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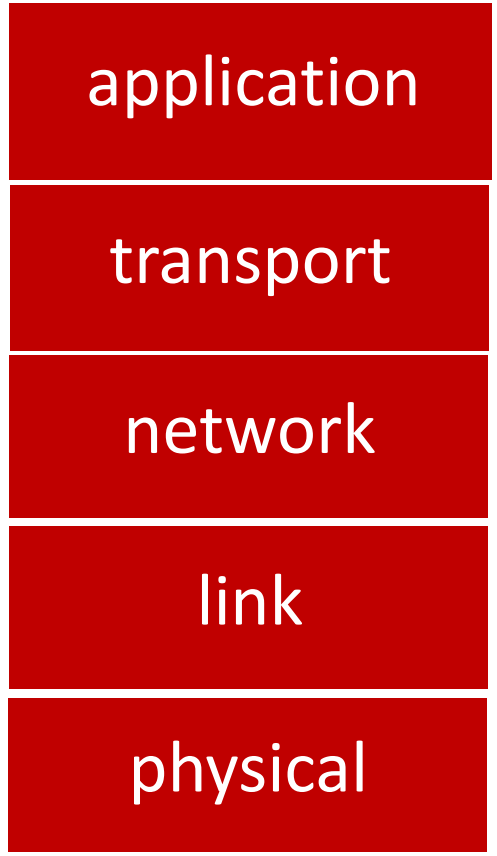
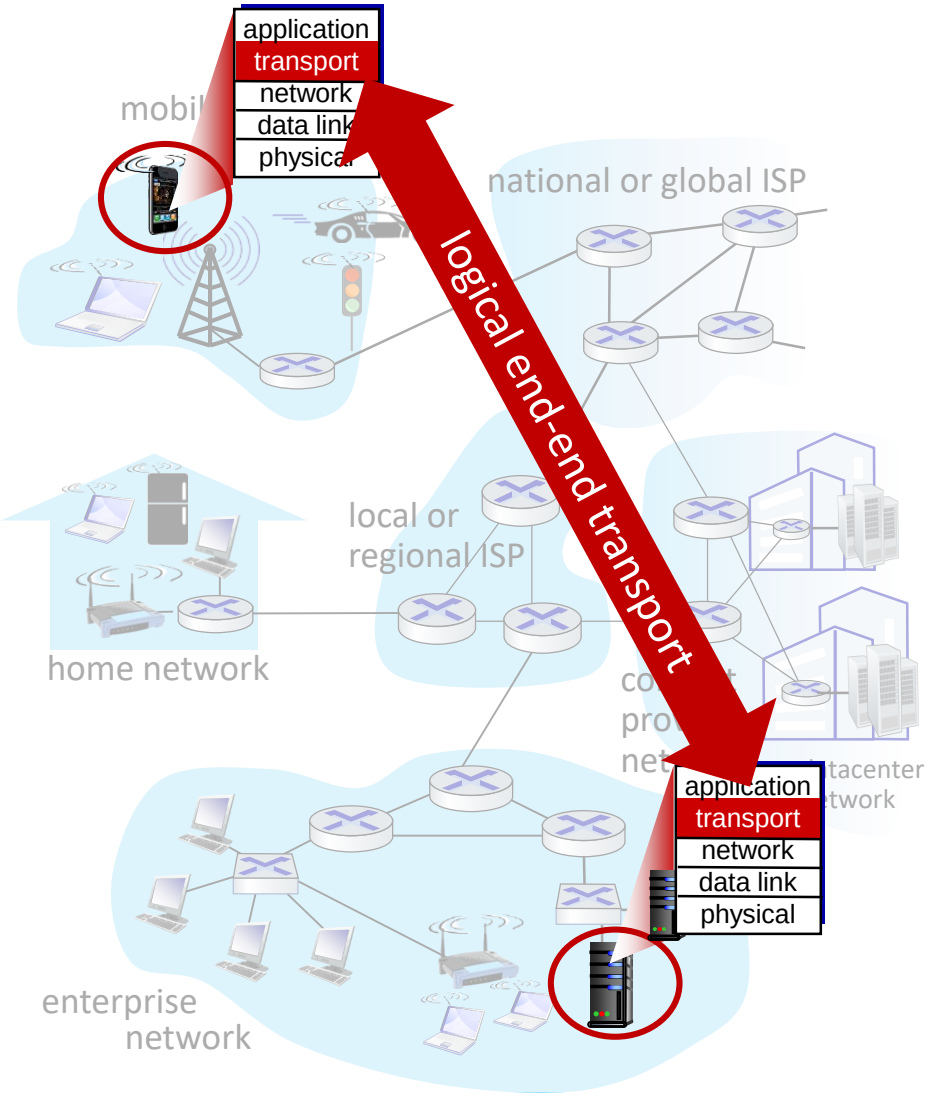


Transport services and protocols

- provide *logical communication* between application processes running on different hosts
- transport protocols actions in end systems:
  - sender: breaks application messages into *segments*, passes to network layer
  - receiver: reassembles segments into messages, passes to application layer
- two transport protocols available to Internet applications
  - TCP, UDP



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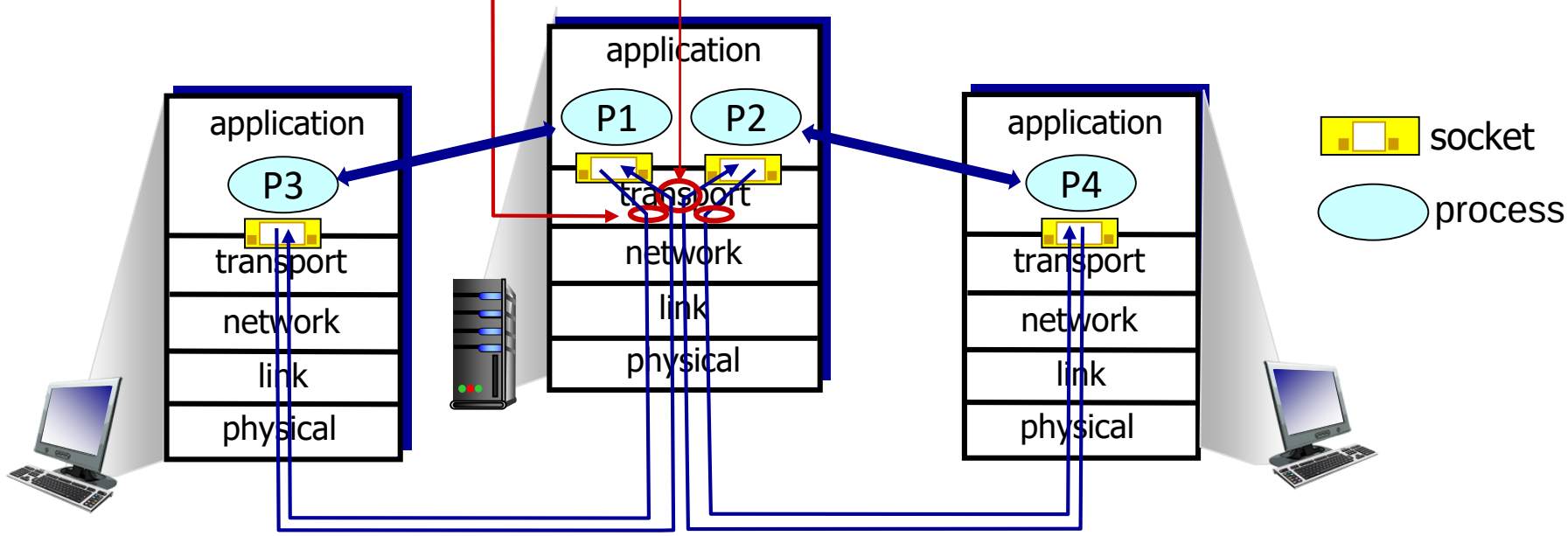
Multiplexing/demultiplexing

multiplexing as sender:

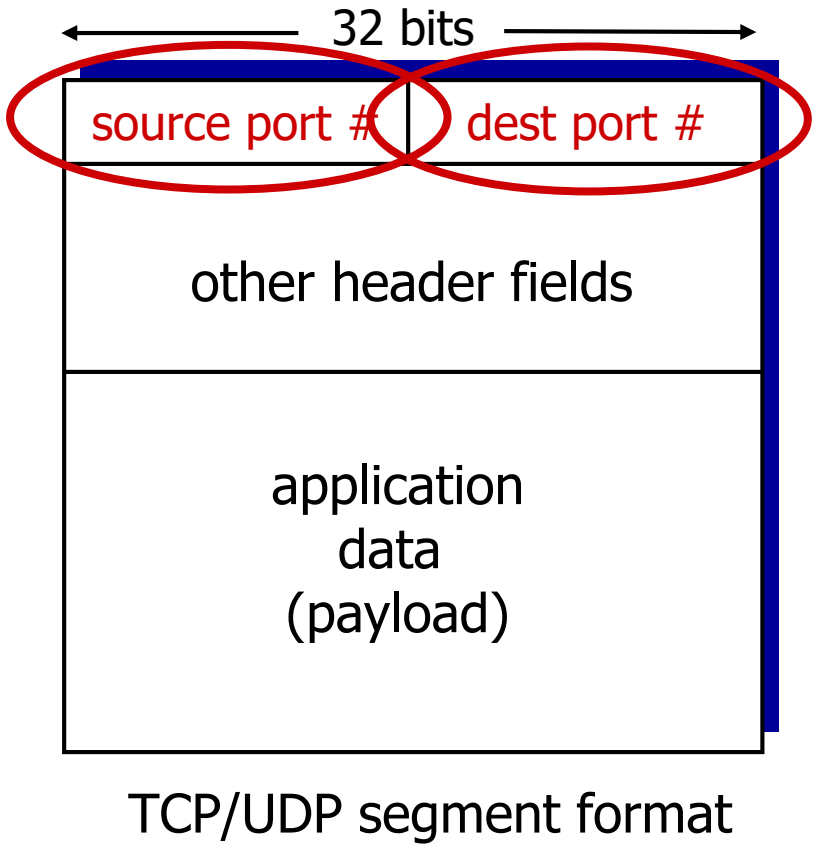
handle data from multiple sockets, add transport header (later used for demultiplexing)

demultiplexing as receiver:

use header info to deliver received segments to correct socket



How demultiplexing works



TCP/UDP segment format

Connectionless demultiplexing: an example

```
mySocket =
 socket(AF_INET,SOCK_DGRAM)
mySocket.bind(myaddr,6428);
```

```
mySocket =
 socket(AF_INET,SOCK_STREAM)
mySocket.bind(myaddr,9157);
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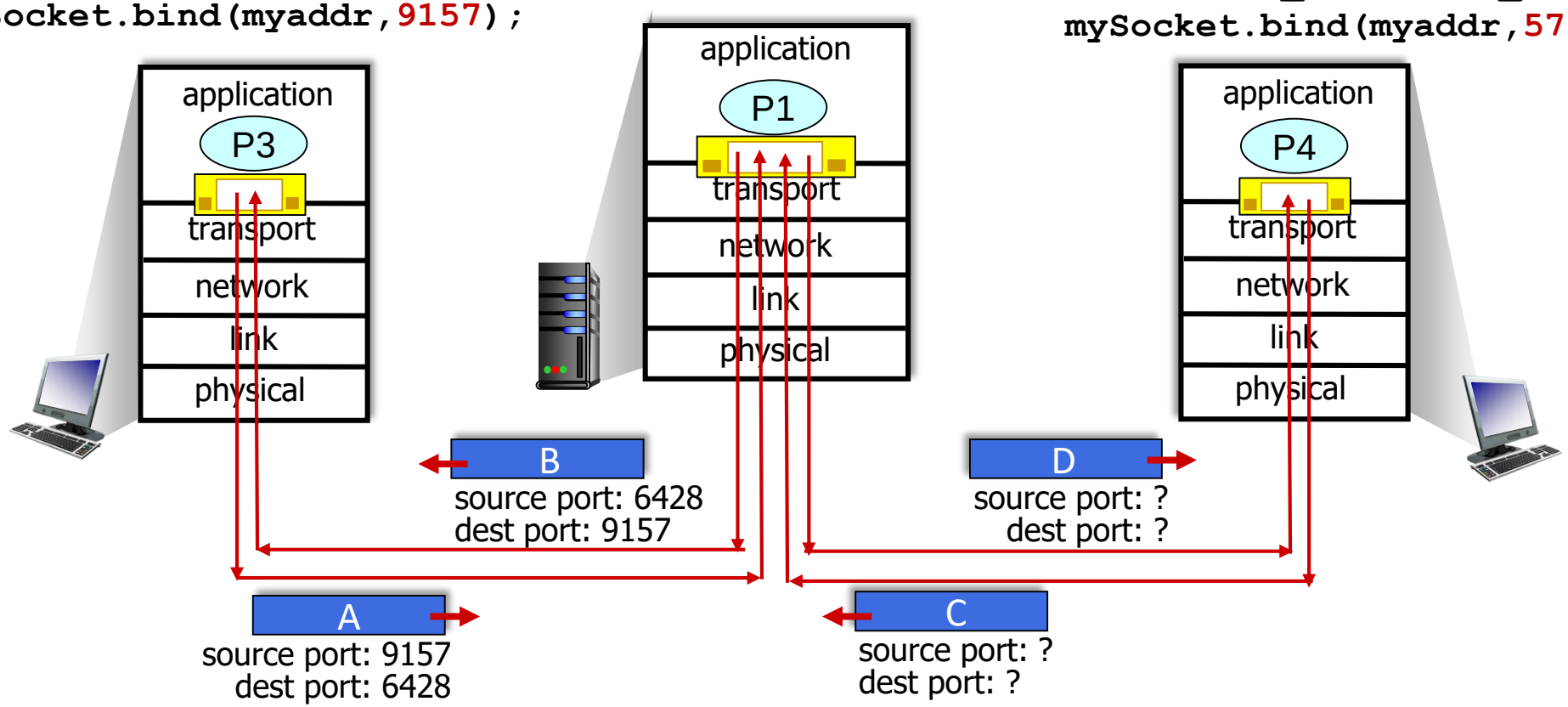
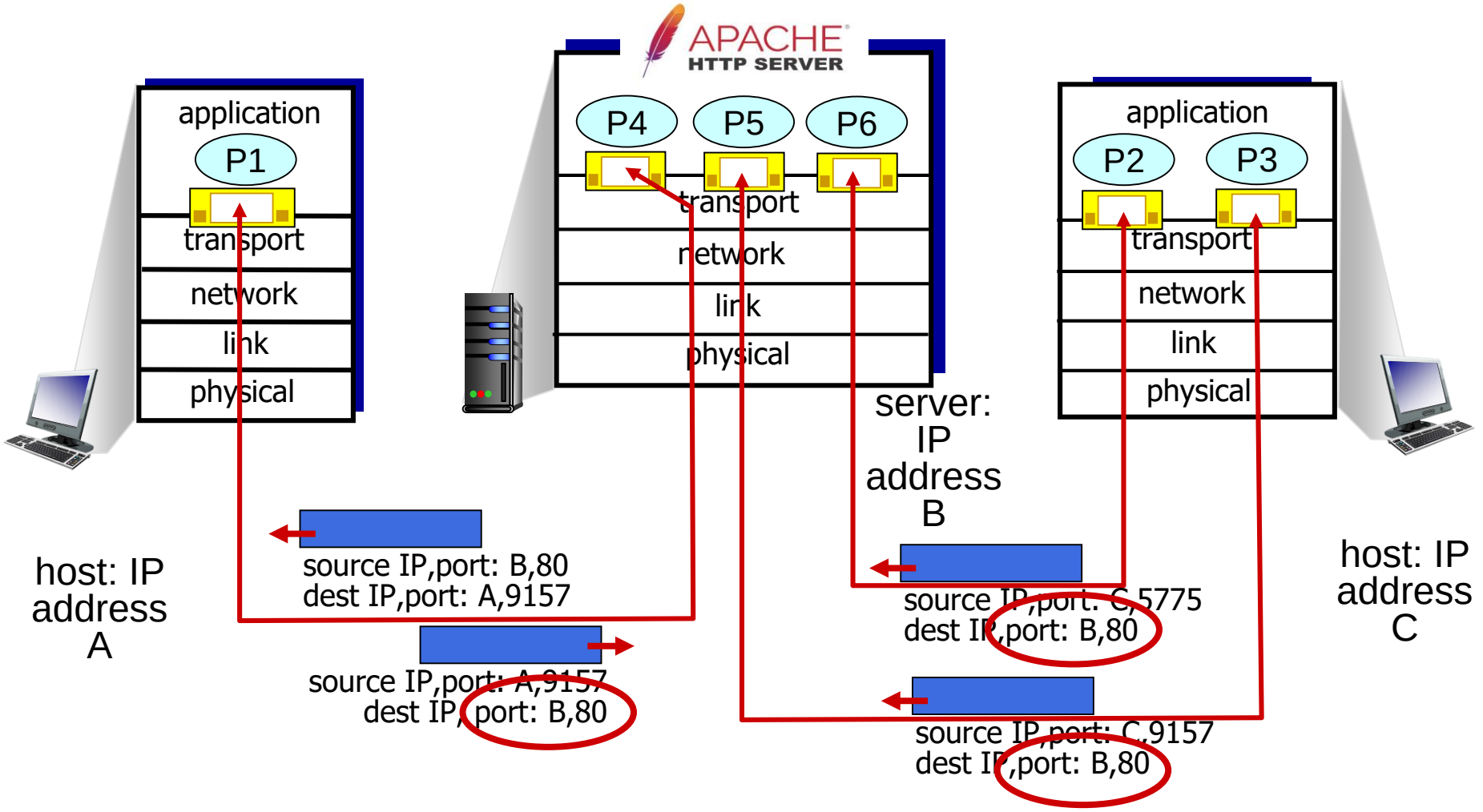


Connection-oriented demultiplexing: example



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UDP: User Datagram Protocol

- "no frills," "bare bones" Internet transport protocol
- "best effort" service, UDP segments may be:
  - lost
  - delivered out-of-order to app
- *connectionless:*
  - no handshaking between UDP sender, receiver
  - each UDP segment handled independently of others

Why is there a UDP?

- no connection establishment (which can add RTT delay)
- simple: no connection state at sender, receiver
- small header size
- no congestion control
  - UDP can blast away as fast as desired!
  - can function in the face of congestion

UDP: User Datagram Protocol

- UDP use:
  - streaming multimedia apps (loss tolerant, rate sensitive)
  - DNS
  - SNMP
  - HTTP/3
- if reliable transfer needed over UDP (e.g., HTTP/3):
  - add needed reliability at application layer
  - add congestion control at application layer

UDP: User Datagram Protocol [RFC 768]

INTERNET STANDARD

RFC 768

J. Postel
ISI
28 August 1980

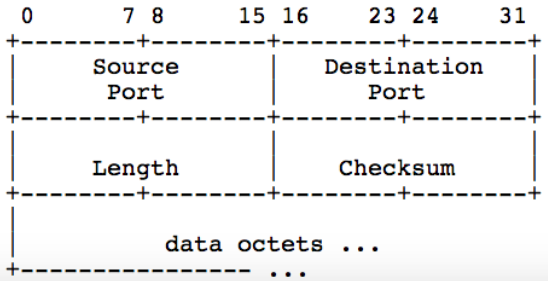
User Datagram Protocol

Introduction

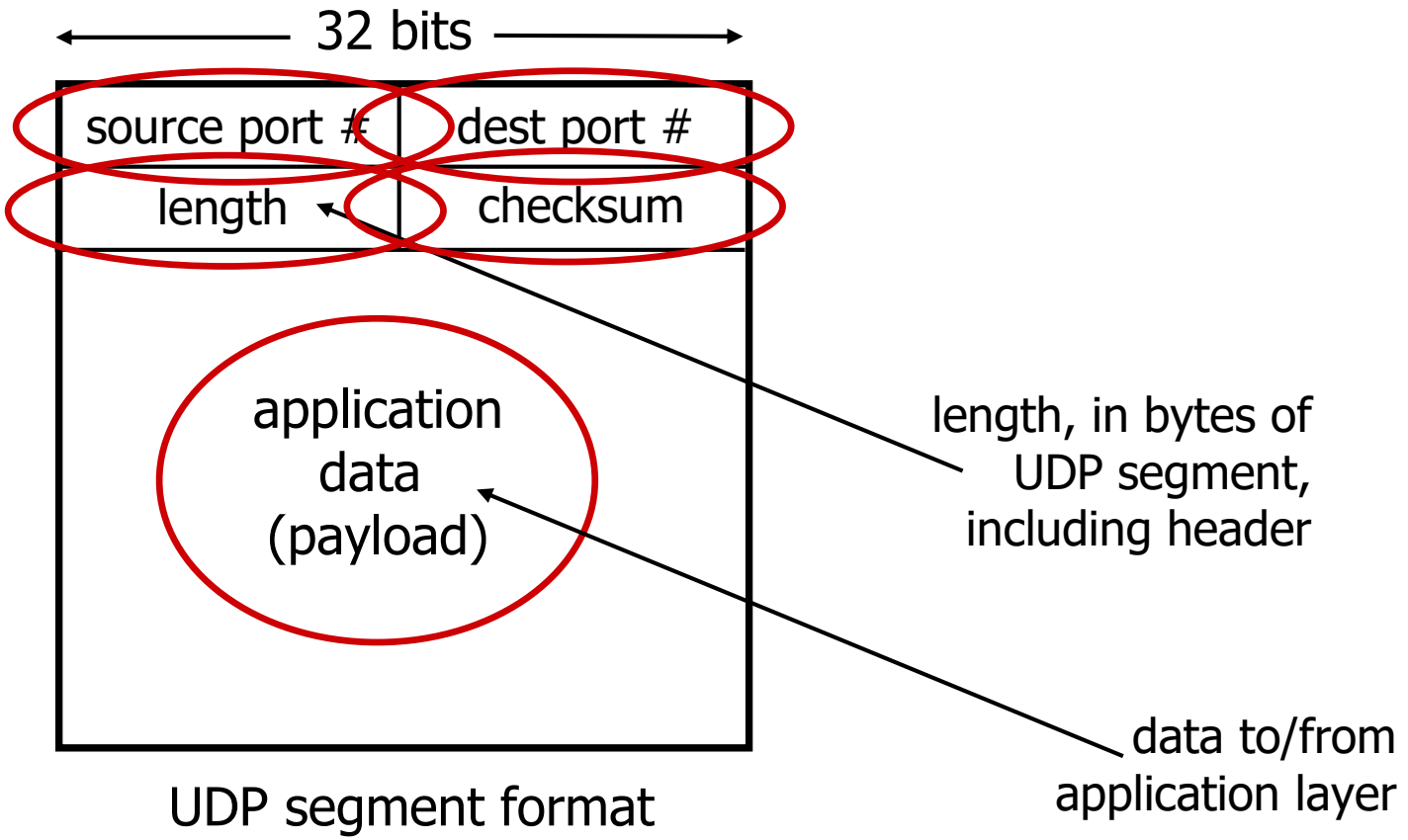
This User Datagram Protocol (UDP) is defined to make available a datagram mode of packet-switched computer communication in the environment of an interconnected set of computer networks. This protocol assumes that the Internet Protocol (IP) [1] is used as the underlying protocol.

This protocol provides a procedure for application programs to send messages to other programs with a minimum of protocol mechanism. The protocol is transaction oriented, and delivery and duplicate protection are not guaranteed. Applications requiring ordered reliable delivery of streams of data should use the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) [2].

Format

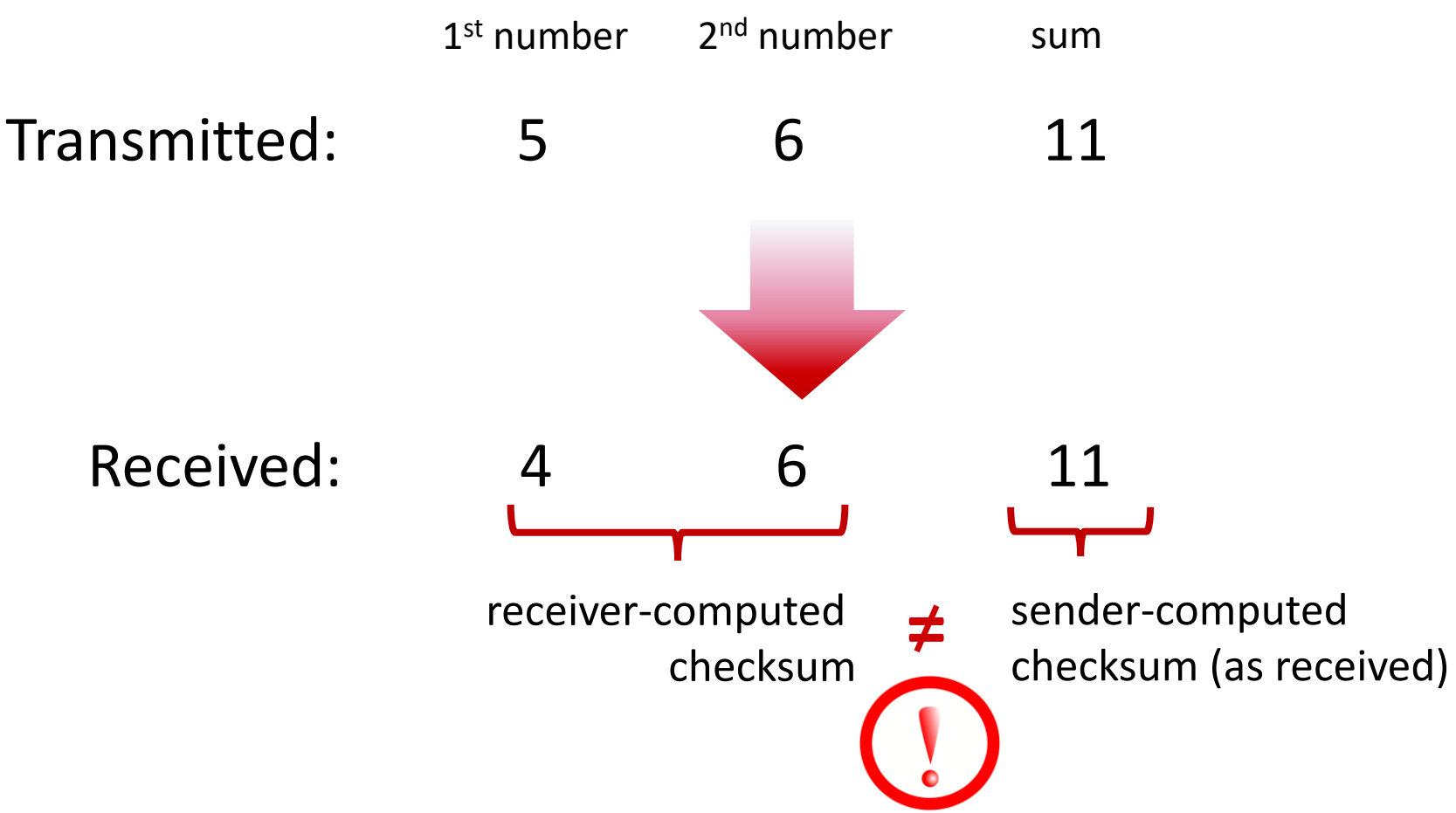


UDP segment header



UDP checksum

Goal: detect errors (*i.e.,* flipped bits) in transmitted segment



Internet checksum: an example

example: add two 16-bit integers

Note: when adding numbers, a carryout from the most significant bit needs to be added to the result

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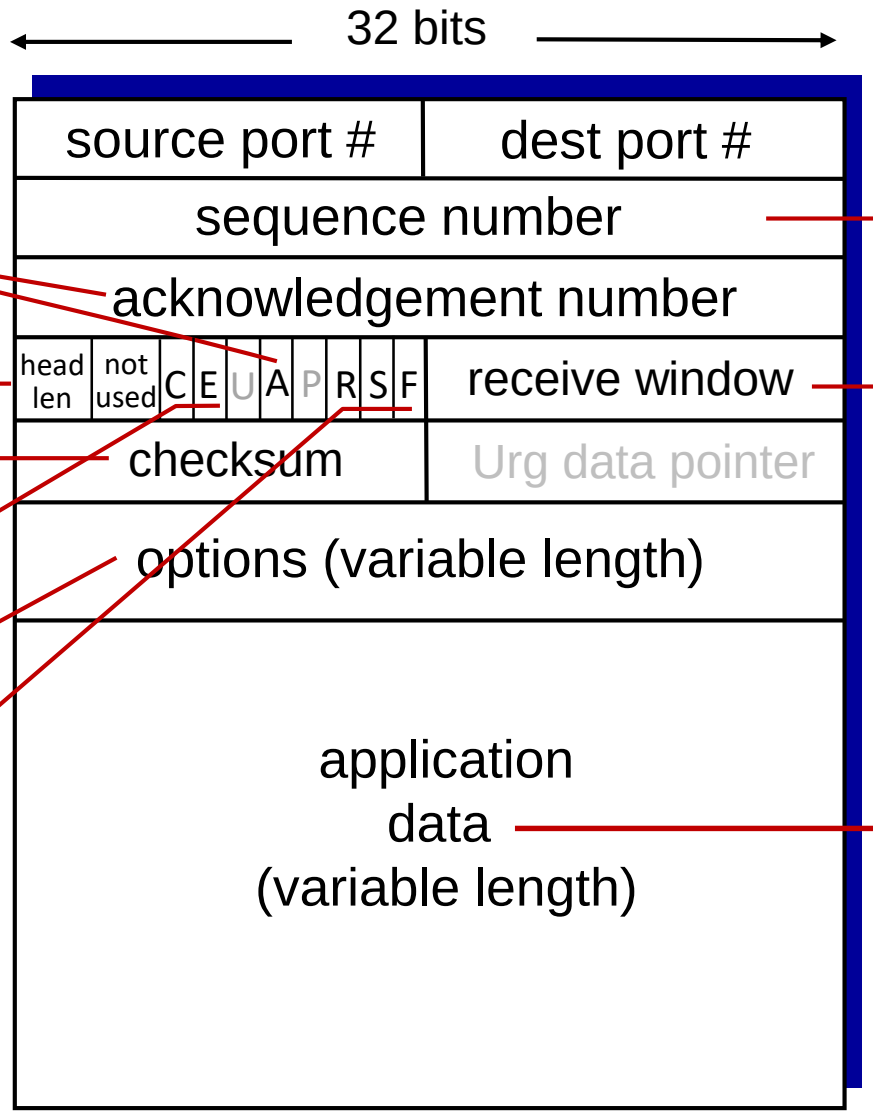
TCP: overview RFCs: 793,1122, 2018, 5681, 7323

- point-to-point:
  - one sender, one receiver
- reliable
- full duplex data:
  - bi-directional data flow in same connection
  - MSS: maximum segment size
- cumulative ACKs
- pipelining:
  - TCP congestion and flow control set window size
- connection-oriented:
  - handshaking (exchange of control messages) initializes sender, receiver state before data exchange
- flow controlled:
  - sender will not overwhelm receiver

TCP segment structure



ACK: seq # of next expected byte; A bit: this is an ACK

length (of TCP header)

Internet checksum

C, E: congestion notification

TCP options

RST, SYN, FIN: connection management

segment seq #: counting bytes of data into bytestream (not segments!)

flow control: # bytes receiver willing to accept

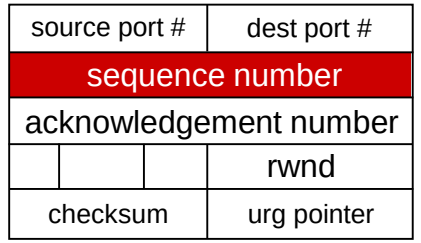
data sent by application into TCP socket

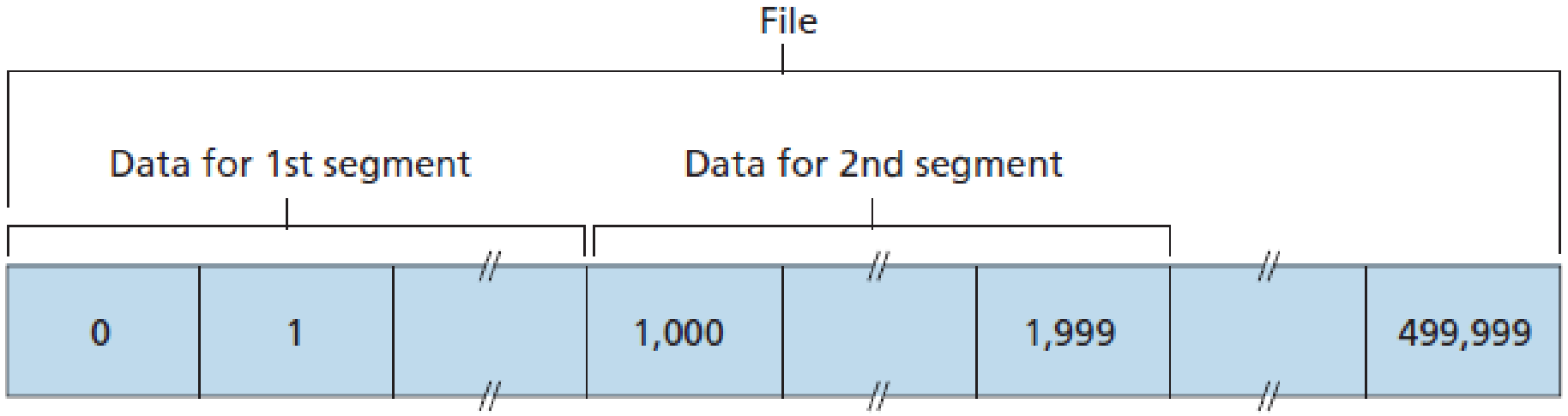
TCP sequence numbers

Sequence numbers:

- byte stream "number" of first byte in segment's data

outgoing segment from sender





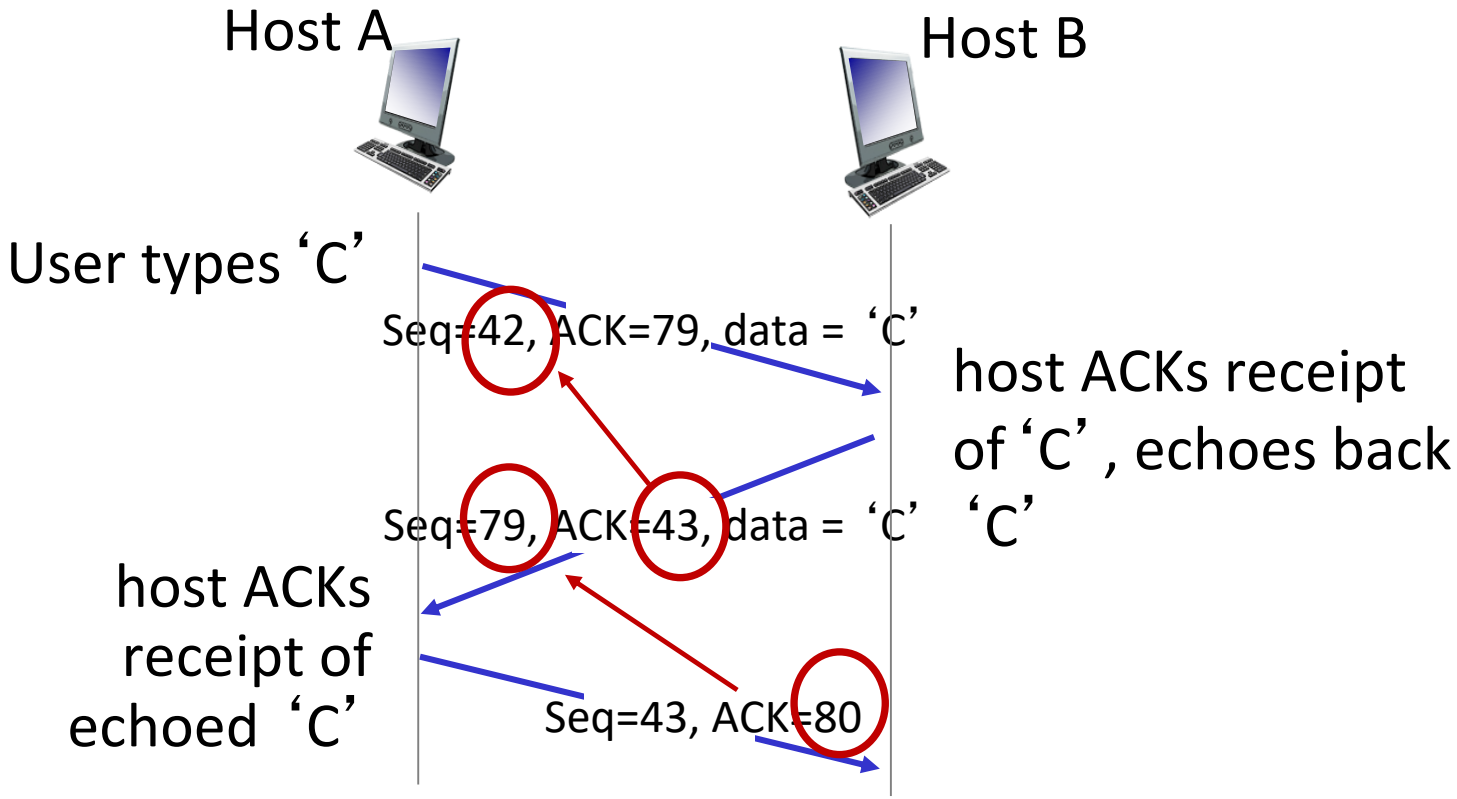
TCP ACKs

Acknowledgements:

- seq # of next byte expected from other side
- cumulative ACK

outgoing segment from receiver

source port #	dest port #
sequence number	
acknowledgement number	
	rwnd
checksum	urg pointer



TCP round trip time, timeout

EstimatedRTT = (1- α)*EstimatedRTT + α*SampleRTT

- exponential weighted moving average (EWMA)
- influence of past sample decreases exponentially fast
- typical value: $\alpha = 0.125$

$$DevRTT = (1 - \beta) \cdot DevRTT + \beta \cdot | SampleRTT - EstimatedRTT |$$

TCP round trip time, timeout

- timeout interval: **`EstimatedRTT`** plus "safety margin"
  - large variation in **`EstimatedRTT`**: want a larger safety margin

```
TimeoutInterval = EstimatedRTT + 4*DevRTT
```

estimated RTT

"safety margin"

TCP Sender (simplified)

event: data received from application

- create segment with seq #
- seq # is byte-stream number of first data byte in segment
- start timer if not already running
  - think of timer as for oldest unACKed segment
  - expiration interval: **`TimeOutInterval`**

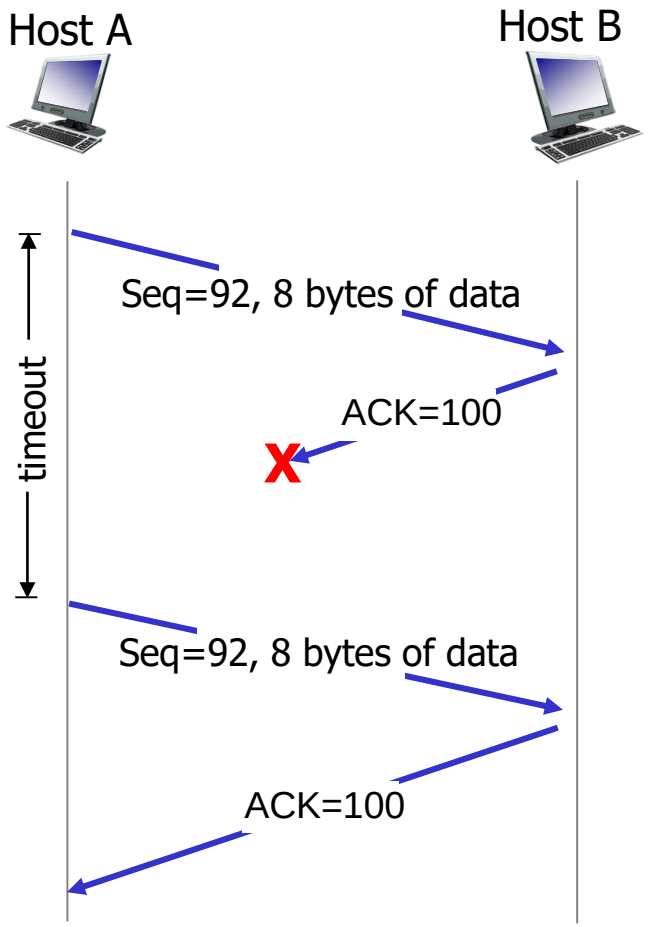
event: timeout

- retransmit segment that caused timeout
- restart timer

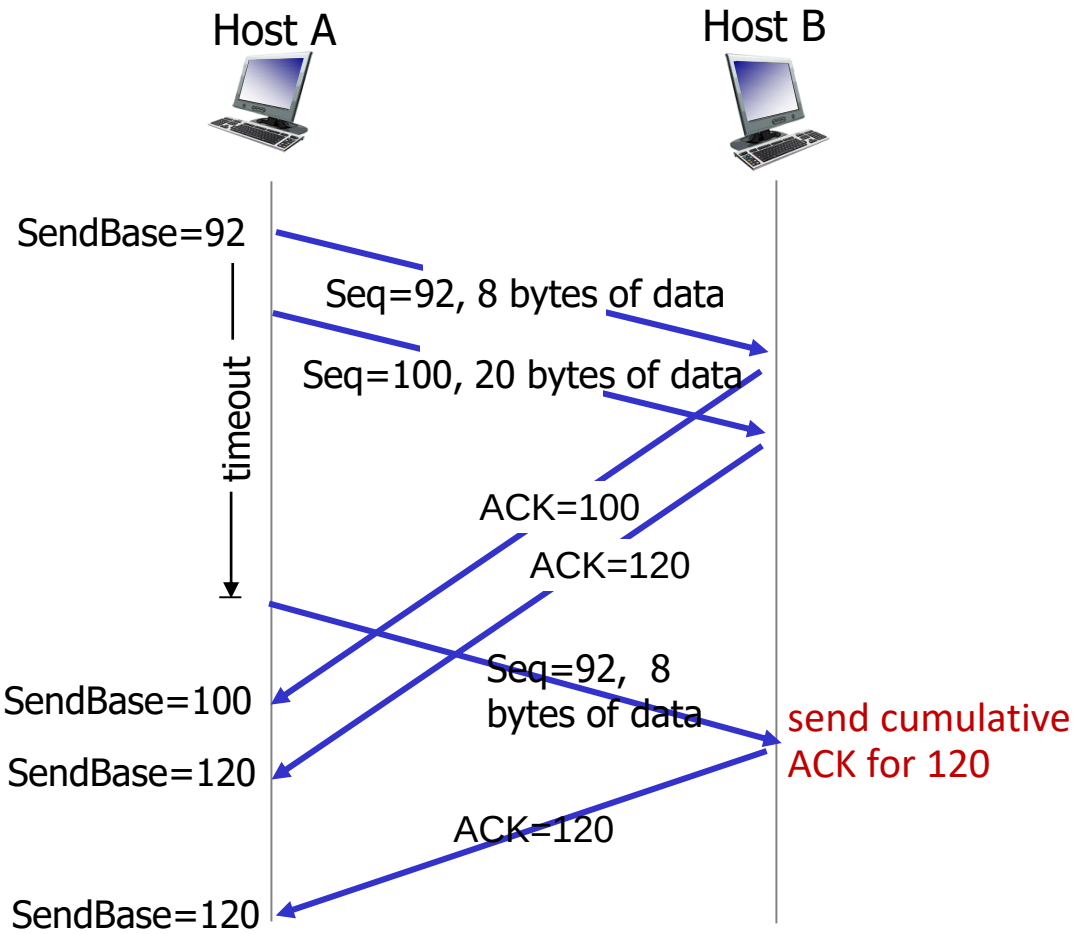
event: ACK received

- if ACK acknowledges previously unACKed segments
  - update what is known to be ACKed
  - start timer if there are still unACKed segments

TCP: retransmission scenarios



lost ACK scenario



premature timeout

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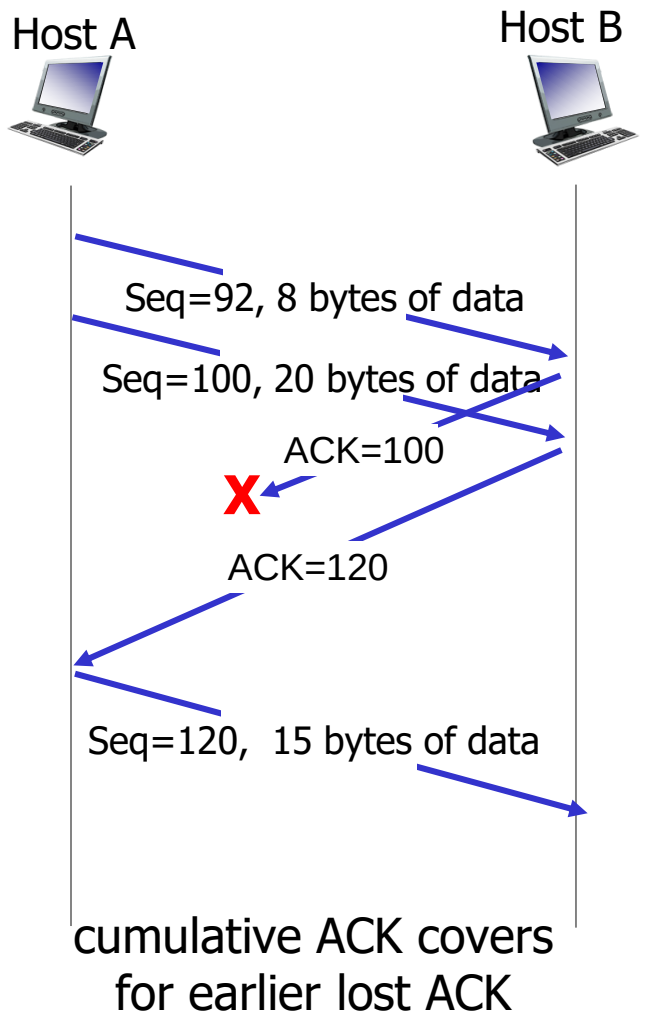


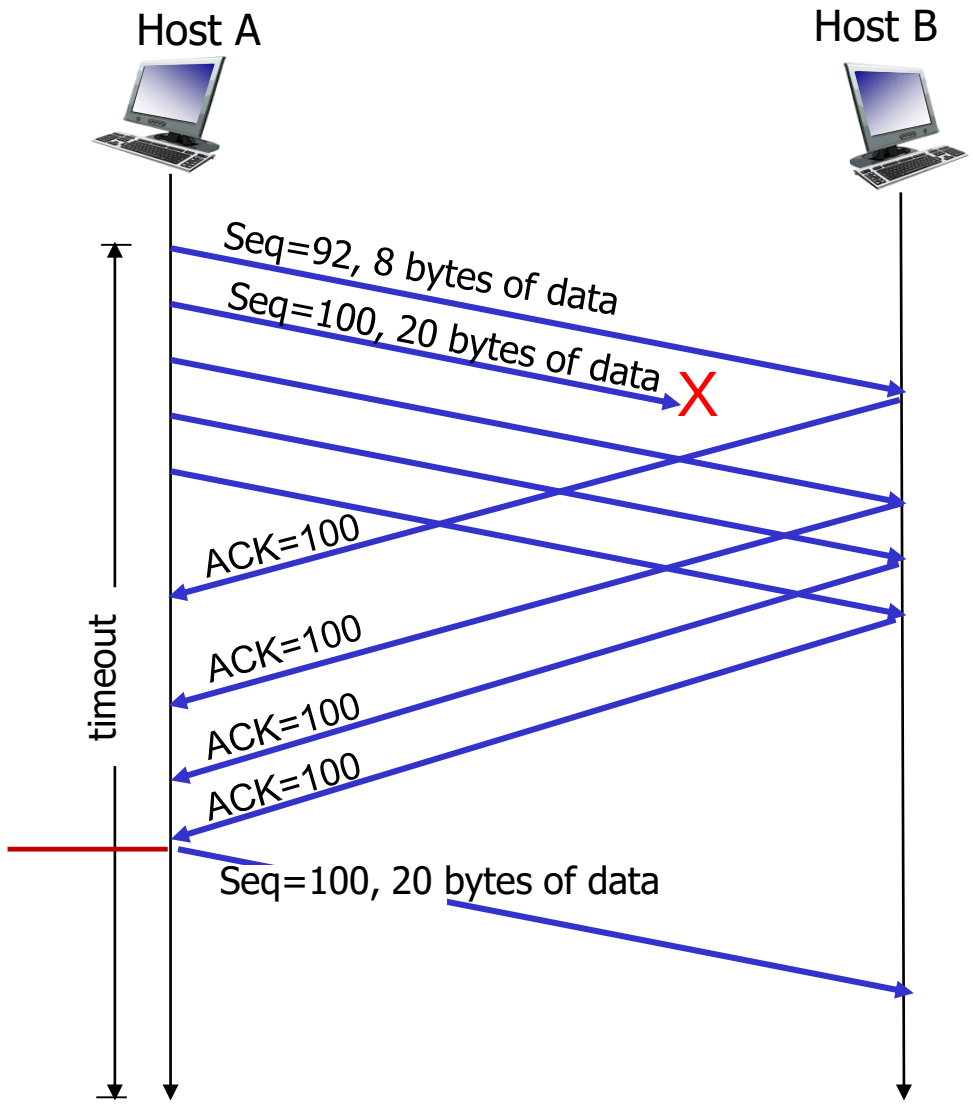
TCP fast retransmit

TCP fast retransmit

if sender receives 3 additional ACKs for same data ("triple duplicate ACKs"), resend unACKed segment with smallest seq #

- likely that unACKed segment lost, so don't wait for timeout

Receipt of three duplicate ACKs indicates 3 segments received after a missing segment – lost segment is likely. So retransmit!

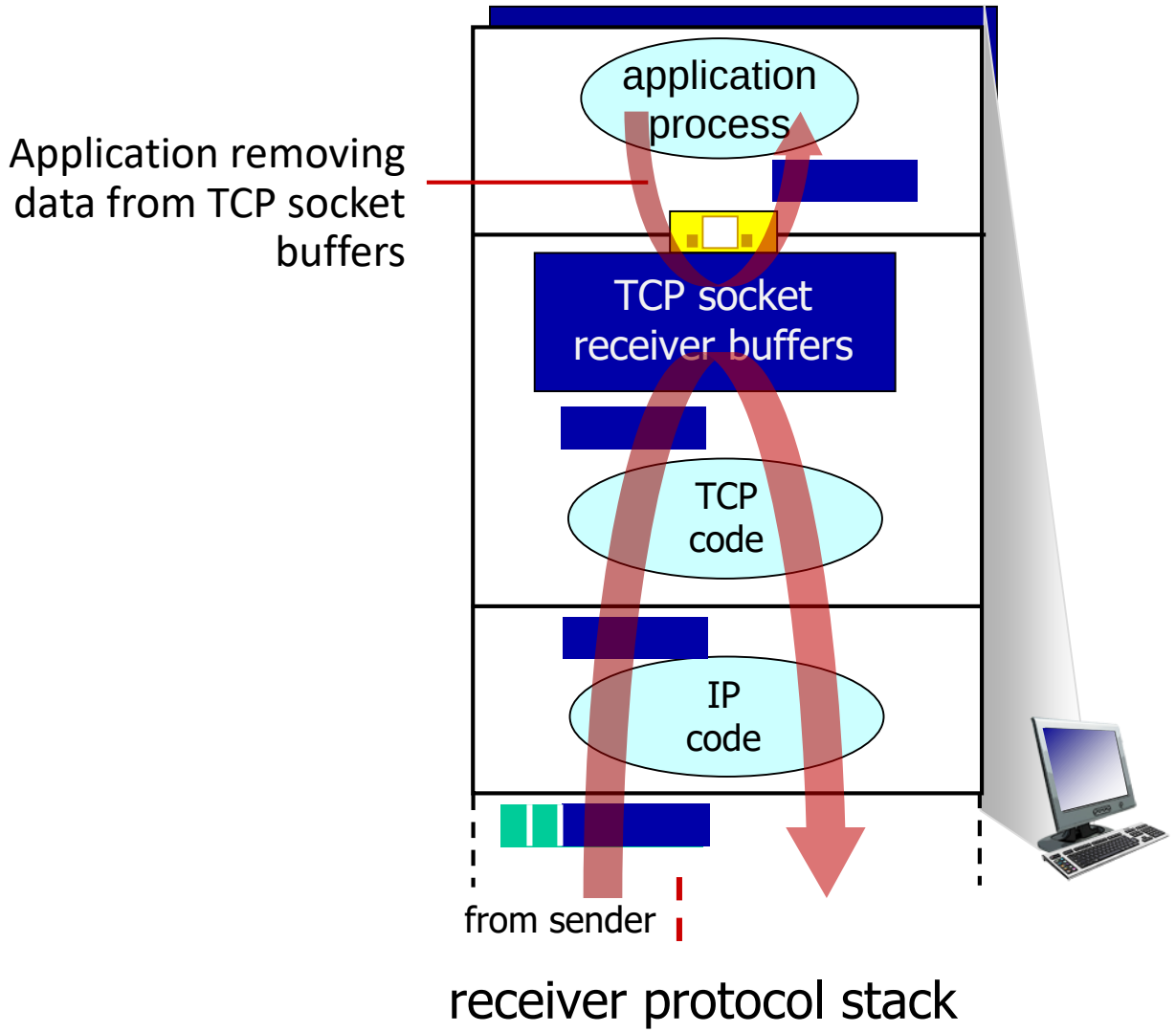


TCP flow control

Q: What happens if network layer delivers data faster than application layer removes data from socket buffers?

flow control

receiver controls sender, so sender won't overflow receiver's buffer by transmitting too much, too fast

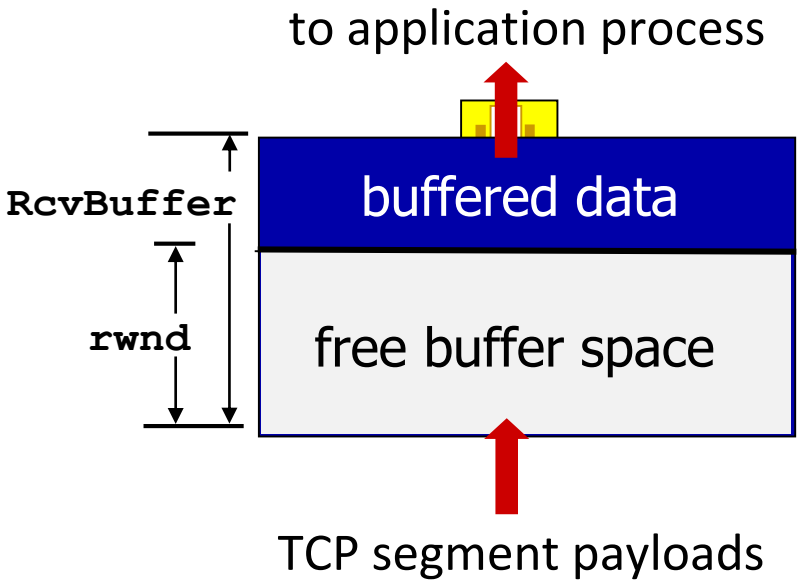


TCP flow control

$$\texttt{LastByteRcvd} - \texttt{LastByteRead} \leq \texttt{RcvBuffer}$$

$$\texttt{rwnd} = \texttt{RcvBuffer} - [\texttt{LastByteRcvd} - \texttt{LastByteRead}]$$

$$\texttt{LastByteSent} - \texttt{LastByteAcked} \leq \texttt{rwnd}$$



TCP receiver-side buffering

TCP connection management: TCP 3-way handshake

Client state

```
clientSocket = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM)
```

LISTEN

```
clientSocket.connect((serverName,serverPort))
```

choose init seq num, x
send TCP SYN msg

SYNSENT

SYNbit=1, Seq=x

choose init seq num, y
send TCP SYNACK
msg, acking SYN

SYNbit=1, Seq=y
ACKbit=1; ACKnum=x+1

received SYNACK(x)
indicates server is live;
send ACK for SYNACK;
this segment may contain
client-to-server data

ESTAB

ACKbit=1, ACKnum=y+1

received ACK(y)
indicates client is live

Server state

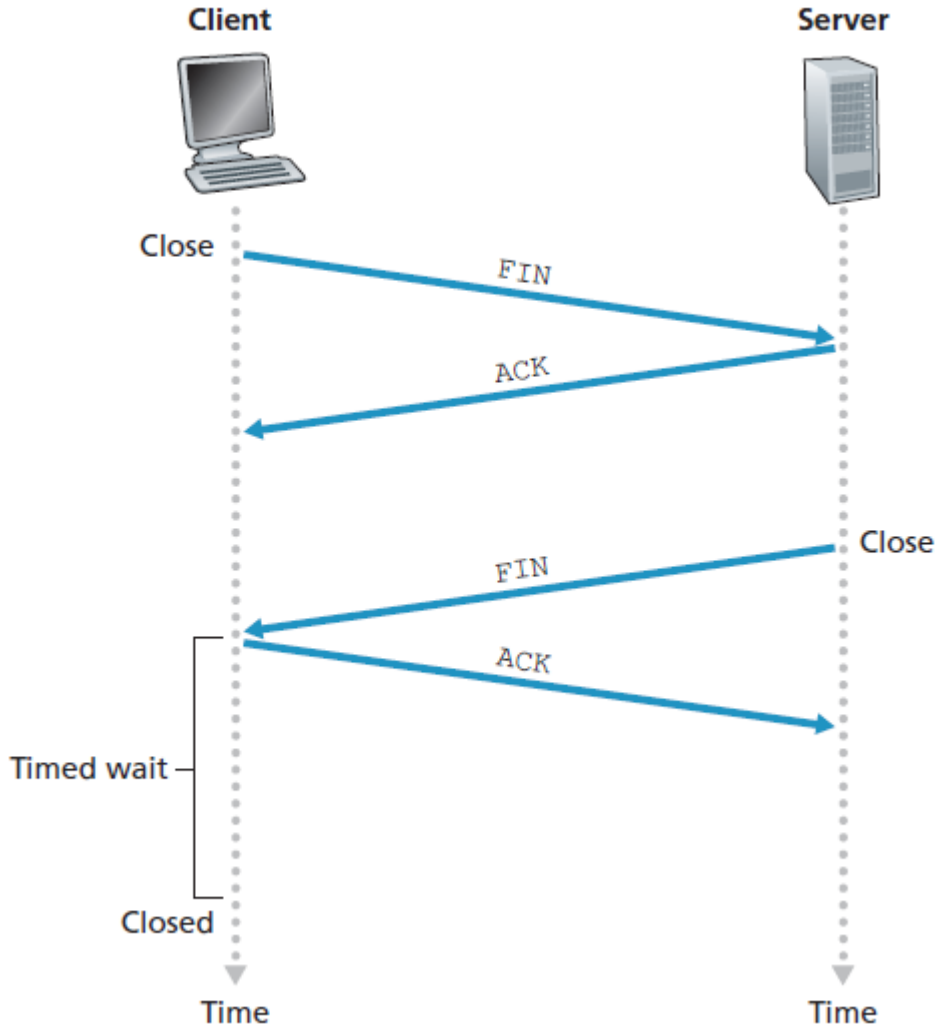
```
serverSocket = socket(AF_INET,SOCK_STREAM)
serverSocket.bind(('',serverPort))
serverSocket.listen(1)
connectionSocket, addr = serverSocket.accept()
```

LISTEN

SYN RCVD

ESTAB

Closing a TCP connection



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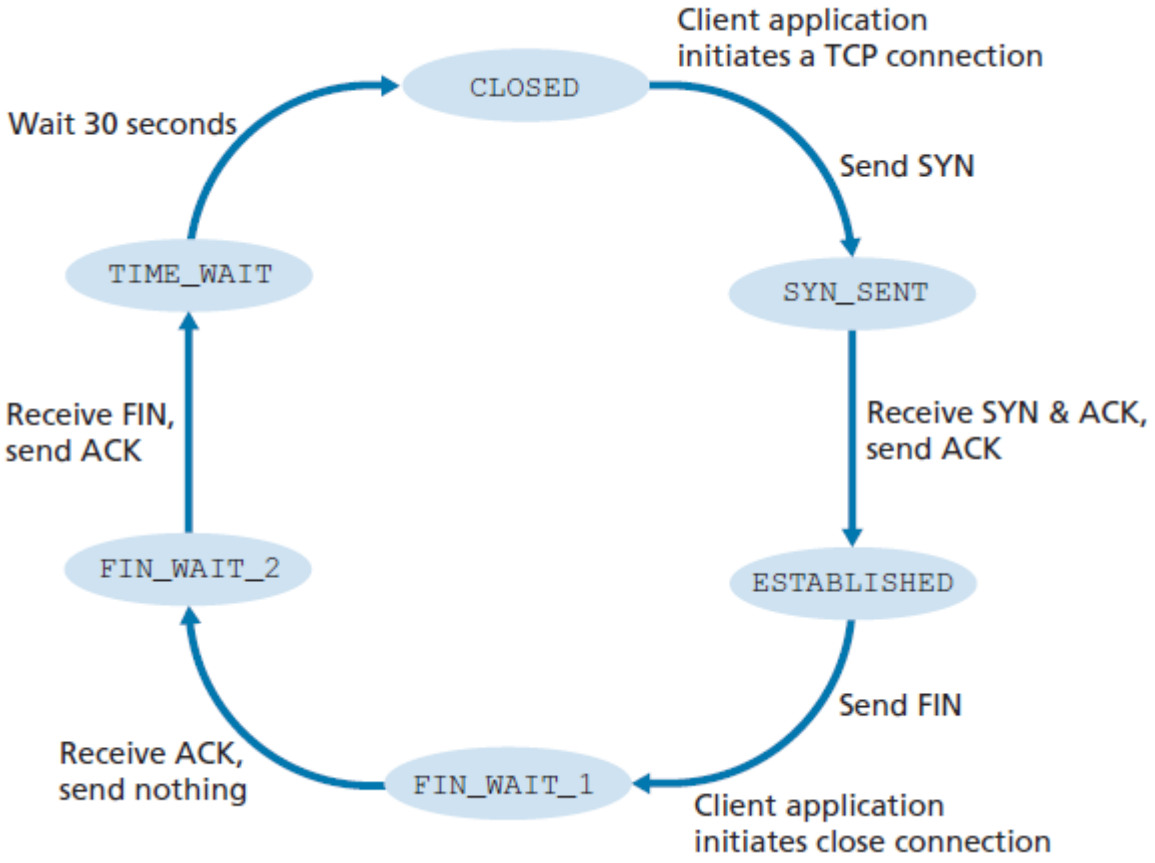

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