

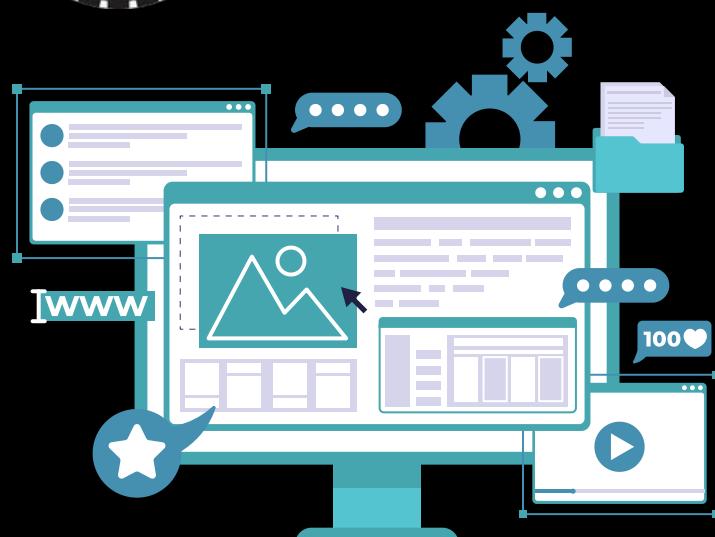
COMPUTER NETWORKS - II

HANDWRITTEN NOTES



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Unit - 2

Introduction to link layer

The Link layer or (Data Link Layer) is the 2nd layer of the OSI Model.

Its primary function is to enable reliable communication between directly connected devices (neighbor-to-neighbor) over a physical medium (wired or wireless).

Main Responsibilities of link layer.

- Framing - dividing data into manageable units.
- Error detection and handling.
- Flow control - Ensure sender does not overload receiver.
- Media Access Control → Ensure & control which device can transmit when device share link.
- Ensure Integrity - Ensures frames are delivered without loss / duplication.

Services Provided by link Layer

- 1) Framing - A frame contains header + payload + trailer
The receiver extracts payload (packet) from frame
- 2) Error detection and Checking - during transmission, bits may get corrupted due to noise
link layer detects Error through -

- CRC
- Checksum
- Parity Bits

Some technology support error correction → ARQ in WiFi

- 3) Flow control → Ensure that sender does not transmit faster than user can process.

Techniques used → Stop and wait, Sliding Window

4) MAC - Determines which device can transmit at a given time when multiple devices share a communication.

Prevents collisions and confusion \rightarrow CSMA/CD
CSMA/CA

5) Reliable Delivery

Some link technologies retransmit lost or corrupted frames to ensure reliability.

More important in wireless networks

Where link layer is implemented?

Area of Implementation Examples

- Inside NIC (Network Interface Card) Ethernet NIC
WIFI Card
- In device drivers OS Network drivers
- In Hardware Switches, Bridges
- In wireless Network Bluetooth, WiFi, Ethernet and wired

The link layer is implemented at the boundary of network devices, where frames are transmitted physically across the link.

MAC address

A MAC address is a unique hardware identifier assigned to every NIC for communication with LAN. It helps devices identify each other.

Characteristics

Length - 48 bits (6 bytes)

Representation - 12 hexadecimal digits

Format - Example \rightarrow 08:4F:A2:65:1B:3C

Uniqueness - different for every device

Layer - data link layer

Purpose - for local addressing.

MAC → divided into

Hrsf 24 bits
OUI (Organizationally unique
Identifier)
NIC Specific
(Last 24 bits)

Purpose -

• to provide correct ethernet/wifi frame to devices inside LAN. Used in ARP, Wi-Fi Access Control.

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MAC Address

- Hardware address
- Assigned by manufacturer
- Link Layer
- Permanent

IP address

- Logical Address
- Assigned by network admin
- Network Layer
- Changable

~~ARP~~

[ARP]

ARP (Address Resolution Protocol) is a protocol used to map an IP address to a MAC address within a LAN.

Since devices, IP works at Network layer and MAC works at Link layer, to send a data inside a LAN, an IP packet must be encapsulate inside frame containing a MAC address.

Therefore ARP act as a bridge between IP and MAC

Example - A PC A (IP: 192.168.1.10) sends data to PC B (IP: 192.168.1.20)

- A sends ARP Req. - broadcast
- B reply with ARP reply - Unicast
- A can now send data to B.

ARP cache - temporary storage of recently learned IP-MAC mappings

Types of ARP

- ARP
- RARP (Reverse ARP)
- Proxy ARP

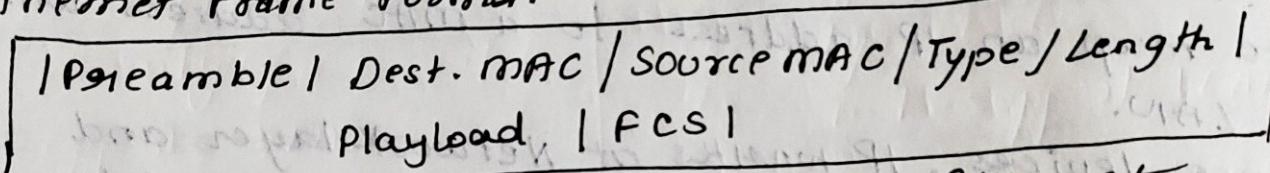
Ethernet

Ethernet is the most widely used wired LAN. It operates at link layer and physical layer of OSI model used to transmit data in form of frames using fibre cables.

Key features

- Based on IEEE 802.3 Standards.
- Support unicast, multicast, broadcast
- Use MAC address for device identification
- Very reliable and fast

* Ethernet frame format



Early Ethernet

Bus topology

Collision common

Hubs Used

Modern Ethernet

Star topology

Collision - free

Switches used

Ethernet Technologies

Technology

Speed

Medium

Note

10 Base-5 / 10 Base-T

10 mbps

Coax

First Ethernet

Fast Ethernet

100 mbps

UTP

10x faster

Gigabit Ethernet

1 Gbps

UTP

Common in LAN

10G Ethernet

10 Gbps

Fibre/copper

Data Centres

40 G / 100 G Ethernet

40-400 Gbps

Fiber

Cloud

Switched Ethernet

Varies

Switch +

Fiber

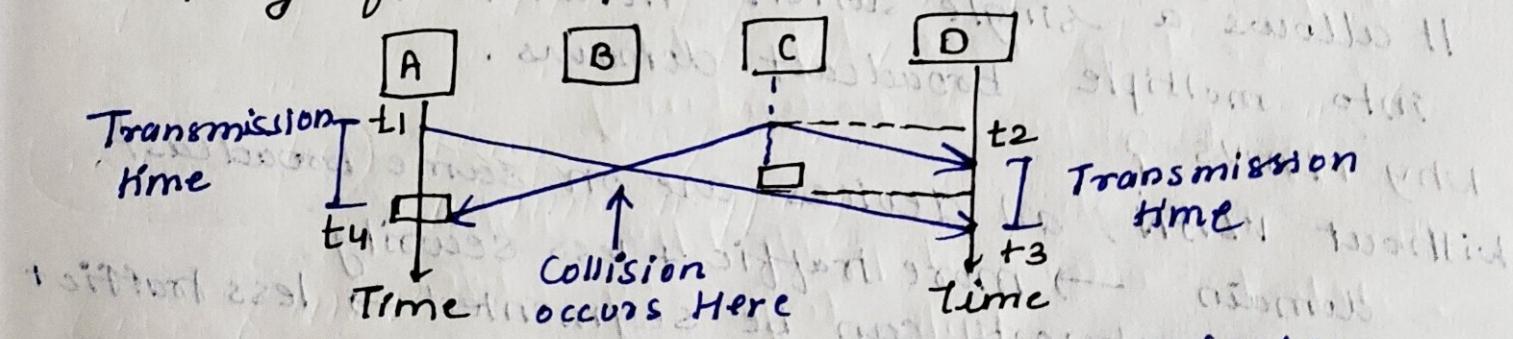
Remove Collisions

- Low installation cost and high speed.

CSMA / CD

- Carrier sense Multiple Access with collision Detection.
- Used in wired Ethernet (LAN).
- device detects collision after it occurs then stop and retransmit.
- Collision can occur but can be detected
- Suitable for Wired Networks where collision detection is easy.
- Works only in Half duplex Ethernet.
- Now Replaced by the switches.
- Efficient only in low traffic

Working of CSMA/CD



If a collision occurs, it stops transmission sends a jamming signal waits a random backoff time and then retransmits.

CSMA / CA

- Carrier sense multiple Access with collision avoidance.
- Used in wireless network (WIFI), WLAN.
- device tries to avoid collision before transmission.
- Transmit only when collision probability is minimum.
- Collisions are avoided.
- Suitable for wireless Networks where collision detection is difficult.
- Works in half & full duplex WiFi
- Still used in IEEE 802.11
- Efficient even in high traffic wireless conditions

Switch

- Operates at Layer 2 (Data Link Layer)
- Use MAC address for forwarding frames.
- Data unit = frame
- Connects devices inside a LAN and forward frames.
- Faster
- Basic LAN-level security
- Supports VLAN
- Eg - Connecting PC, printers, mobiles within an office.

Router

- Operates at Layer 3 (Network Layer)
- Use IP address for forwarding ~~frames~~ packets.
- Data unit = packet
- Connects multiple networks and forward packets
- Slower
- Strong Network-level security
- Does not support VLAN
- Eg - connecting office LAN to the Internet.

VLAN's (Virtual Local Area Network)

A VLAN is a local grouping of devices in a LAN regardless of physical location.

It allows a single switch network to be divided into multiple broadcast domains.

Why VLANs?

Without VLAN, all devices are on same broadcast domain → more traffic + less security
With VLAN, network can be segmented → less traffic + improved security + better performance.

Benefits

- Security - device in diff VLAN's can't communicate
- Reduced broadcast traffic without a router

Example of VLAN →

A company can divide departments using VLANs

- VLAN 10 = HR department
- VLAN 20 = Finance dept
- VLAN 30 = IT dept

Even if computers are physically mixed, VLAN separate their traffic logically.

Gateway

- Connects two ~~similar~~ different networks
- works at Layer 3 higher
- Address used - IP / Port
- data → packets / message
- Connect LAN to Internet

Bridge

- connects two similar networks
- work at Layer 2
- Address used - MAC
- data - Frames
- Connect two Ethernet LAN

Link Layer Switches

- A Link Layer Switch is a Layer-2 device that forwards Ethernet frames based on MAC
- Provide point-to-point communication inside an LAN.

Types of Link Layer Switching

1) Store and Forward Switching

Switch receives the entire frame, checks for error and then forward. Reliable but Higher Delay

2) Cut-through Switching

Switch reads only the destination MAC address and immediately forward frame. Fast, can't detect error

3) Fragment-Free Switching

Switch first wait for 64 bytes before forwarding
Avoid collision but can't check Errors

- ## # Properties of Link Layer Switching
- Forwarding and filtering frames only to intended destination port, filters out unnecessary transmission.
 - Full-Duplex transmission - sender, receiver can transmit simultaneously
 - Allow broadcast + multicast
 - Support for VLAN
 - High throughput

Problems Associated with Switched LAN

main problem — switching loops

when multiple switches are connected loops may form. This leads to

- Duplicate frames.
- Network Failure

Methods to Overcome —

Spanning Tree Protocol (STP)

STP is a switching protocol that automatically prevents loops in a switched LAN

It prevents broadcast storms.

ensure loop free topology

support network redundancy

How STP works

- detect redundant path b/w switches
- disable some links logically while keeping one active
- If active links fail — with care

STP reactivates disable link

provide redundancy without loops

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Important topics

Multiple Access Protocols

Multiple Access Protocols are rules the follow multiple users / nodes to share a common communication channel without interference.

They are used in Link Layer / MAC.

- Channel Partitioning Protocols
- Random Access Protocols
- Token Passing protocols

① Channel Partitioning protocols

The channel bandwidth is divided among all users so everyone get a fixed share of medium. Techniques

- TDMA (Time Division Multiple Access)
time is divided into slots, each user get slot.
- FDMA (Frequency division multiple Access)
channel bandwidth is divided into frequency
- CDMA (Code division multiple access)
All users transmit through simultaneously but with unique codes.

Features -

- No collisions
- Fair to all Users
- High efficiency at High load

② Random Access Protocols

In Random Access Protocols Nodes transmits whenever they have data. Collision may occur but recovery techniques are used.

- Pure ALOHA
- Slotted ALOHA
- CSMA (Already covered)

Pure ALOHA

- Original ALOHA protocol developed at University of Hawaii.
- Transmit data anytime.
- Continuous time division.
- Collision probability is very high.
- $2 \times \text{frame time}$
- Max throughput = 18.47% and $G=0.5$ for maximum
- Simple structure
- Formula for throughput

$$S = G e^{-2G}$$

G = offered load

S = throughput

- More efficient in low load.

- Eg - Used in Early wireless network

Taking turns

The key idea of taking turns is each device gets a turn to send data. Only the device whose turn it is can transmit and others must wait.

Example -

- polling - A central controller controls each node. Like wired/wireless LAN.
- Token passing - A special token is passed b/w nodes. Send data \rightarrow having token.

Taking turns are used in wifi power saving mode.

Slotted ALOHA

- Improved version of pure ALOHA.
- Transmit only at the begin
- Time divided into equal slots.
- Collision probability is low
- $1 \times \text{frame time}$

- Max throughput = 36.87% .

almost double

- Complex structure

- Formula for throughput

$$S = G e^{-G}$$

More efficient for high load

- Used in

Satellite Communication System

TDMA based system

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ARP

- Address Resolution Protocol
- $IP \rightarrow MAC$ Mapping
- Output \rightarrow MAC Address
- Used by normal routers.
- ARP table maintained locally
- Still used widely

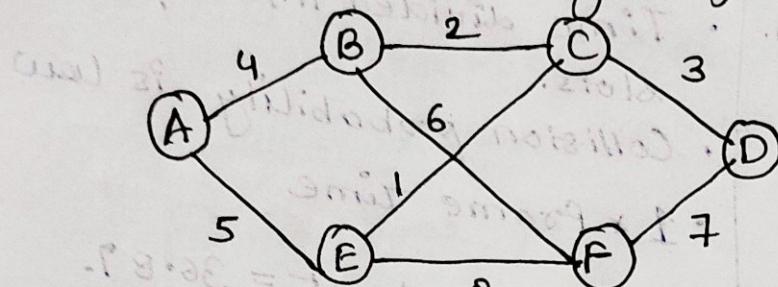
RARP

- Reverse Address Resolution Protocol.
- $MAC \rightarrow IP$ mapping
- Output \rightarrow ~~IP~~ IP address
- Used by diskless workstation
- Require RARP server
- Replace by DHCP.

Advantages

- No collisions
- More efficient when traffic is high
- But token failure can stop network

Link State Routing Algorithm



Draw Routing table for all the Alphabets

seq	Age
B	4
E	5

seq	Age
A	4
C	2
F	6

seq	Age
B	2
E	3

seq	Age
C	3
F	7

seq	Age
A	5
C	1
F	8

seq	Age
E	8
B	6
D	7

this routing table consist which alphabet or node is connected to a node and its cost.

Dijkstra Algorithm — to find shortest path.

Let A be source node.

	B	C	D	E	F
A	4	∞	∞	5	∞
AB	4	6	∞	5	10
ABE	4	6	∞	5	10
ABEC	4	6	9	5	10
ABECD	4	6	9	5	10
<u>ABECD</u>					

(from A to nodes write cost if connected otherwise use ∞)

Now choose the smallest number and Add its path & don't repeat the chosen cost

→ possible shortest path to cover all nodes.

From $A \rightarrow B = 4$

$A \rightarrow C = 6$

$A \rightarrow D = 9$

$A \rightarrow E = 5$

$A \rightarrow F = 10$

For Distance Vector

You have to apply Bellman Ford

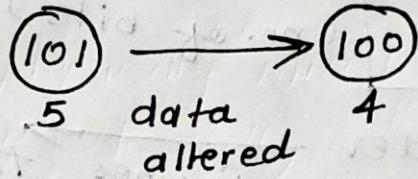
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Numerical part

Error Detection and Correction

Error detection and correction are techniques which alters, modify the data at the time of transmission.



Types of Error —

→ Single bit Error

Error occurred in single bit only/change of single bit

$$\text{Eg} \rightarrow 100 \rightarrow 101$$

→ Burst Error

Error occurred due to change in more than one bit.

$$\text{Eg} \rightarrow 101010 \rightarrow 111011$$

Error Detection techniques -

- Simple parity (even, odd)

- 2D parity check

- Checksum

- CRC (cyclic Redundancy checks)

Parity Checks

Sender ~~sends~~ → 10010010011
Sends

↓ parity

100100100111

↓ Network

1001001001111

↓

Transmission without Error

Transmission with Single-bit Error

Transmission with multiple-bit Error

100110100111

No. of 1 = odd

Odd parity

Parity is 1

Error detected

010100100111

No. of 1 = even

Even parity

No error detected

Receiver receives = 100100100111

No. of 1 = even

Even Parity

Parity is 0

Error is not detected

• Parity checks only detects error of single-bit.

Checksum

Used to detect error.

10011001	11100010	00100100	10000100
$n=4$ (no. of frames)			
$m=8$ (no. of bits)			

sender $\xrightarrow{\text{Add first two frames then the remaining frames}}$ receiver
and if carry occurs add it again.

$$\begin{array}{r} \textcircled{1} \quad 10011001 \\ + \quad 11100010 \\ \hline 011111011 \\ \xrightarrow{\text{+1}} \\ \begin{array}{r} 011111100 \\ + \quad 00100100 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \textcircled{1} \quad \begin{array}{r} 10100000 \\ + \quad 10000100 \\ \hline 00100100 \end{array} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{+1}} \end{array}$$

- Last step remainder + checksum
- checksum is complement of remainder.

$$\begin{array}{r} 00100101 \rightarrow \text{Remainder} \\ + \quad 11011010 \rightarrow \text{checksum} \\ \hline 11111111 \\ \downarrow \\ \text{Complement} \\ \hline 00000000 \end{array}$$

$|00100101| \rightarrow \text{Remainder}$

- If we got all 0 at the end \rightarrow Message Accepted Error-Free.

CRC (cyclic Redundancy check)

Used to detect the Error.

Given Frame = 1101011011

Generator or divisor $\Rightarrow 10011$ or polynomial.

for example $\rightarrow x^3 + x + 1$

$\rightarrow x^3 \quad x^2 \quad x^1 \quad x^0$

binary conversion

1	0	1	1
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As x^2 is not present in eqn we place 0.

PYQ on CRC

frame = 1101011011

Generator or divisor = 10011 ($n=5$)

Step 1 → Add zero
 In order to add zero in ~~original~~ frame.
 no. of zeros add = $n-1$ where n = length of generator
 $= 5-1$
 $\therefore = 4$ add 4 zeros.

Sender's Side

Use XOR operations

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10011) \overline{11010110110000} \\
 + 10011 \downarrow \\
 \hline
 010011 \\
 + 10011 \\
 \hline
 00000 \quad 10110 \\
 . \oplus 10011 \\
 \hline
 001000 \\
 . \oplus 10011 \\
 \hline
 001110 \rightarrow \text{Remainder}
 \end{array}$$

Receiver Side

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10011) \overline{1101011011110} \\
 + 10011 \downarrow \\
 \hline
 010011 \\
 + 10011 \\
 \hline
 00000 \quad 10111 \\
 . \oplus 10011 \\
 \hline
 0010011 \\
 . \oplus 10011 \\
 \hline
 000000
 \end{array}$$

∴ As 4 bit no. is not divided by 5-bit no. Receiver
 If remainder of Receiver is 0 the message is
 accepted.

PYQ on ALOHA

Q An Aloha network uses 19.2 kbps channel for sending message packets of 100-bit long size. Calculate max throughput?

Ans Given, Channel Rate $R = 19.2 \text{ kbps} = 19200 \text{ bps}$

Packet Length $L = 100 \text{ bits}$

For pure Aloha $S = Ge^{-2G}$

max occurs at $G = 0.5$ → It is standard for max. throughput

$$S_{\max} = Ge^{-2G} = 0.5 \times e^{-2 \times 0.5} \\
 = 0.5 \times e^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Max throughput} \Rightarrow 0.184 \Rightarrow 0.5 \times 0.3679 \approx 0.184$$

PYQ

Q. A slotted ALOHA transmit on a shared channel of 400-bit frame size and 400 Kbps. What is throughput if

(i) 1000 frames per second

(ii) 500 frames per second

For 1000 frames per sec,

$$S = G e^{-G} \Rightarrow \text{we need } G$$

Given \rightarrow frame size = 400 bits

Channel Rate = 400 Kbps

$$\text{frame time} \Rightarrow \frac{\text{frame size}}{\text{Frame Rate}} \Rightarrow \frac{400 \text{ b}}{400,000 \text{ bps}} \\ \Rightarrow 0.001 \text{ sec} = 1 \text{ ms}$$

\rightarrow For 1000 frames,

calculate $G = \text{Frame generation rate} \times \text{frametime}$

$$G \Rightarrow 1000 \times 0.001 = 1$$

$$S \Rightarrow G e^{-G} = 1 e^{-1} = 0.3679 \rightarrow \text{Throughput}$$

\rightarrow For 500 frames

$G = \text{frame Generation Rate} \times \text{frame time}$

$$G \Rightarrow 500 \times 0.001 = 0.5$$

$$S \Rightarrow G e^{-G} = 0.5 e^{-0.5} = 0.5 \times e^{-0.5} = 0.3039$$