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# Quiz

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**Q1** . A transport layer protocol implements timer to address the loss problem. The timer cannot expire if there is no loss. True or False?

**Q2** . A reliable transport protocol must implement both ACK and NAK if it wants to address bit errors as well as packet loss problems. True or False?

**Q3** . Stop-and-Wait:

- A. receiver buffers packets
- B. has only 1 bit for the sequence number
- C. requires a large sequence number space
- D. requires more than 1 bit for the sequence number

**Q4** . Stop-and-Wait cannot provide reliability. True or False?

**Q5** . For short distances, Stop-and-Wait is always efficient, but it fails to support high throughput only when the distance between the client and server is large. True or False?

**Q6** . Pipelining increases throughput (compared to stop-and-wait) linearly with the window size (number packets the sender can have in the pipeline without having to stop and wait for the ACK). True or False?

**Q7** . In Go-Back-N, the sender window cannot be equal to the sequence number space. True or False?

**Q8** . For a 4-bit sequence number field in the packet header, the maximum possible window size for Selective Repeat is

- A. 15
- B. 16
- C. 8
- D. 7

**Q9** . To speed up file transfers, a Selective Repeat implementation is using a window size of 8. The sequence number field in the packet header must be at least

- A. 8-bit long
- B. 4-bit long
- C. 3-bit long
- D. 16-bit long

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Nadeem Ahmed (/users/z3003139) 5 days ago (Tue Oct 15 2019 18:53:47 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

**Solution:**

1: False

2: False

3: B

4: False

5: False

6: True

7: True

8: C

9: B

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Xiaohao Zhou (/users/z5198368) a day ago (Sat Oct 19 2019 13:43:53 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间)), last modified a day ago (Sat Oct 19 2019 13:45:46 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

Q7,

Can  $N$  larger than  $1/2$  sequence# and smaller than sequence#?

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Salil Kanhere (/users/z3116703) a day ago (Sat Oct 19 2019 14:47:17 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间)), last modified a day ago (Sat Oct 19 2019 14:47:26 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

This is explained in this thread below. Is that explanation not sufficient ?

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Jiahui Luo (/users/z5158415) 3 days ago (Thu Oct 17 2019 12:30:45 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

Can you explain about q8 and q9? I try to use window size  $\leq 1/2$  sequence number, but can't get the answer.

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Salil Kanhere (/users/z3116703) 3 days ago (Thu Oct 17 2019 16:59:24 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间)), last modified 3 days ago (Thu Oct 17 2019 16:59:35 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

Sequence # space = 16 (for 4 bit sequence numbers), if windows size  $\leq 1/2$  sequence # space then the answer for Q8 is C. You can use the same logic for Q9.

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Matthew Immanuel (/users/z5187551) about 8 hours ago (Sun Oct 20 2019 14:22:02 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

Can you please explain how did you get 16?

"Sequence # space = 16 (for 4 bit sequence numbers)"

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Salil Kanhere (/users/z3116703) about 6 hours ago (Sun Oct 20 2019 16:38:53 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

0000, 0001, .... 1111 -> 16 sequence #s

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Saloni Goda (/users/z5215272) 2 days ago (Fri Oct 18 2019 15:13:26 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间)), last modified 2 days ago (Fri Oct 18 2019 15:13:34 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

For Q8, if its 4 bits then half of 15 is 7.5 so won't the answer be  $\leq 7.5$  (ie 7 which is option D)

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Salil Kanhere (/users/z3116703) 2 days ago (Fri Oct 18 2019 15:19:45 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

the sequence # space =  $[0, \dots 15]$  so total 16 #s.

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Chan Kwon Kim (/users/z5204743) 4 days ago (Wed Oct 16 2019 16:32:15 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

in go back N, would the minimum allowed seq # be 1 more than the window size?

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Nadeem Ahmed (/users/z3003139) 4 days ago (Thu Oct 17 2019 00:06:38 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))

In GBN, sender window size should be less than  $2^n$ , where n is the number of bits in the sequence number space (cannot be equal). Think of a scenario when setting the sender window size = size of the sequence number space would cause an issue.

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Chan Kwon Kim (/users/z5204743) 4 days ago (Wed Oct 16 2019 16:17:25 GMT+1100 (澳大利亚东部夏令时间))