



Computer Networks Assignment-03



GO-BACK-N PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION USING UDP SOCKETS



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INTRODUCTION



■ Goal

To simulate Go-Back-N ARQ protocol using UDP sockets between Sender and Receiver entities

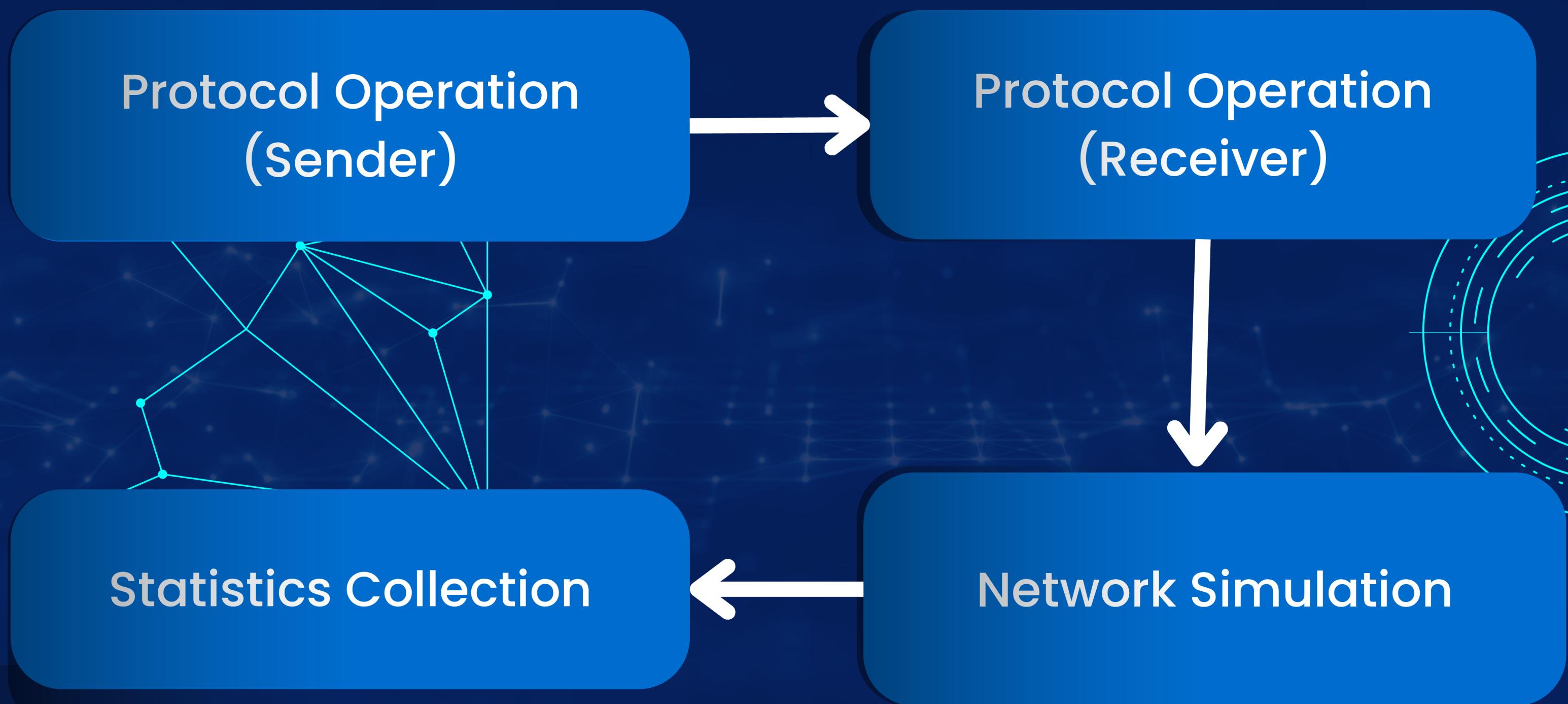
■ Visuals

Simple architecture diagram showing sender and receiver communicating

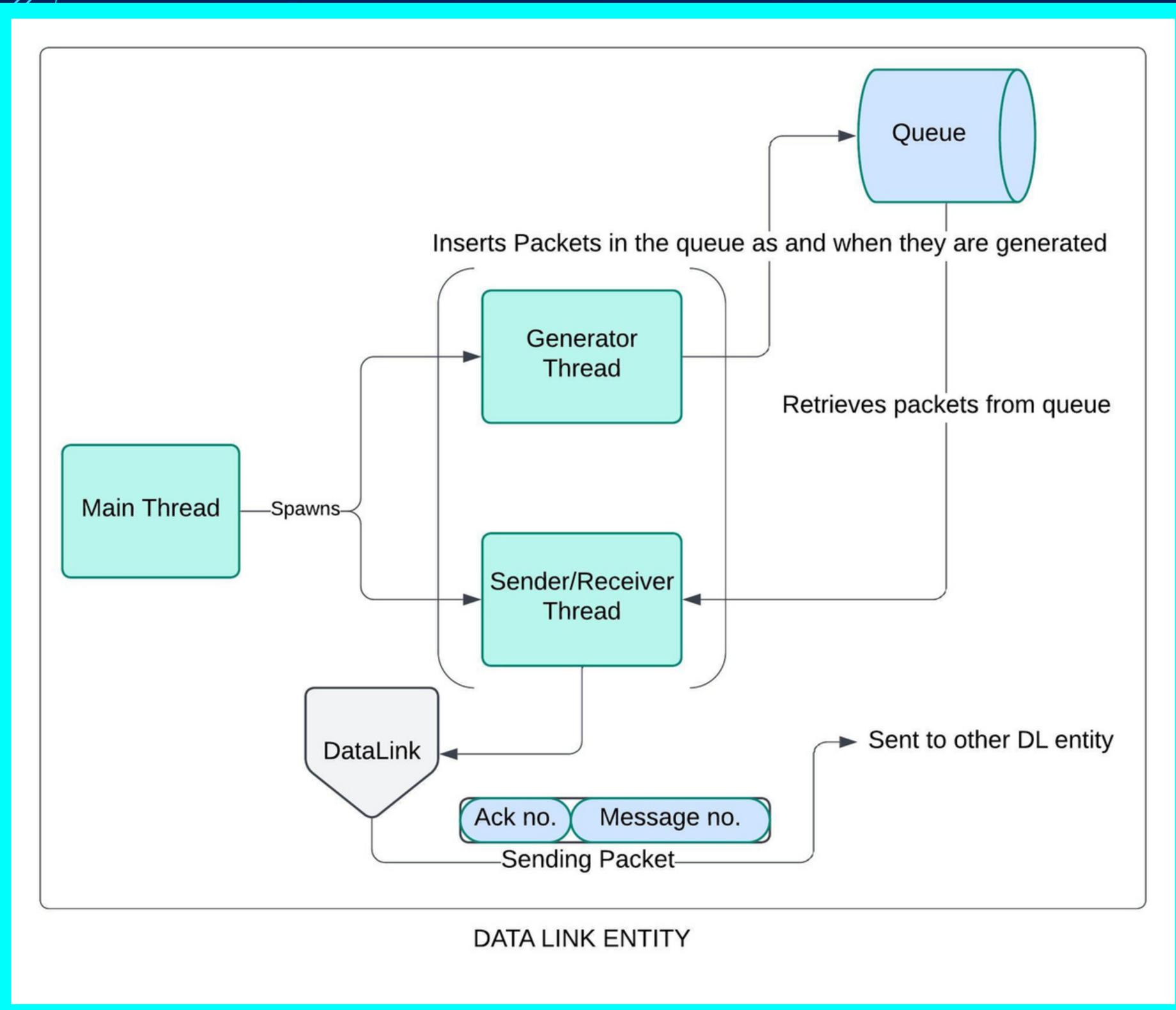
■ Assumptions

- UDP sockets are used with no guaranteed delivery, and sender/receiver are set to localhost with fixed IPs and ports.
- Packet generation and transmission delays are uniformly distributed within specified intervals (T1-T4). A finite number of packets are simulated.
- Fixed window size (7 frames) with modulo-8 sequence numbering is used.
- Timeout intervals are constant and not adaptive.
- Controlled Environment: Only a single sender-receiver pair is assumed, with simplified, mock data to focus on transmission and sequencing rather than content.

SYSTEM FLOW



System Architecture



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Receiver (DL_Entity_2): Receives in-order frames, sends cumulative ACKs.

```
def receive_frames(self):
    """Main loop for receiving frames"""
    print("Receiver started, waiting for frames...")
    while self.running:
        try:
            data, _ = self.socket.recvfrom(1024)
            frame_str = data.decode()

            if frame_str.startswith("SEQ:"):
                # Parse frame data
                seq_part, data_part = frame_str.split(",")
                seq_num = int(seq_part.split(":")[1])
                data = data_part.split(":")[1]

                print(f"Received frame {seq_num} with data: {data}")

                if seq_num == self.expected_seq_num % self.MOD:
                    print(f"Frame {seq_num} received in order")
                    self.send_ack(seq_num)
                    self.expected_seq_num += 1
                else:
                    print(f"Frame {seq_num} out of order, expected {self.expected_seq_num % self.MOD}")
                    if self.expected_seq_num > 0:
                        self.send_ack(self.expected_seq_num - 1)
        except Exception as e:
            print(f"Error in receiver: {e}")
```

Sender (DL_Entity_1): Manages packet generation, sliding window, ACK processing.

Key Parameters

Description: Explanation of key parameters.

- T1-T2: Packet generation interval
- T3-T4: Transmission delay bounds
- drop_prob: Packet/ACK loss probability
- WINDOW_SIZE and MOD (sequence numbering)

-----Statistics-----

Parameters used in this simulation:

Window size: 7

Packet generation interval (T1): 0.1 seconds

Packet generation interval (T2): 0.3 seconds

Min transmission delay (T3): 0.05 seconds

Max transmission delay (T4): 0.15 seconds

Packet drop probability: 0.1

Total packets sent: 10

Total retransmissions: 2

Average delivery delay: 0.423 seconds

Average retransmissions per packet: 0.20

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Parameters Used

Protocol Operation (Sender)

Sender Operation:

- **Packet Generation:** Random intervals (T_1-T_2).
- **Frame Transmission:** Sliding window of 7, timeouts, and retransmissions.
- **ACK Processing:** Adjusts window based on received ACKs.

```
def sender_thread(self):
    """Handle sending frames using Go-Back-N protocol"""
    while self.running:
        # Send new frames if window space available
        while (self.next_seq_num < self.send_base + self.WINDOW_SIZE and
               not self.outgoing_queue.empty()):
            data = self.outgoing_queue.get()
            frame = Frame(seq_num=self.next_seq_num % self.MOD, data=data)
            self.window_frames[self.next_seq_num] = (frame, time.time())
            self.send_frame(frame)
            self.next_seq_num += 1
            self.packets_sent += 1

        # Check for timeout and retransmit if necessary
        current_time = time.time()
        timeout = 2.0 # Adjust as needed

        for seq_num in range(self.send_base, self.next_seq_num):
            if seq_num in self.window_frames:
                frame, send_time = self.window_frames[seq_num]
                if current_time - send_time > timeout:
                    print(f"Timeout for frame {frame}")
                    # Retransmit all frames in window
                    for resend_seq in range(self.send_base, self.next_seq_num):
                        if resend_seq in self.window_frames:
                            resend_frame, _ = self.window_frames[resend_seq]
                            self.send_frame(resend_frame)
                            self.retransmissions += 1
                    break

        time.sleep(0.1) # Prevent busy waiting
```

Protocol Operation (Receiver)

Receiver Operation:

- Frame Reception: Checks sequence numbers, buffers if out of order.
- ACK Transmission: Sends cumulative ACKs with simulated delays and losses.

```
def send_ack(self, ack_num: int):
    """Send acknowledgment with simulated delay and drop probability"""
    if random.random() >= self.drop_prob: # Not dropped
        delay = random.uniform(self.T3, self.T4)
        time.sleep(delay)
        ack_msg = f"ACK:{ack_num}"
        self.socket.sendto(ack_msg.encode(), self.peer_addr)
        print(f"Sent {ack_msg}")
    else:
        print(f"Dropped ACK {ack_num}")

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        except Exception as e:
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```

Network Simulation

Simulated Network Effects:

- UDP Socket Communication: Unreliable transport simulation.
- Simulated Delay: Random transmission delays (T_3-T_4).
- Packet Drops: Based on `drop_prob`.

```
def main():  
    # Create sender entity  
    sender = Sender(  
        host="localhost",  
        port=5000,  
        peer_host="localhost",  
        peer_port=5001,  
        T1=0.1, # Min packet generation interval  
        T2=0.3, # Max packet generation interval  
        T3=0.005, # Min transmission delay  
        T4=0.015, # Max transmission delay  
        drop_prob=0.01 # 1% packet drop probability  
)
```

Changing the value of `Drop_prob`, T_3 and T_4
All are reduced by scale of 1/10

Statistics Collection

Statistics Computed:

- Average Delivery Delay and Total Retransmissions
- Average Retransmissions per Packet

Explanation:

Collection during runtime to analyze efficiency.

We Notice Very High Retransmission as When we are using go-back- protocol as the retransmission stack up for:

1. Out of order packets
2. Packet lost because of drop probability.
3. Then the whole 7 message will have to be transmitted

```
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Max transmission delay (T4): 0.15 seconds  
Packet drop probability: 0.1  
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Total packets sent: 10000  
Total retransmissions: 10002  
Average delivery delay: 1.599 seconds  
Average retransmissions per packet: 1.00
```

Execution and Usage

Execution

1. Start Receiver: `python receiver.py
(Data_Link_entity_1)`
2. Start Sender: `python sender.py
(Data_Link_entity_2)`

Changing Parameters

- We reduce the drop probability
- We reduce the min and max transmission delay time.
- Therefore, we see a big decrease in the retransmission that happen

```
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Min transmission delay (T3): 0.5 seconds  
Max transmission delay (T4): 0.15 seconds  
Packet drop probability: 0.01  
  
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Total packets sent: 10000  
Total retransmissions: 3576  
Average delivery delay: 0.957 seconds  
Average retransmissions per packet: 0.36
```

The results after sending 10,000 packets with new parameters are as expected

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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