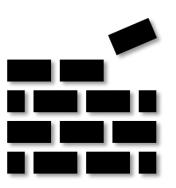


Data Link Layer





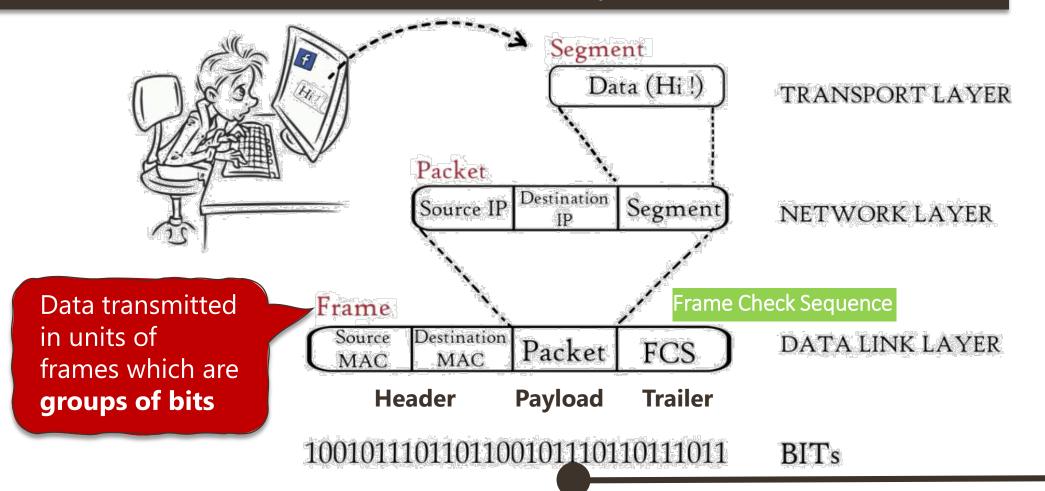


The data link layer provides the **building blocks for communication** across a
variety of physical media

Data Link Layer



The data link layer is concerned with local delivery of **frames** between nodes

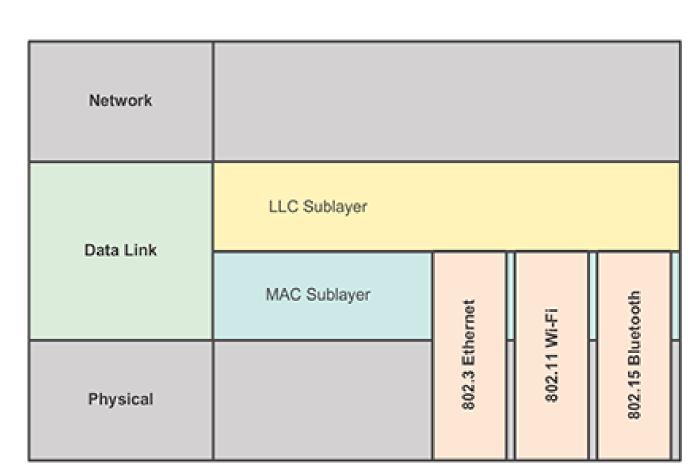


Implementation

- Primarily implemented in software
- May be embedded in physical devices such as switches and network adapters (firmware)

Data Link Layer Protocols

- Point-Point Protocol (PPP)
- High-Level Data Link Control (HDLC)
- IEEE 802.3 Ethernet LAN
- IEEE 802.11 (Wi Fi) LAN
- Two Sub Layers
 - 1. LLC (Logical Link Control)
 - 2. MAC (Media Access Control)



Data Link Layer: Services



LLC:

- Provide services to network layer protocols
- Flow Control
- Error Control

MAC:

- Framing: bits to frame (vice versa)
- Physical addressing (MAC addressing)
- Multiple access methods for channel-access control (CSMA/CD, CSMA/CA)
- LAN switching (packet switching), including MAC filtering,
 Spanning Tree Protocol (STP)
- Data packet queuing or scheduling
- Store-and-forward switching or cut-through switching
- Quality of Service (QoS) control
- Virtual LANs (VLAN)





Flow Control

- Stop-And-Wait Protocol
- Sliding Window Protocols
 - Go-Back-N ARQ
 - Selective-Reject ARQ



Automatic Repeat Request (ARQ)



 Ensure a sequence of information packets is delivered in order and without errors or duplications despite transmission errors & losses

- 1. Stop-and-Wait Protocol/ARQ
- 2. Sliding Windows Protocol
 - Go-Back N ARQ
 - Selective Reject ARQ

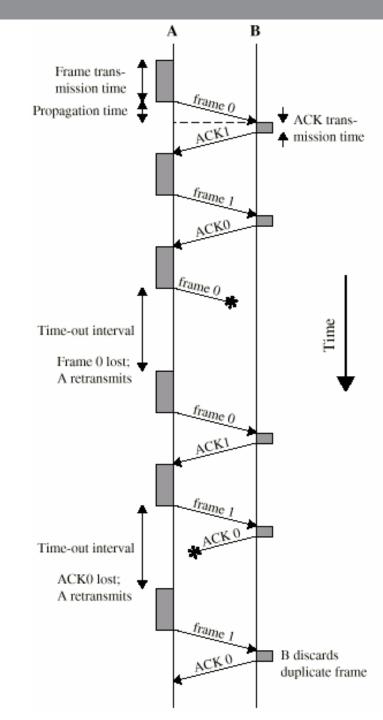
Basic elements

- ✓ Error-detecting code with high error coverage
- ✓ ACKs (positive ACKs)
- ✓ NAKs (negative ACKs)
- ✓ Timeout mechanism

Stop-and-Wait (SW) ARQ

- ✓ Simplest form of flow control
 - 1. Source transmits a frame
 - 2. Destination receives the frame and replies with ACK
 - 3. Source waits for ACK before sending next frame
 - 4. Destination can stop flow by not sending ACK
- Works well when a message is sent in a few large frames

However, source may break up a large block of data into smaller blocks (Fragmentation)

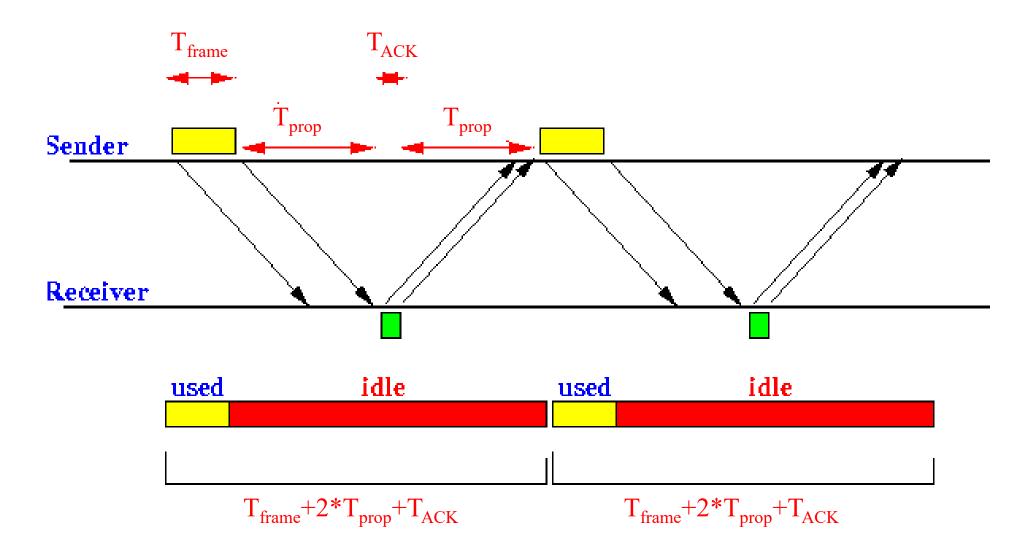


Fragmentation



- Large block of data may be split into small frames. Reasons:
 - ✓ Limited buffer size of the receiver
 - ✓ Errors detected sooner with smaller frames (the longer the transmission, the more likely there will be an error)
 - ✓ On error, retransmission of smaller frames is needed
 - Prevents one station occupying medium for long periods
- Stop-and-wait becomes inadequate with the use of multiple frames for a single message
 - > Only one frame at a time can be in transit







 T_{frame} = time to transmit a frame (time to send out all bits of the frame onto the line)

 T_{prop} = propagation time between A and B (either direction)

 T_{ack} = time to transmit an acknowledgement

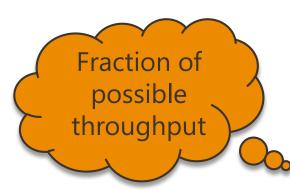
Time to transmit one frame T

$$T = T_{frame} + 2 \times T_{prop} + T_{ack} + T_{processing}$$

$$T = T_{frame} + 2 \times T_{prop} + T_{ack} = 0 \ (<< T_{frame}), \quad T_{processing} = 0 \ (negligible)$$

Total time to send n frames = nT





Throughput =
$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{T_{frame} + 2 \times T_{prop}}$$

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Normalised throughput, $S = \frac{1}{T_{frame}} + 2 \times T_{prop}$
 $\frac{1}{T_{frame}}$

Actual frame sending rate

Base frame sending rate

Therefore,
$$S = \frac{T_{frame}}{T_{frame} + 2T_{prop}}$$



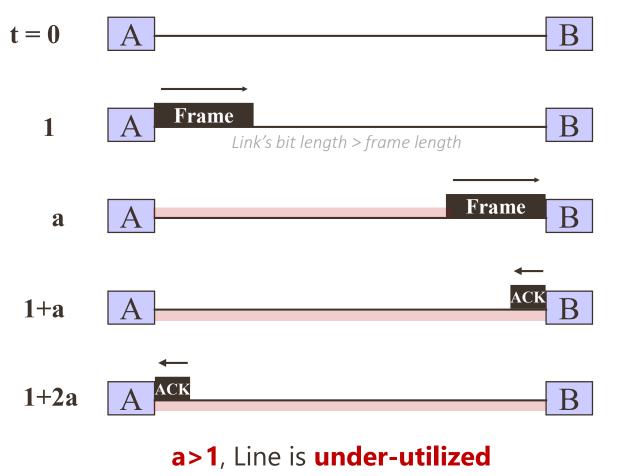
Let
$$a = \frac{T_{prop}}{T_{frame}}$$
 then, $S = \frac{1}{1 + 2a}$

Parameter a:

- Useful in comparing the performance of different link control schemes
- Provides insight into the factors affecting performance

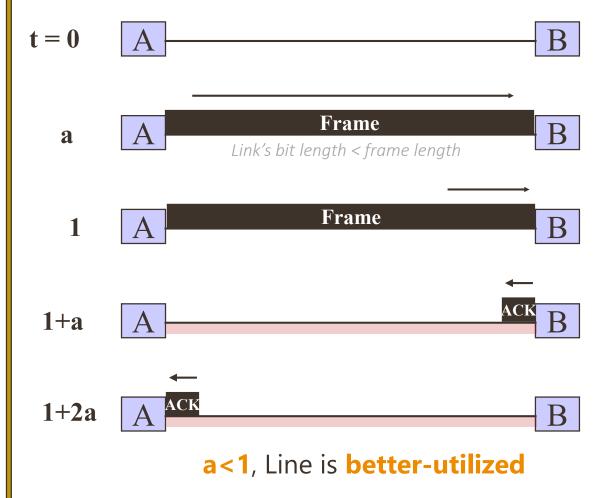
Stop-And-Wait

$$a > 1$$
, $(T_{prop} > T_{frame})$



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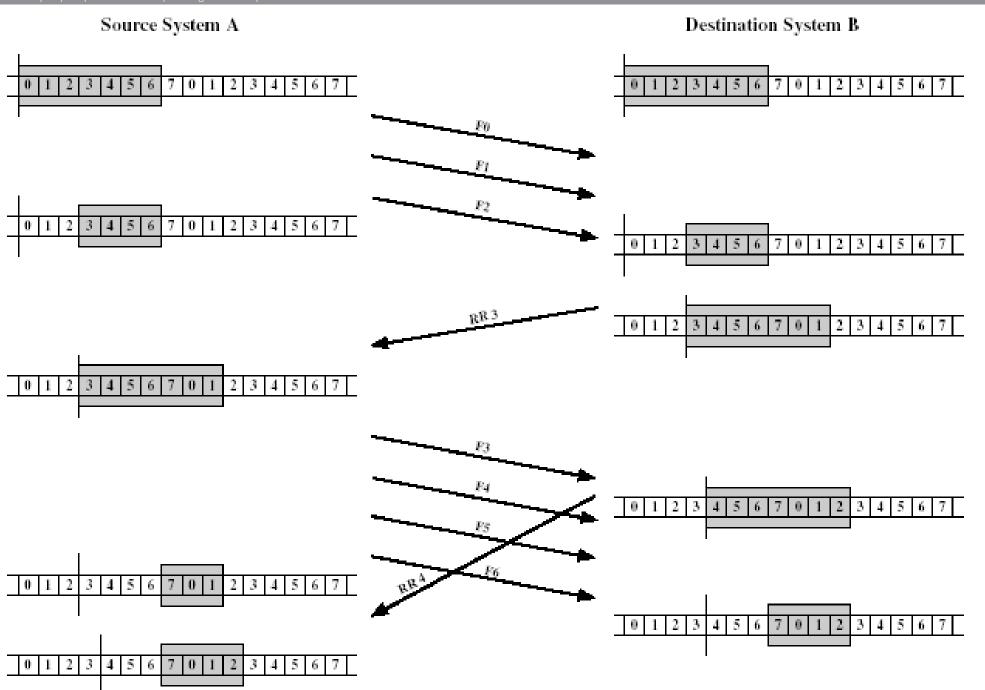




Sliding Window Protocols



- Stop-and-wait is **inefficient** if $T_{prop} > T_{frame}$
- Sliding Window:
 - Allowing multiple frames to propagate from A to B (efficient)
 - ✓ A is allowed to send n frames without waiting for ACKs
 - ✓ A has a buffer of size n
 - ✓ B also has a buffer of size n, and accepts n frames
 - Each frame is labeled with a number modulo some maximum
 - 1. Go Back N ARQ
 - 2. Selective Reject ARQ

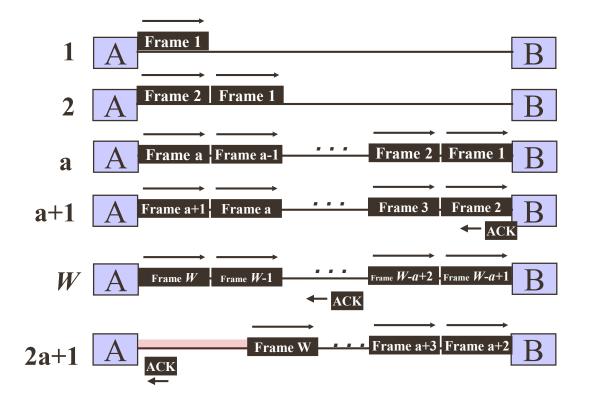




Sliding Window

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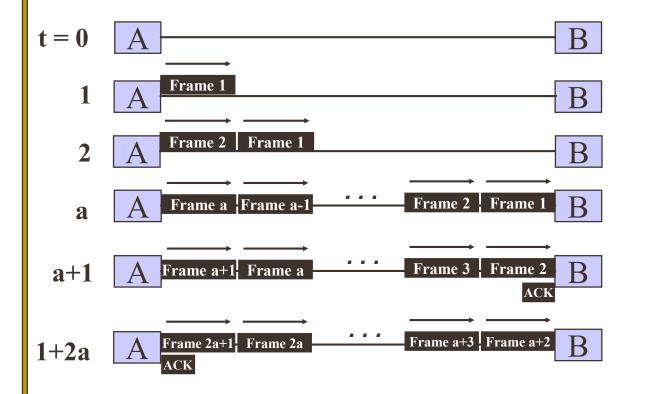
W < 2a + 1



W < 2a+1, Line is under-utilized

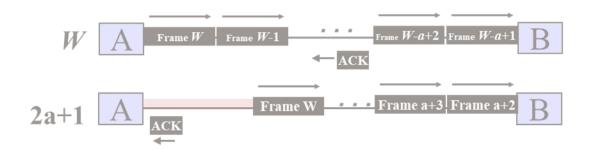


$W \ge 2a + 1$



W ≥ 2a+1, Line is fully-utilized



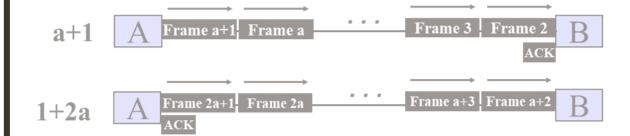


A exhausts its window at t = W and cannot send any more frames until t = 2a+1

Sliding Window Link-Utilization

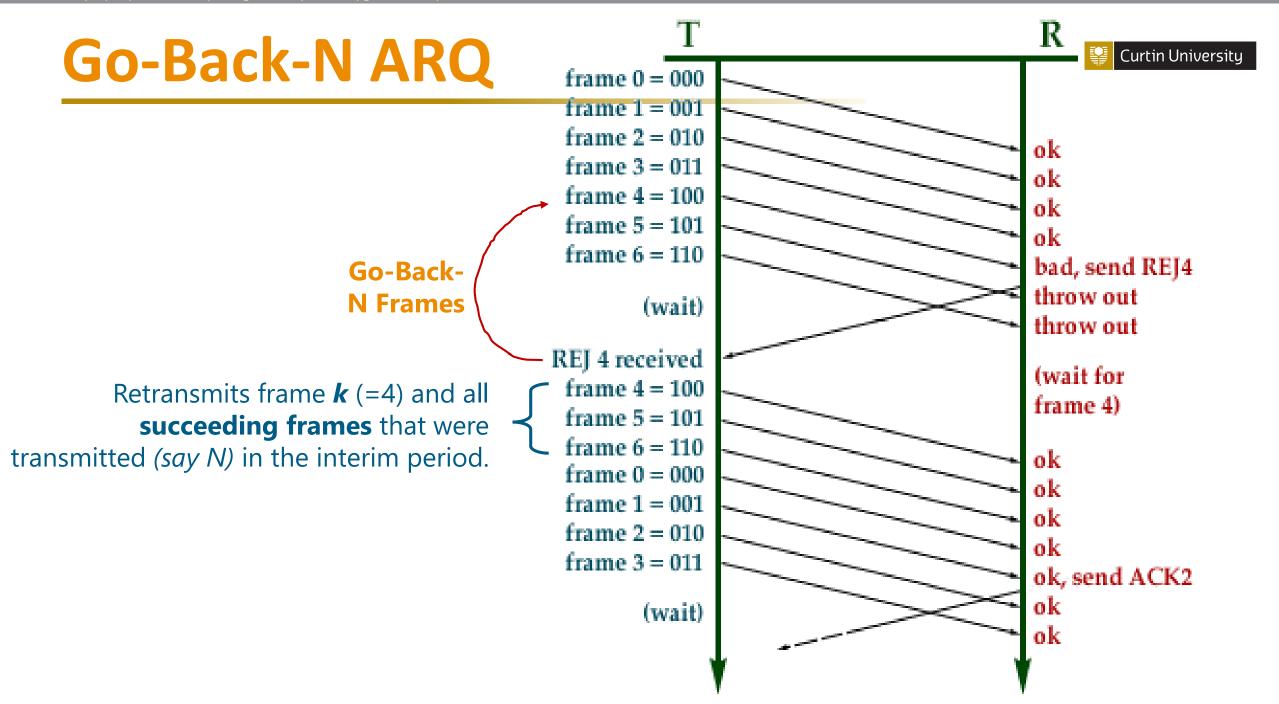


 $W \ge 2a + 1$



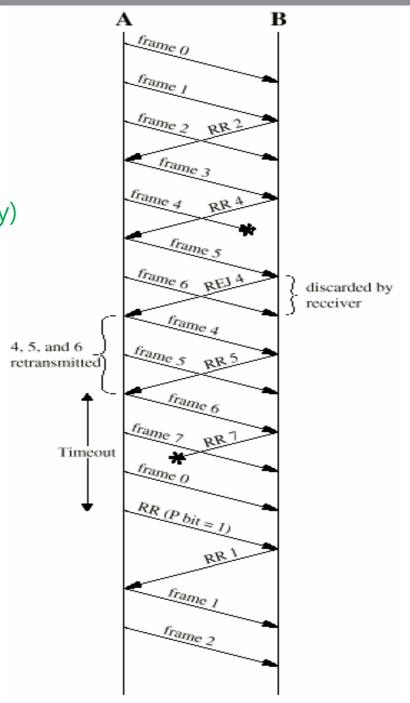
ACK reaches A **before** A has **exhausted** its window. A can transmit continuously

$$S = \begin{cases} 1, & W \ge 2a + 1 \\ \frac{W}{(2a+1)}, & W < 2a + 1 \end{cases}$$



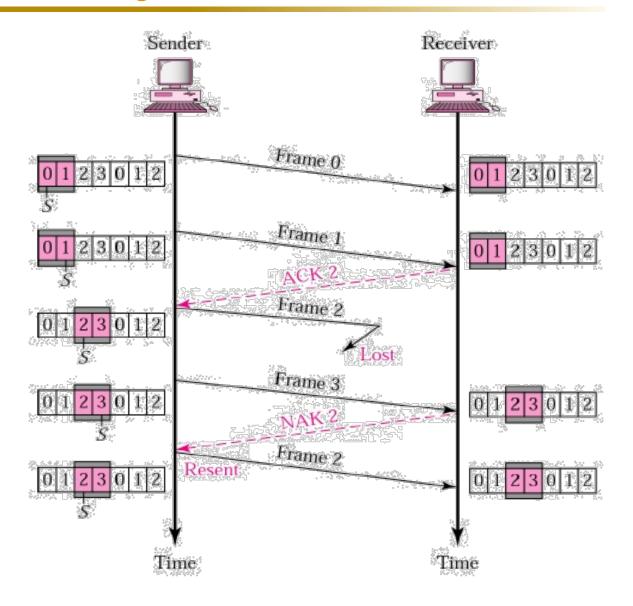
Go-Back-N ARQ — cont.

- Station A sends frames to station B.
- Station B ACKs incoming frames with an RR (Receive Ready)
- Suppose Frame 4 is damaged.
- Frames 5 and 6 are received out-of-order and are discarded by B
- When frame 5 arrives, B sends a REJ 4
- When the REJ to frame 4 is received, frames 4, 5 and 6 must be retransmitted
- Transmitter must keep a copy of all un-acked frames



Selective-Reject ARQ

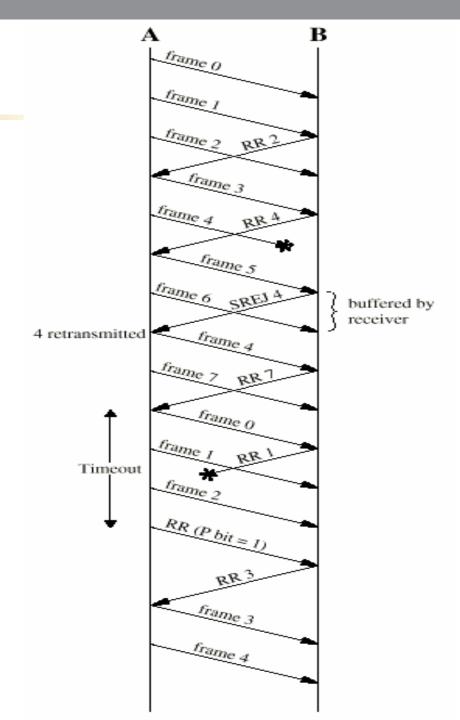




Selective-Reject ARQ

- The only frames retransmitted are those
 - that receive **NAK** (or **SREJ**)
 - that time out
- B sends **NAK** *i* if frame *i* is in error or lost
- B is required to buffer frames in order until the correct frame arrives

Complex logic required to send out-of-sequence frames and insert frames in appropriate places







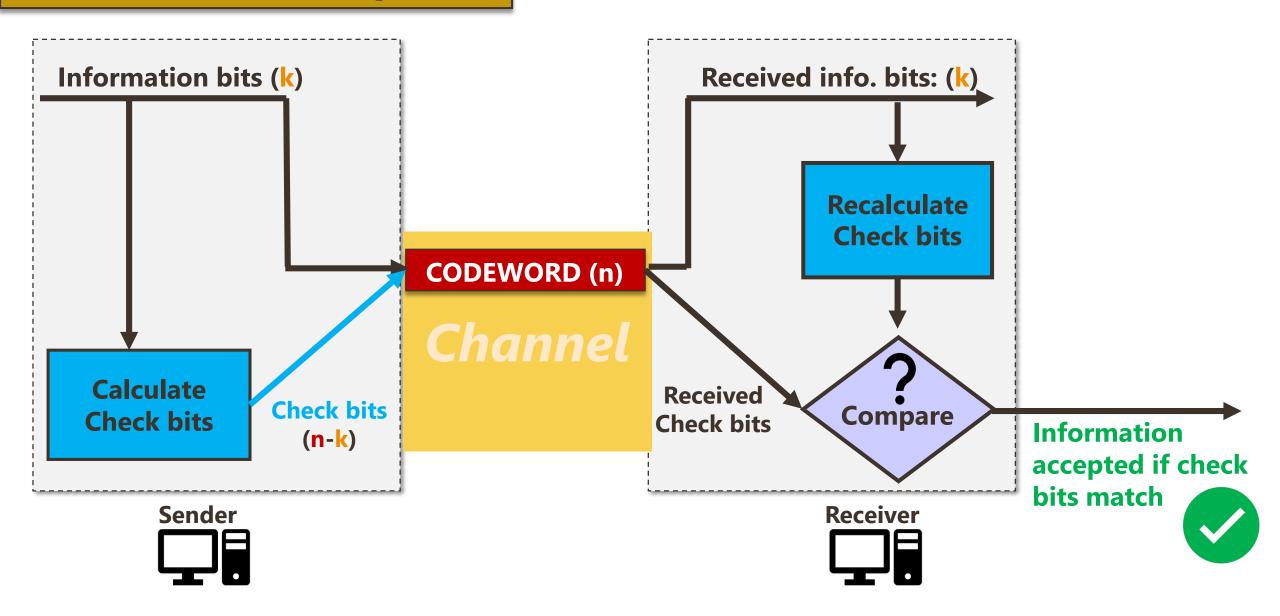
LLC Sub-Layer

Error Detection and Correction

- Parity Check
- 2D Parity
- Checksum
- CRC

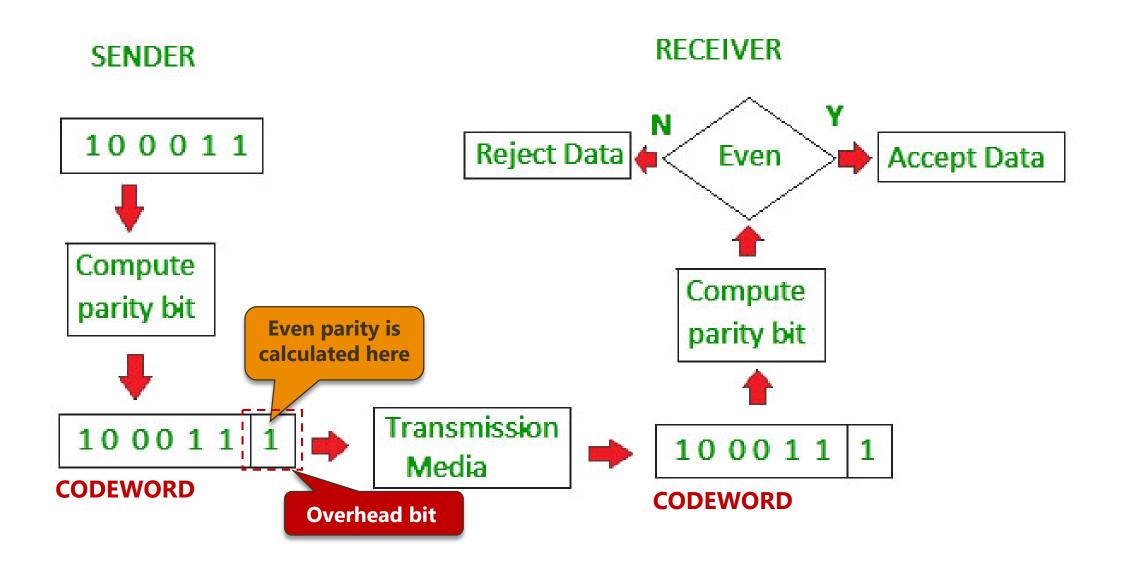
Error Detection Pipeline





Parity Check (Even Bit/Odd Bit)



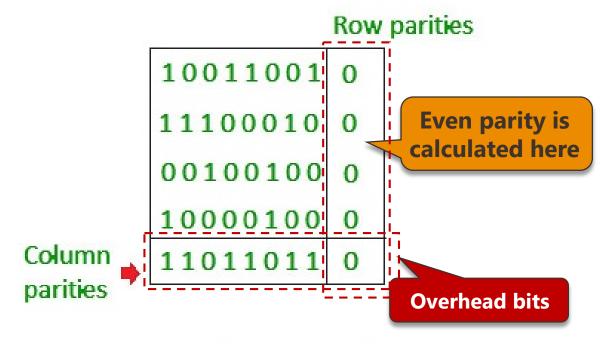


2D Parity Check



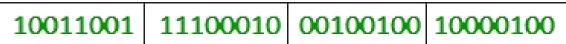
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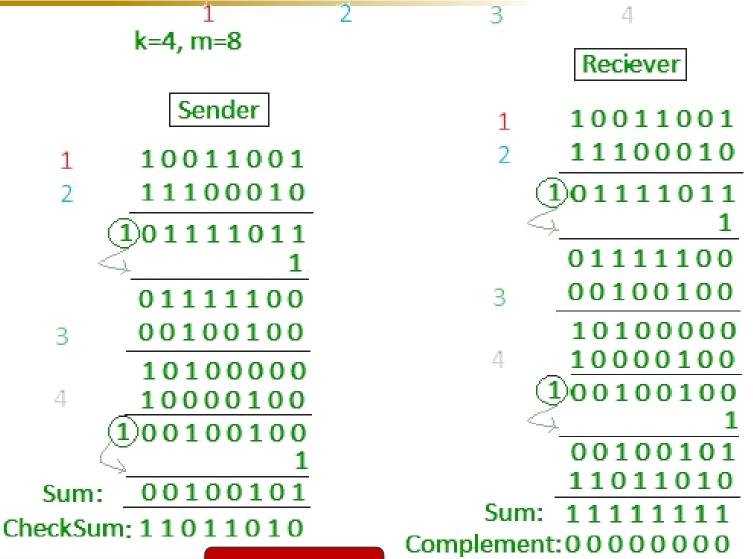


Original Data

Checksum







Conclusion: Accept Data

Overhead bits

Checksum

Method 02

Checksum Calculation Steps (Sender)



1.
$$\mathbf{x} = b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + ... + b_{L-1} \mod (2^{\text{block_size}} -1)$$

- 2. $checksum = -x modulo (2^{\langle block_size \rangle} -1)$
- Checksum Validation Step (Receiver)

3.
$$0 = (b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + ... + b_{L-1} + checksum) modulo (2 -1)$$

Original Data

10011001	11100010	00100100	10000100
1	2	3	4

i.e. @ Sender

$$b1 = 10011001 = 153$$

$$b2 = 11100010 = 226$$

$$b3 = 00100100 = 36$$

$$B4 = 10000100 = 132$$

$$x = 153 + 226 + 36 + 132 \mod (2^8 - 1) = 37$$

checksum =
$$-x$$
 modulo $(2^8 - 1) = 218 = 11011010$

i.e. @ Receiver

$$= (153+226+36+132+218) \mod (2^8-1)$$

Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC)



a.k.a Polynomial Codes

In this technique,

- 1. Treat the entire string of data bits as a **single number D(x)**
- 2. Divide this number by a pre-defined polynomial, called the **generator polynomial G(x)**, and **append the remainder R(x)** to the data string
- 3. The receiver performs the same division and obtain the remainder
- 4. A non-zero remainder indicates an error

CRC – cont.



Polynomials instead of vectors for codewords

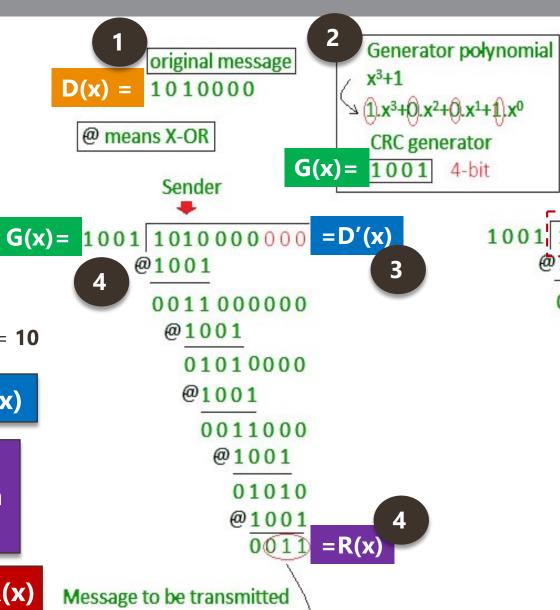
$$D(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x^6 + x^{\frac{5}{2}} + x^4 + x^{\frac{3}{2}} + x^{\frac{2}{2}} + x^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{bmatrix} = x^6 + x^4$$

- Polynomial arithmetic instead of checksums
 - Follows laws of ordinary algebra, except addition is done in modulo 2:

$$x^a + x^a = 0$$
 (similar to 1 XOR 1 = 0)

Mostly used for error detection but a basis for error-correction methods

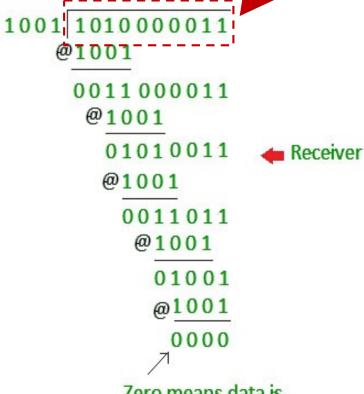
- 1 $D(x) = 1010000 = x^6 + x^4$
 - info bits (k = 7)
- **2** $G(x) = 1001 = x^3 + 1$
 - Codeword length $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{degree} \ \mathbf{of} \ \mathbf{G(x)} + \mathbf{k} = 3 + 7 = \mathbf{10}$
- Pre-encoding = $x^3 D(x) = D'(x)$
- Perform polynomial (mod 2) division (D'(x) / G(x)), obtain remainder R(x)
- 5 Codeword = C(x) = D'(x) + R(x)



 $\begin{array}{c} 5 & 10100000000 \\ \hline ---- \pm 0112 \\ \hline \text{Codeword} = & 10100000011 \\ \end{array}$

If CRC generator is of n bit then append (n-1) zeros in the end of original message

Codeword



Zero means data is accepted

Choice of Generator Polynormal G(x)



It has been proven that a strong G(x) can detect:

- All single-bit errors
- Almost all double-bit errors, if G(x) has a factor with at least three terms
- Any odd number of errors, if G(x) has the factor x +1
- All bursts of up to m errors, if G(x) is of degree m
- Longer burst errors with probability 1 2^{-m}, if bursts are randomly distributed

Standard Generator Polynomials



• CRC-8:
$$x^8 + x^2 + x + 1$$

✓ ATM

- CRC-16:
$$x^{16} + x^{15} + x^2 + 1$$

✓ HDLC, XMODEM, V.41

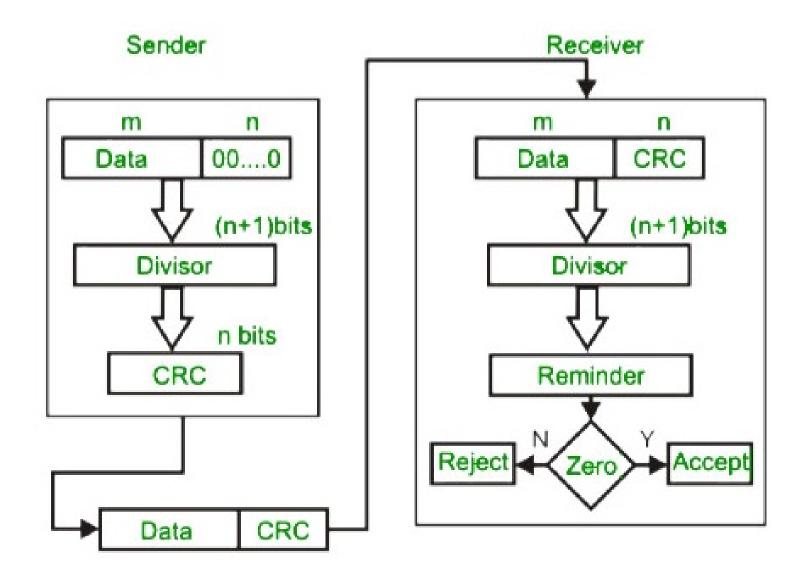
- CRC-32:
$$x^{32} + x^{26} + x^{23} + x^{22} + x^{16} + x^{12} + x^{11} + x^{10} + x^8 + x^7 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1$$

✓ IEEE 802, TCP/IP Model, **V.42**

V. 42 permits computer modems to work with both digital and analog phone lines

CRC Summary









MAC Sub-Layer

Framing

- Application protocols: HDLC, PPP
- **HDLC** Framing with Bit Stuffing
- **PPP** Framing with Byte Stuffing

Applications of HDLC & PPP



- HDLC (High-level Data Link Control)
 - Bit-oriented
 - LAPD (Link Access Protocol D-Channel) in ISDN
 - LAPD (Link Access Procedure for Modems) in cellular telephone signaling
- PPP (Point to Point Protocol)
 - Telephone Modem Links (30 Kbps)
 - Packet over SONET (600-10000Mbps) Synchronous Optical Network
 - IP->PPP->SONETAPD (Link Access Protocol D-Channel) in ISDN
 - PPP over shared links
 - PPP over Ethernet (RFC 2516)
 - Used over DSL

used to transmit a large amount of data over relatively large distances using **optical fibre**

Framing / De-framing



- Map stream of physical layer bits into frames (vice-versa)
- Frame boundaries can be determined using:
 - ✓ Character Counts
 - ✓ Control Characters
 - ✓ Flags
 - ✓ CRC Checks



DATA LINK LAYER

10010111011011001011110110111011

BITS

Framing & Bit Stuffing



HDLC uses bit-stuffing

01111110 Flag Flag Address Control Information FCS

HDLC FRAME

Bit stuffing prevents occurrence of **flag** in information

- METHOD Transmitter inserts extra 0 after each consecutive five 1s inside the frame
 - **Receiver** checks for five consecutive 1s
 - 1. if next bit = 0, it is removed
 - 2. if next two bits are 10, then flag is detected
 - 3. If next two bits are 11, then frame has errors

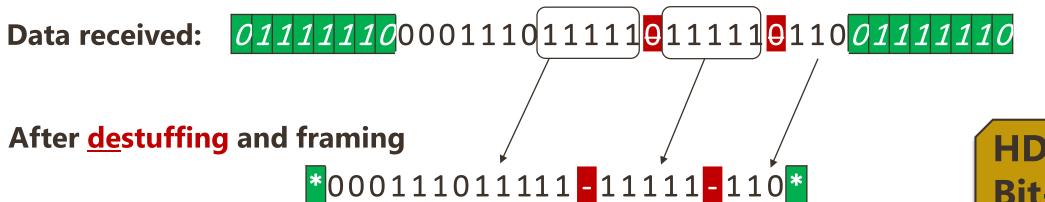


Data to be sent: 0110111111100

After **stuffing** and framing

011111001111101111000001111110



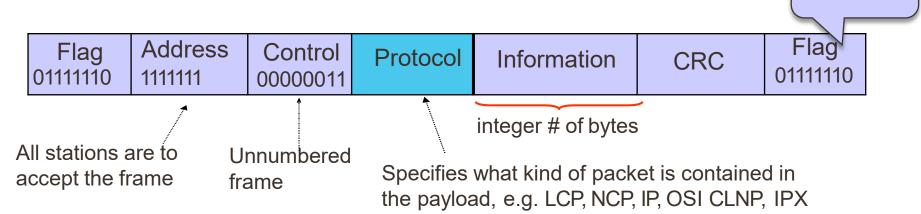


HDLC Frame Bit-destuffing

Framing & Byte Stuffing



- PPP (Point-to-Point Protocol) is character-oriented
- PPP Frame ~= HDLC Frame, except
 - ✓ Protocol type field
 - ✓ Payload contains an integer number of bytes
 - ✓ Byte stuffing is used



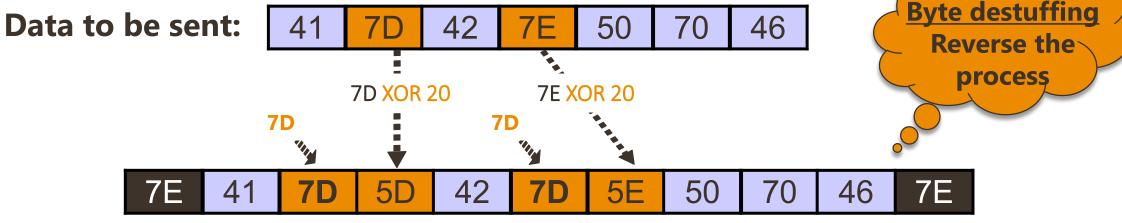
PPP FRAME

0x7E

Use **control escape (7D)** in front of any 7E in the payload to indicate it's not a flag.

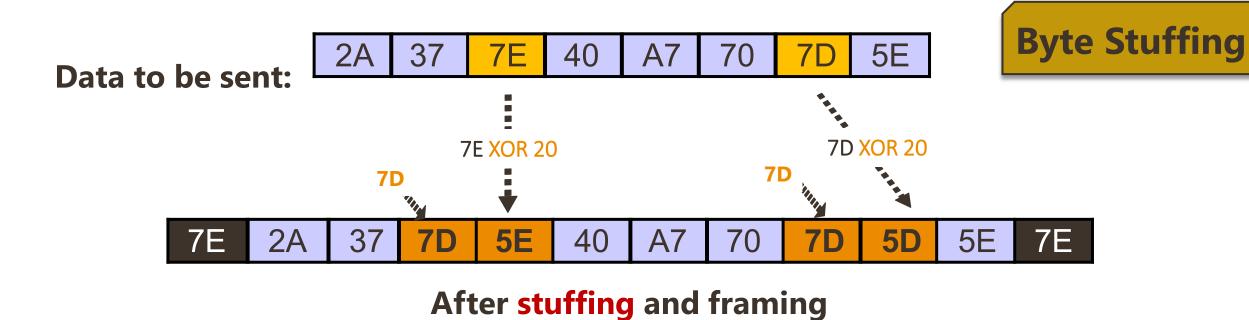
Byte Stuffing

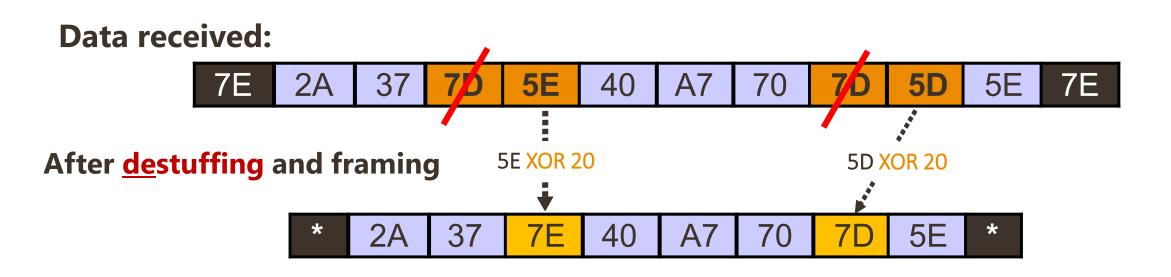
Any occurrence of **flag(7E)** or **control escape (7D)** inside the frame is replaced with 0x7D(01111101) followed by them XORed with 0x20 (00100000)



After stuffing and framing

- Problems with PPP Byte Stuffing
 - Size of frame varies unpredictably due to byte insertion
 - Malicious users can inflate bandwidth by inserting 7D & 7E







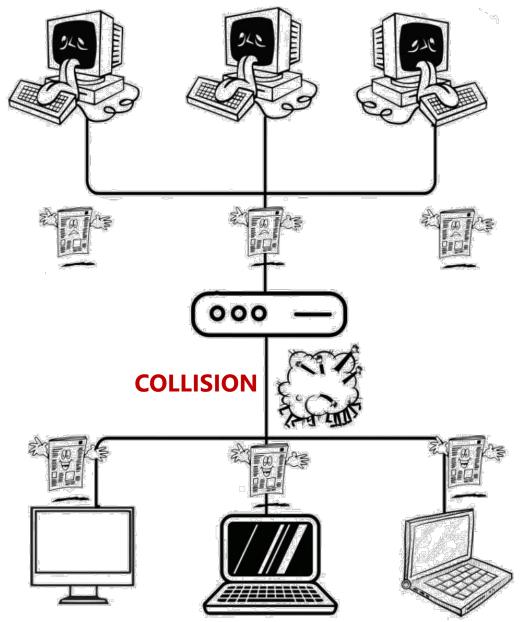


MAC Sub-Layer

Media Access Control/Sharing

- Scheduling Methods
 - Polling
 - Token-passing
- Random Access Methods
 - ALOHA
 - CSMA, CSMA Options
 - CSMA/CD
- Media Sharing Example: Wireless LAN

What happens when everybody start sending data?



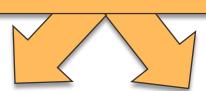
Medium Access Control





- Partition Medium
- Dedicated Allocation to users
- SatelliteTransmission
- Cellular Telephone

Dynamic Medium Access Control



Scheduling

- Polling: Take turns
- Request for slot in transmission schedule
- Token Ring
- Wireless LANs

Random Access

- Loose coordination
- Send, wait, retry if necessary
- Aloha
- Ethernet

Selecting a Medium Access Control Method



Applications

- What type of traffic?
- Voice streams? Steady traffic, low delay/jitter
- Data? Short messages? Web page downloads?
- Enterprise or Consumer market? Reliability, cost

Scale

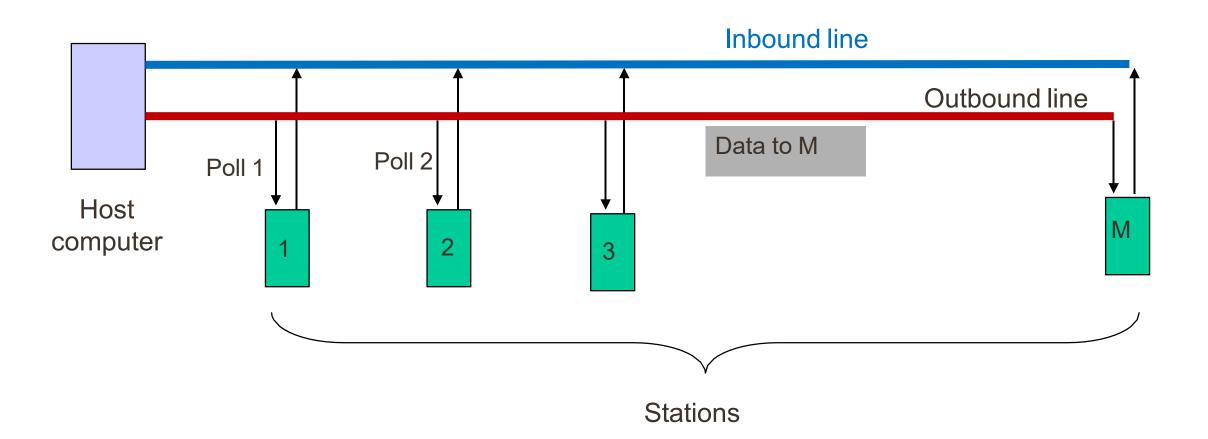
- How much traffic can be carried?
- How many users can be supported?

Current Examples:

- Design MAC to provide wireless DSL-equivalent access to rural communities
- Design MAC to provide Wireless-LAN-equivalent access to mobile users (user in car travelling at 130 km/h)

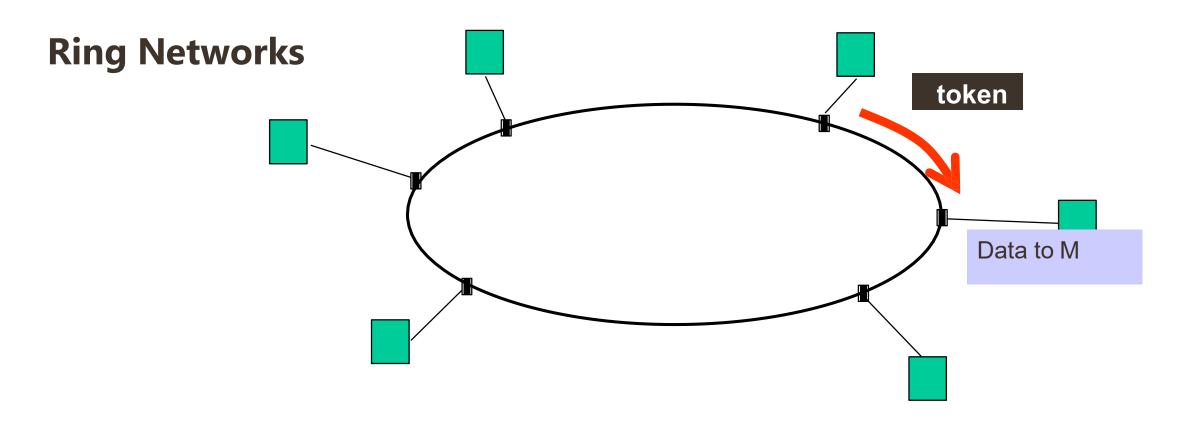
Scheduling: Polling





Scheduling: Token-Passing

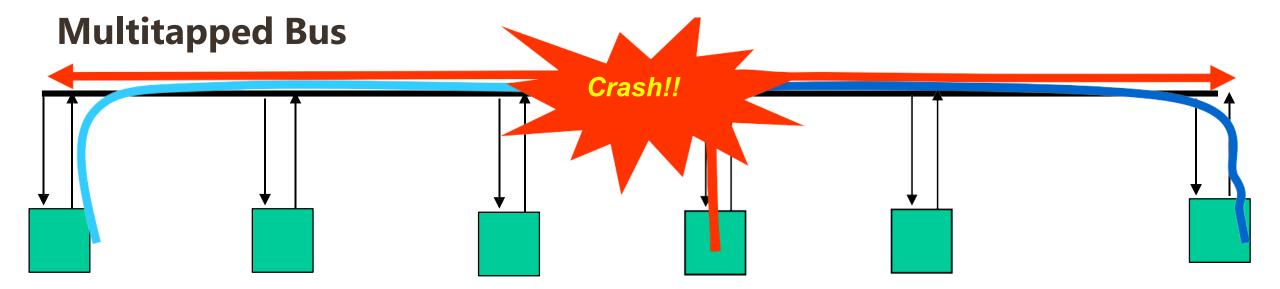




Station that holds token transmits into ring

Random Access





Transmit when ready

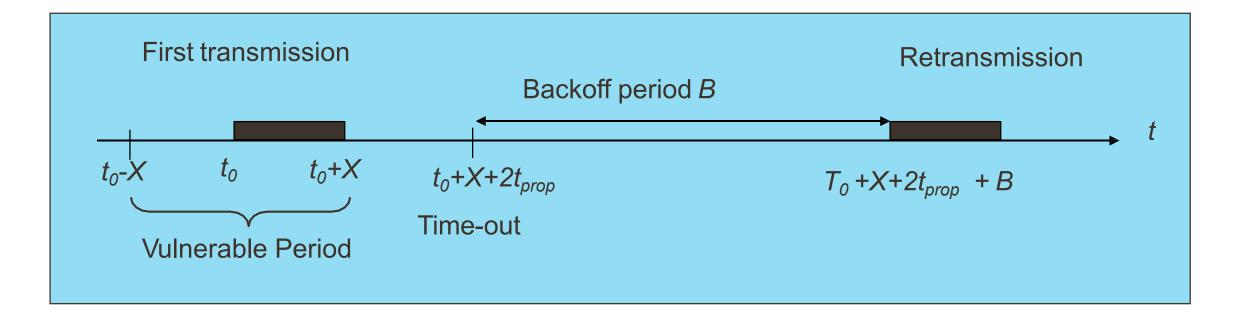
Collisions can occur;

Need a retransmission strategy

Random Access: ALOHA



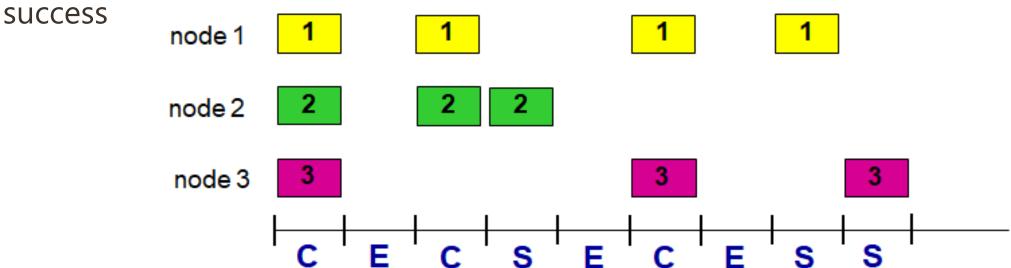
- ✓ A station transmits whenever it has data to transmit
- ✓ If more than one stations are transmitting (frame collision)!
- ✓ If ACK not received before timeout, a station picks random backoff time (to avoid repeated collision)



Random Access: Slotted ALOHA



- All frames are same size
- Time is divided into equal size slots (time to transmit 1 frame)
- Stations (nodes) are synchronized
- Nodes start to transmit at the beginning of the next slot after data is ready
- if 2 or more nodes transmit in a slot, all nodes detect collision
- if collision: node retransmits frame in each subsequent slot with probability p until



Random Access: CSMA

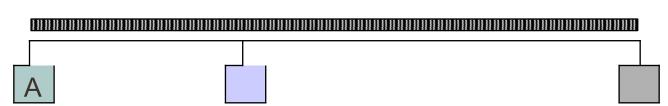


- ✓ Carrier Sense Multiple Access
- A station senses the channel before it starts transmission
- ✓ If idle, start transmission
- ✓ If busy, either wait or schedule backoff (CSMA Options)
- ✓ When collisions occur, they involve entire frame transmission times
- ✓ If t_{prop} >X (or if a>1), no gain compared to ALOHA or slotted ALOHA

Station Abegins transmission at t = 0



Station Acaptures channel at $t = t_{prop}$

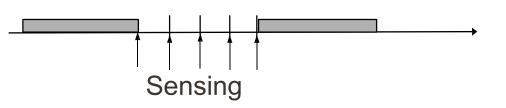


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If a channel sensed busy,

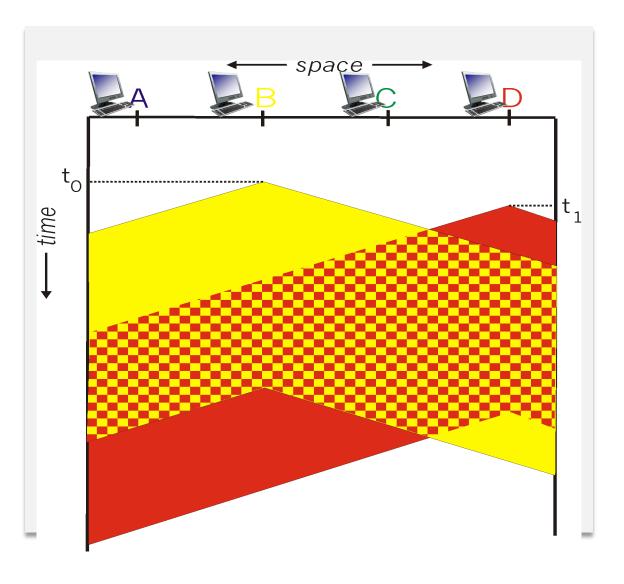
- 1. 1-persistent CSMA (most greedy)
 - ✓ Start transmission as soon as the channel becomes idle
 - ✓ Low delay & low efficiency
- 2. Non-persistent CSMA (least greedy)
 - ✓ Wait a backoff period, then sense carrier again
 - ✓ High delay & high efficiency
- 3. p-persistent CSMA (adjustable greedy)
 - ✓ Wait till channel becomes idle, transmit with probability p;
 - ✓ Or wait one mini-slot time & re-sense with probability 1-p
 - ✓ Delay & efficiency can be balanced

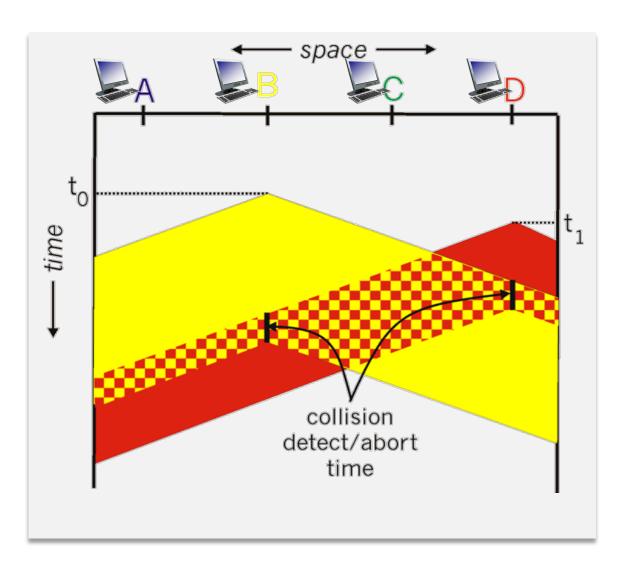




Random Access: CSMA-CD







Random Access: CSMA-CD



Collision Detection

- **Easy in wired LANs:** measure signal strengths, compare transmitted, received signals
- **Difficult in wireless LANs:** received signal strength overwhelmed by local transmission strength

Choice of MAC methods



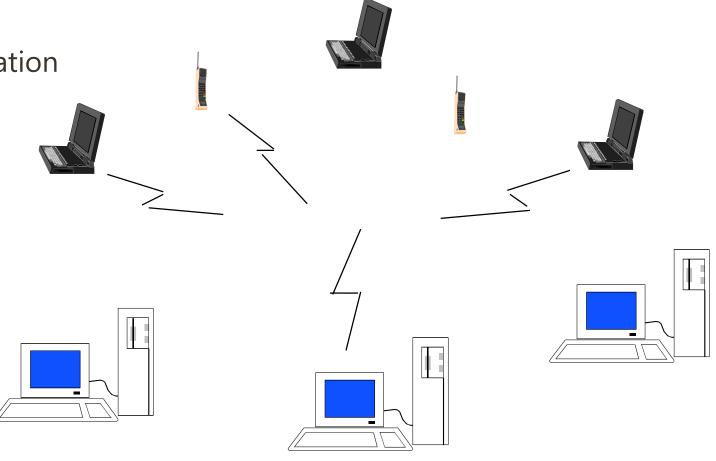
E.g. In Wireless LAN

Ad Hoc: station-to-station

• Infrastructure: stations to base station

Access Method:

Random Access & Polling







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