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1 Sem Outline

Week (dates)	Lecture
1	Computer Networks and the Internet
2	Principles of Nw Apps: HTTP, SMTP, DNS
3	Application Layer: P2P, CDN, Sockets
4	Networking at UQ
5	Transport Layer: UDP
6	Transport Layer: TCP
7	Network Layer: Data Plane
8	Network Layer: Control Plane
9	Link Layer
11	Wireless and Mobile
12	Security
13	Multimedia

Table 1: Week Outline

2 Lecture 1

- billions of connected computing devices
- transmission rate: **bandwidth**
- **Packet Switches:** Forward packets
 - **routers** and **switches**
- **Internet:** “network of networks” (Interconnected ISPs)
- **Protocols** control sending, receiving (e.g. TCP, IP, HTTP, Skype, 802.11)
- **Internet standards**
 - RFC:** Request for comments
 - IETF:** Internet Engineering Task Force

2.1 Network Structure

- **Network Edge**
 - hosts: clients and servers
 - servers often in data centers
- **Access networks, physical media:** wired, wireless communication links
- **network core:**
 - interconnected routers
 - network of networks

2.2 Access Network

2.2.1 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)

- use **existing** telephone line to central office DSLAM
 - data over DSL phone line goes to Internet
 - voice over DSL phone line goes to telephone net
- < 2.5 Mbps upstream transmission rate (typically < 1 Mbps)
- < 24 Mbps downstream transmission rate (typically < 10 Mbps)

2.2.2 Cable Network

frequency division multiplexing: different channels transmitted in different frequency bands

- **HFC: hybrid fiber coax**
 - asymmetric: up to 30Mbps downstream transmission rate, 2 Mbps upstream transmission rate
- **network** of cable, fiber attaches homes to ISP router
 - homes **share access network** to cable head-end

- unlike DSL, which has dedicated access to central office

wireless LANS:

- within building (30 meters)
- 802.11b/g/n (WiFi): 11,54,450 Mbps transmission rate

wide-area wireless access:

- provided by telco (cellular) operator, 10's km
- between 1 and 10 Mbps
- 3G, 4G, LTE

2.3 Sending

- takes application message
- breaks into smaller chunks, known as **packets**, of length L bits
- transmits packet into access network at **transmission rate** R
 - link transmission rate, aka link **capacity**, aka link **bandwidth**

Note 1: Packet Transmission Delay

$$\text{packet transmission delay} = \frac{\text{time needed to transmit } L\text{-bit packet into link}}{R} = \frac{L \text{ (bits)}}{R \text{ (bits/sec)}}$$

2.4 Physical Media

- **bit:** propagates between transmitter/receiver pairs
- **physical link:** what lies between transmitter and receiver
- **guided media:** signals propagate in solid media (copper, fiber, coax)
- **unguided media:** signals propagate freely, e.g. radio
- **twisted pair (TP):** two insulated copper wires
 - Category 5: 100 Mbps, 1 Gbps Ethernet
 - Category 6: 10 Gbps

2.4.1 Coax

- two concentric copper conductors
- bidirectional
- broadband: multiple channels on cable, HFC

2.4.2 Fiber Optic Cable

- glass fiber carrying light pulses, each pulse a bit
- high-speed operation: high-speed point-to-point transmission (e.g. 10's - 100's Gbps transmission rate)
- low error rate
 - repeaters spaced far apart
 - immune to electromagnetic noise

2.4.3 Radio

- signal carried in electromagnetic spectrum
- no physical "wire"
- bidirectional
- propagation environment effects:
 - reflection
 - obstruction by objects
 - interference

Radio Link Types:

- **terrestrial microwave:** up to 45 Mbps channels
- **LAN** (e.g. WiFi) 54 Mbps
- **wide-area** (e.g. cellular) 4G cellular: 10 Mbps
- **satellite**
 - Kbps to 45 Mbps channel (or multiple smaller channels)
 - 270 msec end-end delay
 - geosynchronous versus low altitude

2.5 Packet-switching

2.5.1 Store-and-forward

L bits per packet

Source to destination: R bps

- takes $\frac{L}{R}$ seconds to transmit (push out) L -bit packet into link at R bps
- **store and forward:** entire packet must arrive at router before it can be transmitted on next link

Note 2: End-End delay

$$\text{delay} = 2 \frac{L}{R}$$

(assuming zero propagation delay)

2.5.2 Packet switching versus circuit switching

Is packet switching a "slam dunk winner?"

- great for bursty data (resource sharing, simpler, no call setup)
- excessive congestion possible: packet delay and loss (protocols needed for reliable data transfer, congestion control)

2.6 Packet Loss

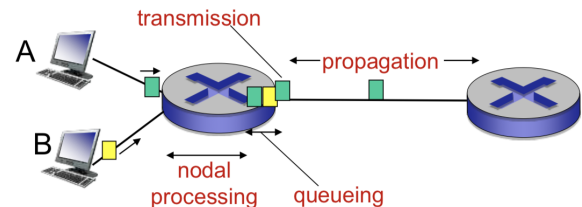


Figure 1: Packet Delay Algorithm Explanation

Note 3: Packet Delay Algorithm

$$d_{\text{nodal}} = d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{queue}} + d_{\text{trans}} + d_{\text{prop}}$$

2.6.1 Nodal Processing

$$d_{\text{proc}}$$

- check bit errors
- determine output link
- typically < msec

2.6.2 Queuing Delay

$$d_{\text{queue}}$$

- time waiting at output link for transmission
- depends on congestion level of router

2.6.3 Transmission Delay

$$d_{\text{trans}}$$

- L : packet length (bits)
- R : link bandwidth(bps)
- $d_{\text{trans}} = \frac{L}{R}$

2.6.4 Propagation Delay

$$d_{\text{prop}}$$

- d : length of physical link
- s : propagation speed ($\approx 2 \times 10^8$ m/sec)
- $d_{\text{prop}} = \frac{d}{s}$

2.7 Throughput

Rate (bits/time unit) at which bits transferred between sender/receiver

Instantaneous: rate at given point in time

Average: rate over longer period of time

Note 4: Bottleneck Link

Link on end-end path that constrains end-end throughput

2.8 Layering

2.8.1 Why Layering?

Dealing with complex systems:

- Explicit structure allows identification, relationship of complex system's pieces (layered **reference model** for discussion)
- Modularization eases maintenance, updating system
 - change of implementation of layer's service transparent to rest of system
 - e.g. change in gate procedure doesn't affect rest of system
- layering considered harmful?

2.8.2 Internet Protocol Stack

Application: supporting network applications (FTP, SMTP, HTTP)

Transport: process-process data transfer (TCP, UDP)

Network: routing of datagrams from source to destination (IP, routing protocols)

Link: data transfer between neighboring network elements (Ethernet, 802.11 (WiFi), PPP)

Physical: bits "on the wire"

2.8.3 ISO/OSI Reference Model

Internet stack "missing" these layers. These services, if needed, must be implemented in application.

Application:

Presentation: allow applications to interpret meaning of data, e.g. encryption, compression, machine-specific conventions

Session: synchronization, check-pointing, recovery of data exchange

Transport:

Network:

Link:

Physical:

2.9 Security

- Malware can get in host from:

Virus: self-replicating infection by receiving/executing object (e.g. e-mail attachment)

Worm: self-replicating infection by passively receiving object that gets itself executed

- **Spyware malware** can record keystrokes, web sites visited, upload info to collection site
- Infected host can be enrolled in **botnet**, used for spam. DDoS attacks

2.9.1 DoS: Denial of Service

Denial of Service (DoS): attackers make resources (server, bandwidth) unavailable to legitimate traffic by overwhelming resource with bogus traffic

1. select target
2. break into hosts around the network (botnet)
3. send packets to target from compromised hosts

2.9.2 Sniffing

- broadcast media (shared Ethernet, wireless)
- promiscuous network interface reads/records all packets (e.g. including passwords) passing by

2.9.3 IP Spoofing

Send packet with false source address

3 Lecture 2

3.1 Application Architectures

3.1.1 Client-Server

Server: Always-on host, Permanent IP address

Clients: Do not communicate directly with each other, May have dynamic IP addresses

3.1.2 Peer-to-Peer (P2P)

- No always-on server
- Peers request service from other peers, provide service in return to other peers
- **Self Scalability** – new peers bring new service capacity, as well as new service demands

- Pers are intermittently connected and change IP addresses

Note 5: App-layer protocol defines

- **type of messages exchanged** – e.g. request, response
- **message syntax** – what fields in messages and how fields are delineated
- **message semantics** – meaning of information in fields
- **rules** for when and how processes send and respond to messages
- **open protocols** – defined in RFCs, allows for interoperability (e.g. HTTP, SMTP)
- **proprietary protocols** – e.g. Skype

3.2 Transport Service is needed

Data Integrity: Some programs need 100% reliable data transfer (e.g. file transfer, web transactions), others can tolerate loss (e.g. audio)

Timing: Some programs require low delay to be “effective” (e.g. online games)

Throughput: Some programs require minimum amount of throughput to be “effective” (e.g. multimedia), some use whatever they have available (“elastic apps”)

Security: Encryption, Data Integrity

3.3 Transport Protocol Services

3.3.1 TCP

Reliable Transport between sending and receiving process

Flow Control: sender won’t overwhelm receiver

Congestion Control: throttle sender when network overloaded

Connection-Oriented: setup required between client and server processes

Does Not Provide: timing, minimum throughput guarantee, security

3.3.2 UDP

Unreliable Data Transfer between sending and receiving process

Does Not Provide: reliability, flow control, congestion control, timing, throughput guarantee, security, or connection setup

3.3.3 Securing TCP

TCP and UDP

- no encryption
- cleartext passwords sent into socket traverse Internet in cleartext

SSL

- provides encrypted TCP connection
- data integrity
- end-point authentication

SSL is at app layer

- app use SSL libraries, that “talk” to TCP

SSL socket API

- cleartext passwords sent into socket traverse Internet encrypted

3.4 HTTP: Hypertext Transfer Protocol

- Web’s application layer protocol
- client/server model. Client request website and server serves HTTP object in response
- Uses TCP
- HTTP is stateless. Server maintains no information about past client requests

4 Acronyms

IP: Internet Protocol

TCP: Whatever TCP stands for

UDP: Whatever UDP stands for

HTTP: Hypertext Transfer Protocol

SMTP: Simple Mail Transfer Protocol

RDP: Remote Desktop Protocol

VOIP: Voice over IP