

## Lecture 12

EE597

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### Announcements

- Exam on 3/8 in-class
- HW 2 posted this week,  
due back on 3/6
- no class on thursday 2/23  
rescheduled taping TBA.
- Tomorrow : talk by  
Arinash Sridharan, Aruba Networks  
3:30 PM 2/22 SGM 101

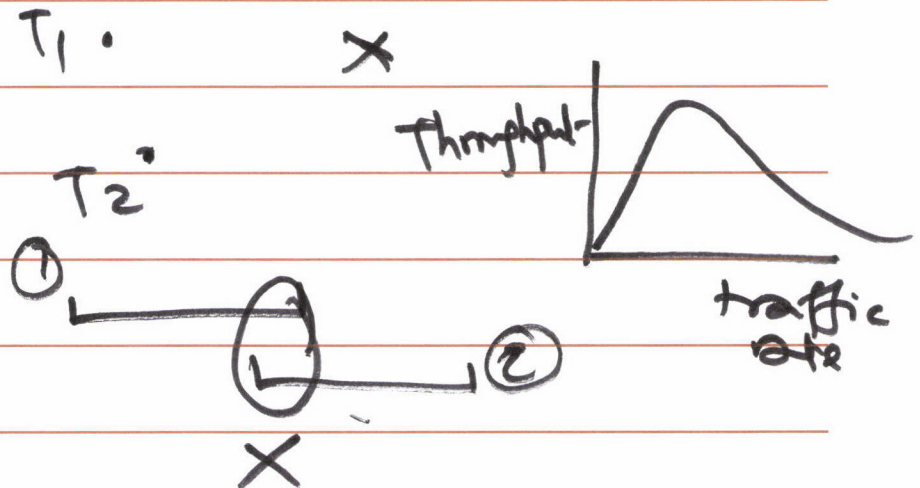
# Medium Access & Resource Allocation

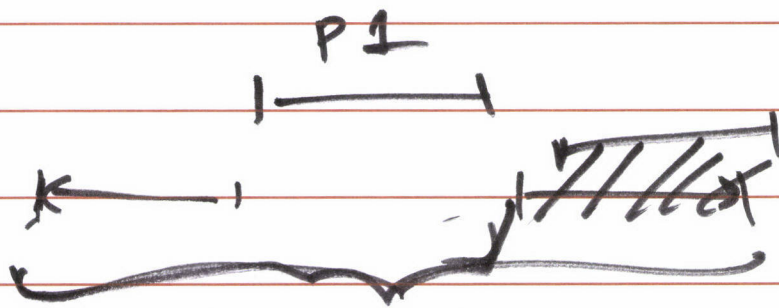
## Random Access Techniques

Aloha (dates back to the early 1970's. Abramson @ U. Hawaii)

Simplest form: send when ready.

Unslotted Aloha.



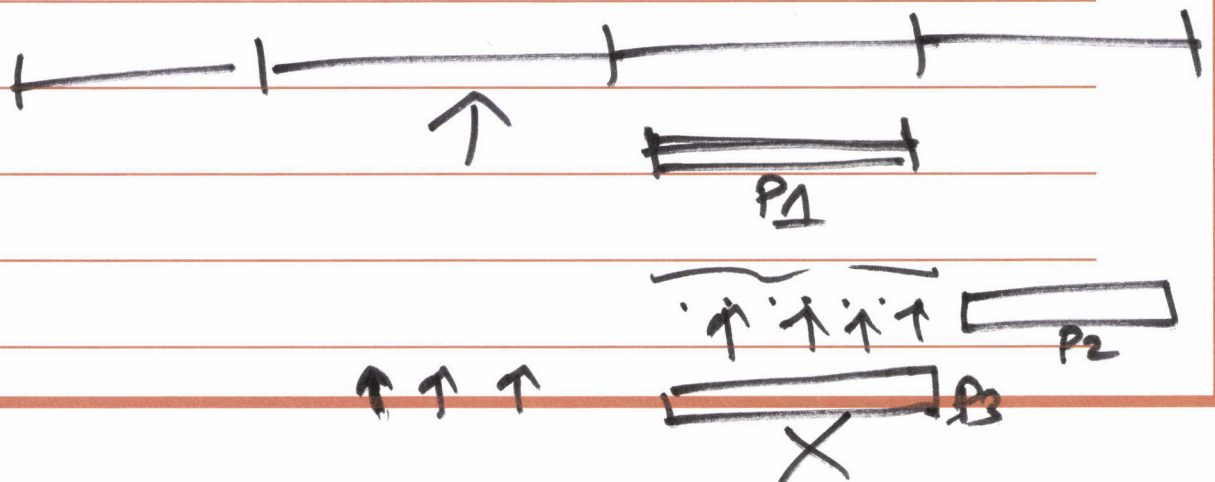


Arrival at node 2 in this time causes a collision

## SLOTTED ALOHA

Time is discretized.

Transmit only at the start of an interval (next interval)



The collision rate in slotted Aloha is halved because transmissions are deferred to the next slot beginning.



model slotted Aloha :

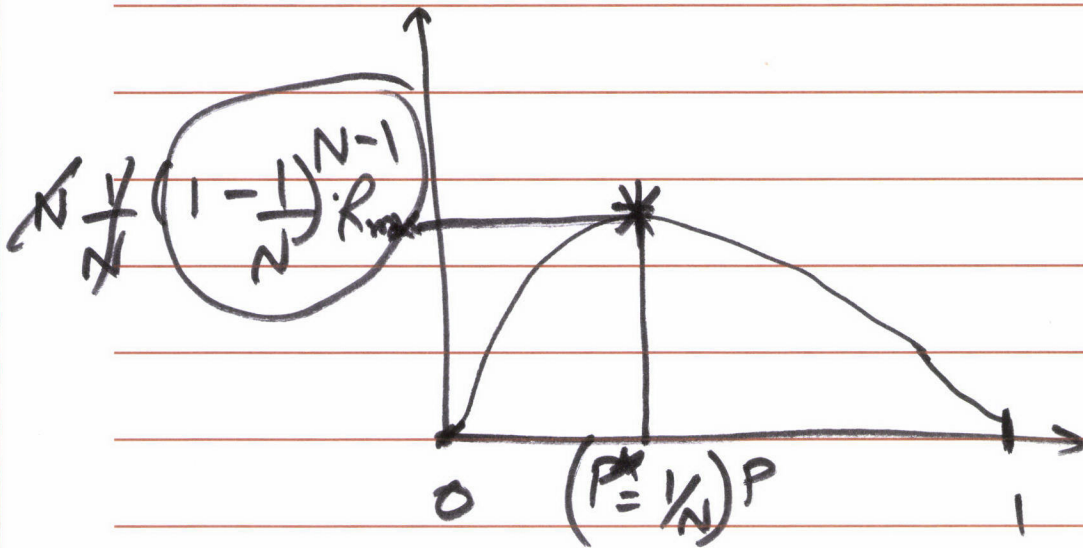
Packets arrive at each slot for each of  $N$  transmitters w/ probability  $p$ . (i.i.d.)

all senders are xmitting to

same receiver.	$(P \times P)$
<u>Events</u>	
Idle	$(1-p)^N$
Success	$Np(1-p)^{N-1}$
Collision	$1 - (1-p)^N - Np(1-p)^{N-1}$

nominal throughput :  $NP(1-p)^{N-1} \cdot R_{\max}$

max  
link rate



$$T = \max \text{ throughput} = \max_p NP(1-p)^{N-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial p} \Rightarrow (N-1)(1-p)^{N-2} \cdot p \cdot (1-p)^{N-1} = 0$$

$$(1-p)^{N-2} [(N-1)p - (1-p)] = 0$$

$$NP - p - 1 + p = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p^* = 1/N$$

max throughput is

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{N}\right)^{N-1} R_{\max}$$

$$N=2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} R_{\max}$$

$$N=3$$

$$\frac{4}{9} R_{\max}$$

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$$N \rightarrow \infty \quad \left(1 - \frac{1}{N}\right)^{N-1} = e^{-1} R_{\max}$$

maximum

achievable throughput  
in the limit.

~ 36% efficiency.

$$\text{per-source throughput} \sim \frac{e^{-1}}{N}$$

Note:

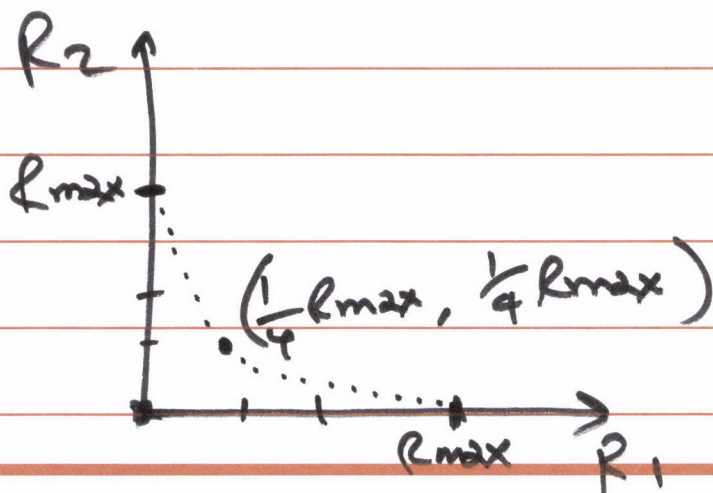
same analysis holds, if we have backlogged / saturated users (who always have a pkt) but they transmit w/ iid probability  $p$  at each time.

Heterogeneous users case

Consider 2 BACKLOGGED users:

$P_1, P_2$

different transmit prob. for each.



What is the Throughput region for slotted Aloha with 2 saturated users?

$$R_1 = P_1 (1 - P_2) \cdot R_{\max}$$

$$R_2 = P_2 (1 - P_1) \cdot R_{\max}$$

Keep  $R_1$  constant & maximize  $R_2$

$$R_1 = c.$$

for simplicity, let's normalize our rates by  $R_{\max}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{(P_1, P_2)} P_2 (1 - P_1) \\ & \text{st. } P_1 (1 - P_2) = c \quad \text{--- (2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_2 = 1 - \frac{c}{P_1}$$



$$\Leftrightarrow \max_{P_1} \overbrace{\left(1 - \frac{c}{P_1}\right) (1 - P_1)}^{\tilde{R}_2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{R}_2}{\partial P_1} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial P_1} \left[ 1 - \frac{c}{P_1} - \cancel{P_1} + c \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{c}{P_1^*} = 1$$

$$P_1^* = c \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$P_1^* (1 - P_2^*) = c \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\therefore P_1^* = 1 - P_2^* \quad P_1^* + P_2^* = 1$$

Rates at  
the  
boundary

$$\rightarrow [P_1^* (1 - P_2^*), P_2^* (1 - P_1^*)]$$

$$P_1^{*2}, (1 - P_1^*)^2$$

bdr of  
the Rate  
Region

$$[R_1, (1 - \sqrt{R_1})^2]$$

$$R_1 \in [0, 1]$$

$$R_2 = (1 - \sqrt{R_1})^2$$

In general for  $n$  users:

$$R_i = p_i \prod_{j \neq i} (1 - p_j) \quad \forall i$$

- The boundary of this rate region is describe by all vectors  $\vec{p}$  s.t.  
 $\sum p_i = 1.$

A result due to Massey & Mathys, 1983

Note: NOT an obvious statement

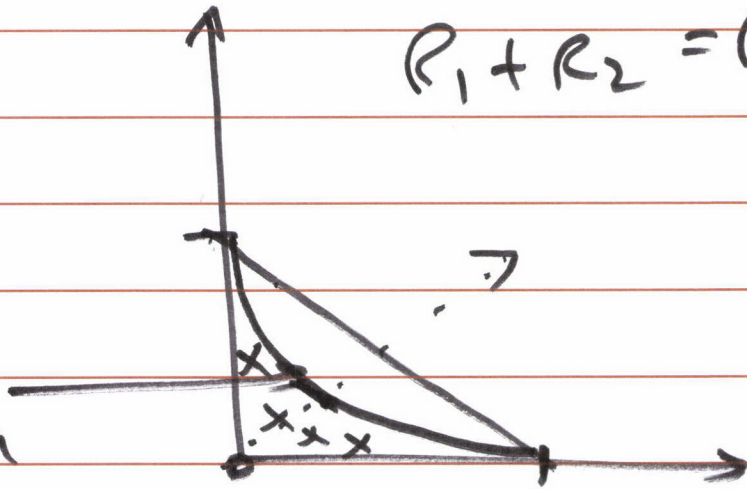
$$\text{if } p_1 + p_2 \neq 1$$

the corresponding rates will lie in the interior of the rate region

TDMA:

$$R_1 + R_2 = C_{\max}$$

Slotted  
Aloha



then why bother?

TDMA gives full utilization

but requires coordination

incurs overhead when traffic  
is sporadic / random / nonstationary

∴ rarely used for stochastic  
data arrivals.

e.g:  $p_1 = 3/4$ ,  $p_2 = 1/2$

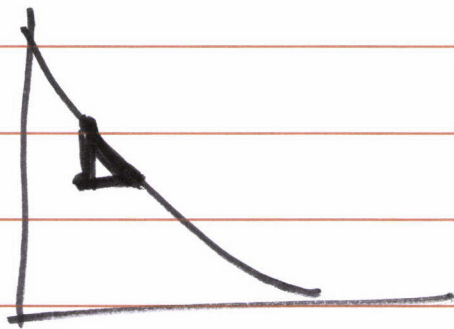
$$R_1 = 3/4 \cdot 1/2 = 3/8$$

$$R_2 = 1/2 \cdot 1/4 = 1/8$$

$$R_2^* = (1 - \sqrt{R_1})^2$$

could have had

$$R_2^* = \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2$$



$> 1/8$   
(check!)

$$p_1 = \sqrt{3/8}$$

$$p_2 = 1 - \sqrt{3/8}$$

CSMA - Carrier sense  
multiple/medium access

first sense the channel; if  
busy, wait, else transmit.

P-CSMA

sensing slots of length  $\sigma$

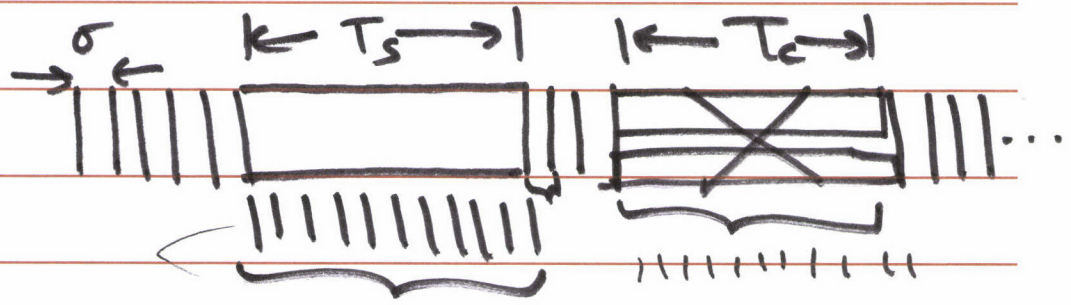
if no pkt, send w/ probability P

packet duration :

$T_s$  if success

$T_c$  if collision

$$T_c \leq T_s$$



At every idle slot, there is contention for transmission w/ probability  $p$

If successful (i.e. only one of

the  $n$  contenders transmit) the channel is utilized for duration  $T_s$ .

If unsuccessful w/ collision (i.e. more than transmit simultaneously) channel is wasted for  $T_c$  duration.

If idle, the next contention starts after  $\sigma$  duration

Expected throughput of  
p-CSMA

=  $\frac{\text{Expected time that a virtual contention slot is successful}}{\text{Expected duration of a virtual contention slot.}}$

At each virtual contention period

EVENT	PROBABILITIES	DURATIONS
idle	$(1-p)^N$	$\sigma$
success	$Np(1-p)^{N-1}$	$T_s$
collision	$1 - (1-p)^N - Np(1-p)^{N-1}$ $= \sum_{i=2}^N \binom{N}{i} p^i (1-p)^{N-i}$	$T_c$

Expected Duration of VCS :

$$(1-p)^N \sigma + N p (1-p)^{N-1} T_s + \frac{1 - (1-p)^N - N p (1-p)^{N-1} T_c}{1 - (1-p)^N - N p (1-p)^{N-1} T_c}$$

Expected success duration :

$$N p (1-p)^{N-1} T_s$$

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{PCSSMA}} = \frac{N p (1-p)^{N-1} T_s}{\left[ (1-p)^N \sigma + N p (1-p)^{N-1} T_s + (1 - (1-p)^N - N p (1-p)^{N-1} T_c) T_c \right]} \cdot R_{\text{max}}$$

a generalization of p-persistent Aloha

this is when  $\sigma = T_s = T_c$