

TCP and UDP

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- ❑ Header format
- ❑ Mechanisms
- ❑ Implementation choices
- ❑ Slow start congestion avoidance
- ❑ TCP vs ISO TP4
- ❑ UDP

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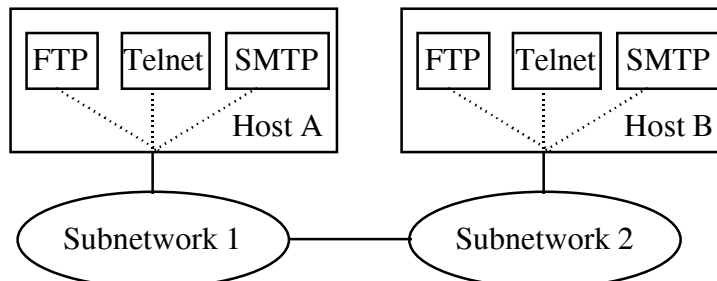
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Transport Control Protocol (TCP)

- Key Feature: Stream oriented. Not block oriented.
- Key Services:
 - Send: Please send when convenient
 - Data stream push: Please send it all now
 - Urgent data signalling: Destination TCP! please give this urgent data to the user

TCP/IP Protocol Architecture

- Processes: Entities that communicate. Generally application modules.
- Hosts: Stations on the network. Multiple processes per host
- Networks: Provide communication between hosts



TCP Header Format

Source Port	Dest Port	Seq No	Ack No	Data Offset	Resvd	Flags	Window
16	16	32	32	4	6	6	16

Check-sum	Urgent	Options	Pad
16	16	x	y

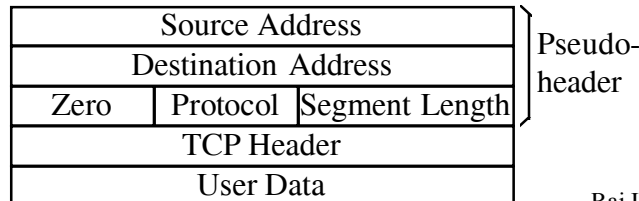
← Size in bits

TCP Header

- ❑ Source Port (16 bits): Identifies source user process
- ❑ Destination Port (16 bits)
- ❑ Sequence Number (32 bits): Sequence number of the first byte in the segment. If syn is present, this is the initial sequence number (ISN) and the first data byte is ISN+1.
- ❑ Ack number (32 bits): Next byte expected
- ❑ Data offset (4 bits): Number of 32-bit words in the header
- ❑ Reserved (6 bits)
- ❑ Flags (6 bits): Urgent pointer field significant, ack field significant, push function, reset the connection, synchronize the sequence numbers, no more data from sender

TCP Header (Cont)

- ❑ Window (16 bits): Will accept [Ack] to [Ack]+[window]
- ❑ Checksum (16 bits): covers the segment plus a pseudo header
Includes the following fields from IP header: source and dest adr, protocol, segment length. Protects from IP misdelivery.
- ❑ Urgent pointer (16 bits): Points to the byte following urgent data. Lets receiver know how much urgent data is coming.
- ❑ Options (variable): Max TPDU size (Default 536 bytes)
Window scale, SACK permitted



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TCP Service Requests

- ❑ Unspecified passive open:
Listen for connection requests from any user
- ❑ Full passive open:
Listen for connection requests from specified user
- ❑ Active open: Request connection
- ❑ Active open with data: Request connection and transmit data
- ❑ Send: Send data
- ❑ Allocate: Issue incremental allocation for receive data
- ❑ Close: Close the connection gracefully
- ❑ Abort: Close the connection abruptly
- ❑ Status: Report connection status

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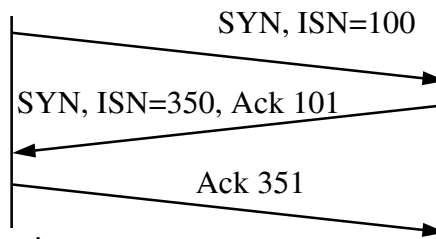
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TCP Service Responses

- ❑ Open ID: Informs the name assigned to the pending request
- ❑ Open Failure: Your open request failed
- ❑ Open Success: Your open request succeeded
- ❑ Deliver: Reports arrival of data
- ❑ Closing: Remote TCP has issued a close request
- ❑ Terminate: Connection has been terminated
- ❑ Status Response: Here is the connection status
- ❑ Error: Reports service request or internal error

TCP Mechanisms

- ❑ Connection Establishment
 - ❑ Three way handshake
 - ❑ SYN flag set \Rightarrow Request for connection



- ❑ Connection Termination
 - ❑ Close with FIN flag set
 - ❑ Abort

Data Transfer

- Stream: Every byte is numbered modulo 2^{32} .
- Header contains the sequence number of the first byte
- Flow control: Credit = number of bytes
- Data transmitted at intervals determined by TCP
Push \Rightarrow Send now
- Urgent: Send this data in ordinary data stream with urgent pointer
- If TPDU not intended for this connection is received, the “reset” flag is set in the outgoing segment

Implementation Policies (Choices)

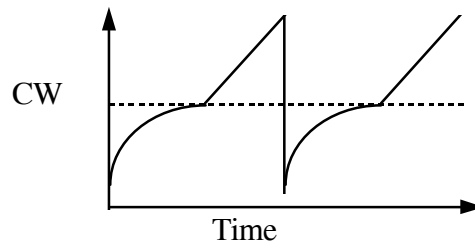
- Send Policy: Too little \Rightarrow More overhead. Too large \Rightarrow Delay
Push \Rightarrow Send now.
- Delivery Policy: May store or deliver each in-order segment.
Push \Rightarrow Send now.
- Accept Policy: May or May not discard out-of-order segments
- Retransmit Policy: First only
Retransmit all
Retransmit individual
(maintain separate timer for each segment)
- Ack Policy: Immediate (no piggybacking)
Cumulative (wait for outgoing data or timeout)

Slow Start Flow Control

- ❑ Window = Flow Control Avoids receiver overrun
- ❑ Need congestion control to avoid network overrun
- ❑ The sender maintains two windows: Credits from the receiver
Congestion window from the network
Congestion window is always less than the receiver window
- ❑ Starts with a congestion window of 1 segment (one max segment size) Do not disturb existing connections too much.
- ❑ Increase CW by 1 every time an ack is received

Slow Start (Cont)

- ❑ If packets lost, remember slow start threshold to $CW/2$
Set CW to 1
Increment by 1 per ack until SS threshold
Increment by $1/CW$ per ack afterwards

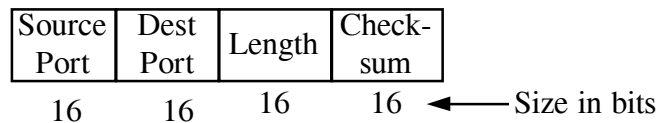


TCP vs ISO TP4

Function	TCP	TP4
Data transfer	Streams	Blocks
Flow control	Octets	Segments
Error detection	Checksum	Checksum
Error correction	Retransmission	Retransmission
Addressing	16-bit ports	Variable TSAPA
Interrupt service	Urgent Data	Expedited data
Security	Not available	Variable in TP
Precedence	Not available	16 bits in TP
Connection termination	Graceful	Nongraceful

User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

- ❑ Connectionless end-to-end service
- ❑ No flow control. No error recovery (no acks)
- ❑ Provides port addressing
- ❑ Error detection (Checksum) optional. Applies to pseudoheader (same as TCP) and UDP segment. If not used, it is set to zero.
- ❑ Used by network management



Summary



- ❑ TCP header format and services
- ❑ TCP Streams, credit flow control, 3-way handshake
- ❑ Slow-start congestion avoidance
- ❑ UDP is connectionless and simple. No flow/error control.