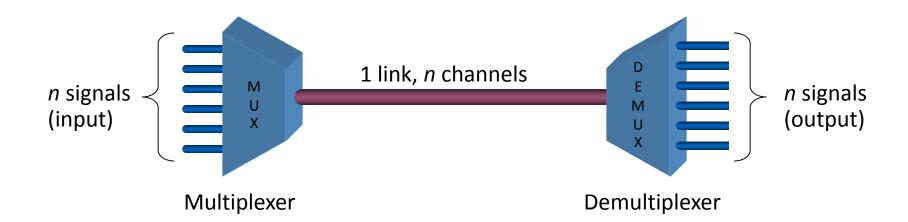
Multiplexing

Sharing Medium

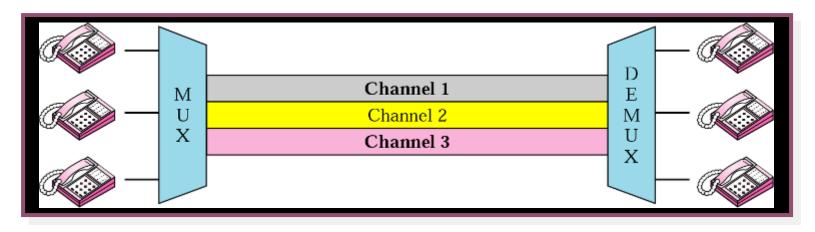
• A link is divided into channels

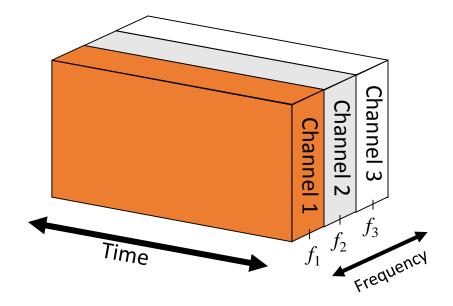


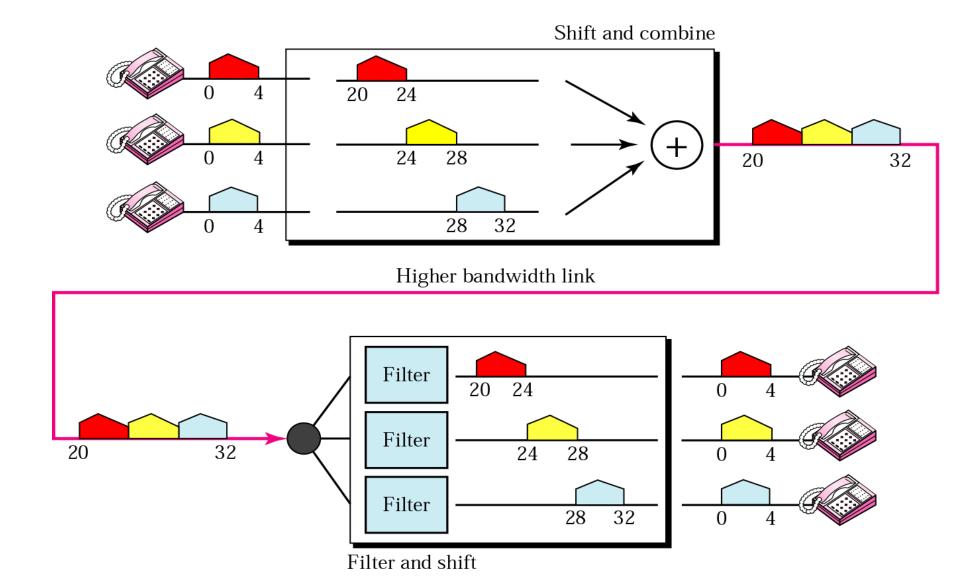
Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM)

- An analog multiplexing technique to combine signals
- Medium BW > Channel BW
- Each signal is modulated to a different carrier frequency
- E.g., broadcast radio
- Channel allocated even if no data

Conceptual View of FDM

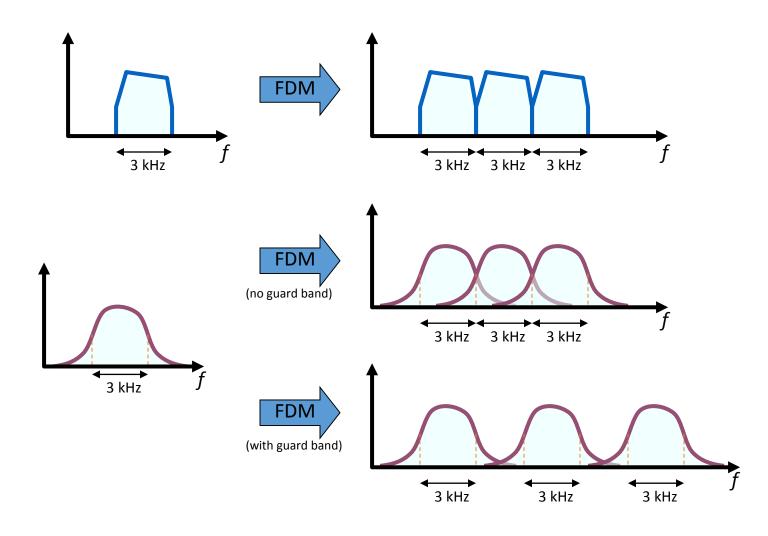






Guard Bands

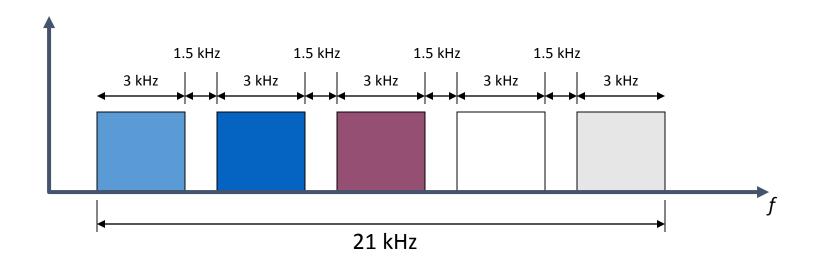
Strips of unused bandwidth to prevent signals from overlapping



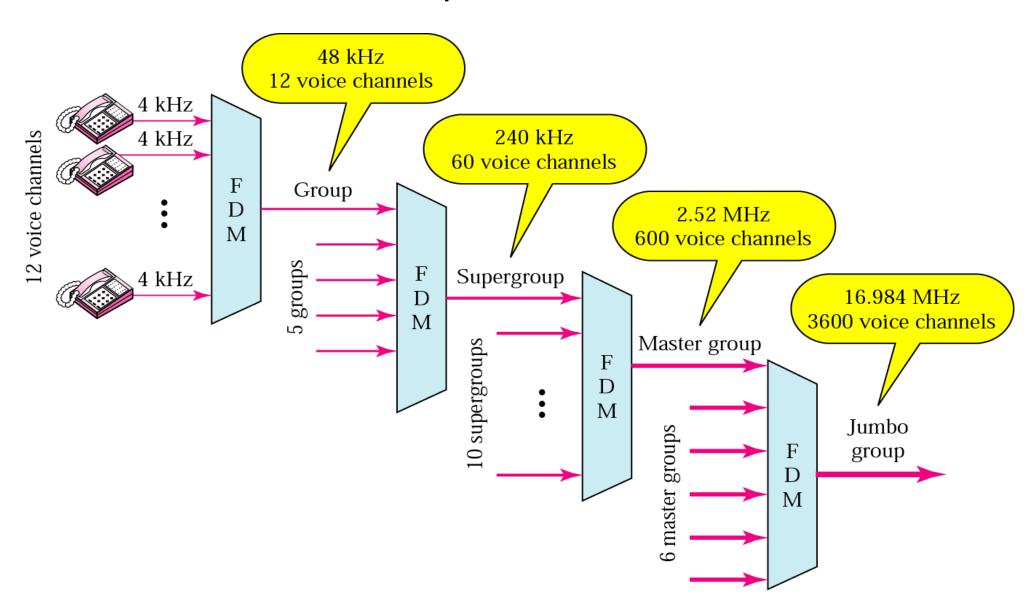
FDM: Example 1

Five voice channels, each with 3-kHz bandwidth, are to be multiplexed together.

If there is a need for a guard band of 1.5 kHz, what is the minimum bandwidth of the link?

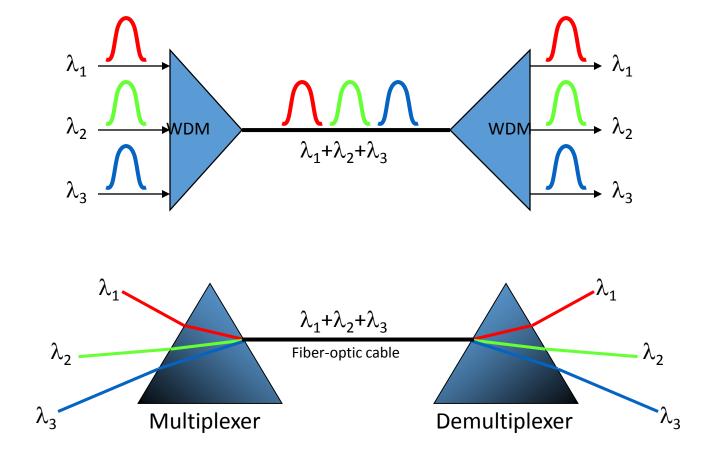


FDM Carrier Standards in Telephone Network



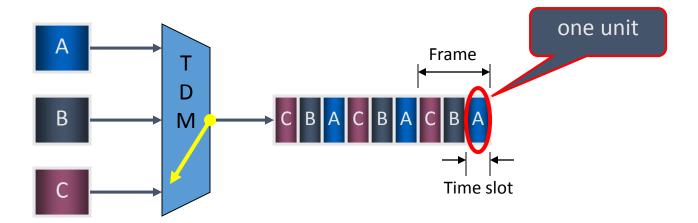
Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM)

• WDM is a special case of FDM used for optical signals



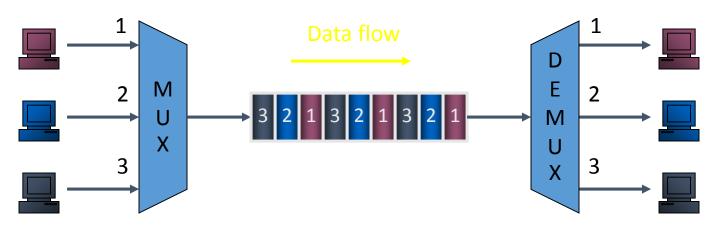
Time Division Multiplexing (TDM)

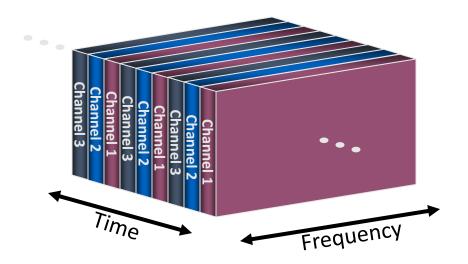
- A Digital multiplexing technique to combine data
- Medium Data Rate > Signal Data Rate
- Multiple digital signals interleaved in time



- Time slots
 - are preassigned to sources and fixed
 - are allocated even if no data
 - do not have to be evenly distributed among sources

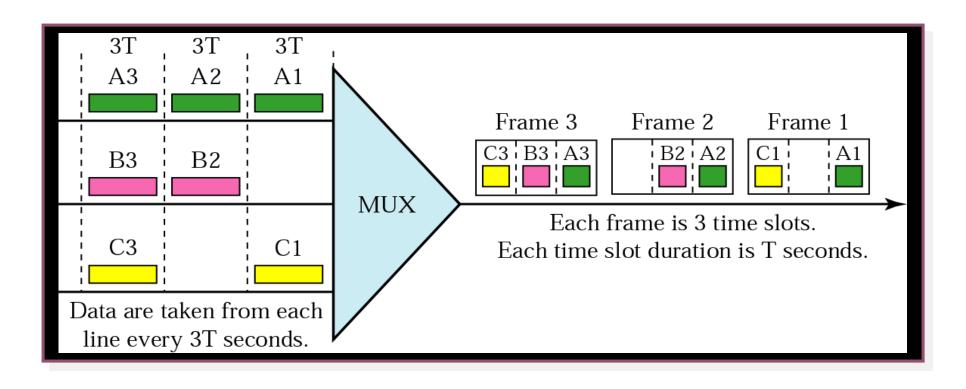
Conceptual View of TDM



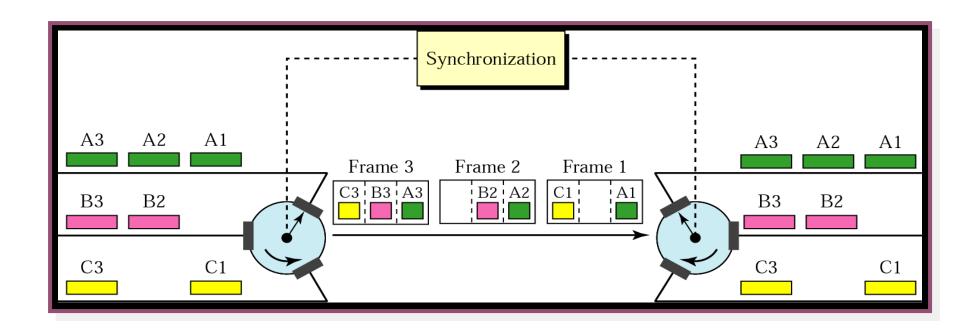


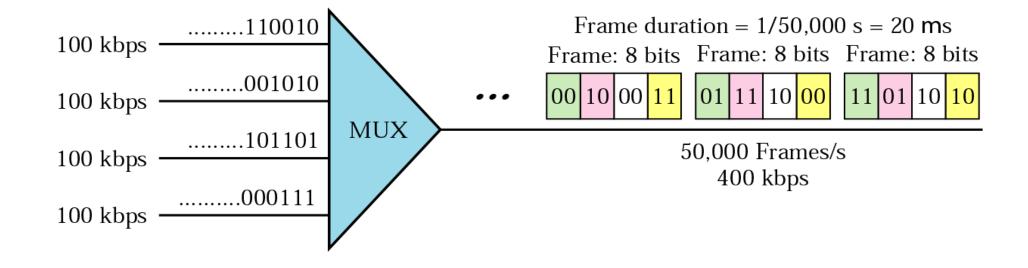
TDM Frames

• A frame consists of one complete cycle of time slots



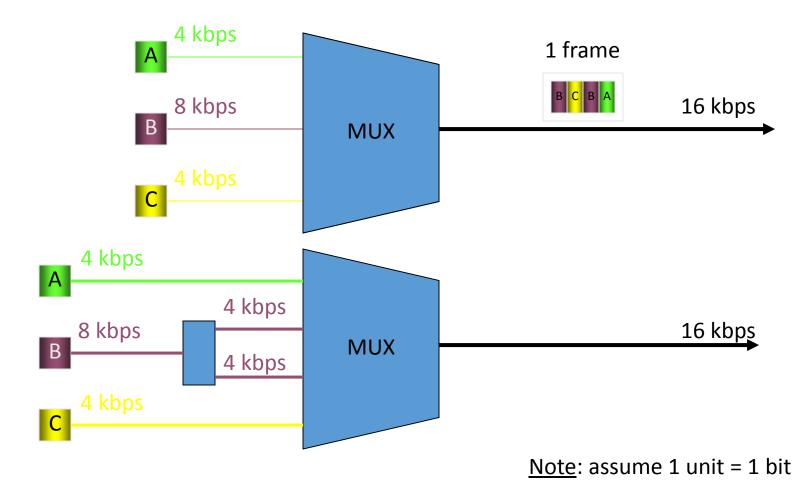
Empty Slot





TDM of Different Data Rates

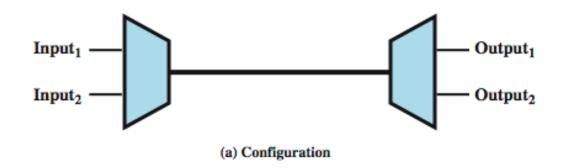
- Data rate from one source may be faster than the others
- More than one time slot can be assigned to certain sources



TDM Link Control

- no headers and trailers
- data link control protocols not needed
- flow control
 - data rate of multiplexed line is fixed
 - if one channel receiver can not receive data, the others must carry on
 - corresponding source must be quenched
- error control
 - errors detected & handled on individual channel

Data Link Control on TDM



(b) Input data streams

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(c) Multiplexed data stream

Legend: F = flag field d = one octet of data field

A = address field f = one octet of FCS field

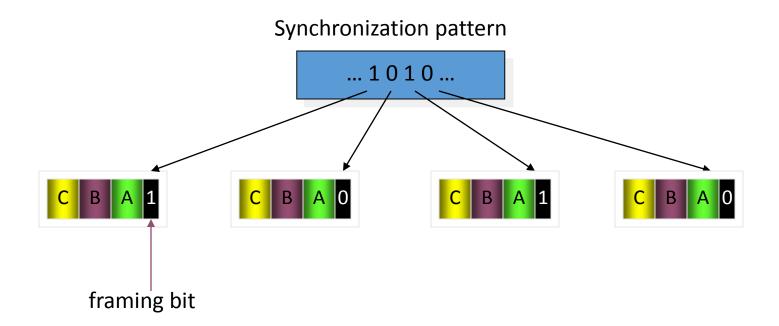
C = control field

Framing

- no flag or SYNC chars bracketing TDM frames
- must still provide synchronizing mechanism between src and dest clocks
- added digit framing
 - one control bit added to each TDM frame
 - identifiable bit pattern used on control channel
 - eg. alternating 01010101...unlikely on a data channel
- frame search mode
 - compare incoming bit patterns on each channel with known sync pattern

Synchronization

- Multiplexer and demultiplexer must be synchronized
- Framing bits are used to provide synchronization



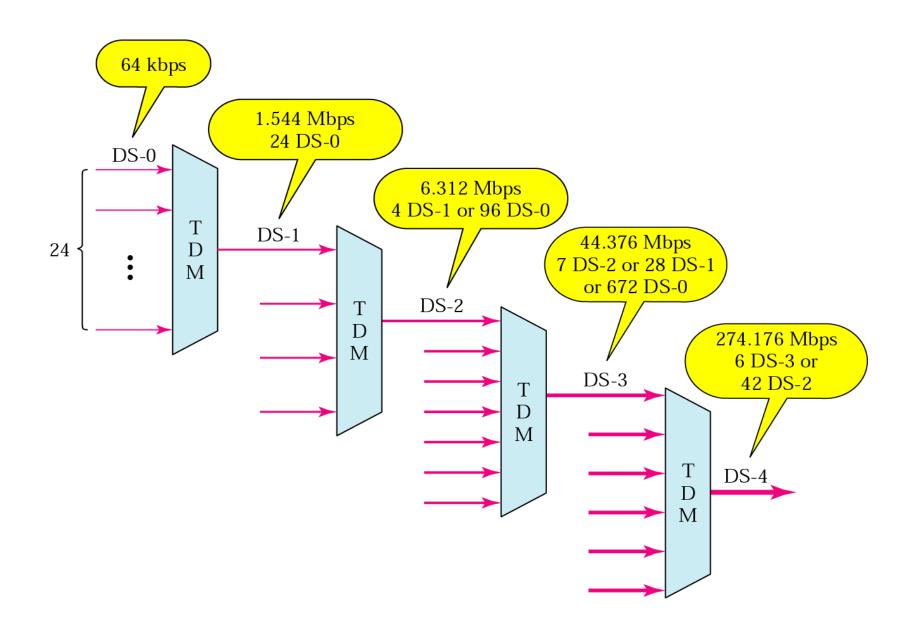
Pulse Stuffing

- have problem of synchronizing data sources
- also issue of data rates from different sources not related by simple rational number
- Pulse Stuffing a common solution
 - stuff extra dummy bits or pulses into each incoming signal until it matches local clock
 - stuffed pulses inserted at fixed locations in frame and removed at demultiplexer

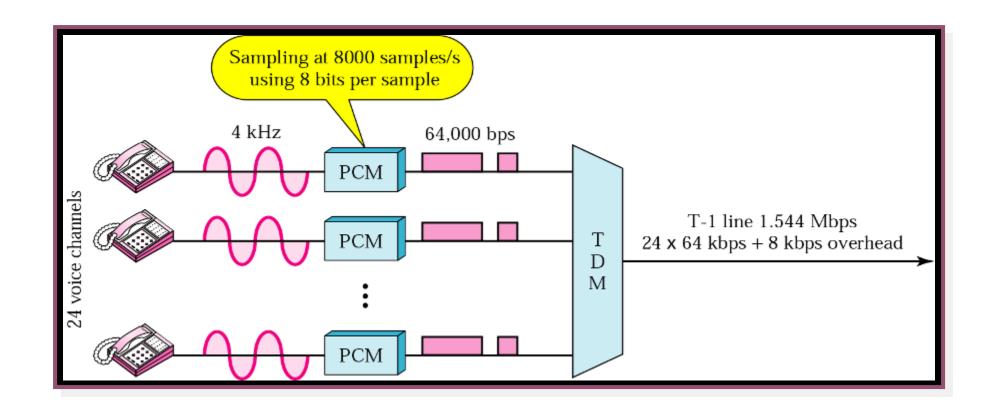
Digital Carrier Systems

- long-distance links use an TDM hierarchy
- AT&T (USA) and ITU-T (International) variants
- US system based on DS-1 format
- can carry mixed voice and data signals
- 24 channels used for total data rate 1.544Mbps
- each voice channel contains one word of digitized data (PCM, 8000 samples per sec)
- same format for 56kbps digital data
- can interleave DS-1 channels for higher rates
 - DS-2 is four DS-1 at 6.312Mbps

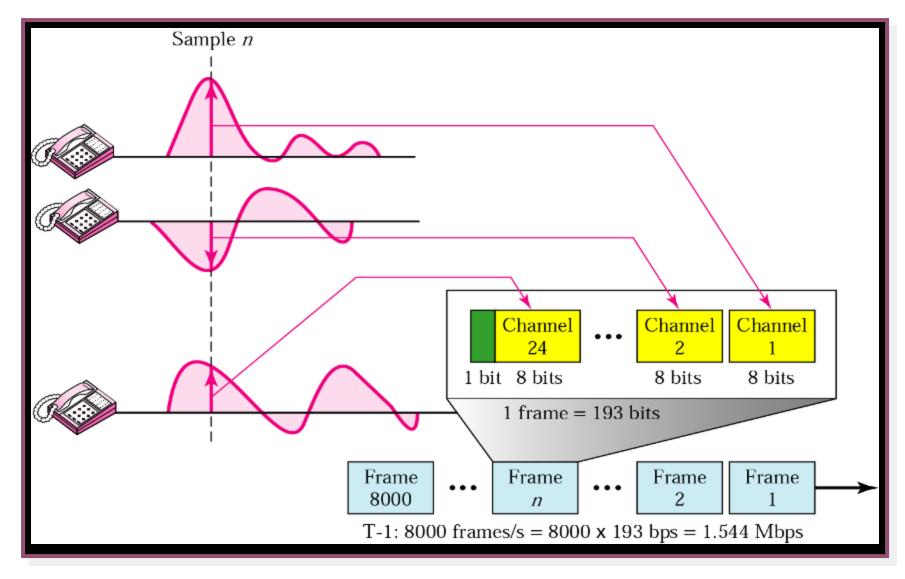
Digital Signal (DS) Hierarchy



T Lines and Analog Signals



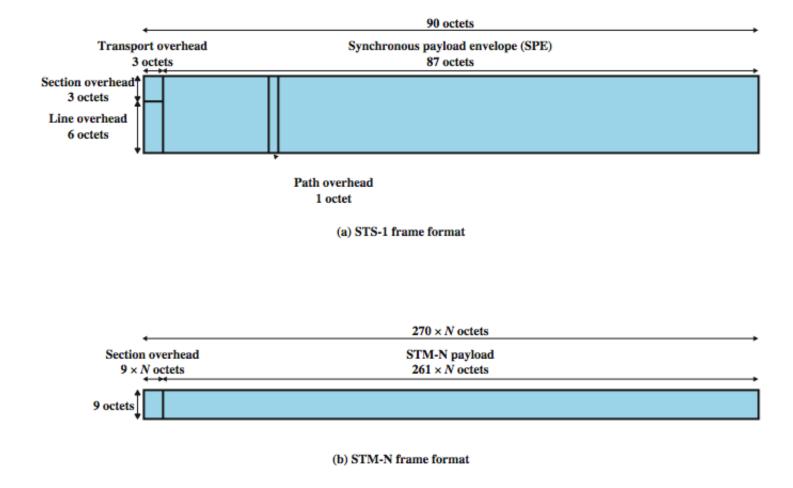
T-1 Frame Structure



SONET/SDH

- Synchronous Optical Network (ANSI)
- Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (ITU-T)
- have hierarchy of signal rates
 - Synchronous Transport Signal level 1 (STS-1) or Optical Carrier level 1 (OC-1) is 51.84Mbps
 - carries one DS-3 or multiple (DS1 DS1C DS2) plus ITU-T rates (eg. 2.048Mbps)
 - multiple STS-1 combine into STS-N signal
- Each frame of 810 bytes sent every 125 microsec.
- 9 rows of 90 octets
 - 27 octets reserved for overhead

SONET Frame Format

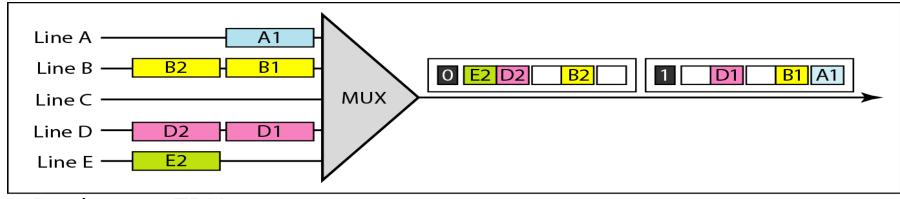


Section: Between regenerators; Line: Between Mux and Demux; Path: Between SONET terminals

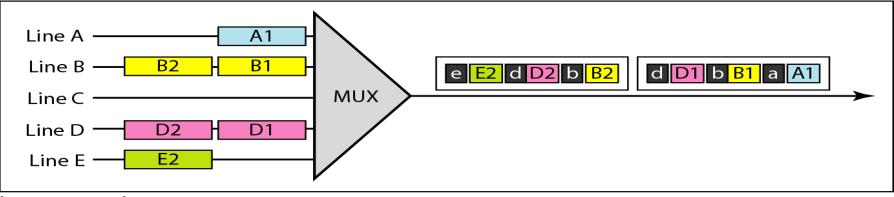
Statistical TDM

- synch TDM many slots are wasted
- statistical TDM allocates time slots dynamically based on demand
- multiplexer scans input lines and collects data until frame full
- multiplexed line data rate lower than aggregate input line rates
- can support more users than sync TDM
- may have problems during peak periods
 - must buffer inputs

Synchronous vs Statistical TDM

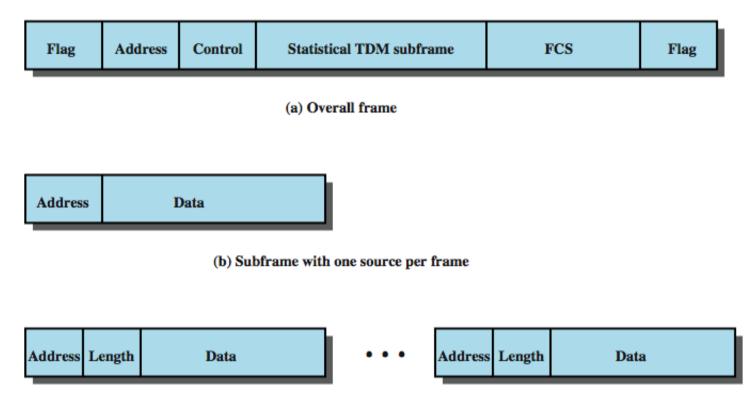


a. Synchronous TDM



b. Statistical TDM

Statistical TDM Frame Format

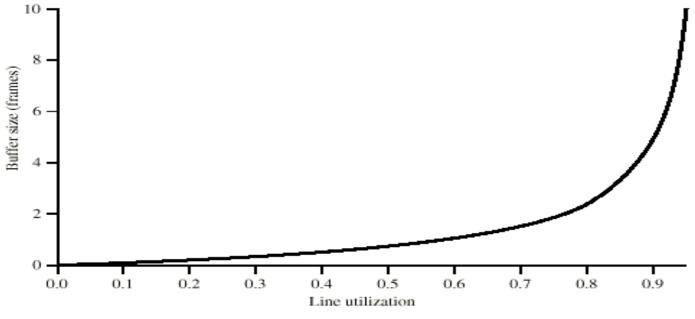


(c) Subframe with multiple sources per frame

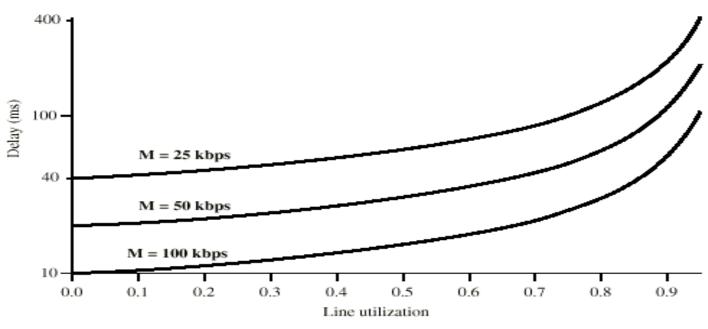
Performance

- Output data rate less than aggregate input rates
- May cause problems during peak periods
 - Buffer inputs
 - Keep buffer size to minimum to reduce delay
 - Queueing delay is random and makes end-to-end delay unpredictable
 - Packet losses occur when buffer is full

Buffer Size and Delay



(a) Mean buffer size versus utilization

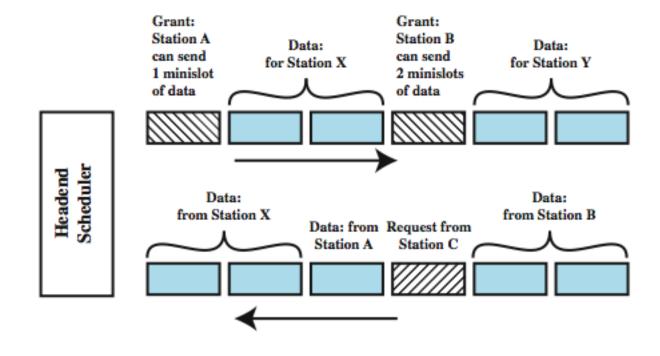


(a) Mean delay versus utilization

Cable Modems

- dedicate two cable TV channels to data transfer
- each channel shared by number of subscribers, using statistical TDM
- Downstream
 - cable scheduler delivers data in small packets
 - active subscribers share downstream capacity
 - also allocates upstream time slots to subscribers
- Upstream
 - user requests timeslots on shared upstream channel
- Headend scheduler notifies subscriber of slots to use

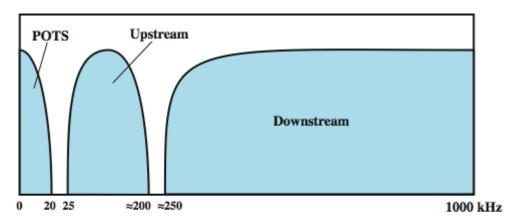
Cable Modem Scheme



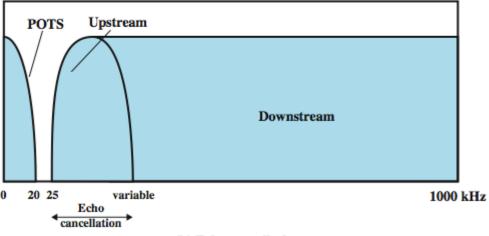
Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line (ADSL)

- link between subscriber and network
- uses currently installed twisted pair cable
- is asymmetric bigger downstream than up
- uses frequency division multiplexing
 - reserve lowest 25kHz for voice (POTS)
 - uses echo cancellation or FDM to give two bands
- has a range of up to 5.5km

ADSL Channel Configuration



(a) Frequency-division multiplexing



(b) Echo cancellation

Discrete Multitone (DMT)

- multiple carrier signals at different frequencies
- divide into 4kHz subchannels
- test and use subchannels with better SNR
- 256 downstream subchannels at 4kHz (60kbps)
 - in theory 15.36Mbps, in practice 1.5-9Mbps

