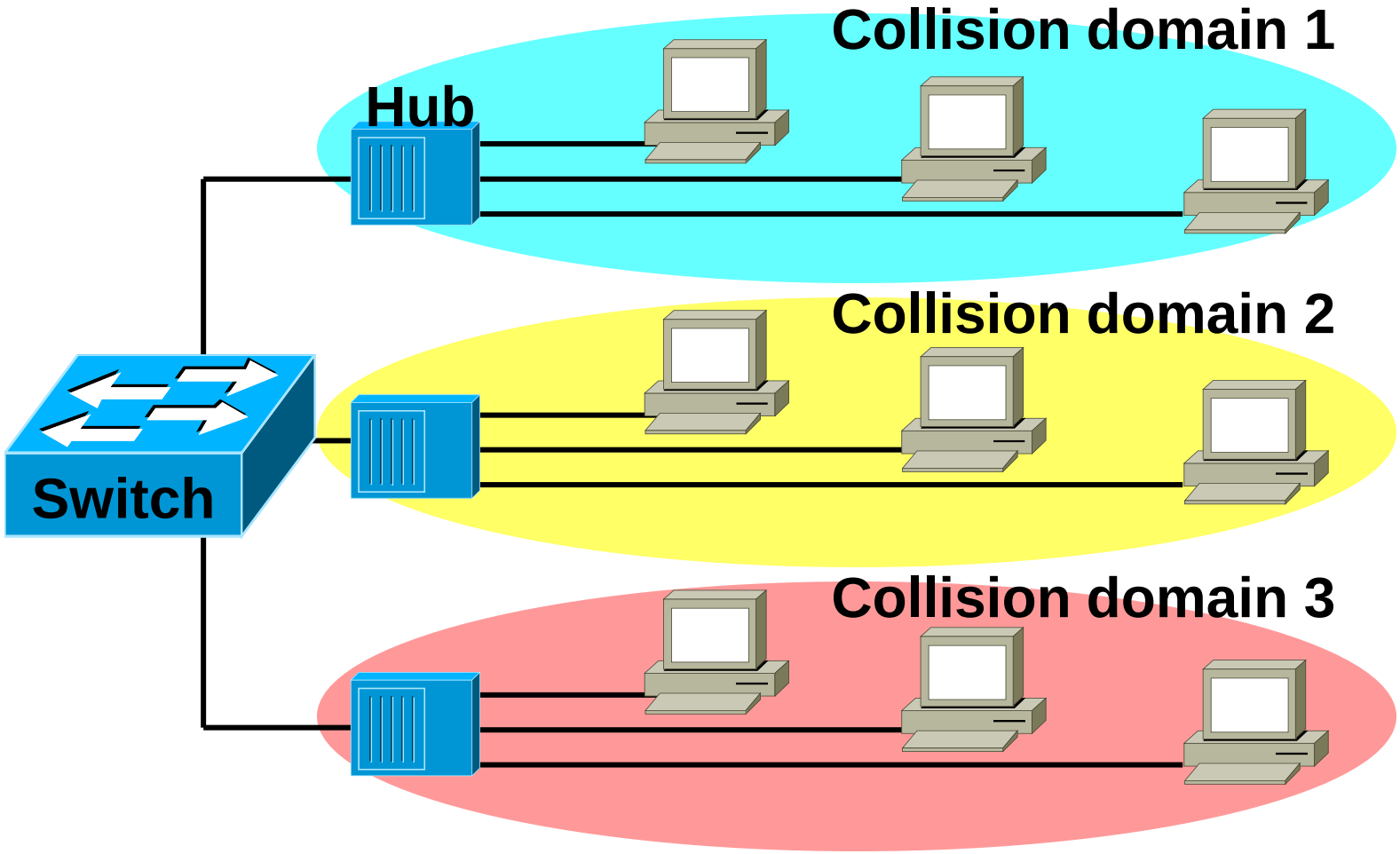
VLAN



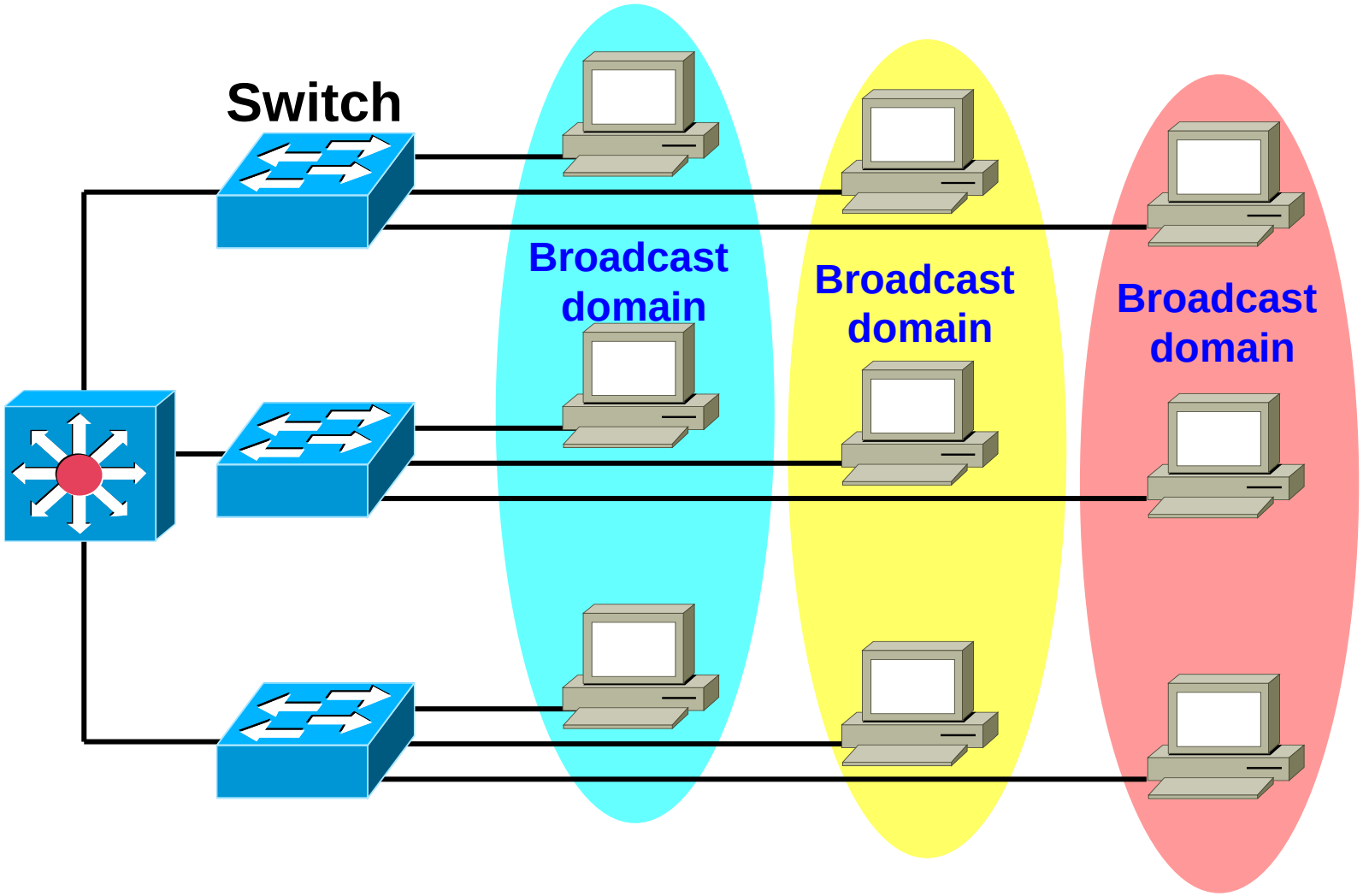
VLANs logically segment switched networks based on the functions, project teams, or applications of the organization regardless of the physical location or connections to the network.

VLAN

- VLANs provide segmentation based on broadcast domains.
- Each VLAN is a broadcast domain created by one or more switches.



Traditional LAN segmentation



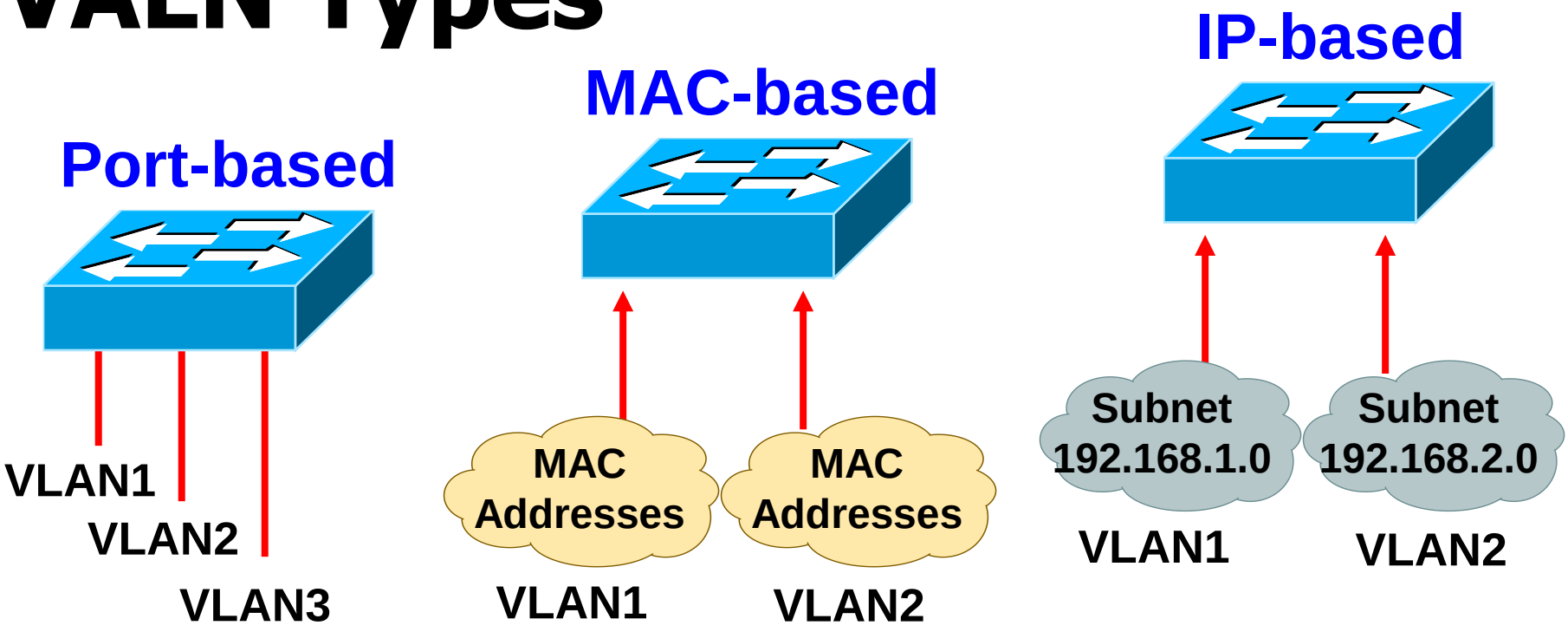
3 broadcast domains, several collision domains

VLAN segmentation

VALN Types

- Port-based
  - Most common configuration method
- Protocol-based
- MAC-layer grouping
- Network-layer grouping
- Multicast grouping
- Application grouping
- Policy grouping

VALN Types



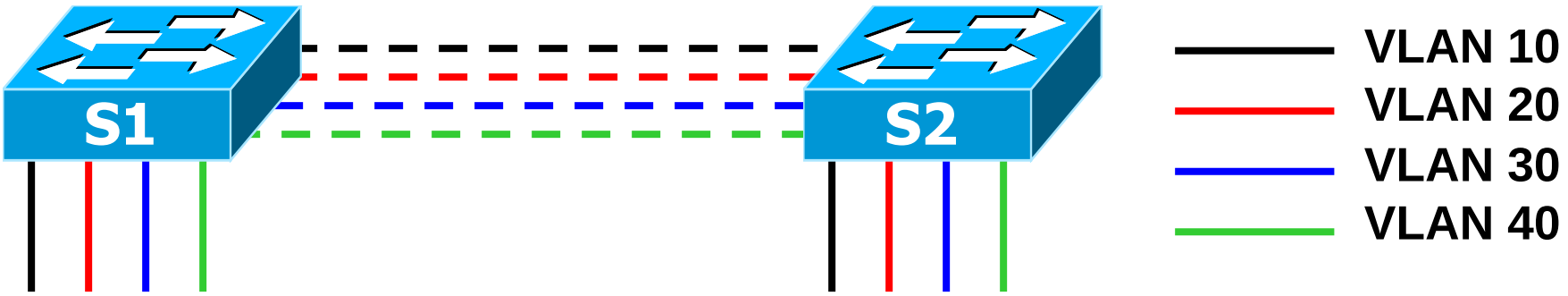
Port-based VLAN

- most common configuration method.
- Port assigned individually, in group or across more switches.
- Simple to use.

VLAN Trunk

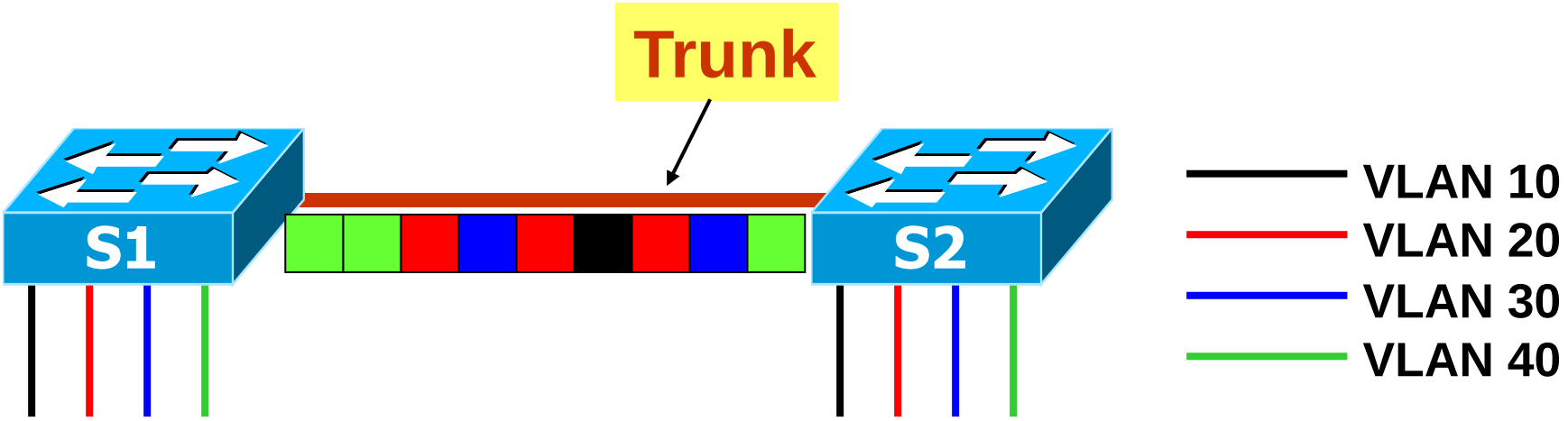
- A trunk is a point-to-point link between one or more Ethernet switch interfaces and another networking device, such as a router or a switch.
- Ethernet trunks carry the traffic of multiple VLANs over a single link.
- A VLAN trunk allows you to extend the VLANs across an entire network.

VLAN Trunk



When not use trunk,
4 switch ports needed, one for each VLAN

VLAN Trunk



When use trunk,

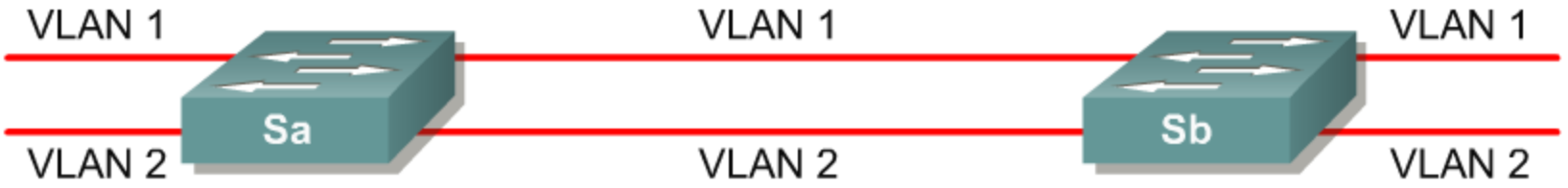
1 switch ports for 4 VLANs.

Problem: how can S1 and S2 know which VLAN the traffic is in and intended for?

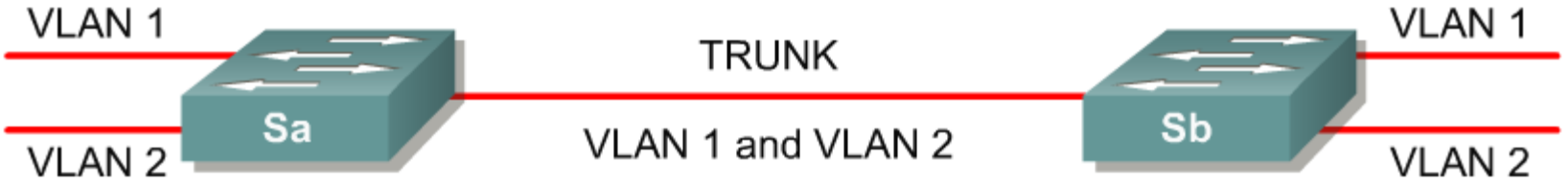
VLAN Trunk - 802.1Q Frame tagging

- **VLAN Tagging is used when a link needs to carry traffic for more than one VLAN.**

No VLAN Tagging

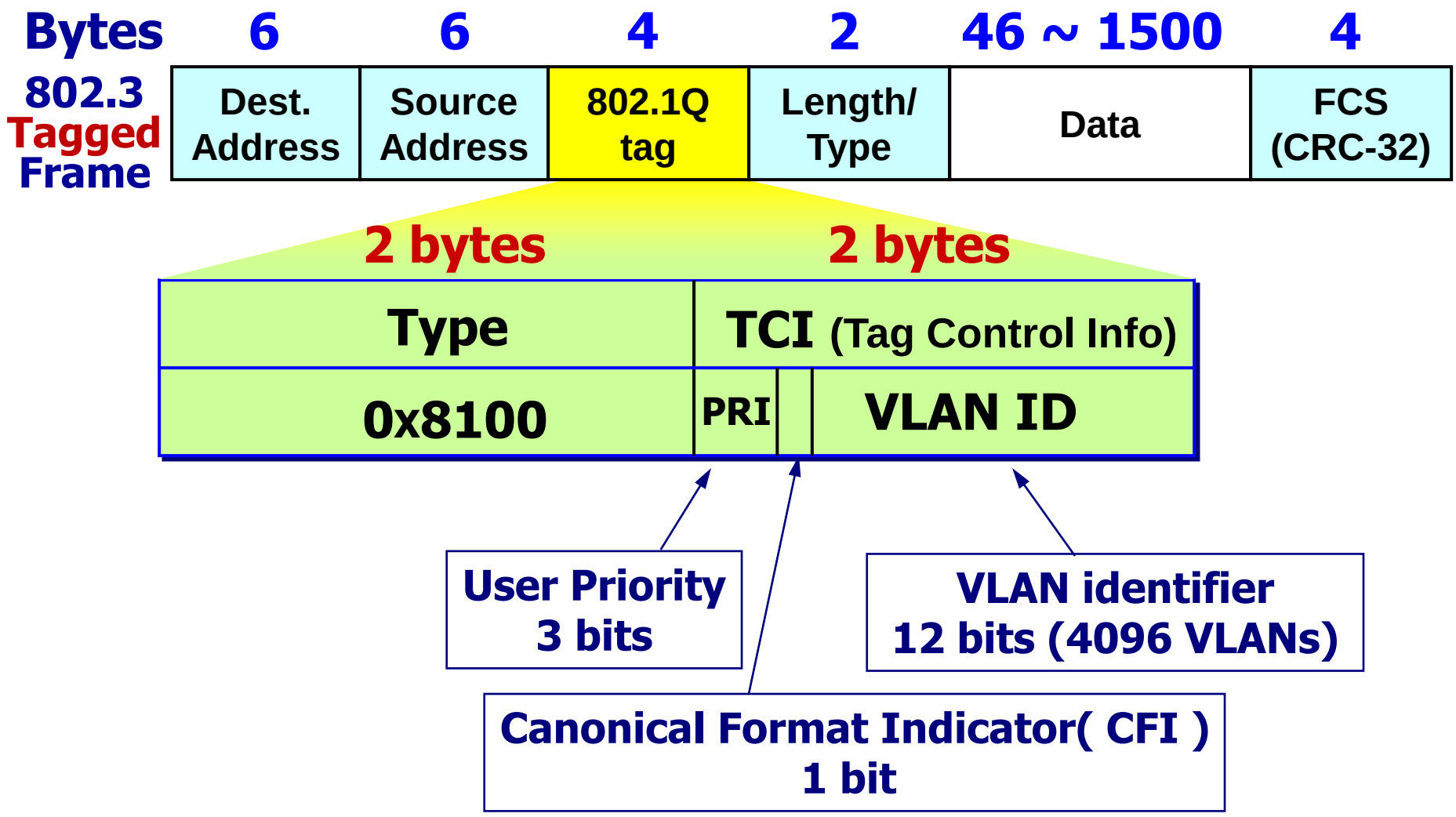


VLAN Tagging



There are two major methods of frame tagging, Cisco proprietary Inter-Switch Link (ISL) and IEEE 802.1Q.

VLAN Trunk - 802.1Q Frame tagging

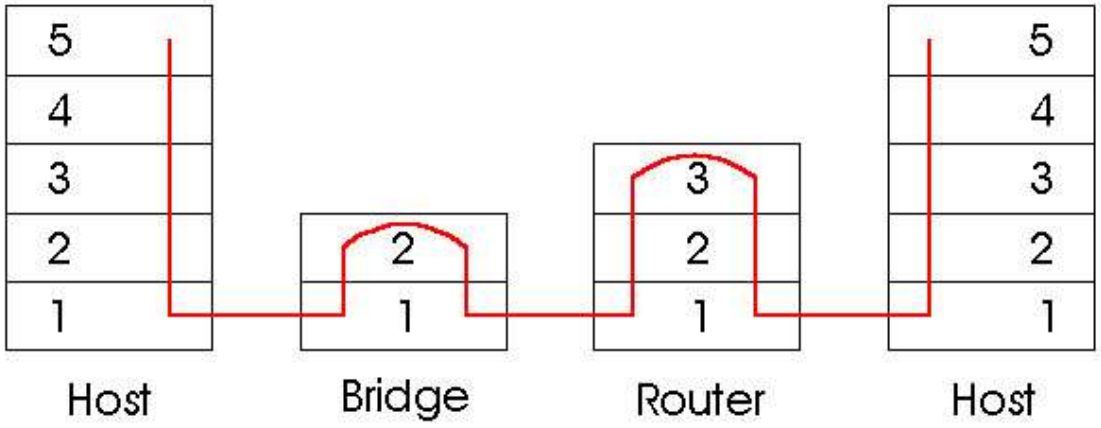


VLAN Trunk - 802.1Q Frame tagging

- The tag is automatically inserted into a frame by the switch when the frame needs to be forwarded to another switch.
- Because a host does not know anything about VLAN, the VLAN tag must be removed by a switch before the frame is forwarded to a host.

Switches vs. Routers

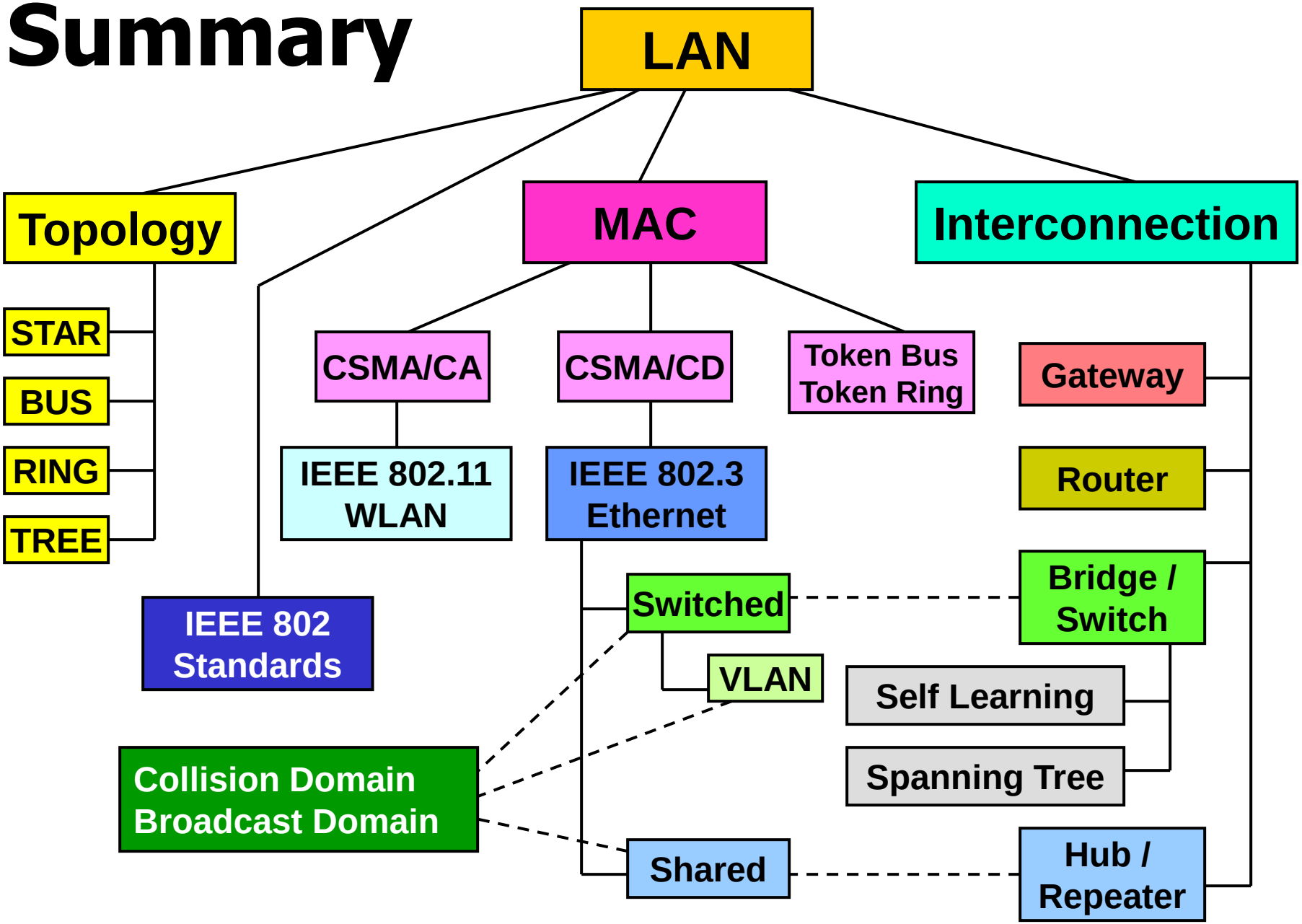
- **both store-and-forward devices**
  - routers: network layer devices (examine network layer headers)
  - switches are link layer devices
- **routers maintain routing tables,** implement routing algorithms
- **switches maintain switch tables,** implement filtering, learning algorithms



Hub, Switch and Router

	hubs	routers	switches
traffic isolation	no	yes	yes
plug & play	yes	no	yes
optimal routing	no	yes	no
cut through	yes	no	yes

Summary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Interconnection
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BUS
RING
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CSMA/CA
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Ethernet
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IEEE 802
Standards
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