

COMP 431

Internet Services & Protocols

The Transport Layer

Pipelined Transport Protocols

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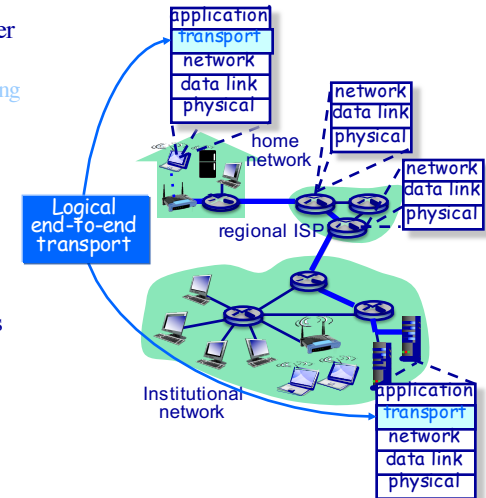
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Transport Layer Protocols & Services

Outline

- ◆ Fundamental transport layer services
 - » Multiplexing/Demultiplexing
 - » Error detection
 - » Reliable data delivery
 - » Pipelining
 - » Flow control
 - » Congestion control
- ◆ Service implementation in Internet transport protocols
 - » UDP
 - » TCP



Transport Protocol Performance

Performance of RDT3.0

- ◆ Can an end-system make efficient use of a network under RDT 3.0?
- ◆ Consider a 1 Gbps link with 15 ms end-to-end propagation delay
- ◆ How busy is the network under RDT 3.0?

$$utilization = \frac{time\ network\ busy}{observation\ interval} = \frac{time\ to\ transmit\ a\ packet}{packet\ generation\ time}$$

- ◆ How long does it take to transmit a 1,000 byte packet?

$$transmission\ time = \frac{1\ kB\ packet \times 8\ b/byte}{10^9\ bps} = 8\ \mu s$$

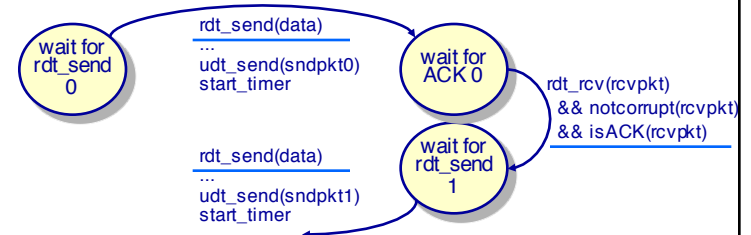
- ◆ How fast can an end-system generate packets?

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15milliseconds + 8microseconds for packet 0

Transport Protocol Performance

Performance of RDT3.0



- ◆ How fast can an end-system generate packets?
 - » Packet transmission time = 8 μs
 - » Propagation delay to receiver = 15 ms
 - » ACK generation/transmission time $\approx 8\ \mu s$
 - » Propagation time for ACK to return to sender = 15 ms
- ◆ Best case: 1 packet every 30.016 ms

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Transport Protocol Performance

Performance of RDT3.0

- ◆ How busy is the network under RDT 3.0?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{utilization} &= \frac{\text{time network busy}}{\text{observation interval}} = \frac{\text{time to transmit a packet}}{\text{packet generation time}} \\ &= \frac{8 \mu\text{s}}{30.016 \text{ ms}} = 0.027\%\end{aligned}$$

- ◆ Is this good?

» 1,000 byte packet every 30 ms results in (maximum) throughput of 266 kbps over a 1 Gbps link!
(266,000 bps over a 1,000,000,000 bps link)

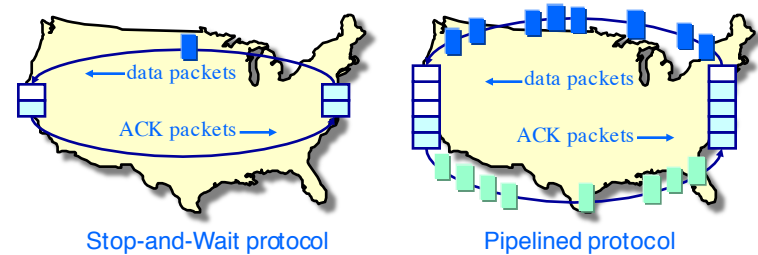
Network protocols limit the use of physical resources!

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Improving Transport Protocol Performance

Pipelining data transmissions

- ◆ Performance can be improved by allowing the sender to have multiple unacknowledged packets “in flight”

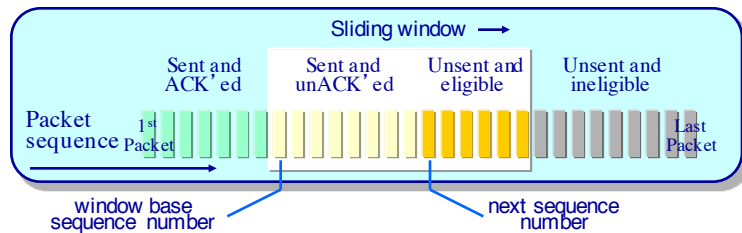


- ◆ Issues?

» The range of sequence numbers must be increased
» More packets must be buffered at sender and receiver

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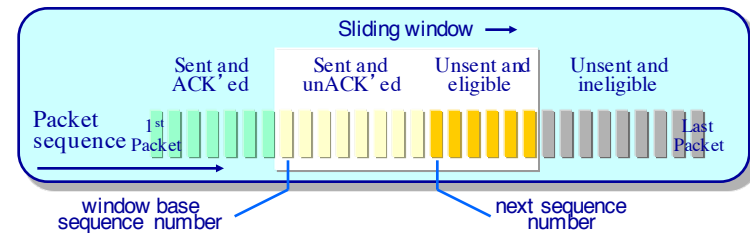
Pipelined Protocols “Go-Back- n ” protocols



- ◆ Packet header contains a k -bit sequence number
- ◆ A “window” of up to $N \leq 2^k$ consecutive, unacknowledged packets allowed to be in-flight
 - » Up to N packets may be buffered at the sender
 - » Window advances as ACKs are received
- ◆ Receiver generates “cumulative ACKs”
 - » ACKs contain the sequence number of the last in-order packet received

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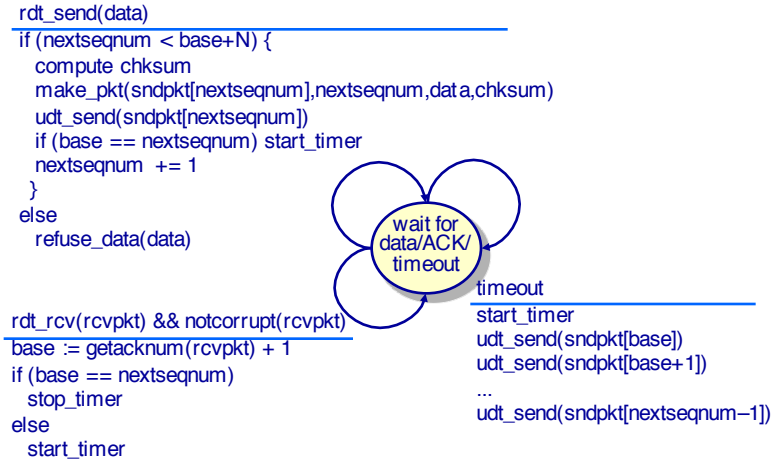


- ◆ Receiver protocol
 - » Use cumulative ACKs — ACK packet n only if all packets numbered less than n have been received
 - » If losses occur, sender may receive duplicate ACKs
- ◆ Sender protocol
 - » A timer is set for each (or just the oldest) in-flight packet
 - » On timeout for packet n , retransmit packet n and **all** higher number packets in the current window

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Go-Back-*n* Protocol

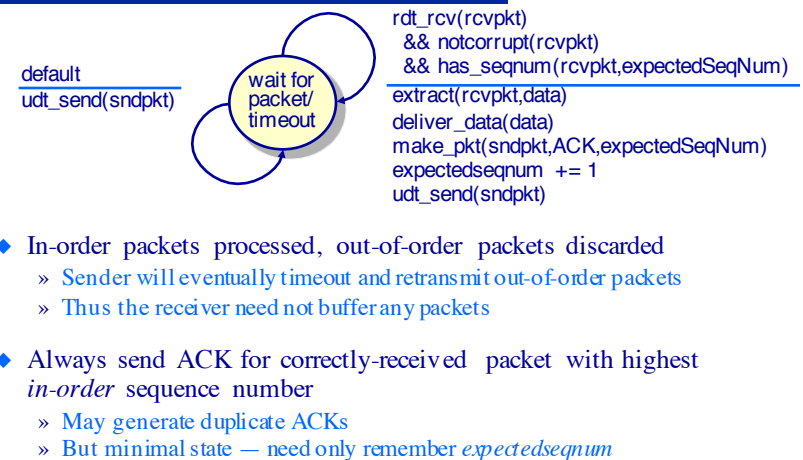
Sender extended FSM



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Go-Back-*n* Protocol

Receiver extended FSM

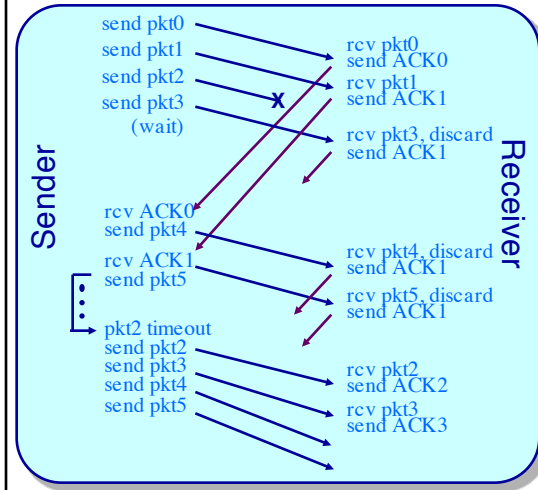


- ◆ In-order packets processed, out-of-order packets discarded
 - » Sender will eventually timeout and retransmit out-of-order packets
 - » Thus the receiver need not buffer any packets
- ◆ Always send ACK for correctly-received packet with highest *in-order* sequence number
 - » May generate duplicate ACKs
 - » But minimal state — need only remember *expectedseqnum*

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Go-Back-*n* Protocol

Execution example



- ◆ Assume a window size of 4 packets
- ◆ Receiver ignores out-of-order packets
- ◆ Sender retransmits only on timeout
 - » (Duplicate ACKs now have no effect)

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Transport Protocol Performance

Performance of Go-Back-*n* protocols

- ◆ Can an end-system make more efficient use of a network under a Go-Back-*n* protocol?
- ◆ Consider again transmitting 1,000 byte packets on a 1 Gbps link with 15 ms end-to-end propagation delay

$$utilization = \frac{\text{time to transmit a packet}}{\text{packet generation time}}$$

$$transmission\ time = \frac{1\ kB\ packet \times 8\ b/byte}{10^9\ bps} = 8\ \mu s$$

- ◆ How fast can an end-system transmit packets?
 - » Depends on the window size!

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Transport Protocol Performance

Performance of Go-Back- n protocols

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rdt_send(data)
if (nextseqnum < base+N) {
    compute chksum
    make_pkt(sndpkt[nextseqnum], nextseqnum, data, chksum)
    udt_send(sndpkt[nextseqnum])
    if (base == nextseqnum) start_timer
    nextseqnum += 1
}
    
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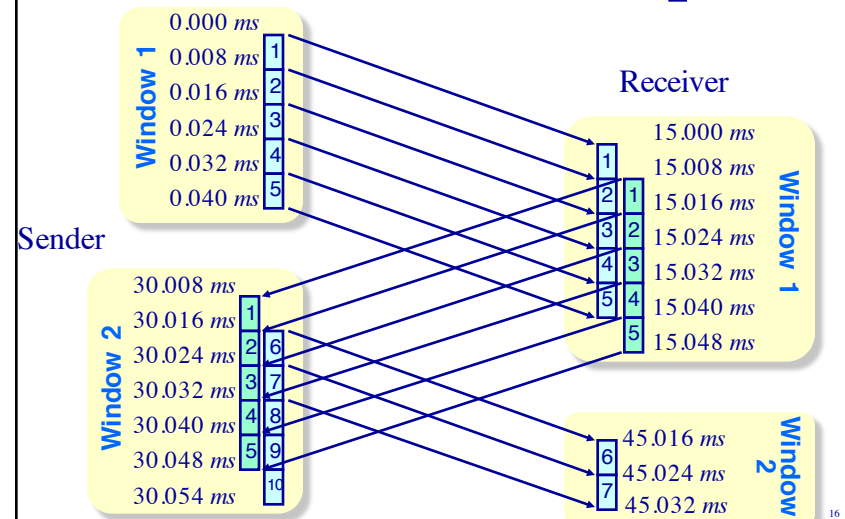
- ◆ How fast can an end-system transmit packets?
 - » N packets can be sent before the sender must wait for an ACK
- ◆ N packets sent every 30.016 ms
 - » Packet generation/transmission time = 8 μ s
 - » Round-trip-time to receiver = 30 ms
 - » ACK generation/transmission time \approx 8 μ s

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Transport Protocol Performance

Performance of Go-Back- n protocols

 Data packet with sequence number x
 ACK packet with sequence number x



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Transport Protocol Performance

Performance of Go-Back- n protocols

- ◆ Performance with a window size of $N = 64$ packets:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{utilization} &= \frac{\text{time to transmit } N \text{ packets}}{\text{time to receipt of first ACK}} \\ &= \frac{512 \mu\text{s}}{30.016 \text{ ms}} = 1.7\% \end{aligned}$$

A 64x improvement!

- ◆ Is this good?
 - » 64 1,000 byte packets every 30 ms results in (maximum) throughput of 17 Mbps over a 1 Gbps link!

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Pipelined Protocols

“Selective Repeat” protocols

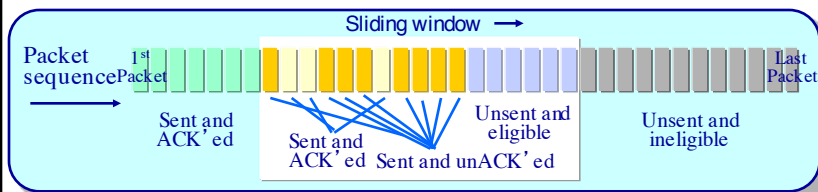
- ◆ Receiver *individually* acknowledges all correctly received packets
 - » Buffers packets as needed for eventual in-order delivery to upper layer
- ◆ Sender only resends packets for which an ACK has not been received
 - » Sender maintains a timer for each unACK'ed packet
- ◆ Sender window is the same as before
 - » N consecutive sequence numbers
(Limits the sequence numbers of sent, unACK'ed packets)

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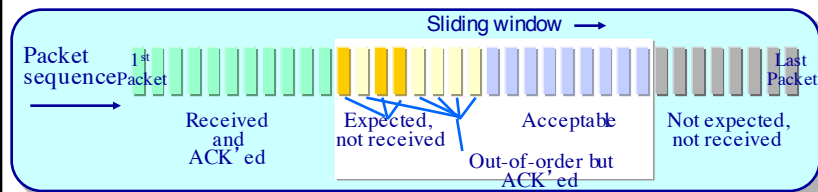
Selective Repeat Protocols

Sender and receiver windows

- ◆ Sender's view of sequence number space



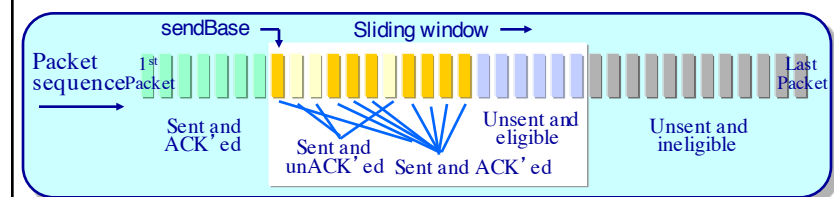
- ◆ Receiver's view of sequence number space



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Selective Repeat Protocols

Sender state machine

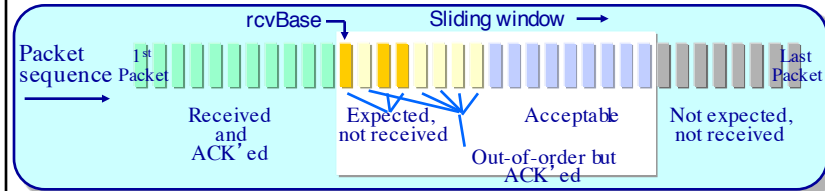


- ◆ Call from above:
 - » If next available sequence number is within window, send the packet and start a timer for it
- ◆ Timeout for packet n :
 - » Resend packet n , restart timer for packet n
- ◆ ACK received for packet with sequence number n :
 - » If n in $[sendBase, sendBase+N-1]$ then mark packet n as received
 - » If $n == sendBase$, advance $sendBase$ to next highest unACKed sequence number and move the window forward by that amount

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Selective Repeat Protocols

Receiver state machine

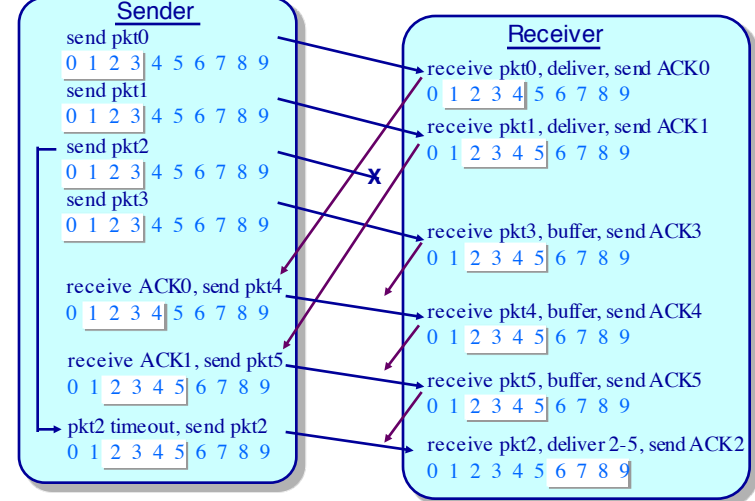


- ◆ Packet n in $[rcvbase, rcvbase+N-1]$ correctly received:
 - » Send an ACK for packet n
 - » If packet n is out-of-order then buffer
 - » If $n == rcvBase$, deliver packet n , and all other buffered consecutive in-order packets, to application, and advance the window by the number of delivered packets
- ◆ Packet n in $[rcvbase-N, rcvbase-1]$ received:
 - » Send an ACK for packet n
- ◆ Otherwise discard packet (without ACK'ing)

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Selective Repeat Protocols

Execution example



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Selective Repeat Protocols

Window state ambiguity

- ◆ How many sequence numbers do we need?
 - » As many as the largest number of packets that can be in flight?
- ◆ If the sequence number space is close to the window size then the receiver can get confused

