

TCP



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TCP – Functions

- Reliable
- Connection-Oriented
- Stream Oriented
- Full Duplex
- End – to – End Communication

TCP – Functions

- Service Point Addressing
 - Ports Addressing
 - Socket Addressing
- Connection Establishment
 - Virtual Connection
 - Handshake/ Agreement
- Connection Release
 - Terminate/ Close Connection

TCP – Functions

- Segmentation
 - Breaks Message into Segments
- End-to-End Error Control
 - IP provides Unreliable Service
- End-to-End Flow Control
 - Avoid Buffer overflow
- Multiplexing and Demultiplexing sessions

TCP – Reliable Service

- Transmits Segment
- Dynamically Calculates Waiting Time for ACK
 - $RTT = \alpha * \text{old RTT} + (1 - \alpha) * \text{new RTT}$
 - α usually 90%
 - RTT for LANs in Milli Seconds
 - RTT for WANs in Seconds
 - Most common, Retransmission time = $2 * RTT$

TCP – Reliable Service – Timer Mechanism

- Starts a Timer with RTT
- Waits for ACK
- If ACK not received within RTT, Retransmit Segment and wait for a Longer RTT for ACK
- After a number of Retransmissions, it will give up
- Piggy-backed Acknowledgments or sent as separate

TCP – Error Control - Sequence Numbers

- Sequence Number is attached with every byte
- Seq # is used to Detect Loss of Segment
- Seq # is used to Reordering Segments
- Seq # is used to Remove Duplicate Segments
- Seq # and ACK # refer to byte number

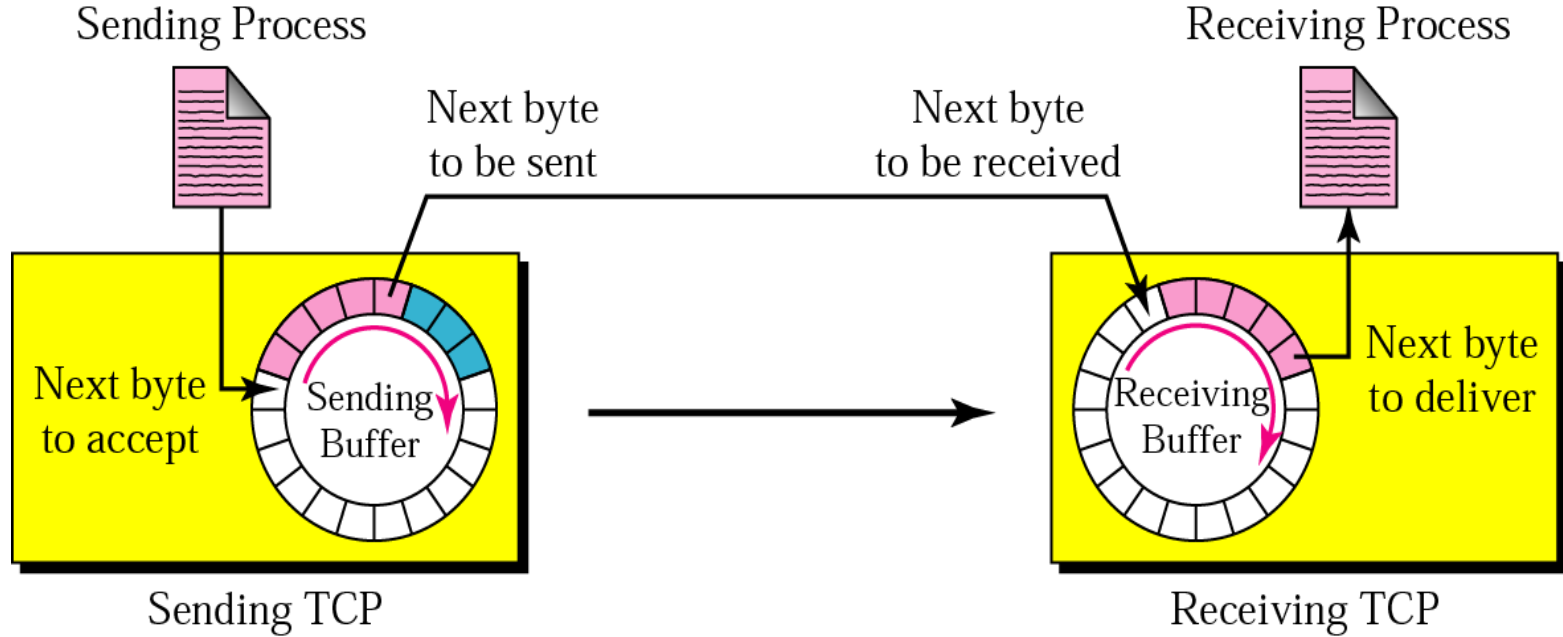
TCP – Error Control - Sequence Numbers

- Seq # for each Segment is # of the first byte in Segment
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- ACK # denotes # of the next byte expected
- ACK # may be for cumulative/ bulky
- ACK # 5643 refers to:
 - Receipt of all bytes from beginning up to 5642
 - Without any error

TCP – Flow Control - Buffering Mechanism

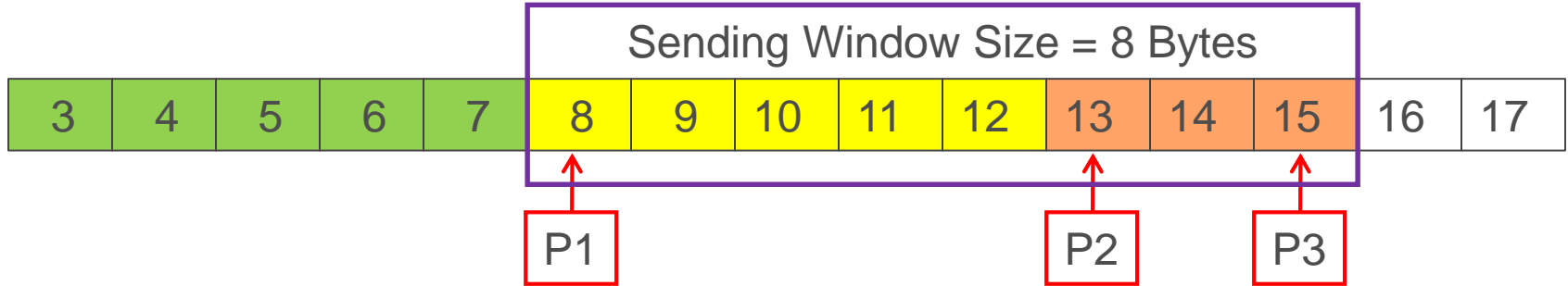
- Sending buffer and Receiving buffer
- Sender and Receiver may not Produce and Consume data at Same Speed
- 2 buffers for each direction
(Sending and Receiving buffer)

TCP – Flow Control - Buffering Mechanism



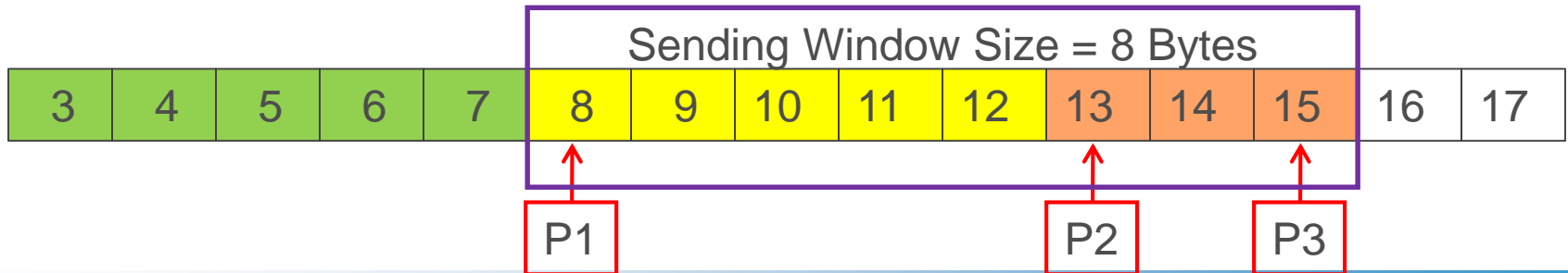
TCP – Flow Control-Sliding Window Mechanism

- ✓ Sender maintains 3 Pointers for each connection
- ✓ Pointer 1: Bytes sent and acknowledged
- ✓ Pointer 2: Bytes sent, but not yet acknowledged
- ✓ Pointer 3: Bytes that yet be sent
- ✓ Sender window includes Bytes sent but not acknowledged



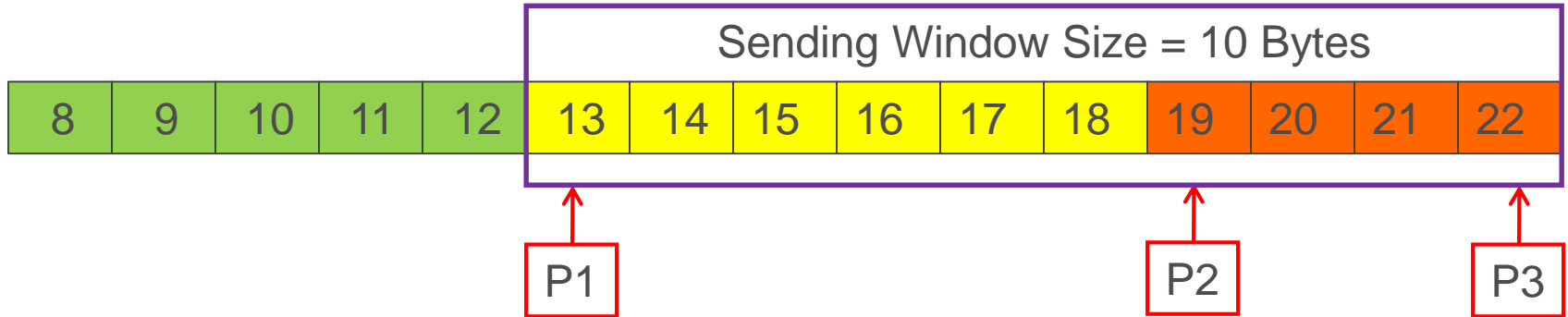
TCP – Flow Control-Sliding Window Mechanism

- ✓ Sender's window is Slide on Buffer
Without a change in Receiver's Advertised Window
- ✓ Expanding Sender's Window
Receiving process consumes data faster than it receives,
then Receiver Window Size increases



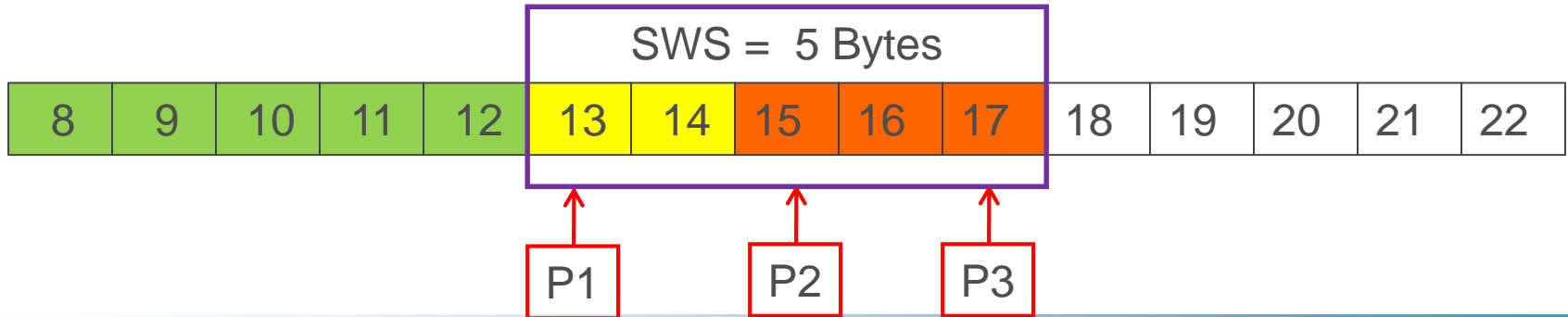
TCP – Flow Control-Sliding Window Mechanism

- ✓ Expanding Sender's Window
Receiving process consumes data faster than it receives,
then Receiver Window Size increases
(If ACK = 13, WS = 10)



TCP – Flow Control-Sliding Window Mechanism

- ✓ Shrinking Sender's Window
Receiving process consumes data more slowly than it receives, the Receiver Window Size reduces
(If ACK = 13, WS = 5)
- ✓ Closing sender window
Receiver advertises a Window of Zero



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