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Experiment No.:4

TITLE: Implementation of Checksum for Computer Networks

AIM: To implement Layer 2 Error Control schemes: Checksum.

Expected Outcome of Experiment:

CO: Describe Data Link Layer, MAC layer technologies & Describe Data Link Layer technologies & Describ

Books/ Journals/ Websites referred:

- 1. A. S. Tanenbaum, "Computer Networks", Pearson Education, Fourth Edition
- 2. B. A. Forouzan, "Data Communications and Networking", TMH, Fourth Edition

Pre Lab/ Prior Concepts:

Data Link Layer, Error Correction/Detection, Types of Errors

New Concepts to be learned: Checksum.

Checksum:

A checksum is a simple type of redundancy check that is used to detect errors in data.

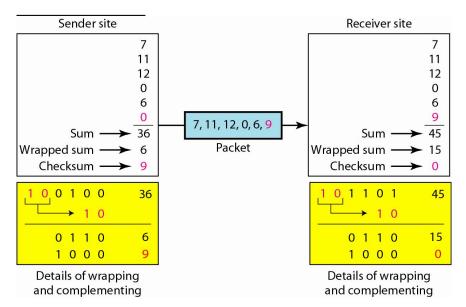
Errors frequently occur in data when it is written to a disk, transmitted across a network or otherwise manipulated. The errors are typically very small, for example, a single incorrect bit, but even such small errors can greatly affect the quality of data, and even make it useless.

In its simplest form, a checksum is created by calculating the binary values in a packet or other block of data using some algorithm and storing the results with the data. When the data is retrieved from memory or received at the other end of a network, a new checksum is calculated and compared with the existing checksum. A non-match indicates an error; a match does not necessarily mean the absence of errors, but only that the simple algorithm was not able to detect any.



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Simple Checksum:



Internet Checksum

The following process generates Internet Checksum

Assume the packet header is: 01 00 F2 03 F4 F5 F6 F7 00 00 (00 00 is the checksum to be calculated)

The first step is to form 16-bit words. 0100 F203 F4F5 F6F7

The second step is to calculate the sum using 32-bits. 0100 + F203 + F4F5 + F6F7 = 0002 DEEF

The third step is to add the carries (0002) to the 16-bit sum. DEEF + 002 = DEF1

The fourth step is to take the complement. (1s becomes 0s and 0s become 1s) \sim DEF1 = 210E

So the checksum is 21 0E.

The packet header is sent as: 01 00 F2 03 F4 F5 F6 F7 21 0E

* At the receiver, the steps are repeated.

The first step is to form 16-bit words. 0100 F203 F4F5 F6F7 210E

The second step is to calculate the sum using 32-bits. 0100 + F203 + F4F5 + F6F7 + 210E = 0002 FFFD



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The third step is to add the carries (0002) to the 16-bit sum. FFFD + 0002 = FFFF which means that no error was detected.

(In 1s complement, zero is 0000 or FFFF.)

Example:

```
Carries
0 1 3
        F
                          (Fo)
   6 6
   2 6 7
                          (ro)
   5 7 A
                          (uz)
   1 6 E
                          (an)
  0 0 0
              Checksum (initial)
8 F C 6
              Sum (partial)
8 F C 7
               Sum
              Checksum (to send)
7 0 3 8
```

1	0	1	3		Carries
	4	6	6	F	(Fo)
	7	2	6	7	(ro)
	7	5	7	Α	(uz)
	6	1	6	Ε	(an)
	7	0	3	8	Checksum (received)
	F	F	F	E	Sum (partial)
_	\longrightarrow 1				
	8	F	C	7	Sum
	0	0	0	0	Checksum (new)

a. Checksum at the receiver site

IMPLEMENTATION: (printout of codes)

```
d=input("Enter the data to send: ")
d=[(d[i:i+4]) \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(0, len(d),4)]
print('16 bit word format: ',','.join(str(x) for x in d))
def checksum(d):
  data=[int(i,16) for i in d]
  res=hex(sum(data))
  print("Sum is: ",res)
  res=res[2:]
  wrap_sum=hex(int(res[0],16)+int(res[1:],16))
  wrap_sum=wrap_sum[2:]
  print('Wrapped sum: ',wrap_sum)
  diff=hex(int('FFFF',16)-int(wrap_sum,16))
  diff=diff[2:]
  print('15\'s compliment: ',diff)
checksum(d)
r=input("Enter the data received: ")
r=[(r[i:i+4]) \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(0, len(r),4)]
checksum(r)
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a. Checksum at the sender site



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Output Screen:

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Enter the data to send: 466F726F757A616E
16 bit word format: 466F,726F,757A,616E
Sum is: 0x18fc6
Wrapped sum: 8fc7
15's compliment: 7038
Enter the data received: 466F726F757A616E7038
Sum is: 0x1fffe
Wrapped sum: ffff
15's compliment: 0
```

CONCLUSION:

The Python code for Checksum was implemented successfully as it ran correctly for all test cases.

Post Lab Questions

1. State the advantages and disadvantages of Internet Checksum.

Ans.

Advantages:

- 1. Checksum method is simpler than CRC method for error checking.
- 2. A checksum is mainly employed in data validation when implementing software.
- 3. Checksum method is simple to implement.

Disadvantages:

- 1. Checksum is an old method for error checking.
- 2. Due to its simple implementation, it can only detect single bit errors.
- 3. It cannot be used for error correction in analogue data transmission.