

Chapter 4

The Medium Access Control Sublayer





MAC Sublayer

- We are dealing with broadcast and/or shared channels
- Broadcast channels are usually referred to as **multiple access channels**
- Many sources can use the channels concurrently, leading to chaos
- Need to determine who gets to use the channel
- The class of protocols that determine who accesses the channel is called **Medium Access Control** (MAC)
- When MAC exists in the datalink layer, it is called MAC sublayer



The Channel Allocation Problem

- Static Channel Allocation in LANs and MANs
- Dynamic Channel Allocation in LANs and MANs



Static Channel Allocation

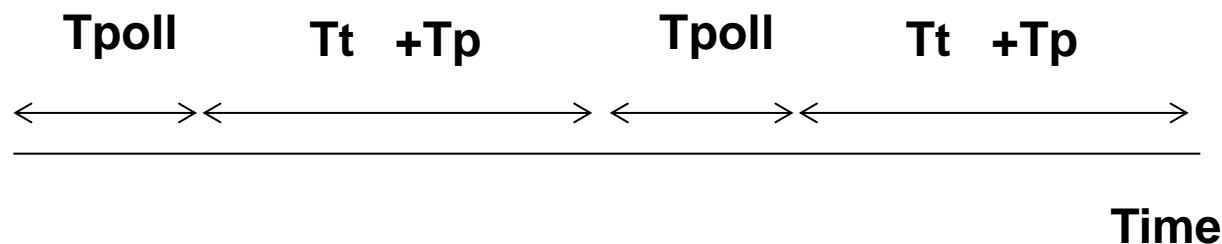
- Like dividing telephone trunk among N users
- Trunk with capacity C is divided using two major approaches
 - Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM)
 - Divide C into N frequencies:
 - Each user gets a single bandwidth
 - User cannot use more than the allocated bandwidth even if channel is empty
 - If a user is not using the channel, the channel cannot be used by others
 - Time Division Multiplexing (TDM)
 - Divide time N time slots:
 - Each user gets to send traffic only every N^{th} slot using full capacity C
 - If user does not use time slot, the slot is wasted
- Problem if the number of users is greater than N
- Inefficiency if number of users is less than N
- Poor performance even if number of users is N



TDM Efficiency

- Efficiency = Useful time / Total time = $T_t / T_t + T_p$
 $= 1 / 1 + a$
- Example: $T_t = 1 \text{ ms}$, $T_p = 1 \text{ ms}$
- Efficiency = 50%
- So what is the maximum number of users that can be connected to TDM, if each user needs 2kbps and channel Bandwidth is 4 Mbps
- Effective bandwidth = $4 \text{ Mbps} * 50\% = 2 \text{ Mbps}$
- Then $N_{\text{max}} * 2 \text{ kbps} = 2 \text{ Mbps}$
- Then N_{max} is 1000 users

Enhancing TDM by Polling



- No slots is assigned
- Pick a station to transmit using a polling algorithm
 - Polling the stations to select the station that wants to transmit
- Efficiency = $T_t / (T_{poll} + T_t + T_p)$
- Disadvantage: Polling time but solved the issue of static allocation.



Dynamic Channel Allocation in LANs and MANs⁷

Key Assumptions

1. Station Model.

- Independent stations
- Probability of a frame being generated in an interval of length Δt depends on $\lambda \Delta t$
 - λ is the rate of generation and is constant,
 - But the generation process itself is random
- Station is blocked until the frame has been successfully transmitted.

2. Single Channel Assumption.

- All stations can send and receive from the channel

3. Collision Assumption.

- When two stations transmit in *overlapping periods*, both frames are corrupted and both need to be re-transmitted

4. Time allocation

(a) Continuous Time: Station can transmit any time.

(b) Slotted Time:

- Time divided into slots
- Transmission starts at the beginning of a slot
- Frame must fit a slot
- Multiple frames can be transmitted in a slot

5. (a) Carrier Sense: Stations can tell if the channel is in use

(b) No Carrier Sense: Stations cannot sense the channel



Dynamic Multiple Access Protocols

- ALOHA
- Carrier Sense Multiple Access Protocols
- Collision-Free Protocols
- Limited-Contention Protocols
- Wavelength Division Multiple Access Protocols
- Wireless LAN Protocols



Pure ALOHA

- Simple idea: Station does NOT listen to channel to check if other station is transmitting, so **Station transmits any time**
 - Station does **not** check if other station is already transmitting
- Detect collision, and **Retransmit** after random delay and a maxim number of times
- In many cases (wireless, coaxial cable, ..., etc), a transmitter can listen to detect that its frame was received:
 - Almost immediate in LAN
 - Long delay in WAN and satellite (e.g 270 msec), Need ACK if listening while sending is impossible
- Old protocol, initially used in wireless, was rediscovered when cable internet was introduced
- Systems where multiple users use a common resource in a way leading to conflict are sometimes called **contention** systems

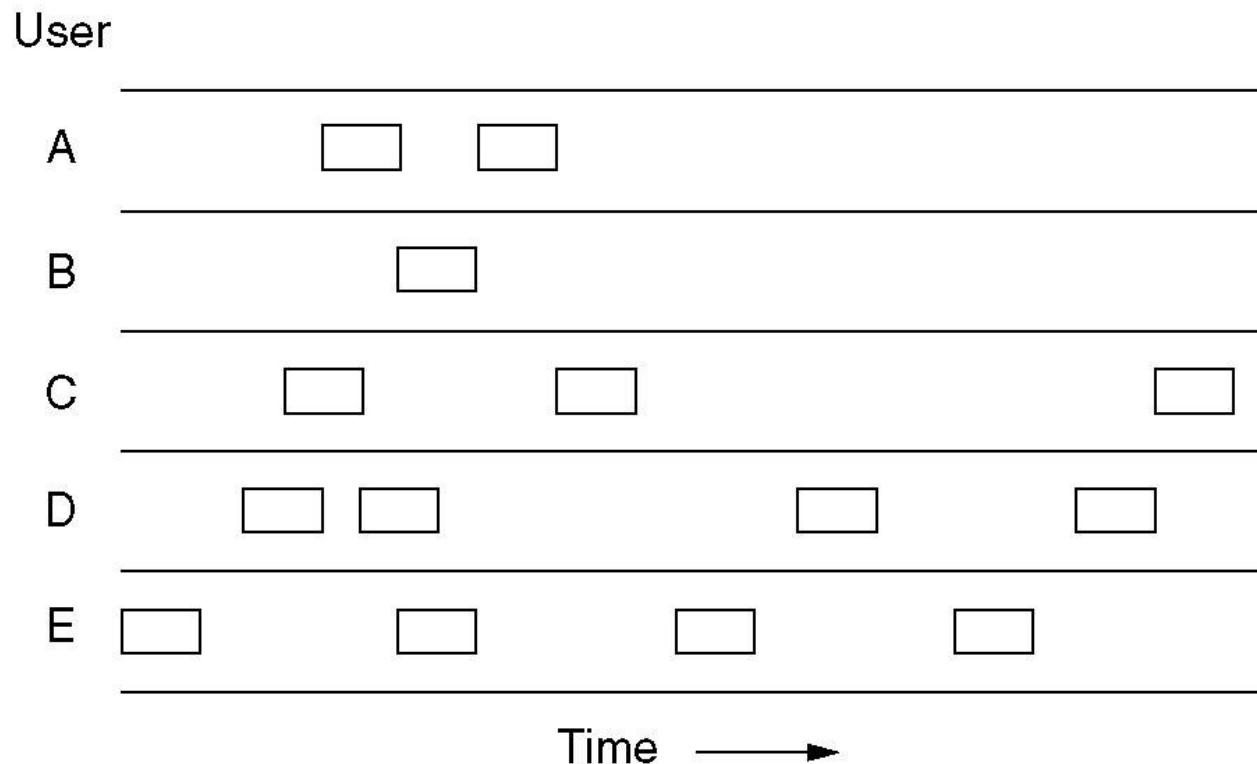


How a node to detect a Collision?

1. Feedback Property of Broadcast Channel, broadcast channel transmits the information to all nodes, if a node can hear multiple transmissions at the same time, the node will conclude that there is a collision
2. Acknowledgment received

Pure ALOHA

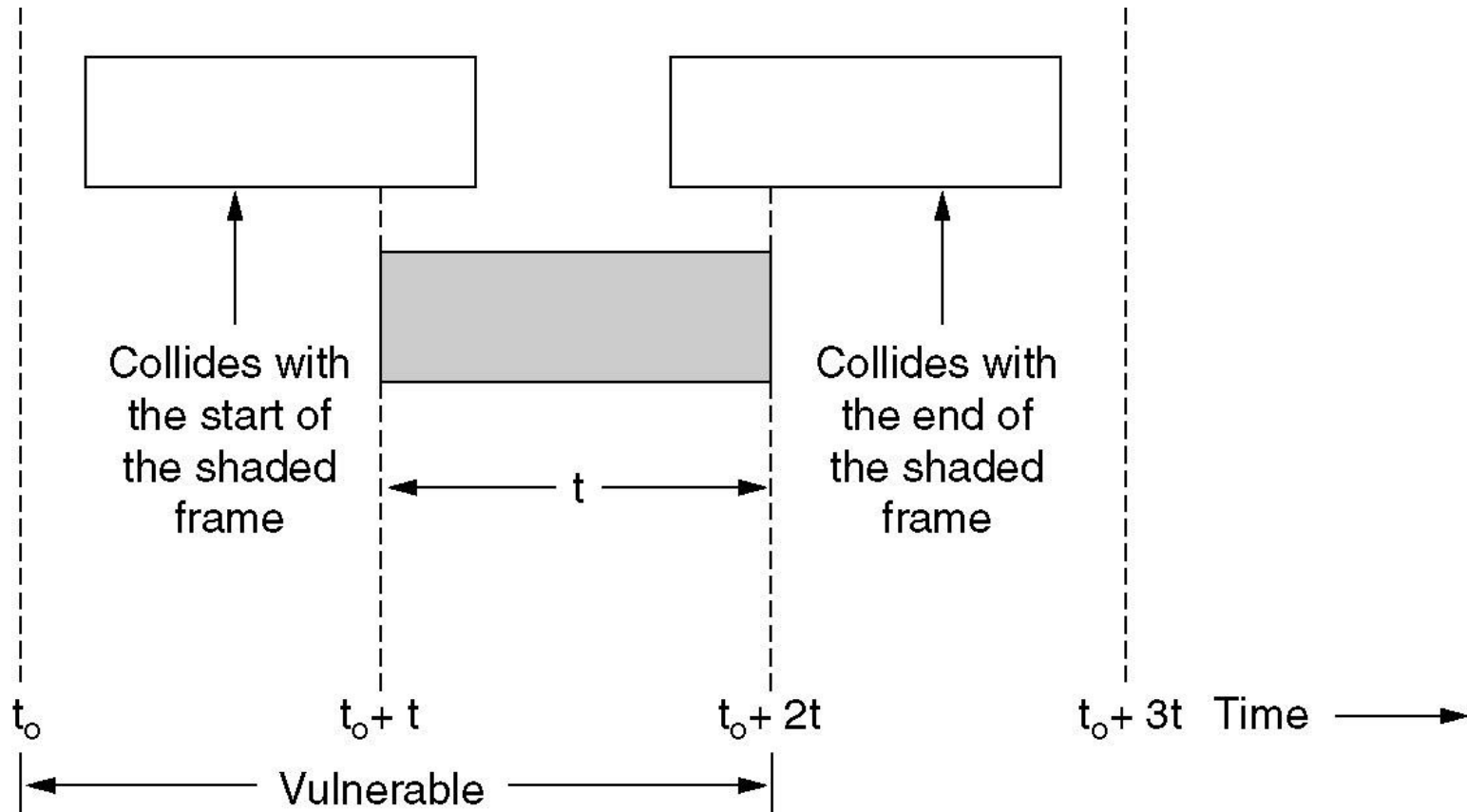
In pure ALOHA, frames are transmitted at completely arbitrary times.





Pure ALOHA: When does Collision Occur

Vulnerable period for the shaded frame.



Two possibilities of collision; either collision with a previous frame or a following frame, so no frame should be transferred during the time of two frame time

Remember that a station does **not** check if other station(s) are already transmitting before it transmits



How Good is Pure ALOHA

- We want to calculate the efficiency of Aloha
 - I.e. What fraction of all transmitted frames escape collision?
- Let all frames be fixed length of one time unit
- The unit of time is the time it takes to transmit one frame
 - I.e. $t = 1$ means the a single frame time
 - Rate of transmission is per frame time.
- Assume infinite independent users
- Offered Load is modeled by Poisson Distribution with rate G
 - Probability (k Packets are generated in t frame time) =

$$\frac{(tG)^k * e^{-tG}}{k!}$$



Pure Aloha Throughput

- Throughput: The rate of packets that get transmitted successfully
- Let P_0 be probability that a packet does *not* suffer collision
- Throughput = $S = G P_{(\text{no collision})}$
 - $S = G * (\text{Probability that no other frame is transmitted in the vulnerable period})$
 - $S = G * (\text{Probability that zero frame is transmitted in 2frame time})$
- $K=0, t=2 \quad \rightarrow \quad S = Ge^{-2G}$
- To get maximum differentiate w.r.t G to get $G=0.5$
- Substitute with $G=0.5$ then **$S_{\text{max}} = 18.4\%$**



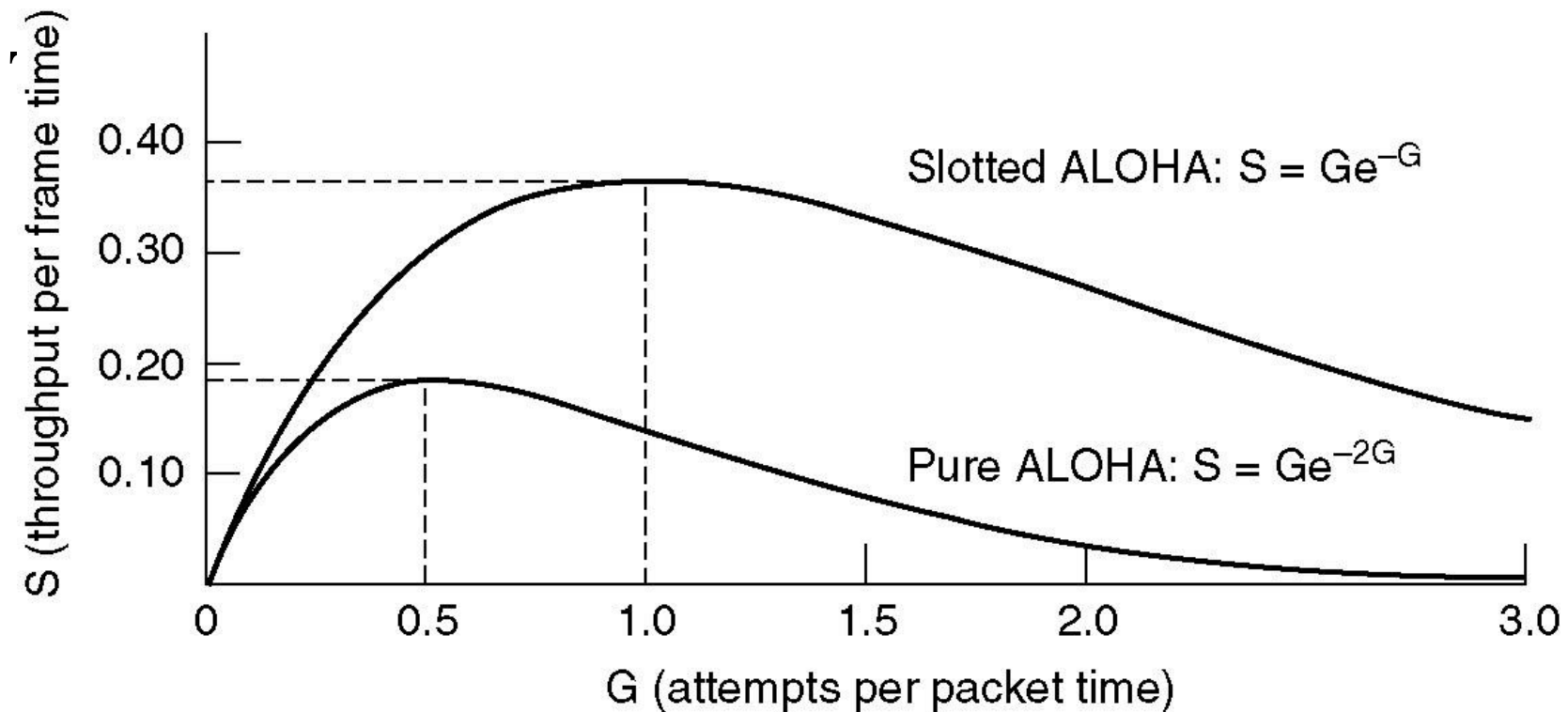
Slotted ALOHA

- Time is divided into discrete slots, each of length one frame
- User transmits only at the beginning of the slot
 - Still does **not** check if other stations are transmitting before it transmits
- Need synchronization
 - E.g. special station transmit a clock
 - Central synchronization station and other schemes
 - In general, distributed synchronization is never 100% accurate
- **Slotted ALOHA makes vulnerable period half of pure ALOHA**
- **Vulnerable time is t not $2t$ as in pure ALOHA**

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

- **Maximum at $G=1$, and S is 36.8%**

Pure vs Slotted ALOHA





CSMA (Carrier Sense Multiple Access)

- ALOHA:
 - bad performance because there is no co-ordination
 - many collisions \Rightarrow poor utilization ($1/e$)
- In LANs, a station can detect what other stations are doing
- Carrier Sense Protocols are protocols in which **a station *listens* for a carrier and *acts* accordingly**
- We will study few types
 - **Persistent CSMA**
 - **Non-persistent CSMA**
 - **CSMA/CD**



CSMA and Propagation Delay

- Important factor in performance
- A station starts
- Second station starts before signal of the first station arrives
- Longer the propagation delay \Rightarrow more collisions
- Collision can also happen even in case of zero delay. E.g.
 - Two stations become ready while 3rd station is transmitting
 - As soon as the 3rd station stops, both start sending \Rightarrow collision



1-Persistent CSMA

1. Listen to the channel
2. Channel Free: Transmit
3. Channel Busy: Wait while **continuously** listening
 - **Transmit** as soon as the channel becomes free
4. On collision:
 - waits a random period
 - Start all over again



Non-persistent CSMA

1. Listens to the channel
 2. Channel Free: Transmit
 3. Channel busy:
 - Wait for a random period instead of continuously listening
 - Repeats steps again
 4. On collision:
 - waits a random period
 - Start all over again
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- Less greedy
 - Better utilization



p - persistent CSMA

- Works with slotted channels
- When the station is ready to send, it applies the following steps
 1. Listens to channel
 2. Channel is busy:
 - Wait till the next slot
 - Repeat again starting from step (1)
 3. Channel is free
 - **Transmit** with **probability p** OR **Wait** for the next slot with **probability $q = 1-p$**
 - If **Transmit**
 - If transmission is successful ➡ Terminate
 - Else Go to step (1)
 - If **Wait**
 - wait till next slot
 - Listen to channel
 - If the channel is busy or there is collision
 - Wait for *random period*
 - Repeat again from step (1)
 - Else (channel is free)
 - Go to step (3)

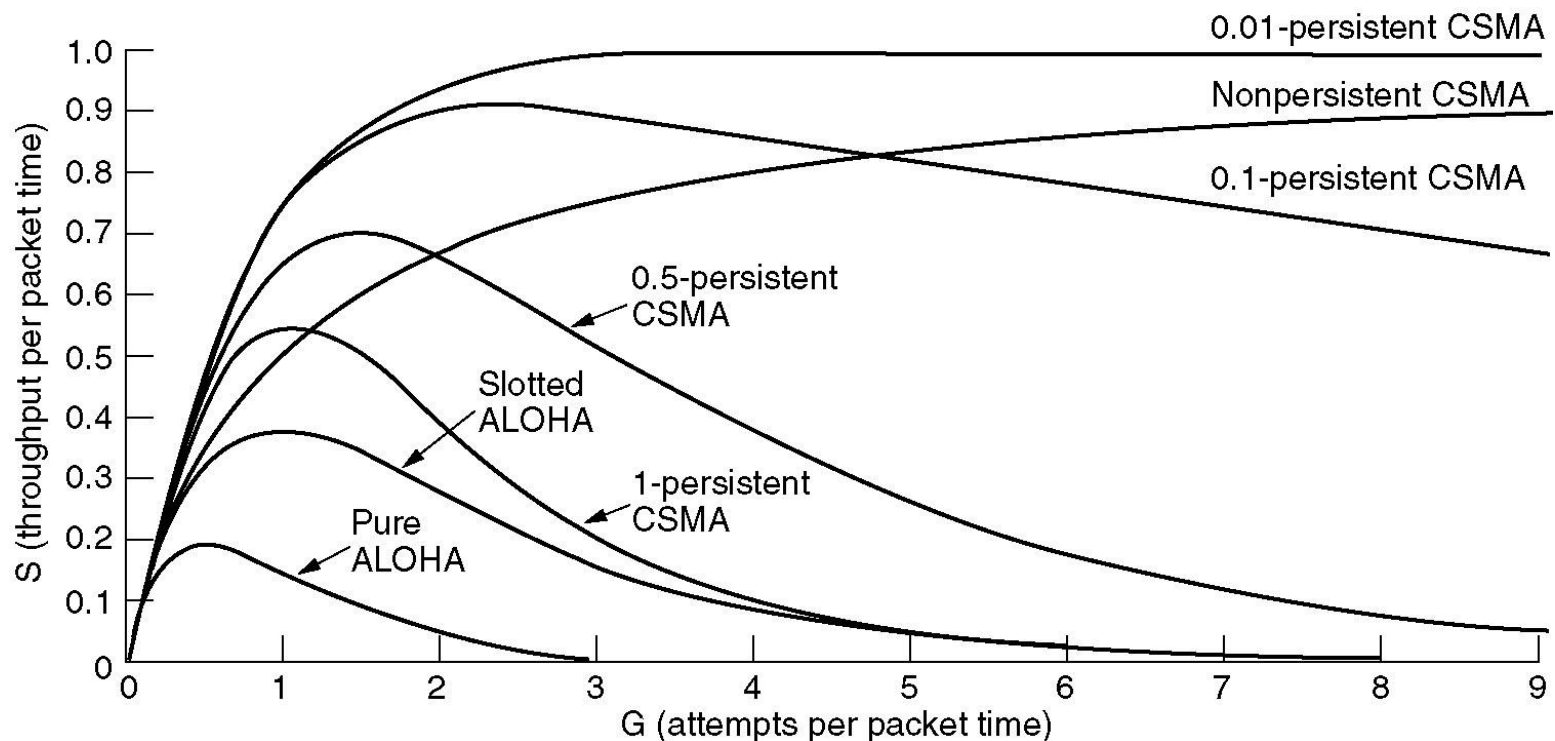
As p is smaller:

- Better utilization
- But longer waiting time for stations



Persistent and Nonpersistent CSMA

Comparison of the channel utilization versus load for various random access protocols.





CSMA with Collision Detection

CSMA/CD

- Abort as soon as collision is detected
- If two stations start simultaneously, collision is detected almost immediately
- Save time and BW because the rest of the transmission time is not wasted on bits that can never be recovered
- Allows the remaining portion to be used by other stations
- Widely used in MAC sub-layers of LANs, particularly Ethernet
- CSMA/CD is inherently *half duplex*



CSMA/CD

- Station listens to channel
- If busy, continuously listen or wait for a random period
- Start transmission when the channel is free
- On Collision Detection
 - **Aborts immediately**
 - Waits for random period of time
 - Repeats steps

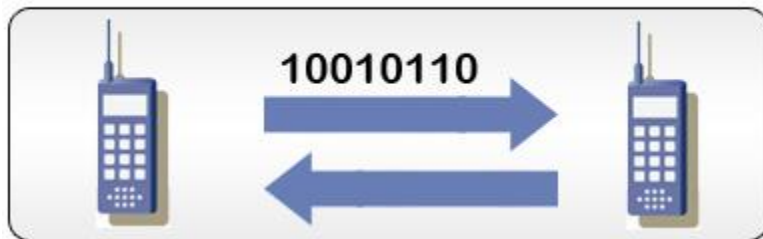
- This means that the transmission pattern consists of alternating *contention and transmission* periods with idle periods when the stations are not sending (e.g. station has nothing to send)
- The time it takes to detect collision is very important
 - Minimum time is the propagation delay between the two stations



Collision Detection

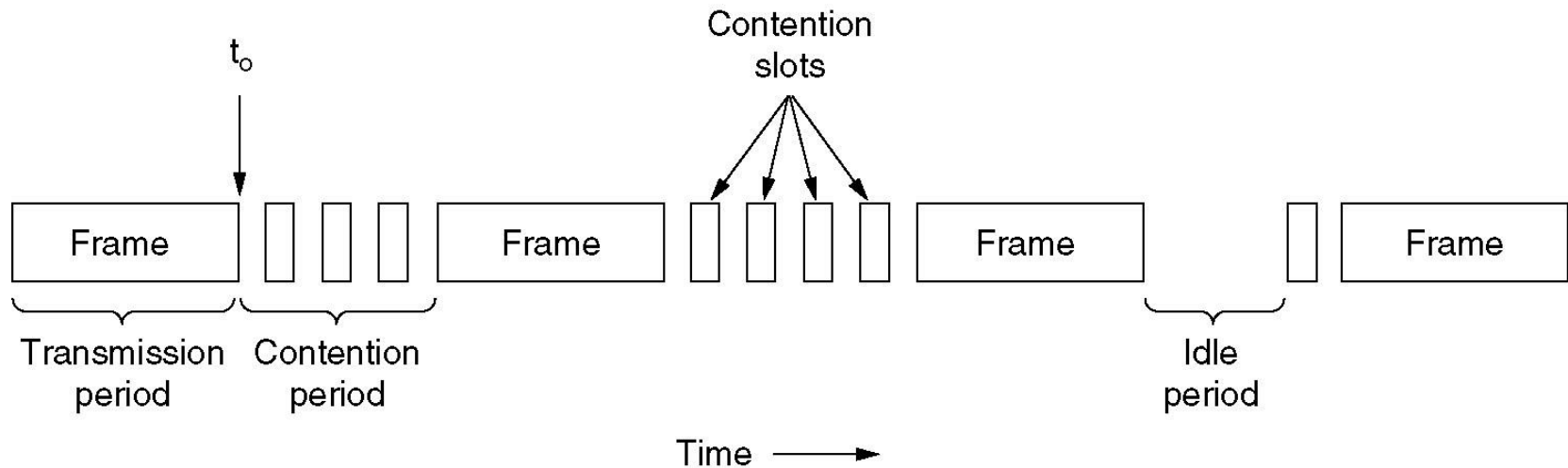
- Station may detect collision by
 - Comparing received signal with the transmitted signal
 - Comparing the received pulse width with the transmitted one
- When there is data waiting to be sent, each transmitting NIC also monitors its own transmission. If it observes a collision (excess current above what it is generating, i.e. > 24 mA for coaxial Ethernet), Collisions can be spotted since they are generally higher in signal amplitude than normal signals.
- The station stops transmission immediately and instead transmits a 32-bit jam sequence.

Half-Duplex Transmission



All collisions occur in half duplex as stations do not know that a station is transmitting on the line

CSMA with Collision Detection



CSMA/CD can be in one of three states: contention, transmission, or idle.



CSMA with Collision Detection

- If the signal takes τ to traverse the entire cable, then a station is sure that it successfully sent the data after 2τ
- Collision detection is an analog process
 - Encoding must allow for collision detection
- If a collision has occurred, the signals will corrupt each other and the communication medium's state will be different from what the station is transmitting
- easy in wired LANs: measure signal strengths, compare transmitted, received signals
- difficult in wireless LANs: received signal strength overwhelmed by local transmission strength

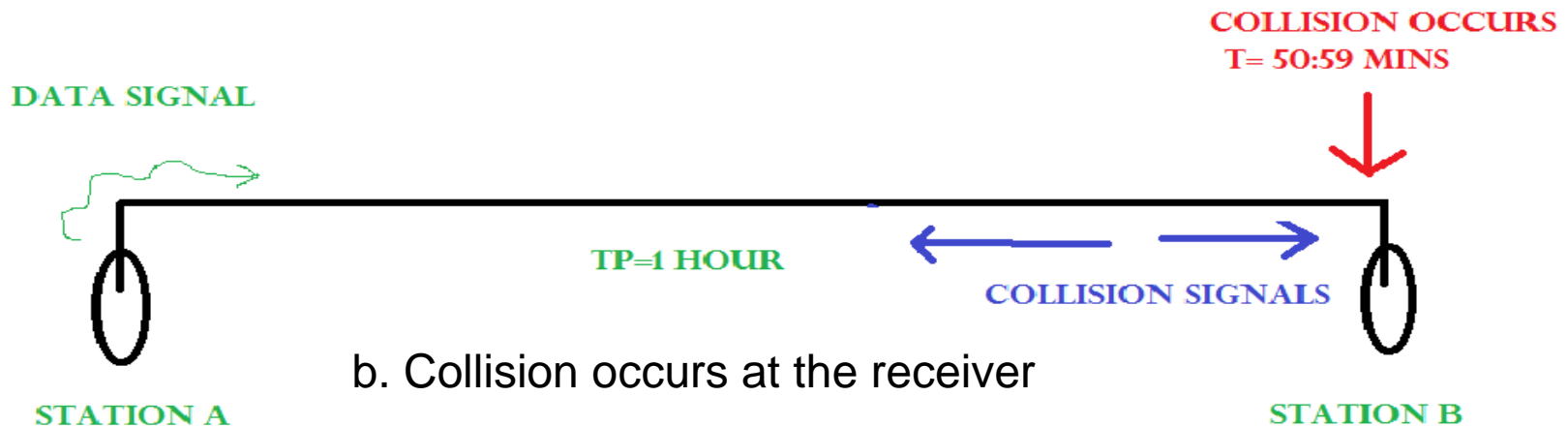
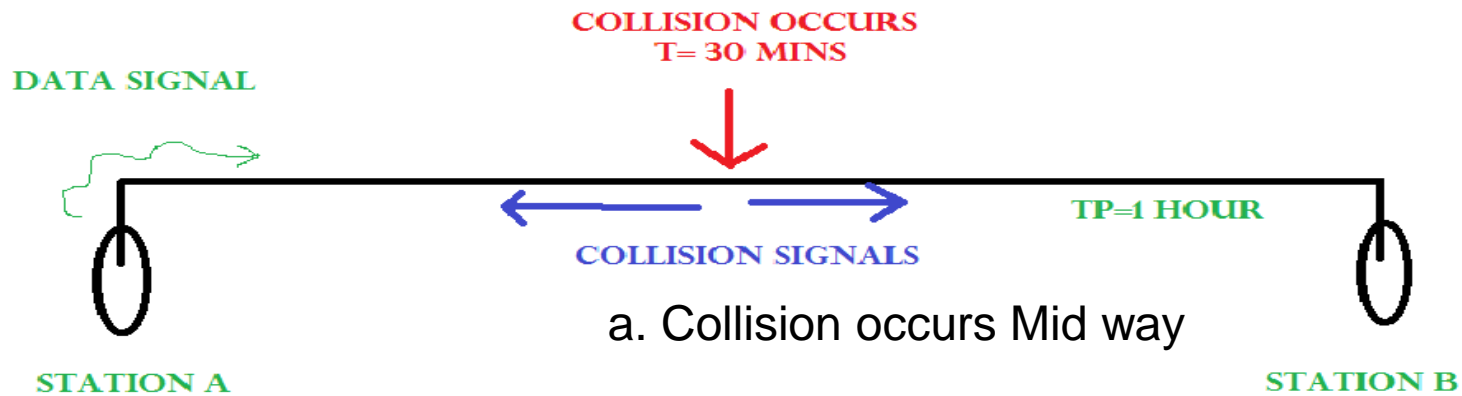


Collision Detection

Transmission Time T_t

- Two stations, A & B, Propagation Time: $T_p = 1$ hr (Signal takes 1 hr to go from A to B)
- (a) At time $t=0$, A transmits its data. At $t= 30$ mins Collision occurs. After collision occurs, a collision signal is generated and sent to both A & B to inform the stations about collision. Since the collision happened midway, the collision signal also takes 30 minutes to reach A & B.
- Therefore, at $t=1$ hr: A & B receive collision signals.
- **Transmission time (T_t) should be $>$ Propagation Time (T_p)**
- Devices involved in the collision keep transmitting for a short period of time, to make sure all devices on the network see the collision (also referred to as the jamming signal)

Collision Scenarios





Collision Detection

Collision Detection time / Frame Length

- (B) Maximum collision time to detect that a system can take to detect if the collision was of its own data.

— **$T_t \geq 2 * T_p$** condition for collision detection

- **What should be the minimum length of packet to be transmitted?**

Transmission Time = T_t = Length of the packet/ Bandwidth of the link

[Number of bits transmitted by sender per second]

Substituting above, we get,

Minimum Length of the packet/ Bandwidth of the link $\geq 2 * T_p$

— **$L \geq 2 * T_p * \text{Bandwidth of the link}$**



Frame Length

- The reason for having a lower bound on the frame length is to prevent a computer from completing the transmission of a short frame before the first bit of the frame has reached the far end of the cable, where it may collide with another frame

$$L \geq 2 * T_p * \text{Bandwidth of the link}$$

Efficiency of CSMA/CD (1/2)



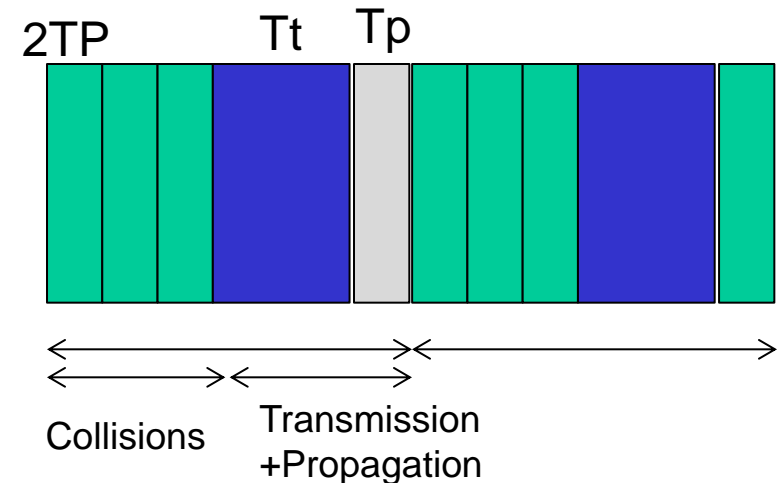
1. Efficiency =

$$T_t / (C * 2 * T_p + T_t + T_p)$$

$T_t \rightarrow$ transmission time,

$T_p \rightarrow$ propagation time ,

$C \rightarrow$ number of collisions



2. Maximum Probability of Success:

- Assume N stations are connected and every station wants to send the data with a probability p
- For success transmission, only 1 station should transmit while others shouldn't.
- Let p be the probability to transmit data successfully

$$P(\text{success}) = {}^n C_1 * p * (1-p)^{n-1} \text{ (by using Binomial distribution)}$$

- To get P_{max} we differentiate w.r.t. **p** and equate to 0, $d(P_{\text{success}})/dp = 0$
- Then $p = 1/n$

$$P_{\text{max}} = n * 1/n * (1 - 1/n)^{n-1} = (1 - 1/n)^{n-1}$$

If $n \rightarrow$ infinity and take the limit then **P_{max} = 1/e**



Efficiency of CSMA/CD (2/2)

3. How many times should I try before getting the first success ?

- It is $1/P_{\max} = 1/1/e = e$ **(binomial distribution)**
- Then **the number of collisions before the first success = e**
- So we have e collisions before success transmit

$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{T_t}{2 * e * T_p + T_t + T_p} = \frac{1}{1 + 6.44 a}$$

$$a = T_p / T_t, T_p = d/v \quad T_t = L/B$$

- If distance increases \longrightarrow efficiency decreases so CSMA/CD is useful for LANs not WANs
- For Bigger Packets \longrightarrow better efficiency

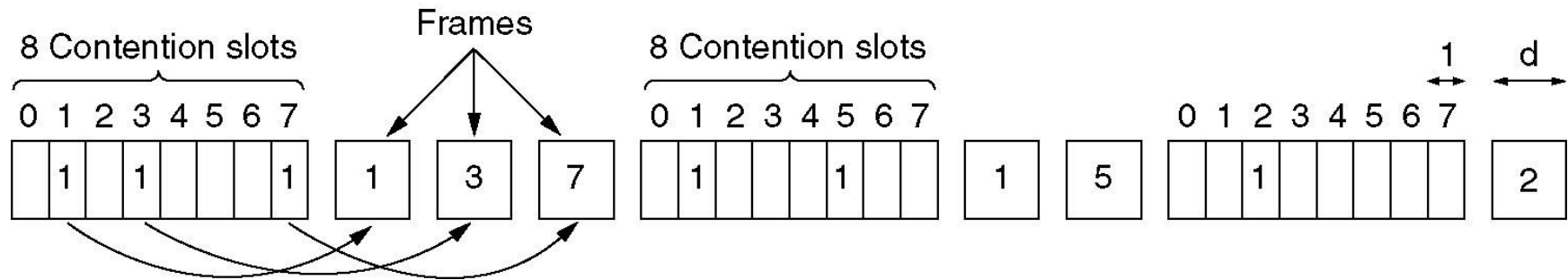


Collision-Free Protocols

- CSMA/CD reduces collisions, but there is still contention periods
- We want protocol with no collision at all
- Not widely used like CSMA
- Assumptions
 - N stations, each with address 0 to $N-1$
 - Propagation delay is negligible
- Two schemes
 - Bit-map protocol
 - Binary count down

Collision-Free Protocols

Bitmap Protocol



- Alternate between contention period and transmission period
- Contention period has N 1-bit slots
- If station j that has a frame queued, it inserts 1 in slot j
- At the end of the contention slots, all stations know who wants to send
- Stations that inserted bits in the contention slots transmit in order
- If a station has a packet queued right after its bit passes in the contention period, it has to wait for next contention period
- Protocols that announce its intention to send before sending are called **reservation protocols**.



Collision-Free Protocols

How good is Bitmap Protocol

- Lets assume that a frame has d bits.
- For a channel with *low* load conditions N bits frame will keep turning
 - To send a d -bits frame we need approximately $(N+d)$ bits
 - Efficiency $\approx d/(N+d)$
- For channels with a *high* load condition (1 bit per frame)
 - To send a d -bits frame we need approximately $(d+1)$ bits
 - Efficiency $\approx d/(1+d)$
- Does not scale well with large N (thousands)



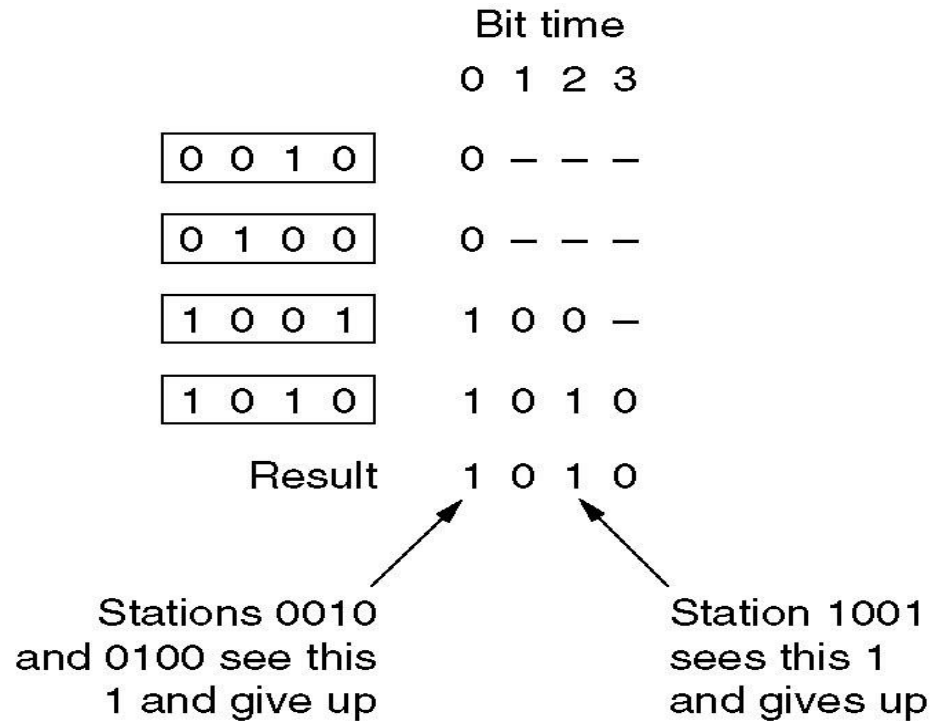
Collision-Free Protocols

Binary Countdown

- Fundamental assumption: delay is negligible
 - A station sees the bit of the transmitting station *instantaneously*
- Instead of announcing in a bitmap, each station has a *binary* ID
- When a station wants to transmit, it announces its address, starting with the *higher order bit first*
- Each station *bitwise ORs* the bit at position j from all stations
- A station receiving address announcement for bit position j containing *ORed value* of “1” while its address has “0” in bit position j goes out of the competition
- Eventually, the station whose ID has the *highest numerical value* wins.
- Inherently gives *priority* to station with *higher ID*
- See example next page

Collision-Free Protocols

Binary Countdown



- Efficiency is $d/(d + \log_2 N)$
- If the address of the station must be prepended to the frame, then the $\log_2 N$ bits are not wasted



Ethernet

- Ethernet Types
- Manchester Encoding
- The Ethernet MAC Sublayer Protocol
- The Binary Exponential Backoff Algorithm
- Ethernet Performance
- Switched Ethernet
- IEEE 802.2: Logical Link Control
- Retrospective on Ethernet

Ethernet Types

Original Ethernet Types:

| Name | Cable | Max. seg. | Nodes/seg. | Advantages |
|----------|--------------|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| 10Base5 | Thick coax | 500 m | 100 | Original cable; now obsolete |
| 10Base2 | Thin coax | 185 m | 30 | No hub needed |
| 10Base-T | Twisted pair | 100 m | 1024 | Cheapest system |
| 10Base-F | Fiber optics | 2000 m | 1024 | Best between buildings |



RJ-45



Optical Fiber Connector

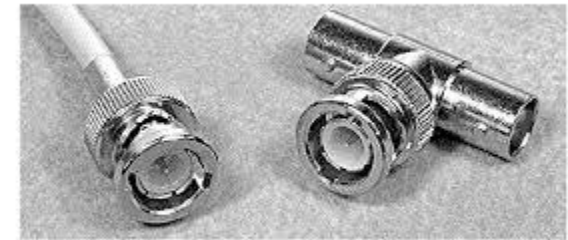
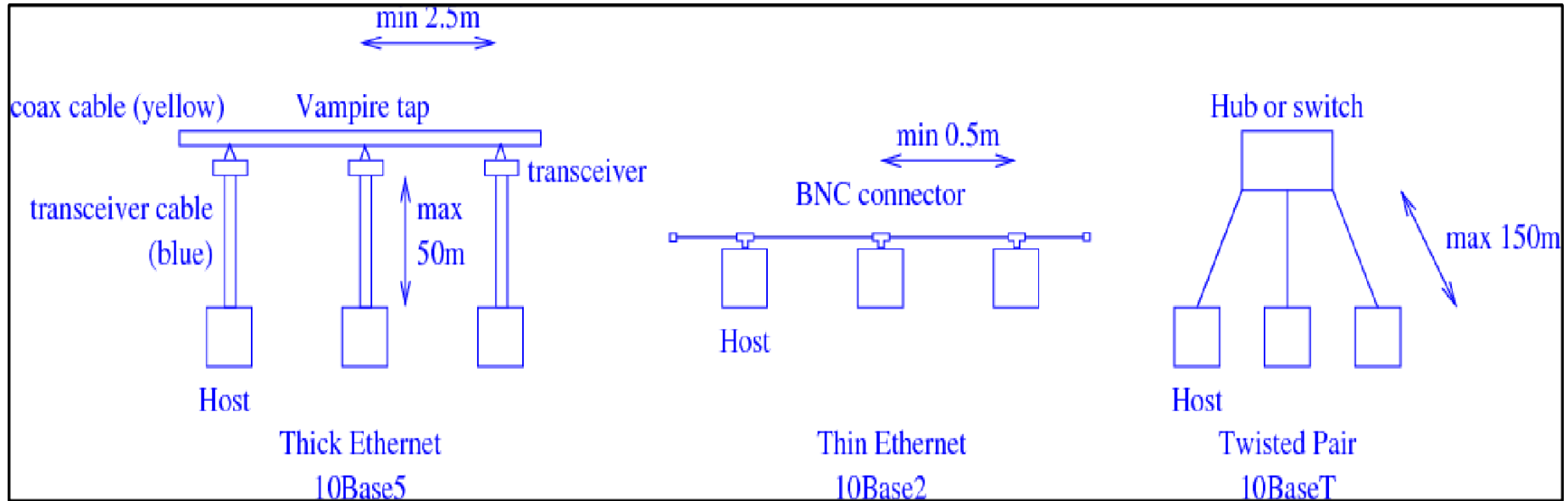


FIGURE 36. BNC connectors

BNC Connector
coaxial cable

Ethernet Cabling



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(b) 10Base2,

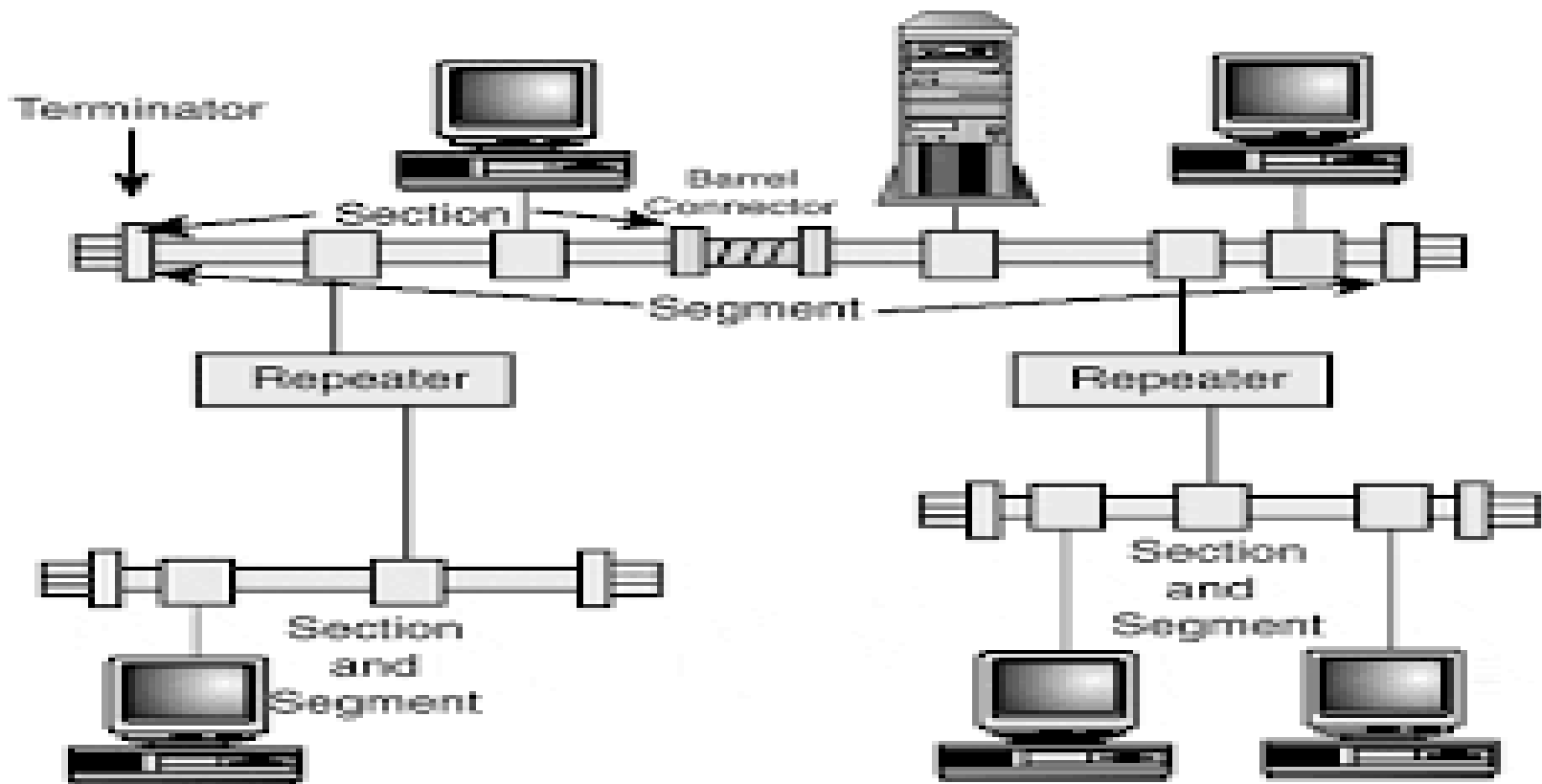
(c) 10Base-T



Coaxial Ethernet 5-4-3 rule

- You can have up to five segments, connected by four repeaters, with no more than three of these segments being mixing segments.
- In the days of coaxial cable networks, this meant that you could have up to three mixing segments of 500 or 185 meters each (for 10Base5 and 10Base2, respectively) populated with multiple computers and connected by two repeaters.
- You could also add two additional repeaters to extend the network with another two cable segments of 500 or 185 meters each, as long as these were link segments connected directly to the next repeater in line, with no intervening computers

Ethernet LAN with 3 segments





Fast Ethernet

Fast Ethernet cabling.

| Name | Cable | Max. segment | Advantages |
|------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| 100Base-T4 | Twisted pair | 100 m | Uses category 3 UTP |
| 100Base-TX | Twisted pair | 100 m | Full duplex at 100 Mbps |
| 100Base-FX | Fiber optics | 2000 m | Full duplex at 100 Mbps; long runs |



Gigabit Ethernet

Gigabit Ethernet cabling.

| Name | Cable | Max. segment | Advantages |
|-------------|----------------|--------------|---|
| 1000Base-SX | Fiber optics | 550 m | Multimode fiber (50, 62.5 microns) |
| 1000Base-LX | Fiber optics | 5000 m | Single (10 μ) or multimode (50, 62.5 μ) |
| 1000Base-CX | 2 Pairs of STP | 25 m | Shielded twisted pair |
| 1000Base-T | 4 Pairs of UTP | 100 m | Standard category 5 UTP |



Summary of Ethernet Types (1)

| Designation | Supported Media | Maximum Segment Length | Transfer Speed | Topology |
|-------------------|--|------------------------|----------------|---|
| 10Base-5 | Coaxial | 500m | 10Mbps | Bus |
| 10Base-2 | ThinCoaxial (RG-58 A/U) | 185m | 10Mbps | Bus |
| 10Base-T | Category3 or above unshielded twisted-pair (UTP) | 100m | 10Mbps | Star,using either simple repeater hubs or Ethernet switches |
| 1Base-5 | Category3 UTP, or above | 100m | 1Mbps | Star,using simple repeater hubs |
| 10Broad-36 | Coaxial(RG-58 A/U CATV type) | 3600m | 10Mbps | Bus(often only point-to-point) |
| 10Base-FL | Fiber-optic- two strands of multimode 62.5/125 fiber | 2000m (full-duplex) | 10Mbps | Star(often only point-to-point) |

Summary of Ethernet Types (2)

| Designation | Supported Media | Maximum Segment Length | Transfer Speed | Topology |
|--------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| 100Base-TX | Category5 UTP | 100m | 100Mbps | Star,using either simple repeater hubs or Ethernet switches |
| 100Base-FX | Fiber-optic- two strands of multimode 62.5/125 fiber | 412 meters (Half-Duplex), 2000 m (full-duplex) | 100 Mbps, (200 Mb/s full-duplex mode) | Star(often only point-to-point) |
| 1000Base-SX | Fiber-optic- two strands of multimode 62.5/125 fiber | 260m | 1Gbps | Star,using buffered distributor hub (or point-to-point) |
| 1000Base-LX | Fiber-optic- two strands of multimode 62.5/125 fiber or monomode fiber | 440m (multimode) 5000 m (singlemode) | 1Gbps | Star,using buffered distributor hub (or point-to-point) |
| 1000Base-CX | Twinax,150-Ohm-balanced, shielded, specialty cable | 25m | 1Gbps | Star(or point-to-point) |
| 1000Base-T | Category5 | 100m | 1Gbps | Star |



Network Repeater

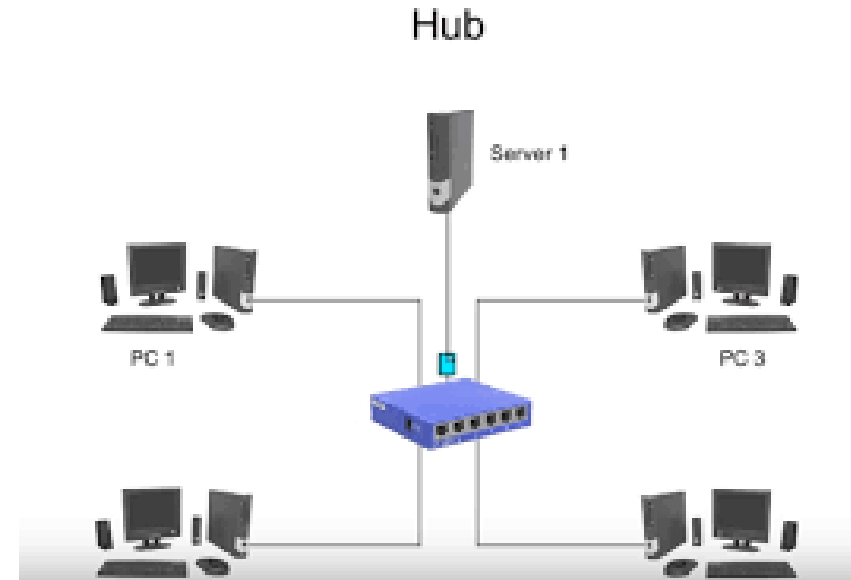
- A repeater is an electronic device that relays a transmitted signal. It receives a signal on a specific frequency, then amplifies and rebroadcasts it. By amplifying the signal, a repeater increases the transmission range of the original signal.





Network Hub

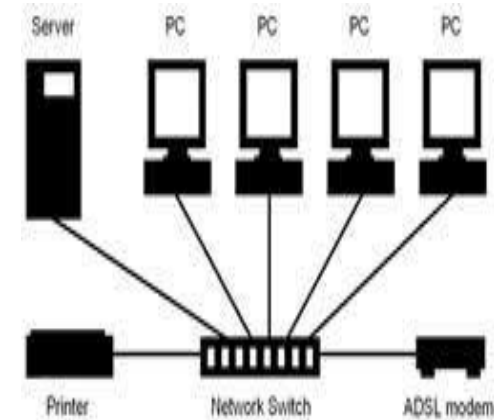
- A network hub is a device that allows multiple computers to communicate with each other over a network.
- A hub simply echoes all inputs to all outputs
- Provides a **single collision** domain
- The available bandwidth shared between all the hosts





Network Switch

- A switch is a high-speed device that receives incoming data packets and redirects them to their destination on a local area network (LAN).
- A switch understands the link layer and forwards a packet to the appropriate single output
- Each output cable is now a **separate collision domain**
- The full bandwidth available on each output
- **Collisions only if two hosts send to the same destination simultaneously**



Example 1: A wired client-server network

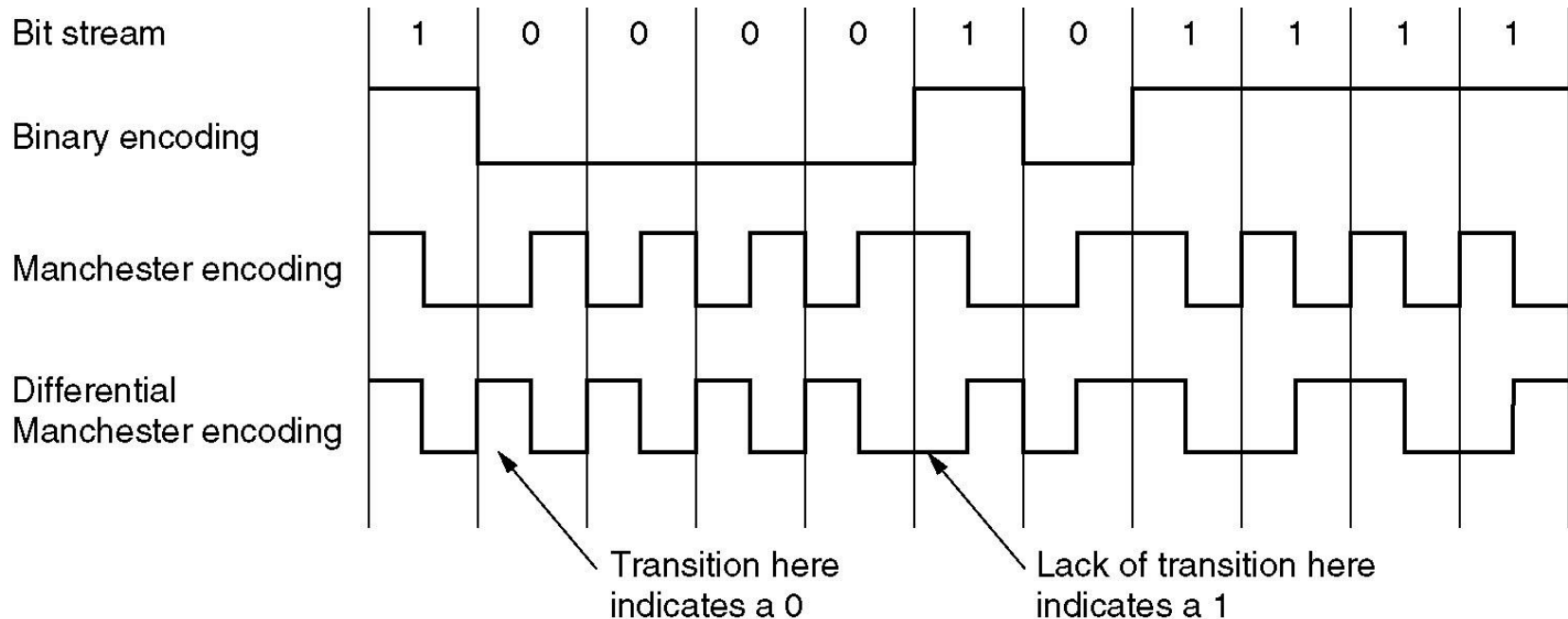


Hub vs. Switch

- Switches are similar to hubs, only smarter.
- A hub simply connects all the nodes on the network -- communication is essentially in a haphazard manner with any device trying to communicate at any time, resulting in many collisions.
- A switch, on the other hand, creates an electronic tunnel between source and destination ports for a split second that no other traffic can enter. This results in communication without collisions.

Ethernet Encoding

(a) Binary encoding, (b) Manchester encoding,
(c) Differential Manchester encoding.



- Manchester encoding use voltage *transitions*, instead of voltage *levels*, to represent ones and zeros
- Diff Manchester : a zero bit is indicated by a transition at the beginning of the bit-time



4bit/5bit Encoding

- 4B/5B encoding is a type of 'Block coding'. This processes groups of bits rather than outputting a signal for each individual bit (as in Manchester encoding).
- A group of 4 bits is encoded so that an extra 5th bit is added. Since the input data is taken 4-bits at a time, there are 2^4 , or 16 different bit patterns.
- The encoded bits use 5-bit, and hence have 2^5 or 32 different bit patterns. As a result, the 5-bit patterns can always have two '1's in them even if the data is all '0's a translation occurs to another of the bit patterns.
- This enables clock synchronizations required for reliable data transfer



4B/5B Table

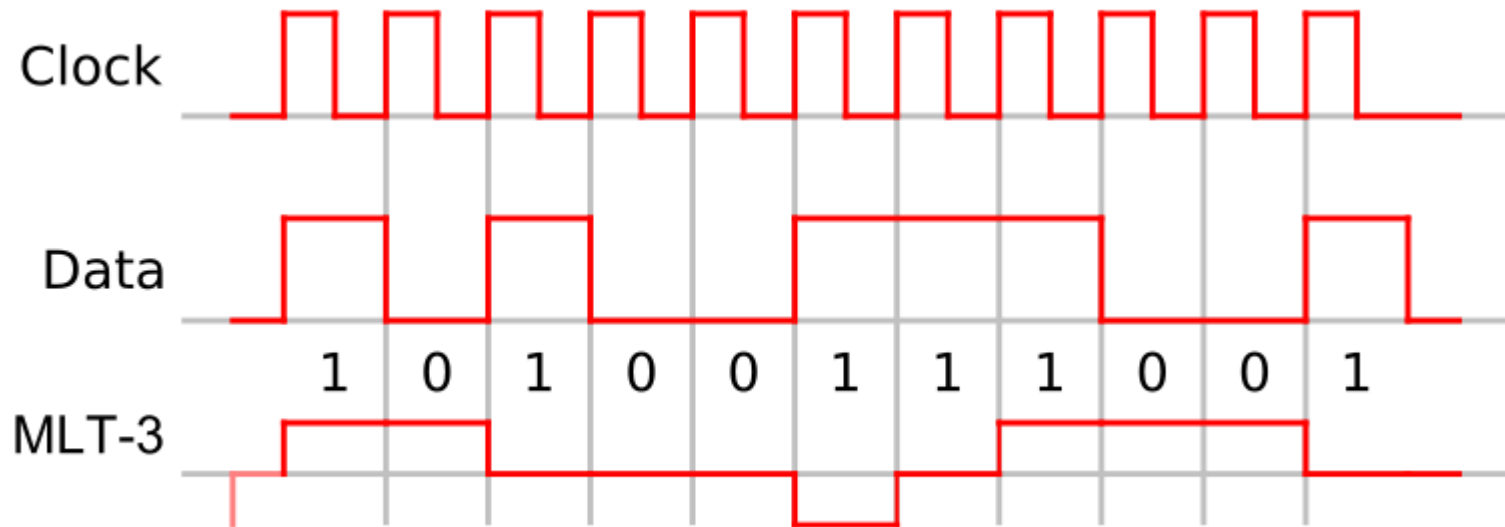
| Input | 4B/5B | Input | 4B/5B |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0000 | 11110 | 1000 | 10010 |
| 0001 | 01001 | 1001 | 10011 |
| 0010 | 10100 | 1010 | 10110 |
| 0011 | 10101 | 1011 | 10111 |
| 0100 | 01010 | 1100 | 11010 |
| 0101 | 01011 | 1101 | 11011 |
| 0110 | 01110 | 1110 | 11100 |
| 0111 | 01111 | 1111 | 11101 |

IDLE 11111; QUIET 00000; HALT 00100; etc.

- The clock frequency is 125MHz. The reason for this is due to the A 100MHz signal would not have been enough to give us 100Mbps, we need a 125MHz clock



MLT-3 Encoding



pattern 1, 0, -1, 0.

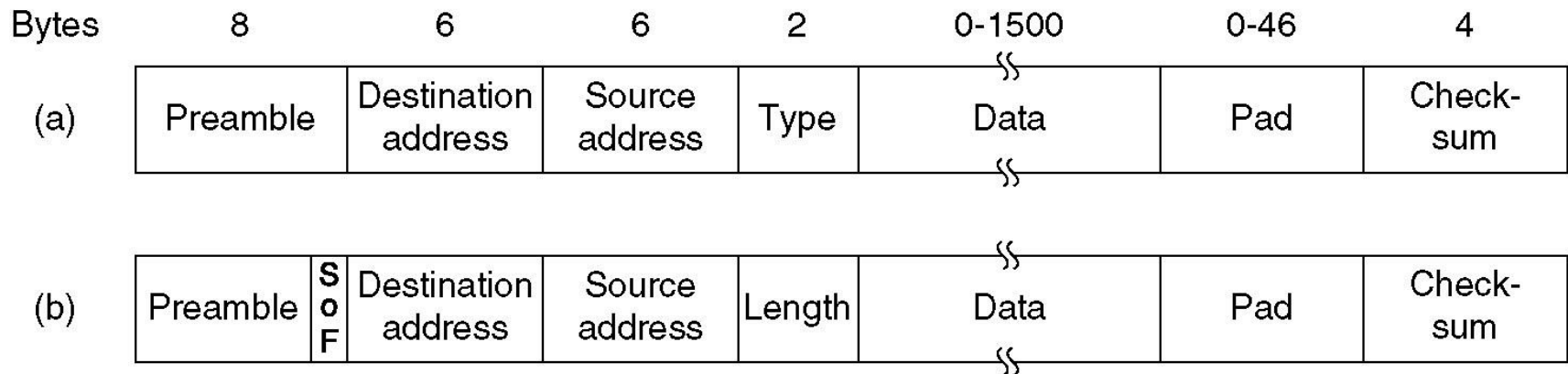
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| MLT-3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | + | + | + | 0 | 0 | - | 0 | + | + | 0 | 0 |

MLT-3 Encoding provides 100Mbps out of a 31.25MHz signal (1/4 of 125 MHz)

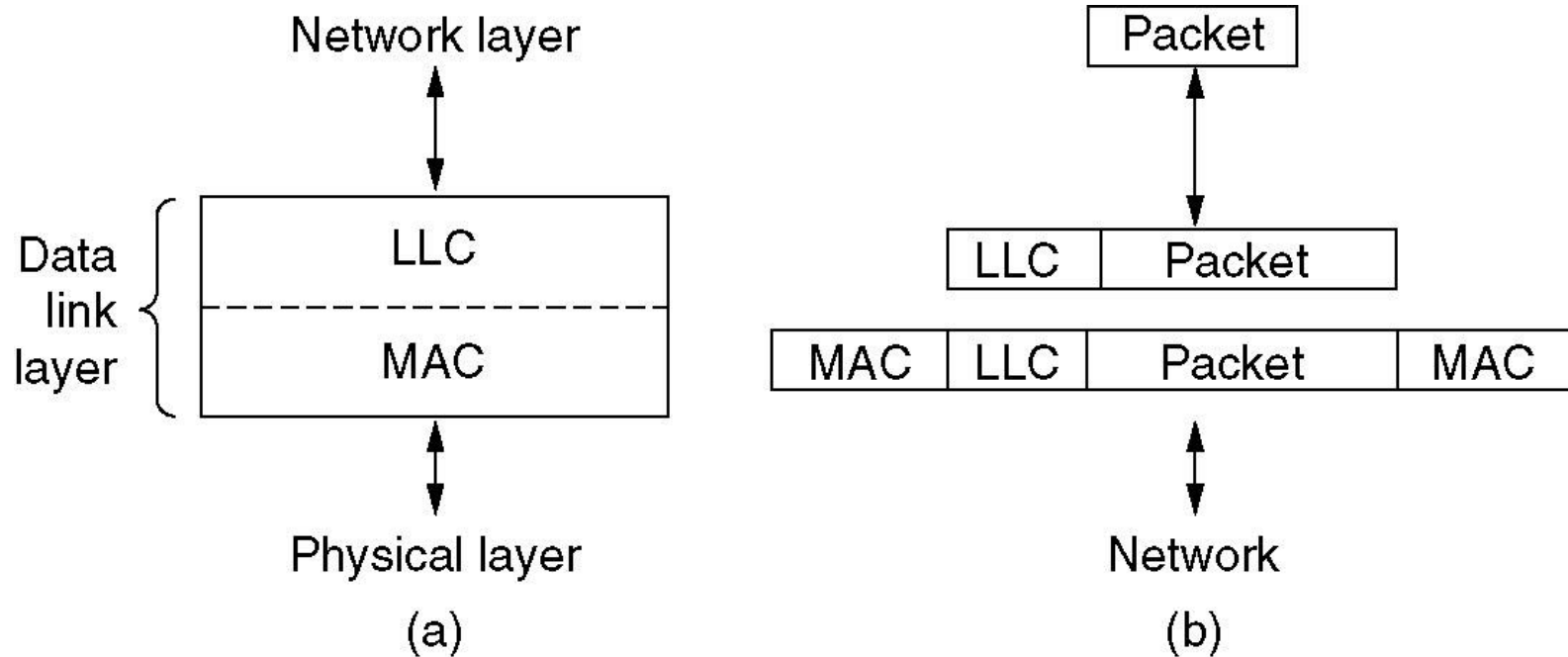


Ethernet MAC Sublayer Protocol

Frame formats. (a) DIX Ethernet, (b) IEEE 802.3.



IEEE 802.2: Logical Link Control



(a) Position of LLC. (b) Protocol formats.

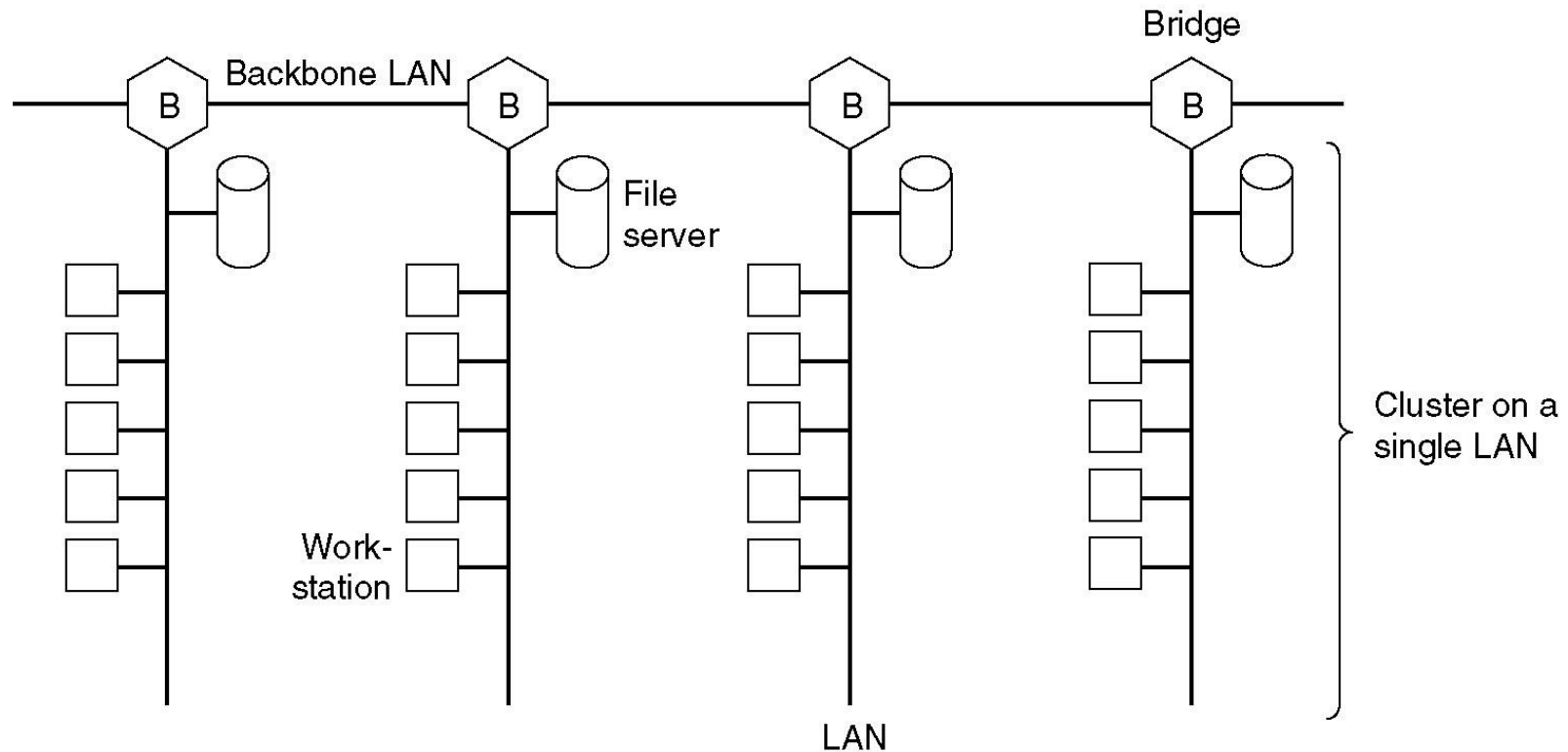


Data Link Layer Switching

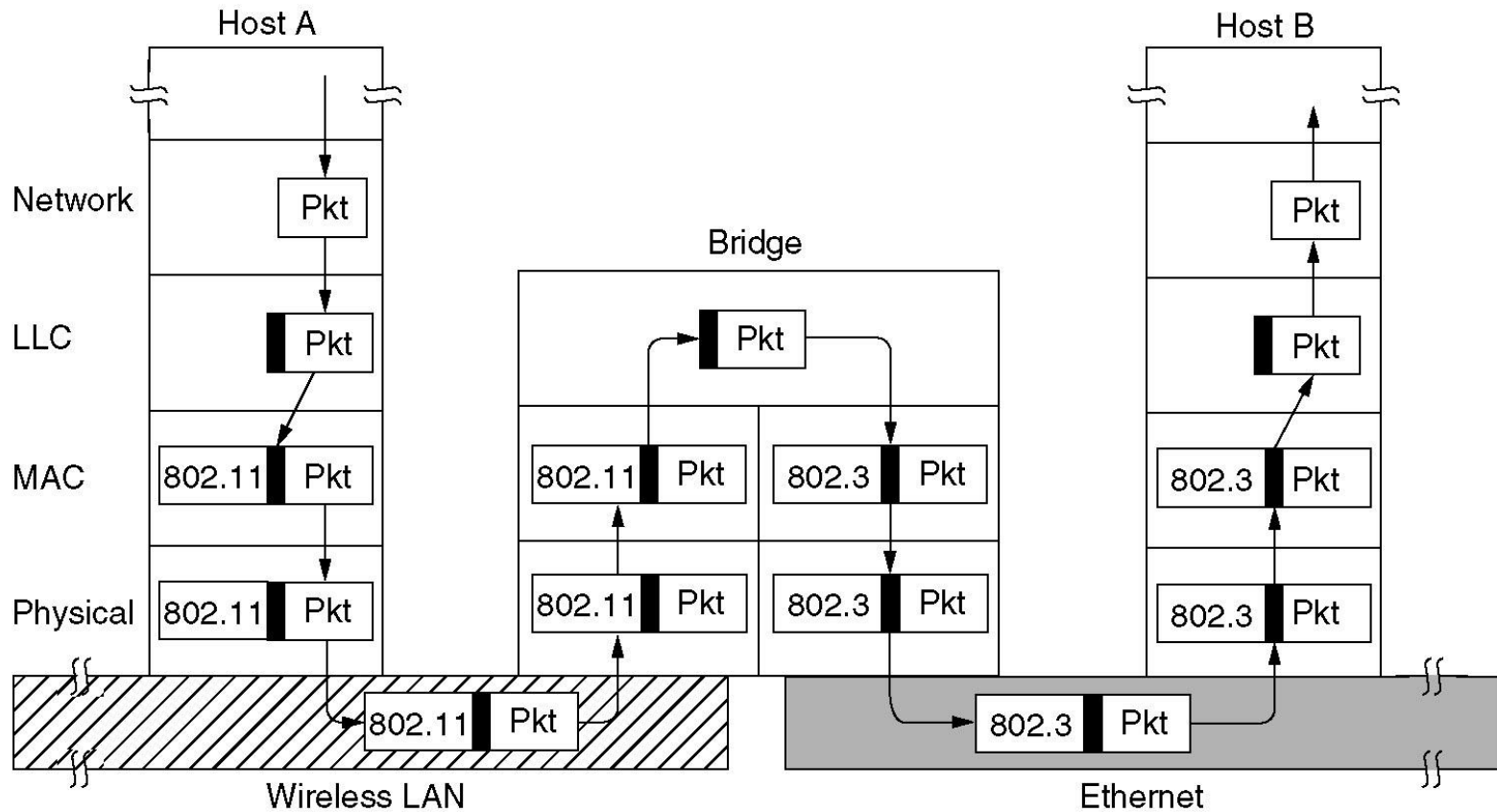
- Bridges from 802.x to 802.y
- Local Internetworking
- Remote Bridges
- Repeaters, Hubs, Bridges, Switches, Routers, Gateways
- Virtual LANs

Data Link Layer Switching

Multiple LANs connected by a backbone to handle a total load higher than the capacity of a single LAN.



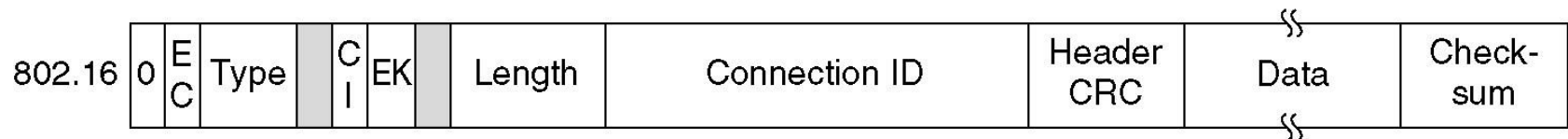
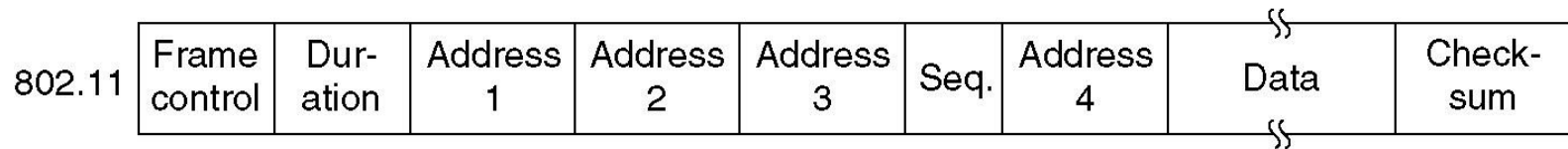
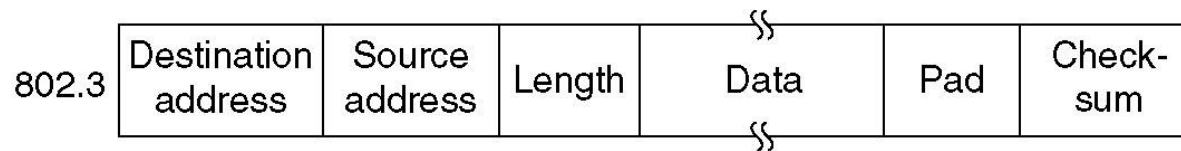
Bridges from 802.x to 802.y





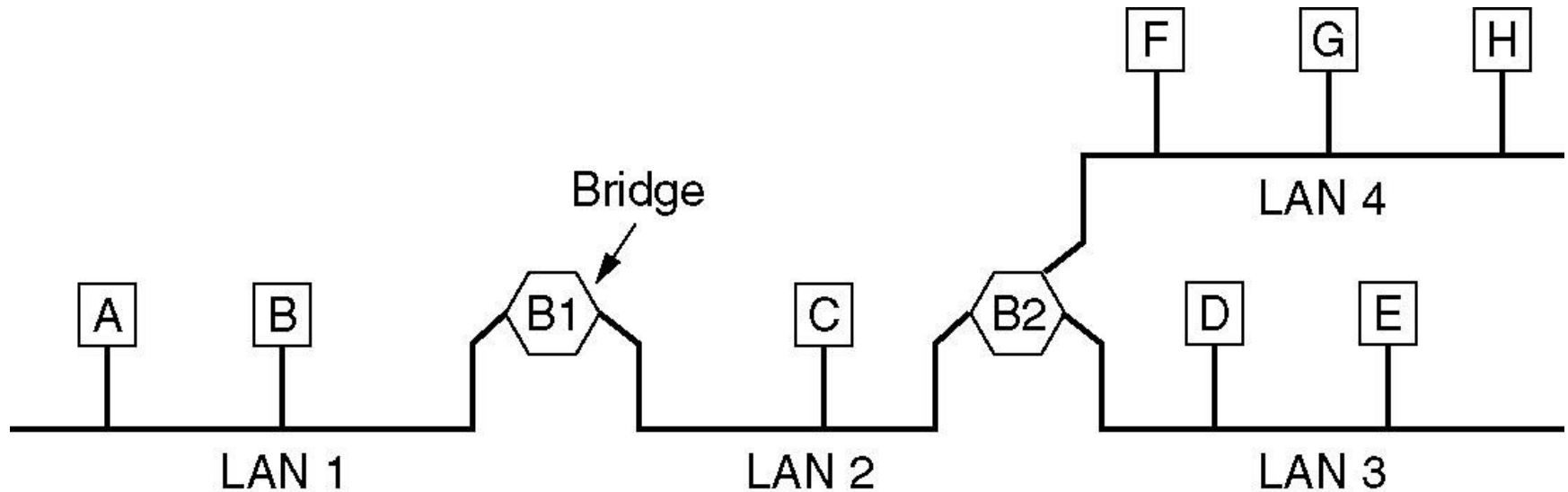
Bridges from 802.x to 802.y (2)

The IEEE 802 frame formats. The drawing is not to scale.



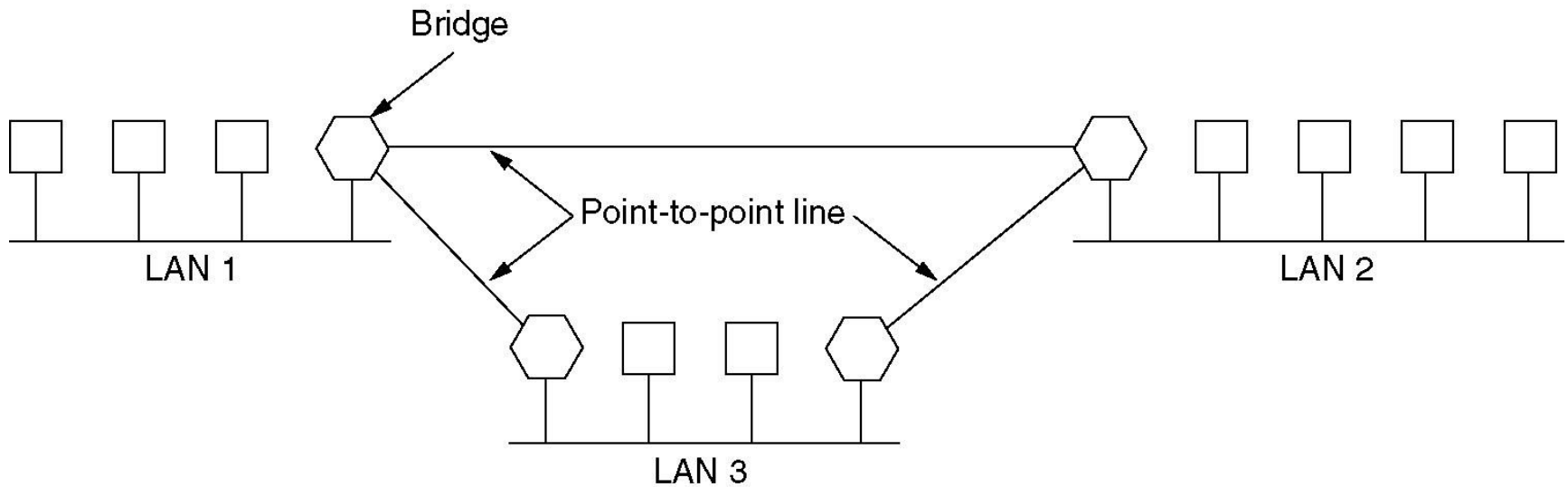
Local Internetworking

A configuration with four LANs and two bridges.



Remote Bridges

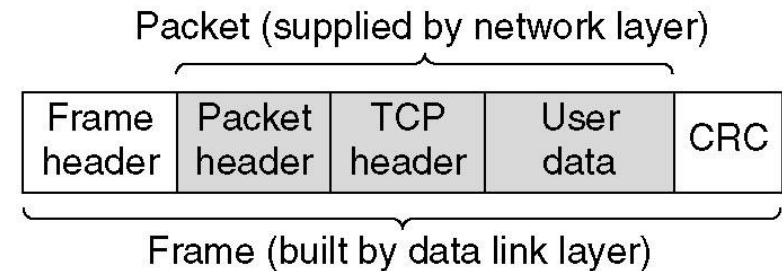
Remote bridges can be used to interconnect distant LANs.



Repeaters, Hubs, Bridges, Switches, Routers and Gateways

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Application layer | Application gateway |
| Transport layer | Transport gateway |
| Network layer | Router |
| Data link layer | Bridge, switch |
| Physical layer | Repeater, hub |

(a)



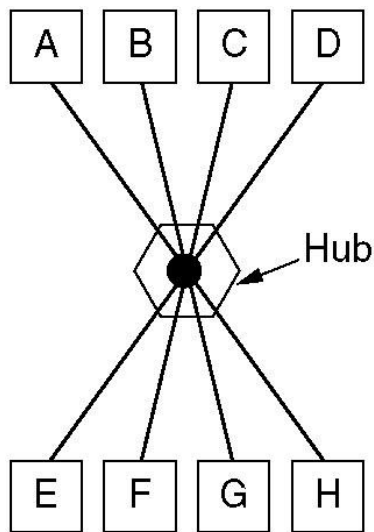
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(a) Which device is in which layer.

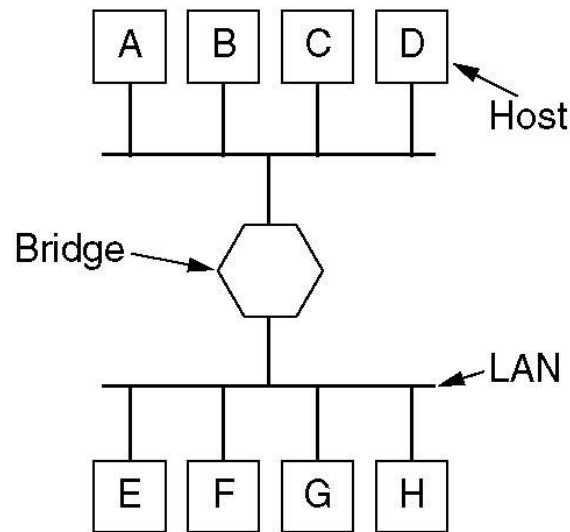
(b) Frames, packets, and headers.

Repeaters, Hubs, Bridges, Switches, Routers and Gateways (2)

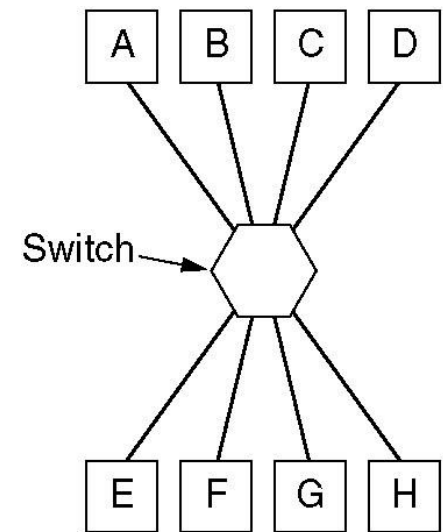
(a) A hub. (b) A bridge. (c) a switch.



(a)

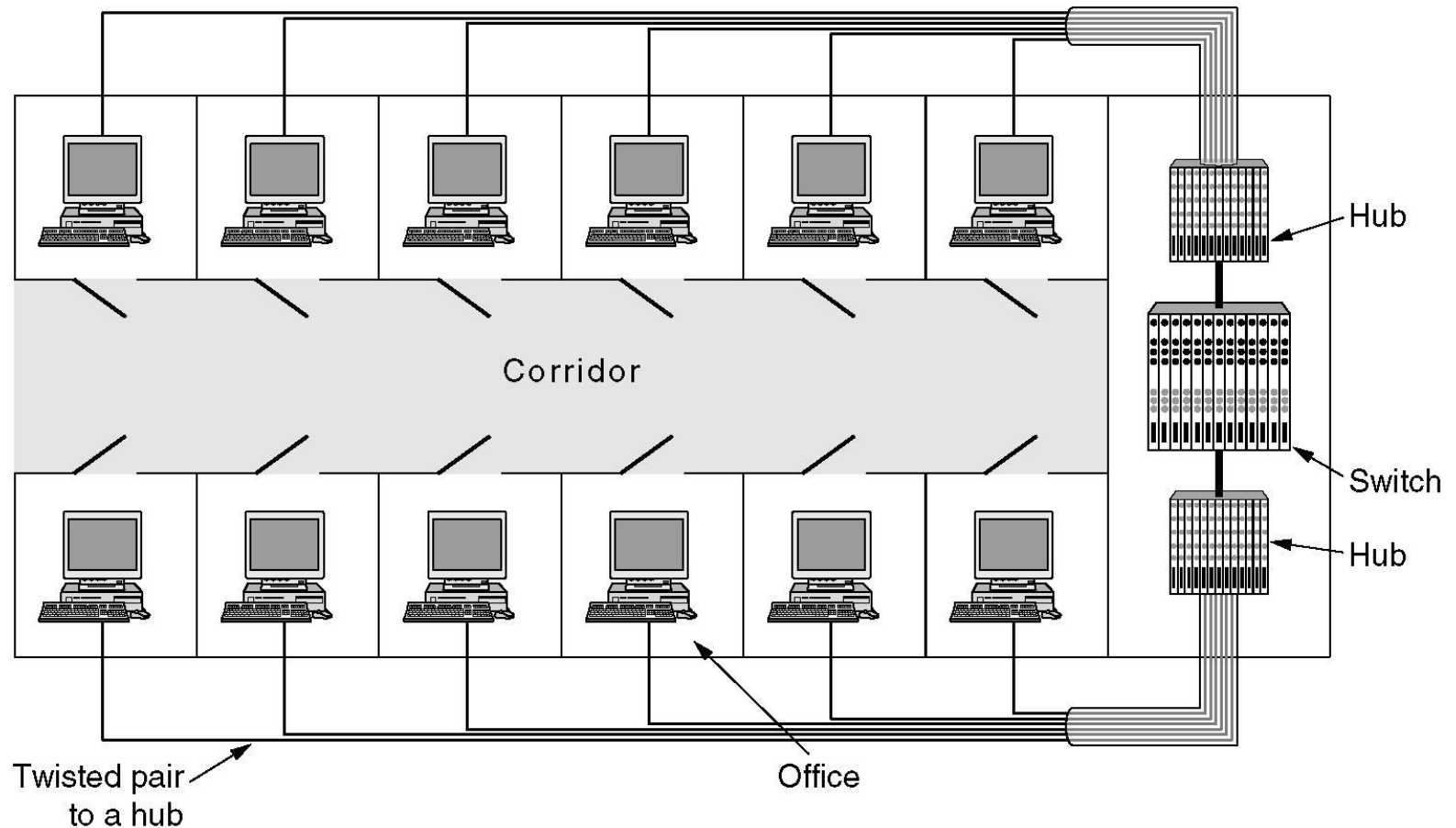


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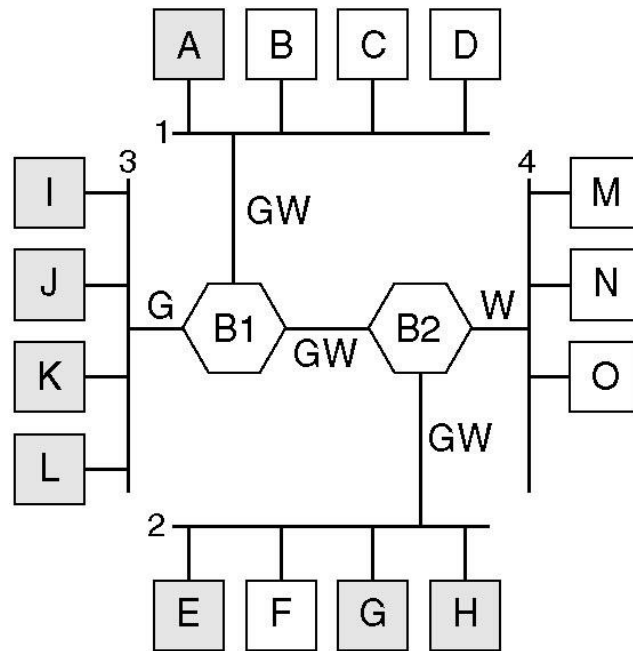


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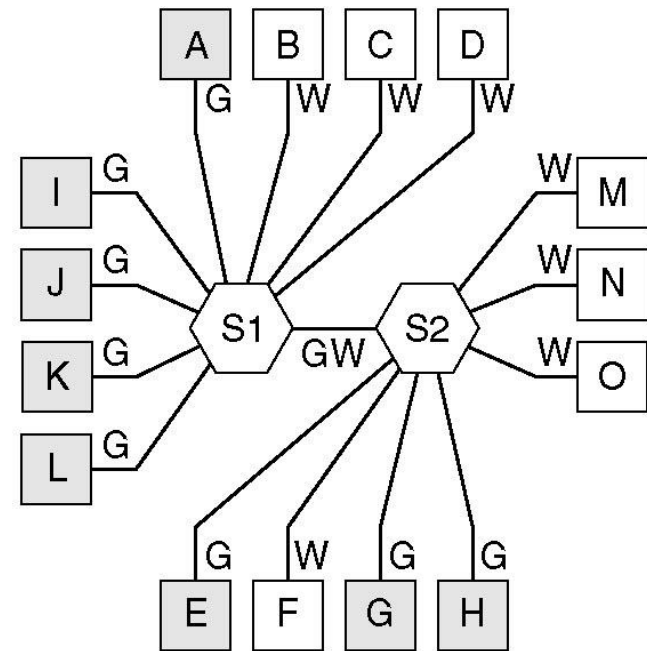
A building with centralized wiring using hubs and a switch.



Virtual LANs (2)



(a)

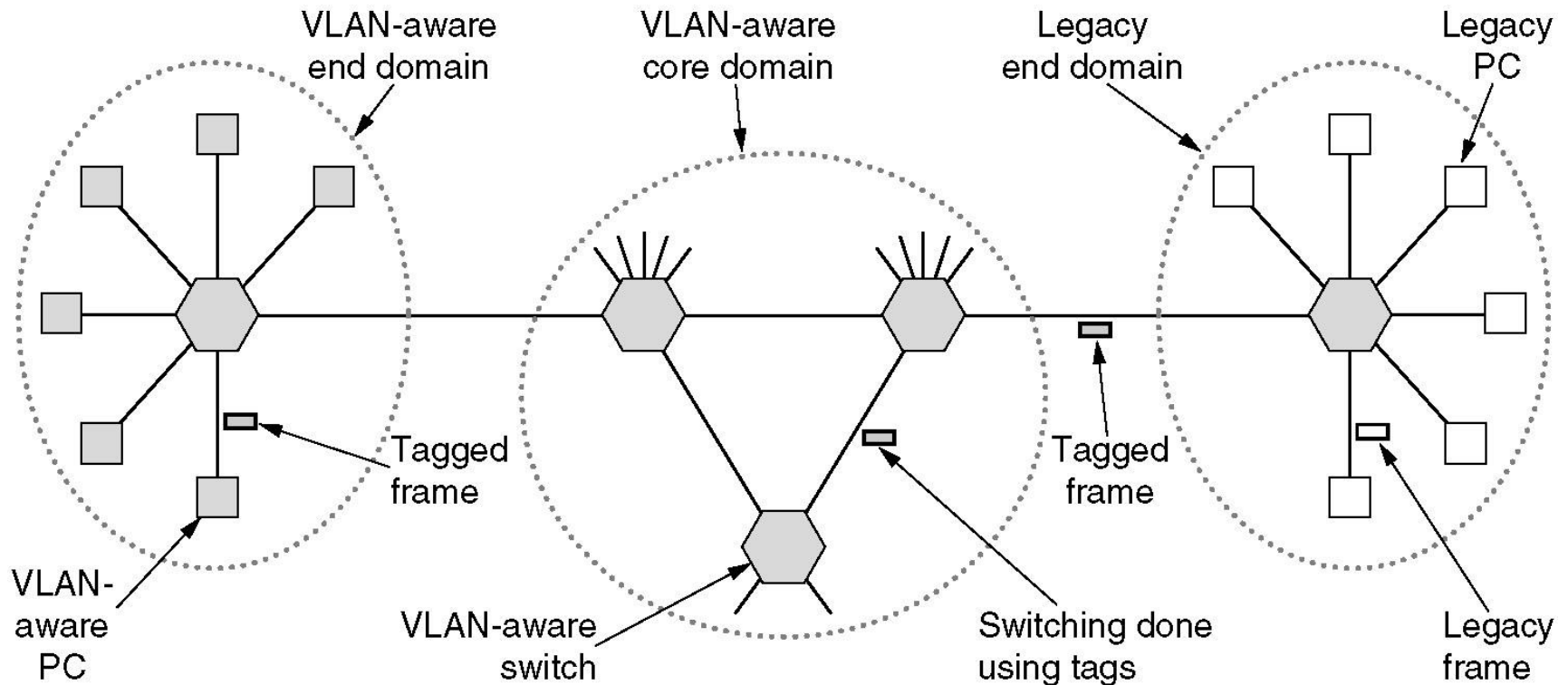


(b)

(a) Four physical LANs organized into two VLANs, gray and white, by two bridges. (b) The same 15 machines organized into two VLANs by switches.

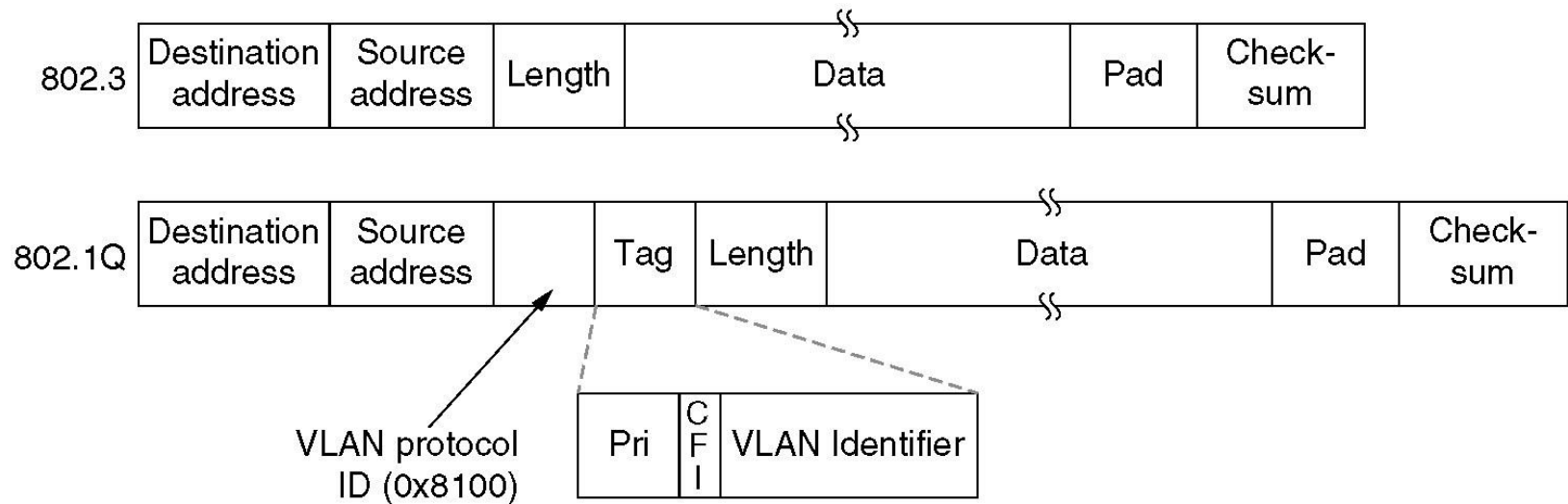
The IEEE 802.1Q Standard

Transition from legacy Ethernet to VLAN-aware Ethernet.
The shaded symbols are VLAN aware. The empty ones are not.



The IEEE 802.1Q Standard (2)

The 802.3 (legacy) and 802.1Q Ethernet frame formats.





Summary

| Method | Description |
|--------------------|--|
| FDM | Dedicate a frequency band to each station |
| WDM | A dynamic FDM scheme for fiber |
| TDM | Dedicate a time slot to each station |
| Pure ALOHA | Unsynchronized transmission at any instant |
| Slotted ALOHA | Random transmission in well-defined time slots |
| 1-persistent CSMA | Standard carrier sense multiple access |
| Nonpersistent CSMA | Random delay when channel is sensed busy |
| P-persistent CSMA | CSMA, but with a probability of p of persisting |
| CSMA/CD | CSMA, but abort on detecting a collision |
| Bit map | Round robin scheduling using a bit map |
| Binary countdown | Highest numbered ready station goes next |
| Tree walk | Reduced contention by selective enabling |
| MACA, MACAW | Wireless LAN protocols |
| Ethernet | CSMA/CD with binary exponential backoff |
| FHSS | Frequency hopping spread spectrum |
| DSSS | Direct sequence spread spectrum |
| CSMA/CA | Carrier sense multiple access with collision avoidance |

Channel allocation methods and systems for a common channel.

