

Parameter	Description
p_a	Probability that each node attempts for transmission when the medium is sensed idle
q	Parameter for the geometric distribution of the packet size, i.e., $\Pr\{\text{packet length} = i \text{ slot}\} = q^{i-1}(1 - q)$
\overline{m}	Average transmission time, i.e., $\overline{m} = t_{slot}/(1 - q)$
DIFS	Distributed interframe spacing
SIFS	Short interframe spacing
EIFS	Extended interframe spacing
ACK	Time required to transmit the ACK
$E(N_c)$	Average number of collisions in a virtual transmission time
$E(T_c)$	Average length of a collision period
$E(I)$	Average number of consecutive idle slots before a successful transmission or a collision
$E(S)$	Time required to complete a successful transmission (including all the protocol overheads), i.e., $E(S) = \overline{m} + SIFS + ACK + DIFS$