

Open system Interconnection (OSI)

DataLink Layer & Binary Exponential BackOff Algorithm

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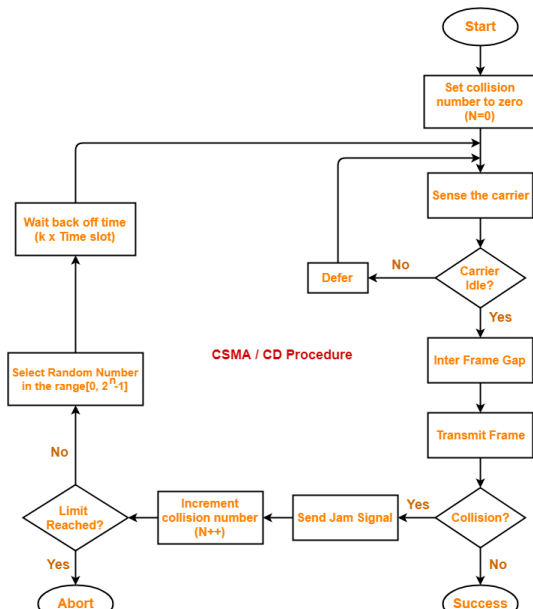
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- We have discussed-
 - CSMA / CD stands for Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Detection.
 - It allows the stations to sense the carrier and transmit data if the carrier is free.
- The following CSMA / CD flowchart shows the CSMA / CD procedure-



Binary Exponential BackOff Algorithm



Binary Exponential BackOff Algorithm

- **Back Off Time: In CSMA / CD protocol**

- After the occurrence of collision, station waits for some random back off time and then retransmits.
- This waiting time for which the station waits before retransmitting the data is called as back off time.
- Back Off Algorithm is used for calculating the back off time.

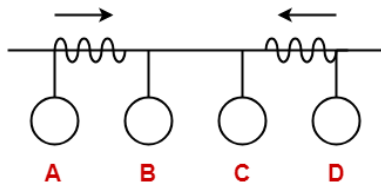
- **Back Off Algorithm: After undergoing the collision**

- Transmitting station chooses a random number in the range $[0, 2^n - 1]$ if the packet is undergoing collision for the n th time.
- If station chooses a number k , then-
Back off time = $k \times \text{Time slot}$
where value of one time slot = 1 RTT



Example

- Consider the following scenario where stations A and D start transmitting their data simultaneously-



- For simplicity,
We consider the value of time slot = 1 unit.
- Thus, back off time = K units.



Scene-01:

- For 1st Data Packet Of Both Stations-
 - Both the stations start transmitting their 1st data packet simultaneously.
 - This leads to a collision.
 - Clearly, the collision on both the packets is occurring for the 1st time.
 - So, collision number for the 1st data packet of both the stations = 1.
- **At Station A: After detecting the collision-**
 - Station A randomly chooses a number in the range $[0, 2^1-1] = [0,1]$.
 - If station A chooses the number K_A , then back off time = K_A units.
- **At Station D: After detecting the collision**
 - Station A randomly chooses a number in the range $[0, 2^1-1] = [0,1]$.
 - If station A chooses the number K_D , then back off time = K_D units.



Following 4 cases are possible

K_A	K_D	Remarks
0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In this case, both the stations start retransmitting their data immediately.This case leads to a collision again.
0	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 1 unit of time.This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 1st collision.
1	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D starts retransmitting its data immediately.This case leads to D successfully retransmitting its data after the 1st collision.
1	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In this case, both the stations wait for 1 unit of time and then start retransmitting their data simultaneously.This case leads to a collision again.



- From here,
 - Probability of station A to successfully retransmit its data after the 1st collision = $1 / 4$
 - Probability of station D to successfully retransmit its data after the 1st collision = $1 / 4$
 - Probability of occurrence of collision again after the 1st collision = $2 / 4 = 1 / 2$
- Now,
 - Consider case-02 occurs.
 - This causes station A to successfully retransmit its 1st packet after the 1st collision.



- **For 2nd Data Packet Of Station A And 1st Data Packet Of Station D**
 - Consider after some time,
 - Station A starts transmitting its 2nd data packet and station D starts retransmitting its 1st data packet simultaneously. This leads to a collision.
- **At Station A-**
 - The 2nd data packet of station A undergoes collision for the 1st time.
 - So, collision number for the 2nd data packet of station A = 1.
 - Now, station A randomly chooses a number in the range $[0, 2^1 - 1] = [0, 1]$.
 - If station A chooses the number K_A , then back off time = K_A units.



● At Station D-

- The 1st data packet of station D undergoes collision for the 2nd time.
- So, collision number for the 1st data packet of station D = 2.
- Now, station D randomly chooses a number in the range $[0, 2^2 - 1] = [0, 3]$.
- If station D chooses the number K_D , then back off time = K_D units.

● Following 8 cases are possible

K_A	K_D	Remarks
0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In this case, both the stations start retransmitting their data immediately.• This case leads to a collision again.
0	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 1 unit of time.• This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 2nd collision.
0	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 2 unit of time.• This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 2nd collision.



0	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 3 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 2nd collision.
1	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D starts retransmitting its data immediately. This case leads to D successfully retransmitting its data after the 2nd collision.
1	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, both the stations wait for 1 unit of time and then starts retransmitting their data simultaneously. This case leads to a collision again.
1	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D waits for 2 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 2nd collision.
1	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D waits for 3 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 2nd collision.



- From here,
 - Probability of station A to successfully retransmit its data after the 2nd collision = $5 / 8$
 - Probability of station D to successfully retransmit its data after the 2nd collision = $1 / 8$
 - Probability of occurrence of collision again after the 2nd collision = $2 / 8 = 1 / 4$
- Now,
 - Consider case-03 occurs.
 - This causes station A to successfully retransmit its 2nd packet after the 2nd collision.



- For 3rd Data Packet Of Station A And 1st Data Packet Of Station D
 - Consider after some time,
 - Station A starts transmitting its 3rd data packet and station D starts retransmitting its 1st data packet simultaneously.
 - This leads to a collision.
- **At Station A-**
 - The 3rd data packet of station A undergoes collision for the 1st time.
 - So, collision number for the 3rd data packet of station A = 1.
 - Now, station A randomly chooses a number in the range $[0, 2^{1-1}] = [0, 1]$.
 - If station A chooses the number K_A , then back off time = K_A unit.



● At Station D-

- The 1st data packet of station D undergoes collision for the 3rd time.
 - So, collision number for the 1st data packet of station D = 3.
 - Now, station D randomly chooses a number in the range $[0, 2^3-1] = [0,7]$.
 - If station D chooses the number K_D , then back off time = K_D unit.
- Following 16 cases are possible-

K_A	K_D	Remarks
0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In this case, both the stations start retransmitting their data immediately.• This case leads to a collision again.
0	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 1 unit of time.• This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
0	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 2 unit of time.• This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.



0	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 3 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
0	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 4 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
0	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 5 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
0	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 6 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.



0	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A starts retransmitting its data immediately while station D waits for 7 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
1	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D starts retransmitting its data immediately. This case leads to D successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
1	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, both the stations wait for 1 unit of time and then starts retransmitting their data simultaneously. This case leads to a collision again.
1	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D waits for 2 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.



1	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D waits for 3 unit of time. This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
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1	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In this case, station A waits for 1 unit of time while station D waits for 7 unit of time. • This case leads to A successfully retransmitting its data after the 3rd collision.
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- From here,
 - Probability of station A to successfully retransmit its data after the 3rd collision = $13 / 16$
 - Probability of station D to successfully retransmit its data after the 3rd collision = $1 / 16$
 - Probability of occurrence of collision again after the 3rd collision = $1 / 16$
- In the similar manner, the procedure continues.



Important Notes:

- **Note-1: With each successive collision-**
 - Back off time increases exponentially.
 - Collision probability decreases exponentially.
- **Note-02: Back Off Algorithm is also known as Binary Exponential Back Off Algorithm because-**
 - It works for only two stations.
 - The back off time increases exponentially. Collision probability decreases exponentially.
- **Note-03:**
 - One disadvantage of Back Off Algorithm is that it shows capture effect.
 - It means if a particular station wins the collision one time, then its probability of winning the successive collisions increases exponentially.



Thank You

