CSC358 Tutorial 4

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- (a) What are the different roles of the transport layers and the network layer?
- (b) What are the differences between TCP and UDP?
- (c) What do we mean by "UDP is connectionless"?
- (d) In *rdt3.0*, what are purposes of ACKs, timeouts, and sequence numbers?

For the answers, review the lectures, books, go to office hours, and use the discussion board!

In the lecture slides, we showed and discussed the sender's FSM of *rdt3.0*, but we omitted the receiver FSM. In this question, you will complete the FSM for the receiver side of protocol *rdt3.0*. To get started, think about what modifications need to be made to the receiver's FSM in *rdt2.2*.

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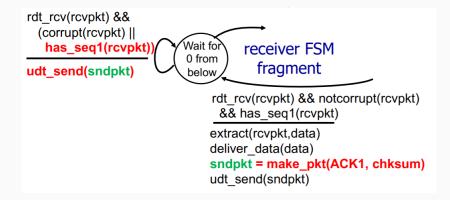
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The receiver's FSM turns out to be the same one used in *rdt2.2*, as it also has the possibility of duplicate packets.

If you're waiting for a packet with seqnum 1, but you get a seqnum of 0, re-send the ACK for 0 (your previous ACK may have been lost, so the sender timed out and sent you 0 again)



Consider a scenario in which Host A wants to simultaneously send packets to Hosts B and C. A is connected to B and C via a broadcast channel - a packet sent by A is carried by the channel to both B and C. Suppose that the broadcast channel connecting A, B and C can independently lose and corrupt packets (and so, for example, a packet sent from A might be correctly received by B, but not C). Design a stop-and-wait-like error-control protocol for reliably transferring packets from A to B and C, such that A will not get new data from the upper layer until it knows that both B and C have correctly received the current packets. Give FSM descriptions of A, B and C (Hint: the FSMs for B and C should be essentially the same). In particular, think about the following questions:

- (a) What are the states of the sender's FSM?
- (b) What are the state of the receiver's FSM?
- (c) Is it necessary to have sequence numbers?
- (d) Is it necessary to have ACK or NAK, or both?
- (e) Is it necessary to have timeout?
- (f) Could this protocol be similar to one of the *rdt* protocols that we learned in class?

HINT: Try to modify the *rdt3.0* FSM Do we need sequence numbers?

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We need ACKS so the receivers can confirm they've gotten non-corrupt packets. NAKs are not necessary in this case if we use timeouts

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Sender FSM:

Can only increment the sequence number and send the next packet once both B and C send back ACKS

One state to wait for either B or C

One state to wait for C after having received B's ACK

One state to wait for B after having received C's ACK

