

COMPUTER NETWORKS

- Chapter 3. Data Link Layer 3

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Contents of this lecture

- Learn protocol verification
 - Finite state machine models
 - Petri net models
- Learn Example DLL protocol
 - HDLC
 - PPP

Protocol verification

- Due to the complexity of various protocols, it is important that they are properly verified for correctness.
- The verification should also determine if it is possible for **deadlocks** or other problems to occur in the protocol.
- There are several different methods of protocol verification.
 - **Finite state machine models**
 - **Petri net models**

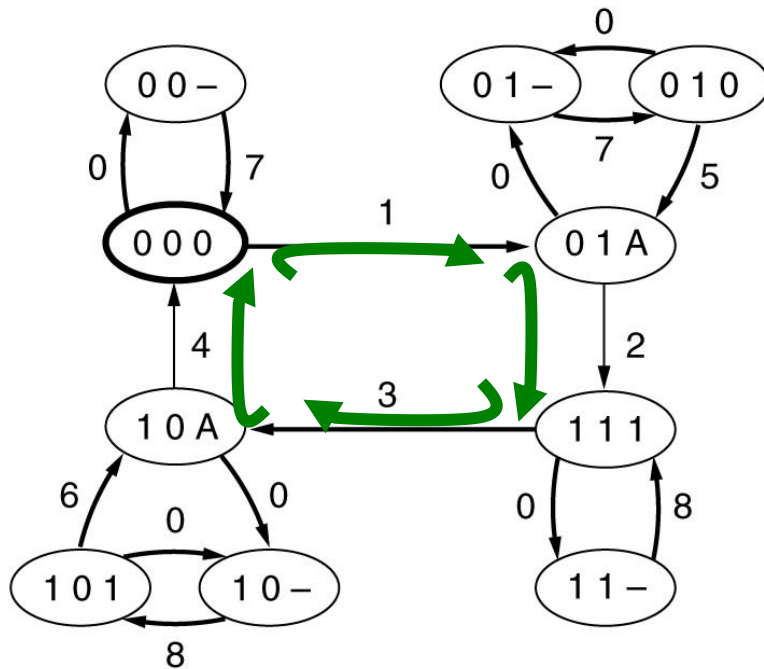
Finite State Machine Models

- Each **protocol machine** (i.e., sender or receiver) is always in a specific **state** at every instant of time.
 - All the states are denoted as **nodes**.
- The state of the complete system is the combination of all the states of the **two protocol machines and the channel**.
- From each state, there are zero or more possible **transitions** to other states. Transitions occur when some event happens.
 - All the transitions are denoted as **directed arcs**.
- **Initial state** corresponds to the description of the system when it starts running, or at some convenient starting place shortly thereafter.
- Reachability analysis
 - which states are reachable and which are not
 - detect a variety of errors in the protocol specification

An Example Of A Finite State Machine Model

- **Protocol 3: 2 protocol machine and channel, total 16 states**
- **Each state is labeled by three characters, SRC**
- **S is**
 - **0: frame 0 is sent**
 - **1: frame 1 is sent**
- **R is**
 - **0: frame 0 is expected**
 - **1: frame 1 is expected**
- **C is**
 - **0: frame 0 is on the channel**
 - **1: frame 1 is on the channel**
 - **A: ack frame is on the channel**
 - **-: the channel is empty**

An Example Of A Finite State Machine Model (cont'd)



(a)

Transition	Who runs?	Frame accepted	Frame emitted	To network layer
0	—	(frame lost)		—
1	R	0	A	Yes
2	S	A	1	—
3	R	1	A	Yes
4	S	A	0	—
5	R	0	A	No
6	R	1	A	No
7	S	(timeout)	0	—
8	S	(timeout)	1	—

(b)

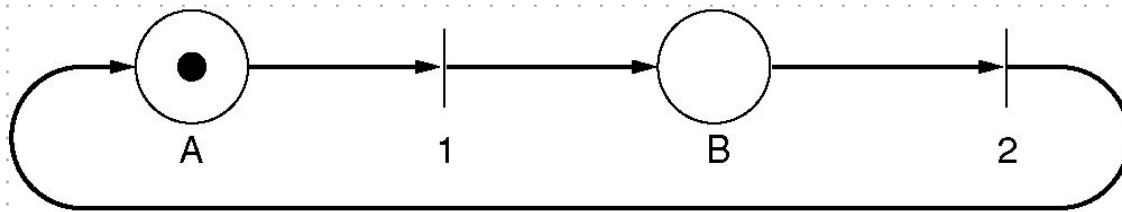
□ (a) State diagram for protocol 3. (b) Transmissions.

Petri Net Models

- A Petri net has four basic elements: places(库所), transitions (变迁), arcs (弧), and tokens (标记).
- A **place** represents a state which (part of) the system may be in. (circle)
- The current state indicated by the **token** (heavy dot)
- A **transition** is indicated by a horizontal or vertical bar.
- Each transition has zero or more **input arcs** coming from its input places, and zero or more **output arcs**, going to its output places.

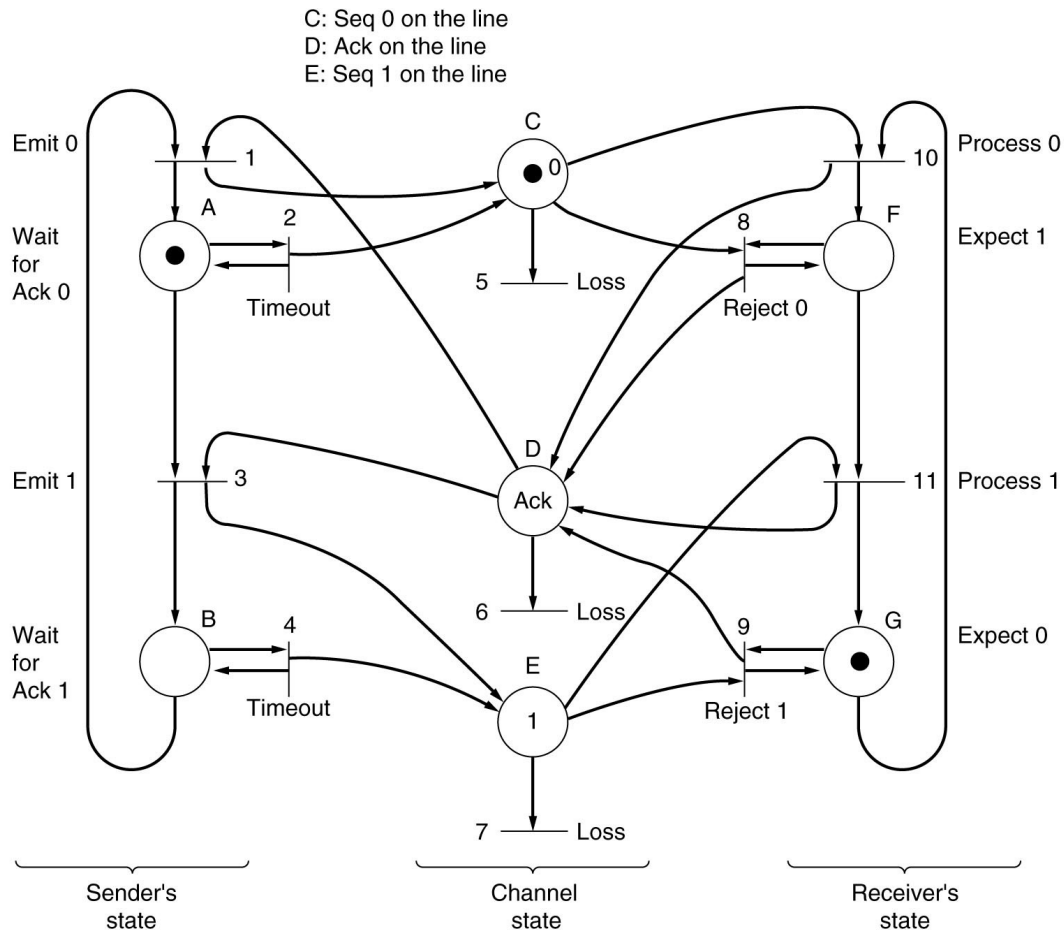
Petri Net Models (cont'd)

- A transition is **enabled** (激活的) if there is at least one input token in each of its input places.
- Any enabled transition may **fire** (激发) at will, removing one token from each input place and depositing a token in each output place.
- Petri net can be used to detect protocol failures in a way similar to the use of finite state machines.
- Petri net can be represented in convenient algebraic form (代数形式) resembling a grammar.



A Petri net with two places and two transitions.

A Petri Net Model For Protocol 3



1: BD → AC
 2: A → A
 3: AD → BE
 4: B → B
 5: C →
 6: D →
 7: E →
 8: CF → DF
 9: EG → DG
 10: CG → DF
 11: EF → DG

Example DLL protocol

□ HDLC

- High-Level Data Link Control

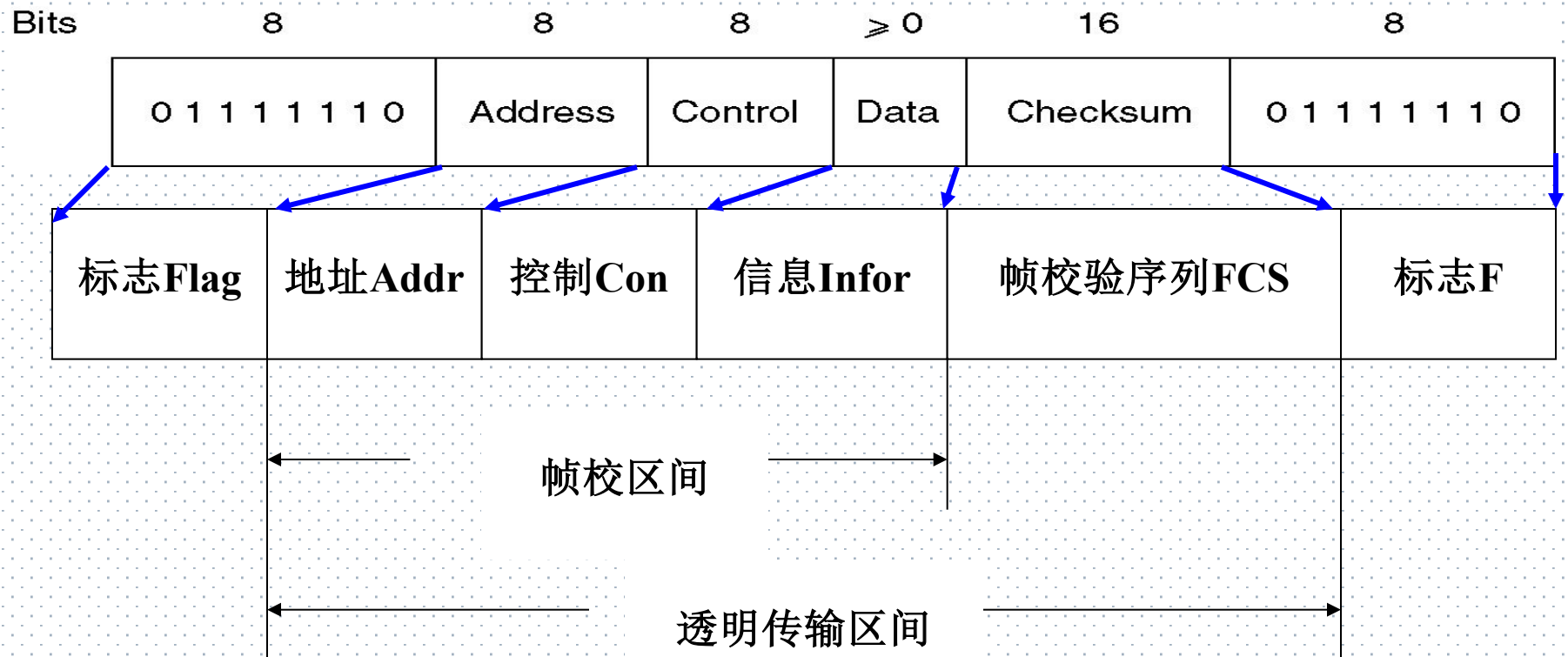
□ PPP

- The Point-to-Point Protocol

History of HDLC

- ❑ IBM introduced **SDLC** – Synchronous Data Link Control – and submitted it to ANSI and ISO for acceptance as US and International standards.
- ❑ ANSI modified it to be **ADCCP** – Advanced Data Communication Control Procedure
- ❑ ISO modified it to be **HDLC** – High-level Data Link Control.
- ❑ CCITT modified HDLC for its **LAP** (Link Access Procedure) but later modified it again to **LAPB**.
- ❑ They are all very similar, with only minor (but annoying) differences between them.

HDLC frame-structure



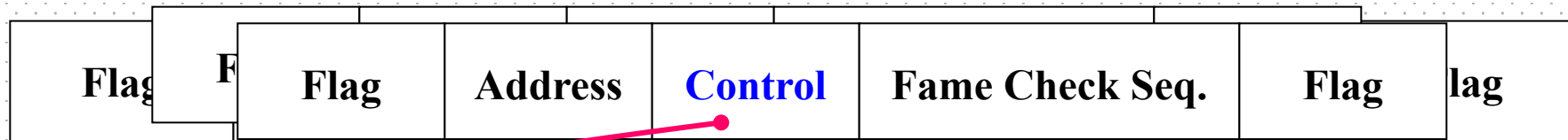
HDLC frame-structure(cont'd)

- **Flag sequence**
 - ◆ Identify start or end of the frame
 - ◆ Bit stuffing for transparency.
- **Address field**
 - ◆ Identify one of the terminals (on lines with multiple terminals)
 - ◆ Distinguish commands from response (for point-to-point lines)
- **Control field**
 - ◆ For sequence numbers, acknowledgements, and other purposes

HDLC frame-structure(cont'd)

◆ Control field

- ◆ For sequence numbers, acknowledgements, and other purposes



Bit Seq. No. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

I frame

S frame

U frame

0	N (S)	P/F	N (R)
1	0 S	P/F	N (R)
1	1 M	P/F	M

HDLC – Frame Type

◆ Frame Types

- **Information Frame**(信息帧)
- **Supervisory Frame** (监控帧)
- **Unnumbered Frame** (无编号帧)

◆ The contents of the Control field for three kind frames

Bits	1	3	1	3	
(a)	0	Seq	P/F	Next	
(b)	1	0	Type	P/F	Next
(c)	1	1	Type	P/F	Modifier

Figure 3-25 Control field of

(a) An **I**nformation frame.

(b) A **S**upervisory frame.

(c) An **U**nnumbered frame.

HDLC – Information Frame

◆ Information Frame(信息帧)

■ Seq :N(S)

- ◆ Sending frame sequence number

■ Next:N(R)

- ◆ Piggybacked acknowledgement

- Piggybacking the number of **the first frame not yet received** (i.e., the next frame expected), not the number of the last frame received correctly.

■ P/F

- ◆ Poll/Final(查询/结束)
- ◆ Used when a computer is polling a group of terminals

HDLC – Supervisory Frame

- ◆ **Supervisory Frame (监控帧)**
 - **Type 0 (bit3-4: 0 0) receive ready**
 - ◆ RR frame= acknowledgement frame
 - ◆ Used when there is no reverse traffic to use for piggybacking
 - **Type 1 (bit3-4: 0 1), like protocol5**
 - ◆ RNR=Negative acknowledgement frame
 - ◆ The Next field indicates the first frame in sequence not received correctly
 - **Type 2 (bit3-4: 1 0):RECEIVE NOT READY**
 - ◆ Acknowledges all frames up to but not including Next
 - ◆ Tells the sender to stop sending
 - **Type 3 (bit3-4: 1 1):SELECTIVE REJECT**
 - ◆ Calls for retransmission of only the frame specified

HDLC – Frame structure

Flag	Address	Control	Information	Fame Check Seq.	Flag
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◆ Frame Structure

– Data field

- ◆ Contain any information
- ◆ May be arbitrarily long
- ◆ The efficiency of the checksum falls off with increasing frame length

– Checksum field

- ◆ Cyclic redundancy code: 16bit – CRC: $x^{16}+x^{12}+x^5+1$

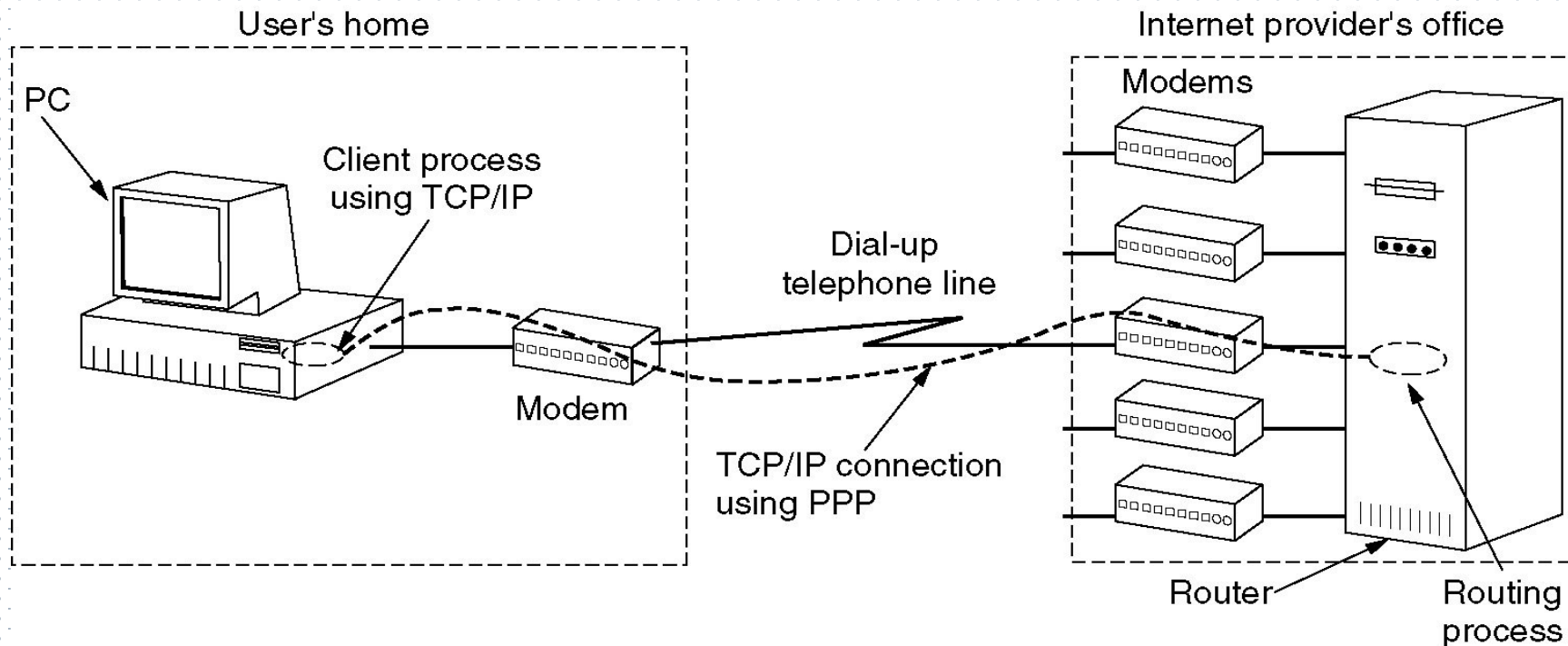
Three Commands Provided By Protocols

- **DISC** (DISConnect) - allows a machine to announce that it is going down (e.g., for preventive maintenance).
- **SNRM** (Set Normal Response Mode) - allows a machine that has just come back on-line to announce its presence and force all the sequence numbers back to zero.
 - HDLC and LAPB have an additional command, SABM (Set Asynchronous Balanced Mode).
 - SABME and SNRME are the same as SABM and SNRM
- **FRMR** (FRaMe Reject) - indicate that a frame with a correct checksum but impossible semantics arrived.

DLL in the internet

◆ Point-to-Point Communication

- Router-Router leased line connection
- Dial-up host-router connection



Point-to-Point Protocol

- ❑ Defined in **RFC 1661** and further elaborated on in several other RFCs (e.g., RFCs 1662 and 1663).
- ❑ PPP provides **three** features:
 - *A framing method*, The frame format also handles error detection.
 - *A link control protocol* for bringing lines up, testing them, negotiating options, and bringing them down.
 - ❑ This protocol is called **LCP** (Link Control Protocol).
 - *A way to negotiate network-layer options* in a way that is independent of the network layer protocol to be used. The method chosen is to have a different **NCP** (Network Control Protocol) for each network layer supported.

Typical Scenario: Connecting A Home PC To Internet Service Provider

1. Physical connection setup phase:

- The PC **calls the** provider's router via a modem.
- The router's modem **answers** the phone and establishes a physical connection.

2. Data link layer options negotiation phase:

- The PC sends the router a series of **LCP packets** in the payload field of one or more PPP frames. These packets and their responses **select the PPP parameters** to be used.

3. Network layer options negotiation phase:

- A series of **NCP packets** are sent to configure the network layer and to assign an IP address for the PC (if the PC wants to run a TCP/IP protocol stack).

4. Data communication phase:

- The PC sends and receives IP packets over the established connection.

5. Connection release phase:

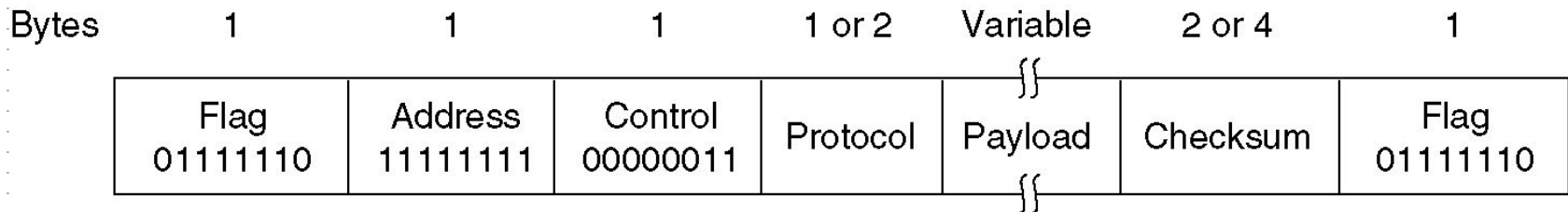
- When the PC is finished, NCP is used to **tear down** the network layer connection and free up the IP address.
- The LCP is used to **shut down** the data link layer connection.
- The computer tells the modem to hang up the phone, releasing the physical connection.

PPP Frame Format

□ Main differences

- PPP is **character**-oriented while HDLC is **bit** oriented.
- PPP uses **byte stuffing** on dial-up modem lines, so all frames are an integral number of bytes.

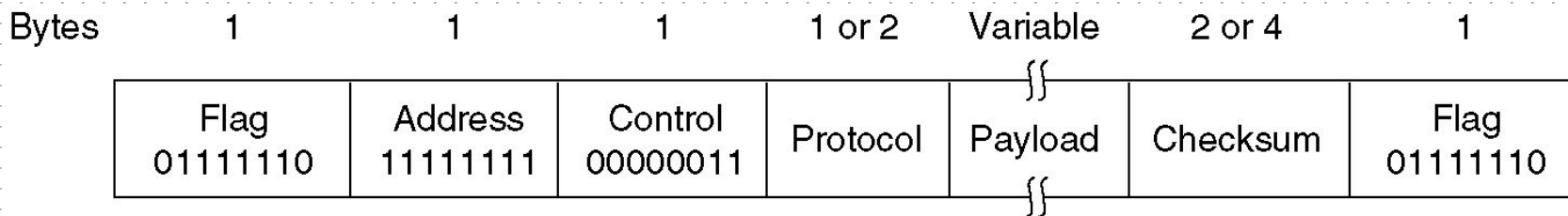
□ The PPP full frame format for **unnumbered mode** operation.



PPP Frame Format(cont'd)

□ Begin with a special byte-01111110 (same as HDLC)

- 若封装在PPP帧中的数据出现0x7E字节，则用2字节序列0x7D、0x5E取代；
- 若出现0x7D字节，则用2字节序列0x7D、0x5D取代；



PPP Frame Format(cont'd)

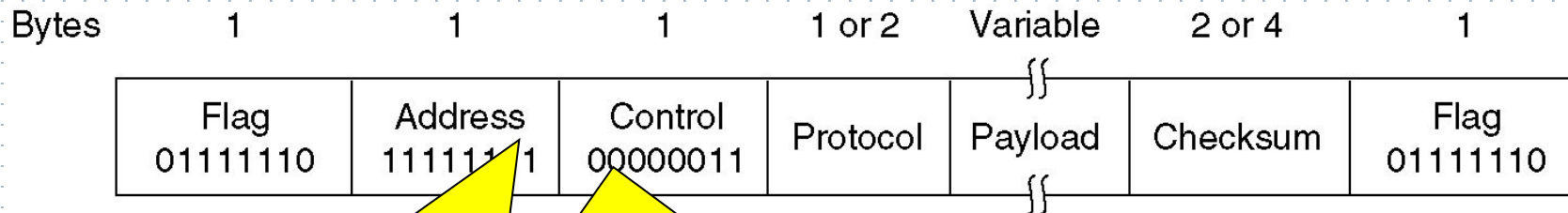
☐ Address Field

- always set to the binary value 11111111

☐ Control field

- default value is 00000011, which indicates an unnumbered frame.

- ☐ Considering the address and the control field are constant in default, so the LCP can negotiate to **leave those two fields out.**



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PPP Frame Format(cont'd)

□ **Protocol** - tell what kind of packet is in the Payload field

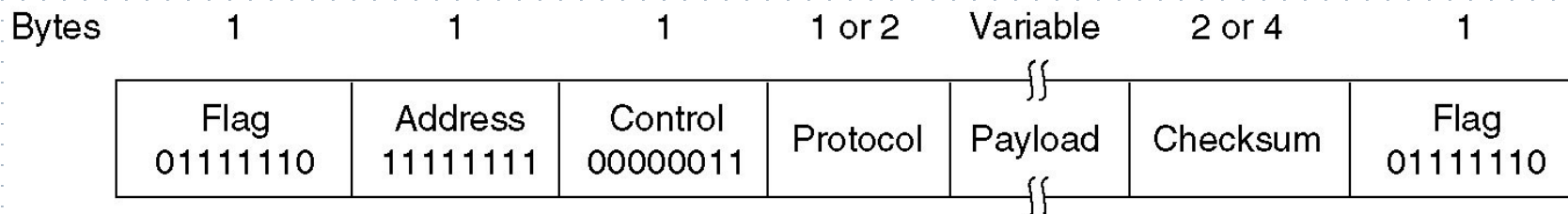
■ The default size of the Protocol field is 2 bytes, can be negotiated down to 1 byte using LCP.

- When `protocol=0x0021`, the payload is IP packet.
- When `protocol= 0xc021`, the payload is LCP packet.
- When `protocol= 0x8021`, the payload is NCP packet.

□ **Payload** - variable length, up to some negotiated maximum, default is 1500 bytes.

□ **Checksum** - normally 2 bytes (but can be 4 bytes)

□ **Closing flag** – same as starting flag



Summary of this lecture

- ☐ **Learn protocol verification**
 - **Finite state machine models**
 - **Petri net models**
- ☐ **Learn Example DDL protocol**
 - **HDLC**
 - ☐ **Frame format**
 - **PPP**

Thanks!

