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#### SECTION – C

#### Local Area Network

### **Two Categories of N/Ws**

#### Point to Point Connections: All stations share a single communication channel

#### **Broadcast N/Ws:** Pairs

of hosts (or routers) are directly connected



#### In Broadcast n/w, key **Issue** is

#### HOW TO DETERMINE WHO GETS TO USE THE CHANNEL, WHEN THERE IS COMPETETION FOR IT...

### Example

Consider a Conference Call, in which 6 people on 6 different telephones are all connected together so that each one can hear & talk to all others. Its like when one of them stops speaking, 2 or more will start talking at once... Leading to chaos.....

**Solution:** Some sort of communication channel should be followed to avoid network congestion

#### **Problem comes:**

When only a single channel is available.... determining who should go next is much harder. Many protocols are designed to solve this Issue.

Broadcast channels are sometimes called multi-access channels or random access channels.

### **MAC Sublayer**

- The protocols used to determine who goes next on a multi-access channel belong to sub layer of the datalink layer called the MAC (Medium Access Control) sub layer.
- Its especially important in LANs & almost all of which use a multi-access channel as the basis of their communication.

WANs uses a point to point links, except for satellite networks.

#### **The Channel Allocation Problem**

How to allocate a single broadcast channel among competing users?

#### Two ways are there:-

- Static channel allocation in LANs & MANs.
- Dynamic channel allocation in LANs & MANs.

### **Static Channel Allocation**

Traditional way of allocating a single channel like telephone trunk among multiple users is Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM).

If there are N users, the bandwidth is divided in to N equal sized portions, each user being assigned one portion. Since each user has a private frequency band, there is no interference b/t users.

When there is a small & fixed number of users, each of which has a heavy (buffered) load of traffic.

FDM is a simple & efficient mechanism.

### **Problem with FDM**

When some users are quiescent (inactive) their bandwidth is simply lost. They are not using it & no one else is allowed to use it either.

As a result most of the channels will be idle most of the time.

#### **Problem with Time Division multiplexing (TDM)**

- In TDM, each user is statically allocated every Nth time slot. If a user does not use the allocated slot, it just lies fallow (empty).
- Since none of the traditional static channel allocation methods works well with bursty traffic,
- Lets explore dynamic methods...

### **Dynamic Channel Allocation**

- Five assumptions are there in terms of solving channel allocation problem:
- **1.** Station Model.
- 2. Single Channel Assumption.
- 3. Collision Assumption.
- 4. Two parts are there
  - (a) Continuous time
  - (b) Slotted Time
- 5. Two distinctions made
  - (a) Carrier Sense.
  - (b) No Carrier Sense.

### Assumption 1: Station Model

- The model consists of N independent stations (computers, telephones etc) each with a user/program that generates frames for transmission.
- Once a frame has been generated, the station is blocked & does nothing until the frame has been successfully transmitted.

#### 2. Single Channel Assumption

- □ A single channel is available for all communication.
- □ All stations can transmit on it, & all can receive from it.
- In case of Hardware: all stations are equivalent, Protocol software may assign priorities to them.

### **3. Collision Assumption**

- If two frames are transmitted simultaneously, they overlap in time & the resulting signal is garbled (corrupted), this event is called Collision.
- All stations can detect collisions.
- A collided frame must be transmitted again later.
- There are no errors other than those generated by Collisions.

### **Assumption: 4**

#### 4a. Continuous time:

Frame transmission can begin at any instant. There is no master clock dividing time into discrete intervals.

#### 4b. Slotted time:

Time is divided into discrete intervals (slots). Frame transmission always begin at the start of a slot. A slot may contain 0,1 or more frames, corresponding to an idle slot, a successful transmission, or a collision respectively.

### **Assumption: 5**

#### 5a. Carrier Sense:

Stations can tell if the channel is in use before trying to use it. If the channel is sensed as busy, no station will attempt to use it until it goes idle.

#### 5b. No Carrier Sense

Stations cannot sense the channel before trying to use it. They just go ahead & transmit. Only later can they determine whether or not the transmission was successful.

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### **Multiple Access Protocols**

Many algorithms for allocating a multiple access channels are known.

#### □ <u>ALOHA</u>

- Pure ALOHA
- Slotted ALOHA

#### Carrier Sense Multiple Access Protocols (CSMA)

- Persistent & Non-persistent CSMA
- CSMA with Collision detection.

#### Collision free Protocols

- A Bit Map Protocol
- Binary Countdown.

### ALOHA

#### (Abramson's Logic of Hiring Access )

- The basic idea is applicable to any system in which uncoordinated users are competing for the use of single shared channel.
- □ **<u>Two versions</u>**: Pure & Slotted.

#### Differences

- They differ w.r.t. whether or not time is divided up into discrete slots into which frames must fit.
- Pure ALOHA does not require global time synchronization; slotted ALOHA does.

#### ALOHA cont...

- The basic idea is simple: let users transmit whenever they have data to be sent.
- There will be collisions, of course, and colliding frames will be destroyed.
- Due to Feedback Property of broadcasting A sender can always find out whether or not its frames was destroyed by listening to the channel.
- If the frame was destroyed, the sender just waits for some time & sends it again.
- Systems in which multiple users share a common channel in a way that can lead to conflicts are widely known as <u>contention systems.</u>

### **Pure ALOHA**

- In this case, we've made the frames all the same length because the **throughput** of ALOHA systems is maximized by having a uniform size rather than allowing variable length frames.
- Whenever two frames try to occupy the channel at the same time, there will be a collision & both will be garbled.
- If the first bit of a new frame overlaps with just the last bit of a frame almost finished, both frames will be totally destroyed, & both will have to be retransmit later. (See Fig 1.)

Throughput is avg rate of successful message delivery over a communication channel, measured in bits/sec.

## In pure ALOHA, frames are transmitted at completely arbitrary times



#### What is the efficiency of an ALOHA Channel??

- What fraction of all transmitted frames escape collisions under these chaotic circumstances?
- Lets consider an infinite collection of interactive users sitting at their computers (stations).
- □ A User is always in one of the two states:
  - (a) **Typing** (b) **Waiting**
- Initially all users are in typing state. When a line is finished, the user stops typing, waiting for a response.
- The station then checks the channel to see if it was successful
- If YES, the user sees the reply & goes back to typing
- If NO, the user continues to wait & the frame is retransmitted over & over until it has been successfully sent.

- Let the "frame time" denote the amount of time needed to transmit the standard fixed-length frame( i.e. the frame length divided by the bit rate).
- Assume that the infinite population of users generate new frames according to Poisson distribution.
- If N>1, the user community is generating frames at a higher rate than the channel can handle, & nearly every frame will suffer a collision.
- In addition to the new frames, the stations also generate retransmission of frames that previously suffered collisions.

## A frame will not suffer a collision if no other frames are sent within one frame time of its start



#### **Figure 2** : Vulnerable period for the shaded frame.

In pure ALOHA, a station does not listen to the channel before transmitting, it has no way of knowing that another frame was already underway.

## The relation b/t the offered traffic & the throughput is shown in Figure- 3.



**<u>Fig-3</u>**. Throughput vs. offered traffic for ALOHA systems.

- The maximum throughput occurs at G= 0.5 with S=1/2e, which is about 0.184.
  The best we can hope for is a channel utilization of 18%.
- This result is not very encouraging, but with everyone transmitting at will, we could hardly have expected a 100% success rate.

### **Slotted ALOHA**

- It's basically a method for doubling the capacity of an ALOHA system.
- Aim was to divide time up into discrete intervals, each interval corresponding to one frame.
- This approach requires the users to agree of slot boundaries.
- One way to achieve synchronization would be to have one special station emit a pip at the start of each interval, like a clock. It has come to be known as SLOTTED ALOHA



#### **Fig 4**: Frames in a Slotted ALOHA network.

- In contrast to pure ALOHA, a computer is not permitted to send whenever a carriage return is typed.
- Instead, it is required to wait for the beginning of the next slot.
- Thus the continuous pure ALOHA is turned into discrete one & the vulnerable period is now halved



#### Fig 5: Vulnerable time for Slotted ALOHA Protocol

The best we can hope for using slotted ALOHA is 37% of the slots empty, 37% successes & 26% collisions.

Small increase in the channel load can drastically reduce its performance.

#### Assignment

# Explain Static Channel Allocation Explain Pure & Slotted Aloha

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#### ETHERNET – CSMA/CD

#### Section - C


### A Shared Medium – Collision Domain





# **Dynamic Channel Allocation Technologies**

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# **CSMA/CD (old ETHERNET)**

## Switching (Fast ETHERNET)

# Carrier Sense, Multiple Access (CSMA)



•We can improve the performance of our simple network greatly if we introduce carrier sensing (CS). With carrier sensing, each host listens to the data being transmitted over the cable. Carrier Sense, Multiple Access (CSMA)

A host will only transmit its own frames when it cannot hear any data being transmitted by other hosts.

When a frame finishes, an interframe gap of about 9.6 µsec is allowed to pass before another host starts transmitting its frame.

# **CSMA** Collisions

#### Collisions can still occur:

Propagation delay means two nodes may not hear each other's transmission.

## Collision:

Entire packet transmission wasted

#### 🗆 note

Role of distance & propagation delay determining collision probability.



# CSMA

#### CSMA : listen before transmit. If channel is sensed busy, defer transmission.

#### Persistent CSMA: retry immediately when channel becomes idle ( this may cause instability)

p- persistant – retry with probability p.

#### Non persistent CSMA: retry after random interval.

Note: collisions may still exist, since two stations may sense the channel idle, at the same time (or better, within a "vulnerable" window = round trip delay)

In case of collision, the entire packet transmission time is wasted.

## **Comparison of Channel Utilization**



G (Attempts per packet time)

## CSMA/CD (Collision Detection

CSMA/CD: carrier sensing, deferral as in CSMA

 Collisions detected with short time
Colliding transmissions aborted, reducing channel wastage.

# **Collision Detection**

#### Easy in wired LANs : measure signal strengths, compare transmitted, received signals.

## CSMA/CD is difficult in wireless LANs: receiver shut off while transmitting.

# Ethernet

#### "dominant" LAN technology:

- Cheap \$20 for 100Mbs!
- First widely used LAN technology.
- Simpler, cheaper than token LANs and ATM Metcalfe's Ethernet sketch
- Kept up with speed race: 10, 100, 1000 Mbps.

## Ethernet



# **Ethernet LAN. IEEE 802.3**

- Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) is used.
- Ethernet uses a bus topology.
- In CSMA/CD, each station has equal access to the network, but it can broadcast only when the network is idle. Before transmitting, a station: (1)-listens to the network to sense if another workstation is transmitting (carrier sense). If the network is still idle after a certain period, (2) – the station will transmit.

## **Ethernet LAN. IEEE 802.3**

It is possible that two stations will listen and sense an idle network at the same time. Each will then transmit its message on the network, where the messages will collide. Neither message will be usable if collision occurs

## Ethernet LAN. IEEE 802.3

While transmitting a station must perform collision detection to detect if its message was destroyed,

If a collision is detected, the detecting station broadcasts a collision or jam signal to alert other stations that a collision has occurred. Each transmitting station then waits a random amount of time (ranging from 10 to 90 ms) before attempting the transmission again.

## **Ethernet CSMA/CD Algorithm**

 Adapter gets datagram from N/W Layer and creates frame.

2. If adapter senses channel is idle, it starts to transmit frame. If it senses channel busy, waits until channel idle and then transmits.

3. If adapter transmits entire frame without detecting another transmission, the adapter is done with frame.

## Ethernet CSMA/CD

4. If adapter detects another transmission while transmitting, aborts and sends jam signal.

5. After aborting, adapter enters exponential backoff algorithm: after the m-th collision, another chooses a K at random from {0,1,2,.... 2<sup>m</sup> - 1}. Adapter waits K=512 bit times and returns to Step 2.

## Ethernet CSMA/CD

## Jam Signal : make sure all other transmitters are aware of collision.

Backoff: Bit time 0.1 microsec for 10 Mbps Ethernet; for K = 1023, wait time is about 50 msec.

## **Exponential Back off Algorithm**

- Goal: adapt retransmission attempts to estimated current load.
  - Heavy load: random wait will be longer.

- First collision: choose K from {0,1}; delay is K\* 512 bit transmission times.
  - After second collision: choose K from {0,1,2,3}....
- After ten collisions, choose K from {0,1,2,3,4....1023}

## **CSMA** with Collision Detection



#### CSMA/CD can be in one of three states: contention, transmission, or idle.

## IEEE 802.3: CSMA/CD Bus LAN

Besides carrier sensing, collision detection and the binary exponential back-of algorithm, the standard also describes the format of the frames and the type of encoding used for transmitting frames.

## IEEE 802.3 : CSMA/CD Bus LAN

- The minimum length of frames can be varied from network to network. This is important because, depending on the size of the network, the frames must be of a suitable minimum length.
- The standard also makes some suggestions about the type of cabling that should be used for CSMA/CD bus LANs.

# **Time to Detect Collision**



#### Collision detection can take as long as 2<sup>T</sup>

#### **IEEE 802.3: Minimum Frame Length**

To ensure that no node may completely receive a frame before the transmitting node has finished sending it, Ethernet defines a minimum frame size (i.e. no frame may have less than 46 bytes of payload.)

- The minimum frame size is related to the distance which the network spans, the type of media being used and the number of repeaters which the signal may have to pass through to reach the furthest part of the LAN.
- Together these define a value known as the Ethernet Slot Time, corresponding to 512 bit times at 10Mbps.

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# More about CSMA

# Carrier Sense Multiple Access Protocols (CSMA)

- Problem with ALOHA: low throughput because the collision wastes transmission bandwidth.
- Solution: avoid transmission that are certain to cause collision, that is CSMA. Any station listens to the medium, if there is some transmission going on the medium, it will postpone its transmission.
- In Local Area Network, it is possible for stations to detect what other stations are doing & adapt their behavior accordingly.
- Protocols in which stations listen for a carrier (i.e. a transmission) & act accordingly are called Carrier Sense Protocols.



## Vulnerable time in CSMA



## **CSMA Types:**

#### **1-Persistent CSMA**

#### Non–Persistent CSMA

#### p – Persistent CSMA

# I. 1-Persistent Protocol

- When a station has data to send, it first listens to the channel to see if anyone else is transmitting at that moment. If the channel is busy, the station waits until it becomes idle.
- □ When the station detects an idle channel, it transmits a frame.
- If a collision occurs, the station waits a random amount of time and starts all over again. The protocol is called 1-persistent because the station transmits with a probability of 1 when it finds the channel idle.
- □ The propagation delay has an important effect on the performance of the protocol.
- There is a small chance that just after a station begins sending, another station will become ready to send and sense the channel.
- If the first station's signal has not yet reached the second one, the latter will sense an idle channel and will also begin sending, resulting in a collision.
- The longer the propagation delay, the more important this effect becomes, and the worse the performance of the protocol.

1-Persistent Protocol is far better than pure ALOHA because both stations have the decency to desist from interfering with the third station's frame. Intuitively, this approach will lead to a higher performance than pure ALOHA. Exactly the same holds for slotted ALOHA.

#### **Behavior of Three Persistent methods:**



## **II. Non Persistent CSMA.**

- In this protocol, a conscious attempt is made to be less greedy than in the previous one.
- Before sending, a station senses the channel. If no one else is sending, the station begins doing so itself.
- However, if the channel is already in use, the station does not continually sense it for the purpose of seizing it immediately upon detecting the end of the previous transmission.
- Instead, it waits a random period of time and then repeats the algorithm.

# Difference

## Non-Persistent algorithm leads to better channel utilization but longer delays than 1-persistent CSMA.
# **P- Persistent CSMA**

#### It applies to slotted channels and works as follows :

- When a station becomes ready to send, it senses the channel.
- □ If it is idle, it transmits with a probability p.
- $\Box$  With a probability q = 1 p, it defers until the next slot.
- If that slot is also idle, it either transmits or defers again, with probabilities p and q.
- This process is repeated until either the frame has been transmitted or another station has begun transmitting.
- In the latter case, the unlucky station acts as if there had been a collision (i.e., it waits a random time and starts again).
- If the station initially senses the channel busy, it waits until the next slot and applies the above algorithm.

# Figure shows the computed throughput versus offered traffic for all three protocols, as well as for pure and slotted ALOHA.



Fig. 4-4. Comparison of the channel utilization versus load for various random access protocols.

- Persistent and non persistent CSMA protocols are clearly an improvement over ALOHA because they ensure that no station begins to transmit when it senses the channel busy.
- Another improvement is for stations to abort their transmissions as soon as they detect a collision.

# **CSMA** with Collision Detection

- if two stations sense the channel to be idle and begin transmitting simultaneously, they will both detect the collision almost immediately.
- Rather than finish transmitting their frames, which are irretrievably garbled anyway, they should abruptly stop transmitting as soon as the collision is detected.
- Quickly terminating damaged frames saves time and bandwidth. This protocol, known as CSMA/CD (CSMA with Collision Detection) is widely used on LANs in the MAC sublayer.
- In particular, it is the basis of the popular Ethernet, LAN

#### **CSMA CD can be in one of three states:**



#### **Contention, Transmission or Idle**

CSMA CD & other LAN protocols uses this conceptual model

# **Basic Concept**

- $\Box$  At the point marked  $t_{o_i}$  A station has finished transmitting its frame.
- Any other station having a frame to send may now attempt to do so.
- If two or more stations decide to transmit simultaneously, there will be a collision.
- Collisions can be detected by looking at the power or pulse width of the received signal and comparing it to the transmitted signal.
- After a station detects a collision, it aborts its transmission, waits a random period of time, and then tries again, assuming that no other station has started transmitting in the meantime.
- Therefore, our model for CSMA/CD will consist of alternating contention and transmission periods, with idle periods occurring when all stations are quiet (e.g., for lack of work).

- It is important to realize that collision detection is an analog process.
- The station's hardware must listen to the cable while it is transmitting.
- If what it reads back is different from what it is putting out, it knows that a collision is occurring.
- The implication is that the signal encoding must allow collisions to be detected, For this reason, special encoding is commonly used.

- It is also worth noting that a sending station must continually monitor the channel, listening for noise bursts that might indicate a collision.
- For this reason, CSMA/CD with a single channel is inherently a half-duplex system. (A halfduplex system provides for communication in both directions, but only one direction at a time, not simultaneously.)
- It is impossible for a station to transmit and receive frames at the same time because the receiving logic is in use, looking for collisions during every transmission.

To avoid any misunderstanding, it is worth noting that no MAC-sublayer protocol guarantees reliable delivery. Even in the absence of collisions, the receiver may not have copied the frame correctly for various reasons (e.g., lack of buffer space or a missed interrupt).

#### **Energy Level during transmission, Idleness or Collision**



### CSMA with Collision Avoidance (CSMA/CA)

Note

In CSMA/CA, if the station finds the channel busy, it does not restart the timer of the contention window; it stops the timer and restarts it when the channel becomes idle.

# **Timing in CSMA/CA**



### Assignment

Explain CSMA
CSMA/CD
CSMA/CA

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# MAC and LLC

- In any broadcast network, the stations must ensure that only one station transmits at a time on the shared communication channel
- The protocol that determines who can transmit on a broadcast channel are called Medium Access Control (MAC) protocol
- The MAC protocol are implemented in the MAC sublayer which is the lower sublayer of the data link layer
- The higher portion of the data link layer is often called Logical Link Control (LLC)



# **IEEE 802 Standards**

□IEEE 802 is a family of standards for LANs, which defines an LLC and several MAC sublayers

#### IEEE 802 standard



# **Multiple Access Methods**

#### Fixed assignment

- Partition channel so each node gets a slice of the bandwidth
- Essentially circuit switching thus inefficient
- Examples: TDMA, FDMA, CDMA (all used in wireless/cellular environments)

#### **Contention-based**

- Nodes contends equally for bandwidth and recover from collisions
- Examples: Aloha, Ethernet

#### Token-based or reservation-based

- Take turns using the channel
- Examples: Token ring

### A Quick Word about Token Ring

- Developed by IBM in early 80's as a new LAN architecture
  - Consists of nodes connected into a ring (typically via concentrators)
  - Special message called a token is passed around the ring
    - When nodes gets the token it can transmit for a limited time
    - Every node gets an equal opportunity to send
  - IEEE 802.5 standard for Token Ring
- Designed for predictability, fairness and reliability
  - Originally designed to run at either 4Mbps and 16Mbps
- Still used and sold but beaten out by Ethernet

# **Our Focus is Ethernet**

#### History

- Developed by Bob Metcalfe and others at Xerox PARC in mid-1970s
- Roots in Aloha packet-radio network
- Standardized by Xerox, DEC, and Intel in 1978
- LAN standards define MAC and physical layer connectivity
  - □ IEEE 802.3 (CSMA/CD Ethernet) standard originally 2Mbps
  - IEEE 802.3u standard for 100Mbps Ethernet
  - □ IEEE 802.3z standard for 1,000Mbps Ethernet
- CSMA/CD: Ethernet's Media Access Control (MAC) policy
  - CS = carrier sense
    - Send only if medium is idle
  - MA = multiple access
  - CD = collision detection
    - **Stop sending immediately if collision is detected**

# **Ethernet Cabling**

#### The name "Ethernet" refers to the cable (the ether),

- **Speed:** 10Mbps -10 Gbps
- **Standard:** 802.3, Ethernet II (DIX)

#### Most popular physical layers for Ethernet:

- **10Base5 Thick Ethernet:** 10 Mbps coax cable
- **Thin Ethernet:** 10 Mbps coax cable
- □ 10Base-T 10 Mbps Twisted Pair
- □ 100Base-TX 100 Mbps over Category 5 twisted pair
- □ 100Base-FX 100 Mbps over Fiber Optics
- 1000Base-FX 1Gbps over Fiber Optics
- 10000Base-FX 1Gbps over Fiber Optics (for wide area links)

# Thicknet (10Base5)



# **10Base5** Cabling

- Historically, 10Base5 cabling, popularly called thick Ethernet, came first.
- It resembles a yellow garden hose, with markings every 2.5 meters to show where the taps go.
- (The 802.3 standard does not actually require the cable to be yellow, but it does suggest it.)
- Connections to it are generally made using vampire taps, in which a pin is very carefully forced halfway into the coaxial cable's core.

# **10Base5 Cabling** (continued)

- The notation 10Base5 means that it operates at 10 Mbps, uses baseband signaling, and can support segments of up to 500 meters.
- □ The first number is the speed in Mbps.
- Then comes the word "Base" (or sometimes "BASE") to indicate baseband transmission.
- There used to be a broadband variant, 10Broad36, but it never caught on in the marketplace and has since vanished.
- Finally, if the medium is coax, its length is given rounded to units of 100 m after "Base."

# **10Base5 (Thick Coax)**

- Advantages: Low attenuation, excellent noise immunity, superior mechanical strength
- Disadvantages: Bulky, difficult to pull, transceiver boxes too expensive
- \* Wiring represented a significant part of total installed cost.

#### **Ethernet Technologies: 10Base2**

- $\square$  10: 10Mbps; 2: under 185 (~200) meters cable length
- Thin coaxial cable in a bus topology



Repeaters used to connect multiple segments

Repeater repeats bits it hears on one interface to its other interfaces: physical layer device only!

#### **10Base2 cont..**

- Historically, the second cable type was 10Base2, or thin Ethernet, which, in contrast to the gardenhose-like thick Ethernet, bends easily.
- Connections to it are made using industrystandard BNC connectors to form T junctions, rather than using vampire taps.
- □ BNC connectors are easier to use and more reliable.
- Thin Ethernet is much cheaper and easier to install, but it can run for only 185 meters per segment, each of which can handle only 30 machines.

### 10Base2 (Coax)- coax thinner & lighter

■ Advantages: Easier to install, reduced hardware cost, BNC connectors widely deployed → lower installation costs.

Disadvantages: Attenuation not as good, could not support as many stations due to signal reflection caused by BNC Tee Connector.

# **10BaseT and 100BaseT**

- 10/100 Mbps rate
- T stands for Twisted Pair
- Hub(s) connected by twisted pair facilitate "star topology"
  - Distance of any node to hub must be < 100M</p>



- The problems with finding cable breaks helps systems to use a different kind of wiring pattern, in which all stations have a cable running to a central hub in which they are connected electrically.
- Usually, these wires are telephone company twisted pairs, since most office buildings are already wired this way, and normally plenty of spare pairs are available. This scheme is called **10Base-T**.
- Hubs do not buffer incoming traffic.

#### **Physical Layer Configurations for 802.3**

Physical layer configurations are specified in three parts

#### Data rate (10, 100, 1,000)

- 10, 100, 1,000Mbps
- Signaling method (base, broad)
  - Baseband
    - Digital signaling
  - Broadband
    - Analog signaling
- Cabling (2, 5, T, F, S, L)
  - 5 Thick coax (original Ethernet cabling)
  - F Optical fiber
  - S Short wave laser over multimode fiber
  - L Long wave laser over single mode fiber

# **Technology Options**

#### Ethernet

#### Fast Ethernet

### Gigabit Ethernet

10 Gig Ethernet

#### WLAN

### **Ethernet Evolution**



#### Frame Length

- Ethernet has imposed restrictions both the minimum and maximum lengths of a frame.
- Minimum : 64 bytes ( 512 bits )
- Maximum: 1518 bytes (12144 bits)

#### Addressing

- Each station on Ethernet network has its own Network Interface Card.
- NIC fits inside the station and provides the station with a 6 byte Physical Address
- Written in Hexadecimal Notation with a colon between the bytes.



# **Ethernet Addressing**

- End nodes are identified by their Ethernet Addresses (MAC Address or Hardware Address) which is a unique 6 Byte address.
- MAC Address is represented in Hexa Decimal format e.g 00:05:5D:FE:10:0A
- The first 3 bytes identify a vendor (also called prefix) and the last 3 bytes are unique for every host or device

# Standard Ethernet cont...

#### Unicast and Muticast

- Source address is always unicast frame comes from one station
- Destination address can be unicast or multicast
- LSB of the first byte of address defines whether it is unicast or multicast.
  - If the bit is 0 the it is unicast if the bit is 1 then it is multicast



#### Access Method: CSMA / CD

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Standard Ethernet uses 1-Persistent CSMS/CD

#### **Categories Of Standard Ethernet**


#### 10BaseF: FIBER ETHERNET

- It uses a <u>Star Topology</u> to connect stations to hub.
- The stations <u>are connected to a hub</u> via two fiber optic cable
- Maximum length of the fiber optic cable can <u>be 2000 m</u>

#### Ethernet Layer 2 & Layer 3 Switching Evolution

- Layer 2 switches are frequently installed in the enterprise for high-speed connectivity between end stations at the data link layer.
- Layer 3 switches are a relatively new phenomenon, made popular by (among others) the trade press.

#### Bridging (Switching) Technology

- Bridging technology has been around since the 1980s (and maybe even earlier).
- Bridging involves segmentation of local-area networks (LANs) at the Layer 2 level.
- A multiport bridge learns about the Media Access Control (MAC) addresses on each ports and passes MAC frames to its destination ports.
- These bridges also ensures that frames meant for MAC addresses available at the same ports are not forwarded to the other ports.

## Layer 2 Switching

- Layer 2 switches effectively provide the same functionality as Switching.
- They are similar to multiport bridges & forward frames on each port.
- Major Difference is the involvement of hardware that ensures that multiple switching paths inside the switch can be active at the same time.

## Example

- Consider Figure, which shows a four-port switch with stations A on port 1, B on port 2, C on port 3 and D on port 4.
- Assume that A desires to communicate with B, and C desires to communicate with D.
- In a single CPU bridge, this forwarding would be done in software, where the CPU would pick up frames from each of the ports sequentially and forward them to appropriate output ports.

# **FIGURE:** Layer 2 Switch with External router for inter VLAN traffic & connecting to the Internet.



This process is highly inefficient in a scenario, where the traffic between A and B has no relation to the traffic between C and D.

#### Solution: Hardware-based Layer 2 switching

- Layer 2 switches with their hardware support are able to forward such frames in parallel so that A and B and C and D can have simultaneous conversations.
- The parallel-ism has many Advantages. Assume that A and B are **NetBIOS stations**, while C and D are Internet Protocol (IP) stations. There may be no reason for the communication between A and C and A and D. Layer 2 switching allows this

coexistence without sacrificing efficiency.

NetBIOS is an acronym for **Network Basic Input/Output System**. It provides services related to the <u>session layer</u> of the <u>OSI model</u> allowing applications on separate computers to communicate over <u>local area network</u>.

## Virtual LANs

- VLAN, is a group of hosts with a common set of requirements that communicate as if they were attached to the same <u>broadcast</u> <u>domain</u>, regardless of their physical location.
- □ In reality however LANs are rarely so clean.
- Assume a situation where A,B,C, and D are all IP stations. A and B belong to the same IP subnet, while C and D belong to a different subnet.
- Layer 2 switching is fine, as long as only A and B or C and D communicate.
- If A and C, which are on two different IP subnets, need to communicate, Layer 2 switching is inadequate? the communication requires an IP router.
- A corollary of this is that A and B and C and D belong to different broadcast domains. that is, A and B should not \*see\* the MAC layer broadcasts from C and D, and vice versa.

#### A popular classification of Layer 2 switches is

#### Cut through Vs. Store & Forward

- Cut-through switches make the forwarding decision as the frame is being received by just looking at the header of the frame.
- Store-and-forward switches receive the entire Layer 2 frame before making the forwarding decision.

## Layer 3 Switching

Layer 3 switching is a relatively new term, which has been \*extended\* by a numerous vendors to describe their products. Layer 3 switches are super fast routers that do Layer 3 forwarding in hardware.

- IP is the most common among all Layer 3 protocols today, most of the Layer 3 switches today perform IP switching at the hardware level and forward the other protocols at Layer 2 (that is, bridge them).
- The second issue of complicated Layer 3 forwarding decisions is best illustrated by IP option processing, which typically causes the length of the IP header to vary, complicating the building of a hardware forwarding engine.

- However, a large number of IP packets do not include IP options;
- so, it may be overkill to design this processing into silicon.
- The compromise is that the most common (fast path) forwarding decision is designed into silicon, whereas the others are handled typically by a CPU on the Layer 3 switch.

### Summary

- To summarize, Layer 3 switches are routers with fast forwarding done via hardware. IP forwarding typically involves a route lookup,
- And forwarding the frame with the appropriate MAC header to the correct output port. Lookups can be done in hardware

#### Lecture – 25

#### Fast Ethernet (100Base-T)

□ How to achieve 100 Mbps capacity?



Media Independent Interface provides three choices.

#### FAST ETHERNET [IEEE 802.3u]

#### **Three choices**

Name	Cable	Max. segment	Advantages
100Base-T4	Twisted pair	100 m	Uses category 3 UTP
100Base-TX	Twisted pair	100 m	Full duplex at 100 Mbps
100Base-FX	Fiber optics	2000 m	Full duplex at 100 Mbps; long runs

#### The original Fast Ethernet cabling

#### **100Base T**

Transmission medium	100BASE-TX		100BASE-FX	100BASE-T4
	2 pair, STP	2 pair, Category 5 UTP	2 optical fibers	4 pair, Category 3, 4, or 5 UTP
Signaling technique	MLT-3	MLT-3	4B5B, NRZI	8B6T, NRZ
Data rate	100 Mbps	100 Mbps	100 Mbps	100 Mbps
Maximum segment length	100 m	100 m	100 m	100 m
Network span	200 m	200 m	400 m	200 m

### **100 BASE T4**

- UTP (Unshielded Twisted Pair) Cable has a 30 MHz limit
- Can use <u>four</u> separate twisted pairs of Cat 3 UTP
- Utilize three pair in both directions (at 33 1/3 Mbps) with other pair for carrier sense/collision detection.
- □ Three-level ternary code is used **8B/6T**.

**Prior to transmission each set of 8 bits is converted into 6 ternary symbols.** 

### 100BaseTX

- Uses two pair of twisted pair, one pair for transmission and one pair for reception.
- □ Uses either STP or (Category) Cat 5 UTP.
- There is a guaranteed signal transition <u>at least</u> every two bits.

### Gigabit Ethernet (IEEE 802.3z)

- Provides speeds of 1000 Mbps (i.e., one billion bits per second capacity) for half-duplex and full-duplex operation.
- Uses Ethernet frame format and MAC technology
- 3. Uses 802.3 full-duplex Ethernet technology.
- 4. Uses 802.3x flow control.
- All Gigabit Ethernet configurations are *pointto-point!*

### Gigabit Ethernet (1000 BASE X)

#### Full Duplex operation

- In the full duplex mode, <u>there is a central switch connected to all</u> <u>computers</u> or other switches.
- In this mode, <u>each switch has buffer for each input port in which</u> <u>data are stored</u> until they are transmitted.
- There is <u>no collision in this mode</u>. This means that CSMA/CD isn't used.

#### Half Duplex operation

- Gigabit Ethernet can also be used in half duplex mode, although rare.
- In this case, a switch can be replaced by a hub, which acts as the common cable in which collision might occur.
- The half duplex <u>approach uses CSMA/CD.</u>

## **Gigabit Ethernet Technology**

#### **Gigabit Ethernet Cabling**

Name	Cable	Max. segment	Advantages
1000Base-SX	Fiber optics	550 m	Multimode fiber (50, 62.5 microns)
1000Base-LX	Fiber optics	5000 m	Single (10 $\mu$ ) or multimode (50, 62.5 $\mu$ )
1000Base-CX	2 Pairs of STP	25 m	Shielded twisted pair
1000Base-T	4 Pairs of UTP	100 m	Standard category 5 UTP

1000 BASE SX fiber - short wavelength
1000 BASE LX fiber - long wavelength
1000 BASE CX copper- shielded twisted pair
1000 BASE T copper-unshielded twisted pair

\* Based on Fiber Channel physical signalling technology.

#### Gigabit Ethernet (1000 Base-T)



#### Gigabit Media Independent Interface(GMII)

- Allows any physical layer to be used with a given MAC.
- □ Namely, Fiber Channel physical layer can be used with CSMA/CD.
- Permits both full-duplex and halfduplex.

### **Gigabit Ethernet**



Figure: (a) A two-station Ethernet. (b) A multistation Ethernet .

#### **Summary of Ethernet Standards**

Table 7-2 Summary of Ethernet standards						
Ethernet Standard	Transmission Speed	Signal Type	Cable Type	Maximum Segment Length		
10Base5	10 Mbps	Baseband	Coaxial	500 meters		
10Base2	10 Mbps	Baseband	Coaxial	185 meters		
1Base5	1 Mbps	Baseband	Unshielded twisted pair	250 meters		
10BaseT	10 Mbps	Baseband	Unshielded twisted pair	100 meters		
10Broad36	10 Mbps	Broadband	Coaxial	3600 meters		
100BaseTX	100 Mbps	Baseband	2-pair Category 5 or higher unshielded twisted pair	100 meters		
100BaseT4	100 Mbps	Baseband	4-pair Category 3 or higher unshielded twisted pair	100 meters		
100BaseFX	100 Mbps	Baseband	Fiber optic	1000 meters		
1000BaseSX	1000 Mbps	Baseband	Fiber optic	100 meters		
1000BaseLX	1000 Mbps	Baseband	Fiber optic	100 meters		
1000BaseCX	1000 Mbps	Baseband	Specialized balanced copper	25 meters		
1000BaseT	1000 Mbps	Baseband	Category 5e or higher unshielded twisted pair	100 meters		

## **Experiences with Ethernet**

- Ethernets work best under light loads
  - Utilization over 30% is considered heavy
    - □ Network capacity is wasted by collisions
- Most networks are limited to about 200 hosts
  - Specification allows for up to 1024
- Most networks are much shorter
  - 5 to 10 microsecond RTT
- Transport level flow control helps reduce load (number of back to back packets)
- Ethernet is inexpensive, fast and easy to administer!

#### **Ethernet Problems**

- Ethernet's peak utilization is pretty low (like Aloha)
- Peak throughput worst with
  - More hosts
    - More collisions needed to identify single sender
  - Smaller packet sizes
    - More frequent arbitration
  - Longer links
    - Collisions take longer to observe, more wasted bandwidth
    - Efficiency is improved by avoiding these conditions

## Why did Ethernet Win?

□ There are LOTS of LAN protocols

#### Price

- Performance
- Availability
- Ease of use
- □ Scalability

### **Token Ring Defined**

- Token Ring is a standardized and efficient network
- Based on the token passing protocol
- (**token passing** is a <u>channel access method</u> where a signal called a *token* is passed between nodes that authorizes the node to communicate. The most well-known examples are <u>token ring</u>)

Advantage of token passing collisions are eliminated

#### Conforms to the IEEE 802.5 standard

## **Token Ring Origin**

- Introduced by IBM in 1984 for connecting the following:
  - Personal computers
  - Mid-range computers
  - Mainframe computers
- Current position with IBM
  - Part of the SNA (System Network Architecture) specification for interconnection related to IBM products

#### Current Status of Token Ring Technology

- Standardized
  - IEEE 802.5
- Becoming overshadowed by Ethernet for LAN applications due the following reasons
  - Higher speeds of Ethernet
  - Lower cost of Ethernet
    - Ethernet cabling borrows from the telecommunication industry, hence it is cheaper

#### **Current Usage**

- In the 4-16 Mbps range, the token ring remains an efficient LAN technology
- 100 Mbps Token Ring networks are now used in the field
- Token ring technology is used for the backbone in large networks where the operating speed is in the range of 100 Mbps
  - An example is FDDI (Fiber Distributed Data Interface provides a 100Mbps optical standard for <u>data</u> <u>transmission</u> in a <u>local area network</u> that can extend in range up to 200 kilometers (124 miles) )

#### A Typical Token Ring LAN Configuration


## Topology

#### Logical Functioning

- Ring
- Physical Implementation



#### **Logical And Physical Implementation**

#### Physical Implementation



## Cabling

### Shielded or unshielded Twisted Pair

🗆 IBM

Types 1, 2, 3 etc.

Others

# Access Method, Speed and Transmission

- Access method
  - Token passing
- IEEE standard
  - IEEE 802.5
- Speed
  - 4M, 16M and 100M bps
- Transmission
  - Base band

#### **Token Passing Access Method**





## **Token Bus**

## Definition Bus: A single

communication line, typically a

twisted pair, coaxial cable, or optical

fiber, represents the primary

medium.

## IEEE Standards :

802.4



#### Figure 6.20 Token Bus

## Token Bus vs. Token Ring

- The token bus operates on the same principle as the token ring. The stations are organized into a ring and a token passes among them. A station wanting to send something must wait for the token to arrive.
- The stations communicate via a common bus in an Ethernet.
- Generally, a station receives a token from its predecessor and sends a token to its successor.
- Token bus stations must know their predecessor and successor.

## **Token Bus Frame Format**

Figure 6.21		Token Bus Frame Format					
number of octets							
or more	1	1	2 or 6	2 or 6	0-8191	4	
Preamble	SD	FC	DA	SA	data	FCS	

- SD: Start delimiter
- FC: Frame control
- DA: Destination address

ED

- SA: Source address
- FCS: Frame check sequence
- ED: End delimiter

## Assignment

#### **Explain IEEE Standards**