Advanced Networking

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Program

- · Course Perspective
 - what do we learn and what we do not
 - are there other "networks"
- · Reharsal of basics
 - Internet and TCP/IP
 - THE network? or YetAnother network
 - IP
 - UDP/TCP



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Program · IP and routing - OSPF and link-state protocols · Intra AS routing · performance driven routing - BGP and policy-based protocols · External routing · Cost (economical!) based routing - Global routing and Internet topology · How things look and works end-to-end Advanced Networking - Introduction Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it **Program** · Network congestion - Network load and stability - Call Admission Control - Reactive congestion control · Closed-loop systems · Implicit/Explicit · Forward · Backward - TCP · How it really works - TCP stabilization methods: mith and reality · RED, RIO, ... Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it Advanced Networking - Introduction **Program** Multicast - Abstract multicasting - Multicast groups and addresses - Internet and multicast: IGMP - Multicast routing - Application level multicast · why it's absurd ... · ... why it works!!! Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it Advanced Networking - Introduction

Program · Internet multimedia communications - Voice and Video services on packet-based networks - Transport: TRP/RTCP - H.323 standard - SIP standard - Skype and P2P approaches - IP TV · VoD/Broadcast/Live · Traditional approach · P2P systems Advanced Networking - Introduction Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it **Recalling known topics:** - Internet - IP - UDP/TCP Acknowledment: The following slides are based on the slides developed by J.Kurose and K.Ross to accompany their book "Computer Networks: A Top Down Approach Featuring the Internet" by Wiley edts.

Internet

What we see:

- Services
- · Applications we use
- Some "application level" protocols
- Throughput
- Losses
- · Delay (sometimes)
- Delay Jitter (if we're really skilled!)

What is it:

- \cdot A collection of protocols
- Mainly centered around two centerpieces:
 - IP (network layer)
 - UDP/TCP (transport layer)
- Does not mandate a physical
- medium or format

 Does not mandate or limit the
 services/applications above
 (integrates services)

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IP: The Network Layer

Goals:

· recall principles behind network layer · routing principle: path services:

- routing (path selection)
- dealing with scale
- how a router works
- instantiation and implementation in the Internet

Overview:

- network layer services
- selection
- · IP
- · Internet routing protocols reliable transfer
 - intra-domain
 - inter-domain
- · what's inside a router?



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- · transport packet from sending to receiving hosts network layer protocols in every host, router

three important functions:

- path determination: route taken by packets from source to dest. Routing algorithms
- switching: move packets from router's input to appropriate router output
- call setup: some network architectures require router call setup along path before data flows



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Network layer functions



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Network service model

Q: What service model for "channel" transporting packets from sender to receiver?

guaranteed bandwidth?

- preservation of inter-packet timing (no jitter)?
- · loss-free delivery?
- in-order delivery?
- congestion feedback to sender?

The most important abstraction provided by network layer:

> virtual circuit or datagram?



Virtual circuits

- "source-to-dest path behaves much like telephone circuit"
 - performance-wise
 - network actions along source-to-dest path
- call setup, teardown for each call before data can flow
- each packet carries VC identifier (not destination host OD)
- $\ensuremath{\textit{every}}$ router on source-dest path s maintain "state" for each passing connection
- transport-layer connection only involved two end systems
- · link, router resources (bandwidth, buffers) may be allocated to VC - to get circuit-like perf.

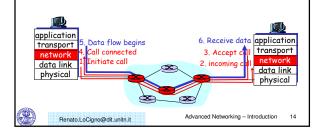


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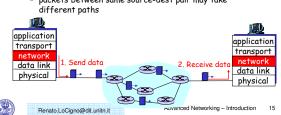
Virtual circuits: signaling protocols

- · used to setup, maintain teardown VC
- · used in ATM, frame-relay, X.25
- · not used in today's Internet



Datagram networks: the Internet model

- · no call setup at network layer
- routers: no state about end-to-end connections
 - no network-level concept of "connection"
- packets typically routed using destination host ID
- packets between same source-dest pair may take



Routing

-Routing protocol-

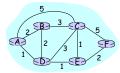
Goal: determine "good" path (sequence of routers) thru network from source to dest.

Graph abstraction for routing algorithms:

- graph nodes are routers
- graph edges are physical links
 - link cost: delay, \$ cost, or congestion level



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- "good" path:
 - typically means minimum cost path
 - other def's possible

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Routing Algorithm classification

Global or decentralized information?

Global:

- · all routers have complete
- topology, link cost info
- "link state" algorithms

Decentralized:

- router knows physically-connected neighbors, link costs to neighbors
- · iterative process of computation, exchange of info with neighbors
- "distance vector" algorithms



Static or dynamic?

· routes change slowly over time

Dynamic:

- · routes change more quickly
 - periodic update
 - in response to link cost changes

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A Link-State Routing Algorithm

Dijkstra's algorithm

- net topology, link costs known to all nodes
 - accomplished via "link state broadcast"
- all nodes have same info
- computes least cost paths from one node ('source") to all other nodes
 - gives routing table for that node
- iterative: after k iterations, know least cost path to k dest's

Notation:

- C(i,j): link cost from node i to j. cost infinite if not direct neighbors
- D(v): current value of cost of path from source to dest. V
- p(v): predecessor node along path from source to v, that is
- N: set of nodes whose least cost path definitively known



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Dijsktra's Algorithm 1 Initialization: 2 N = {A} 3 for all nodes v 4 if v adjacent to A 5 then D(v) = c(A,v) 6 else D(v) = infty 7 8 Loop 9 find w not in N such that D(w) is a minimum 10 add w to N 11 update D(v) for all v adjacent to w and not in N: 12 D(v) = min(D(v), D(w) + c(w,v)) 13 /* new cost to v is either old cost to v or known 14 shortest path cost to w plus cost from w to v */ 15 until all nodes in N Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it Advanced Networking - Introduction 19

Dijkstra's algorithm: example Step start N D(B),p(B) D(C),p(C) D(D),p(D) D(E),p(E) D(F),p(F) → 0 A 2,A 5,A 1,A infinity infinity → 1 AD 2,A 4,D 2,D infinity → 2 ADE 2,A 3,E 4,E → 3 ADEBC 4,E 5 ADEBCF 4,E

Algorithm complexity: n nodes each iteration: need to check all nodes, w, not in N n*(n+1)/2 comparisons: O(n**2) more efficient implementations possible: O(nlogn) Oscillations possible: e.g., link cost = amount of carried traffic polyphysical po

Distance Vector Routing Algorithm

iterative:

- continues until no nodes exchange info.
- self-terminating: no "signal" to stop

asynchronous:

 nodes need not exchange info/iterate in lock step!

distributed:

 each node communicates only with directly-attached neighbors

Distance Table data structure

- · each node has its own
- · row for each possible destination
- column for each directlyattached neighbor to node
- example: in node X, for dest. Y via neighbor Z:

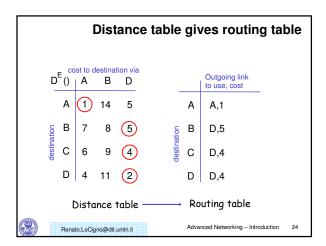
$$\begin{array}{c} X \\ D (Y,Z) \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{distance } \textit{from X to} \\ \text{y, } \textit{via Z as next hop} \\ \text{ec}(X,Z) + \min_{w} \{D^{Z}(Y,w)\} \end{array}$$

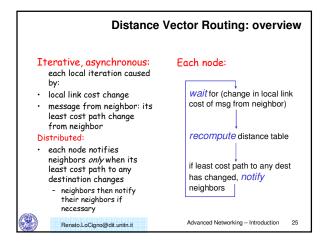


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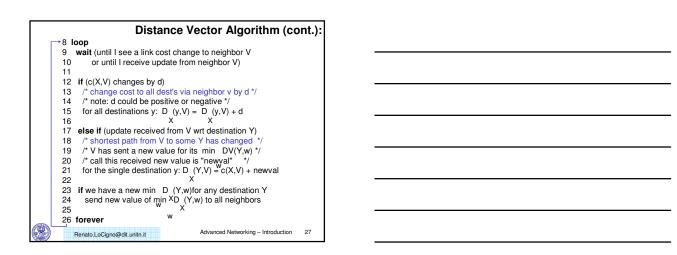
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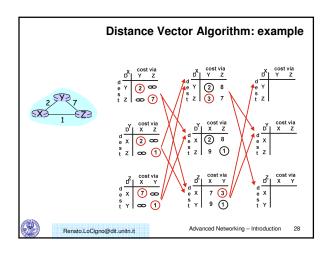
Distance Table: example cost to destination via (1) 14 5 В (5) $D^{E}(C,D) = c(E,D) + \min_{w} \{D^{D}(C,w)\}$ С = 2+2 = 4 $D^{E}(A,D) = c(E,D) + \min_{w} \{D^{D}(A,w)\}$ 4 $= 2+3 = 5 \frac{vv}{loop!}$ $D(A,B) = c(E,B) + min_{W} \{D(A,w)\}$ = 8+6 = 14 | loop! Advanced Networking - Introduction Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it

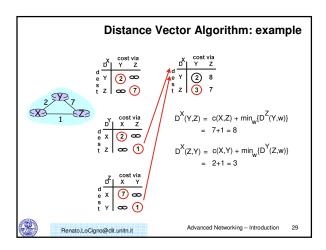


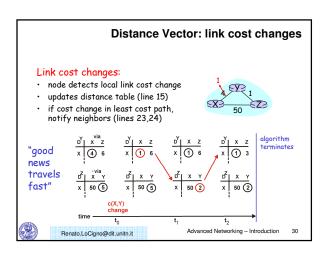


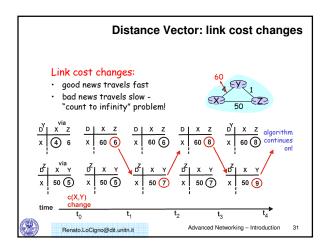
At all nodes, X: 1 Initialization: 2 for all adjacent nodes v: 3 DX'(*,v) = infty /* the * operator means "for all rows" */ 4 DY(v,v) = c(X,v) 5 for all destinations, y 6 send min DY(y,w) to each neighbor /* w over all X's neighbors */ RenatoLoCigno@dit.unitn.it Advanced Networking - Introduction 26

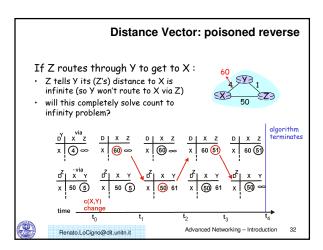




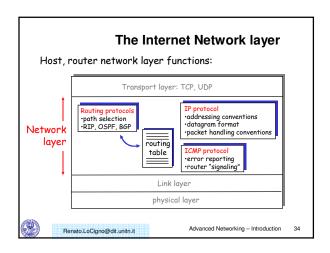








Comparison of LS and DV algorithms Message complexity Robustness: what happens LS: with n nodes, E links, if router malfunctions? O(nE) msgs sent each LS: DV: exchange between node can advertise neighbors only incorrect link cost convergence time varies each node computes only its *own* table Speed of Convergence DV: LS: O(n**2) algorithm requires O(nE) msgs DV node can advertise - may have oscillations incorrect path costeach node's table used by $\underline{\text{DV}}$: convergence time varies - may be routing loops error propagate thru network - count-to-infinity problem Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it Advanced Networking - Introduction



Why different Intra- and Inter-AS routing?

- Policy: Inter is concerned with policies (which provider we must select/avoid, etc). Intra is contained in a single organization, so, no policy decisions necessary
- Scale: Inter provides an extra level of routing table size and routing update traffic reduction above the Intra layer
- Performance: Intra is focused on performance metrics; needs to keep costs low. In Inter it is difficult to propagate performance metrics efficiently (latency, privacy etc). Besides, policy related information is more meaningful.

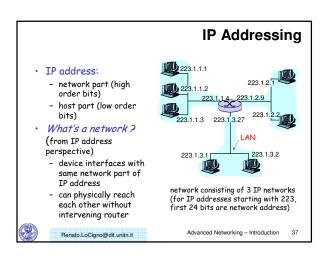
We need BOTH!

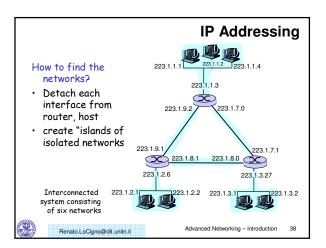


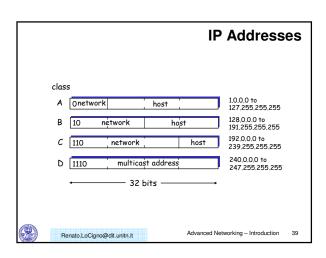
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IP Addressing IP address: 32-bit identifier for host, router interface 223.1.1.4 223.1.2.9 • *interface*: connection 223.1.2.2 223.1.1.3 223.1.3.27 between host, router and physical link router's typically have multiple interfaces 223.1.3.2 - host may have multiple interfaces - IP addresses associated with 223.1.1.1 = 110111111 00000001 00000001 00000001 interface, not host, 223 Advanced Networking - Introduction Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it







Address Management

- · As Internet grows, we run out of addresses
- Solution (a): subnetting. Eg, Class B Host field (16bits) is subdivided into <subnet;host> fields
- Solution (b): CIDR (Classless Inter Domain Routing): assign block of contiguous Class C addresses to the same organization; these addresses all share a common prefix
- repeated "aggregation" within same provider leads to shorter and shorter prefixes
- CIDR helps also routing table size and processing: Border Gwys keep only prefixes and find "longest prefix" match

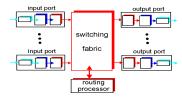


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Router Architecture Overview

 Router main functions: routing algorithms and protocols processing, switching datagrams from an incoming link to an outgoing link



Router Components



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Input Ports data link processing (protocol, decapsulation) data link processing (protocol, decapsulation)

- Decentralized switching: perform routing table lookup using a copy of the node routing table stored in the port memory
- Goal is to complete input port processing at 'line speed', ie processing time =< frame reception time (eg, with 2.5 Gbps line, 256 bytes long frame, router must perform about 1 million routing table lookups in a second)
- Queuing occurs if datagrams arrive at rate higher than can be forwarded on switching fabric



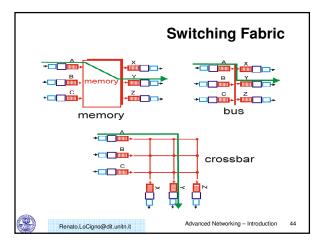
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Speeding Up Routing Table Lookup

- Table is stored in a tree structure to facilitate binary search
- Content Addressable Memory (associative memory), eg Cisco 8500 series routers
- · Caching of recently looked-up addresses
- · Compression of routing tables

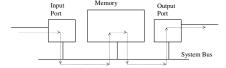


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Switching Via Memory

• First generation routers: packet is copied under system's (single) CPU control; speed limited by Memory bandwidth. For Memory speed of B packet/sec or pps, throughput is B/2 pps



• *Modern routers*: input ports with CPUs that implement output port lookup, and store packets in appropriate locations (= switch) in a shared Memory; eg Cisco Catalyst 8500 switches



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Switching Via Bus

- Input port processors transfer a datagram from input port memory to output port memory via a shared bus
- Main resource contention is over the bus; switching is limited by bus speed
- Sufficient speed for access and enterprise routers (not regional or backbone routers) is provided by a Gbps bus; eg Cisco 1900 which has a 1 Gbps bus



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Switching Via An Interconnection Network

- · Used to overcome bus bandwidth limitations
- Banyan networks and other interconnection networks were initially developed to connect processors in a multiprocessor computer system; used in Cisco 12000 switches provide up to 60 Gbps through the interconnection network
- Advanced design incorporates fragmenting a datagram into fixed length cells and switch the cells through the fabric; + better sharing of the switching fabric resulting in higher switching speed



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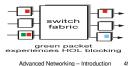
Output Ports switch queuing: buffer management data link processing (protocol, decapsulation) Buffering is required to hold datagrams whenever they arrive from the switching fabric at a rate faster than the transmission rate Advanced Networking - Introduction 48

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Queuing At Input and Output Ports

- Queues build up whenever there is a rate mismatch or blocking. Consider the following scenarios:
 - Fabric speed is faster than all input ports combined; more datagrams are destined to an output port than other output ports; queuing occurs at output port
 - Fabric bandwidth is not as fast as all input ports combined; queuing may occur at input queues;
 - HOL blocking: fabric can deliver datagrams from input ports in parallel, except if datagrams are destined to same output port; in this case datagrams are queued at input queues; there may be queued datagrams that are held behind HOL conflict, even when their output port is available





Transport Layer: UDP & TCP

Goals:

- Recall principles behind transport layer services:
 - ina
 - reliable data transfer
 - flow control
- congestion control
- instantiation and implementation in the Internet

Overview:

- transport layer services
- multiplexing/demultiplexing
- multiplexing/demultiplex · connectionless transport: UDP
 - principles of reliable data transfer
 - connection-oriented transport: TCP
 - reliable transfer
 - flow control
 - connection management



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Transport services and protocols

- provide logical communication between app' processes running on different hosts
- transport protocols run in end systems (primarily)

transport vs network layer

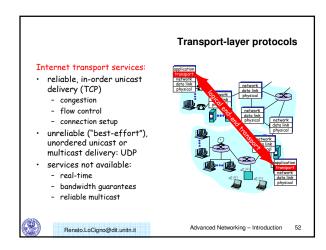
- network layer: data transfer between end systems
- transport layer: data
 - transfer between processes relies on, enhances, network laver services

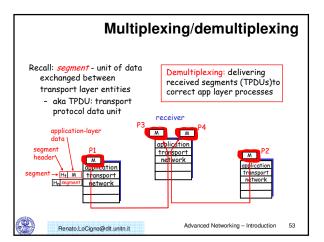


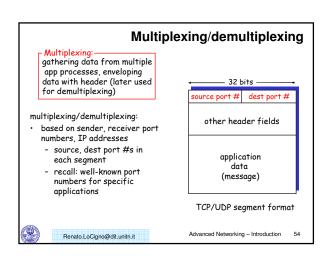


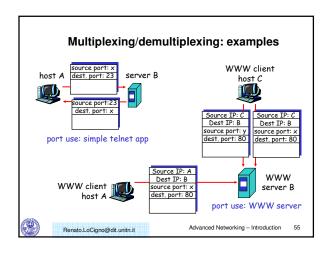
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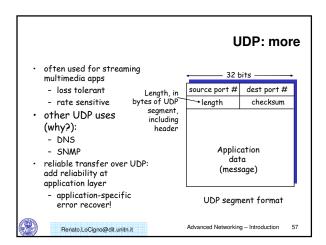


UDP: User Datagram Protocol [RFC 768] "no frills," "bare bones" Internet transport Why is there a UDP? protocol no connection establishment (which can "best effort" service, UDP segments may be: add delay) - lost simple: no connection state - delivered out of order at sender, receiver to app small segment header connectionless no congestion control: UDP - no handshaking between can blast away as fast as UDP sender, receiver desired each UDP segment handled independently of others

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UDP checksum

<u>Goal:</u> detect "errors" (e.g., flipped bits) in transmitted segment

Sender:

- treat segment contents as sequence of 16-bit integers
- checksum: addition (1's complement sum) of segment contents
- sender puts checksum value into UDP checksum field

Receiver:

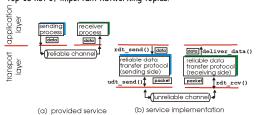
- compute checksum of received segment
- check if computed checksum equals checksum field value:
- NO error detected
- YES no error detected. But maybe errors nonethless?



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Principles of Reliable data transfer

- important in app., transport, link layers
- top-10 list of important networking topics!

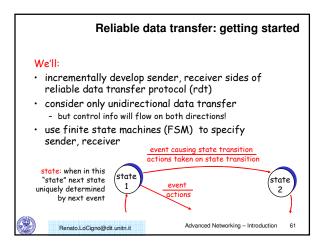


• characteristics of unreliable channel will determine

complexity of reliable data transfer protocol (rdt)

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Reliable data transfer: getting started rdt_send(): called from above, (e.g., by app.). Passed data to deliver to receiver upper layer deliver_data(): called by rdt to deliver data to upper rdt_send() data deliver_data() reliable data transfer protocol reliable data send receive transfer protocol side side (sending side) (receiving side) udt_send() packet rdt_rcv() (junreliable channel udt_send(): called by rdt, rdt_rcv(): called when packet to transfer packet over unreliable channel to receiver arrives on rcv-side of channel Advanced Networking - Introduction Renato.LoCigno@dit.unitn.it



rdt: channels with errors and loss

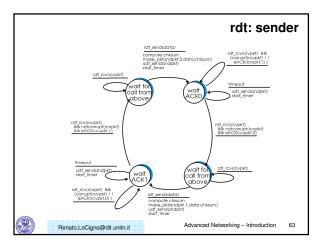
<u>Sssumption:</u> underlying channel can lose packets (data or ACKs)

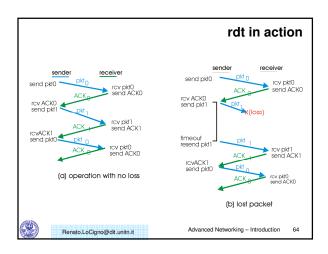
- checksum, seq. #, ACKs, retransmissions will be of help, but not enough
- Q: how to deal with loss?
 - sender waits until certain data or ACK lost, then retransmits
 - yuck: drawbacks?

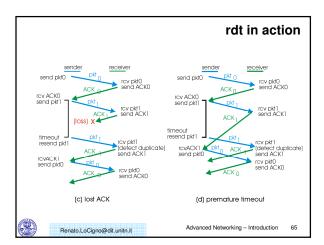
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<u>Approach:</u> sender waits "reasonable" amount of time for ACK

- retransmits if no ACK received in this time
- if pkt (or ACK) just delayed (not lost):
 - retransmission will be duplicate, but use of seq. #'s already handles this
 - receiver must specify seq # of pkt being ACKed
- · requires countdown timer







Performance of rdt

- rdt3.0 works, but performance stinks
- example: 1 Gbps link, 15 ms e-e prop. delay, 1KB packet:

$$T_{transmit} = \frac{8kb/pkt}{10**9 \text{ b/sec}} = 8 \text{ microsec}$$

- 1KB pkt every 30 msec -> 33kB/sec thruput over 1 Gbps link
- network protocol limits use of physical resources!



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Pipelined Protocols

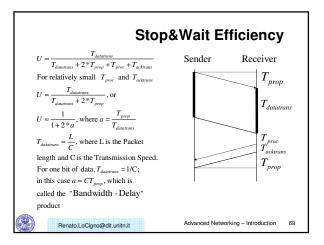
- Channel utilization under a Stop&Wait protocol is not high when the propagation time is long relative to the transmission time
- Solution: pipelined protocols, where more than one packet can be sent without waiting for feedback, thus filling the 'pipeline'
- Two major versions (and lots of variations on the theme):
 - Go-Back-N
 - Selective Repeat
- · New requirements:
 - Buffering more than one packet at sender, and possibly at receiver too
 - Larger sequence numbers for identifying packets in transit



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Filling the Pipeline data packet data packets ACK packets (a) a stop-and-wait protocol in operation Advanced Networking – Introduction 68



Sender can go ahead and transmit packets without waiting for feedback up to some number of packets (for flow control reasons, details later) Definitions: A maximum allowable number of transmission without feedback Base: lowest sequence number of unacked packets send_base nextbeqnum allowable number of unacked packets send_base nextbeqnum acked packets send_base nextbeqnum acked packets Advanced Networking - Introduction 70

Go-Back-N Window

· From definitions and figure above:

[O, base-1] transmitted and acked
[base, nextseqnum-1] transmitted and waiting
for feedback, or 'outstanding'

[nextseqnum, base+N-1] numbers that can be used when packets are provided by higher layer for transmission

[base+N, maxsegnum] numbers that cannot be used until more packets are acked



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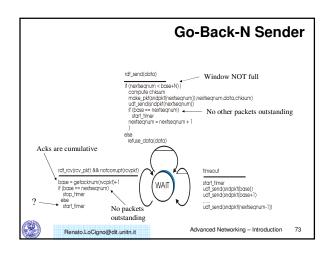
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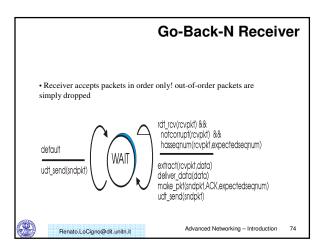
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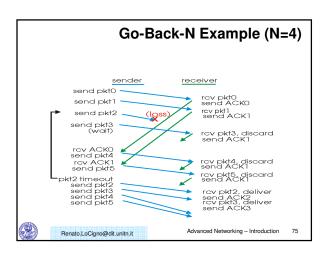
- Because of the window metaphor, these protocols are also referred to as sliding window protocols
- Stop&Wait can be viewed as a sliding window protocol, with window size N = 1, and sequence space = [0,1]
- Sequence number is carried in a fixed length field in the packet header; with k bits in the Sequence number field, the sequence space is
- Since sequence numbers must wrap around, all sequence number arithmetic is modulo



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Go-Back-N Performance

- Bandwidth-Delay Product (ie "pipeline size") is defined as the product of the channel transmission speed and the propagation delay
- As transmission speed or propagation delay increases, more packets can be transmitted to "fill the pipeline"
- For channels with high Bandwidth-Delay product, Go-Back-N performance may deteriorate: the number of outstanding packets may be large and all these packets will be unnecessarily retransmitted when an error occurs



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Selective Repeat

- Selective Repeat addresses the performance limitation of Go-back-N mentioned above
- Receiver indicates to sender which packet needs to be retransmitted; sender retransmits only that packet
- Receiver accepts and buffers packets received out of order within a limit imposed by a receiver window
- Groups of packets with <u>consecutive sequence numbers</u> (or completed sequences) are delivered to the higher layer at the sender
- A timer must be associated with each packet (but we can use one hardware timer to implement multiple logical timers)



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Selective Repeat Windows send_base nextreagnum diready ack'ed ac

Selective Repeat Sender Event-Driven Algorithms

· Higher layer calls to transmit data:

if there are unused sequence numbers then packetize and transmit; else reject the data;

· Timeout occurs:

transmit the (single) packet which timed out;

· Ack is received:

mark packet acked;

if base can be moved

then move it to the unacked packet with the lowest sequence number:



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Selective Repeat Receiver Event-Driven Algorithms

• Packet received, not corrupted, within current receive window:

Ack the received packet;

if not previously received

then buffer the packet;

deliver consectively sequenced received packets to higher layer; move window forward;

Packet received, not corrupt, sequence number below window base:

Ack the received packet; /* packet previously acked and already delivered to higher layer*/

Packet received, corrupt, or sequence number beyond window:

Ignore the packet



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Selective Repeat Example pkt0 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt1 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt2 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt3 sent. window full 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt3 sent. window full 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt3 sent. window full 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt3 tovd, buffered, ACK3 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt4 tovd, buffered, ACK4 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt4 rovd, buffered, ACK4 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt7 tovd, deliver pkt2 s, 3, 4 ACK1 rovd, pkt8 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 pkt8 rovd, deliver pkt2 3, 3, 4 ACK1 rovd, deliver pkt2 3, 3, 4 ACK1 rovd, deliver pkt2 s, 3, 4 ACK1 rovd, deliver pkt2 3, 3, 4 ACK2 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ACK1 rovd, deliver pkt2 3, 3, 4 ACK2 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ACK1 rovd, deliver pkt2 rovd, deliver pkt2 3, 3, 4 ACK2 sent 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ACK1 rovd, pkt2 rovd, deliver pkt2

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Setting The Window Size

- The window size N is an important parameter
- N should be large enough to allow filling the pipeline, thus making better utilization of the channel
- On the other hand, N is limited by the protocols (ensure receiver correctly identifies packets)
- It was found that N cannot be larger than half the sequence space length



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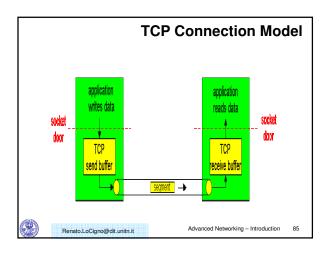
Sender window (after receipe) (bf) (conter receipe) (cont

Reliable Transport Layer: TCP

- Full-duplex
- End-to-end protocol, transparent to network and lower layers in routers
- Connection-oriented, connection established through "three way handshake" protocol
- Byte Stream transfer, stream is divided into segments with a *maximum segment size* (MSS)
- Reliability through an ARQ type protocol
- Flow Control: receiver controls the amount of <u>bytes</u> a sender is allowed to send
- · Point-to-point connection, no multicasting with TCP



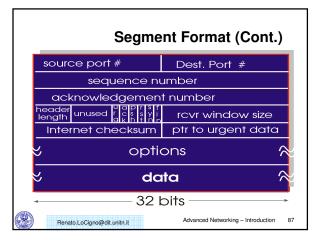
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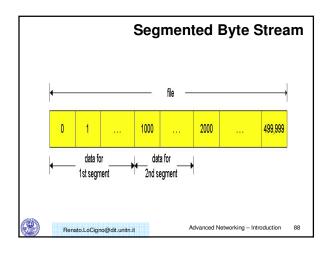


Segment Format

- Header contains:
 - Source and Destination Ports
 - Segment Sequence Number: that of the first $\underline{\text{byte}}$ in the segment (Byte Stream model)
 - Acknowledgment Number: sequence number of byte expected from the other side next
 - Header length: header as a fixed part of 20 bytes + optional fields
 - Receiver Window Size: the maximum number of bytes that the other side is allowed to send next
 - Header checksum: to ensure correctness of header field
 - Flags
 - 4 unused bits!

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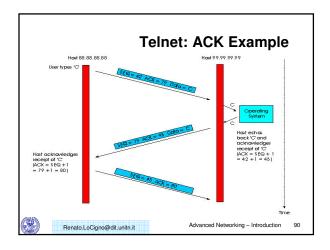




Telnet: A TCP ACK example

- · Telnet: appl. level protocol for remote login
- Interactive mode; typed characters are "echoed back" by remote Host (each character traverses the network twice)
- Full duplex stream of characters provides opportunity for ACK piggybacking
- In simplex (one way) data transfer, explicit ACKs are required





TCP Reliable Data Transfer

- IP layer is often unreliable: packet drop (due to buffer overflow); data corruption (eg, noise, collisions).
- TCP approach: data is retransmitted following error detection (bad checksum) or packet loss detection (timeout or out of sequence reception)
- TCP uses pipelining to improve efficiency over paths with many hops and large end to end delays
- TCP error recovery mechanism similar to Go-Back-N
- TCP RFCs do not require receivers to drop out-oforder packets; some implementation keep such packets to save channel bandwidth



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Three Key Events In Reliable TCP

- Event 1: TCP releases data segment to IP layer; segment retx timer started
- Event 2: segment timeout expires: segment is retransmitted
- Event 3: sender receives an ACK:
 - (a) First Time ACK, ie the ACK is for data not acked before (nextseqnum > ACK # > sendbase); the sender updates TCP state variables (sendbase, timer etc)
 - (b) Duplicate ACK (ACK # < or = sendbase); it re-ACKs old segments.



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Sender Reaction To Duplicate ACKs

- Duplicate ACK (last ACK #) returned by receiver if:
 - (a) segment received out of order (seq num larger than expected)
 - (b) old segment received
- Sender ignores first two duplicate ACKs (timers still in force)
- Upon receiving THIRD duplicate ACK, the sender infers that the segment was indeed lost (as opposed to delayed); sender retransmits segment without waiting for timeout.



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TCP Receiver ACK Generation

EVENT:

Arrival of in-order segment with expected sequence number. All data up to expected sequence number already acknowledged. No gaps in the received data.

ACTION:

Delayed ACK. Wait up to 500 ms for arrival of another in-order segment. If next in-order segment does not arrives in this interval, send an ACK

EVENT:

Arrival of in-order segment with expected sequence number. One other in-order segment waiting for ACK transmission. No gaps in the received data.

ACTION:

Immediately send single cumulative ACK, ACKing both in-order segments



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TCP Receiver ACK Generation (Cont.)

EVENT:

Arrival of out-of-order segment with higher-than expected sequence number. Gap detected.

ACTION:

Immediately send duplicate ACK, indicating sequence number of next expected byte

EVENT:

Arrival of segment that partially or completely fills in gap in received data

ACTION:

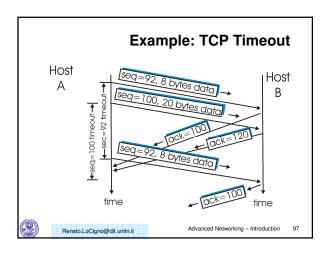
Immediately send ACK, provided that segment starts at the lower end of gap.

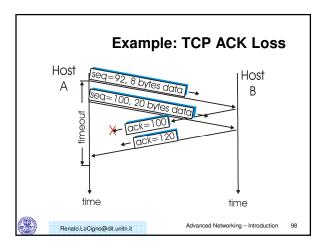


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Example: TCP ACK loss Host A Tool Time Host B Advanced Networking - Introduction 96





Flow/Congestion Control

- Flow Control (strict definition): regulate TCP flow so as to prevent receive buffer overflow at destination
- Flow Control (more general definition): regulate TCP flow so as to prevent buffer overflow anywhere along the path
- Congestion Control: regulate TCP flow(s) so as to avoid congestion in the entire network and to achieve efficient, fair sharing of resources.
- Key TCP flow/congestion mechanism: adjustable sender window

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TCP Connection Management

- TCP connection is set up using the three way handshake protocol
- Special segments (SYN segment, SYNACK segment) exchange initial client and server sequence numbers and allocate buffers
- Three Way Handshake protocol allows to detect and eliminate "old" connection requests (more robust than two separate handshakes)
- Another Three Way Handshake (with FIN flag turned on) is used to close the connection, releasing all resources



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Client | Connection request (SYN=1, seq=client_isn) | Nost | | Connection granted (SYN=1, seq=server_isn, ack = client_isn+1) | | Connection granted (SYN=1, seq=server_isn, ack = client_isn+1) | | Connection granted (SYN=1, seq=server_isn+1) | | Connection granted (SYN=1, seq=server_isn+1) | | Connection granted (SYN=1, seq=server_isn+1) | | Connection request (SYN=1, seq=client_isn) | | Connection request (SYN=1, seq=client_isn) | | Connection request (SYN=1, seq=client_isn) | | Connection granted (SYN=1, seq=server_isn+1) | | Connection granted (SYN=1, seq=server_isn

