

Transport layer

Our goals:

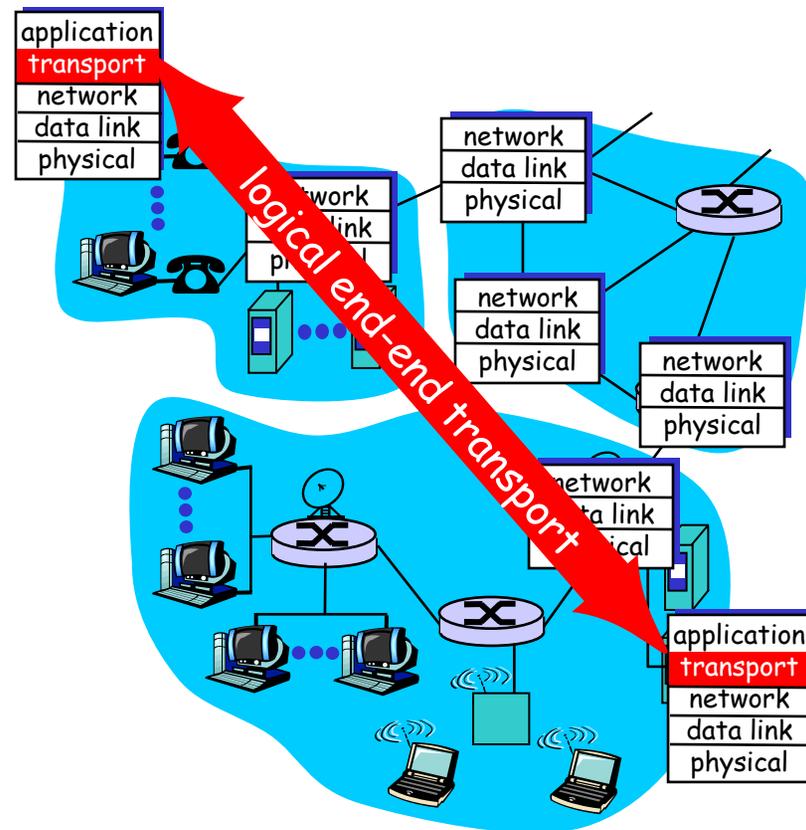
- Understand principles behind transport layer services:
 - Multiplexing/demultiplexing
 - Reliable data transfer
 - Flow control
 - Congestion control
- Learn about transport layer protocols in the Internet:
 - UDP: connectionless transport
 - TCP: connection-oriented transport
 - TCP congestion control

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- ❑ **Transport-layer services**
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Transport services and protocols

- ❑ Provide *logical communication* between app processes running on different hosts
- ❑ Transport protocols run in end systems
 - Send side: breaks app messages into **segments**, passes to network layer
 - Rcv side: reassembles segments into messages, passes to app layer
- ❑ More than one transport protocol available to apps
 - Internet: TCP and UDP



Transport vs. network layer

- ❑ *Network layer*: logical communication between hosts
- ❑ *Transport layer*: logical communication between processes
 - Relies on, enhances, network layer services

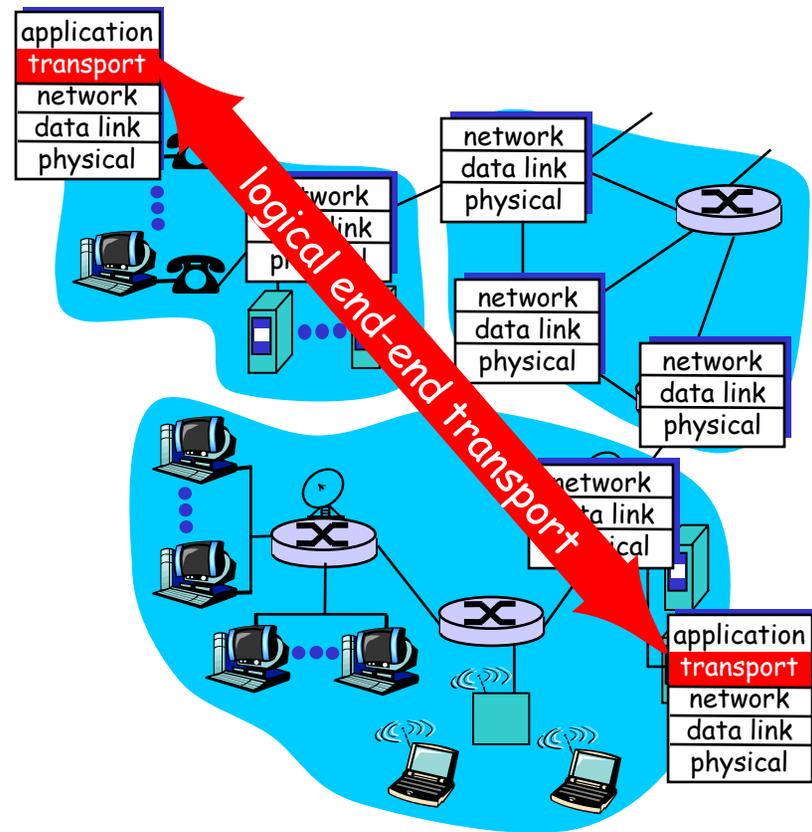
Household analogy:

*12 kids sending letters
to 12 kids*

- ❑ Processes = kids
- ❑ App messages = letters in envelopes
- ❑ Hosts = houses
- ❑ Transport protocol = Ann and Bill
- ❑ Network-layer protocol = postal service

Internet transport-layer protocols

- ❑ Reliable, in-order delivery (TCP)
 - Congestion control
 - Flow control
 - Connection setup
- ❑ Unreliable, unordered delivery: UDP
 - No-frills extension of "best-effort" IP
- ❑ Services not available:
 - Delay guarantees
 - Bandwidth guarantees



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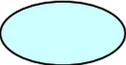
Multiplexing/demultiplexing

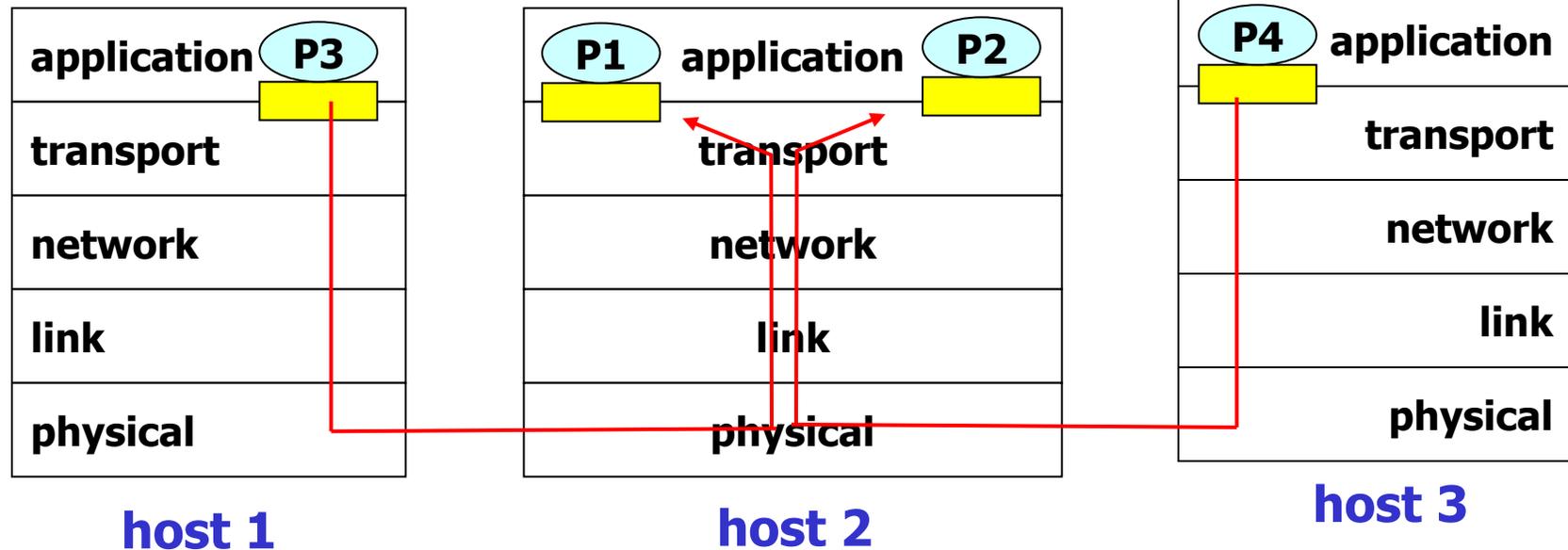
Demultiplexing at rcv host:

delivering received segments to correct socket

Multiplexing at send host:

gathering data from multiple sockets, enveloping data with header (later used for demultiplexing)

 = socket  = process



Connectionless demultiplexing

- ❑ Create sockets with port numbers:

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DatagramSocket mySocket1 = new  
    DatagramSocket(9111);
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DatagramSocket mySocket2 = new  
    DatagramSocket(9222);
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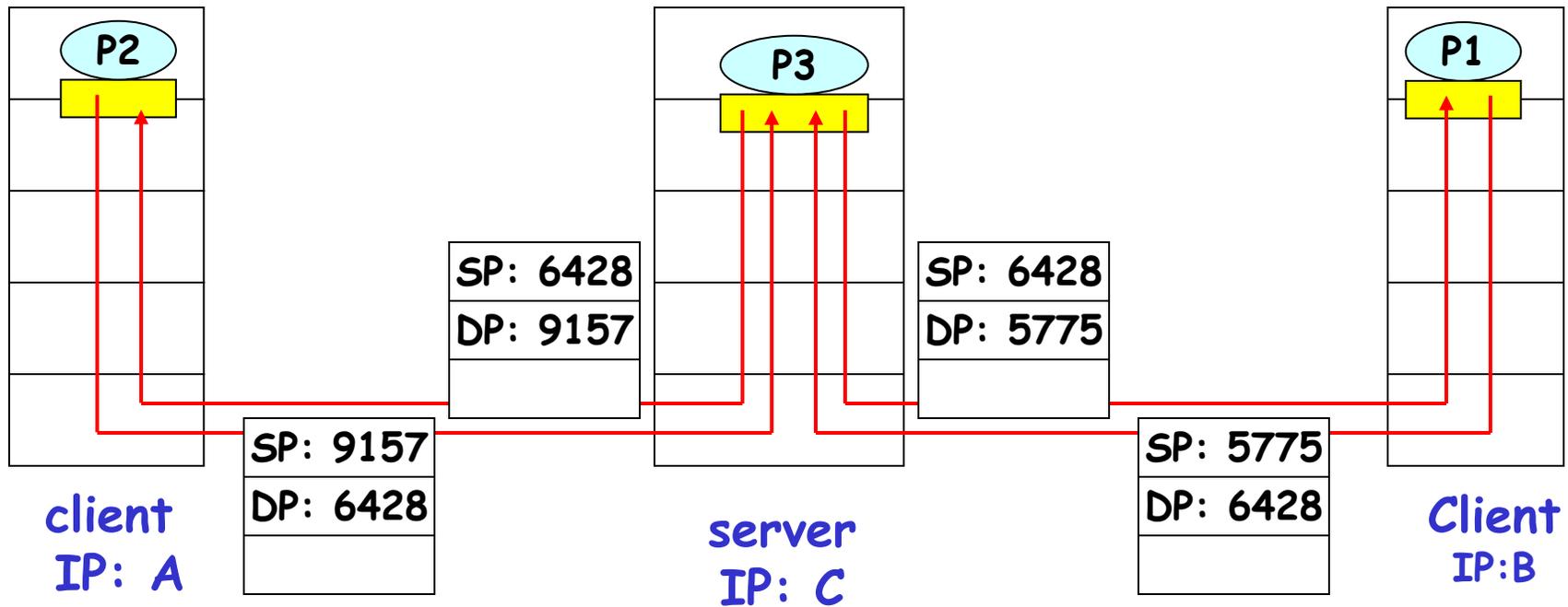
- ❑ UDP socket identified by two-tuple:

(dest IP address, dest port number)

- ❑ When host receives UDP segment:
 - Checks destination port number in segment
 - Directs UDP segment to socket with that port number
- ❑ IP datagrams with different source IP addresses and/or source port numbers directed to same socket

Connectionless demux (cont.)

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DatagramSocket serverSocket = new DatagramSocket(6428);
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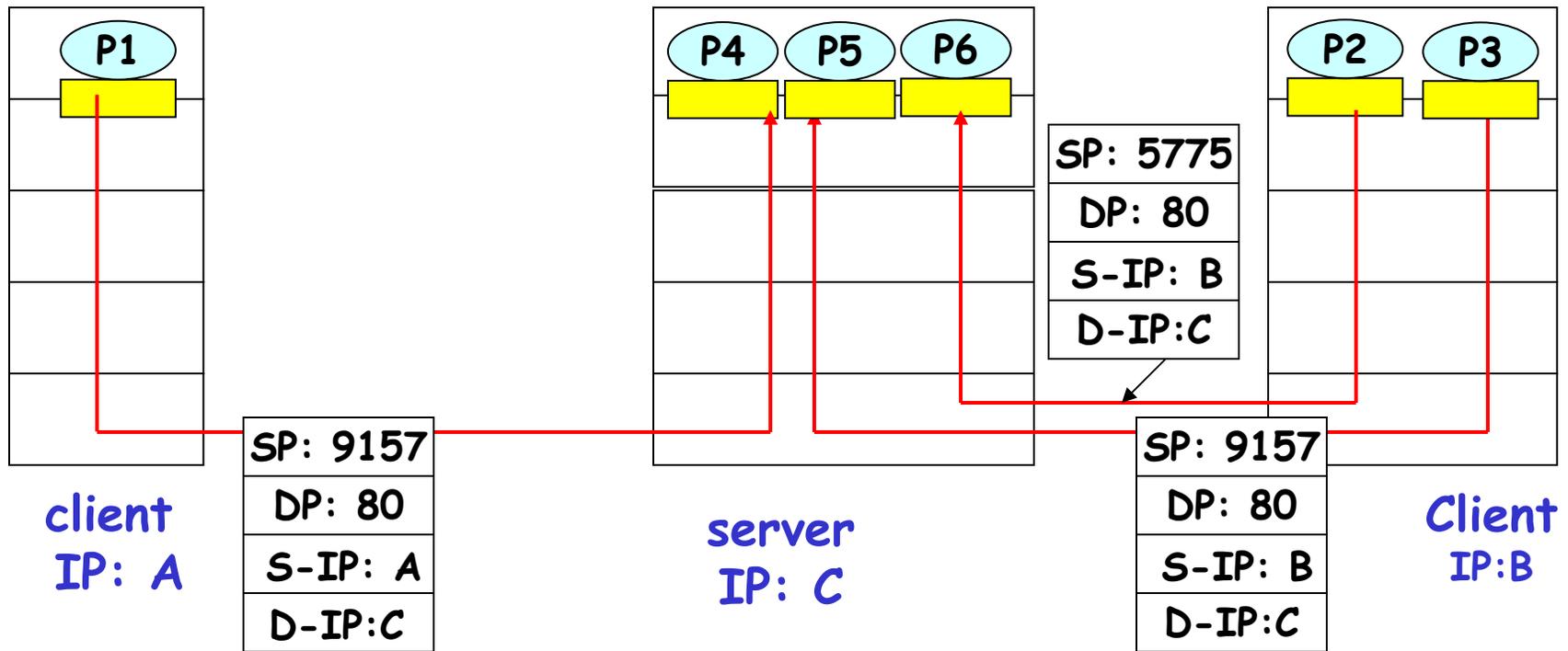


SP provides "return address"

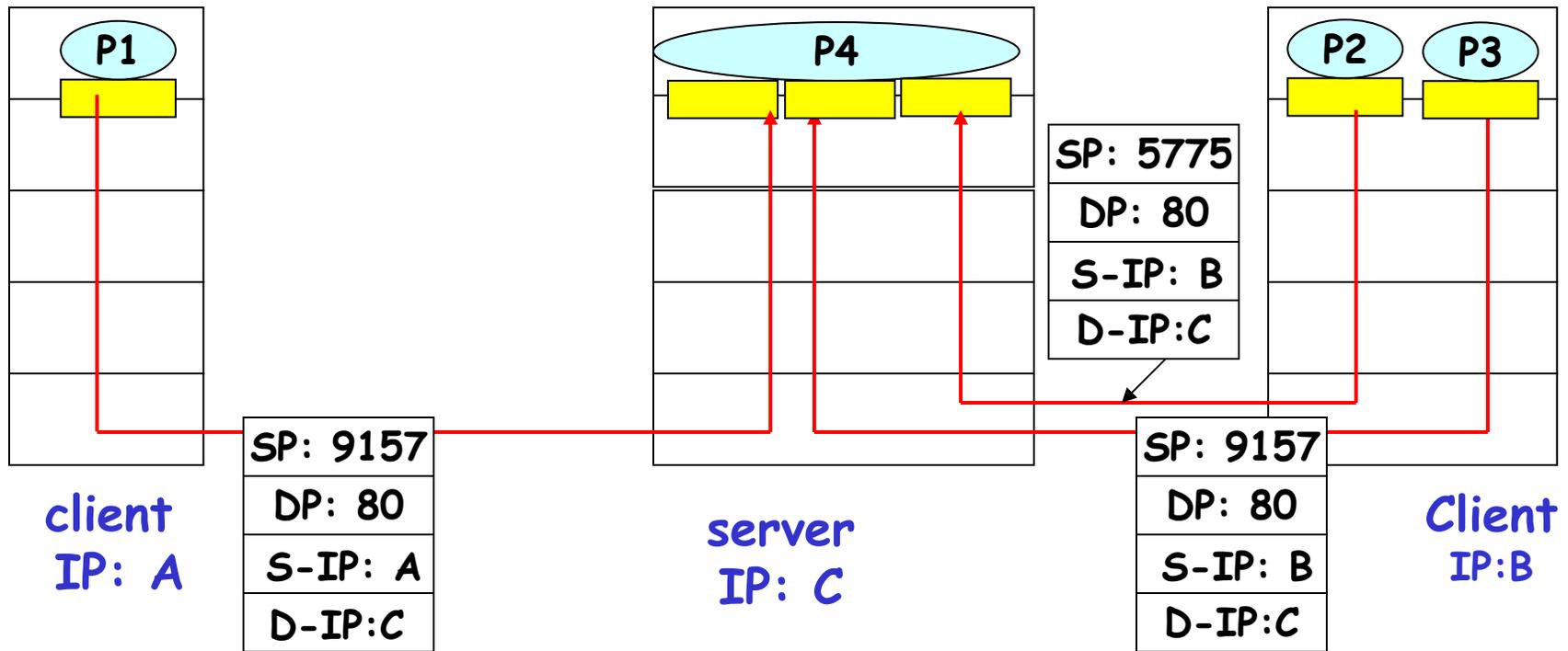
Connection-oriented demux

- ❑ TCP socket identified by 4-tuple:
 - Source IP address
 - Source port number
 - Dest IP address
 - Dest port number
- ❑ Recv host uses all four values to direct segment to appropriate socket
- ❑ Server host may support many simultaneous TCP sockets:
 - Each socket identified by its own 4-tuple
- ❑ Web servers have different sockets for each connecting client
 - Non-persistent HTTP will have different socket for each request

Connection-oriented demux (cont.)



Connection-oriented demux: Threaded Web Server



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UDP: User Datagram Protocol [RFC 768]

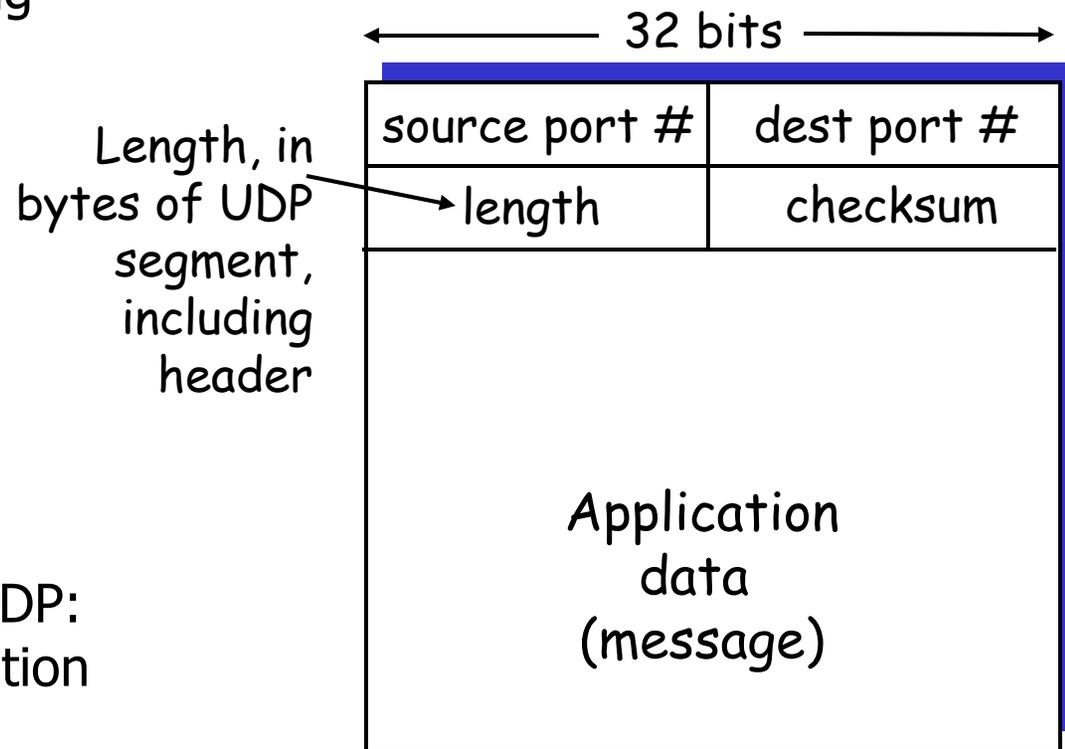
- ❑ “No frills,” “bare bones” Internet transport protocol
- ❑ “Best effort” service, UDP segments may be:
 - Lost
 - Delivered out of order to app
- ❑ *Connectionless:*
 - No handshaking between UDP sender, receiver
 - Each UDP segment handled independently of others

Why is there a UDP?

- ❑ No connection establishment (which can add delay)
- ❑ Simple: no connection state at sender, receiver
- ❑ Small segment header
- ❑ No congestion control: UDP can blast away as fast as desired

UDP: More

- ❑ Often used for streaming multimedia apps
 - Loss tolerant
 - Rate sensitive
- ❑ Other UDP uses (why?):
 - DNS
 - SNMP
- ❑ Reliable transfer over UDP: add reliability at application layer
 - Application-specific error recover!



UDP segment format

UDP checksum

Goal: detect "errors" (e.g., flipped bits) in transmitted segment

Sender:

- ❑ Treat segment contents as sequence of 16-bit integers
- ❑ Checksum: addition (1's complement sum) of segment contents
- ❑ Sender puts checksum value into UDP checksum field

Receiver:

- ❑ Compute checksum of received segment
- ❑ Check if computed checksum equals checksum field value:
 - NO - error detected
 - YES - no error detected. *But maybe errors nonetheless?*
More later

Internet Checksum Example

□ Note

- When adding numbers, a carryout from the most significant bit needs to be added to the result

□ Example: add two 16-bit integers

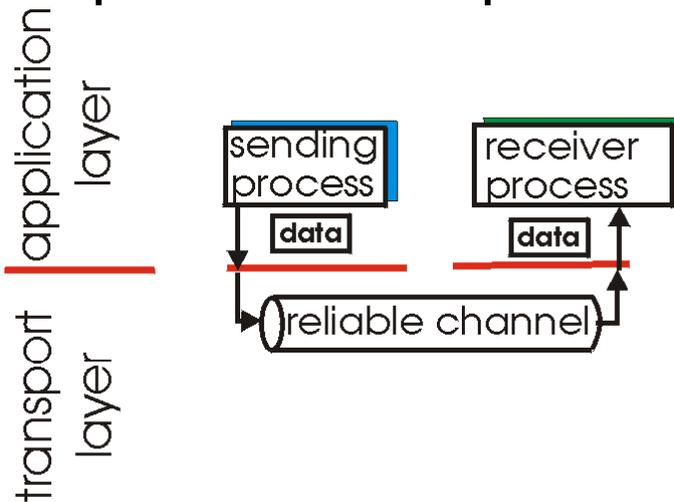
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checksum		0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1

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Principles of reliable data transfer

- ❑ Important in app., transport, link layers
- ❑ Top-10 list of important networking topics!

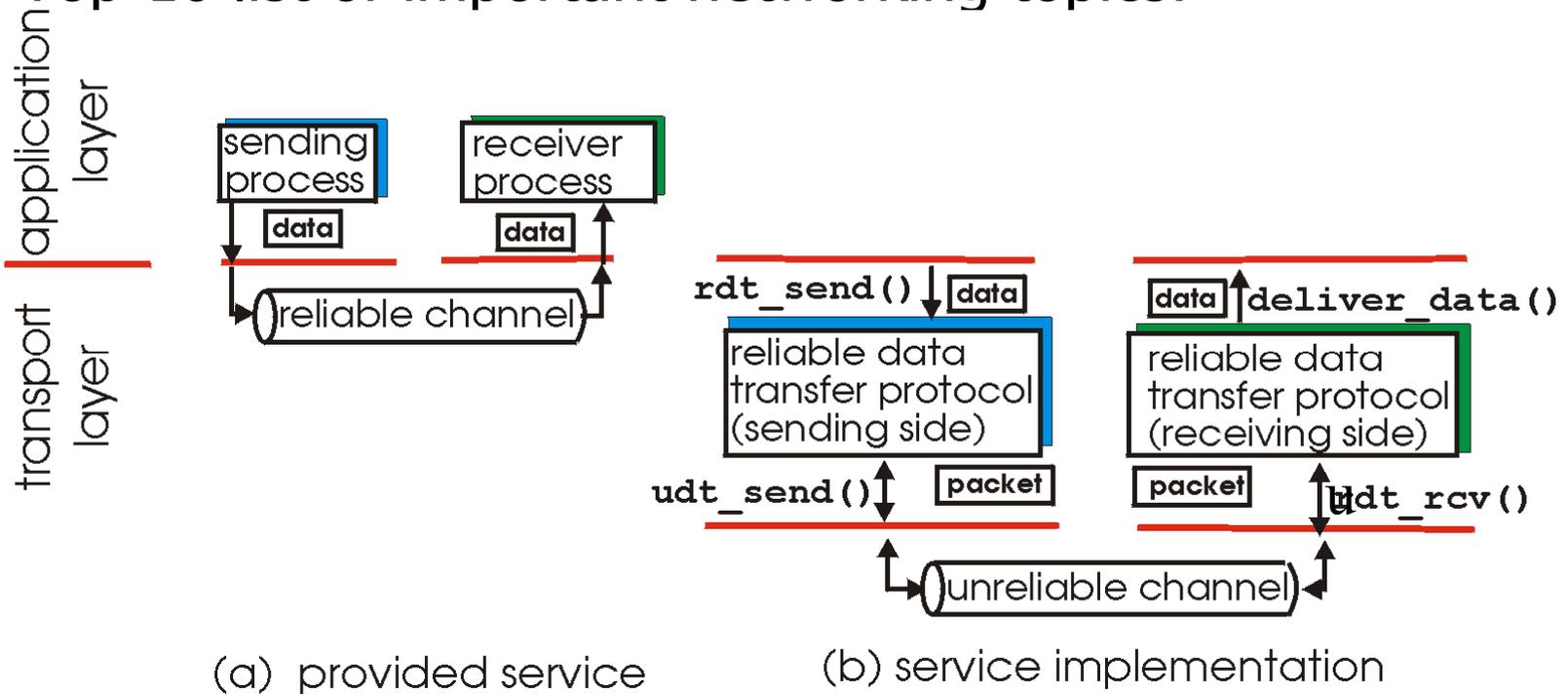


(a) provided service

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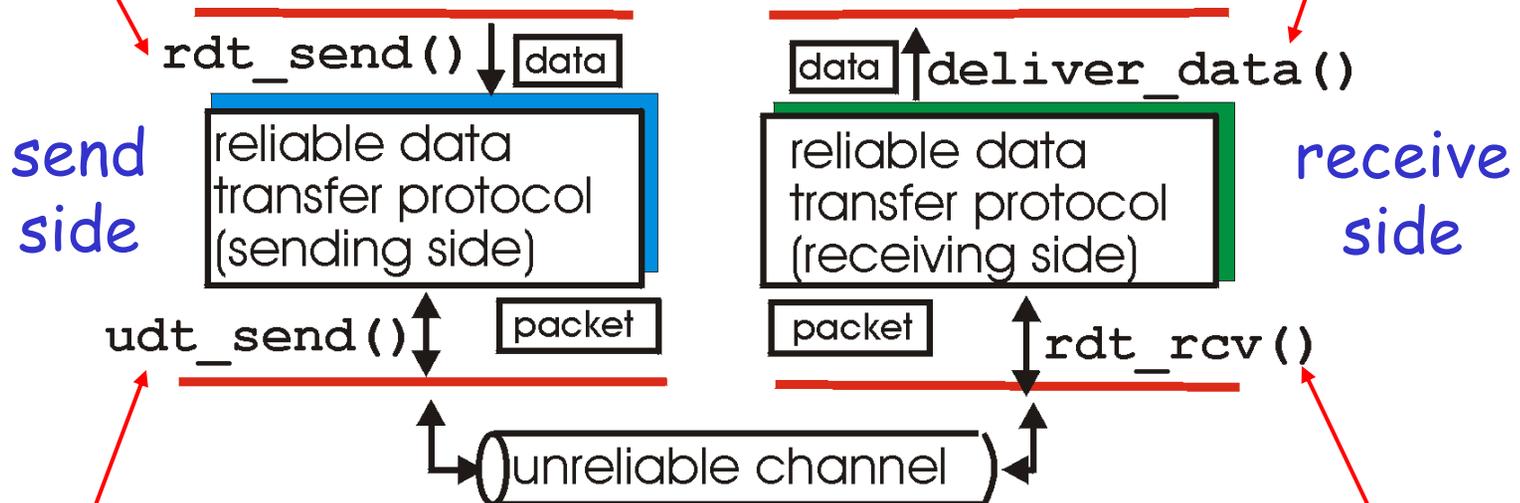


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Reliable data transfer: Getting started

rdt_send() : called from above, (e.g., by app.). Passed data to deliver to receiver upper layer

deliver_data() : called by rdt to deliver data to upper



udt_send() : called by rdt, to transfer packet over unreliable channel to receiver

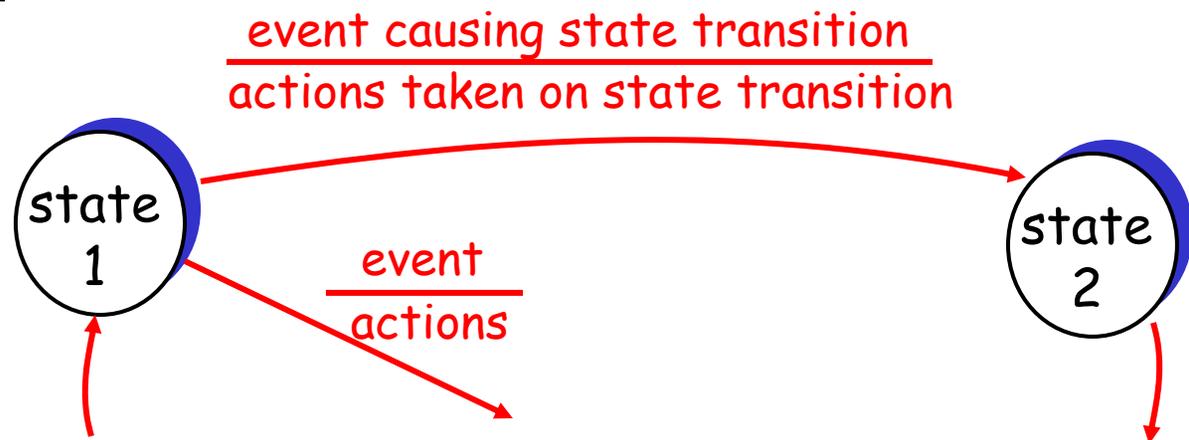
rdt_rcv() : called when packet arrives on rcv-side of channel

Reliable data transfer: Getting started

We'll:

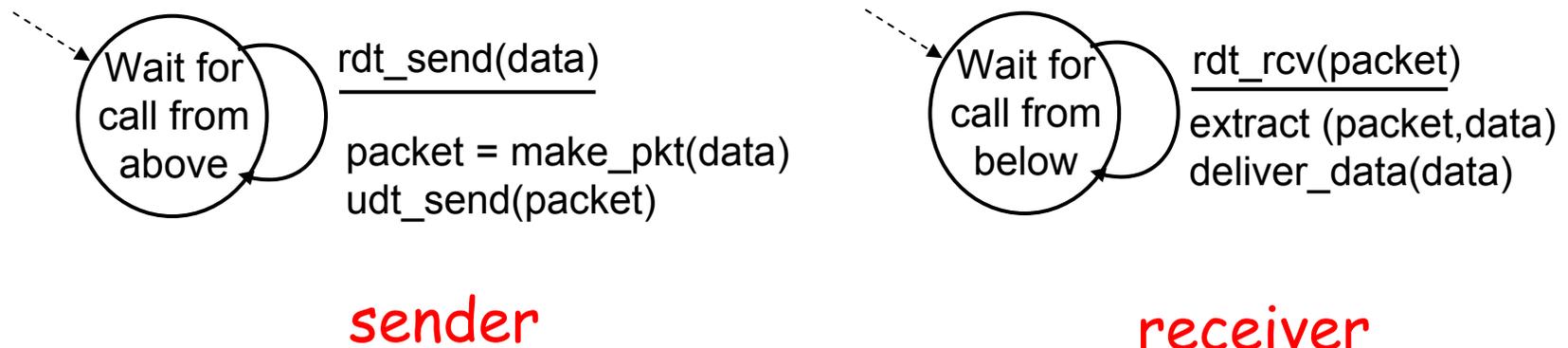
- Incrementally develop sender, receiver sides of reliable data transfer protocol (rdt)
- Consider only unidirectional data transfer
 - But control info will flow on both directions!
- Use finite state machines (FSM) to specify sender, receiver

state: when in this "state" next state uniquely determined by next event



Rdt1.0: Reliable transfer over a reliable channel

- Underlying channel perfectly reliable
 - No bit errors
 - No loss of packets
- Separate FSMs for sender, receiver:
 - Sender sends data into underlying channel
 - Receiver read data from underlying channel



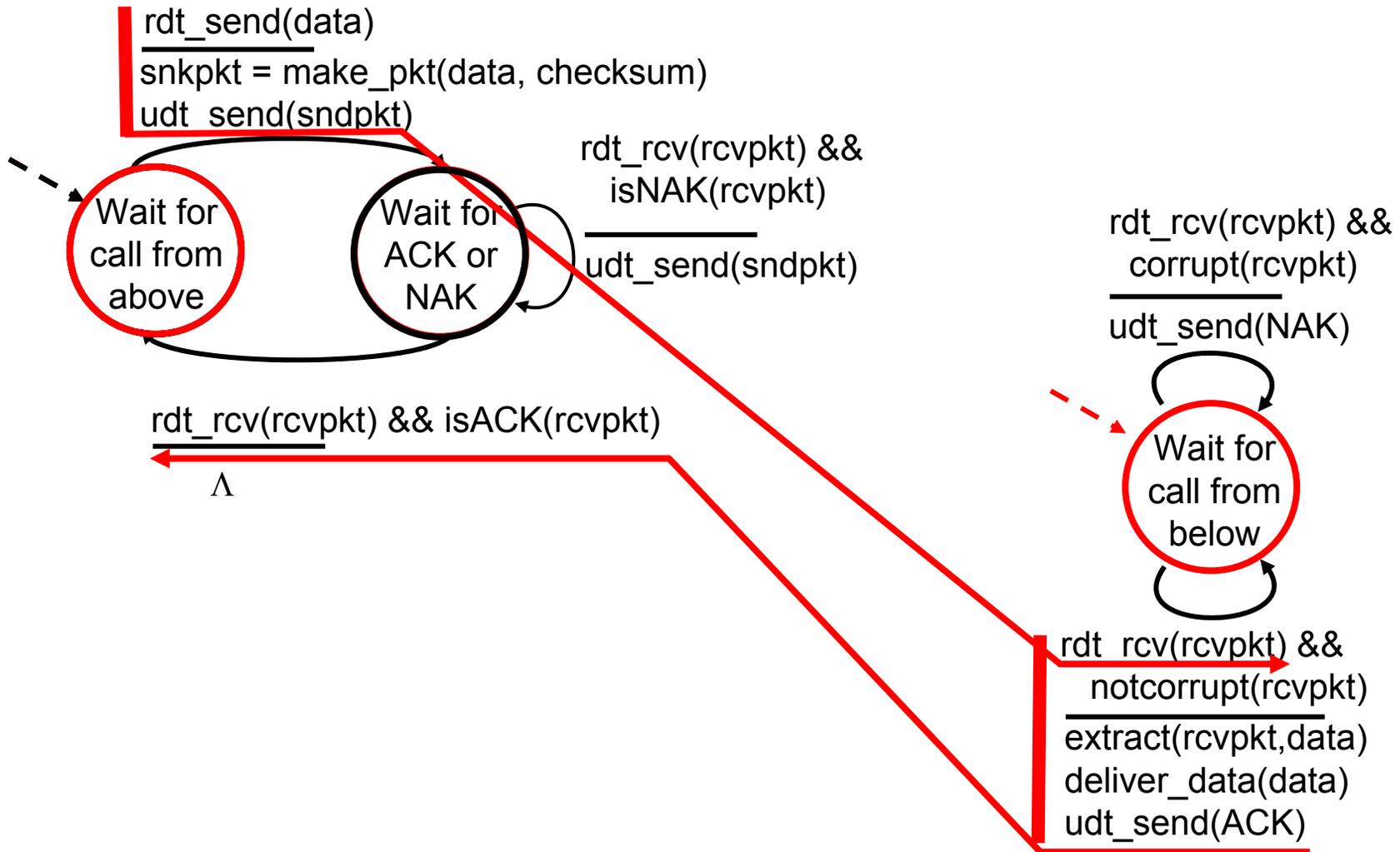
Rdt2.0: Channel with bit errors

- ❑ Underlying channel may flip bits in packet
 - Recall: UDP checksum to detect bit errors
- ❑ *The question: how to recover from errors:*
 - *Acknowledgements (ACKs):* receiver explicitly tells sender that pkt received OK
 - *Negative acknowledgements (NAKs):* receiver explicitly tells sender that pkt had errors
 - Sender retransmits pkt on receipt of NAK
 - Human scenarios using ACKs, NAKs?

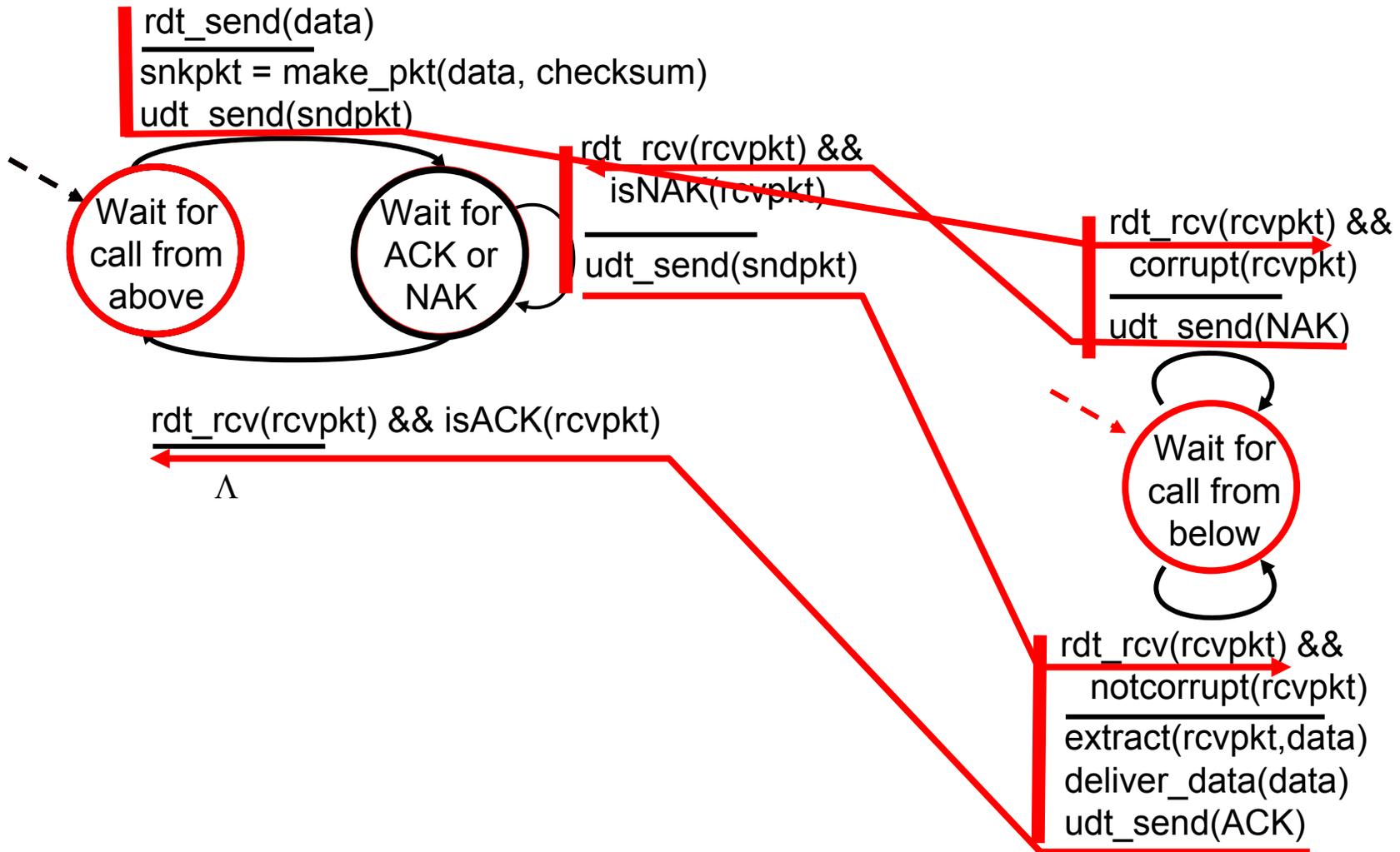
New mechanisms in `rdt2.0` (beyond `rdt1.0`):

- Error detection
- Receiver feedback: control msgs (ACK,NAK) rcvr->sender

Rdt2.0: Operation with no errors



Rdt2.0: Error scenario



Rdt2.0 has a fatal flaw!

What happens if ACK/NAK corrupted?

- ❑ Sender doesn't know what happened at receiver!
- ❑ Can't just retransmit: possible duplicate

What to do?

- ❑ Sender ACKs/NAKs receiver's ACK/NAK? What if sender ACK/NAK lost?
- ❑ Retransmit, but this might cause retransmission of correctly received pkt!

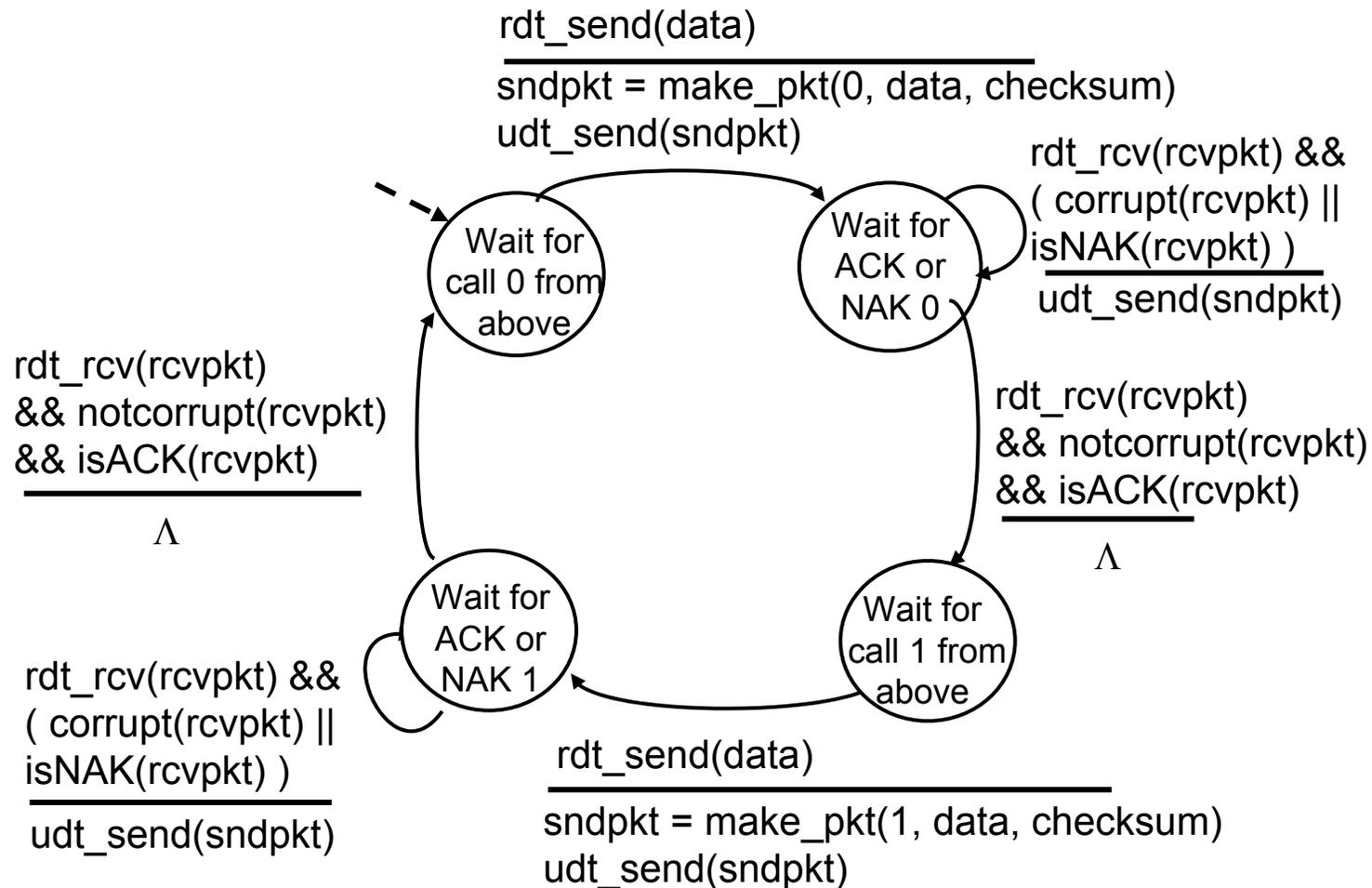
Handling duplicates:

- ❑ Sender retransmits current pkt if ACK/NAK garbled
- ❑ Sender adds *sequence number* to each pkt
- ❑ Receiver discards (doesn't deliver up) duplicate pkt

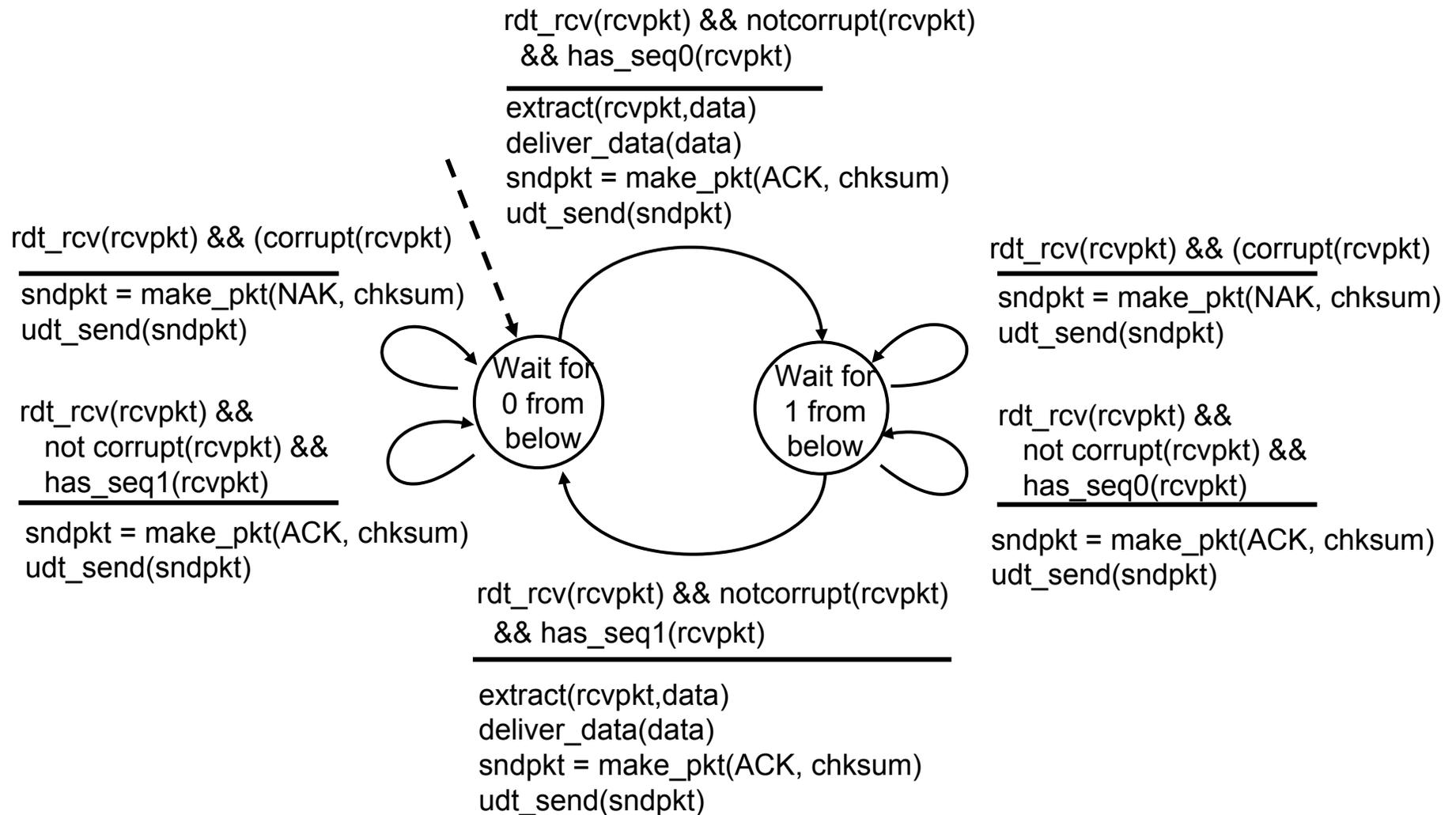
stop and wait

Sender sends one packet, then waits for receiver response

Rdt2.1: Sender with garbled ACK/NAKs



Rdt2.1: Receiver with garbled ACK/NAKs



Rdt2.1: Discussion

Sender:

- ❑ Seq # added to pkt
- ❑ Two seq. #'s (0,1) will suffice. Why?
- ❑ Must check if received ACK/NAK corrupted
- ❑ Twice as many states
 - State must “remember” whether “current” pkt has 0 or 1 seq. #

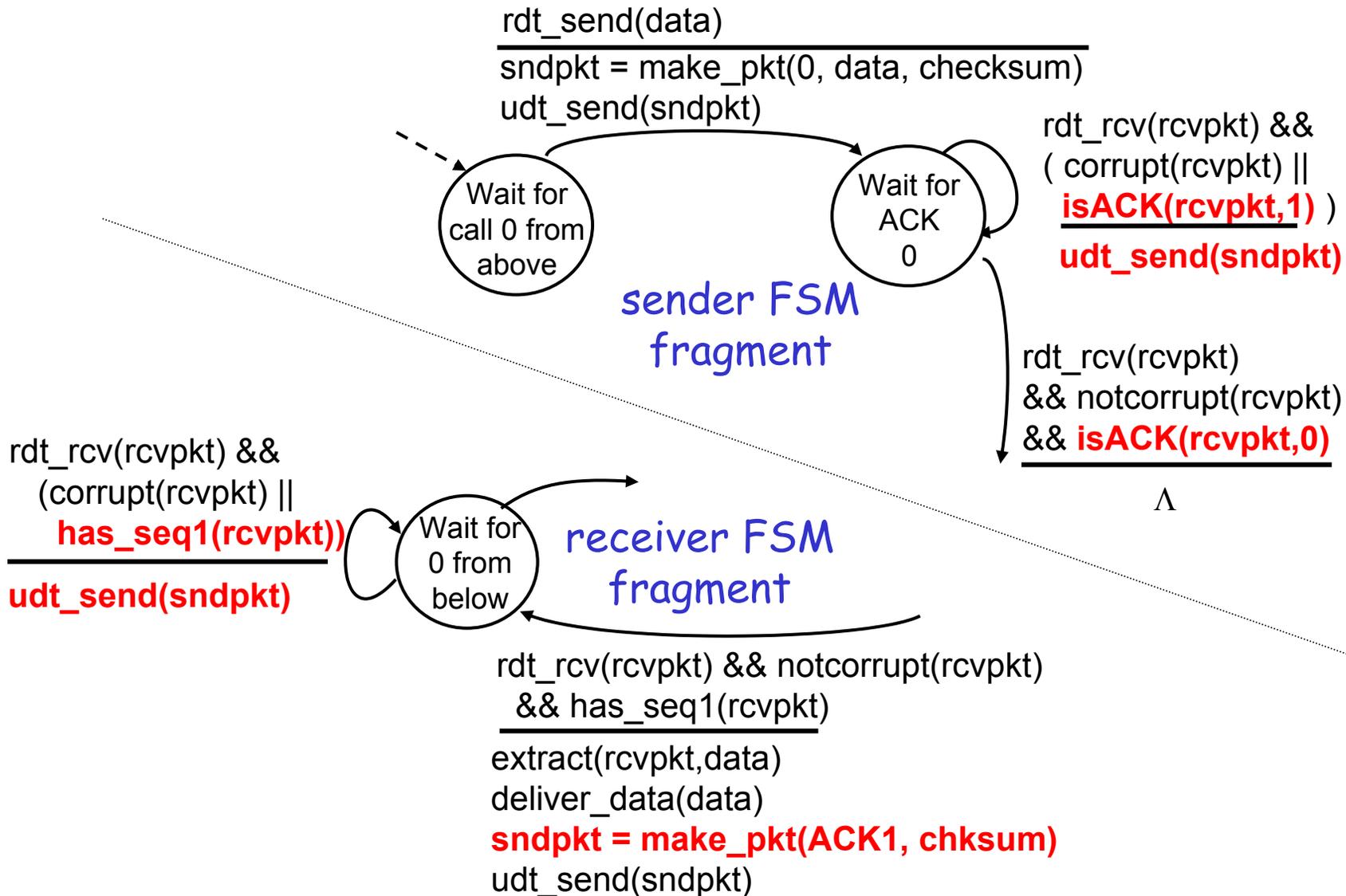
Receiver:

- ❑ Must check if received packet is duplicate
 - State indicates whether 0 or 1 is expected pkt seq #
- ❑ Note: receiver can *not* know if its last ACK/NAK received OK at sender

Rdt2.2: A NAK-free protocol

- ❑ Same functionality as rdt2.1, using ACKs only
- ❑ Instead of NAK, receiver sends ACK for last pkt received OK
 - Receiver must *explicitly* include seq # of pkt being ACKed
- ❑ Duplicate ACK at sender results in same action as NAK:
retransmit current pkt

Rdt2.2: Sender, receiver fragments



Rdt3.0: Channels with errors *and* loss

New assumption: underlying channel can also lose packets (data or ACKs)

- Checksum, seq. #, ACKs, retransmissions will be of help, but not enough

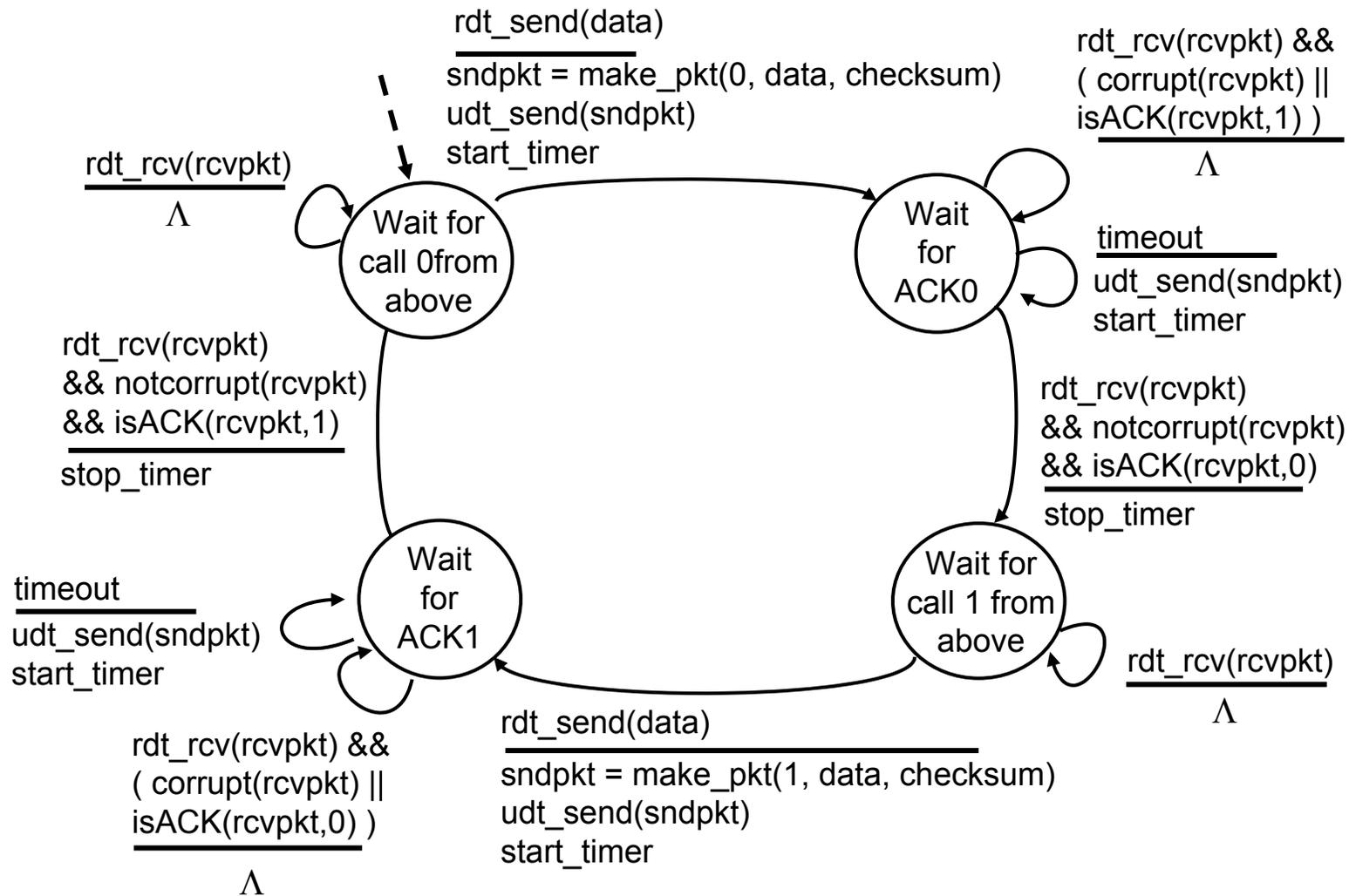
Q: How to deal with loss?

- Sender waits until certain data or ACK lost, then retransmits

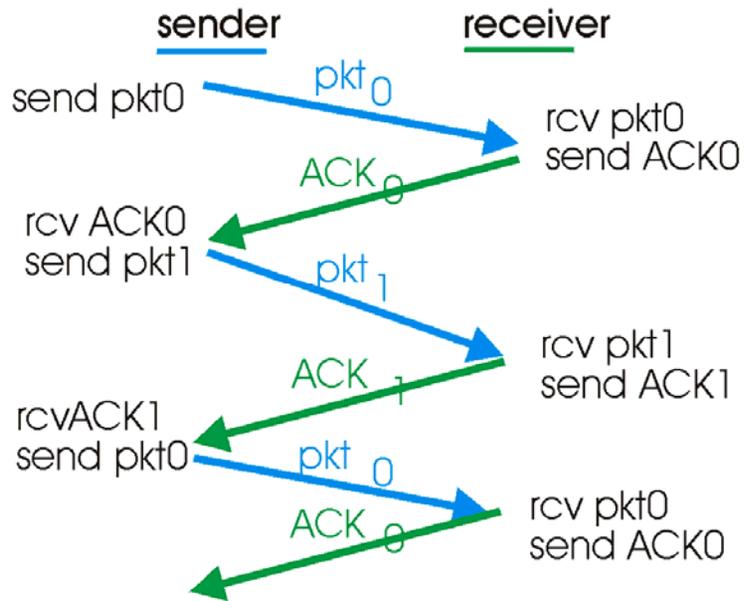
Approach: sender waits “reasonable” amount of time for ACK

- Retransmits if no ACK received in this time
- If pkt (or ACK) just delayed (not lost):
 - Retransmission will be duplicate, but use of seq. #'s already handles this
 - Receiver must specify seq # of pkt being ACKed
- Requires countdown timer

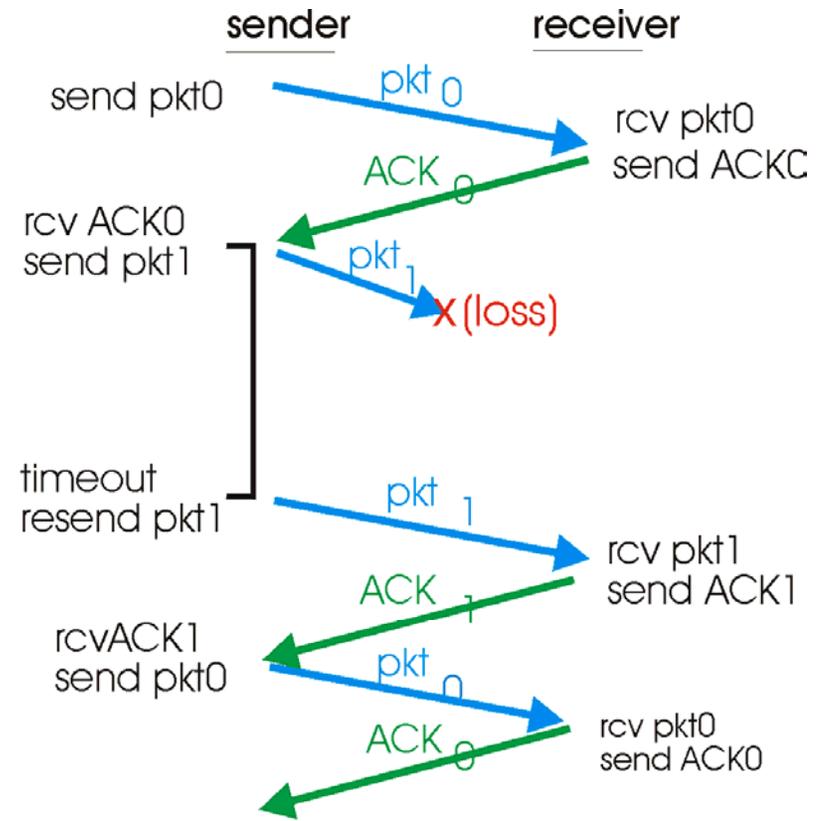
Rdt3.0 sender



Rdt3.0 in action

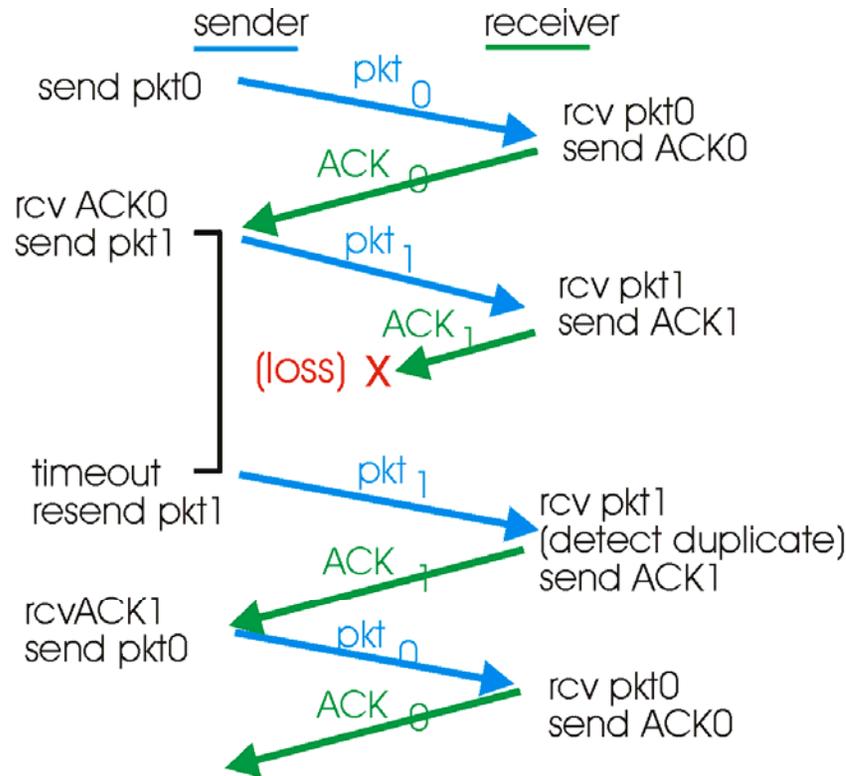


(a) operation with no loss

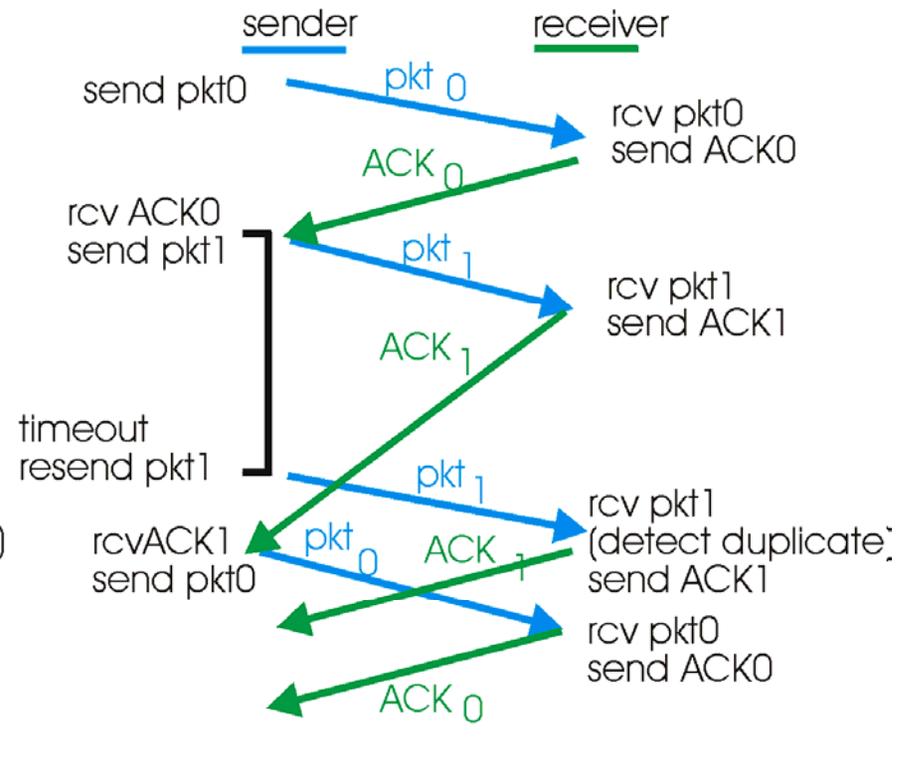


(b) lost packet

Rdt3.0 in action (cont.)



(c) lost ACK



(d) premature timeout

Performance of rdt3.0

- ❑ Rdt3.0 works, but performance stinks
- ❑ Example: 1 Gbps link, 15 ms e-e prop. delay, 1KB packet:

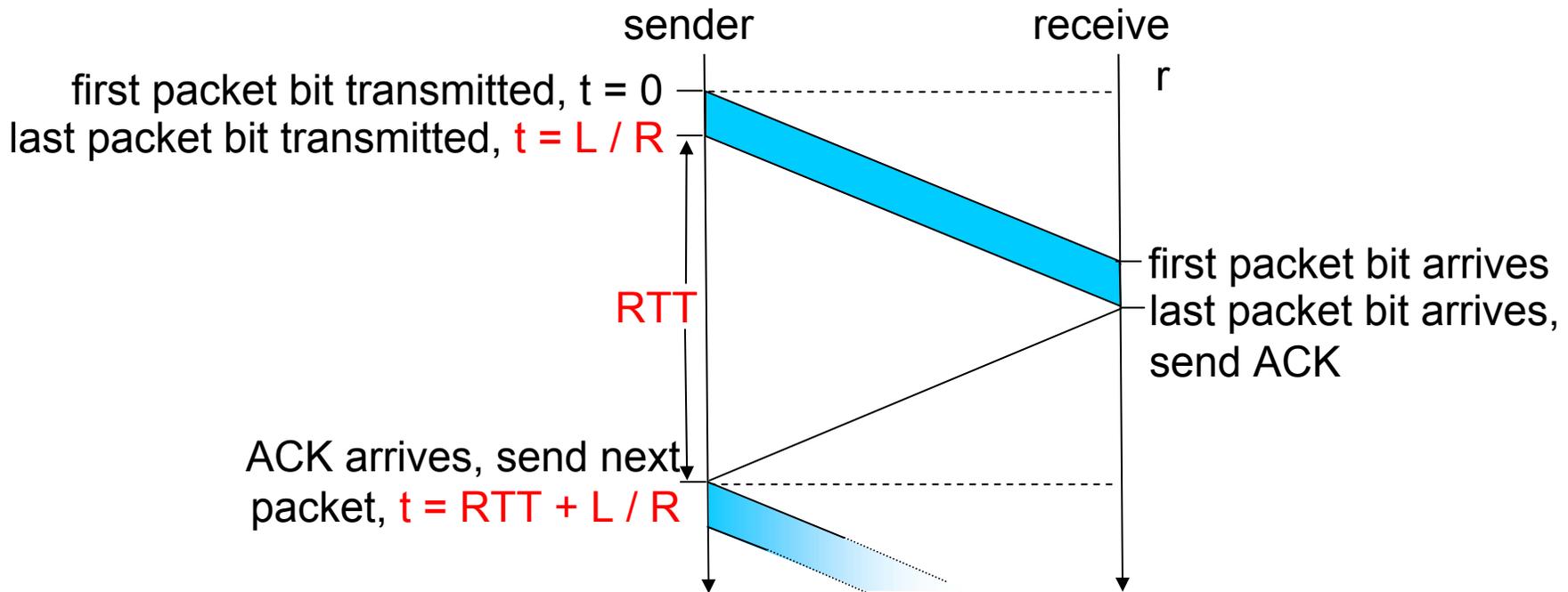
$$T_{\text{transmit}} = \frac{L \text{ (packet length in bits)}}{R \text{ (transmission rate, bps)}} = \frac{8\text{kb/pkt}}{10^{**9} \text{ b/sec}} = 8 \text{ microsec}$$

- U_{sender} : **utilization** – fraction of time sender busy sending

$$U_{\text{sender}} = \frac{L / R}{RTT + L / R} = \frac{.008}{30.008} = 0.00027$$

- 1KB pkt every 30 msec -> 33kB/sec thruput over 1 Gbps link
- Network protocol limits use of physical resources!

Rdt3.0: Stop-and-wait operation

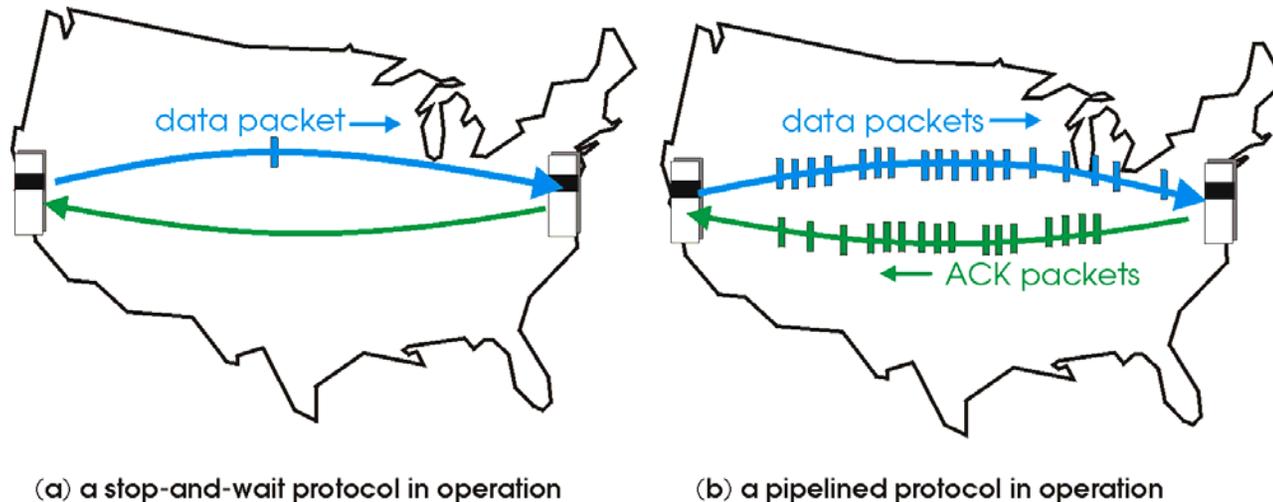


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Pipelined protocols

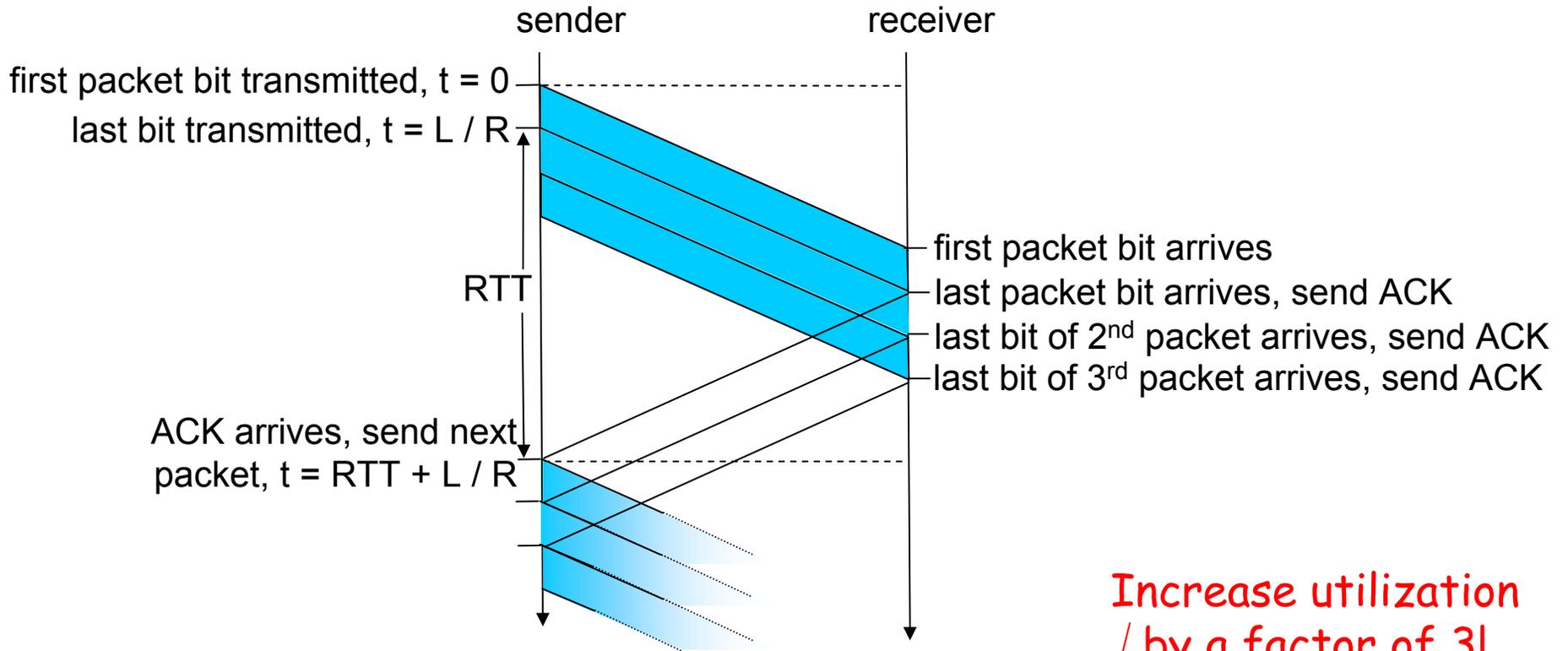
Pipelining: sender allows multiple, "in-flight", yet-to-be-acknowledged pkts

- Range of sequence numbers must be increased
- Buffering at sender and/or receiver



- Two generic forms of pipelined protocols: *go-Back-N*, *selective repeat*

Pipelining: Increased utilization



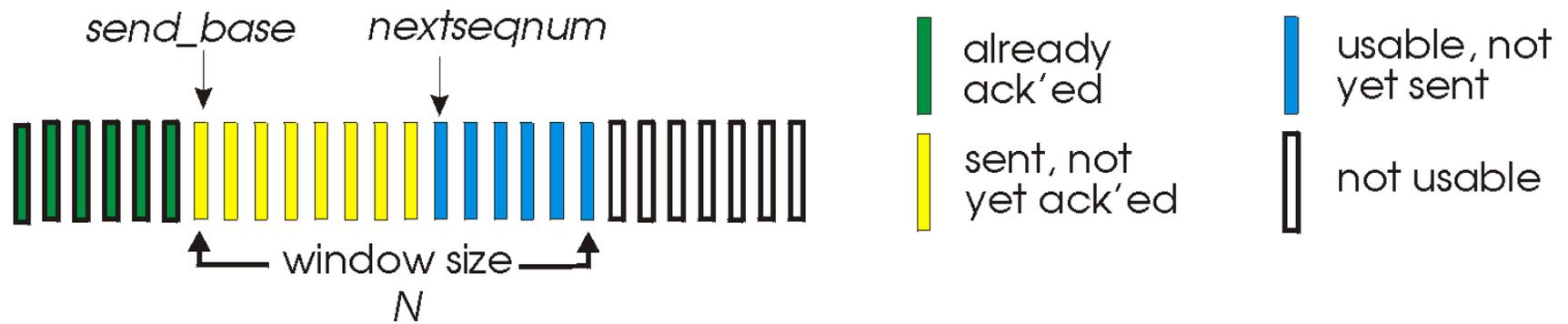
Increase utilization
by a factor of 3!

$$U_{\text{sender}} = \frac{3 * L / R}{RTT + L / R} = \frac{.024}{30.008} = 0.0008$$

Go-Back-N

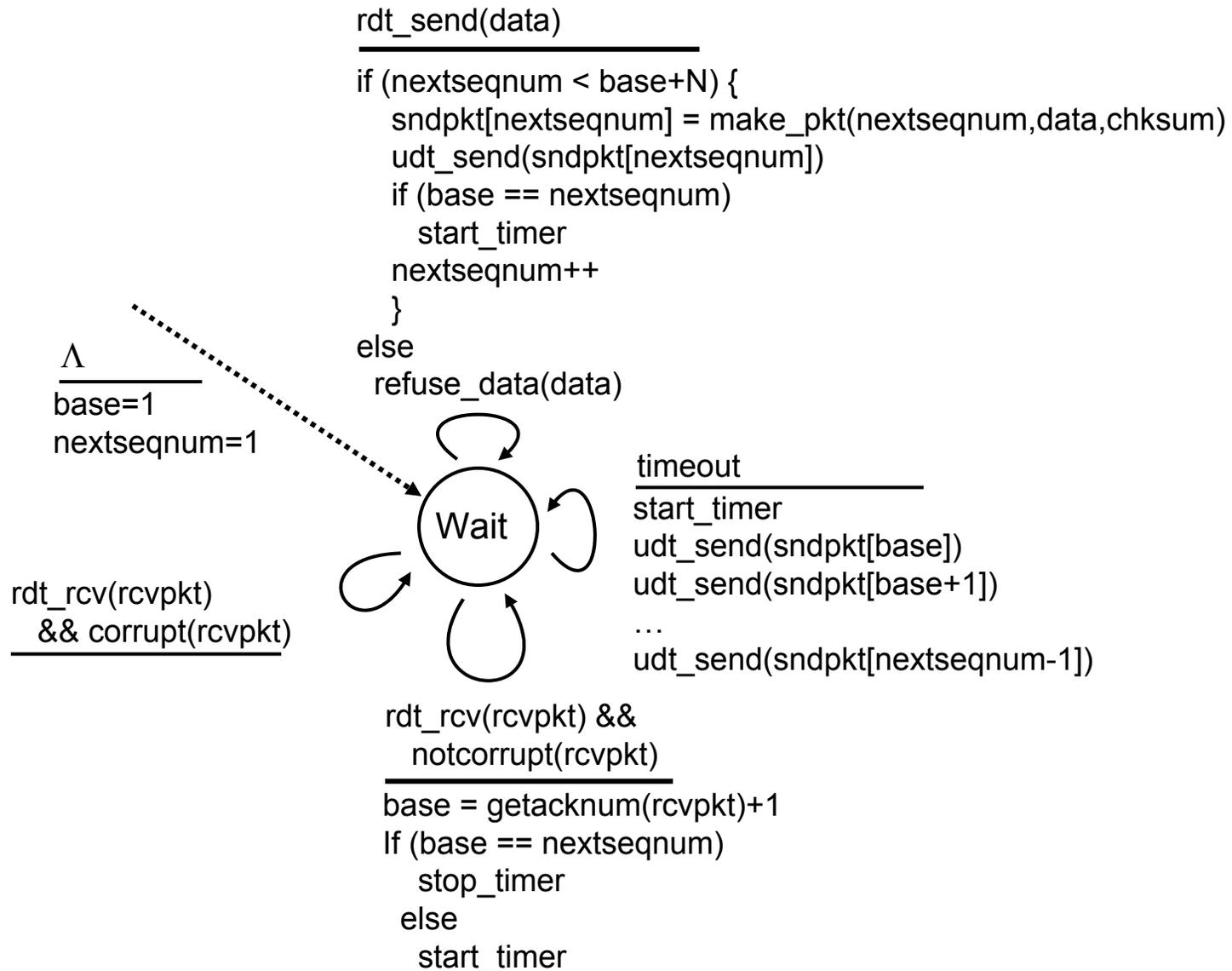
Sender:

- K-bit seq # in pkt header
- “Window” of up to N , consecutive unack’ed pkts allowed

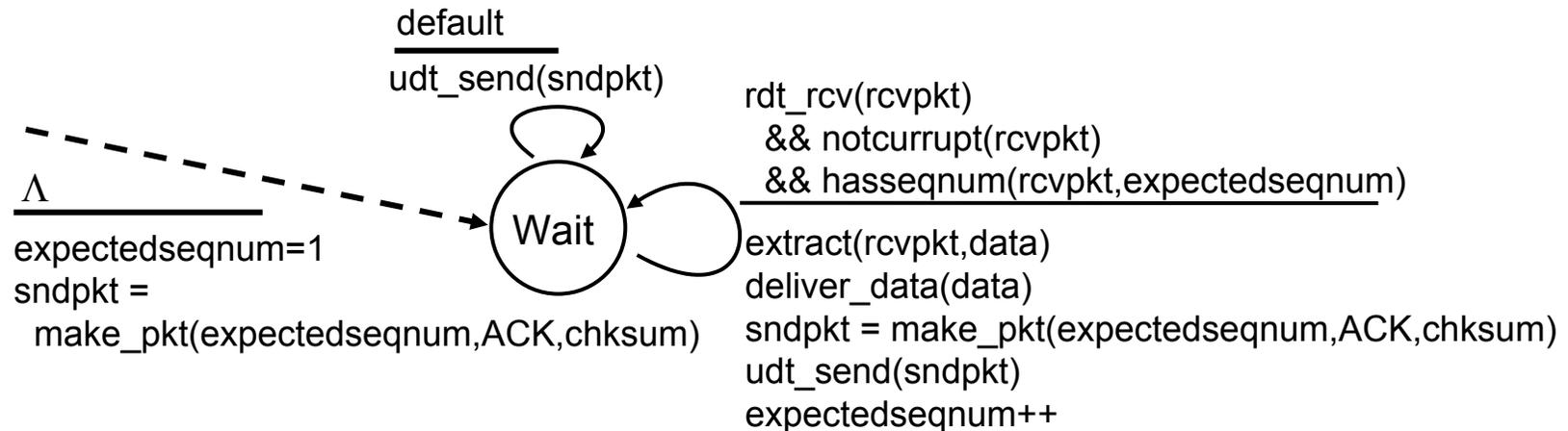


- ACK(n): ACKs all pkts up to, including seq # n - “cumulative ACK”
 - May deceive duplicate ACKs (see receiver)
- Timer for each in-flight pkt
- *Timeout(n)*: Retransmit pkt n and all higher seq # pkts in window

GBN: Sender extended FSM



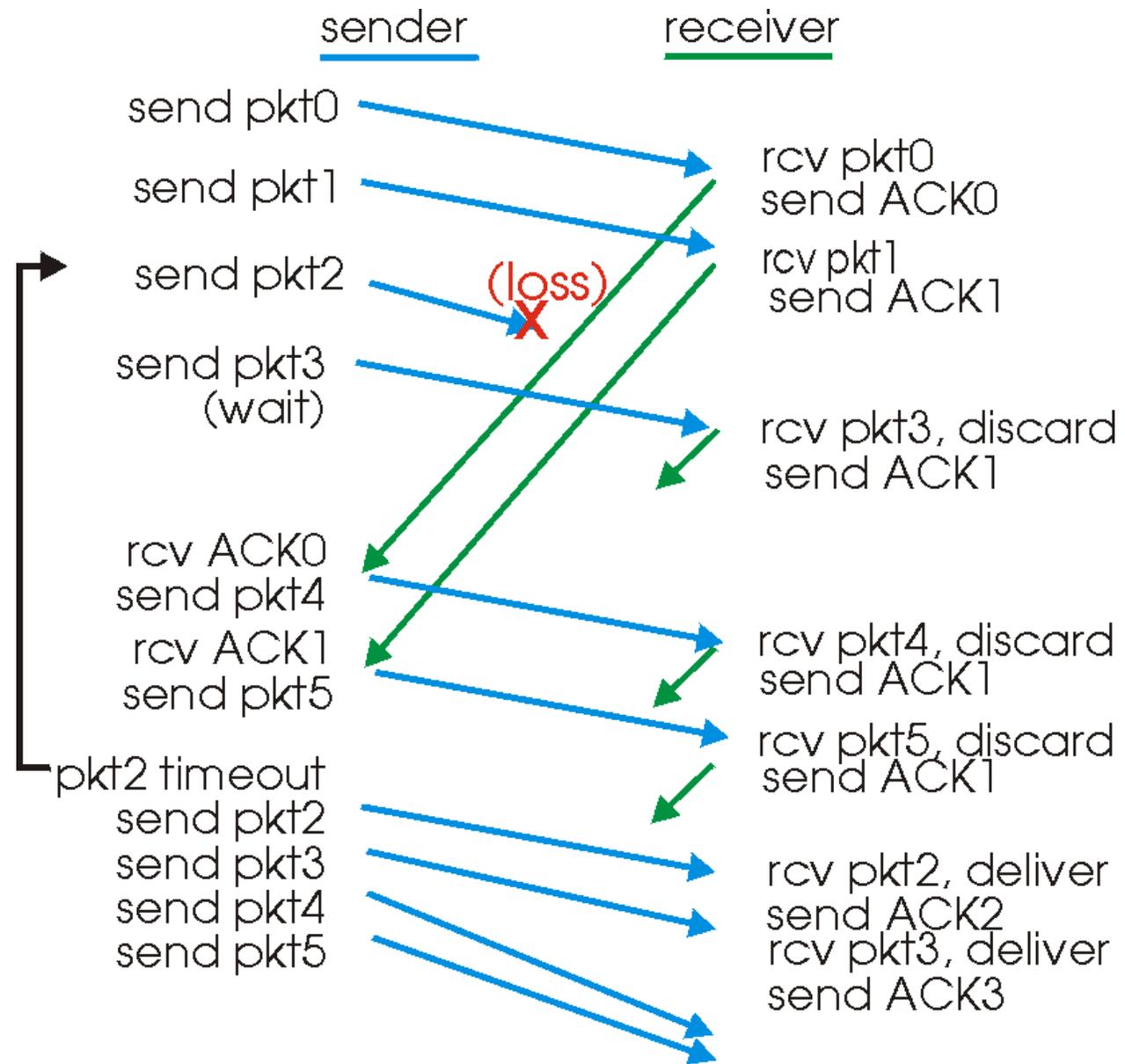
GBN: Receiver extended FSM



ACK-only: always send ACK for correctly-received pkt with highest *in-order* seq #

- May generate duplicate ACKs
- Need only remember **expectedseqnum**
- Out-of-order pkt:
 - Discard (don't buffer) -> **no receiver buffering!**
 - Re-ACK pkt with highest in-order seq #

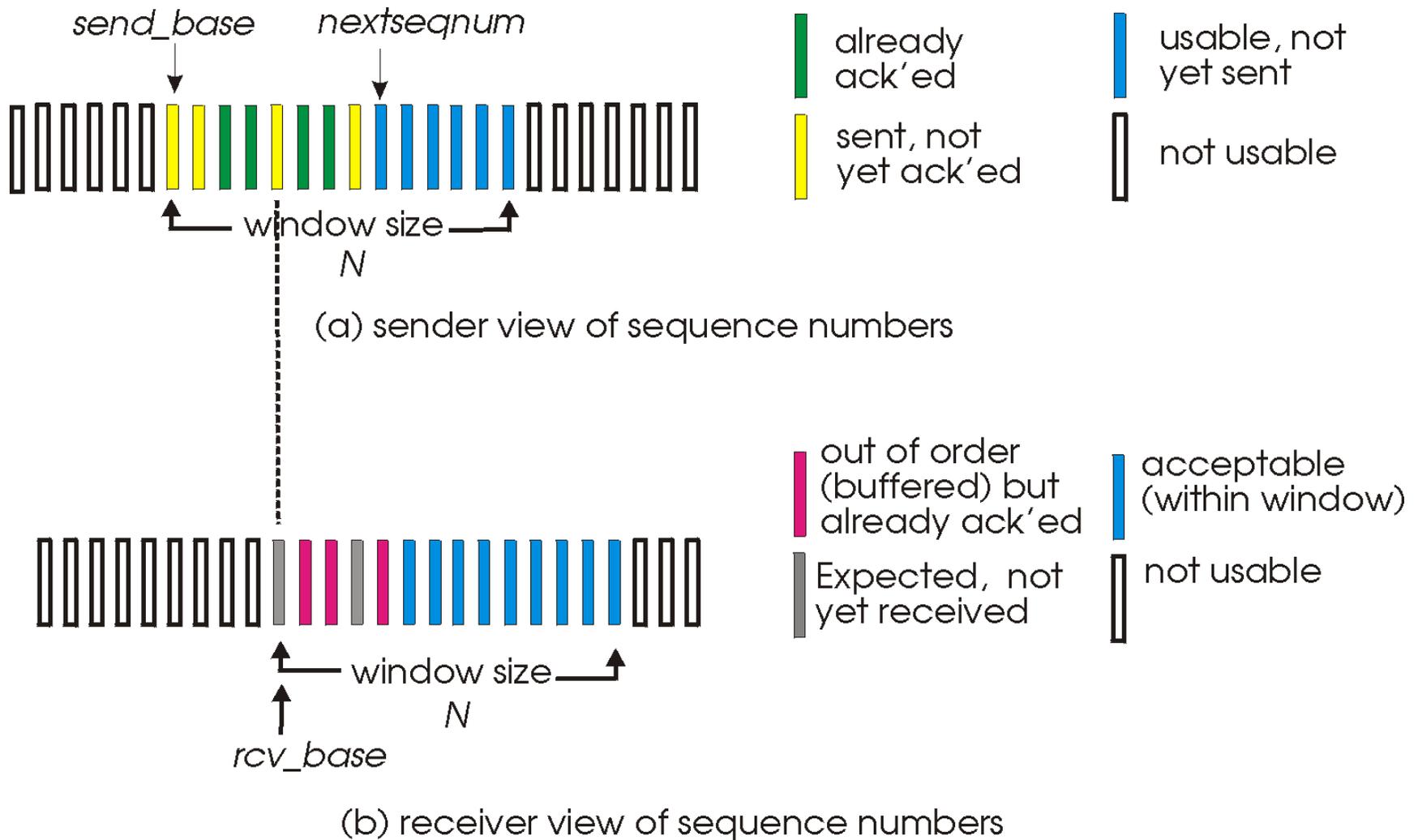
GBN in action



Selective repeat

- ❑ Receiver *individually* acknowledges all correctly received pkts
 - Buffers pkts, as needed, for eventual in-order delivery to upper layer
- ❑ Sender only resends pkts for which ACK not received
 - Sender timer for each unACKed pkt
- ❑ Sender window
 - N consecutive seq #'s
 - Again limits seq #'s of sent, unACKed pkts

Selective repeat: Sender, receiver windows



Selective repeat

Sender

Data from above :

- ❑ If next available seq # in window, send pkt

Timeout(n):

- ❑ Resend pkt n, restart timer

ACK(n) in [sendbase,sendbase+N]:

- ❑ Mark pkt n as received
- ❑ If n smallest unACKed pkt, advance window base to next unACKed seq #

Receiver

Pkt n in [rcvbase, rcvbase+N-1]

- ❑ Send ACK(n)
- ❑ Out-of-order: buffer
- ❑ In-order: deliver (also deliver buffered, in-order pkts), advance window to next not-yet-received pkt

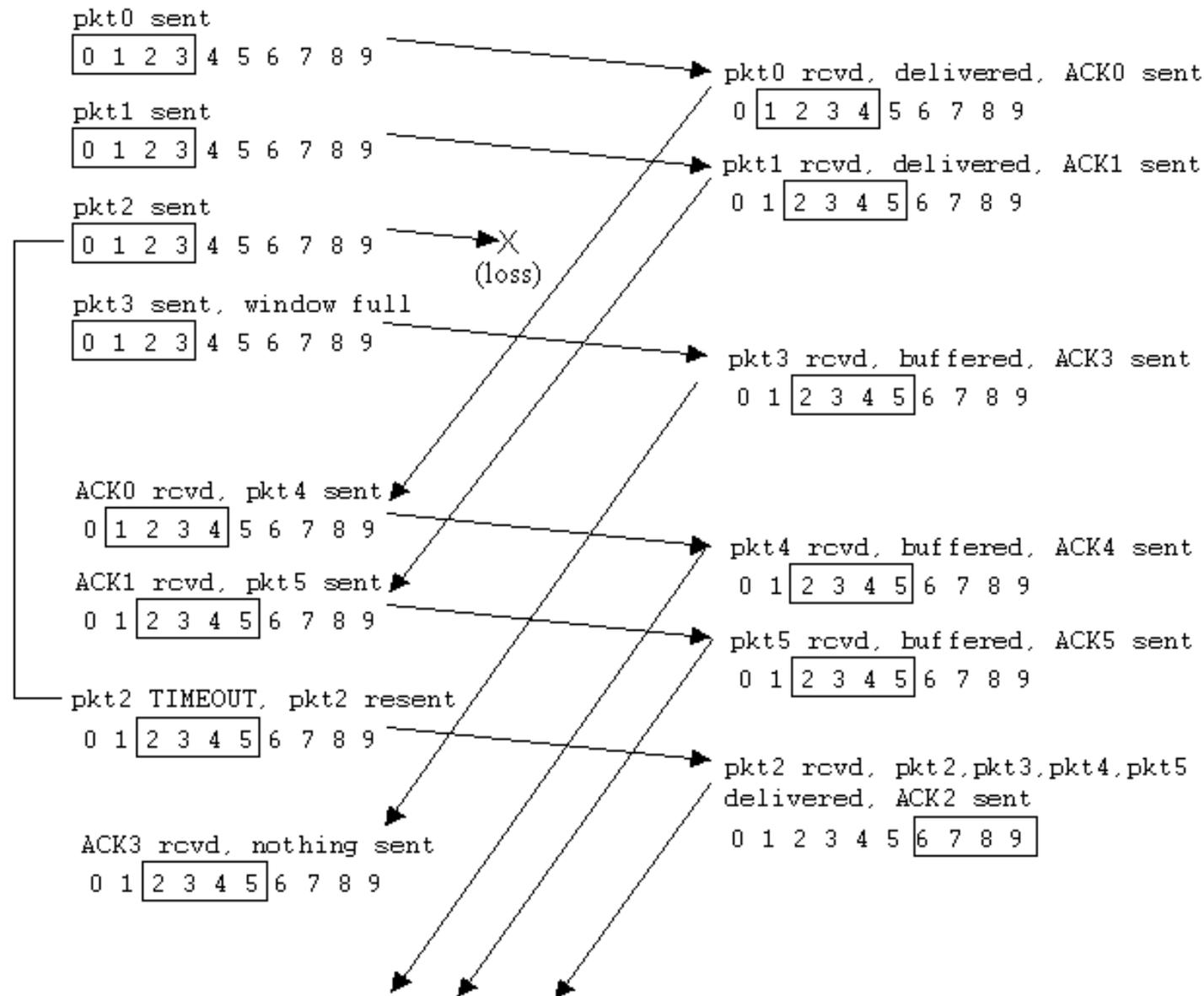
Pkt n in [rcvbase-N,rcvbase-1]

- ❑ ACK(n)

Otherwise:

- ❑ Ignore

Selective repeat in action



Selective repeat: dilemma

Example:

- Seq #'s: 0, 1, 2, 3
- Window size=3

- Receiver sees no difference in two scenarios!
- Incorrectly passes duplicate data as new in (a)

Q: What relationship between seq # size and window size?

