

## Computer Networks

### Networking

A computer network consists of two or more electronic devices/communication devices that are linked in order to share resources, exchange files and allow electronic communication.

The computer on a network may be linked through cables, telephone lines, radioactive waves, satellite or infrared light beams.

The transparency of the communication link is brought about by interfacing software known as protocol which enables a user in one location to freely access a computer system in another location.

### Advantages of Network

- (i) The computers on one network can share hardware devices like printer, scanner etc.
- (ii) Data and software can be shared within a computer on a network.
- (iii) Files can be transferred from one computer to another.

### Disadvantages of Network

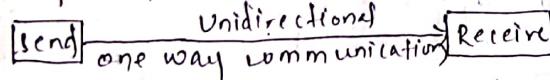
- (i) Data and information are prone to be stolen by the computer hackers.
- (ii) A computer network can be affected by network worms.
- (iii) Computers depend on a server, if the server has any defect none of the system will function.

### Mode of Data Transmission

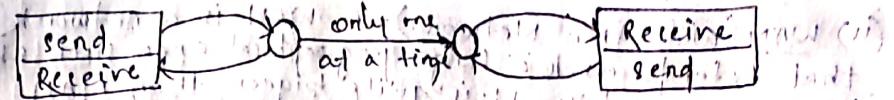
Transmission mode means transferring of data between two devices. It is also known as communication mode.

There are three types of transmission mode -

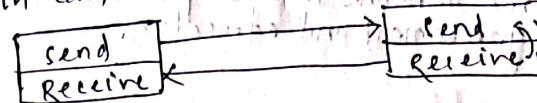
- (i) Simplex Mode - In this mode the communication is unidirectional. We cannot send a message back to the sender. For example, loudspeaker, television and remote keyboard and monitor.



- (ii) Half-Duplex Mode - In this mode data can be sent in both direction but one at a time, that is when the sender is sending the data then at that time we cannot send the sender our message. For example, walkie-talkie.



- (iii) Full Duplex Mode - In this mode the data can be sent in both direction simultaneously. Telephone network is the best example of it, which enables communication between two persons by a telephone line, through which both can talk and listen at the same time.



### Types of Network

A computer network is a group of computers linked each other that enables the computers to share their resources, data and application. Computer networks categorized by their size and area. Computer networks are of four types:

- (i) PAN (Personal Area Network) - PAN is a computer network that enables communication between computer devices near to a person. PANs are wired such as USB, or they can be wireless such as infrared, bluetooth etc. Wireless PAN includes cellphone handsets, wireless keyboard, wireless mice, printer etc.

- (ii) LAN (Local Area Network) - LAN is a group of computer connected to each other in a small area such as building, office etc. LAN is used to connect two or more personal computers through a communication device or medium such as twisted pair, coaxial cable, etc. The data is transferred at an extremely faster in local area network.

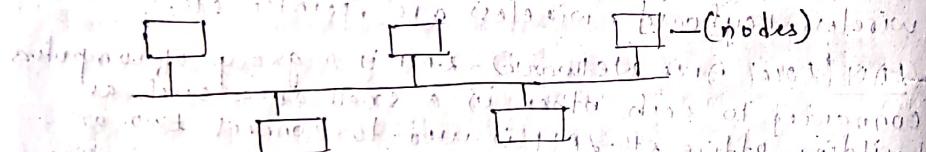
- (iii) MAN (Metropolitan Area Network) - A metropolitan area network is a network that covers a large geographical area by interconnecting various LANs. A MAN, various LANs are connected to each other through a telephone line exchange. It has a higher range than LAN.

(iv) WAN (Wide Area Network) - A WAN is a network that extends over a large geographical area such as states or countries. It is quite bigger than MAN. WAN is not limited to a single location, but it spans over a large geographical area through a telephone line, fibre optics/bios or satellite links. The Internet is one of the biggest ones in the world. A wide area network is widely used in the field of business, government and education.

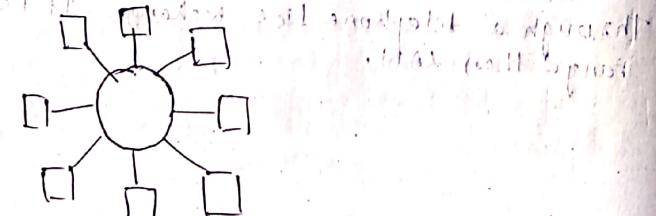
### Network Topology

Network Topology is the systematic description of the network arrangement, connecting various nodes (sender and receiver) through lines of connection. There are various types of network topology. They are as follows:

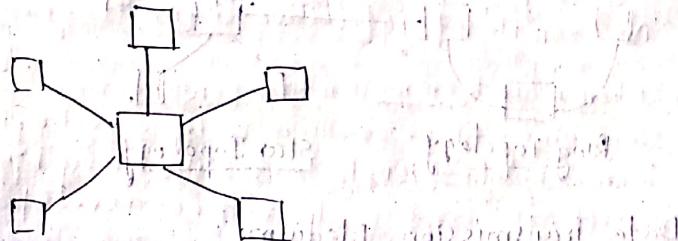
(i) Bus Topology - Bus Topology is a network type in which every computer and network device is connected to single cable. When it has exactly two end points, then it is called linear bus topology. It is used in small network. It is easy to expand to two cables together. The disadvantage of bus topology is that if the cable fails, then whole network fails.



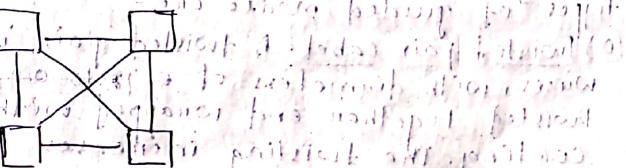
(ii) Ring Topology - It is called ring topology because it forms a ring as each computer is connected to another computer, with the last one connected to the first. Data is transferred in a sequential manner that is bit by bit. If someone wants to send some data to the last node in a ring topology with hundred nodes, then the data will have to pass through 99 nodes to reach the hundredth node.



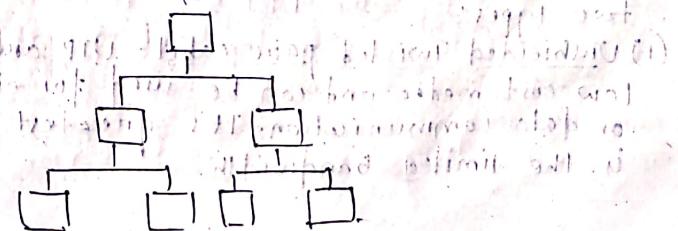
(iii) Star Topology - In this type of topology all the computers are connected to a single hub through a cable. This hub is central node and all other nodes are connected to a single central node. Every node has its own dedicated connection to the hub. It provides fast performance with few nodes and low network traffic. If the hub fails, then the whole network is stopped because all the nodes depend on the hub.



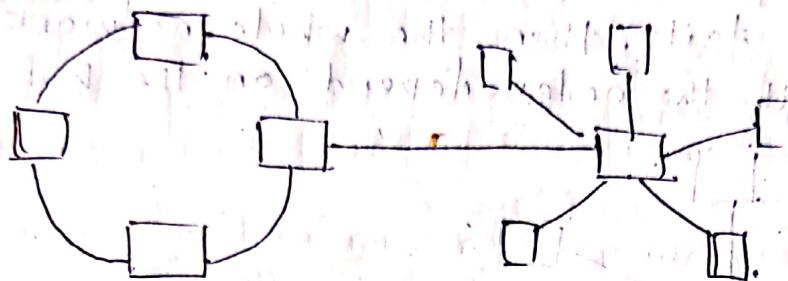
(iv) Mesh Topology - All the network nodes are connected to each other in mesh topology. Mesh has  $n(n-1)/2$  physical channels (cables) to link  $n$  devices. The installation and configuration can be a bit difficult. The cabling cost is more as compared to other topologies.



(v) Tree Topology - It has a root node and all other nodes are connected to it forming a hierarchy. It is also called as hierarchical topology. It should at least 3 levels to the hierarchy. Error detection is easily done but it can be costly, if more nodes are added then maintenance becomes difficult.



(vi) Hybrid Topology - It is a topology which is a mixture of two or more topologies. For example, if in an office, in one department ring topology is used and in another star topology is used, connecting this topologies will result in Hybrid Topology.



Ring Topology

Star Topology

### Data Transmission Medium

A transmission medium is a physical path between the transmitter and the receiver i.e. it is the channel through which data is sent from one place to another. Transmission media is broadly classified into two types:

(1) Guided Media - It is also known as wired or bounded media. It is defined as the physical medium through which the signals are transmitted. Various types of guided media are -

(a) Twisted pair cable - A twisted pair is a pair of copper wires, with diameters of ~~0.42 to 0.8 mm~~ 0.4-0.8 mm, twisted together and wrapped with a plastic coating. The twisting increases the electrical noise immunity, and reduces the error rate of the data transmission. This twisting process serves to improve the performance of the medium by containing the electromagnetic field within the pair. In certain applications, copper, covered still, copper alloy, nickel or gold plated copper, metallic conductors are employed. It can be classified into two types:

(i) Unshielded Twisted pair cable - UTP are the flexible low cost media and can be used for either voice or data communication. Its greatest disadvantage is the limited bandwidth.

(i) Shielded Twisted Pair Cable (STP) - STP differs from UTP in that a metallic shield or screen surrounds the pair. The shield itself is made of aluminum, steel, or copper.

(b) Coaxial Cable - Coaxial cable contains two conductors parallel to each other. The inner conductor is made up of copper and the outer conductor is made up of copper mesh. The two conductors are separated by insulation. A layer of non-conductive material such as PVC or Teflon teflon that protects the entire cable. Coaxial cable includes shield for improve performance and therefore is expensive. Label TV networks use coaxial cable. In general coaxial cable enables longer distance transmission at higher data rates than twisted pair cable, but is more expensive.

(c) Optic Fibre-Cable - Optical Fibre cable is a cable that uses electrical signal for communication. It carries the transmitted information from a fluctuating beam of light in a glass fibre rather than as an electrical signal on a wire. fibre optic transmission systems are opto-electric in nature. A combination of optical and electrical electromagnetic energy is involved. The signal originates as an electrical signal, which is translated into an optical signal, which is reconverted into an electrical signal at the receiving end. Thin glass fibre is very clear and designed to reflect light internally for efficient transmission. Plastic jacket allows fibre to bend without breaking. Light emitting diode (LED) or laser injects light into fibre for transmission. Light sensitive receiver at the other end translates light back into data.

(d) Unguided Media - An unguided transmission media transmits the electromagnetic waves, without using any physical media. Therefore, it is also known as wireless transmission. Energy travels through the air rather than copper or glass. Unguided transmission is broadly classified into three types - optical fiber

(a) Radio Waves - Radio waves are the electromagnetic waves that are transmitted in all the direction of free space, they are omnidirectional. The radio waves can travel through walls through an entire building. Depending upon the frequency, they can travel long distance or short distance. Satellite is one of the example of long distance communication. The range in frequency of radiowaves is from  $30\text{Hz}$  to  $300\text{GHz}$ . An example of radio wave is  $\text{FM radio}$  (frequency modulation).

(b) Microwave Transmission - Microwaves are a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelength ranging from about  $300\text{MHz}$  to  $300\text{GHz}$ . They have shorter wavelength compare to radio waves. Microwaves are unidirectional as the sending and receiving antenna is to aligned. i.e. the waves send by the sending antenna are narrowly focused. There are several frequency ranges assign to microwave system. All of which are in the GigaHertz. They are used in radar, communication and for heating in microwave ovens.

(c) Infrared Transmission - An infrared transmission is a wireless technology used for communication over short ranges such as data transfer between two cell phones, TV remote operation etc. The frequency of the infrared is the range from  $300\text{GHz}$  to  $400\text{THz}$ .

## NETWORK DEVICES

The devices which are responsible for creating a physical network of computers and other peripheral devices are called as network devices. These are meant to distribute and channelize the electric signals throughout the network. Following types of network devices are -

(1) Network Interface Card (NIC) - It is hardware device which connects a computer with the network. They are installed on the motherboard of the computers and are responsible for sending and receiving information from network devices via this card.

(2) Hub - A hub is a network device that connects several nodes to a network. Computers and other devices of a network are connected to the ports of a hub by twisted pair cables. Hubs are designed to take data from one connected device, transmit them to the other appended end devices without altering any of the transmitted packets received. There are two types of hubs -

(a) Active Hub - Active hubs regenerate a signal before forwarding it to all the ports of the device.

(b) Passive Hub - Passive hubs do not regenerate the signals.

(3) Switch - A switch is an intelligent hub. It has the same function as that of a hub but the difference between the two is in the way they re-transmit the received information. A switch sends the information selectively only to those computers for which it is intended.

(4) Repeater - When the data is transmitted over a network for long distances, the data signal gets weak upto certain distance. If the signal becomes weak it cannot reach its destination. Repeater is such a device which can strengthen the data signal before it gets too weak. Repeater regenerates the received signal and retransmits it to its destination.

5) Bridge - Bridges are networking devices that connect networks. Sometimes it is necessary to divide networks into sub-nets to reduce the amount of traffic on a network.

6) Router - A router is a device like a switch that routes data packets based on their IP addresses. Router is mainly a network layer device. When a router receives the data, it determines the destination address by reading the header of the packet; once the address is determined, it searches in its routing table to get to know how to reach the destination and then forwards the packet.

4) Gateway- It is a passage to connect two networks together that may work upon different networking model. The term gateway is applied to any device, system or software, application, that can perform the function of translating data from one format to another. It understands the addresses architecture used in different networks and translate between these (addresses) architecture.

## TRANSMISSION IMPAIRMENTS

Impairments cause various modifications that degrade the signal quality. A binary 1 may be changed into binary 0 and vice-versa due to bit error. There exist three causes of impairments, they are :-

(1) Attenuation - When signal amplitude degrades along a transmission medium this is called Signal attenuation. Attenuation is the loss of signal power of signal while traversing a transmission media including electronic circuitry and is measured in terms of decibel (db). The signal degrades so much that it becomes difficult to obtain the original signal. The electronic circuitry also tends to take away some of the signal power in the form of heating of the copper, metal etc. The attenuation

(2) Distortion includes a number of factors like transmitting and receiving antennas, transmitter powers, modulation techniques, atmospheric conditions etc.

(2) Distortion - Distortion is the change in shape or form of a signal, when a signal travels through a electronic circuitry and transmission media. A signal produces harmonic frequency as when it passes through non-linear electronic circuitry and it becomes composite signal. The signal will include some harmonic distortion or unwanted frequencies. A signal to distort and changes its original shape while passing over a transmission media.

(3) Channel Noise - It is a small amount of background interference in the channel or unwanted electromagnetic energy. This unwanted electromagnetic energy is referred as noise. The information and data is nothing but signal in electromagnetic form. Hence, noise degrades the quality of information and data. The noise may be classified as external or internal noise based upon the sources. Noise generated inside channel or receivers is known as internal noise. External noise is generally picked up from electrical appliances, atmosphere and even outer space.

### ANALOG AND DIGITAL DATA AND SIGNALS

Data communication and networks deal with data or information transmission. Data can be represented in many ways, such as human voice, a group of numbers, images, texts and sound etc. There are two ways to communicate, display, store or manipulate information. They are referred to as analog and digital.

Analog - Analog is based explained by the transmission of signal such as sound or human speech, over an electrified copper wire. Analogous variations in electrical or radiowaves are created in order to transmit the analog information signal for video or audio over a network, from a transmitter to a receiver. At the receiving end an approximation (analog) of the original information is presented.

A voice grade channel is approximately 4000 Hz (4 kHz).

Approximately 3.3 kHz used for the voice signal itself. The remaining bandwidth is used for the purpose of networks signalling and control in order to maintain separation between information channels.

A cable television video channel is approximately 6 MHz.

Approximately 4.5 MHz is used for information transmission while the balance is used to separate the various adjacent channels using the common coaxial cable system.

Digital - Computers are digital in nature. Computers process, store and communicate information in binary form i.e. in the combination of 1s & 0s.

### ISO-OSI Reference Model

The open system interconnection or OSI model was developed by the international organisation for standardisation.

- ISO develop the OSI Model to help data transfer between network nodes. OSI is a set of guidelines for application developers to create and implement applications for computer networks.

The seven layers of OSI Model are categorized into two level grouping. The physical, datalink, network and transport layers, which are the lower layers of the OSI Model, deal with the formatting, encoding and transmission of data over the network.

The higher layers of the model - session, presentation and application, layers deal with user interface and implement the applications that run over the network, knowing how data is delivered from one place to another.

- (1) Physical Layer - Layer 1 of the OSI Model is a physical layer in which the frames are converted into series of bits so that they may be transmitted across a transmission media to the destination.

The physical layer specifies the representation of the bits as a voltage, current and phase or frequency. It basically uses four types of bit signalling approaches. The series of bits are resembled at the receiving end which are RZ (Return to Zero) by using pulse signaling, NRZ (Non-Return to Zero). The physical layer functions are:

- (a) Describing hardware specification - It includes specifications of cables, connectors, radio transmitter, NIC etc.

(b) Encoding and Signaling - It supports various encoding and signalling functions to convert data from bitstream to frame and vice-versa, to send over the network.

(c) Data Transmission Mode - It is responsible for transmitting and receiving data over the physical media.

(2) Data link layer (DLL) - The datalink layer is the second layer of OSI model and it provides functional means to exchange data between network entities. The DLL is also known as the link layer because it provides link to many wireless and wired Local Area Network (LAN) technologies. The DLL is conceptually subdivided into logical link control and medium access control. The key functions of DLL are:-

(a) Logical Link Control (LLC) - This layer deals with the function that enables control and establishment of logical links between local devices on a computer network.

(b) Error detection and handling - The data link layer also deals with errors that occur at the lower levels of the network stack. A cyclic redundancy check (CRC) is used to allow the host receiving data to detect if it was received correctly.

(c) Media Access Control (MAC) - Its role is to control and manage the medium to avoid conflicts because the design of a computer network is based on the shared medium, that may be composed of a single network cable or series of cables that are connected to a single medium. Here we use CSMA for ethernet and token passing for token passing networks.

- (d) Physical Addressing - Each device on a network is provided with a unique no. called MAC address, which is used by the data link layer protocol to ensure that the data intended for a specific machine.
- (e) Data Framing - Messages of higher layer are encapsulated at this layer into frames so that they may be sent across the network at the physical layer.
- (3) Network Layer - The network layer is the first layer in the OSI model that deals with the actual obtaining of data from the computers. While, the data link layer is only concerned with devices that are situated on the same network local to each other. The key functions of the network layer are as follows:
- (a) Logical Addressing - The devices communicating across a network have logical addresses which are known as Layer-3 addresses. Internet Protocol (IP) is an example of Layer-3 addressing. Data link addressing that deals with only local physical devices, the logical addresses at layer-3 are independent of particular hardware and unique across an entire inter-network.
- (b) Routing - It is the key function of layer-3 in which data is routed across interconnected networks to deliver finally at the host destination. Its function at the network layer is to handle incoming packets from various sources and determine routes for their final destination.
- (c) Datagram Encapsulation - The network layer function to encapsulate messages received from higher layers by placing them into datagrams with a network layer header. The datagram are also referred to as packets.

(d) Fragmentation and reassembling - The network layer passes down messages to the data link layer for transmission through the physical layer over the transmission media to the other networks or the local networks. The network layers also splits large packets into smaller packets according to the limit imposed on the length of the packet by the data link layer. This process is known as fragmentation. The main role of the network layer is to accept packets from a source and deliver them to a destination machine.

(4) Transport Layer - The basic role of the transport layer is to transport data but it involves high level functions as compared to the same functions delivered by the lower layers. The layers 1, 2 and 3 primarily deal with packaging, addressing, routing and delivery of data and the layer 4 acts as an interface between the application at the higher layers. Some important functions of transport layer are:

(a) Process Level Addressing (End-to-end) - The transport layer is also deals with the addressing issue but quite differently in which it is used to differentiate between software programs and different application.

(b) Multiplexing and Demultiplexing - It enables of sending device to multiplex the data received from many application program for transport and demultiplex the date receive while acting as the receiving site.

(c) Segmentation, Packaging and Reassembly - The transport layer segments the large amounts of data (series of bits) into smaller pieces on the source machine to transmit it across the network, and then reassemble them on the destination machine, making a connection with original input.

(d) Connection establishment, management and termination - The connection oriented protocols at the transport layer establishes a connection, maintains it while data is sent over it and then terminate the connection when it is no longer required for the series of communication.

(e) Flow Control - This function manages the slight mismatch in speed between the sender and the receiver end, and stabilizes the flow of data.

(5) Session Layer - The session layer is the lowest layer of the upper three layers and deals mainly with software application issue. A session is a logical linking of two software application processes to exchange data over a specified period of time. The session layer is responsible for establishing, maintaining the dialogues between communicating applications. For ex - remote logging in, remote file transfer etc. It is also responsible for orderly recovery from failures by implementing appropriate check-pointing mechanism. The primary task of session layer protocols is to provide the necessary ways to establish, manage and terminate session.

(6) Presentation Layer - It is responsible for any issues that may arise where data send from one system needs to be viewed in a different way by the other system. The presentation layer performs functions related to the syntax and semantics of the information transmitted. Some of the specific functions of presentation layer are -

(a) Translation (Code conversion) - It is the responsibility of the presentation layer to hide the differences between different machines for a seamless and an easy exchange of data between two host working on different machines.

(b) Compression and Decompression - Compression and decompression are also carried out at presentation layer. To improve the throughput of data, however, these functions are optional.

(c) Encryption / Decryption - Some types of encryption and decryption are performed at the presentation layer, to ensure the security of the <sup>data</sup> as it passes down the protocol stack. These will also be optional.

ASCII - American Standard Code for Information Interchange  
EBCDIC - Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code

(H) Application Layer - The application layer provides support services for user and application task which are programs that actually implement the functions performed by users to accomplish various task over the network. It allows the user to use the network. The application layer provides user interface to communicate with the computer. The application layer provides a variety of protocols that are commonly needed. Some of the most popular application layer protocols are -

Protocol	Port No.	Support.	TCP / UDP
Echo	7	Support	TCP / UDP
FTP (file Transfer Protocol)	20 / 21	Support	TCP
Secure Shell	22	Support	TCP
Telnet	23	Support	TCP
DNS (Domain Name System)	53	Support	UDP
DHCP (Dynamic Host Control Protocol)	67 / 68	Support	UDP
SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol)	25	Support	TCP
HTTP	80	Support	TCP
POP	110	Support	TCP
NTP (Network Time Protocol)	123	Support	UDP
HTTPS	443	Support	TCP
RTP (Routing Information Protocol)	520	Support	UDP

Difference b/w TCP and UDP

TCP

- ⇒ Connection oriented
  - ⇒ Reliable
  - ⇒ Error control
  - ⇒ Slow Transmission
  - ⇒ Overhead
  - ⇒ Flow control, congestion
- ⇒ Connection less
  - ⇒ Less Reliable
  - ⇒ Error control is optional.
  - ⇒ Fast Transmission
  - ⇒ Less overhead
  - ⇒ No flow control, no congestion control

### Internet Protocol Stack

A protocol is a set of rules that govern how system communicate. A set of protocols used in the communication network can be termed as a protocol stack. A protocol stack is an arranged chain command of software layers beginning from the application layer from where the data is sent to the position where sending bits of information on the wire at the lowest level which is data link layer.

TCP/IP - This internet protocol suit commonly known as Transmission Control Protocol and Internet Protocol. The TCP layer handles the message path. The message is broken down into smaller units (called packets or datagrams) which are then transmitted over the network. The packets are received by the corresponding TCP layer in the receiver end and reassembled into the original message.

The main purpose and the task of IP is delivery of datagrams from the source host to the destination host, based, on their addresses.

PPP (Point-to Point Protocol) - A host to network or router to router link is provided by the PPP which also includes a security mechanism. While linking through standard telephone lines by using modem on both ends is concern.

FTP (File Transfer Protocol) - This facilitates transfer of text and dual files with the help of a TCP connection. FTP is most commonly used to download a file from a server using the internet or to upload a file to a server.

Telnet - It is a networking protocol and software program used to access remote computer and terminals over the network. TELNET enables the local host to log on to distant host and utilize their resources.

SMTP - The basic function of SMTP is to send email messages from a nearby host to a distant server with the help of a TCP connection. SMTP permits two programs for exchanging mail through the network.

HTTP(HyperText Transfer Protocol) - This protocol sends hypertext pages (web pages) with the help of the World Wide Web. HTTP is a server and client communication protocol, which is primarily set of rules for formatting and transferring web page data over the www.

UDP(User Datagram Protocol) - The basic purpose of the simple protocol is to send and receive datagram (groups of data are called datagram) to a distant system. UDP is not a dependable protocol and there is always a risk of the change in order of the datagram that are sent through it when receive.

SS7(signalling system 7) - SS7 is a protocol designed for public switched telephone system, for providing services and setting of calls. The various value added features such as providing intelligence to PSTN, services. PSTN services come under the service of SS7.

Functions of SS7 -

- (a) It controls the network. The SS7 network set-up and tears down the call.
- (b) It handles all the routing decisions, and supports telephony services including call forwarding, call management, and local calling ID, remote network management, and local number portability (LNP).

Rate of Data Transmission -  
Channel - A channel may be defined as a path between transmitter and receiver. This path may be physical or logical in nature. The path provides a message through the passage for the information of data from transmitter to receiver.

Bandwidth - Bandwidth determines how fast data flows on a given transmission path. Bandwidth is expressed as data speed in bits per second (bps) in digital system. In analog system, bandwidth is expressed as a difference between higher frequency and lower frequency.

Channel Bandwidth - Channel Bandwidth may be simply defined as the size of the range of frequencies that can be transmitted through a channel. It may be defined as the volume of information per unit time that a computer, person or transmission medium can handle. It is measured in Hertz (Hz).

Throughput - It may be defined as the number of bits, characters or blocks passing through a data communication system over a period of time.

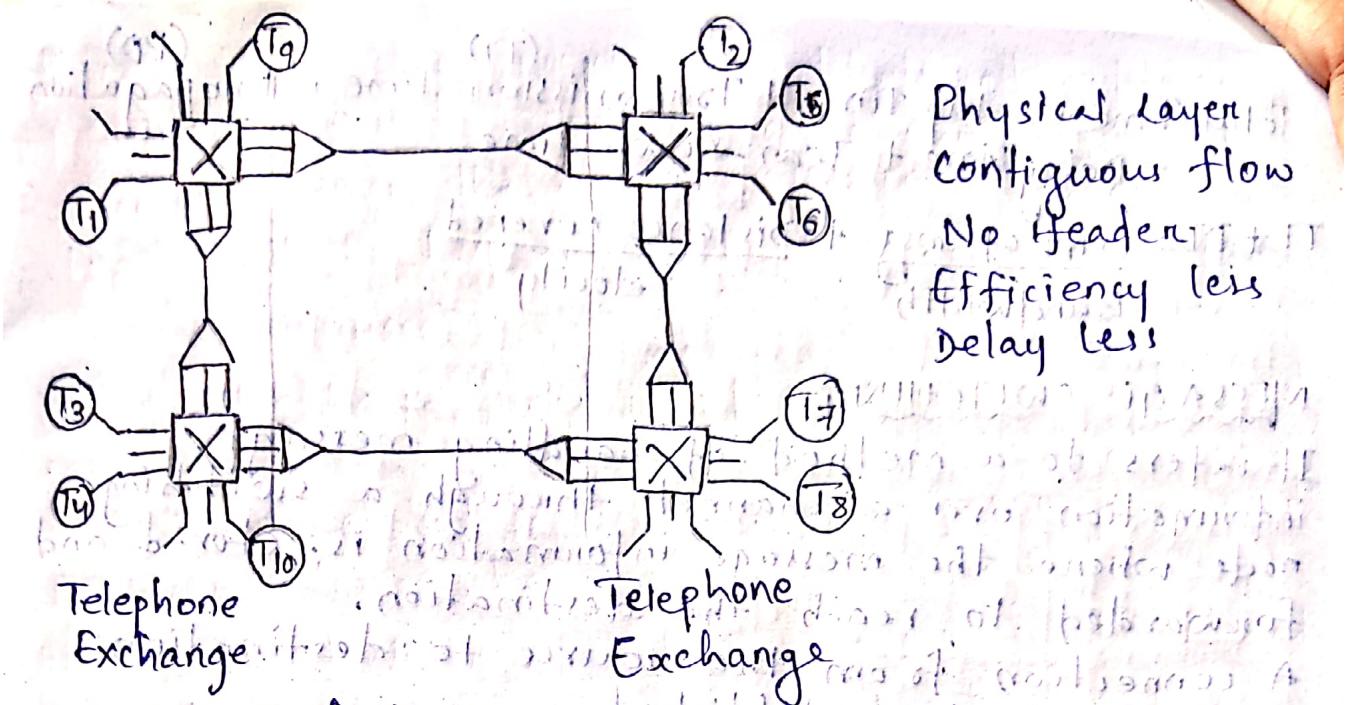
$$\text{Throughput} = \frac{\text{Packet length in bits}}{\text{Transmission time + Propagation time}}$$

Bitrate - Bit-rate is the number of bits (0 and 1) transmitted during 1 second.

Baud Rate / Data Rate - The number of signals changes per unit of time to represent the bits is called the data rate of the modem. That rate is expressed in terms of a unit known as baud.

## CIRCUIT SWITCHING

Circuit switching is the type of communication method in which a dedicated communication path is established between two devices through one or more intermediate switching nodes. Most widely used example of circuit switching is public switched telephone network (PSTN). The major disadvantage of this communication technique is in its 100% dedicated connection that offers poor efficiency. Circuit switching employs a circuit switching node, which is a full-duplex.



Physical Layer  
Contiguous flow  
No header  
Efficiency less  
delay less

### Switching Techniques

- (i) Space Division switching - This kind of switch was specially developed for an analog environment. The characteristics of this type of switches are that they require separate physical paths for each connection, and use metallic or semiconductor gates.
- (ii) Cross bar Switch - It is a simplest possible space division switch where each packet takes a different path through the switch depending on its destination.
- (iii) Time Division switching - This technique based on multiplexing was developed for digital transmission. Due to multiplexing all transmitted signals are time multiplexed to be carried by a single transmission path. Circuit switching, communication intended routes between two end points are pre-defined so as to enable the originating switch to select the best route for each call.
- (iv) Time Space Time (TST) switching - It allows sending messages both on input & output trunks and is therefore more flexible. This feature gives it a lower call blocking probability.

Trunk-Trunks are transmission media that handle the communication betn offices. A trunk normally handles hundreds or thousands of connections through its multiplexing routes in minor priorities.

(TT) (PD)

Total Time = Setup Time + Transmission Time + Propagation  
Time + Delay Time + Tear Down Time

$$TT+PD = \frac{\text{Amt of msg}}{\text{Bandwidth}} + \frac{\text{Distance covered}}{\text{velocity}}$$

### MESSAGE SWITCHING

It refers to a method of handling message information over a channel through a switching node where the message information is stored and forwarded to reach the destination.

A connection from the source to destination need not to be established.

A message is sent from one switching node to another when the link connecting them establishes a connection.

When the link is established, the message is stored and will be forwarded only when the next connection is established for succeeding nodes.

This process is repeated until it reaches its final goal. For storing storing the data it uses hard disk or RAM.

### PACKET SWITCHING

⇒ In this type of data network, the source of Data Terminal Equipment (DTE) devices all user data is to be transmitted into one or more message units called packets. These packets are of different length and size, and each packet is given an address and the necessary control information.

⇒ In each switching node packets are received, stored and passed on to the next node.

⇒ Every switching node consists of a routing directory. This directory specifies the outgoing link to be used for every network addresses.

⇒ Packet switching categorized into two parts:-

(1) Datagram switching (2) Virtual Circuit Switching

⇒ Datagram switching Virtual circuit switching works in data link layer of OSI model.

⇒ Datagram switching works in network layer of OSI model.

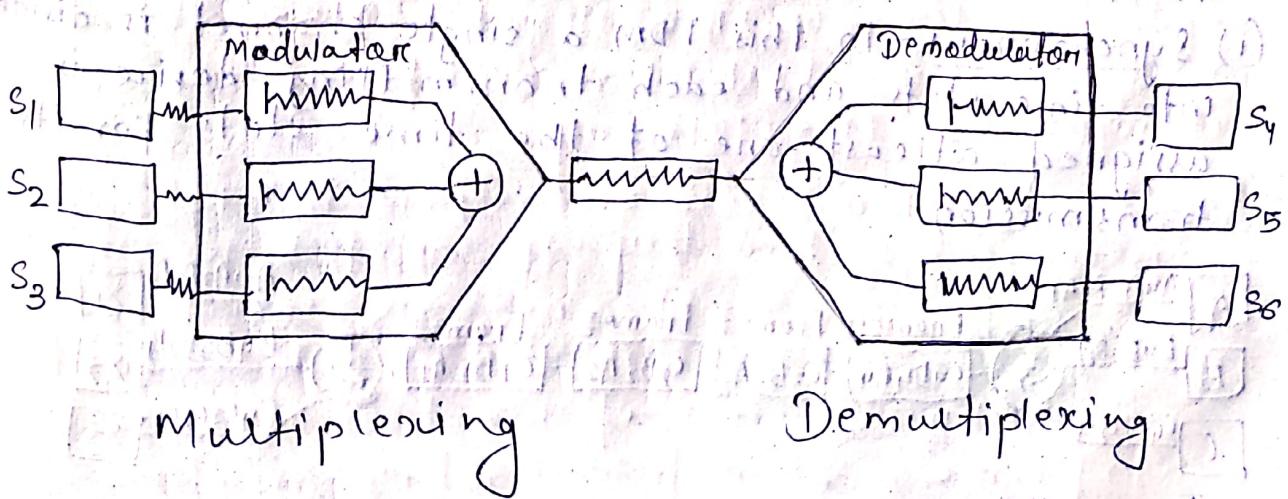
- ⇒ It follows the strategy of stop and forward.
  - ⇒ It uses pipeline (parallel) data flow method.
  - ⇒ Hence the efficiency is high.
  - ⇒ Delay also their as compare to circuit switching.
- Total Time =  $n(TT) + PD$

Differentiate between Datagram switching vs Virtual Circuit switching:-

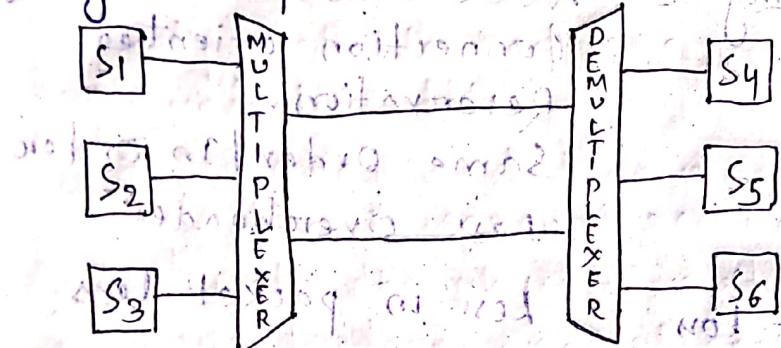
<u>Datagram switching</u>	<u>Virtual circuit switching</u>
⇒ Connection less	Connection oriented
⇒ No reservation	Reservation.
⇒ Out of Order	Same Order / In Order
⇒ High overhead	Less overhead
⇒ High risk of packet loss	Less in packet loss

Multiplexing - Multiplexing is the process where multiple channels are combined for transmission over a common transmission path. Following are the ways to multiplex -

(a) frequency Division multiplexing (FDM) - In FDM multiple channels are combined onto a single aggregate signal for transmission. The channels are separated in the aggregate signal by their own frequency. Between channels there are gaps known as Guard Bands. Today such systems are still in use with analog transmission.



(b) Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM) - WDM may be defined as the fibre optic transmission technique, that employs two or more optical signals having different wavelengths to transmit data simultaneously in the same direction over one fibre and is separated by wavelength converter at the distant end later on. WDM allows transmission of analog or digital signals upto a few GHz or Gbits per second (Gbit/s).



## Transmitter and Receiver

(Wavelength Division Multiplexing) -

WDM is an analog multiplexing technique to combine optical signals.

(c) Time Division Multiplexing - There are two alternative

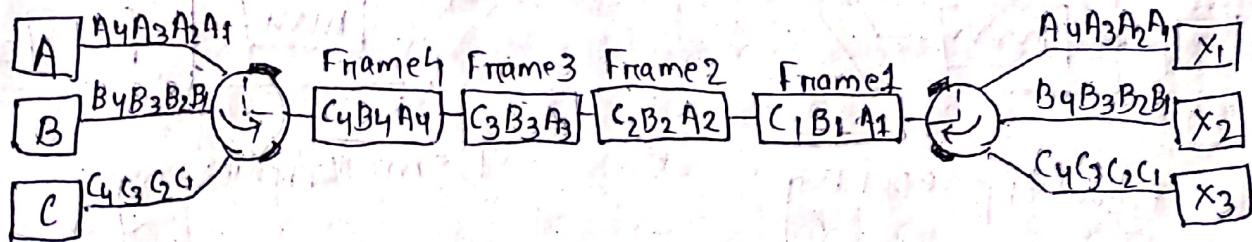
technologies of multiplexing for digital sources. These include serial-to-parallel interface (TDM) and

These are time division multiplexing (TDM) and Code Division Multiplexing (CDM).

TDI committee means for means date

TDM provides a means for merging data from varied sources into a single channel to support communication over a microwave system or telephone lines. TDM can be implemented in two ways, there are synchronous TDM and asynchronous TDM.

(1) Synchronous - In this TDM a single channel is divided into time slots and each transmitting device is assigned atleast one of the time slots for its transmission.



The same time slot is allocated by the multiplexer to each device at all the times whether the device is active or idle. These different time slots are grouped into frames. A frame consists of one complete cycle of time slots.

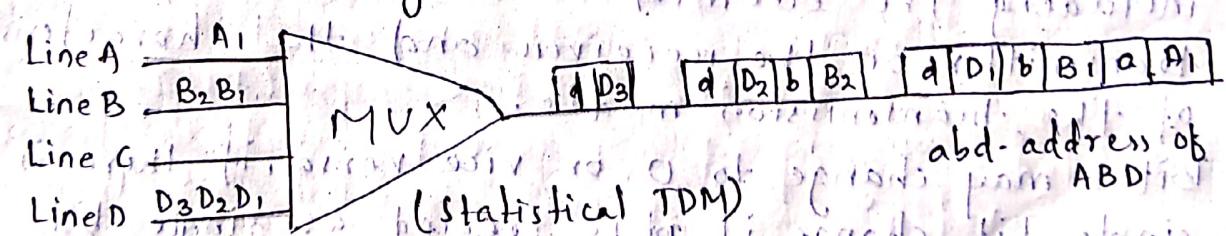
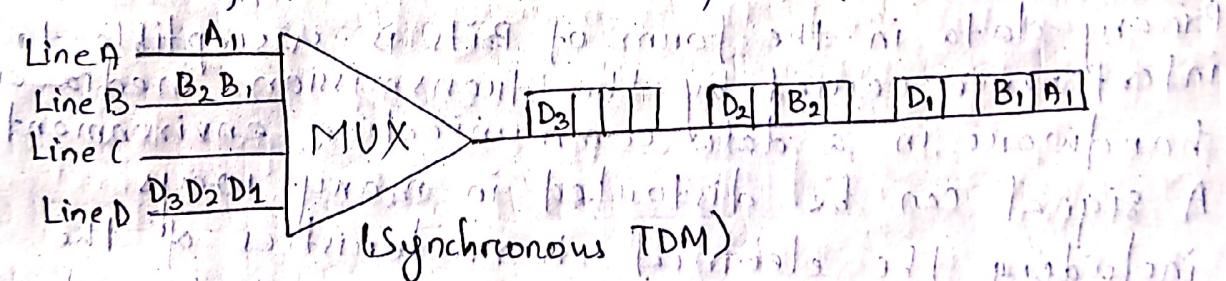
#### (d) Statistical Time Division Multiplexing (STDM) - Asynchronous

TDM is popularly known as Statistical TDM.

In case of TDM, time slots are allocated to channels even if they have no information to transmit.

This is just wastage of the bandwidth. To overcome the inefficiency of standard TDM, a technique known as STDM has been developed, where time is allocated to lines, only when it is required.

The intelligent device statistically compensates for normal idle time so that more lines can be connected to a transmission media.



(e) Code Division Multiplexing - CDM is widely used in so-called second generation and third generation wireless communication. This is a combination of analog-to-digital conversion and spread spectrum technology, e.g., for mobile telephones. In CDM, may be defined as a form of multiplexing where if the transmitter imports the signal we in a pseudocode, pseudo-random sequence - on the other hand, the receiver knows about the code generated and transmitted by the transmitter and therefore can decode the received signal.

Code division multiplexing assigns each channel its own code to separate them from each other.

The disadvantage of CDMA is that each user's transmitted bandwidth is larger than the digital data rate of the source. The main advantage of CDMA is protection from interference and tapping as only the sender and the receiver know the spreading code.

### Error Detection and Correction

The memory and network technology are not entirely reliable and are prone to errors while communicating data.

Data processing and transmission systems experience errors due to several reasons. Some of the reasons are due to the physical medium that produces noise, distortion and attenuation.

### Types of Errors

Binary data in the form of Bits is susceptible to interference, caused by the transmission media or hardware in a data communication environment.

A signal can be distorted in many ways including the electrical characteristics of the transmitter or the receiver and the characteristic of the transmission media.

Bit 1 may change to 0 or vice versa, if there is a single bit change it is treated as single bit error while if there are multiple bit change it is known as multiple bit error or burst error.

An example of such situation is where in an ASCII code 00010101 for NAK (Negative Acknowledgement) is transmitted, if it is received as 00000101, it will mean LEN (Enquiry).

Burst Error: When error occurred in multiple consecutive bits then they are called burst error.

For example, in computer network, sometimes packets are lost or corrected due to a burst error. A typical cause of burst errors is interference, obtain from a lighting or electrical discharge.

Example- If the bits 1101010 transmitted, and changes to the bits 1110111 at receiving end. Then the total no. of bits changes 2 bits. The total length in bits changes 15 bits.

Detection- Error detection is the first step towards error correction, and is simpler than error correction.

Redundancy Method- It is the simplest type of error detection mechanism in which the same data string is transmitted twice.

The receiving device performs a bit by bit mapping of both the received data string to detect whether both the received data strings are same or not.

This system involves quite a lengthy process because bits strings are transmitted twice and bit by bit mapping takes enormous time.

The process of introducing these extra bits is called redundancy.

There are three types of redundancy processes :-

- (i) Parity Check-
- (ii) Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC)
- (iii) Check sum

They are referred to as Error Detection and Correction (EDAC) or Error Checking and Correction (Ecc).

\* Parity Check- A parity check is the process that ensures accurate date transmission between nodes during communication.

A parity bit is appended to the original data bits to create an even or odd bit number; the number of bits with value 1.

The source then transmits the data via a link, and bits are checked and verified at the destination. Data is considered accurate if the number of bits (even or odd) matches the number of transmitted from the source.

- $m+1$  bit ( $m$ : no. of message bits + 1 extra bit)
- Even or odd parity (no. of '1's should be even)
- It can detect all single bit errors in code word.
- Can detect only all the odd nos. of error in code word.

### 4 bits of Code Word

0000	0	1000	1
0001	0	1001	0
0010	1	1010	0
0011	0	1011	1
0100	1	1100	0
0101	0	1101	1
0110	0	1110	1
0111	1	1111	0

Hamming Code - The bit position in a Hamming code word can be numbered from one through  $2^{i-1}$ . Any position whose number is a power of two is a check bit and the remaining positions are information bits.

Cyclic Redundancy Check - It is a technique that provides a data string to packets of information that can be utilized for error detection.

In the OSI Network Model, CRC is added to a packet frame at the datalink layer (DLL).

The data integrity of a received packet or frame is checked via a polynomial algorithm and then match with the result that is performed by the sender. It included in a (most often 16 bits) frame appended to the frame.

It uses a dividend polynomial, which is initially present to zero, and the ones and zeroes of the data string become the coefficient of the dividend polynomial.

The receiving station compares the transmitted remainder with its own computed remainder and an equal condition indicates no error occurrence.

- Most widely used and powerful method
  - It can detect all odd errors, single bit & burst errors.
  - It can detect errors equal to the maximum degree of polynomial.
  - total bit ( $m+r$ )  
(m: no. of bits in message + R: Redundant bits)

$$\underline{\text{Ex: } x^4 + x^3 + 1 \text{ (Divisor)}} = 1 \cdot x^4 + 1 \cdot x^3 + 0 \cdot x^2 + 0 \cdot x^1 + x^0 \cdot 1 = 11001$$

Binary division diagram:

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    11001 | 10101010100000 → 0010
    11001 ↓ | | | | | | | |
    011000 | | | | | | | |
    11001 | | | | | | | |
    000011010 | | | | | | |
    11001 | | | | | | |
    00011000 | | | | | |
    11001 | | | | | |
    000010
  
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Annotations:

- $(5-1) = 4$  bits to add 4 bits
- Replace 0000 to 0010

At the receiver end

Checksum - It is a simple type of redundancy check that is used to detect errors in data. While transmitting a data over a network, sometimes very minor errors occur.

sometimes very minor errors. In this method an algorithm calculates the binary values in a packet of data and stores the result with the data. When the data is retrieved from memory or received at the other end of a network, a new checksum is calculated and compared with the existing checksum.

The sender follows the step -

- (i) The unit is divided into  $K$  sections, each of  $n$  bits.
- (ii) All sections are added using 1's complement to get the sum.
- (iii) The sum is complemented and becomes the checksum.
- (iv) The checksum is sent with the data.

The receiver subdivides the data unit and adds all the segments and complement the result. The receiver follows the steps -

- (i) The data unit is divided into  $K$  sections each of  $n$  bits.
- (ii) All sections are added using 1's complement to get the sum.
- (iii) The sum is complemented.
- (iv) If the bits in result is 0, the data is accepted otherwise they are rejected.

Example - 100110011110001000100100000100

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \\ \text{1- } 10011001 \quad \text{2- } 11100010 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$K=4, M \leq 8$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ \textcircled{1} 01111011 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ \hline 01111100 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 3- 00100100 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ \hline 10010000 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 4- 10000100 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ \textcircled{1} 00100100 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ \hline 00100101 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

sum

1s - 11011010 - checksum

comp - 00100101 - checksum

Now, this checksum value will be added and send with the actual data.

10011001110001000100100100000100 11011010

$$1 - 10011001$$

$$2 - \underline{11100010}$$

$$\textcircled{1} 01111011$$

$$\underline{\underline{0111100}}$$

$$3 - \underline{00100100}$$

$$\underline{\underline{10100000}}$$

$$4 - \underline{10000100}$$

$$\textcircled{1} 00100100$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\underline{\underline{00100101}}$$

$$\text{check sum} - \underline{\underline{11011010}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{11111111}}$$

1's comp - 00000000 - Error free

Now, the received data is accepted, there is no error.

### Hamming Code Detection and Correction

Positions	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
bits	$d_3$	$d_2$	$d_1$	$P_2$	$d_0$	$P_1$	$P_0$

$$P_2 = d_3 \oplus d_2 \oplus d_1 \quad 1+0+1=0$$

$$P_1 = d_3 \oplus d_2 \oplus d_0 \quad 0+0+1=1$$

$$P_0 = d_3 \oplus d_1 \oplus d_0 \quad 1+1+0=0$$

Parity Position -  $2^0 \rightarrow 2^0 = 1$ ,  $2^1 = 2$ ,  $2^2 = 4$ ,  $2^3 = 8$

1, 2 and 4 positions have parity bit.

$P_0$  = one odd place,  $P_1$  = two places,  $P_2$  = 4 places.

Example of redundancy bits calculation. (XOR Operation)

1	1	0	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
d	d	d	$\delta_8$	d	d	$\delta_4$	d	$\delta_2$	$\delta_1$		

$$\delta_1 = 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11$$

$$\delta_2 = 2, 4, 6, 8$$

$$\delta_4 = 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11$$

$$\delta_8 = 1, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11$$

Address	$\delta_1$	1	0	0	$\delta_8$	1	1	0	$\delta_4$	1	$\delta_2$	1
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Address	$\delta_2$	1	0	0	$\delta_8$	1	1	0	$\delta_4$	1	$\delta_2$	1
---------	------------	---	---	---	------------	---	---	---	------------	---	------------	---

Address	$\delta_4$	1	0	0	$\delta_8$	1	1	0	$\delta_4$	1	$\delta_2$	1
---------	------------	---	---	---	------------	---	---	---	------------	---	------------	---

Address	$\delta_8$	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
---------	------------	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

$$\delta_4 = 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11$$

$$\delta_2 = 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11$$

$$\delta_1 = 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11$$

$$\delta_8 = 8, 9, 11, 10, 11$$

Receiver End - 1 0 0  
(Parity check by receiver XOR operation)

11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Ex- 1	0	101	1100	101						

Suppose the bit of the position 9 has been changed to 1.

10111110010101
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At the receiving end all the redundant bit should be checked and recalculate.

$$\delta_1 = 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 = 110111 = 1$$

As the even parity is invalid so it refers to 01.

$$\delta_2 = 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11 = 011101 = 0$$

As the even parity is valid so it refers to 10.

$$\delta_4 = 4, 5, 6, 7 = 0011 = 0$$

$$\delta_8 = 8, 9, 10, 11 = 1101 = 1$$

$$1 \times 2^0 + 0 \times 2^1 + 0 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^3 = 1 + 0 + 0 + 8 = 9$$

After converting the binary form into decimal number, we get over the position where a data bit is changed.

Then, change the bits of position 9.

### DataLink Control

The datalink layer needs to pack into frames.

so that each frame is distinguishable from another.

Our postal system practices a type of framing.

The simple act of inserting a letter into an envelope separates one piece of information from another.

(1) Framing - A frame is a digital data transmission unit that includes frame synchronisation i.e., a sequence of bits or symbols making it possible for the receiver to detect the beginning and end of the packet in the stream of symbols.

(2) If a receiver is connected to the system in the middle of the frame transmission, it ignores the data until it detects a new frame synchronisation sequence.

The complete datalink layer messages are called frames.

Typically, framing focuses on the concept how does a receiver know where a message begins and ends. Frames helps to send data (complete message) and not just bits of the message.

## Methods of framing

The four method of framing are widely used as follow

(a) Character Count - This method use a field, filed in the header for specifying the no. of characters in the frame.

When the datalink layer at the destination encounters a character count, it decides the no of characters to be followed, and hence this is the end of the frame.

The general format of this method will be as follows:

`Count<Count<Characters>Count<Count<Characters>...>`

(b) Character Stuffing - In character stuffing method, beginning and end of frame is marked by the special character.

Each character begins with the ASCII character sequence and also end with ASCII character sequence like Datalink Escape, Flag, Start of Text/End of Text etc.

$$Ex = y$$

Data from upper layer (in mm)

18. *Chlorophytum comosum* (L.) Ker-Gawler

variable no of characters

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graph LR
    Flags[Flags] --- Header[Header]
    Header --- AB[AB]
    AB --- Dash1[---]
    Dash1 --- CDF[CDF]
    CDF --- Tailer[Tailer]
    Tailer --- Flag[Flag]

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Ex: 2)

AB flag CD

flag AB Esc flag CD flag

Here, 'Esc' is used to ignore the flag within the data.

(f) Bit stuffing - Bit stuffing is the process of adding one extra zero whenever five consecutive ones follow a zero in the data, so that the receiver does not mistake the pattern 011110 for a flag.

flag 011110... 011110... 11011101 [flag]

(d) Byte Stuffing - Byte stuffing is the process of adding 1 extra byte whenever there is a flag or escape character in the text.

\* The most important responsibilities of the datalink layer are error control and flow control.

Error Control - Error Control is both error detection and error correction. It allows the receiver to inform the sender of any frames lost or damage in transmission, and coordinates the transmission and of those frames by the sender.

Error control in datalink layer is implemented. Simply: anytime an error is detected in an exchange, specified frames are transmitted. This process is called automatic repeat request (ARQ).

Flow Control - Flow Control coordinates the amount of data that can be sent before receiving acknowledgement and is one of the most important duties of the datalink layer.

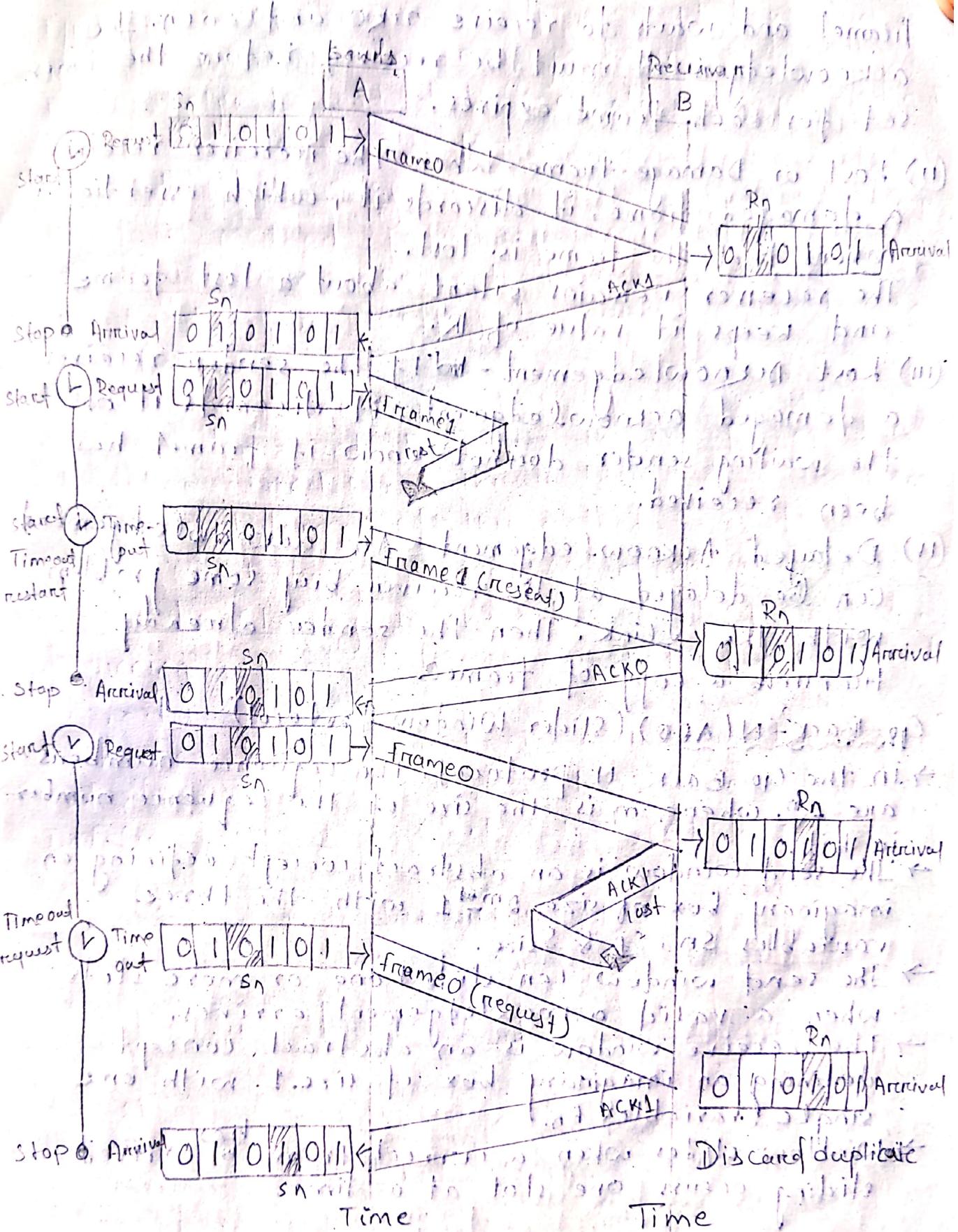
In most protocols, flow control is a set of procedures that tells the sender how much data it can transmit before it must wait for an acknowledgement from the receiver.

The receiving device must be able to inform the sending device before those limits are reached, and to request that the transmitting device send fewer frames or stopped temporarily.

Incoming data must be checked and processed, before they can be used.

Stop and Wait (ARQ)

Round Trip Time  
Time Out Time



## Operations -

Operations - ~~Time~~ <sup>Time</sup> In case of frame, we can have four

In the transmission of frame, we can encounter three situations:- Normal operation, The frame is lost, The acknowledgement is lost or the acknowledgement is delayed.

- (1) Normal Operation - In a normal transmission the sender sends frame 0 and waits to receive acknowledgement 1. When ack1 is received, it sends,

frame and waits to receive ACK and so on. The acknowledgement must be received before the timer set for each frame expires.

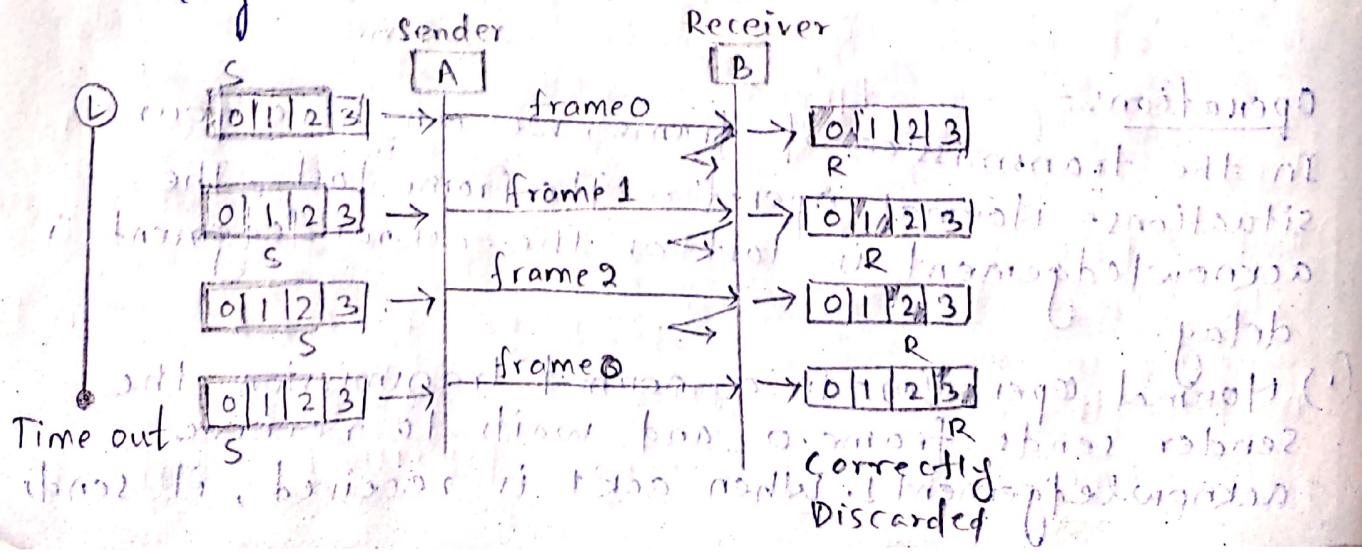
- (i) Lost or Damage Frame - When the receiver receives a damaged frame, it discards it, which essentially means that the frame is lost. The receiver remains silent about a lost frame and keeps its value of IR.

(ii) Lost Acknowledgement - If the sender receives a damaged acknowledgement, it discards it or the waiting sender does not know if frame1 has been received.

(iv) Delayed Acknowledgement - An acknowledgement can be delayed at the receiver by some problem with the link. Then the sender already transmits a copy of frame0.

## Go-Back-N(ARQ) (Sliding Window Protocol)

- In the Go-Back-N protocol, the sequence numbers are  $2^m$ , where m is the size of the sequence number in bits.
  - The send window is an abstract concept defining an imaginary box of size  $2^{m-1}$  with the three variables  $S_n$ ,  $S_f$  &  $S_{size}$ .
  - The send window can slide one or more slots when a valid acknowledgement arrives.
  - The receive window is an abstract concept defining an imaginary box of size 1 with one single variable  $R_n$ .
  - Window slides when a correct frame has arrived, sliding occurs one slot at a time.



## Operations -

In the transmission of the frames in Go-Back-N protocol, there are four various situations -

- (i) Normal Operation - The sender keeps track of the outstanding frames and updates the variables and windows as the acknowledgements arrives.
- (ii) Damaged or Lost frame - If the frame is lost or it is damaged during transmission (suppose frame 2 is lost) and the next frame (frame 3) is reached to the receiver, then it is discarded because the receiver is expecting frame 2 not frame 3 (according to its window size). After the timer for frame 2 expires at the sender side, the sender sends frame 2 and frame 3.
- (iii) Damaged or Lost Acknowledgement - If an acknowledgement is damaged or lost, we can have two situations. If the next acknowledgement arrives before the expiration of any timer, there is no need for re-transmission of frames because acknowledgements are cumulative in this protocol. ACK4 means ACK1 to ACK4. So, if ACK1, ACK2, ACK3 are lost, ACK4 covers them.  
If the next acknowledgement arrives after the time out, the frame and all the frames after that are resent.
- (iv) Delayed Acknowledgement - A delayed acknowledgement also triggers the resending of frames.

NOTE: In Go-Back-N(ARQ) the size of the sender window must be less than 2m; the size of the receiver window is 1.

Go Back-N also known as sliding.

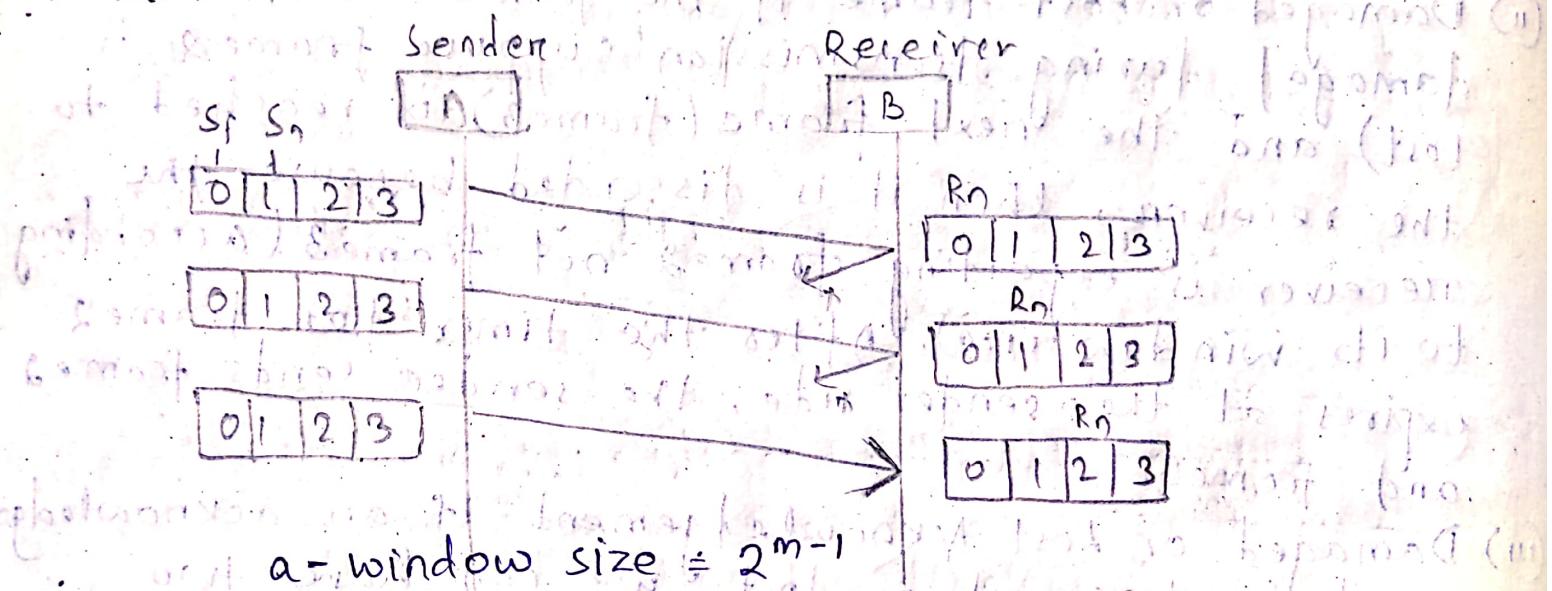
## Select Repeat(ARQ)

- In Go-Back-N(ARQ), it is assumed that the receiver does not have any buffer space for its window size and has to process each frame as it comes.
- This enforces the sender to retransmit all the frames which are not acknowledged.

→ In selective repeat, the receiver while keeping of sequence no., buffer the frames in memory and sends NACK (Negative Acknowledgement) for only frame which is missing or damaged.

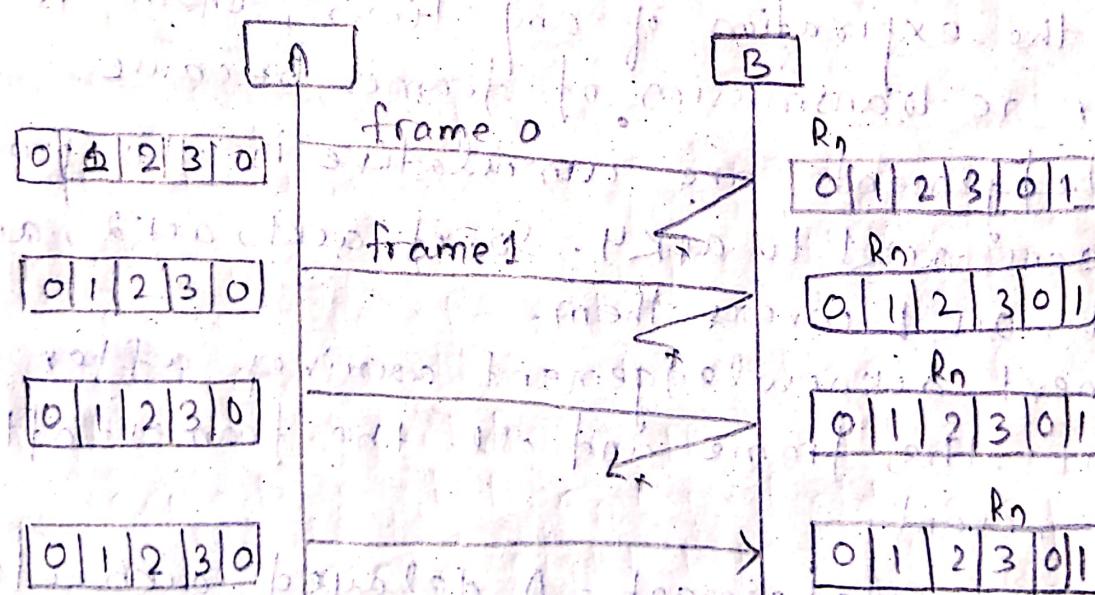
→ The sender in this case, sends only packet for which NACK is received.

\* Window size =  $2^{m-1}$



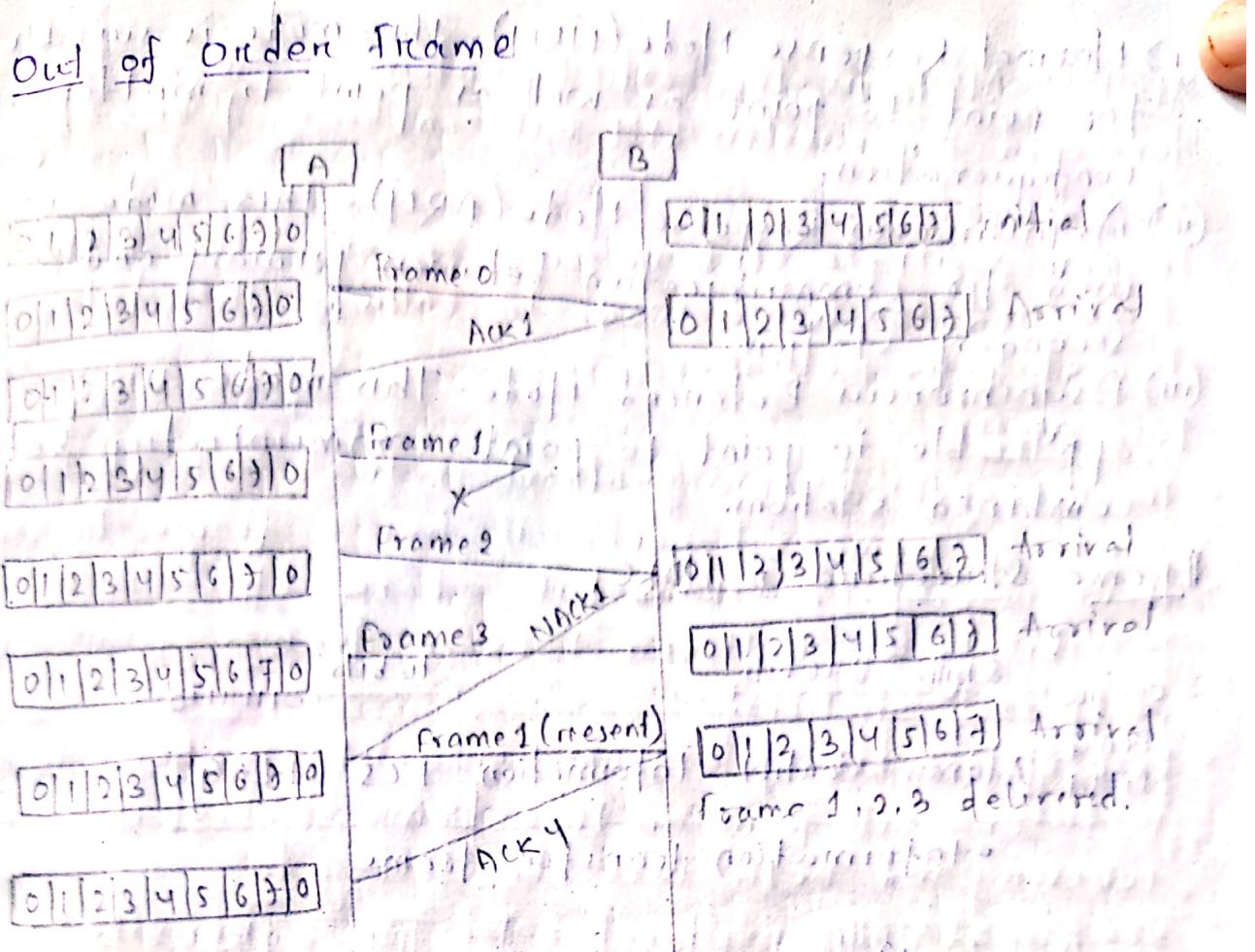
a - window size =  $2^{m-1}$

If both sender's & receiver's window size is equal



b - window size  $> 2^{m-1}$

When receiver's window size is more than sender's window size.



### HDLC Protocol (High Level DataLink)

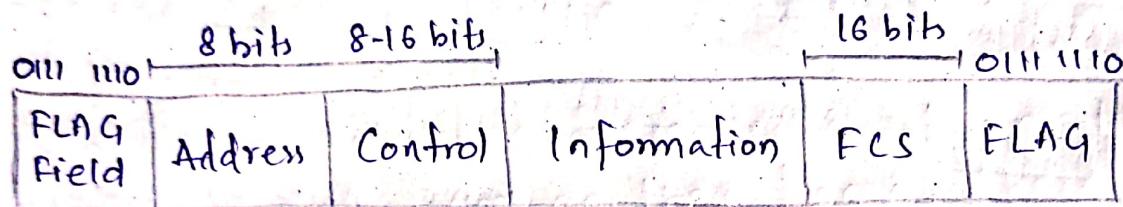
- The 'High level datalink Protocol' developed by ISO.
- HDLC is a bit-oriented datalink protocol, and it is designed to satisfy many of data control requirements.
- HDLC protocol has three stations defined
  - (i) Primary station
  - (ii) Secondary station
  - (iii) Combined station
- Primary station - The primary station is responsible for the initialization of link, controlling the dataflow between primary and secondary station.
- The secondary station is responsible for logical disconnection of the stations, start/stop transmission etc.
- This station acts as a transperancy between the stations which means any of the two stations can send or receive the data anytime.

### Operations Mode of HDLC Protocol -

Three modes of operations are defined for the HDLC protocol as follows -

- (i) Normal Response Mode (NRM) - This mode is suitable for point-to-point as well as point-to-multipoint configuration.
- (ii) Asynchronous Response Mode (ARM) - This mode is used for communication between primary and secondary stations.
- (iii) Asynchronous Balanced Mode - This mode is applicable to point-to-point communication between combined stations.

### Frame Structure in HDLC



- Information transfer frame

Flag	Address	Control	FCS	Flag
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- Supervisory frame

- Flag - This field is used for indicating the start and end of a frame. A special eight-bit sequence 0111110 is referred to as a flag. Every frame starts and ends with a flag.
- Address - This field contains the address of the secondary station. This field may contain one or more eight-bit addresses.
- Control - This field identifies the function and purpose of the frame. Depending on the protocol, an eight-bit or a sixteen-bit control field is used.
- Data - This field contains the user data to be transmitted. It can be arbitrarily long or can be empty.

## Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP)

- The most common protocols for point-to-point links is the PPP.
- Today, millions of internet users who need to connect their home computers to the servers of an Internet Service Provider (ISP) use PPP.
- PPP provides several services
  - (i) PPP defines the format of the frame to be exchanged between devices.
  - (ii) It defines how network layer data are encapsulated in the datalink frame.
  - (iii) It defines how services can authenticate each other.
  - (iv) PPP provides connections over multiple links.

### PPP Frame

- PPP is a byte-oriented protocol where each field of the frame is composed of one or more bytes. The fields of a PPP frame are -
- (i) Flag - 1 byte that marks the beginning and the end of the frame.
- (ii) The bit pattern of the flag is 0111110.
- (iii) Address - 1 byte which is set to 01111111 in case of broadcast.
- (iv) Control - 1 byte set to a constant value of 11000000.
- (v) Protocol - 1 or 2 bytes that define the type of data contained in the payload field.
- (vi) Payload - This carries the data from the network layer. This may be negotiated between the end points of communication.
- (vii) FCS - It is a 2 bytes of 4 bytes checked sequence for error detection. The standard code used is CRC.

Flag	Address	Control	Protocol	Payload	FCS	Flag	Stop
1 byte (111111)	1 byte (1000000)	1 byte (1000000)	1 or 2 bytes	Variable	2 or 4 bytes	1 bytes (0111110)	

ALOHA - ALOHA is the earliest random excess method developed for wireless LAN but can be used on any shared medium for some time slot transmission.

In this, multiple stations can transmit data at the same time and can hence lead to collision. The data from two stations collide.

#### Pure ALOHA

- The idea behind this protocol is that each station sends a frame whenever it has a frame to send.
- There is only one channel to share, there is possibility of collision between frames from different stations.
- Even if one bit of a frame co-exist on the channel with one bit from another frame, there is a collision and both will be destroyed.
- The pure ALOHA protocol relies on acknowledgements from the receivers.
- If the acknowledgement does not arrive after time-out period, the stations assume that the frame has been destroyed and resents the frame.
- A collision involves two or more station.
- The randomness will have avoid more collision called back-off time.

#### Carrier Sense Multiple Access (CSMA)

- The chance of collision can be reduced if a station senses the medium before trying to use it.
- In CSMA, the station first sense the medium it is ideal or not then sends the data, otherwise it waits till the channel become ideal (listen before talk).
- It is meaningful to stop the transmission after hearing the collision information.
- The working of the CSMA/CD (collision detection) algorithm can be best describe, using the following steps -

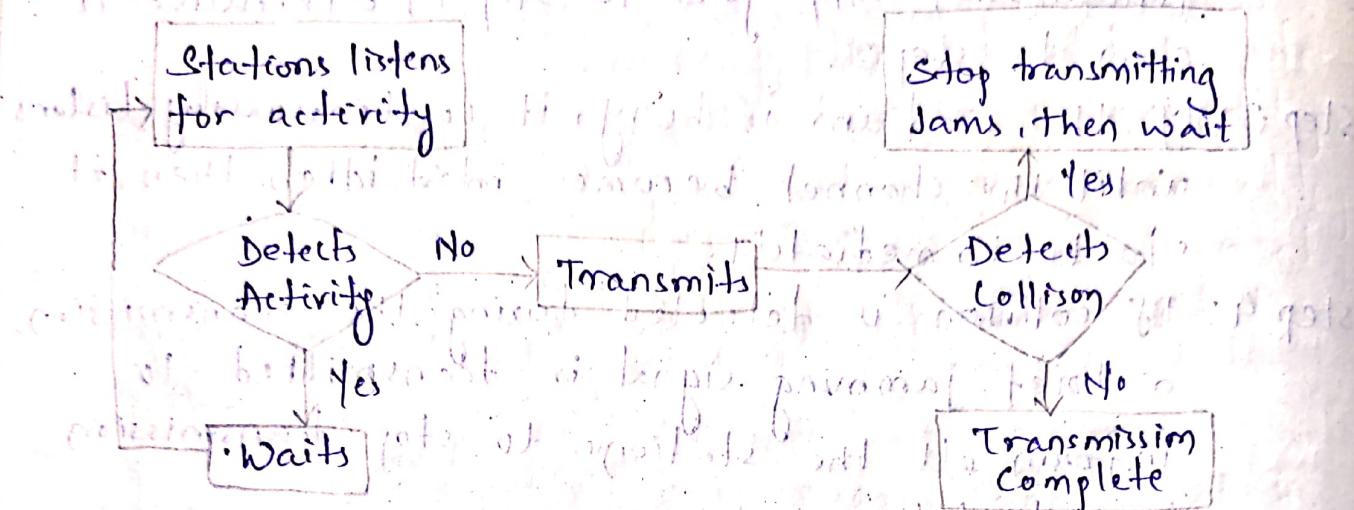
- Step 1: Before starting the transmission, station senses the medium for the presence of any transmission from other station.
- Step 2: If the medium is idle, the station starts transmission and goes to step 4; otherwise it goes to step 3.
- Step 3: If the medium is busy, it continuously listens until the channel becomes silent idle, then it starts immediately.
- Step 4: If collision is detected during the transmission a brief jamming signal is transmitted to inform all the stations to stop transmission immediately.
- Step 5: After transmitting the jamming signal, the station waits for a random time and attends to start from step 1 again.

### Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance

- The process of collision detection involves sending receiving acknowledgement signals.
- To avoid collisions on wireless network, carrier sense multiple access with collision avoidance (CSMA/CA) was invented for this network.
- In contrast to the CSMA/CD protocol, which handles transmissions only after a collision has taken place, CSMA/CA works to avoid collisions prior to their occurrences.
- Collisions are avoided through the use of CSMA/CA three strategies as follows-
  - Interframe space - station waits for medium to become idle. and if found idle, it does not immediately send data rather it waits for a period of time called interframe space or IFS.
  - Contention Window - It is the amount of time divided into slots. A station which is ready to send frame chooses random no. of slots as wait time.

(iii) Acknowledgement - The positive acknowledgments and time out timer can help guarantee a successful transmission of the frame.

Collision Detection - CSMA/CD



### Routers

Routing - Routing refers to the process of moving data from one host computer to another by selecting the shortest and most reliable path intelligently.

→ An IP gateway, on the other hand, is the router that accomplishes the act of routing data between two networks.

→ It is important to know that the both hosts & IP routing performs nothing functions (and thus comparable implementation of the IP protocol are necessary at both sides).

→ Bridging and routing are different in a distinct way. While bridging occurs at the datalink layer or layer 2 of OSI reference model, routing takes place at the network layer, or layer 3 of OSI model.

Characteristics -

- (1) The routing protocols and algorithm, tend to provide optimal routes over the network for communicating hosts so that the network could be used effectively and efficiently.

(ii) To deliver the packets from source host to destination host, there exist few key design issues, so that the network could select a route across the network between end nodes with the following characteristics -

- Correctness - The correctness function of the router should provide a valid route, visible path and save links. Route validity ensures that if a route exist for a destination, a usable route should also exist for the route in the network. If this condition is not satisfied, the users will experience a failure in connectivity.  
The visible path ensures that the details of an existing path between two nodes should be propagated by the routing protocol.  
Link safety ensures route availability without taking into consideration the order in which routing message are exchanged.
- Simplicity - The routing should provide simple methods to compute paths to the destination, so that the overhead is as low as possible.
- Robustness - It is the property of a network which defines the expectancy of a network to run continuously for many years.  
Robustness is the capability of the network to route the packets to the destination through some routes in case of hardware and software failures.
- Stability - It describes the ability to tackle the changing conditions of the network without influencing network performance.

The routing algorithms should provides stability under all possible circumstances.

- Fairness - fairness refers to equal priority given to all nodes or hosts on the network for transmitting their packets.
- This is generally done on a first come first serve basis.
- Optimality - The routing algorithms should provide optimal throughput and least mean packet delays.
- Efficiency - The routing algorithm keeps on adding some processing overhead at each node. Such overhead tends to network efficiency.

### IP Address -

- An Internet protocol (IP) is a unique address which provides a universal address across the network.
- It is addressed to the data packets which transmit over the network working with the IP Protocol.
- The IP address consists of 4 parts and each is separated by a dot.
- Format of IP address is xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx.
- Each xxx is a number between 0 and 255 stored in 8 bits and can have  $2^8$  values.
- for example - some of the addresses are 127.0.0.1 and 192.168.0.1.
- The computer converts these decimal dotted notation into binary form.
- The 32 bits are considered as NTT.
- The NTT contains two components as Network Identifier and host identifier.

**Network Identifier** - It starts from the left most bit which is used to identify the network. This process is called network prefix.

The four numbers in an IP address are called octets because in binary form each has 8 position.

An octet contains 2 two sections in which the network identifier recognises, The first octet to identify the network that a system unit belongs to.

## Features of IP Address

- It provides a unique address over a network we cannot get the same IP address for two system units.
- An IP address contains a default network whose address is 0.0.0.0 which is used to the default network.
- An IP address provides a loop back address except for class A, class B, class C, class D and class E. The IP address 127.0.0.1 is called loop back address which help the host computer to send a message back to itself.
- IP performs the task of routing data packets over a network and provides ip network address which specifies the location of source and destination node in the network topologies of a routing system.

## Class full IP address

There are 5 main address classes such as Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D and Class E.

- Class A - 0 represents the Class A address. The next 9 seven bits represents the Network Number and remaining 24 bits identifies the host. Class A can composed many host addresses.
- An IP address whose first octet is between 1 to 126 is a class X address.
- 0 is reserved as a part of the default address and 127 is reserved for Internal Loop Back testing.
- Format :- Network. host. host. host  
Default Subnet Mask : 255.0.0.0
- Class B - The first two bits of address are 10 which identify Class B, Next 14 bits for network and last 16 bits identifies the host.
- It uses 16 bits for both the network address and host address.
- Class B address can be provided to 16,384 networks with up to 65,534 host per network.

- Any address whose first octet is in the range 128 to 191 is a Class B address.

format : Network. Network. Host. Host

Default SubNet Mask : 255.255.0.0

⇒ Class C - Class C are meant for small networks.

The first 3 octet specifies a particular network and the last one octet specifies host, i.e.

- The first octet range of 192 to 223 is used for Class C addresses.

The first 3 bits of addresses are 110 which identify Class C, the next 21 bits for network and the last 3 bits identify the host.

format : Network. Network. Host.

Default SubNet Mask : 255.255.255.0

⇒ Class D - It defines IP multicast addresses. Multicast IP address have their first octet in the range 224 to 239.

- The first 4 bits of addresses, 1110 form a multicast address. It shares common applications such as videoconferencing.

⇒ Class E - The first 4 bits of the address, 1111 are called Class E addresses, value is greater than 239 and address is reserved. These addresses were reserved for experimental use.

### IP V-4 (Internet Protocol Version-4)

- IP v-4 was the primary version brought into action within the ARPANET (Advanced Research Project Agency Network) in 1983. IP v-4 addresses are 32 bit integer which will be expressed in decimal notation.
- Technically, IP addresses are 32 bit long strings. These strings are being separated with dot into 4 decimal number from 0 to 255 in decimal.
- For example, IP v-4 address 11000000101010000000101000011001 is expressed as 192.168.10.25 in dotted decimal notation.
- The steps to convert binary IP v-4 address from dotted decimal notation to decimal notation.

(i) Break 32 bit long address into segments of 8-bit blocks.

11000000 10101000 00001010 00011001

(ii) Write decimal equivalent of each segment  
192 168 10 25

(iii) Separate the blocks with periods or dots.  
192.168.10.25

### Classification of IP v-4 Address

(i) Unicast - This is a unique address globally for the identification of the device to connect to the network. It includes a subnet prefix and a host id portion.

- Subnet Prefix - It is basically a network identifier or network address portion of an IP address.

- Host-id - It identifies a network node to which some devices are interfaced.

(ii) Multicast - It is used for one or more network interfaces located on various sub-nets.

(iii) Broadcast - It is allocated to all network interfaces located on various sub-nets and is used for one to everyone on a sub-net communication.

### IP v-6 (Internet Protocol Version-6)

→ IP v-6 is a network layer protocol that allows communication to take place over the network.

→ IP v-6 was designed by Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) in December 1998 with the purpose of superseding the IP v-4 due to the global exponentially growing Internet users.

→ An IP v-6 address consists of 8 groups of 4 hexadecimal digits.

→ Example of IP v-6 address 3001:0da8:75a3:0000:0000:  
8000:8a2e:03f0:7334

→ With 128 bit address space, it allows 3.40 undecillion addresses.

→ IP v-6 (also called IP NG (Internet Protocol Next Generation)).

## Types of IPv6 Address

- (i) Unicast - It identifies a unique node on a network and usually refers to a single sender or a single receiver.
- (ii) Multicast - It represents a group of IP devices and can only be used as the destination of datagram.
- (iii) Anycast address - It is designed to set of interfaces that typically belongs to different nodes.

Frame Relay - frame relay is a packet switching network protocol technique that is designed to work at the datalink layer of the network.

- It is used to connect local area network (LANs) and transmit data across wide area network (WAN).
- Frame relay is considered to be a protocol which must be carried over a physical link.
- It offers high speed transmission. It is also called because a frame (a datapacket) is relayed successively between transmission devices.
- It allows transmission of different size packets and dynamic bandwidth allocation.
- It provides a congestion control mechanism to reduce the network overheads due to congestion.
- It does not have an error control and flow control management mechanism.

Characteristics of frame relay -

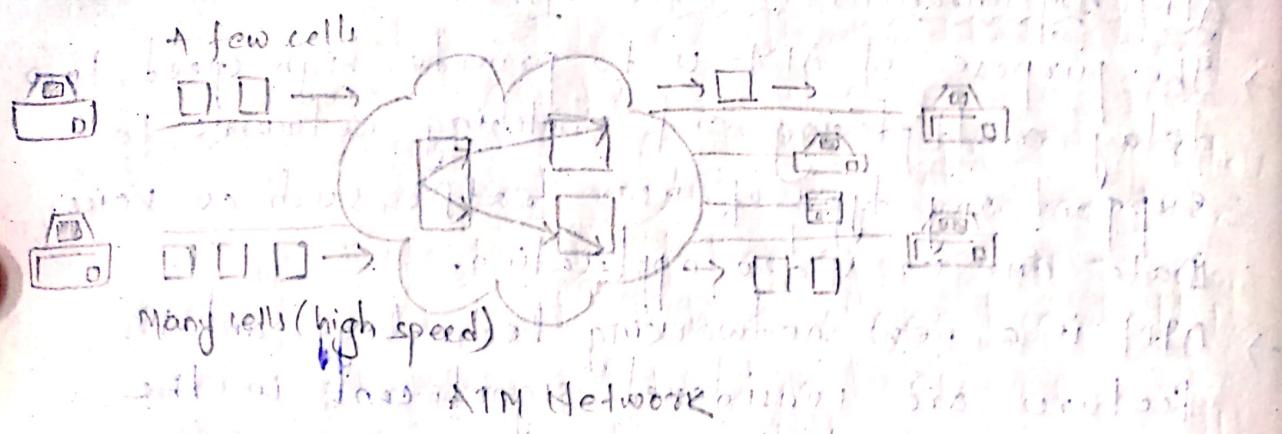
- frame relay service is one that supports the transport of data.
- frame relay is a connection less service, meaning that each data packet passing through the network contains address information.
- frame relay is a service that is provided with a variety of speeds from 56 Kbps upto 25 MBps.
- frames are variable in length and goes upto 4096 bytes.
- frame relay is considered to be a broadband ISDN (Integrated Service Digital Network) service.

## ATM (Asynchronous Transfer Mode)

- The purpose of ATM is to provide high speed, low delay multiplexing and switching networks to support any type of user traffic, such as voice, Date and video application.
- ATM is a new networking technology and its features are considered significant in the networking industry.
- ATM has been universally accepted as the best transfer mode and an alternative for Broadband Integrated services Digital Network (BISDN).
- ATM is designed to provide fast packet (cell) switching over various types and speeds of media at valuable rates from 64 Kbps to 2 Gbps and beyond.
- ATM provides good bandwidth flexibility and can be used efficiently from desktop computers to Local Area and Wide Area Network.
- ATM is a connection-oriented packet switching techniques in which all packets are of fixed length.

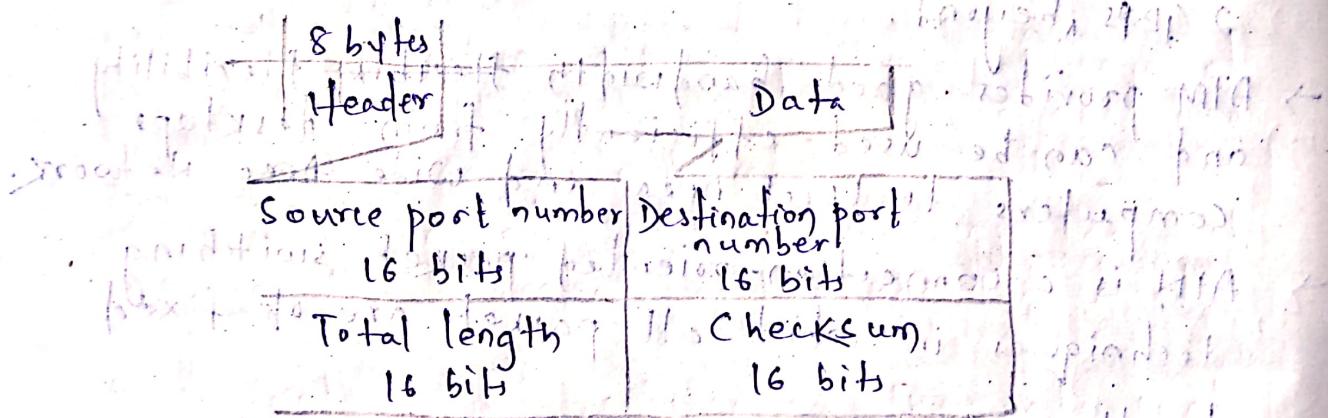
## Characteristics of ATM

- The following are the primary features of ATM -
- The transport speeds of most ATM applications are most obtain 155 Mbps and 622 Mbps.
- ATM is a flexible service made possible by the size of the packets (cells). The cell size for all applications is 53 bytes.
- The small size allows a variety of applications to run on ATM network including voice, video and data.



### User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

- The UDP is called a connection-less, unreliable transport protocol.
- It does not add anything to the service of IP, except to provide process-to-process communication instead of host-to-host communication.
- The UDP packet structure is as follows:



UDP

: User Datagram Protocol

### UDP Operations

- (I) Connection-less services - UDP provides connection-less services which means that each datagram sent by UDP is an independent datagram. There is no relationship between the different user datagram even if they are coming from the same source port and going to the same destination.
- (II) Flow and error Control - The sender does not know if a message has been lost or duplicated. When the receiver detects an error through the checksum, the user datagram is silently discarded.

- (iii) Encapsulation and Decapsulation - To send a message from one process to another, the UDP protocol encapsulates and decapsulates message in an IP Datagram.
- (iv) Queuing - Queuing in UDP simply refers to requesting port number for client processes and using the port number for process-to-process delivery of message.

### Uses of UDP - Uses of UDP

- UDP allows very simple data transmission without any error detection.
- UDP is used for management processes such as SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol).
- UDP is used for some route of updating protocol such as RIP.
- UDP is used by Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) to assign IP addresses to systems dynamically.
- UDP is an ideal protocol for network applications where latency is critical such as gaming and voice and video communication.

### Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

- TCP is a transport layer protocol for process-to-process communication like UDP.
- It is a connection-oriented, reliable transport protocol.
- It uses flow and error control mechanisms at the transport layer.

#### TCP services:

- (i) Process-to-process communication - TCP provides process-to-process communication using port number
- (ii) Stream Delivery Service - It allows the sending process to deliver data as a stream of bytes and allows a receiving process to obtain data as a stream of bytes.

- (iv) full-duplex communication - TCP offers full-duplex service in which data can flow in both directions at the same time.
- (v) connection-oriented services - When a process wants to send and receive data from another process at site B the following occurs -
  - (a) The two TCPCs establish a connection b/w them.
  - (b) Data exchange in both directions.
  - (c) The connection is terminated.

(vi) Reliable Service - TCP is a reliable transport protocol. It uses an acknowledgement mechanism to check the safe arrival of data. This is possible due to efficient error control mechanism.

#### TCP features and its characteristics :-

To support the services of TCP, following are some features :-

- Numbering system - TCP keeps track of segments being transmitted or received. There are two fields called sequence number and the acknowledgement number for numbering the bytes within the segment and acknowledgement respectively.
- flow control - The receiver of the data controls the amount of data that are to be sent by the sender. This is done to prevent the receiver from being overloaded with data.
- Error Control - To provide reliable service, TCP implements an error control mechanism which considers a segment as the unit of data for error detection.
- Congestion Control - The amount of data sent by a sender is not only controlled by a receiver, but is also determined by the level of congestion in the network.

## Domain Name System (DNS)

- DNS is a distributed database that provides email routing information. It is used by TCP/IP protocols. These protocols maps between IP addresses and host name.
- The domain name extension is defined as the complete address of hosting services provided on the site.
- The Internet configuration used numeric IP address which was a very cumbersome task. To overcome this problem, symbolic host names came into existence.
- A name space is organised in two ways, either hierarchical or flat. The address mapping of host name are maintained by Network Information Center (NIC).
- Hierarchical name space involves the nature and name of the organisation.
- A fully qualified domain name contains a sequence of labels separated by dots.
- The first part defines the nature of an organisation, the second part signifies the name of the organisation, the third part refers to the department of the organisation.
- If the domain name ends in a dot, it shows that the name is not complete. It is referred to as a Fully Qualified Domain Name (FQDN).  
for example: MyDir. MyDept. MyCorp. Com
- If the domain name does not end in a dot, that is called Partially Qualified Domain Name (PQDN).  
for example: MyDept. MyDir. MyCorp
- List of all IP addresses are maintained centrally by Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN).
- DNS provides the protocol which allows the client and server to communicate with each other.
- DNS is able to quickly translate the text of the IP addresses from a directory of billions of such

- addresses and that too within a fraction of second.
- The Internet is divided into more than 200 Top Level Domain (TLDs). Those domains are further partition into sub-domains. Examples of TLD are countries like .in, .jp, .us, .pk, etc. There are certain TLD, which comes under the category of generic TLD, and they are .com, .net, .alt, .edu, etc.
- The DNS namespace defines an inverted tree type structure.
- Certain terminologies in relation as follows-
- Root - The DNS tree grows from top to down. The root domain is the parent of all the domains in the hierarchy.
  - Branch - It refers to any text closest part of DNS hierarchy and describes a domain with sub-domains
  - Leaf - Beneath the leaf no object is defined and therefore it is an end object.

### Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP)

- SMTP is an application layer protocol, is used to send to email messages across the Internet.
- It utilizes TCP at the transport control to send email to a destination mail exchanger, refer to as mail server.
- A client machine sends email to a mail exchanger. Mail exchanger are nothing but the software application program to support SMTP, such as sendmail or Microsoft exchange with for IT datagrams that arrive on the network interface, with a TCP port number of 25.
- The data send using SMTP is a 7-bit ASCII data.
- Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (MIME) define a mechanism for encoding text and binary data as 7-bit ASCII within the mail envelope.

- Networking Security - "Freedom from Risk and Danger"**
- freedom in terms of computer security is the prevention of or protection against:-
    - (i) Access to information by unauthorized recipients
    - (ii) Alteration of that information.
  - Security is the ability of a system or protect information and system resources with respect to confidentiality and integrity.
  - Computer security is frequently associated with three core areas - CIA (C - confidentiality, I - Integrity and A - Authentication)
    - (1) Confidentiality - knowing that information is not accessed by unauthorized person.
    - (2) Integrity - It means that the data must arrive at the receiver exactly as they were sent. There must be no changes during the transmission, either accidental or malicious. knowing the information is not allowed by unauthorized person in a way that is understandable by authorized users.
    - (3) Authentication - Authentication means that the receiver needs to be sure of the sender's identity and that an imposter has not send the message. knowing that user are the persons they claim.
- Access Control - Ensuring that access only those resources and services that entitled to access and that quality users are not denied access to services that they accept to receive.
- Non-repudiation - It means that a receiver must be able to prove that a received message came from a specific sender. The sender must not be able to deny sending a message that he/she did sent.

Availability - It is ensuring that a system is operational and functional at a given moment, provided through redundancy.

Privacy - Privacy means that the sender and the receiver expect confidentiality. The transmitted message must make sense to only the intended receiver. The concept of how to achieve privacy has not changed for thousands of years; the message must be encrypted. That is, the message must be rendered unintelligible to unauthorized parties. f) good privacy technique guarantees to some extent that a potential intruder cannot understand the contents of the message.

Cryptography - It is the science of secret writing with the intention of keeping the data secret.

→ Cryptography is classified into symmetric cryptography and asymmetric cryptography.

Private Key - In the private key, the same key (secret key) is used for encryption and decryption. This key is symmetric because the only key is copied or shared by another party to decrypt the cipher text. It is faster than public key cryptography.

Public key - In a public key, two keys are used. One key is used for encryption and another key is used for decryption. Here, one key (public key) is used to encrypt the plain text to convert it into cipher text and another key (private key) is used by the receiver to decrypt the cipher text to read the message.

## Private Key

- The private key is faster.
- In this, the same key and algorithm are used to encrypt and decrypt the message.
- In private key cryptography, one of the two keys is kept a secret.
- Private key is symmetrical because there is only one key that is called a secret key.
- In this, the sender and the receiver need to share the same key.
- It is an efficient technology.
- It is used for large amounts of text.
- There is the possibility of losing the key.
- It is slower than private key.
- In this, two keys are used. One key is used for encryption and another key is used for decryption.
- In this the sender and receiver do not need to share the same key.
- It is an inefficient technology.
- It is used for only short messages.
- There is less possibility of key loss as the key is held publicly.

## IEEE 802.11

- It is also known as Wireless Fidelity (WiFi).
- Like Ethernet and Token Ring are siblings, 802.11 is designed for use in a limited geographical area (Homes, office buildings, campuses).
- Primary challenge is to mediate access to a shared communication media - In this case, signals propagating through space.
- 802.11 supports additional features:
  - Power Management
  - Greater and security mechanism
- 802.11 uses 5 GHz radio band (High frequency) which has 23 overlapping channels rather than 2.4 GHz frequency band which has only three non overlapping channels.

→ Access Method of IEEE 802.11 WiFi: (CSMA/CA) is used.

### Mode of WiFi

→ Connections to these wireless network are usually maintained by NIC or Network adapters.

→ A wireless network adapter is a device that helps us to connect two wireless network.

→ It acts as a mediator between the server on other computers and our machine which helps in sending and receiving files.

### Wireless Connection Mode -

(i) Adhoc Mode - In this mode, the nodes are connected to each other without the presence of any base station or access point. The nodes can communicate directly with each other and also share resources without the presence of any external media (routers, etc), provided they are connected on the same network on the same channel.

(ii) Managed Mode - In this mode, every node is connected to an access point or base station (routers, etc) and it only receives the data which is sent to it by the access point (AP).  
• To connect to a network in managed mode the node automatically changes its channel according to the access point.

<u>Protocol</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Channel Width</u>	<u>Maximum data rate</u>
→ 802.11ax	2.4-5GHz	20, 40, 80, 160 MHz	2.4 Gbps
→ 802.11ac wave2	5GHz	20, 40, 80, 160 MHz	1.93 Gbps
→ 802.11ac wave1	5GHz	20, 40, 80 MHz	8.66.7 Mbps
→ 802.11n	2.4-5GHz	20, 40 MHz	450 Mbps
→ 802.11g	2.4GHz	20MHz	54 Mbps
→ 802.11a	5GHz	20MHz	54 Mbps
→ 802.11b	2.4GHz	20MHz	11 Mbps
→ legacy 802.11	2.4GHz	20MHz	2 Mbps

## Digital Signature and Digital Certificate

Digital signature - A digital signature is a mathematical technique used to validate the authenticity and integrity of a message, software or digital document.

- Key generation algorithm - While performing digital transaction, authenticity and integrity should be assured, otherwise the data can be altered or someone can also act as if he was the sender and expect a reply.
- Signing Algorithm - To create a digital signature, signing algorithms like email programs create a one way hash of a ~~process~~ the electronic data which is to be signed. This signing algorithm then encrypts the hash value using the private key. This encrypted hash along with other information like the hashing algorithm is a digital signature. This digital signature is appended with the data and sent to the verifier.
- Signature verification algorithm - Verifier receives digital signature along with the data. It then uses verification algorithm to process on the digital signature and the public key and generate some value. It also applies the same hash function on the received data and generates the hash value. Then the hash value and the output of the verification of the algorithm are compared. If they both are equal then the digital signature is valid as it is invalid.

Digital Certificate - Digital certificate is issued by a trusted third party which proves sender's identity to the receiver and receiver's identity to the sender.

- A digital certificate is a certificate issued by certificate authority (CA) to verify the identity of the certificate holder.
- The CA issues an encrypted digital certificate containing the applicant's public key and a variety of other identifying identification information.
- Digital certificate contains -
  - (i) Name of certificate holder.
  - (ii) Serial number which is used to uniquely identify a certificate.
  - (iii) Expiration date.
  - (iv) Copy of certificate holder's publicly.
  - (v) Digital signature of the certificate issuing authority.
  - (vi) Digital certificate is also send with digital signature and the message.