

Review:

MAC

Switching

Routing

Transport Layer

Example 1. Given: Three nodes - A, B, C - share access to a shared channel using slotted Aloha.

Assume the nodes are always backlogged, and the node A has half the probability as the other two, i.e

$$P_B = P_C = 2P_A$$

- Question.
- ① If $P_A = 0.3$, what is average utilization?
 - ② what value of P_A maximizes the utilization, and
 - ③ what is corresponding maximum utilization?

Solution: utilization is the probability that exactly one user sends

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \text{ Utilization } u &= P(A \text{ xmits}) * P(B \text{ doesn't}) * P(C \text{ doesn't}) \\ &\quad + P(B \text{ xmits}) * P(A \text{ doesn't}) * P(C \text{ doesn't}) \\ &\quad + P(C \text{ xmits}) * P(A \text{ doesn't}) * P(B \text{ doesn't}) \\ &= P_A(1-P_B)(1-P_C) + P_B(1-P_A)(1-P_C) + P_C(1-P_A)(1-P_B) \\ &= P_A(1-2P_A)(1-2P_A) + 2P_A(1-P_A)(1-2P_A) + 2P_A(1-P_A)(1-2P_A) \\ &= 5P_A - 16P_A^2 + 12P_A^3 \\ &= 5*0.3 + 16*0.3^2 + 12*0.3^3 = \underline{\underline{0.384}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad u = 5P_A - 16P_A^2 + 12P_A^3$$

u is maximized when $\frac{du}{dP_A} = 0$

$$\text{So: } 0 = \frac{du}{dP_A} = \frac{d(5P_A - 16P_A^2 + 12P_A^3)}{dP_A} = 5 - 32P_A + 36P_A^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P_A = 0.687 \text{ or } 0.202$$

However, ~~$P_B = 2P_A$~~ $2P_A = P_B \leq 1 \Rightarrow P_A \leq 0.5$

So, when ~~$P_A = 0.202$~~ ,

The value of P_A maximized utilization is $P_A = \cancel{0.202}$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad U_{\max} &= 5P_A - 16P_A^2 + 12P_A^3 \\ &= 5 * (0.202) - 16 * (0.202)^2 + 12 * (0.202)^3 \\ &= 0.456 \end{aligned}$$

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You send a stream of packets of size 1000 bytes each across a network path from Cambridge to Berkeley. You find that the one-way delay varies b/w 50ms (in the absence of any queuing) and 125ms (full queue), with an average of 75ms. The transmission rate at the sender is 1Mbps; the receiver gets the packets at the same rate without any packet loss.

- (a) What is the mean number of packets in the queue at the bottleneck link along the path (assume that any queuing happens at just one switch)
- (b) You now increase the transmission rate to 2Mbps. You find that the receiver gets packets at a rate of 1.6Mbps. The average queue length does not change from before.
 - (i) What is the packet loss rate at the switch?
 - (ii) what is the average one-way delay now?

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \text{Average } \cancel{\text{delay}} \text{ one-way delay} &= 75 \text{ ms} \\ \text{one-way delay without queuing} &= 50 \text{ ms} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So: Average queuing delay } D &= \text{Average one-way delay} - \\ &\quad \text{one-way delay without queuing} \\ &= 75 \text{ ms} - 50 \text{ ms} \\ &= 25 \text{ ms} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{arrival rate } \lambda &= 1 \text{ Mbps} \\ &= \frac{1 \text{ M bits/s}}{8000 \text{ bits/packet}} \quad \Rightarrow 1 \text{ packet} = 1000 \text{ bytes} \\ &= 125 \text{ packets/s} \quad = 8000 \text{ bits} \end{aligned}$$



So. the mean number of packets in the queue

$$= \lambda * D$$

$$= 125 \text{ packets} / 25 \text{ ms}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3.125 \text{ packets}}}$$

b) i) packet loss rate = $\frac{\text{Sender transmission rate} - \text{Receiver arrival rate}}{\text{Sender transmission rate}}$

$$= \frac{2M - 1.6M}{2M}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{20\%}}$$

ii) $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{average one-way delay} = \text{one-way delay in the absence of queuing} \\ + \text{average queuing delay } D \end{array} \right\}$

Use little's Law to calculate D.

N doesn't change . So. $N = 3.125 \text{ packets}$

arrival rate $\lambda = 1.6 \text{ M bps}$

$$= \frac{1.6 \text{ M bits/s}}{8000 \text{ bits/packets}}$$

$$= 200 \text{ packets/s}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \text{ packet} = 1000 \text{ bytes}$$

$$= 8000 \text{ bits}$$

So. average queuing delay $D = \frac{N}{\lambda} = \frac{3.125 \text{ packets}}{200 \text{ packets/s}} = 15.625 \text{ ms}$

So. average one-way delay = one-way delay in the absence of queuing

+ average queuing delay

$$= 50 \text{ ms} + 15.625 \text{ ms}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{65.625 \text{ ms}}}$$

(Ex 3). Determine whether the ff statements are True or False :

- (1) There exists some offered load pattern for which TDMA has lower throughput than slotted Aloha.
- (2) Suppose there are 3 nodes which use a fixed probability of $p = \frac{1}{3}$ when transmitting on a slotted Aloha network. If all nodes are backlogged, the utilization is $\frac{1}{e} \approx 37\%$.
- (3) Using contention windows with a CSMA implementation guarantees that a packet will be transmitted successfully (i.e. without collisions) within some bounded time.

Solution:

① TRUE:

Prof: (TDMA doesn't work well for unbalanced ~~load~~ load.)

For example: ~~that~~ There are N nodes. Only 1 nodes is backlogged.

Then, throughput of TDMA = $\frac{1}{N}$
(utilization)

Throughput of slotted Aloha $\approx \frac{1}{e}$ when we set $p \approx 1$

In this case, throughput of TDMA < Throughput of slotted Aloha.
P: the probability that one sends data.

② FALSE

Prof: $u = P(\text{node 0 xmits}) + P(\text{node 1 doesn't}) * P(\text{node 2 doesn't})$

$$+ P(\text{node 1 xmits}) * P(\text{node 0 doesn't}) * P(\text{node 2 doesn't})$$

$$+ P(\text{node 2 xmits}) * P(\text{node 0 doesn't}) * P(\text{node 1 doesn't})$$

$$= \frac{4}{9} \neq \frac{1}{e}.$$

Actually, only N (the number of all nodes) $\rightarrow \infty$,

$$u \rightarrow \frac{1}{e} \approx 37\%$$

③ FALSE

Proof:

Recall contention window scheme with CSMA:

CW: current value of the window, CW can vary between CW_{min} and CW_{max}.

when a node transmits,

picks a number randomly r in $[1, CW]$

sends packet after r time slots.

If a collision occurs

doubles CW (if CW < CW_{max})

else

halves CW (if CW > CW_{min})

So, contention windows only guarantees a transmission

attempt within bounded time, but there's

no guarantee of success.

(Because all attempts can be collisioned)

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Ex4: Three users X, Y, Z share a link with capacity 1Mbps.

There are two possible strategies to access ~~the~~ the link (1) TDMA and (2) Taking turns.

In "Taking turns" ~ add a latency of 0.05 s before taking the turn. The user can then use the link for as long as it has data to send.

In each of the ff cases, which strategy would you use and why?

(1) X, Y, Z sends a 320 kbytes file every second.

(2) X sends 640 kbytes file every second, while Y, Z send 80 kbytes file every second.

Solution.

① TDMA wins.

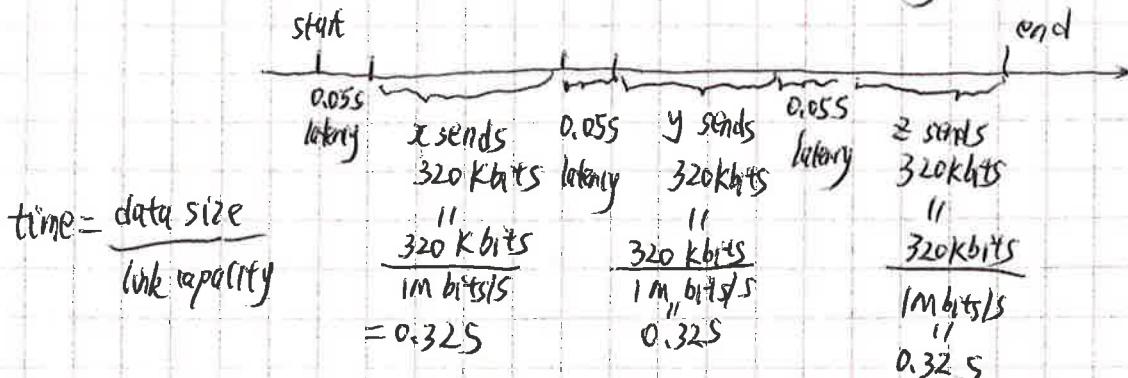
Proof: for TDMA, each user gets $\frac{\text{link capacity}}{3} = 333 \text{ kbytes bandwidth}$.

The required bandwidth for each user is

$$320 \text{ kbytes/s} < 333 \text{ kbytes/s}$$

So: TDMA can work well in this case
for "taking turn"

In 1 second, we should do following jobs.



The total time = $0.05 + 0.32 + 0.05 + 0.32 + 0.05 + 0.32 = 1.11 \text{ s} > 1 \text{ s}$

So, "taking turn" can't finish its job.

② "Taking turn" wins

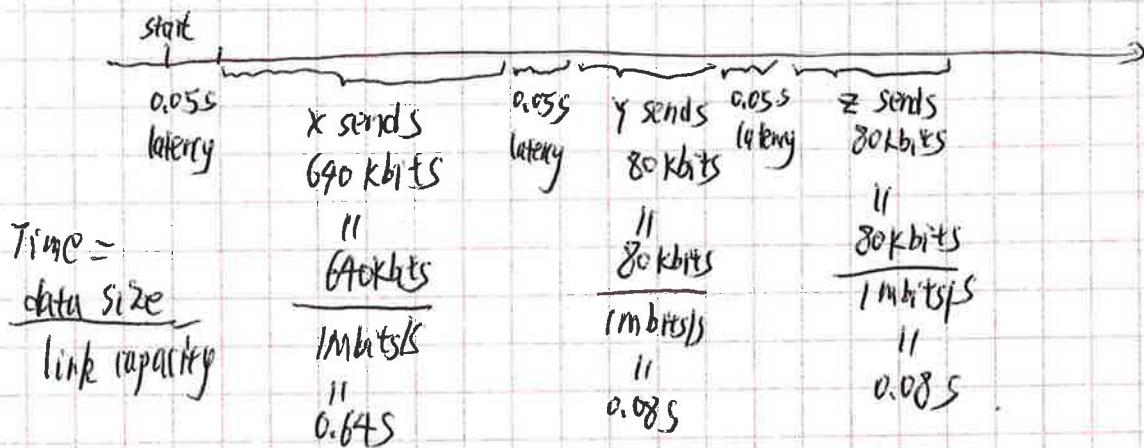
Proof: for TORA, each user still gets 333 kbit/s bandwidth.

However, user X requires 640 kbit/s bandwidth.

So, X's ~~bandwidth~~ requirement can't be met.

for "taking turn"

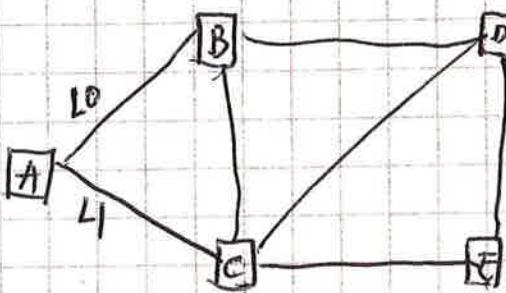
In 1 second, we should do following job.



The total time = $0.05 + 0.64 + 0.05 + 0.08 + 0.05 + 0.08 = 0.95 \text{ s} < 1 \text{ s}$

So, "taking turn" can finish its job in this case.

Example 5 Consider a network with topology shown below.



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Suppose the final routing table for node A using Dijkstra's algorithm is as below.

Node	Link	cost
A	-	0
B	L0	5
C	L1	6
D	L0	7
E	L1	9

Assume: the costs obey two constraints.

① all costs are integer ≥ 1

② each shortest path is unique. i.e., there aren't two possible shortest paths between any two nodes.

Question: Please make the most specific deduction about ~~each~~

~~link's cost~~ the cost of link (A-B, B-C, A-C)

i.e. give the exact cost if that can be determined.

or, indicate $\geq k$ if you determine that k is a lower bound on the possible link cost.

Solution:

① Look at entry $(B, L_0, 5)$

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$A - B$ is the shortest path between A and B . $\Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(AB) = 5}$.

② Look at entry $(C, L_1, 6)$

$A - C$ is the shortest path between A and C . $\Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(AC) = 6}$.

Besides. The following path cost > 6 :

$A \xrightarrow{5} B - C > 6 \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(BC) \geq 2}$.

③ Look at entry $(D, L_0, 7)$

Three possible paths

$A \xrightarrow{5} B - D \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(BD) = 2}$

$A \xrightarrow{5} B \xrightarrow{\geq 2} C - D \quad \text{Impossible}$

$A \xrightarrow{5} B \xrightarrow{\geq 2} C - E - D \quad \text{Impossible}$

Besides. The following path cost > 7

$A \xrightarrow{6} C - D \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(CD) \geq 2}$.

④ Look at $(E, L_1, 9)$

Two possible paths

$A \xrightarrow{6} C \xrightarrow{\geq 2} D - E \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(DE) = 1}$. However, then $\text{cost}(A \xrightarrow{5} B \xrightarrow{2} D \xrightarrow{1} E)$ is the shortest between AE then, which is impossible.

$A \xrightarrow{6} C - E \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(CE) = 3}$

Besides. The following path cost > 9 .

$A \xrightarrow{5} B \xrightarrow{2} D - E \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linkcost}(DE) \geq 3}$.

So, Final result:

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