Unit V Transport Layer

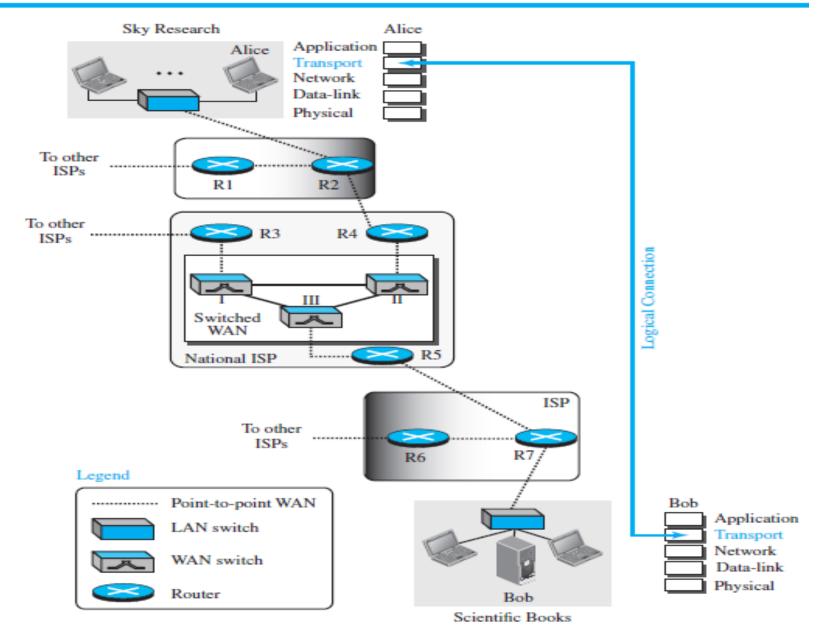
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- Process-To-Process Delivery: Client/Server Paradigm
- Multiplexing and Demultiplexing
- Connectionless Versus Connection-Oriented Service
- Reliable Versus Unreliable User Datagram Protocol (UDP): Well-Known Ports for UDP
- User Datagram Checksum
- UDP Operation
- Use of UDP TCP Services
- TCP Features, Segment
- Segment Header Format
- A TCP Connection
- Flow Control, Error Control
- Congestion Control.

Process-to-Process Delivery

- The transport layer is located between the application layer and the network layer. It provides a process-to-process communication between two application layers, one at the local host and the other at the remote host.
- Communication is provided using a logical connection, which means that the two application layers, which can be located in different parts of the globe, assume that there is an imaginary direct connection through which they can send and receive messages.
- Figure 23.1 shows the idea behind this logical connection.

Figure 23.1 Logical connection at the transport layer



Process-to-Process Delivery

- Alice's host in the Sky Research company creates a logical connection with Bob's host in the Scientific Books company at the transport layer.
- The two companies communicate at the transport layer as though there is a real connection between them.
- Figure 23.1 shows that only the two end systems (Alice's and Bob's computers) use the services of the transport layer; all intermediate routers use only the first three layers.

Process-to-Process Delivery

- Data link layer is responsible for node-to-node delivery of frames
- Network layer is responsible for host-to-host delivery of datagrams
- Real communication takes place between two processes
- Several processes may be running on source host and destination host
- Transport layer is responsible for process-to-process delivery of packets

Client/Server Paradigm

- The most common way to achieve process-to-process communication is through the client/server paradigm.
- A process on the local host, called a client, needs services from a process usually on the remote host, called a server.
- Both processes (client and server) have the same name.
- For example, to get the day and time from a remote machine, we need a Daytime client process running on the local host and a Daytime server process running on a remote machine.

Client/Server Paradigm

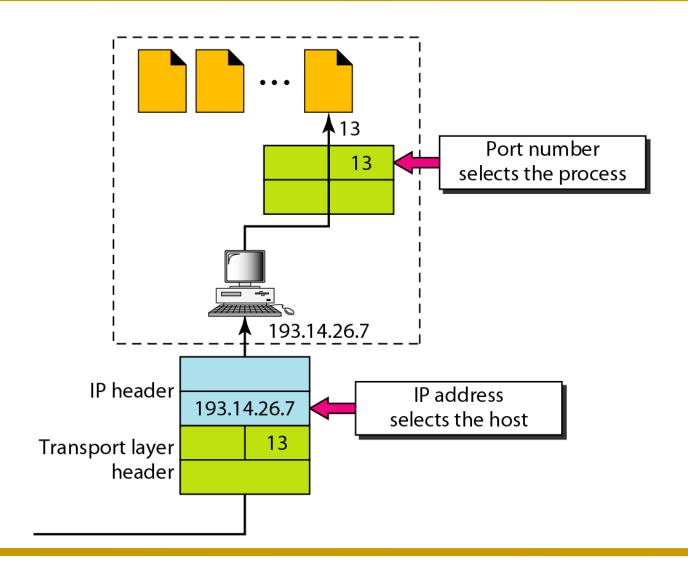
- Operating systems today support both multiuser and multiprogramming environments. A remote computer can run several server programs at the same time, just as local computers can run one or more client programs at the same time.
- For communication, we must define the following:
 - 1. Local host
 - 2. Local process
 - 3. Remote host
 - 4. Remote process

- Data Link Layer MAC address
- Network Layer IP address
- Transport Layer port number
- Every processes running is assigned port number
- Destination port number is used for delivery and source port number for reply

- At the data link layer, we need a MAC address to choose one node among several nodes if the connection is not point-to-point.
- A frame in the data link layer needs a destination MAC address for delivery and a source address for the next node's reply.
- At the transport layer, we need a transport layer address, called a port number, to choose among multiple processes running on the destination host.
- The destination port number is needed for delivery; the source port number is needed for the reply.
- In the Internet model, the port numbers are 16-bit integers between 0 and 65,535.
- The client program defines itself with a port number, chosen randomly by the transport layer software running on the client host. This is the ephemeral port number.

- The server process must also define itself with a port number. This port number, however, cannot be chosen randomly.
- The Internet has decided to use universal port numbers for servers; these are called well-known port numbers. There are some exceptions to this rule; for example, there are clients that are assigned well-known port numbers.
- Every client process knows the well-known port number of the corresponding server process.
- The IP addresses and port numbers play different roles in selecting the final destination of data.
 - The destination IP address defines the host among the different hosts in the world.
 - After selecting the host, the port number defines one of the processes on this particular host

Figure 23.3 IP addresses versus port numbers



- Port number is 16-bit and thus has values between 0 to 65535.
- IANA (Internet Assigned Number Authority) has divided port numbers into three ranges:
 - Well-known ports Range from 0 to 1023 assigned and controlled by IANA
 - Registered ports Range from 1024 to 49,151 not assigned or controlled by IANA. They can be registered with IANA to prevent duplication.
 - **Dynamic ports** Range from 49,152 to 65,535 neither controlled nor registered but can be used by any process and are ephemeral ports.

- Process-to-process delivery needs two identifiers, IP address and the port number, to identify process uniquely.
- Combination of IP address and port number is required called as socket address.
- A transport layer protocol needs a pair of socket addresses: the client socket address and the server socket address.
- These four pieces of information are part of the IP header and the transport layer protocol header.
- The IP header contains the IP addresses; the UDP or TCP header contains the port numbers.

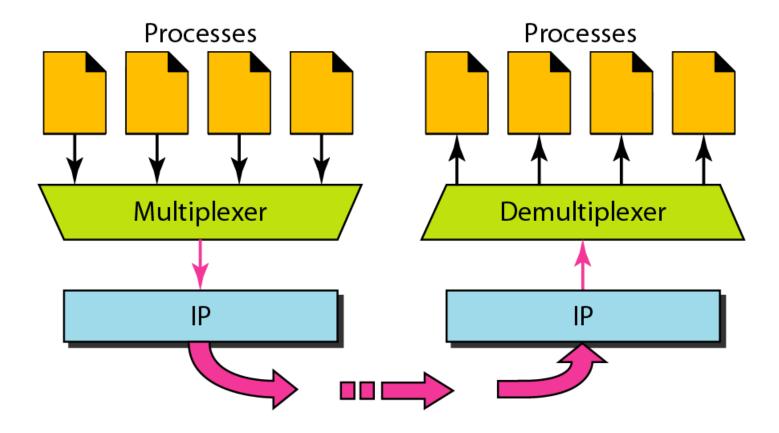
Multiplexing and Demultiplexing

- Multiplexing
- At sender site, there may be several processes that need to send packets (many-to-one relationship)
- But there is only one transport layer protocol
- Protocol accepts messages from different processes, differentiated by port numbers
- After adding header, transport layer passes packet to network layer

Multiplexing and Demultiplexing

- Demultiplexing
- At receiver site, transport layer receives datagrams from network layer (one-to-many relation)
- After error checking and dropping of header, transport layer delivers each message to appropriate process

Figure 23.6 Multiplexing and demultiplexing



Connectionless v/s Connection-Oriented Service

- Transport layer protocol can be connectionless or connection oriented
- Connectionless service
 - No connection establishment
 - Packets are not numbered
 - Packets may be delayed, lost or out of sequence
 - No acknowledgment
- Connection-oriented service
 - Connection is established

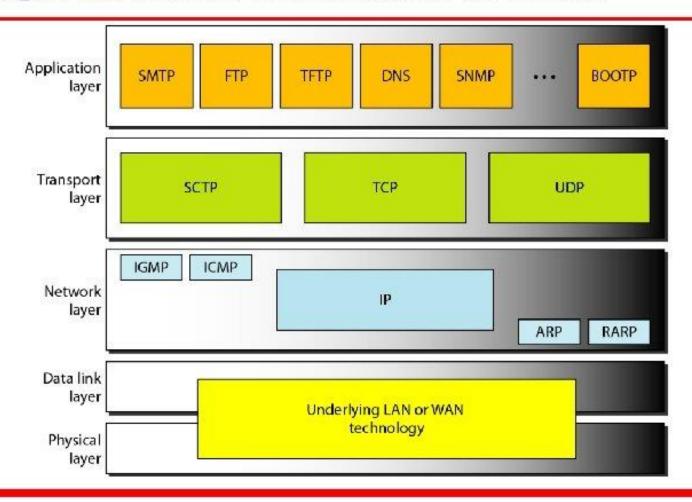
Reliable v/s Unreliable

- Transport layer service can be reliable or unreliable
- If application program needs reliability, reliable transport layer protocol is used
- It implements flow and error control at transport layer
- But slow and more complex service
- If the application program does not need reliability but fast service, then unreliable transport layer protocol is selected
- Data link layer provides reliability between two nodes
- Because the network layer in the Internet is unreliable (best-effort delivery), we need to implement reliability at the transport layer.

Transport Layer Protocols

- Three protocols are provided at transport layer in TCP/IP suite:
 - UDP (User Datagram Protocol) connectionless and unreliable
 - TCP (Transmission Control Protocol) connection oriented and reliable
 - SCTP (Stream Control Transmission Protocol) connection oriented and reliable.

Figure 23.8 Position of UDP, TCP, and SCTP in TCP/IP suite



User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

- The User Datagram Protocol (UDP) is called a connectionless, unreliable transport protocol.
- It does not add anything to the services of IP except to provide process-to-process communication instead of hostto-host communication along with limited error checking.
- It just perform process-to-process delivery of messages
- Advantage:
 - Minimum overhead (Sending a small message by using UDP takes much less interaction between the sender and receiver than using TCP or SCTP.)

Table 23.1

Port	Protocol	Description	
7	Echo	Echoes a received datagram back to the sender	
9	Discard	Discards any datagram that is received	
11	Users	Active users	
13	Daytime	Returns the date and the time	
17	Quote	Returns a quote of the day	
19	Chargen	Returns a string of characters	
53	Nameserver	Domain Name Service	
67	BOOTPs	Server port to download bootstrap information	
68	BOOTPc	Client port to download bootstrap information	
69	TFTP	Trivial File Transfer Protocol	
111	RPC	Remote Procedure Call	
123	NTP	Network Time Protocol	
161	SNMP	Simple Network Management Protocol	
162	SNMP	Simple Network Management Protocol (trap)	

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 UDP packets are called as user datagrams. Header is of fixed size ie 8 bytes. Fields are as follows:

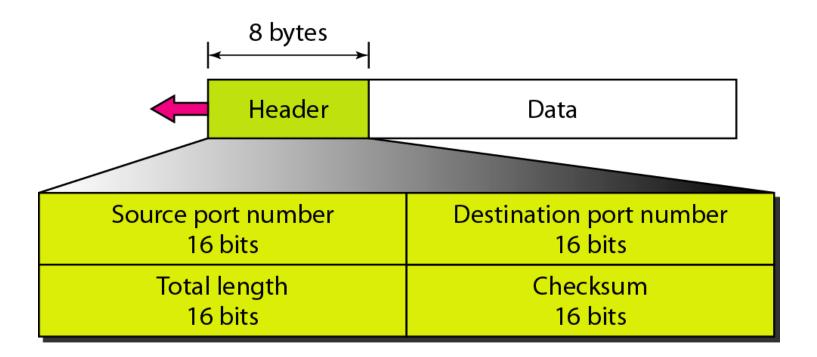
Source port number – 16 bits

- Port number used by process running on source host
- If source host is client then port number is ephemeral port number
- If source host is server port number, is well-known port number

Destination port number-16 bits

- Used by the process running on the destination host.
- If the destination host is the server (a client sending a request), the port number, in most cases, is a well-known port number.
- If the destination host is the client (a server sending a response), the port number, in most cases, is an ephemeral port number.

Figure 23.9 User datagram format



- Length 16 bits
 - Defines the total length of the user datagram i.e. header + data
 - Length can be from 0 to 65535 bytes
- Checksum
 - Detect errors for entire user datagram I.e. header + data
 - The UDP checksum calculation is different from the one for IP and ICMP. Here the checksum includes three sections: a pseudoheader, the UDP header, and the data coming from the application layer.
 - The pseudoheader is the part of the header of the IP packet in which the user datagram is to be encapsulated with some fields filled with 0s

• The UDP pseudo header consists of the Source IP Address field, the Destination IP Address field, an Unused field set to 0, the Protocol field for UDP (17 or 0x11), and the UDP Length field.

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pseudo- header	Destination address				
	Zero	Proto	UDP length		
UDP header	Source port		Destination port		
) q	Length		Checksum		

- However, if the IP header is corrupted, it may be delivered to the wrong host.
- The protocol field is added to ensure that the packet belongs to UDP, and not to other transport-layer protocols.

- The value of the protocol field for UDP is 17.
- If this value is changed during transmission, the checksum calculation at the receiver will detect it and UDP drops the packet. It is not delivered to the wrong protocol.
- Optional Use of the Checksum
 - The calculation of the checksum and its inclusion in a user datagram are optional. If the checksum is not calculated, the field is filled with 1s.

Figure 23.10 Pseudoheader for checksum calculation

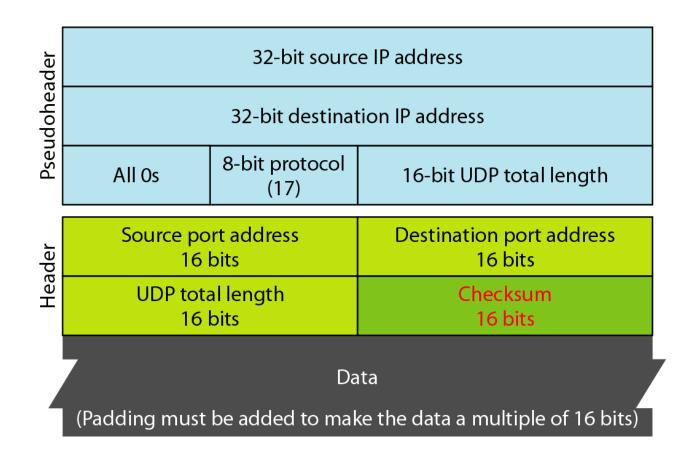


Figure 23.11 Checksum calculation of a simple UDP user datagram

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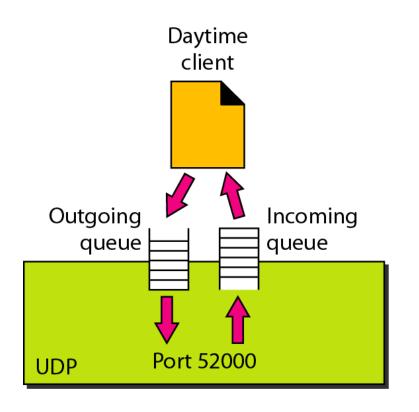
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00001000 01101001 ---> 8.105
10101011 00000010 — 171.2
00001110 00001010 --- 14.10
00000000 \ 00010001 \longrightarrow 0 \ and 17
00000100 00111111 ---- 1087
00000000 00001111 ---- 15
00000000 00000000  → 0 (checksum)
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01010011 01010100 → Sand T
01001001 01001110 — ➤ land N
10010110 11101011 <del>→ Sum</del>
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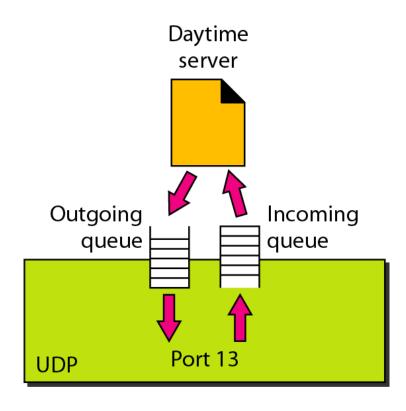
- UDP Operation:
- Connectionless services
 - UDP provides connectionless service
 - User datagrams are not numbered, no connection establishment and no connection termination and hence each user datagram can travel on a different path
 - Each request must be small enough to fit in one user datagram

- Flow and Error Control
 - UDP is unreliable transport protocol with no flow control and hence the receiver may overflow with incoming messages.
 - There is no error control mechanism in UDP except for the checksum.
 - This means that 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.

- If error is detected using checksum, datagram is discarded.
- Encapsulation and Decapsulation
 - To send messages, UDP protocol encapsulates and decapsulates messages in IP datagram
- Queuing
 - Queues are associated with ports
 - (Some implementations create both an incoming and an outgoing queue associated with each process. Other implementations create only an incoming queue associated with each process.)

Figure 23.12 Queues in UDP





- Queue at client site
 - When process starts, client requests for port number from operating system
 - Even if a process wants to communicate with multiple processes, it obtains only one port number and eventually one outgoing and one incoming queue
 - When process terminates, queues are destroyed
 - Client send messages to outgoing queue using port number
 - UDP removes the messages one by one and, after
 - adding the UDP header, delivers them to IP.
 - If outgoing queue overflows, OS asks client process to wait

User Datagram

- When a message arrives for a client, UDP checks to see if an incoming queue has been created for the port number specified in the destination port number field of the user datagram.
- If queue is present, UDP sends received datagram to end of queue
- If no queue, UDP discards datagram
- It asks ICMP protocol to send port unreachable message to server.
- All the incoming messages for one particular client program, whether coming from the same or a different server, are sent to the same queue.

User Datagram

- Incoming queue may overflow
- In this, UDP discards datagram and asks for port unreachable message to server
- Queue at server site
 - the mechanism of creating queues is different
 - Server asks for incoming and outgoing queues using its well-known port, when it starts running
 - Queues remain open as long as server is running
 - When a message arrives for a server, UDP checks to see if an incoming queue has been created for the port number specified in the destination port number field of the user
 - datagram.

Queing at server side (UDP datagram)

If there is such a queue, UDP sends/put the received user datagram to the end of the queue. If there is no such queue, UDP discards the user datagram and asks the ICMP protocol to send a port unreachable message to the client.

- All the incoming messages for one particular server, whether coming from the same or a different client, are sent to the same queue.
- When a server wants to respond to a client, it sends messages to the outgoing queue, using the source port number specified in the request.
- UDP removes the messages one by one and, and create
 UDP header, delivers them to IP

User Datagram

Uses of UDP

- UDP is suitable for process that requires simple requestresponse communication with little concern for flow and error control. Not suitable for bulk data.
- UDP is suitable for Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP)
 UDP is suitable for multicasting

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

- TCP, like UDP, is a process-to-process (program-to-program) protocol. TCP, therefore, like UDP, uses port numbers.
- TCP is called a connection-oriented, reliable transport protocol. It adds connection-oriented and reliability features to the services of IP.
- Table 23.2 lists some well-known port numbers used by TCP.

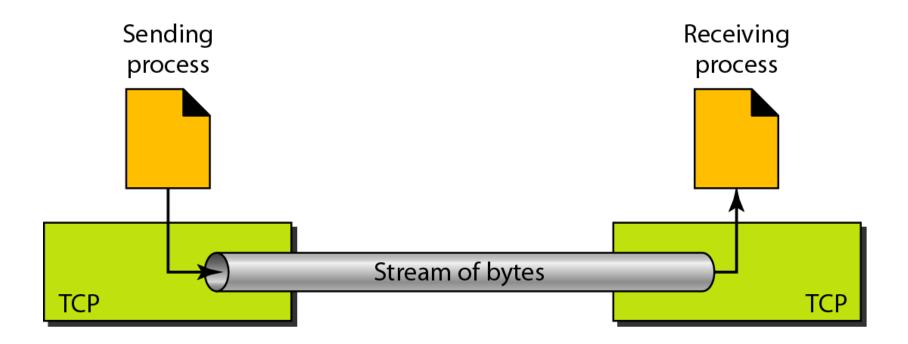
Table 23.2 Well-known ports used by TCP

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13	Daytime	Returns the date and the time
17	Quote	Returns a quote of the day
19	Chargen	Returns a string of characters
20	FTP, Data	File Transfer Protocol (data connection)
21	FTP, Control	File Transfer Protocol (control connection)
23	TELNET	Terminal Network
25	SMTP	Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
53	DNS	Domain Name Server
67	BOOTP	Bootstrap Protocol
79	Finger	Finger
80	HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
111	RPC	Remote Procedure Call

Stream Delivery Service

- TCP, unlike UDP is stream-oriented protocol
- In UDP, process sends messages with predefined boundaries
- TCP delivers data as stream of bytes and receives data as stream of bytes
- TCP creates an environment in which two processes seem to be connected by an imaginary "tube" that carries data

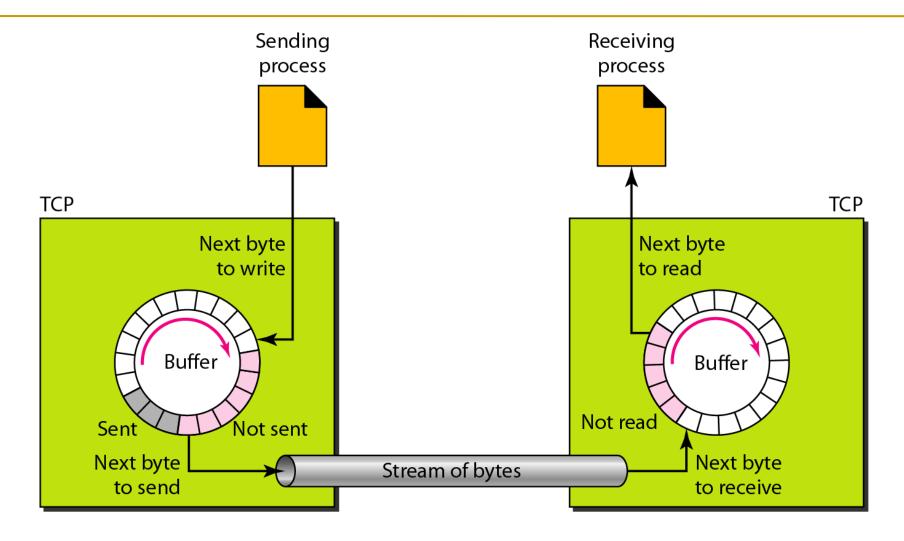
Figure 23.13 Stream delivery



Sending and Receiving Buffers

- Sending and receiving processes may not write or read data at same speed
- TCP uses sending and receiving buffers for storage
- Buffer is implemented as circular array of 1-byte
- Both buffers may or may not be of same size

Figure 23.14 Sending and receiving buffers



Sending and Receiving Buffers

- Sender side buffer has three sections:
 - Empty chambers that can be filled by sending process
 - Area that holds bytes that have been sent out but not acknowledged
 - Area of bytes to be sent by sending TCP
 - After bytes are acknowledged, chambers are recycled and available for use by sending process
 - Thus it is circular buffer

Sending and Receiving Buffers

- Receiver site buffer
- Circular buffer is divided into two areas:
 - Empty chambers to be filled by bytes received from network
 - Area of received bytes that can be read by receiving process
 - When byte is read by receiving process, chamber is recycled and added to pool of empty chambers

Segments

- IP layer needs to send data in packets not as stream of bytes
- TCP groups number of bytes together into a packet called as segment
- TCP adds header to each segment and delivers to IP layer for transmission

Full-Duplex Communication

- TCP offers full-duplex service
- Data can flow in both directions at same time
- Each TCP has sending and receiving buffer

Connection-Oriented Service

- When process at site A wants to send and receive data from another process at site B following steps occurs:
 - Two TCPs establish connection
 - Data are exchanged in both directions
 - Connection is terminated

Numbering System

- To keep track of segments being transmitted or received, two fields called sequence number and acknowledgment number are used
- They refer to byte number and not segment number

Byte Number

- TCP numbers all data bytes that are transmitted in a connection
- Numbering is independent in each direction

Example 23.3

Suppose a TCP connection is transferring a file of 5000 bytes. The first byte is numbered 10 What are the sequence numbers for each segment if data are sent in five segments, each car 1000 bytes?

Solution

The following shows the sequence number for each segment:

Segment 1	Sequence Number: 10,001 (range: 10,001 to 11,(00)
Segment 2	Sequence Number: 11,001 (range: 11,001 to 12,000)
Segment 3	Sequence Number: 12,001 (range: 12,001 to 13,000)
Segment 4	Sequence Number: 13,001 (range: 13,001 to 14,000)
Segment 5	Sequence Number: 14,001 (range: 14,001 to 15,000)

- Numbering does not necessarily start from 0
- TCP generates random number between 0 and 2³² 1 for number of first byte

Sequence Number

- After bytes have been numbered, TCP assigns sequence number to each segment that is being sent
- Sequence number is number of first byte carried in that segment
- When segment carries data and control information (piggybacking), it uses sequence number

Acknowledgment Number

- Each party uses acknowledgment number to confirm bytes received
- Acknowledgment number defines number of next expected byte
- Party takes number of last byte that it has received, safe and sound, adds 1 to it, and announces this sum as acknowledgment number
- Acknowledgment number is cumulative
- Cumulative means that if party uses 5643 as acknowledgment number, means it has received all bytes from the beginning up to 5642
- But this does not mean it has received 5642 bytes because first byte number does not have to start from 0

Flow Control

- Receiver controls amount of data that are to be sent by sender
- Numbering system allows TCP to use byte-oriented flow control

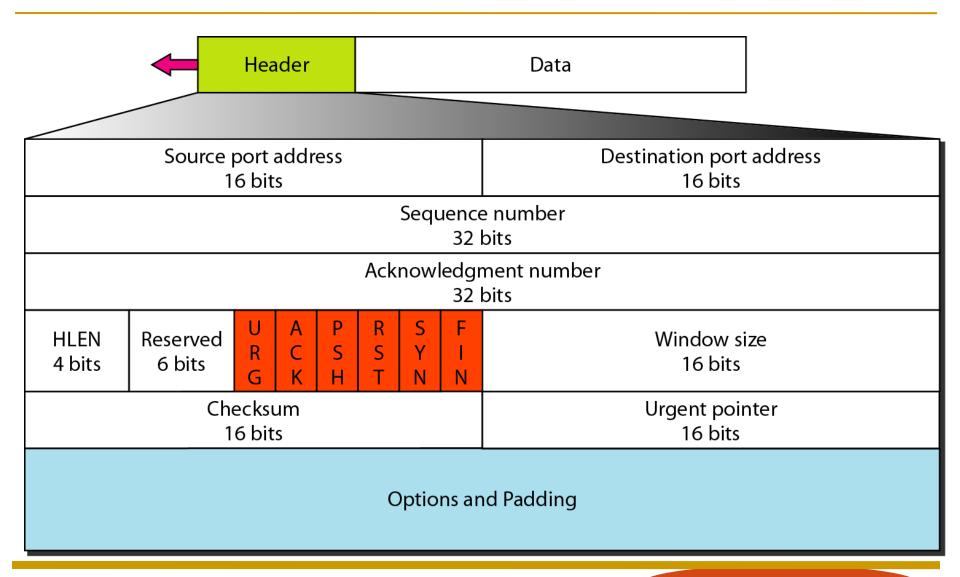
Error Control

- To provide reliable service, TCP implements error control mechanism
- Error control is byte-oriented

Congestion Control

- TCP, takes into account congestion in network
- Amount of data sent is controlled by receiver as well as level of congestion in network

Figure 23.16 TCP segment format



TCP Header

- Following fields:
- Source port address 16 bits
 - Port number of application program host that is sending segment
- Destination port address 16 bits
 - Port number of application program in host that is receiving segment
- Sequence number-32 bits
 - Number assigned to first byte of data contained in this segment
 - The sequence number tells the destination which byte in this sequence comprises the first byte in the segment.

TCP Header

- During connection establishment each party uses random number generator to create initial sequence number (ISN), which is usually different in each direction
- Acknowledgment number 32 bits
 - Byte number that receiver of segment is expecting
 - If receiver has successfully received byte number x, it defines x + 1 as acknowledgment number
- Header length 4 bits
 - Number of 4-byte words in TCP header
- Reserved 6 bits
 - Reserved for future use

- Control 6 bits
 - This field defines 6 control bits or flags
 - One or more of these bits can be set at time
 - These bits enable connection establishment, termination, abortion and data transfer

Figure 23.17 Control field

URG: Urgent pointer is valid

ACK: Acknowledgment is valid

PSH: Request for push

RST: Reset the connection

SYN: Synchronize sequence numbers

FIN: Terminate the connection

URG ACK	PSH	RST	SYN	FIN
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Table 23.3 Description offlags in the control field

Flag	Description	
URG	The value of the urgent pointer field is valid.	
ACK	The value of the acknowledgment field is valid.	
PSH	Push the data.	
RST	Reset the connection.	
SYN	Synchronize sequence numbers during connection.	
FIN	Terminate the connection.	

TCP Header

- Window size 16 bits
 - Defines size of window in bytes that other party must maintain
 - Maximum size of window is 65,535 bytes
 - This value is normally referred to as receiving window (rwnd) and is determined by receiver
- Checksum 16 bits
 - Calculation of checksum is same as UDP
 - But inclusion of checksum for TCP is mandatory
 - For TCP value of protocol field is 6

- Urgent pointer 16 bits
 - This field is valid only if urgent flag is set
 - Used when segment contains urgent data
 - It defines number that must be added of last urgent byte in data
- Options 40 bytes
 - Up to 40 bytes of optional information

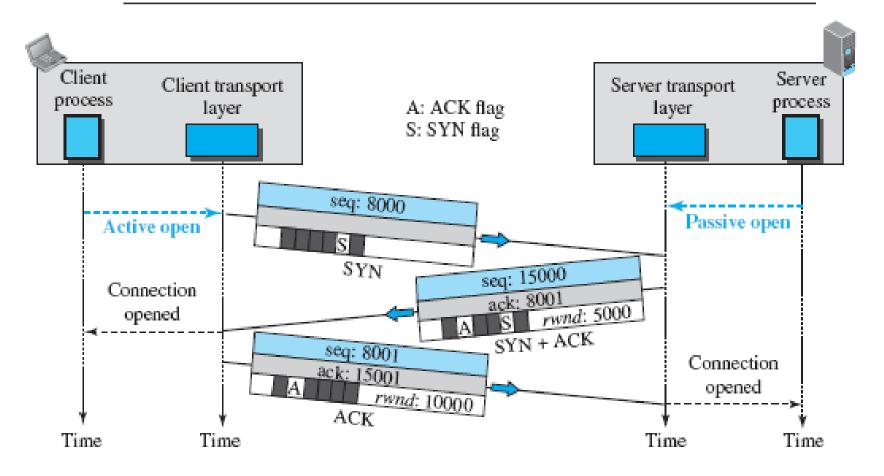
- A connection-oriented transport protocol establishes a virtual path between the source and destination. All the segments belonging to a message are then sent over this virtual path.
- Using a single virtual pathway for the entire message facilitates the acknowledgment process as well as retransmission of damaged or lost frames.
- A connection-oriented TCP uses services of connectionless IP as TCP connection is virtual, not physical.
- TCP uses the services of IP to deliver individual segments to the receiver, but it controls the connection itself. If a segment is lost or corrupted, it is retransmitted without IP knowing it.

- In TCP, connection-oriented transmission requires three phases: connection establishment, data transfer, and connection termination.
- Connection Establishment
- TCP transmits data in full-duplex mode. When two TCPs in two machines are connected, they are able to send segments to each other simultaneously.
- This implies that each party must initialize communication and get approval from the other party before any data are transferred.

Three-Way Handshaking

- The connection establishment in TCP is called threeway handshaking.
- The process starts with the server program telling its TCP that it is ready to accept a connection.
- This is called a request for a passive open. But the server TCP cannot make the connection itself.
- The client program issues a request for an active open. A client that wishes to connect to an open server tells its TCP that it needs to be connected to that particular server.
- TCP can now start the three-way handshaking process as shown in Figure 23.18.

Figure 23.18 Connection establishment using three-way handshaking



Three-Way Handshaking

- The three steps in this phase are as follows.
 - 1. The client sends the first segment, a SYN segment, in which only the SYN flag is set. It consumes one sequence number.
 - When the data transfer starts, the sequence number is incremented by 1. We can say that the SYN segment carries no real data

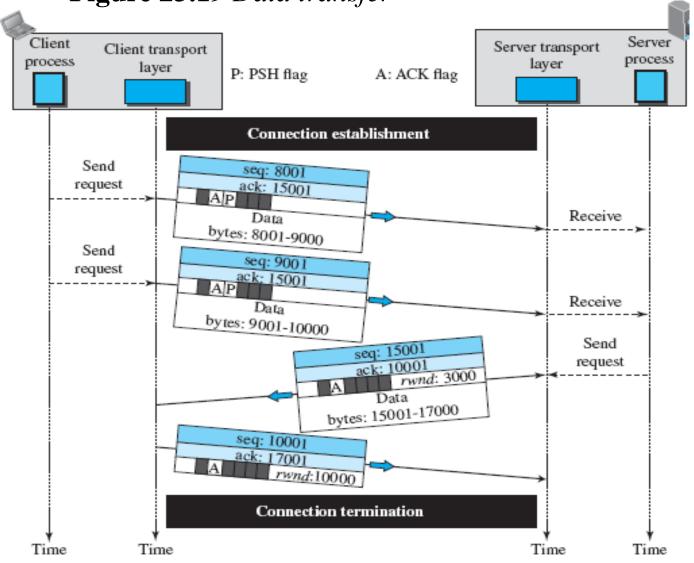
Three-Way Handshaking

- 2. The server sends the second segment, a SYN +ACK segment, with 2 flag bits set:SYN and ACK.
- It is a SYN segment for communication in the other direction and serves as the acknowledgment for the SYN segment. It consumes one sequence number.
- A SYN +ACK segment cannot carry data, but does consume one sequence number.
- 3. The client sends the third segment. This is just an ACK segment. It acknowledges the receipt of the second segment with the ACK flag and acknowledgment number field.

Data Transfer

- After connection is established, bidirectional data transfer can take place. The client and server can both send data and acknowledgments.
- Data traveling in the same direction as an acknowledgment are carried on the same segment.
- Figure 23.19 shows an example.

Figure 23.19 Data transfer



Data Transfer

Pushing Data

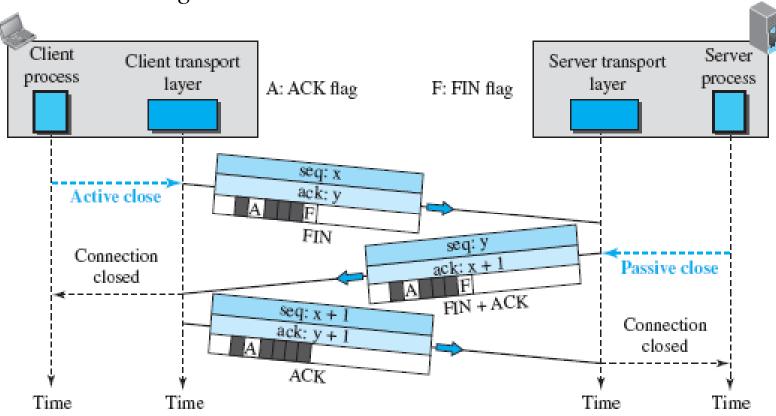
- TCP uses buffer to store stream of data from sending application program.
- Receiving TCP also buffers data when they arrive and delivers to application program when it is ready.
- There are situations when delayed transmission or delayed delivery of data is not acceptable by application program.
- Sending TCP must also set push bit (PSH) to let receiving TCP know that segment must be delivered to receiving application program as soon as possible.

Data Transfer

- Urgent Data
- TCP represents data as stream of bytes
- Each byte of data has position in stream
- But sometimes an application program wants piece of data to be read out of order by receiving application program
- Sending TCP creates segment and inserts urgent data at beginning of segment and URG bit is set
- Rest of segment can have normal data
- Urgent pointer field defines end of urgent data and start of normal data
- When receiving TCP receives such segment, it extracts urgent data using urgent pointer and deliver out of order to application program

- Any of the two parties involved in exchanging data (client or server) can close the connection, although it is usually initiated by the client.
- Three-Way Handshaking for connection termination as shown in Figure 23.20.

Figure 23.20 Connection termination using three-way handshaking



- Three-Way Handshaking
- Client TCP receives close command from client process
 - It sends first segment, FIN segment with FIN flag set
 - FIN segment can include last chunk of data
 - Or it can be just control segment consuming only one sequence number
- Server TCP sends second segment, FIN +ACK segment, to confirm the receipt of FIN segment
 - It also announces closing of connection in other direction
 - This segment can also contain last chunk of data from server
 - If it does not carry data, it consumes only one sequence number

- Client TCP sends last segment, ACK segment, to confirm receipt of FIN segment
 - Acknowledgment number 1 plus sequence number received in FIN segment from server
 - This segment cannot carry data and consumes no sequence numbers

- Half-Close
- One end can stop sending data while still receiving data This is called a half-close Client half-closes connection by sending FIN segment
- Server accepts half-close by sending ACK segment
- Data transfer from client to server stops
- Server can still send data
- When the server has sent all processed data, it sends FIN segment, which is acknowledged by ACK from client

- Half-Close
- Second segment (ACK) consumes no sequence number
- Although client has received sequence number y -1 and is expecting y server sequence number is still y – 1
- When the connection finlly closes sequence number of last ACK segment is still x, because no sequence numbers are consumed during data transfer in that direction

Server Figure 23.21 Half-close Flient шш A: ACK flag F: FIN flag Active seq: x close ack: y FIN seq: y - 1 ack: x + 1 ACK Data segments from server to client Acknowledgments from client to server Passive seq: z ack: x + 1 close FIN seq: x ack: z + 1ACK

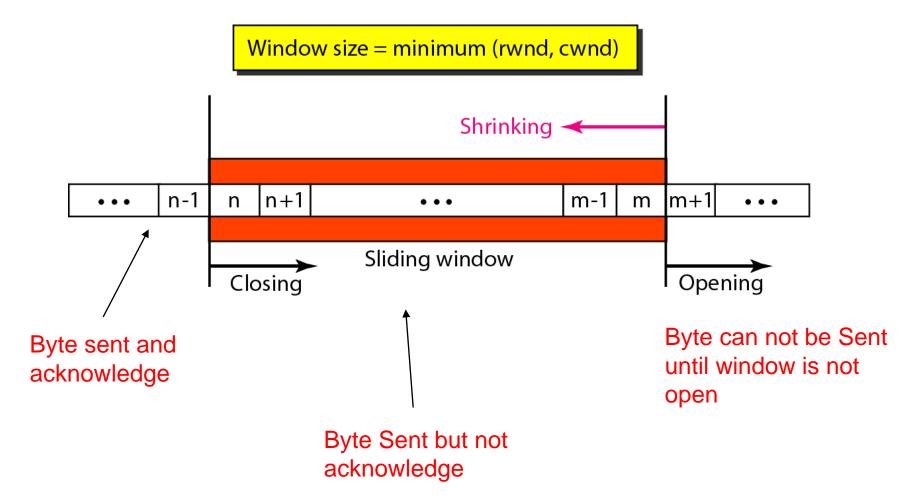
Time

Time

- TCP uses sliding window protocol to handle flow control.
- It is between Go back N(do not use any –ve aknowladgement) and selective repeat protocol(TCP at receiver wait unit all segment are not arrived, after that only it going for process)
- Sliding window is byte oriented and variable size.
- Window spans portion of buffer containing bytes received from process
- Bytes inside window are bytes that can be in transit
- Size of window at one end is determined by lesser of two values: Receiver window (rwnd) or congestion window (cwnd)
- It is number of bytes other end can accept before its buffer overflows

- Congestion window value is determined by network to avoid congestion
- Window has two walls: left and right
- Window can be one of three states: *Opened, Closed and Shrunk.*
- States of window is controlled by receiver not sender
- Window can be open and closed by receiver but should not be shrunk.

Figure 23.22 Sliding window



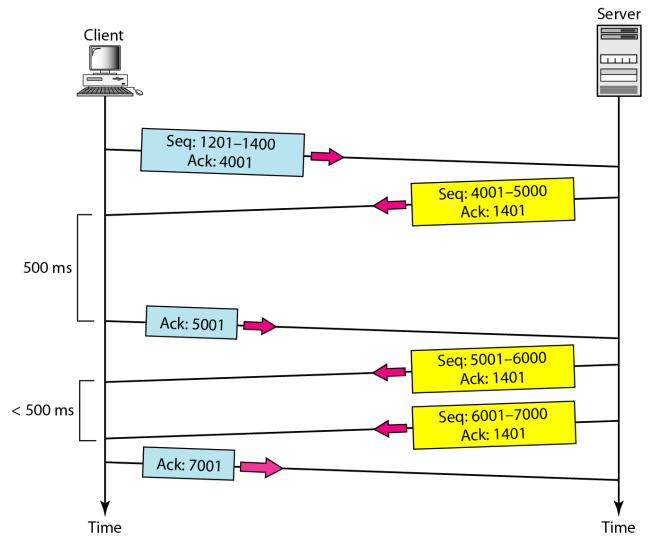
- The size of the window is the lesser of rwnd and cwnd.
- The source does not have to send a full window's worth of data.(it can consider min of rwnd and cwnd. Sender can send data only according to receiver side.)
- The window can be opened or closed by the receiver, but should not be shrunk.
- The destination can send an acknowledgment at any time as long as it does not result in a shrinking window.
- The receiver can temporarily shut down the window; the sender, however, can always send a segment of 1 byte after the window is shut down

- Opening window means moving right wall to right
 - Allow new bytes in buffer eligible for sending
 - Closing window means moving left wall to right
 - Some bytes have been acknowledged and sender need not worry about them
- Shrinking window means moving right wall to left
- Strongly discouraged and not allowed in some implementation
- It means revoking eligibility of some bytes for sending
- Problem if sender has already sent these bytes

- Left wall cannot move to left
- This would revoke some of previously sent acknowledgmen

- Error control includes detection of corrupted, lost, out-oforder and duplicated segments
- Uses three mechanisms/tool: checksum, acknowledgement and time-out,
- Checksum: packet should not change data
- Each segment includes checksum field
- If the segment is corrupted, it is discarded by the destination TCP and is considered as lost.
- Acknowledgment: all packet should be received shold ot be lost
- Acknowledgments confirm receipt of data segments
- Time out : Packet should not be delayed

Figure 23.24 Normal operation



- Retransmission
- When segment is corrupted, lost, or delayed, it is retransmitted
- Segment is retransmitted on two occasions:
 - Retransmission timer expires
 - Sender receives three duplicate ACKs
- Note that no retransmission occurs for segments that do not consume sequence numbers. In particular, there is no transmission for an ACK segment

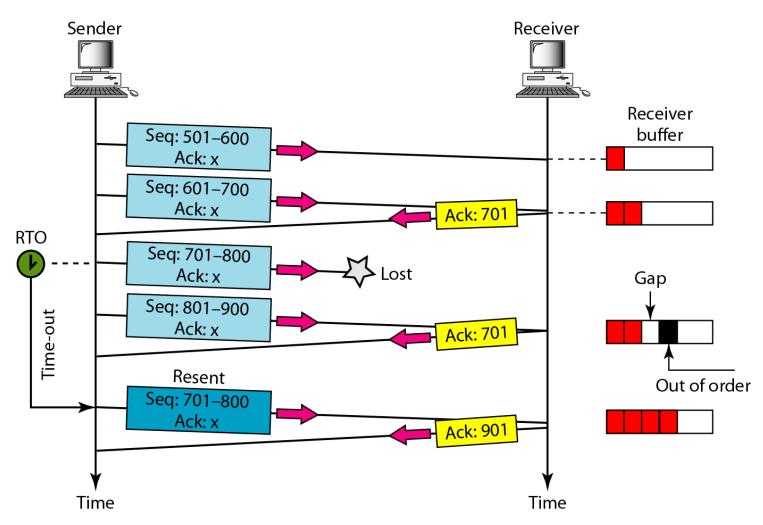
Retransmission After RTO

- TCP maintains one retransmission time-out (RTO) timer for all outstanding segments
- Time-out timer is not set for segment that carries only acknowledgment, which means that no such segment is resent
- Value of RTO is dynamic and is updated based on round-trip time (RTT) of segments
- An RTI is the time needed for a segment to reach a destination and for an acknowledgment to be received.

Lost of Segment

- when a segment is lost or corrupted.
- A lost segment and a corrupted segment are treated the same way by the receiver.
- A lost segment is discarded somewhere in the network; a corrupted segment is discarded by the receiver itself. Both are considered lost.

Figure 23.25 Lost segment



- assuming that data transfer is unidirectional: one site is sending, the other is receiving. In our scenario, the sender sends segments 1 and 2, which are acknowledged immediately by an ACK. Segment 3, however, is lost.
- The receiver receives segment 4, which is out of order. The receiver stores the data in the segment in its buffer but leaves a gap to indicate that there is no continuity in the data.
- The receiver immediately sends an acknowledgment to the sender, displaying the next byte it expects. Note that the
- receiver stores bytes 801 to 900, but never delivers these bytes to the application until the gap is filled.

- Retransmission after three duplicate ACK Segments
- The previous rule about retransmission of a segment is sufficient if the value of RTO is not very large. Sometimes,
- however, one segment is lost and the receiver receives so many out-of-order segments that they cannot be saved (limited buffer size).
- According to three-duplicate-ACKs rule, missing segment is transmitted immediately
- These feature is called as fast retransmission

- Out-of-order segments
- When segment is delayed, lost or discarded, other following segments arrive out of order
- These segments are not discarded
- Instead they are stored temporarily and marked as outof-order
- When missing segment arrives, are delivered to process

Figure 23.26 Fast retransmission

