

Multimedia Networking

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- ❑ Multimedia Networking Applications
- ❑ Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP)
- ❑ Real-Time Transport Protocol (RTP)
- ❑ Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)

Note: This class lecture is based on Chapter 7 of the textbook (Kurose and Ross) and the figures provided by the authors.

Multimedia Networking Applications

- ❑ Streaming Stored Audio and Video
 - ❑ Stored Media: Fast rewind, pause, fast forward
 - ❑ Streaming: simultaneous play out and download
 - ❑ Continuous play out: Delay jitter smoothed by playout buffer
- ❑ Streaming Live Audio and Video: IPTV and Internet Radio
 - ❑ No fast-forward
- ❑ High data rate to large number of users
 - ⇒ multicast or P2P,
 - ❑ delay jitter controlled by caching,
- ❑ Real-Time Interactive Audio and Video: Internet Telephone, Video Conferencing
 - ❑ Delay < 400 ms.

Multimedia on Internet

- ❑ Best Effort Service
- ❑ TCP not used due to retransmission delays
- ❑ Limited packet loss tolerated
- ❑ Packet jitter smoothed by buffering
- ❑ Hard Guarantee: Min Throughput, Max Delay, Max delay jitter
- ❑ Soft Guarantee: Quality of service with a high probability
- ❑ Protocol for Bandwidth Reservation and Traffic Description
- ❑ Scheduling to honor bandwidth reservation
- ❑ High Bandwidth
- ❑ Content Distribution Networks: Akamai

Audio Compression Standards

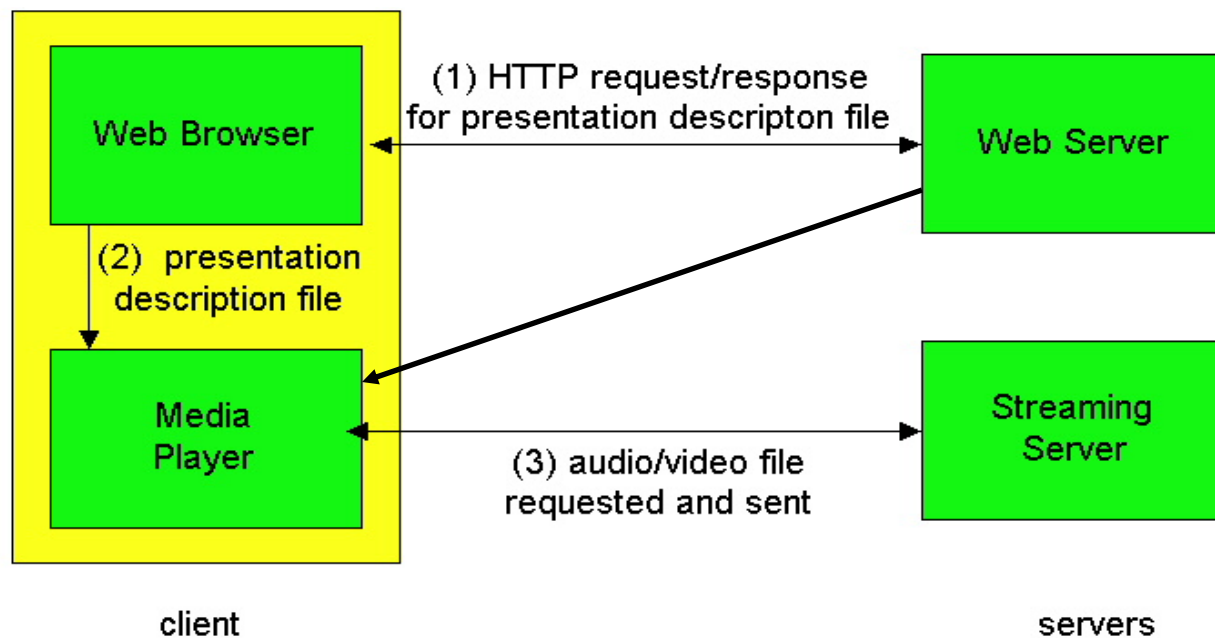
- ❑ 4kHz audio \Rightarrow Audio sampled at 8000 samples per second
- ❑ 256 levels per sample \Rightarrow 8 bits/sample \Rightarrow 64 kbps
- ❑ Pulse Code Modulation (PCM)
- ❑ CD's use 44.1 kSamples/s, 16 b/sample \Rightarrow 705.6 kbps (mono) or 1.411 Mbps (Stereo)
- ❑ GSM Cell phones: 13 kbps
- ❑ G.711: 64 kbps
- ❑ G.729: 8 kbps
- ❑ G.723.3: 6.4 and 5.3 kbps
- ❑ MPEG 1 Layer 3 (MP3): 96 kbps, 128 kbps, or 160 kbps

Video Compression Standards

- ❑ Moving Pictures Expert Group (MPEG)
- ❑ MPEG 1: CD quality video (1.5 Mbps)
- ❑ MPEG 2: DVD quality Video 3-6 Mbps
- ❑ MPEG 4: Low-rate high-quality video (.divx or .mp4)
- ❑ H.261

Web Server vs. Streaming Server

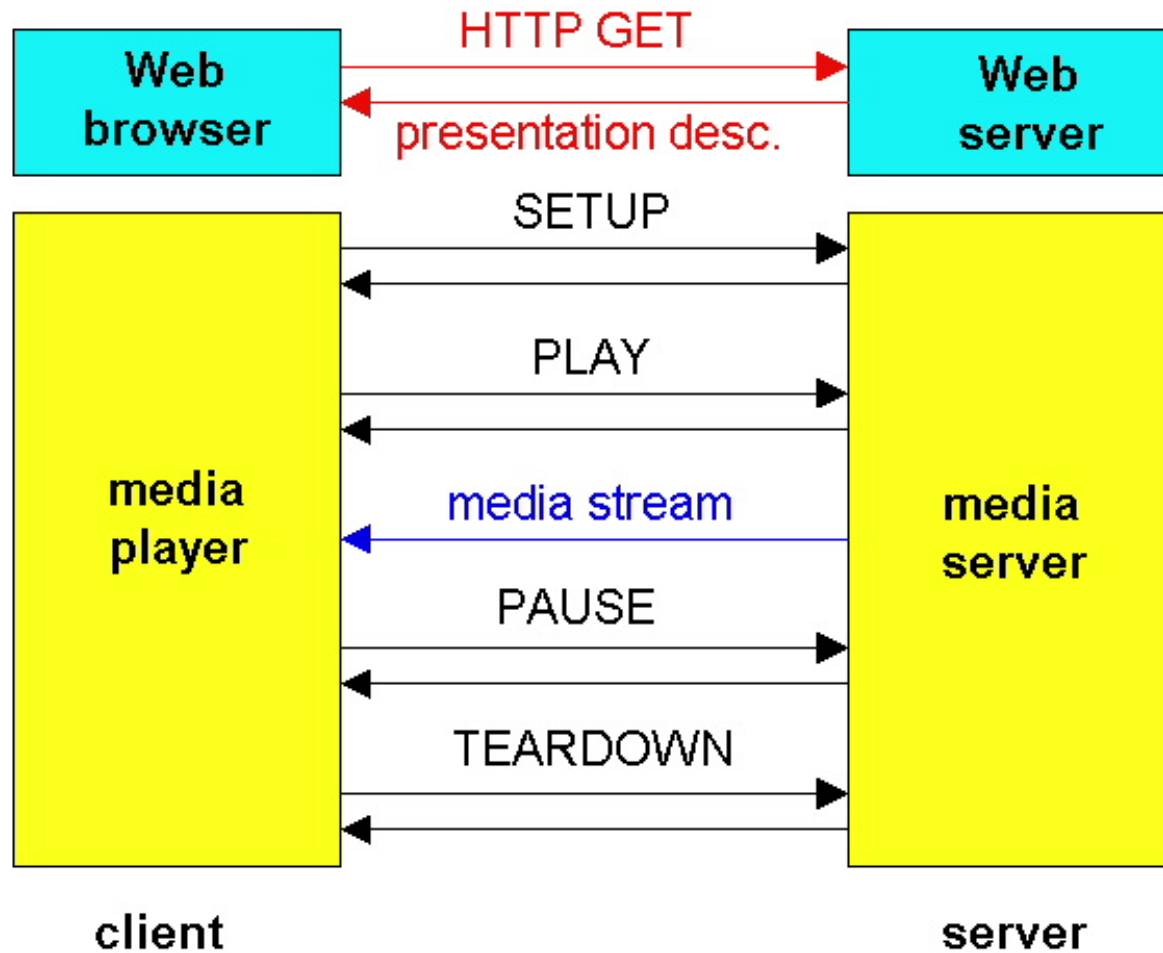
- ❑ Web Servers sends the whole file as one object
- ❑ Streaming Server sends at a constant rate



Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP)

- ❑ Protocol to control streaming media
- ❑ Allows start, stop, pause, fast forward, rewinding a stream
- ❑ Data and control channels
- ❑ All commands are sent on control channel (Port 544)
- ❑ Specified as a URL in web pages:
`rtsp://www.cse.wustl.edu/~jain/cse473-09/ftp/i_7mmn0.rm`

RTSP Operation



RTSP Exchange Example

C: SETUP rtsp://audio.example.com/twister/audio RTSP/1.0

Transport: rtp/udp; compression; port=3056; mode=PLAY

S: RTSP/1.0 200 1 OK

Session 4231

C: PLAY rtsp://audio.example.com/twister/audio.en/lofi RTSP/1.0

Session: 4231

Range: npt=0-

C: PAUSE rtsp://audio.example.com/twister/audio.en/lofi RTSP/1.0

Session: 4231

Range: npt=37

C: TEARDOWN rtsp://audio.example.com/twister/audio.en/lofi RTSP/1.0

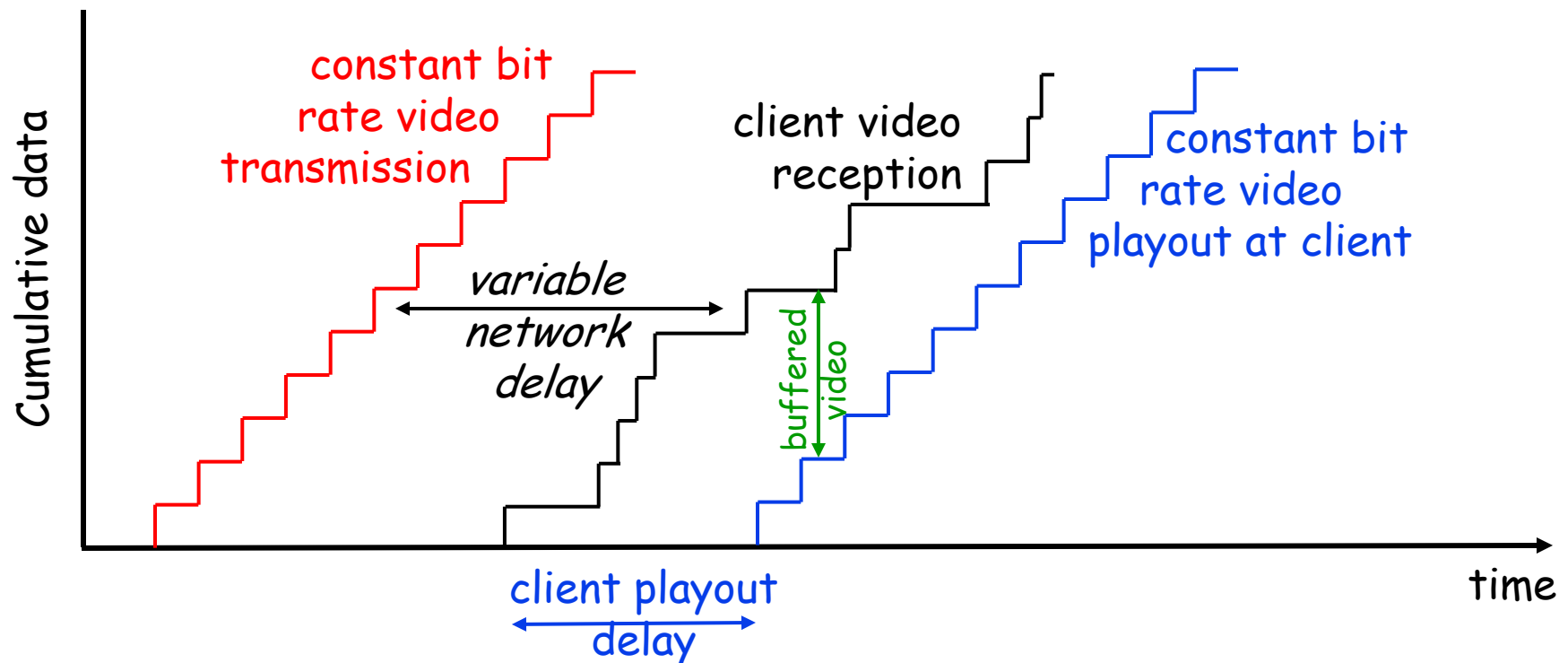
Session: 4231

S: 200 3 OK

Multimedia with Best Effort Service

- ❑ High Compression \Rightarrow Low Rate \Rightarrow Low loss
- ❑ 1% to 20% loss can be concealed
- ❑ Forward Error Correction (FEC) can be used to overcome loss.
- ❑ End-to-end delay limited to 400 ms
- ❑ Jitter overcome by play out buffer
- ❑ Large jitter \Rightarrow Packets arrive too late \Rightarrow same as Lost
- ❑ Each chunk comes with a sequence number and timestamp
- ❑ Play out delay can be adaptively adjusted according to measured delay variation

Playout Buffers



- ❑ Playout delay compensates for network delay, delay jitter
- ❑ Delay > Playout Delay \Rightarrow Packet late \Rightarrow Same as a lost packet

Adaptive Playout Delay

- t_i = Sending time
- r_i = Receiving time
- Measured delay sample = $r_i - t_i$
- d_i = Average network delay

$$d_i = (1-a)d_{i-1} + a(r_i - t_i)$$

- v_i = Variation of the delay

$$v_i = (1-a)v_{i-1} + a|r_i - t_i - d_i|$$

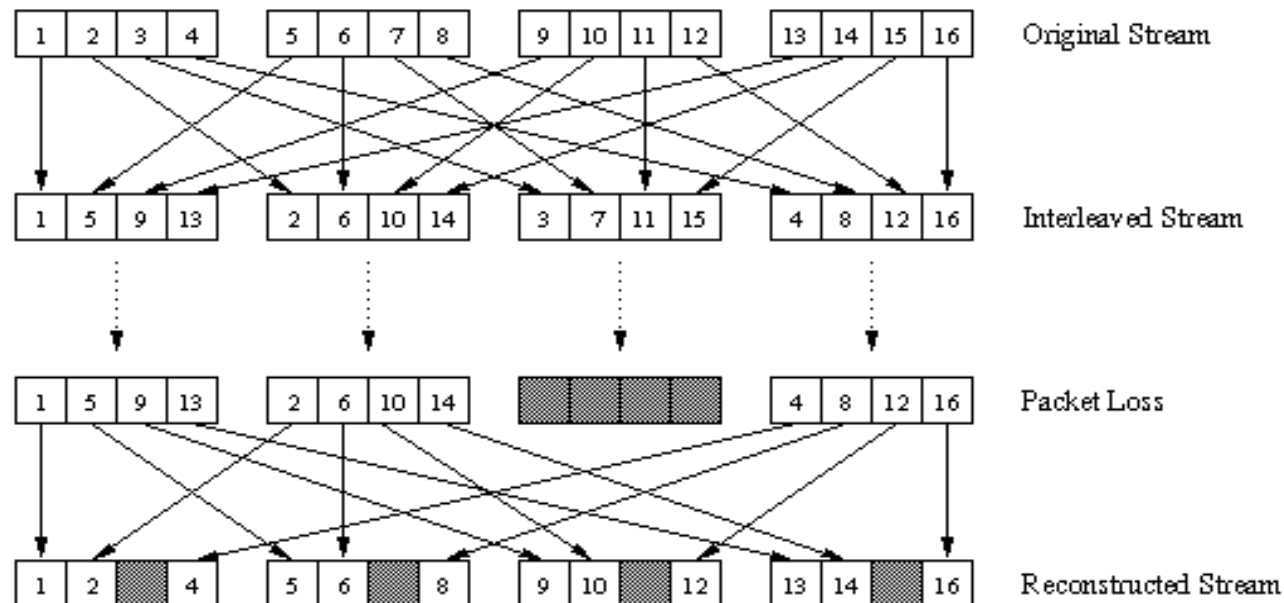
- p_i = Playout time

$$p_i = t_i + d_i + Kv_i$$

- Here K is a constant, say 4.

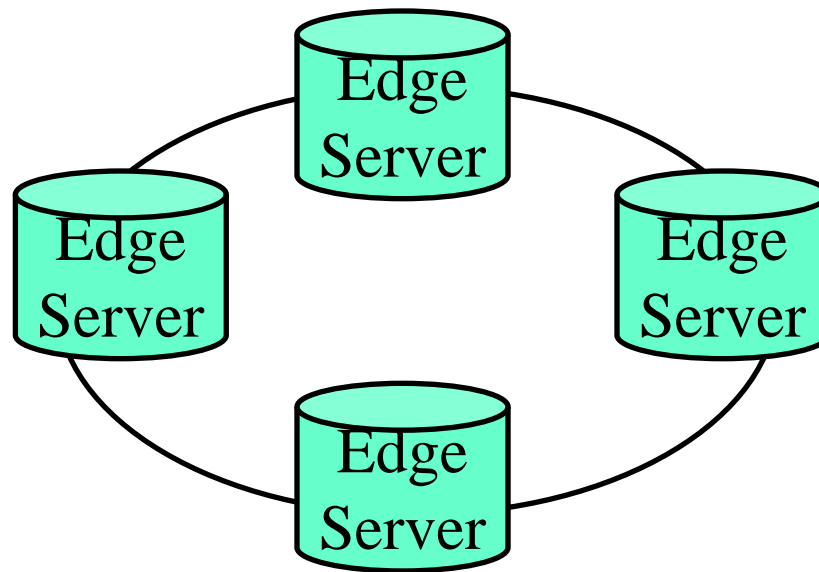
Recovering From Packet Loss

- ❑ Forward Error Correction
- ❑ Send $n+1$ packets in place of n packets
- ❑ Send a lower-resolution stream in addition
- ❑ Play out the old syllable
- ❑ Busty Loss \Rightarrow Interleave audio/video frames



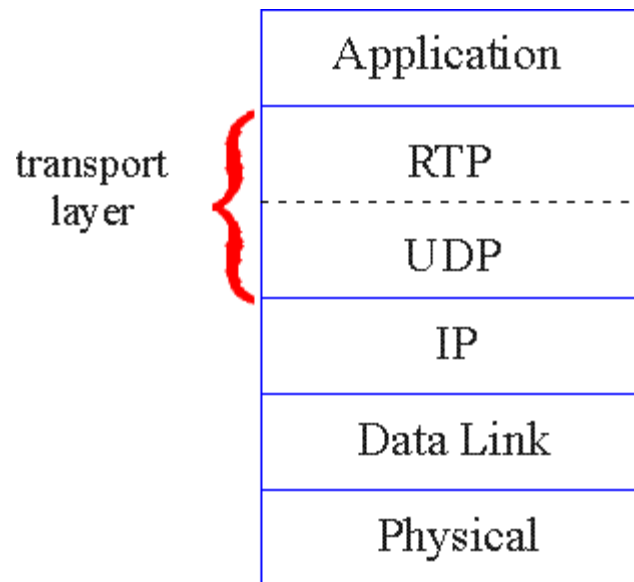
Content Distribution Networks

- Authoritative DNS server resolves the server address according to the requester's IP address

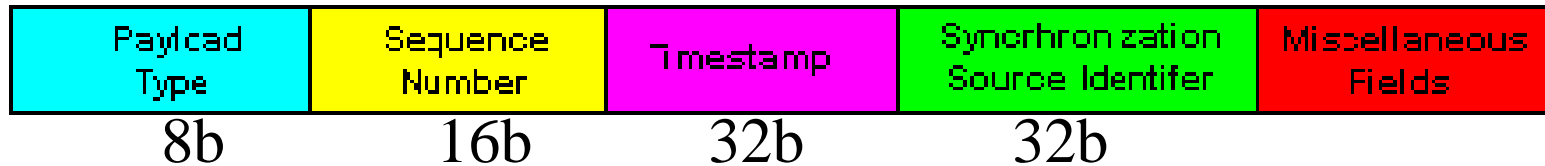


Real-Time Transport Protocol (RTP)

- ❑ Common sublayer between applications and UDP
- ❑ Provides sequence numbers, timestamps, and other facilities
- ❑ Supports both unicast and multicast



RTP Packet Format



- SSRC = Synchronization Source = Stream #

Payload Type	Coding	Rate
0	PCM mu-law	64 kbps
3	GSM	13 kbps
7	LPC	2.4 kbps
26	Motion JPEG	
31	H.261	
33	MPEG2 video	

RTP Control Protocol (RTCP)

- ❑ Used to send report about reception quality back to sender
- ❑ Also used by sender to report stream information
- ❑ Can be used to adjust the transmission speed, quality, or for diagnosis
- ❑ SSRC
- ❑ Fraction of packets lost
- ❑ Last sequence number received
- ❑ Inter-arrival jitter
- ❑ Receiver report rate is adjusted inversely to number of receivers
- ❑ Sender report rate is adjusted inversely to number of senders
- ❑ Total RTCP traffic $< 5\%$ of media datarate

Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)

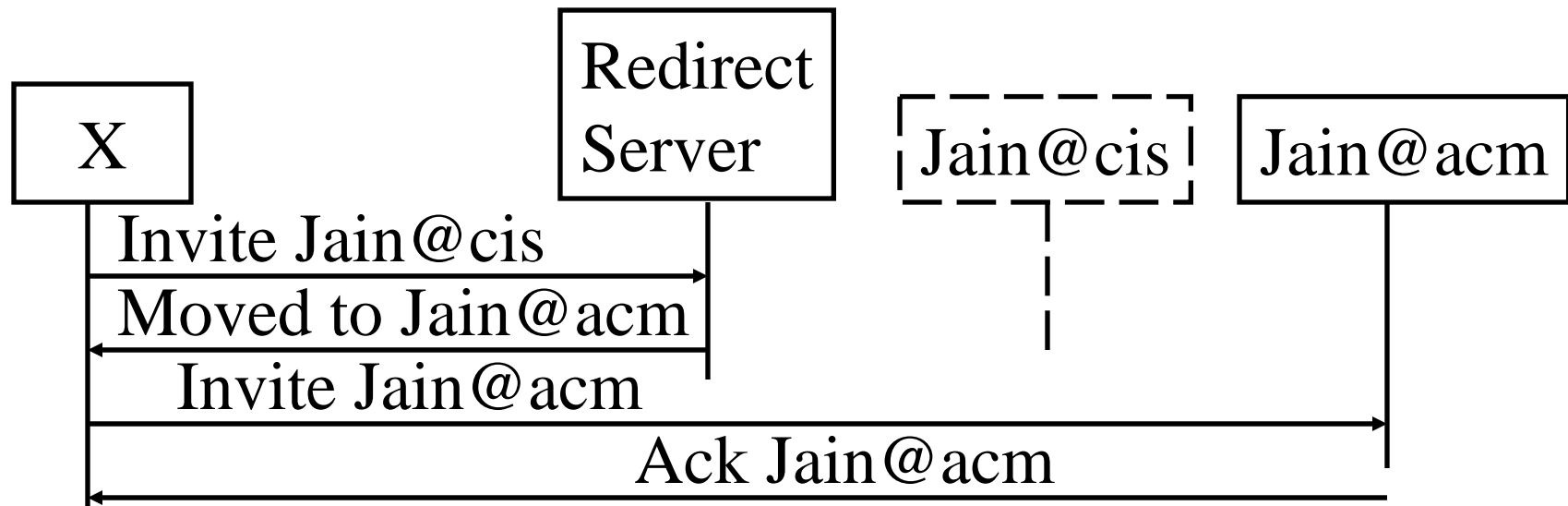
- ❑ Application level signaling protocol for voice and video conferencing over Internet
- ❑ Allows creating, modifying, terminating sessions with one or more participants
- ❑ Carries session descriptions (media types) for user capabilities negotiation
- ❑ Supports user location, call setup, call transfers
- ❑ Supports mobility by proxying and redirection

SIP (Cont)

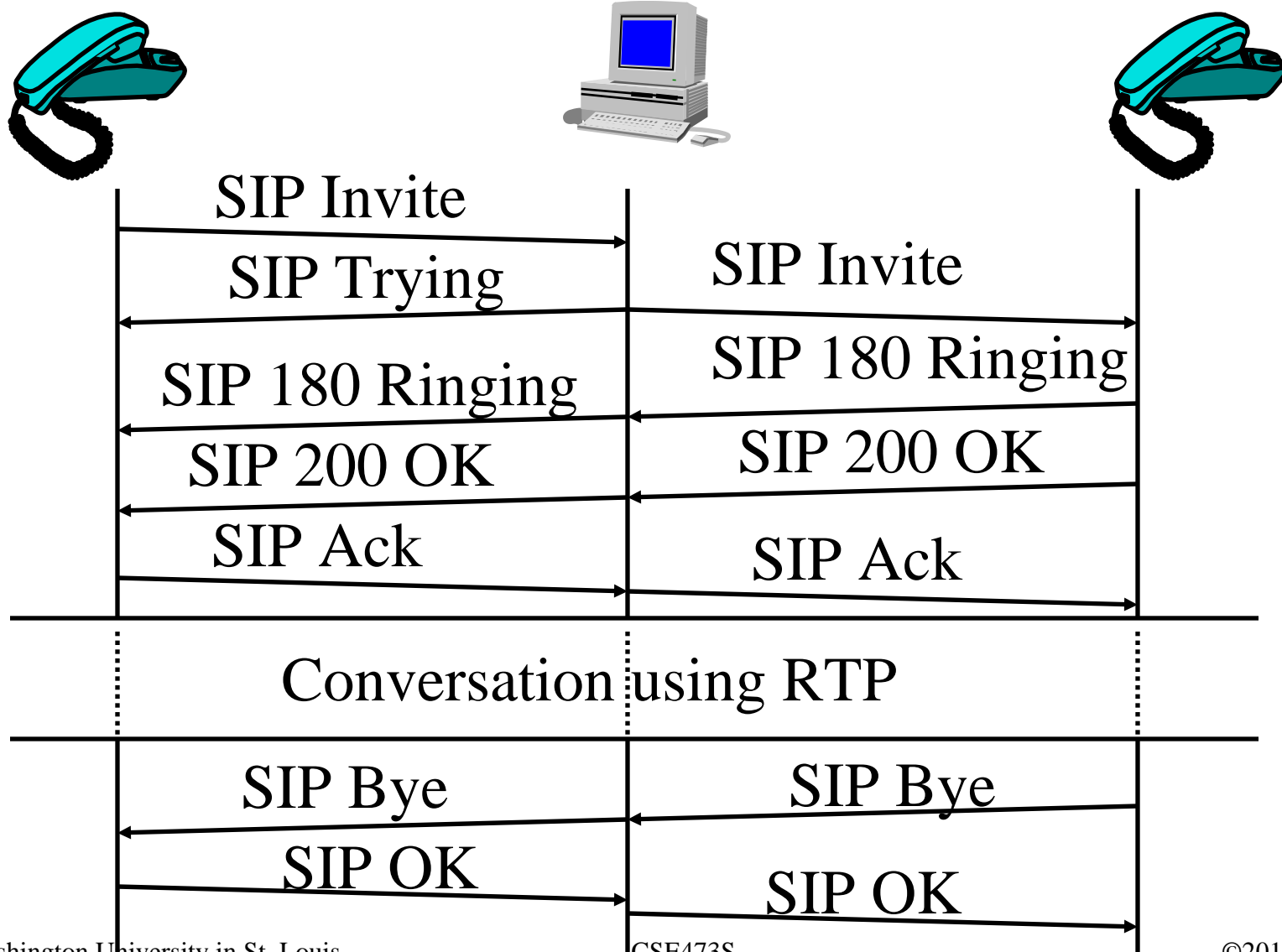
- ❑ SIP Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs):
Similar to email URLs
sip:jain@cis.ohio-state.edu
sip:+1-614-292-3989:123@osu.edu?subject=lecture
- ❑ SIP can use UDP or TCP
- ❑ SIP messages are sent to SIP servers:
 - ❑ Registrar: Clients register and tell their location to it
 - ❑ Location: Given name, returns possible addresses for a user. Like Directory service or DNS.
 - ❑ Redirect: Returns current address to requesters
 - ❑ Proxy: Intermediary. Acts like a server to internal client and like a client to external server

Locating using SIP

- ❑ Allows locating a callee at different locations
- ❑ Callee registers different locations with Registrar
- ❑ SIP Messages: Ack, Bye, Invite, Register, Redirection, ...



SIP Proxy

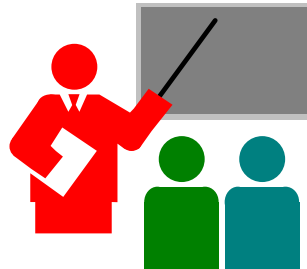


H.323 Protocols

- ❑ Multimedia over LANs, V1 (June 96), V2(Feb 98)
- ❑ Provides component descriptions, signaling procedures, call control, system control, audio/video codecs, data protocols

Video	Audio	Control and Management			Data	
H.261 H.263	G.711, G.722, G.723.1, G.728, G.729	RTCP	H.225.0 RAS	H.225.0 Signaling	H.245 Control	T.124
RTP			X.224 Class 0			T.125
UDP		TCP			T.123	
Network (IP)						
Datalink (IEEE 802.3)						

Summary

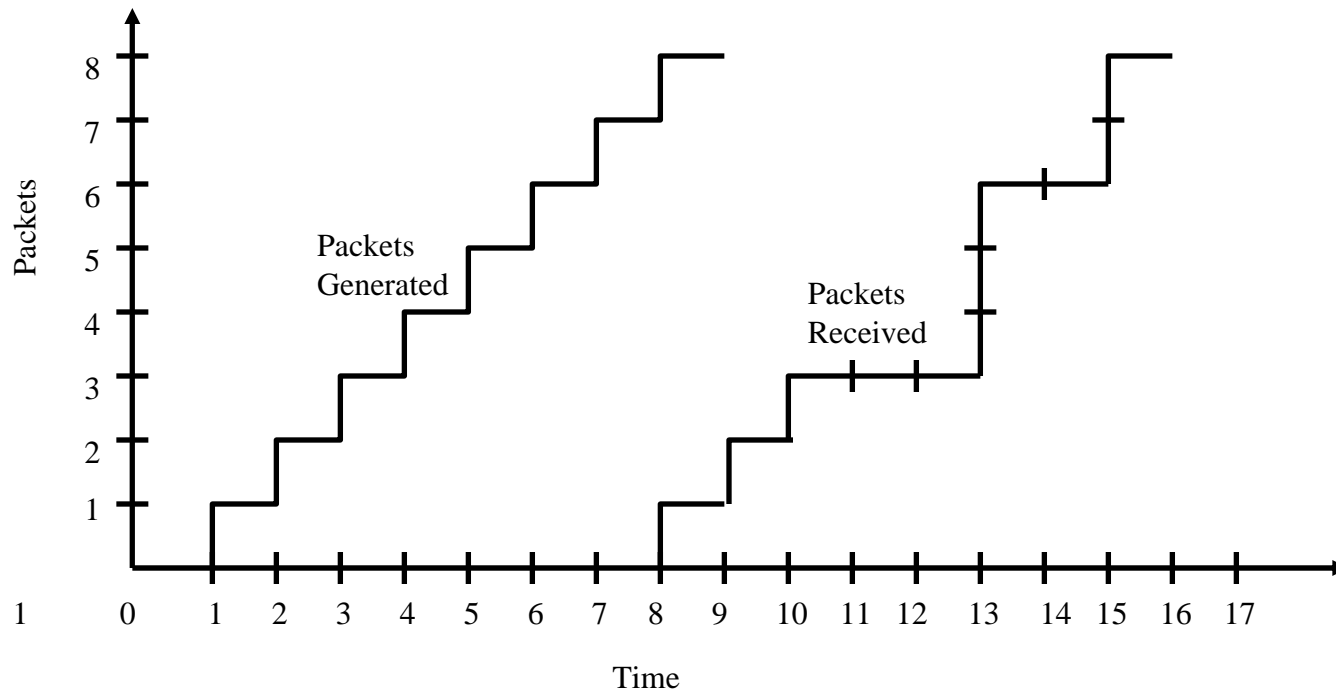


1. Multimedia applications require bounded delay, delay jitter, and minimum throughput
2. Three Approaches: Service guarantees, Simple priority type service, Increase Capacity
3. RTSP allows streaming controls like pause, forward, ...
4. RTP allows sequencing and timestamping
5. SIP allows parameter negotiation and location

Review Exercises

- ❑ Read Pages 597-646 (Sections 7.1 to 7.4) of the textbook.
- ❑ Review Exercises R1-R12
- ❑ Problems P2-P4,P9, P11, P16, P19

Homework 7



- ❑ Consider the packet generation and reception sequence shown below. The first packet is generated at $t=1$ and is received at $t=8$.
- ❑ A. If Playout delay is zero and playout begins at $t=8$, which of the packets will not arrive in time?
- ❑ B. What is the minimum playout delay at the receiver that result in all of the first eight packets arriving in time for their playout?