CMSC498: Wireless Networks

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1 Lecture 1: Introduction

Office hours will be after class on Tuesdays [Subject to change]. There will be a project, based on a 'ns3', a network simulator.

OSI Class Outline

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1. Application	• Basics of Wireless (PHY)	
	\bullet LANs ϵ MACs	
2. TCP	• Mobile IP	
3. IP	• Adhoc Networks	
4. Link Layer	• Mobile TCP	
	• Cellular Networks	
Other	• Advanced Topics	
(a) MAC	- Quality of Service	
	- Shared Spectrum Technologies	
5. Physical	- Dynamic Spectrum Access	

2 Lecture 2

Explanation of worksheet from first class

Definition 2.1 (CSMA/CA) Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Avoidance. "Listen before talk"

Used by Wifi.

Definition 2.2 (CSMA/CD) Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Detection. Looks for corrupted data and resends

Used by Ethernet (MAC). Combined with back-off

When designing a protocol, ensure the probability of collision asymptotically decays w.r.t. 'rounds ' . For example, IP does this with exponential back-off

Types of delays

1. Medium Access Delay

(spin waiting for clear channel)

2. Transmission Delay

Putting bits on the wire (bit rate)

3. Queuing Delay

Waiting in routers' buffers (congestion)

4. Propagation Delay

PHY signal speed

3 Lecture 3