

MAC Sublayer Numericals

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so with pure ALOHA Usable Bandwidth = $0.184 * 56\text{kbps} = 10.3\text{kbps}$

1 Station Outputs 1000 bits in every 100sec

so in 1sec One station will output at rate $1000/100 = 10\text{bits/sec}$

so For N stations in 1 sec Total Output Data is $10 * N$ bits this should be equal to the Channel Capacity in pure ALOHA

$$N * 10 = 10300$$

$N = 1030$ it is the maximum value of Number of Station Possible.

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The average station makes $\frac{18}{3600} = \frac{1}{200}$ requests/sec. The total channel

load is $10000 \times \frac{1}{200} = 50$ requests/sec. Using slot as the time unit, the total channel load is $50 \times (125 \times 10^{-6}) = \frac{1}{160}$ requests/slot.

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- a) $G = 50 * 0.04 = 2$ packets per slot.
- b) $P_s = G e^{-G} = 0.27$
- c) $1/P_s = 3.69$

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- a) $P(0) = e^{-G} = 0.1 \Rightarrow G = 2.3$
- b) $T = G e^{-G} = 0.23$
- c) Since $G > 1$, the system is overloaded.

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