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### **Collision Detection**

#### • If a sender senses a collision

- stop sending at once
- apply random backoff

### • "contention" period

- after contention period, there will be no collision
- send for for  $2\tau$  (max propagation delay)
  - need  $2\tau$  since might be a collision at far end at  $\tau$ - $\epsilon$

# **Collision Free Protocols**

### • Use an allocation scheme

- must be dynamic (based on load) or we are reduced to TDM
- Bit Map Reservation Protocol
  - round of allocation (contention period)
  - everyone who indicated a desire to send goes in turn
  - requires an overhead of one bit per per station per round

### Binary Countdown

- reservation round send your host address
  - uses a "wired or" to compute winner
  - as soon as a station senses a 1 where it sent 0 it backs off
- winner sends packet
- gives higher priority to higher numbered hosts
  - can "rotate" station number after successful transmission

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## Wireless Networks (MACA)

- Stations send data into the air
  - not all stations can "see" all other stations
- Need to avoid collisions between sender an receiver
  - possible for the sender to not be able to sense collision
- Use a two stage protocol
  - send a RTS (request to send)
  - receiver responds CLS (clear to send)
- Hosts that hear a RTS or CLS wait and don't send
  - collisions still possible since two RTS frames may collide

## **Ethernet Cable Options**

- 10base5: Thicknet first Ethernet
  - Thick cable, doesn't bend well
  - vampire taps used to "tap" the network
  - max run is 500 meters
- 10Base2: Thin coax (cheaper net),
  - uses "T" connectors
  - max run is 200 meters
- 10baseT: twisted pair
  - uses a central hub
  - easier to find faults and problems
  - max run is 100 meters to hub

### Manchester Encoding

- Problem: How to send zero/ones?
  - need to know timing information
  - when does on bit end?
- Answer: Force many transitions
  - every bit is half low and half high
  - 1 is high then low
  - 0 is low then high
  - but this doubles bandwidth
- Differential Manchester Encoding
  - better noise immunity
  - 0 is a transition at the start, 1 none
  - both transition during the middle



# **Collision Management**

### • Binary Exponential Backoff

- after collision, divide into slot times
- after first collision, wait either 0 or 1 slot times
- after second collision, wait either 0, 1, 2, or 3 slot times
- limited to 1023 slots
- after 16 collisions, link layer gives up

#### • Performance

- each station wants to transmit with probability p, then
  - $A = k [p^{1}(1-p)^{k-1}]$
  - A --> 1/e as k --> infinity
- probability a contention interval has j slots is A(1-A)<sup>j-1</sup>
- mean number of slots per contention is:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jA(1-A)^{j-1} = \frac{1}{A}$$
 mean contention interval is then  $2\tau/A$ 

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