CHAPTER 6

Bandwidth Utilization:

Solutions to Review Questions and Exercises

Review Questions

- 1. *Multiplexing* is the set of techniques that allows the simultaneous transmission of multiple signals across a single data link.
- We discussed *frequency-division multiplexing* (FDM), *wave-division multiplex-ing* (WDM), and *time-division multiplexing* (TDM).
- 3. In *multiplexing*, the word *link* refers to the physical path. The word *channel* refers to the portion of a link that carries a transmission between a given pair of lines. One link can have many (n) channels.
- FDM and WDM are used to combine analog signals; the bandwidth is shared. TDM is used to combine digital signals; the time is shared.
- 5. To maximize the efficiency of their infrastructure, telephone companies have traditionally multiplexed analog signals from lower-bandwidth lines onto higher-bandwidth lines. The *analog hierarchy* uses voice channels (4 KHz), *groups* (48 KHz), *supergroups* (240 KHz), *master groups* (2.4 MHz), and *jumbo groups* (15.12 MHz).
- To maximize the efficiency of their infrastructure, telephone companies have traditionally multiplexed digital signals from lower data rate lines onto higher data rate lines. The *digital hierarchy* uses *DS-0* (64 Kbps), *DS-1* (1.544 Mbps), *DS-2* (6.312 Mbps), *DS-3* (44.376 Mbps), and *DS-4* (274.176 Mbps).
- 7. **WDM** is common for multiplexing *optical signals* because it allows the multiplexing of signals with a very high frequency.
- 8. In *multilevel TDM*, some lower-rate lines are combined to make a new line with the same data rate as the other lines. *Multiple slot TDM*, on the other hand, uses multiple slots for higher data rate lines to make them compatible with the lower data rate line. *Pulse stuffing TDM* is used when the data rates of some lines are not an integral multiple of other lines.
- In synchronous TDM, each input has a reserved slot in the output frame. This can be inefficient if some input lines have no data to send. In statistical TDM, slots are

dynamically allocated to improve bandwidth efficiency. Only when an input line has a slot's worth of data to send is it given a slot in the output frame.

- 10. In *spread spectrum*, we spread the bandwidth of a signal into a larger bandwidth. Spread spectrum techniques add redundancy; they spread the original spectrum needed for each station. The expanded bandwidth allows the source to wrap its message in a protective envelope for a more secure transmission. We discussed *frequency hopping spread spectrum (FHSS)* and direct sequence spread spectrum (DSSS).
- 11. The *frequency hopping spread spectrum* (*FHSS*) technique uses *M* different carrier frequencies that are modulated by the source signal. At one moment, the signal modulates one carrier frequency; at the next moment, the signal modulates another carrier frequency.
- 12. The *direct sequence spread spectrum* (*DSSS*) technique expands the bandwidth of the original signal. It replaces each data bit with *n* bits using a spreading code.

Exercises

- 13. To multiplex 10 voice channels, we need nine guard bands. The required bandwidth is then $B = (4 \text{ KHz}) \times 10 + (500 \text{ Hz}) \times 9 = 44.5 \text{ KHz}$
- 14. The bandwidth allocated to each voice channel is 20 KHz / 100 = 200 Hz. As we saw in the previous chapters, each digitized voice channel has a data rate of 64 Kbps (8000 sample × 8 bit/sample). This means that our modulation technique uses 64,000/200 = 320 bits/Hz.
- 15.
- a. Group level: overhead = 48 KHz $(12 \times 4 \text{ KHz}) = 0 \text{ Hz}$.
- b. Supergroup level: overhead = $240 \text{ KHz} (5 \times 48 \text{ KHz}) = 0 \text{ Hz}$.
- c. Master group: overhead = $2520 \text{ KHz} (10 \times 240 \text{ KHz}) = 120 \text{ KHz}$.
- d. Jumbo Group: overhead = $16.984 \text{ MHz} (6 \times 2.52 \text{ MHz}) = 1.864 \text{ MHz}.$
- 16.
- a. Each output frame carries 1 bit from each source plus one extra bit for synchronization. Frame size = $20 \times 1 + 1 = 21$ bits.
- b. Each frame carries 1 bit from each source. Frame rate = 100,000 frames/s.
- c. Frame duration = $1 / (\text{frame rate}) = 1 / 100,000 = 10 \ \mu\text{s}.$
- d. Data rate = $(100,000 \text{ frames/s}) \times (21 \text{ bits/frame}) = 2.1 \text{ Mbps}$
- e. In each frame 20 bits out of 21 are useful. Efficiency = 20/21 = 95%

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- a. Each output frame carries 2 bits from each source plus one extra bit for synchronization. Frame size = $20 \times 2 + 1 = 41$ bits.
- b. Each frame carries 2 bit from each source. Frame rate = 100,000/2 = 50,000 frames/s.
- c. Frame duration = $1 / (\text{frame rate}) = 1 / 50,000 = 20 \,\mu\text{s}.$
- d. Data rate = $(50,000 \text{ frames/s}) \times (41 \text{ bits/frame}) = 2.05 \text{ Mbps.}$ The output data rate here is slightly less than the one in Exercise 16.

- e. In each frame 40 bits out of 41 are useful. Efficiency = 40/41 = 97.5%. Efficiency is better than the one in Exercise 16.
- 18.
- a. Frame size = $6 \times (8 + 4) = 72$ bits.
- b. We can assume that we have only 6 input lines. Each frame needs to carry one character from each of these lines. This means that the frame rate is **500** frames/s.
- c. Frame duration = 1 / (frame rate) = 1 / 500 = 2 ms.
- d. Data rate = $(500 \text{ frames/s}) \times (72 \text{ bits/frame}) = 36 \text{ kbps}$.
- 19. We combine six 200-kbps sources into three 400-kbps. Now we have seven 400-kbps channel.
 - a. Each output frame carries 1 bit from each of the seven 400-kbps line. Frame size = $7 \times 1 = 7$ bits.
 - b. Each frame carries 1 bit from each 400-kbps source. Frame rate = 400,000 frames/s.
 - c. Frame duration = $1 / (\text{frame rate}) = 1 / 400,000 = 2.5 \,\mu\text{s}.$
 - d. Output data rate = $(400,000 \text{ frames/s}) \times (7 \text{ bits/frame}) = 2.8 \text{ Mbps.}$ We can also calculate the output data rate as the sum of input data rate because there is no synchronizing bits. Output data rate = $6 \times 200 + 4 \times 400 = 2.8 \text{ Mbps.}$
- 20.
- a. The frame carries 4 bits from each of the first two sources and 3 bits from each of the second two sources. Frame size = $4 \times 2 + 3 \times 2 = 14$ bits.
- b. Each frame carries 4 bit from each 200-kbps source or 3 bits from each 150 kbps. Frame rate = 200,000 / 4 = 150,000 / 3 = 50,000 frames/s.
- c. Frame duration = $1 / (\text{frame rate}) = 1 / 50,000 = 20 \ \mu\text{s}.$
- d. Output data rate = $(50,000 \text{ frames/s}) \times (14 \text{ bits/frame}) = 700 \text{ kbps.}$ We can also calculate the output data rate as the sum of input data rates because there are no synchronization bits. Output data rate = $2 \times 200 + 2 \times 150 = 700 \text{ kbps.}$
- 21. We need to add extra bits to the second source to make both rates = 190 kbps. Now we have two sources, each of 190 Kbps.
 - a. The frame carries 1 bit from each source. Frame size = 1 + 1 = 2 bits.
 - b. Each frame carries 1 bit from each 190-kbps source. Frame rate = **190,000** frames/s.
 - c. Frame duration = $1 / (\text{frame rate}) = 1 / 190,000 = 5.3 \,\mu\text{s}.$
 - d. Output data rate = $(190,000 \text{ frames/s}) \times (2 \text{ bits/frame}) = 380 \text{ kbps}$. Here the output bit rate is greater than the sum of the input rates (370 kbps) because of extra bits added to the second source.
- 22.
- a. T-1 line sends 8000 frames/s. Frame duration = $1/8000 = 125 \ \mu s$.
- b. Each frame carries one extra bit. Overhead = $8000 \times 1 = 8$ kbps
- 23. See Figure 6.1.
- 24. See Figure 6.2.

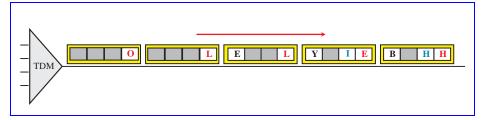
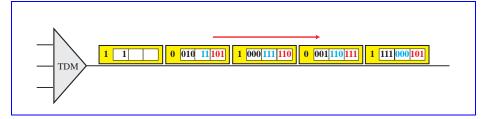
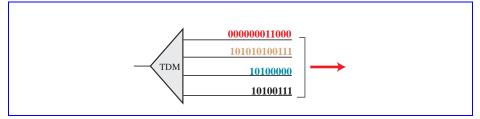


Figure 6.2 Solution to Exercise 24



25. See Figure 6.3.

Figure 6.3 Solution to Exercise 25



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- a. DS-1 overhead = 1.544 Mbps $(24 \times 64 \text{ kbps}) = 8 \text{ kbps}$.
- b. DS-2 overhead = $6.312 \text{ Mbps} (4 \times 1.544 \text{ Mbps}) = 136 \text{ kbps}.$
- c. DS-3 overhead = 44.376 Mbps $(7 \times 6.312$ Mbps) = **192 kbps**.
- d. DS-4 overhead = 274.176 Mbps $(6 \times 44.376$ Mbps) = **7.92 Mbps**.

27. The number of hops = 100 KHz/4 KHz = 25. So we need $\log_2 25 = 4.64 \approx 5$ bits 28.

- a. $2^4 = 16$ hops
- b. (64 bits/s) / 4 bits = 16 cycles
- 29. Random numbers are 11, 13, 10, 6, 12, 3, 8, 9 as calculated below:

N ₁	=	11
$N_2 = (5 + 7 \times 11) \mod 17 - 1$	=	13
$N_3 = (5 + 7 \times 13) \mod 17 - 1$	=	10
$N_4 = (5 + 7 \times 10) \mod 17 - 1$	=	6

$N_5 = (5 + 7 \times 6) \mod 17 - 1$	=	12
$N_6 = (5 + 7 \times 12) \mod 17 - 1$	=	3
$N_7 = (5 + 7 \times 3) \mod 17 - 1$	=	8
$N_8 = (5 + 7 \times 8) \mod 17 - 1$	=	9

30. The Barker chip is 11 bits, which means that it increases the bit rate 11 times. A voice channel of 64 kbps needs 11×64 kbps = 704 kbps. This means that the bandpass channel can carry (10 Mbps) / (704 kbps) or approximately **14 channels**.