

Q19)

In the following, ACK[N] means that all packets with sequence number *less* than N have been received.

1. The sender sends DATA[0], DATA[1], DATA[2]. All arrive.
2. The receiver sends ACK[3] in response, but this is slow. The receive window is now DATA[3]..DATA[5].
3. The sender times out and resends DATA[0], DATA[1], DATA[2]. For convenience, assume DATA[1] and DATA[2] are lost. The receiver accepts DATA[0] as DATA[5], because they have the same transmitted sequence number.
4. The sender finally receives ACK[3], and now sends DATA[3]-DATA[5]. The receiver, however, believes DATA[5] has already been received, when DATA[0] arrived, above, and throws DATA[5] away as a “duplicate”. The protocol now continues to proceed normally, with one bad block in the received stream.

Q20)

We first note that data below the sending window (that is,  $<LAR$ ) is never sent again, and hence – because out-of-order arrival is disallowed – if DATA[N] arrives at the receiver then nothing at or before DATA[N-3] can arrive later. Similarly, for ACKs, if ACK[N] arrives then (because ACKs are cumulative) no ACK before ACK[N] can arrive later. As before, we let ACK[N] denote the acknowledgment of all data packets less than N.

- (a) If DATA[6] is in the receive window, then the earliest that window can be is DATA[4]-DATA[6]. This in turn implies ACK[4] was sent, and thus that DATA[1]-DATA[3] were received, and thus that DATA[0], by our initial remark, can no longer arrive.
- (b) If ACK[6] may be sent, then the lowest the sending window can be is DATA[3]..DATA[5]. This means that ACK[3] must have been received. Once an ACK is received, no smaller ACK can ever be received later.

Q21)

- (a) The smallest working value for **MaxSeqNum** is 8. It suffices to show that if **DATA[8]** is in the receive window, then **DATA[0]** can no longer arrive at the receiver. We have that **DATA[8]** in receive window  
⇒ the earliest possible receive window is **DATA[6]..DATA[8]**  
⇒ **ACK[6]** has been received  
⇒ **DATA[5]** was delivered.  
But because **SWS=5**, all **DATA[0]**'s sent were sent before **DATA[5]**  
⇒ by the no-out-of-order arrival hypothesis, **DATA[0]** can no longer arrive.
- (b) We show that if **MaxSeqNum=7**, then the receiver can be expecting **DATA[7]** and an old **DATA[0]** can still arrive. Because 7 and 0 are indistinguishable mod **MaxSeqNum**, the receiver cannot tell which actually arrived. We follow the strategy of Exercise 27.
1. Sender sends **DATA[0]...DATA[4]**. All arrive.
  2. Receiver sends **ACK[5]** in response, but it is slow. The receive window is now **DATA[5]..DATA[7]**.
  3. Sender times out and retransmits **DATA[0]**. The receiver accepts it as **DATA[7]**.
- (c)  $\text{MaxSeqNum} \geq \text{SWS} + \text{RWS}$ .

Q24)

- T=0     A sends frames 1-4. Frame[1] starts across the R-B link.  
         Frame[2] is in R's queue; *frames 3 & 4 are lost*.
- T=1     Frame[1] arrives at B; ACK[1] starts back; Frame[2] leaves R.
- T=2     ACK[1] arrives at R and then A; A sends Frame[5] to R.  
         R immediately begins forwarding it to B.  
         Frame[2] arrives at B; B sends ACK[2] to R.
- T=3     ACK[2] arrives at R and then A; A sends Frame[6] to R.  
         R immediately begins forwarding it to B.  
         Frame[5] (not 3) arrives at B; B sends no ACK.
- T=4     Frame[6] arrives at B; again, B sends no ACK.
- T=5     A TIMES OUT, and retransmits frames 3 and 4.  
         R begins forwarding Frame[3] immediately, and enqueues 4.

- T=6     Frame[3] arrives at B and ACK[3] begins its way back.  
         R begins forwarding Frame[4].
- T=7     Frame[4] arrives at B and ACK[6] begins its way back.  
         ACK[3] reaches A and A then sends Frame[7].  
         R begins forwarding Frame[7].