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Flow Control

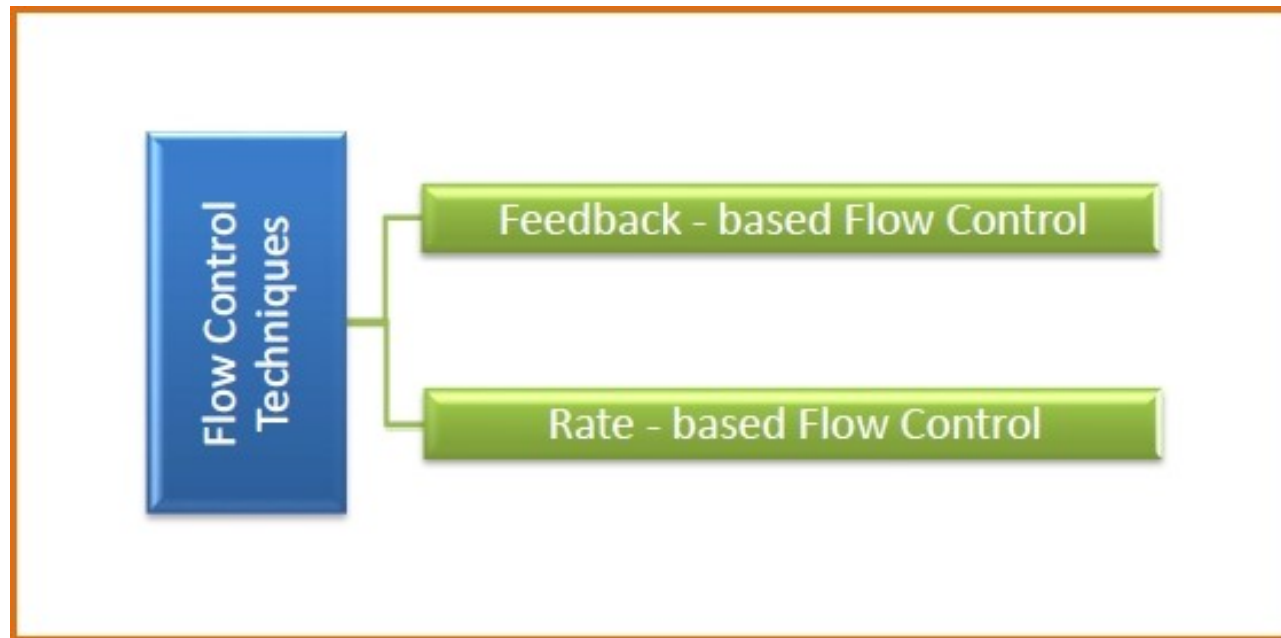
- ✓ *Flow control is a technique that allows two stations working at different speeds to communicate with each other.*
- ✓ *It is a set of measures taken to regulate the amount of data that a sender sends so that a fast sender does not overwhelm a slow receiver.*

Flow control refers to a set of procedures used to restrict the amount of data that the sender can send before waiting for acknowledgment.



Approaches for Flow Control

- ✓ **Feedback based Flow Control** - In these protocols, the sender sends frames after it has received acknowledgments from the user. This is used in the data link layer.
- ✓ **Rate based Flow Control** - These protocols have built in mechanisms to restrict the rate of transmission of data without requiring acknowledgment from the receiver. This is used in the network layer and the transport layer.

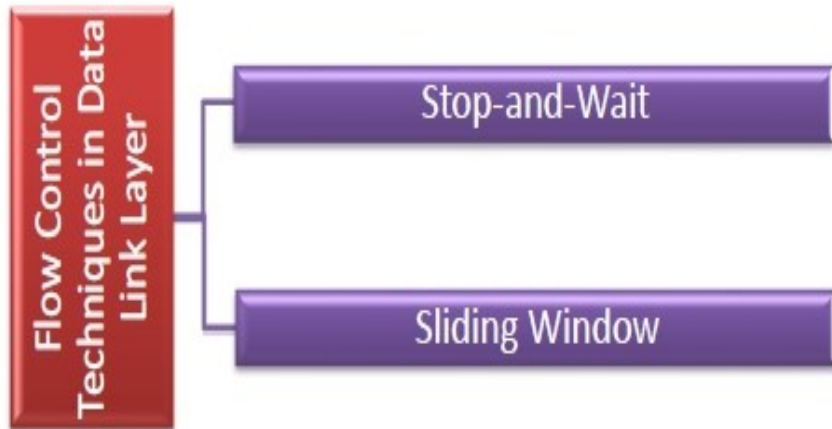




Flow Control Techniques in Data Link Layer

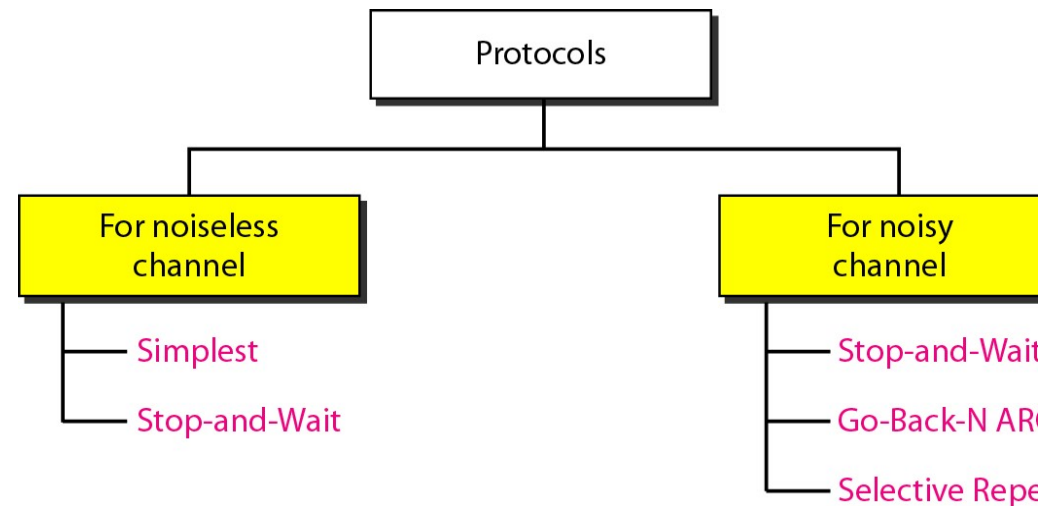


Basically flow control is done at this layer is given as



Data link layer can combine framing, flow control, and error control to achieve the delivery of data from one node to another in a reliable manner.

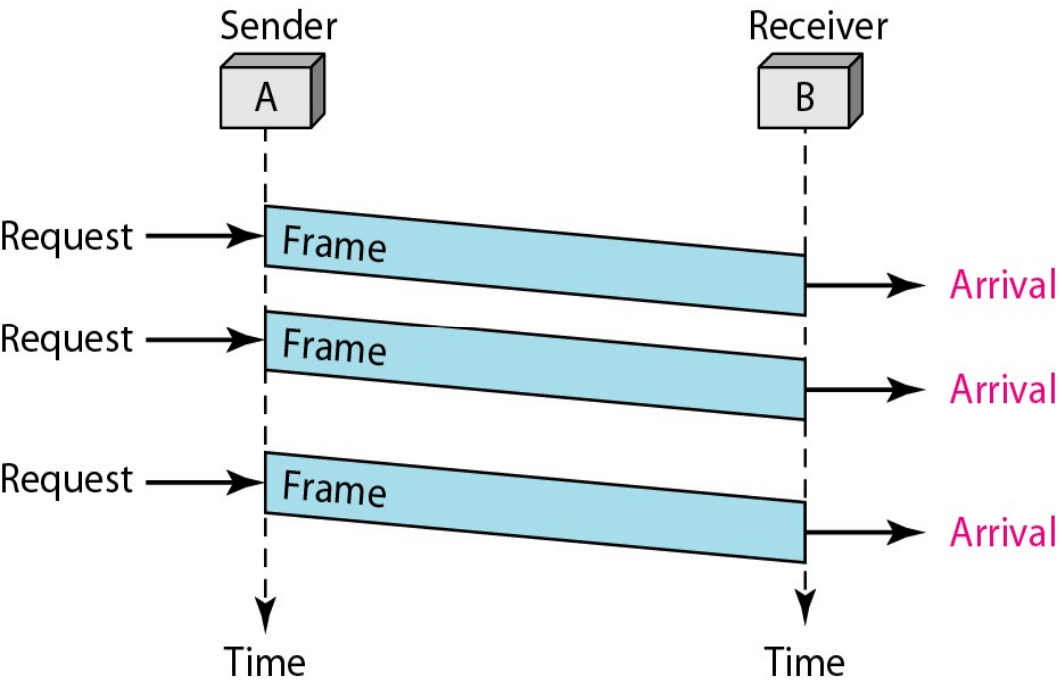
In that way protocols designed is given as



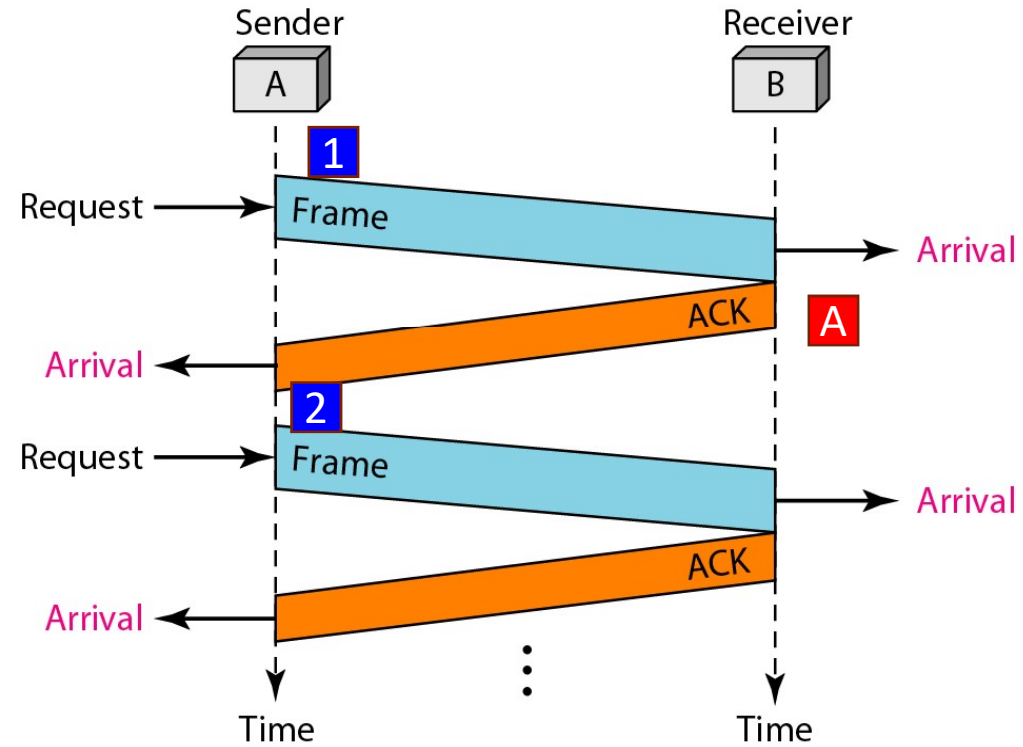


Stop and Wait Protocol

Without Flow control

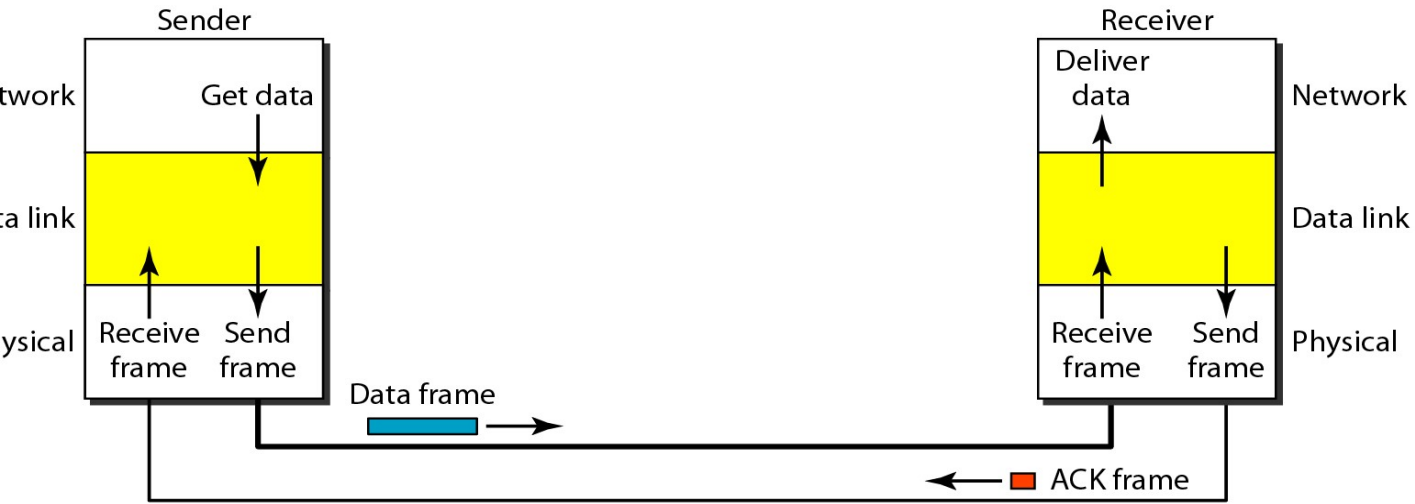


With Flow control



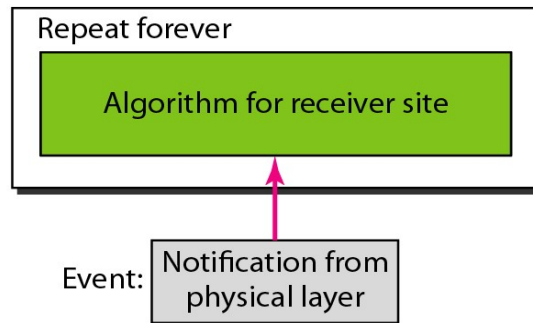
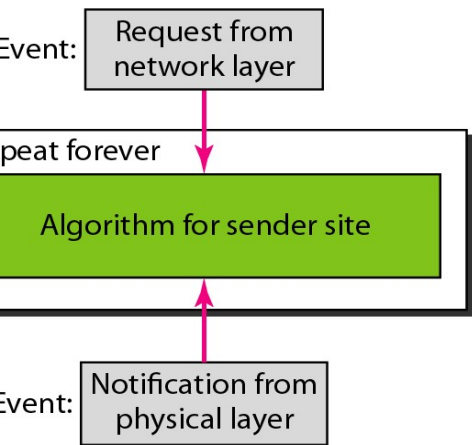


Stop and Wait Protocol



Working Principle

- The sender sends a frame and waits for acknowledgment.
- Once the receiver receives the frame, it sends an acknowledgment frame to the sender.
- On receiving the acknowledgment frame, the sender understands that the receiver is ready to accept the next frame. So it sends the next frame to the queue.

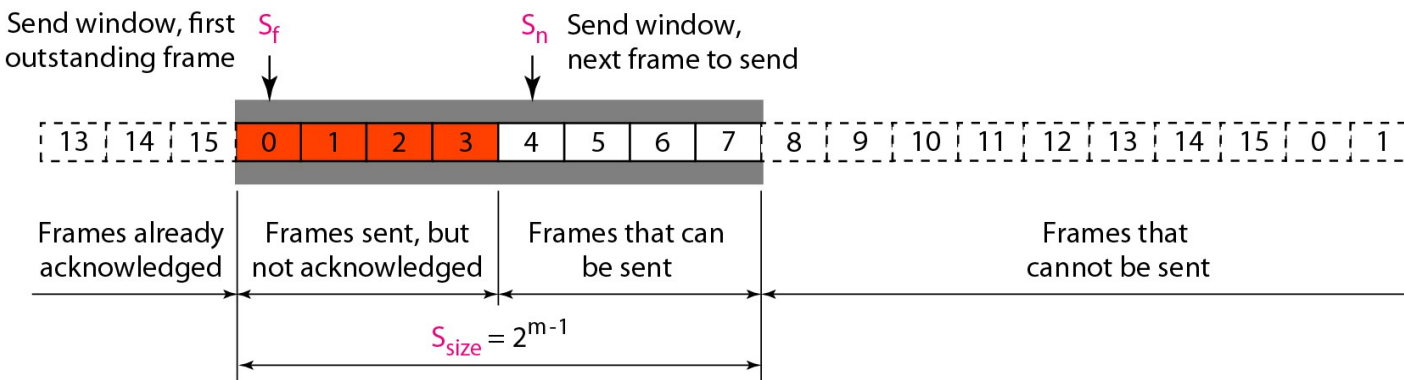




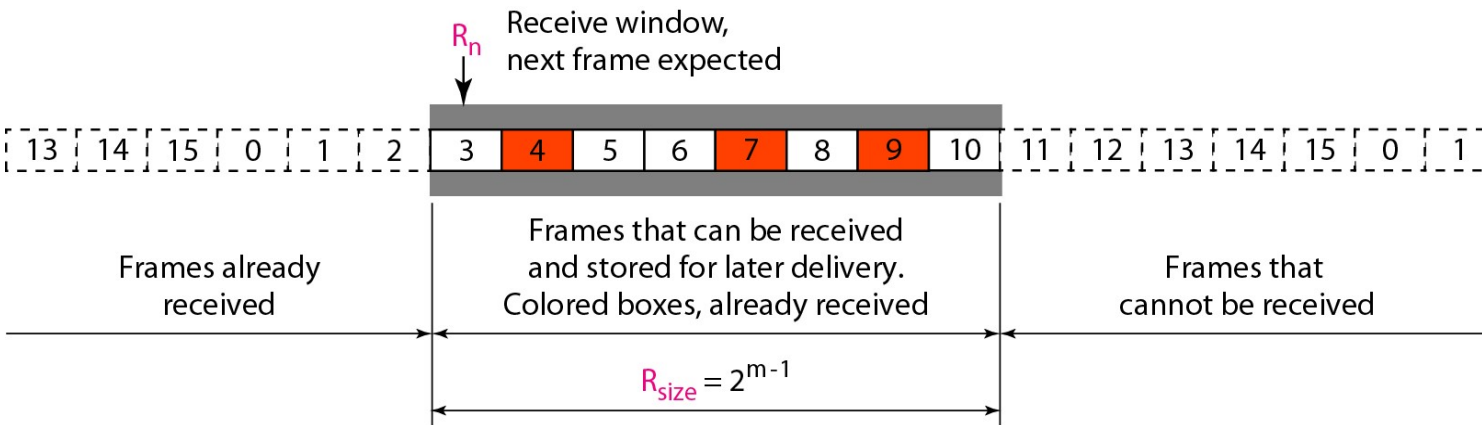
Sliding Window Protocol



Sender Window



Receiver Window

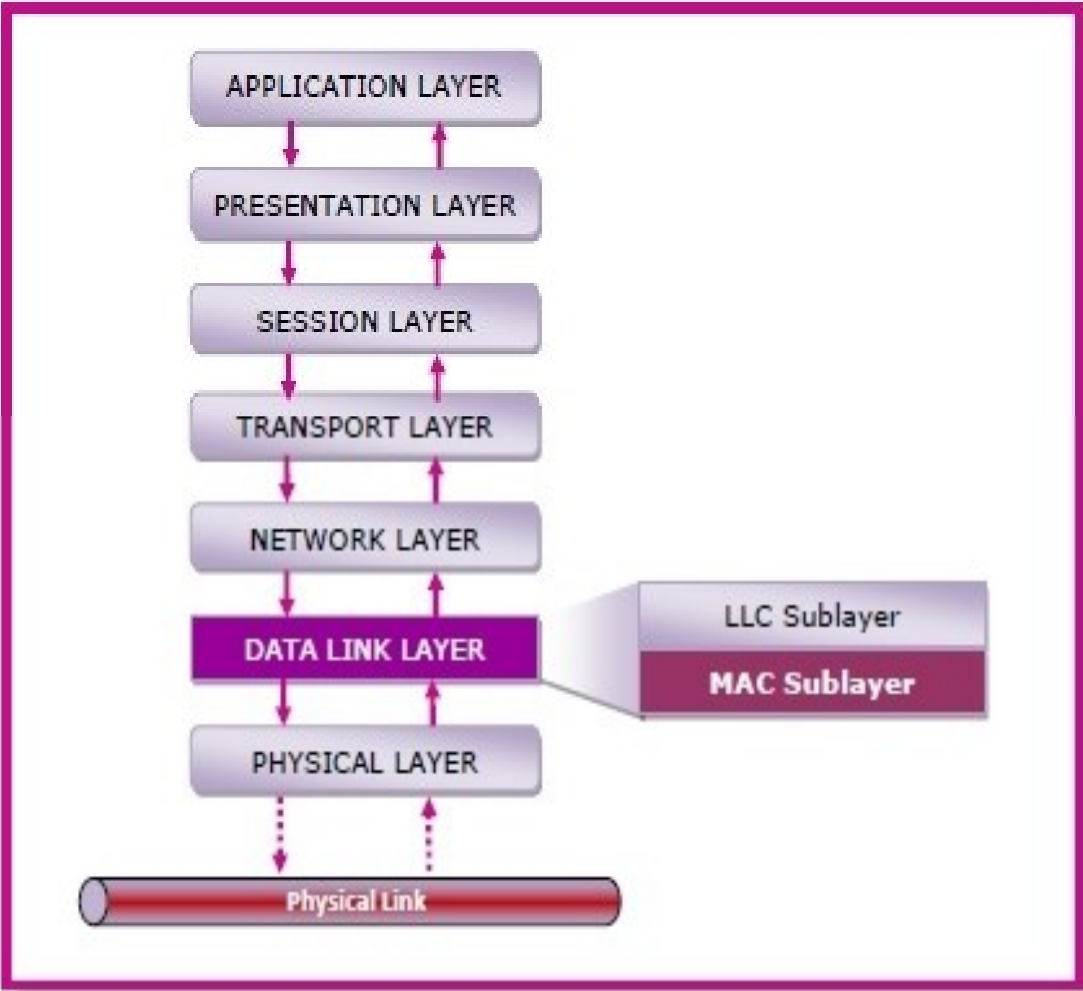


Working Principle -

- Both the sender and the receiver have finite sized buffers called **windows**.
- The sender and the receiver agree upon the number of frames to be sent based upon the buffer size.
- The sender sends multiple frames in sequence, without waiting for acknowledgment.
- When its sending window is filled, it waits for acknowledgment. 0
- On receiving acknowledgment, it advances the window and transmits next frames, according to the number of acknowledgments received.



Medium Access Control (MAC)



The data link layer is the second lowest layer and it is divided into two sublayers

The Logical Link Control (LLC) sublayer

The Medium Access Control (MAC) sublayer



- It is responsible for flow control and multiplexing for transmission medium**
- It controls the transmission of data packets via remotely shared channels**
- It sends data over the network interface card**



Medium Access Control – MAC Address

Unique identifier allotted to a Network Interface Controller (NIC) of a device.

It is used as a **network address** for data transmission within a network segment like Ethernet, Wi-Fi, and Bluetooth.

MAC address is assigned to a network adapter at the time of manufacturing.

It is **hardwired or hard-coded** in the network interface card (NIC).

A MAC address comprises of six groups of two hexadecimal digits, separated by hyphens, colons, or no separators.

An example of a MAC address is **00:0A:89:5B:F0:11**



Assessment

Feedback based Flow Control and Rate based Flow Control are used in Which OSI Layer?

Media Access Control address is a _____ identifier

DLL is divided into two sublayers, What are they?

Whether MAC located in OSI Layer?





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