COMP90007 Internet Technologies Week 4 Tutorial

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The following character encoding is used in a data link protocol:

A: 01000111 B: 11100011

FLAG: 01111110 ESC: 11100000

Show the bit sequence transmitted (in binary) for the four-character frame payload *A B ESC FLAG*, when each of the following framing methods are used:

- (a) Character count
- (b) Flag bytes with byte stuffing
- (c) Starting and ending flag bytes, with bit stuffing

The following data fragment occurs in the middle of a data stream for which the byte-stuffing algorithm as described in the lecture is used:

A B ESC C ESC FLAG FLAG D.

What is the output after stuffing?

One of your classmates, Lancelot, has pointed out that it is wasteful to end each frame with a flag byte and then begin the next one with a second flag byte. One flag byte could do the job as well, and a byte saved is a byte earned. Do you agree?

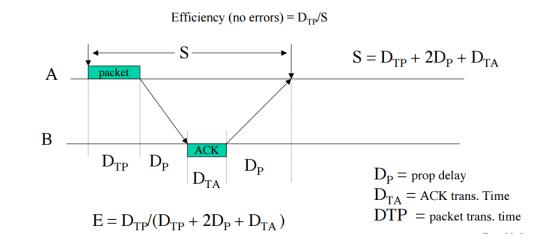
A bit string, 0111101111101111110, needs to be transmitted at the data link layer.

What is the actual string transmitted across the physical transmission medium, assuming bit stuffing is used?

Suppose that a message 1001 1100 1010 0011 is transmitted using Internet Checksum (4-bit word). What is the value of the checksum?

Data link protocols almost always put the CRC in a trailer rather than in a header. Why?

A channel has a bit rate of 4 kbps and a propagation delay of 20 ms. For what range of frame sizes does stop-and-wait give an efficiency of at least 50 percent?



A 100 km long cable runs at the T1 data rate (i.e. 1.544 Mbps).

The propagation speed in the cable is 2/3 the speed of light in a vacuum. How many bits fit in the cable?