## CEC 16<sup>th</sup> - Past Year Paper Solution *2015-2016 Sem2* CE3005 – Computer Networks

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1.

a) The failure probability of the network from S to D is:

$$0.01 \times 0.001 \times 0.01 = 0.0000001$$

Therefore, the reliability of the network is: 1 - 0.0000001 = 0.9999999 = 99.99999% (7 9's), which satisfies the requirement.

Minimum downtime per year is:  $0.0000001 \times 365 \times 86400 = 3.1536$  (s)

b) i) Denote dispatched packet rates in 3 paths as rA, rB, rC, so rA + rB + rC = 100 kbps /  $(8 \times 125)$  bits = 100 packets/s

With similar calculation, the service rate of path A, B, C are 100, 150, 120 packets/s respectively.

To have the same average packet delays in each path, we have (after simplified):

$$rA/100 = rB/150 = rC/120$$

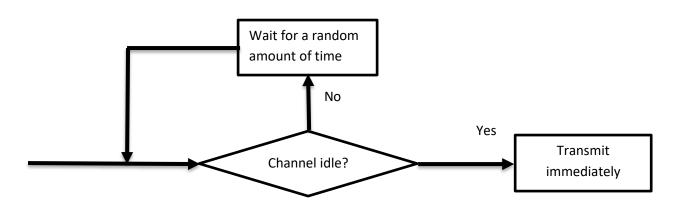
Solving this gives us: rA = 27, rB = 41, rC = 32 (after rounding)

- ii) The dispatched rate can never exceed the service rate, which means user can only request playback rate up to: 100 + 150 + 120 = 370 (kbps)
- c) The mapping between 7-layer OSI and 3-layer is as follow:

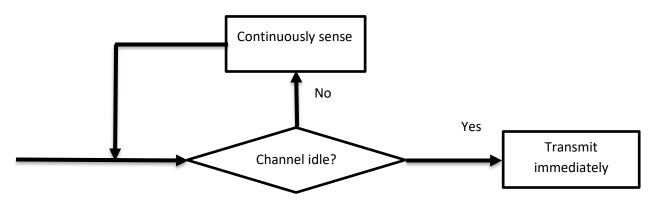
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Presentation	
Session	Network Protocol
Transport	
Network	
Data Link	Network Infrastructure
Physical	

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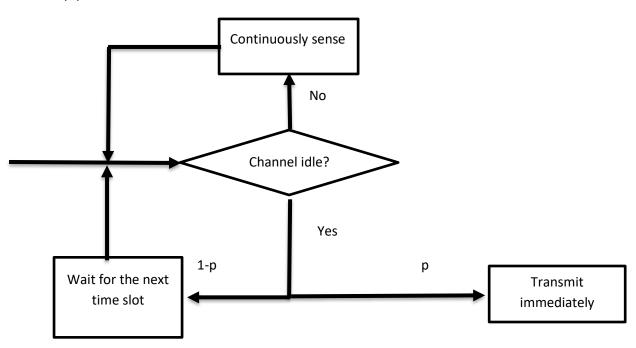
a) i) CSMA non-persistent:



## CSMA 1-persistent:



## CSMA p-persistent:



ii) non-persistent: reduce collision but might result in longer idle time, longer initial delay

1-persistent: higher chance of collision but reduce idle time

p-persistent: balance between the above 2 flavors

b) i) Denote xyz as the time slots that stations choose. E.g. 111 means all station choose slot 1

There's 8 possible scenarios with equal probability: 111, 112, 121, 122, 211, 212, 221, 222

Out of this 8 possible outcomes, only 6 of them (except 111 and 222) result in 1 station successfully transmit, the other 2 stations has to go to next retransmission window. Note that this station only use 1 slot =  $\frac{1}{2}$  the window. Therefore, the channel's normalized throughput is  $\frac{6}{8} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{8}$ 

For each station, only 2 out of 8 possible outcomes results in its successful transmission. So each station's normalized throughput is  $2/8 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ 

We can verify that sum of 3 individual's throughput is channel's throughput

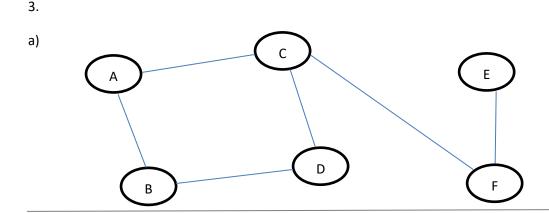
ii) We can set station A with p = 1, station B with p = 0 and station C with p = 0.

The channel's throughput will be 1/2 as 1 slot is used surely. Station A ½ window surely, which means its individual throughput is 1/2. Station B and C's throughput is 0 since they doesn't use any slot.

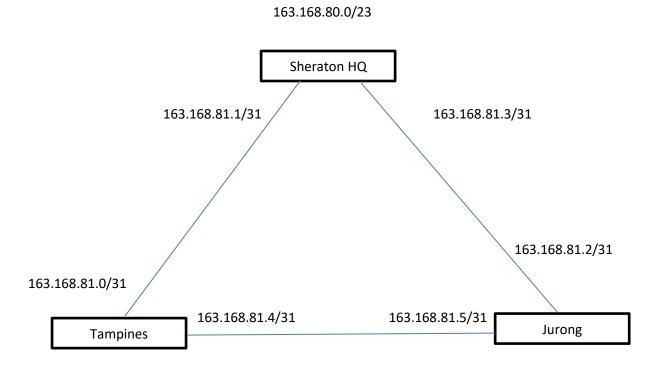
iii) We can see that the above scheme does increase the throughput but is not equally distributed between 3 stations. The objective now is high throughput and equal distribution. So we set transmission probability of each station to 1.

Denote n as number of slots in the window. For each station, it transmits successfully when 2 other stations choose 1 of n-1 other slots, so the probability is  $\frac{(n-1)^2}{n^2}$ . The individual throughput is  $\frac{(n-1)^2}{n^3}$ . We can check that this equation is maximized when n = 3.

Each station's throughput is then 4/27 and the channel's throughput is 4/9



b) 480, 178 and 78 computers would need 9, 8 and 7 bits respectively. So, we arrange IP address as follow:



Note that in real life, a company wouldn't allocate that much of public IPs to their computers for cost and security reason. Most of their computers will get private (local) IP and will be behind 1 or more routers.

c)

Vendor A: number of fragments on each frame is (3020 - 20)/(1020 - 20) = 3

The packet loss rate is 
$$1 - (1 - 0.01)^3 = 0.0297$$

Vendor B: number of fragments on each frame is (3020 - 20)/(520 - 20) = 6

The packet loss rate is 
$$1 - (1 - 0.002)^6 = 0.0119$$

So we choose vendor B with lower packet loss rate.

163.168.82.0/24

4.

a) Option 1: time to transmit 24 segments is:  $(1000 \times 8 \times 24)/1e9 = 0.000192$ , much smaller than RTT

163.168.83.0/25

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Therefore, the throughput is  $24/(2 \times 0.1) = 120$  (segments per second)

Option 2: time to transmit 12 segments is:  $(1000 \times 8 \times 12)/1e10 = 0.0000192$ , much smaller than RTT

Therefore, the throughput is  $12/(2 \times 0.1) = 60$  (segments per second)

We can see that option 1 give a higher throughput. In fact, TCP throughput depends mostly on RTT and maximum segments sent without ACK, given that transmission bandwidth is already fast enough, which is mostly the case.

- b) 3 missing AN from B is 100, 100 and 180
- c) Notice that our computer and <a href="www.ntu.edu.sg">www.ntu.edu.sg</a> are not in the same subnet. The same thing holds for the pair of our computer and our configured DNS server. So the table should be as follow:

Destination's MAC	Source's MAC	Destination's IP	Source's IP	Comment
FF-FF-FF-FF	9C-8E-99-3E-EF-68	155.69.143.254	155.69.142.177	ARP broadcast to
				find MAC of default
				gateway
9C-8E-99-3E-EF-68	00-80-45-32-FA-B5	155.69.142.177	155.69.143.254	ARP reply from
				default gateway, so
				ARP cache now has
				default gateway's
				MAC address
00-80-45-32-FA-B5	9C-8E-99-3E-EF-68	155.69.146.254	155.69.142.177	Send DNS request
				to DNS server, but
				it is not in the same
				subnet, so send to
				default gateway's
				MAC
9C-8E-99-3E-EF-68	00-80-45-32-FA-B5	155.69.142.177	155.69.146.254	DNS reply
00-80-45-32-FA-B5	9C-8E-99-3E-EF-68	155.69.7.173	155.69.142.177	Send ping request
				to www.ntu.edu.sg.
				Again, the request
				is forward to
				default gateway
9C-8E-99-3E-EF-68	00-80-45-32-FA-B5	155.69.142.177	155.69.7.173	Ping response