
COMP90007 Internet Technologies

Week 5 Workshop

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Question 1

What is the minimum overhead in bytes to send an IP packet using PPP?

Question 2

Consider the delay of pure ALOHA versus slotted ALOHA at low load. Which one is less? Explain your answer.

Question 3

The wireless LANs that we studied used protocols such as MACA instead of using CSMA/CD. Under what conditions, if any, would it be possible to use CSMA/CD instead?

Question 4

Eight stations, numbered 1 through 8, are contending for the use of a shared channel by using the **adaptive tree walk** protocol. If all the stations whose addresses are *prime numbers* suddenly became ready at once, how many bit slots are needed to resolve the contention?

Question 5

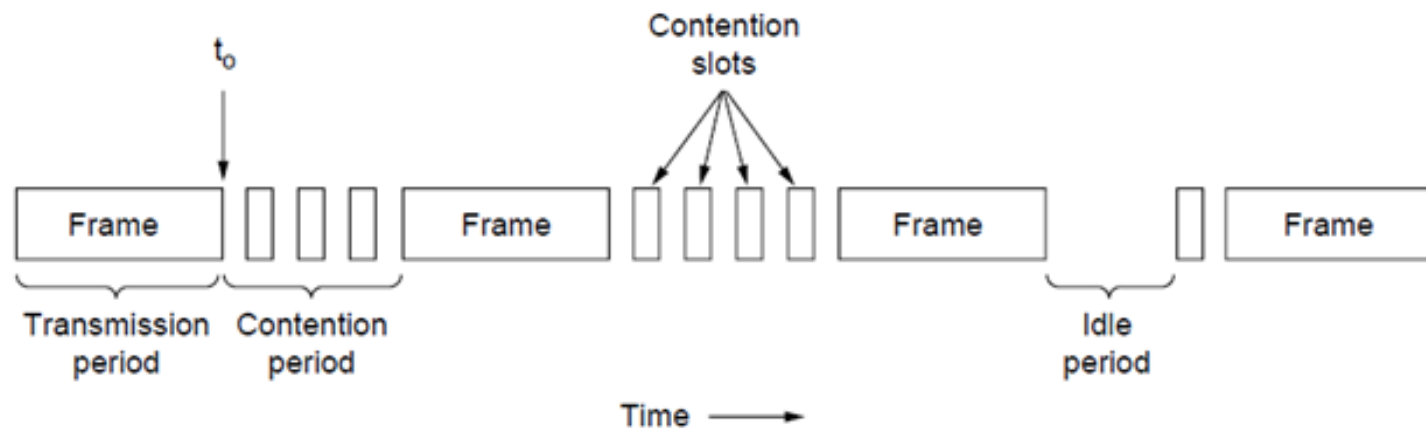
Six stations, A through F, communicate using the MACA protocol. Is it possible that two transmissions take place simultaneously? Explain your answer.

Question 6

Give two reasons why networks might use an error-correcting code instead of error detection and retransmission.

Question 7

Consider the CSMA/CD model shown below for collision free protocols. Now consider the **Binary Countdown protocol** involving stations 0 to N-1 with each station represented by equal length binary digits. Stations with data ready to send broadcast their addresses during a contention period simultaneously. An arbitration rule is applied so that only one station wins the right to send the frame after the contention period.



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- a) Now consider the situation when N is 16. What is the length of the contention period in bits?
- a) Briefly explain the arbitration rule used in the Binary Countdown protocol.
- a) Suppose at time t_0 , stations 3 (0010), 5 (0100), 11 (1010) and 12 (1011) became ready to transmit. Which station will win the right to transmit after the contention period?
- a) If d is size of the frame and there are N stations, what is the channel efficiency of the method?
- b) What is the main advantage of Binary Countdown protocol over Bit-Map protocol?
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