

The Multimedia Access Control Sublayer and LAN

1. *Consider building a CSMA/CD network running at 1 Gbps over a 1-km cable with no repeaters. The signal speed in the cable is 200,000km/sec. What is the minimum frame size?*
2. *Ethernet frames must be at least 64 bytes long to ensure that the transmitter is still going in the event of a collision at the far end of the cable. Fast Ethernet has the same 64-byte minimum frame size but can get the bits out ten times faster. How is it possible to maintain the same minimum frame size?*
3. *Suppose that an 11-Mbps 802.11b LAN is transmitting 64-byte frames back-to-back over a radio channel with a bit error rate of 10^{-7} . How many frames per second will be damaged on average?*
4. *Give two reasons why networks might use an error-correcting code instead of error detection and retransmission.*