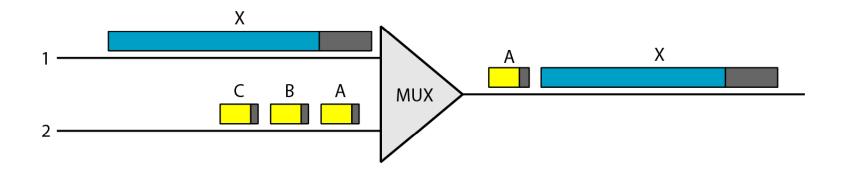
ATM

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Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) is the cell relay protocol designed by the ATM Forum and adopted by the ITU-T.

Multiplexing using different frame sizes



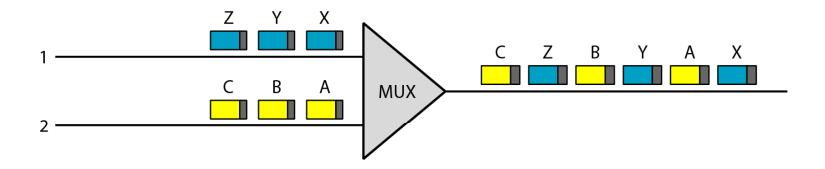


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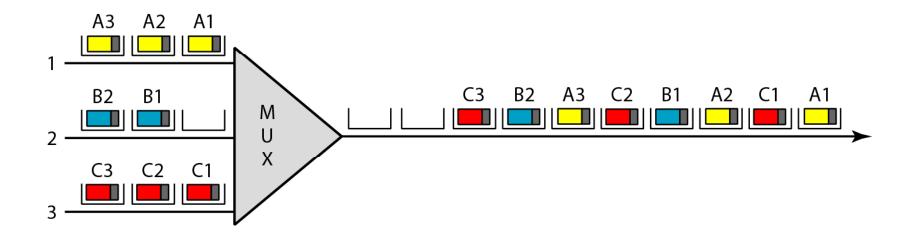
A cell network uses the cell as the basic unit of data exchange.

A cell is defined as a small, fixed-size block of information.

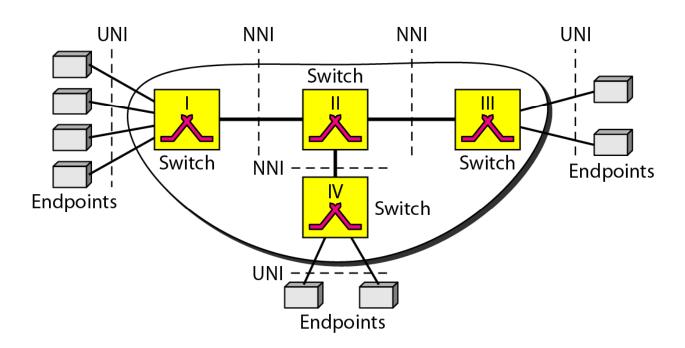
Multiplexing using cells



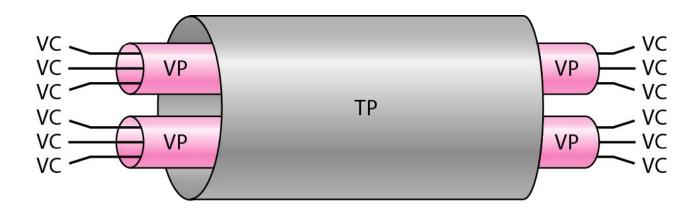
ATM multiplexing



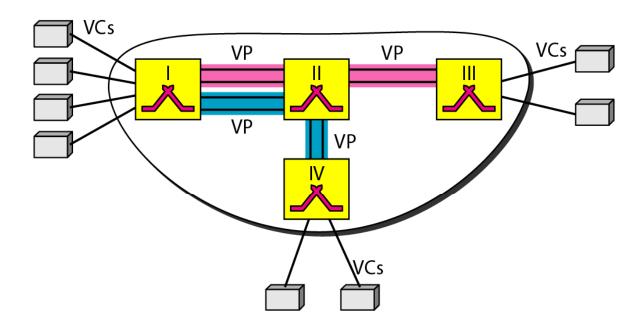
Architecture of an ATM network



TP, VPs, and VCs



Example of VPs and VCs

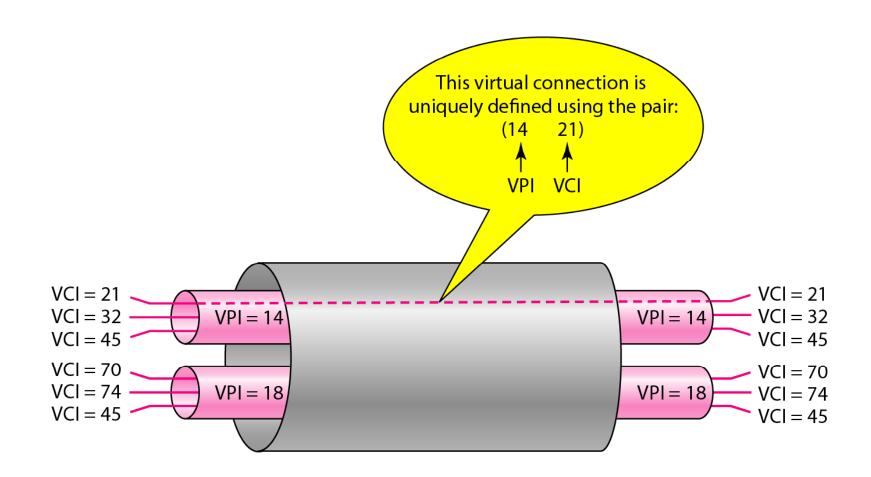




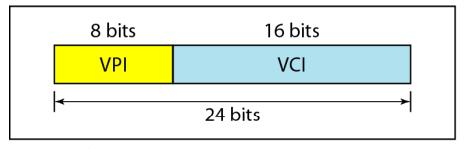
Note

Note that a virtual connection is defined by a pair of numbers: the VPI and the VCI.

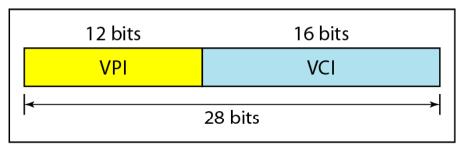
Connection identifiers



Virtual connection identifiers in UNIs and NNIs

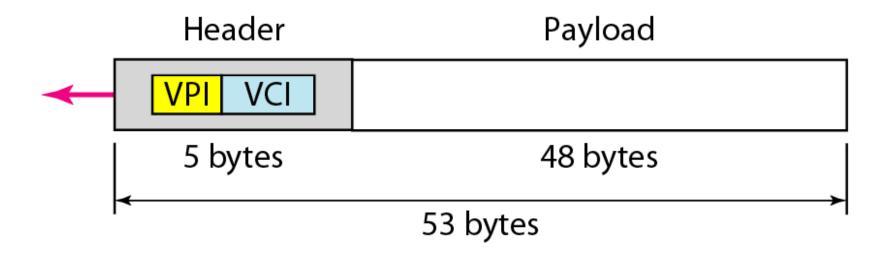


a. VPI and VCI in a UNI

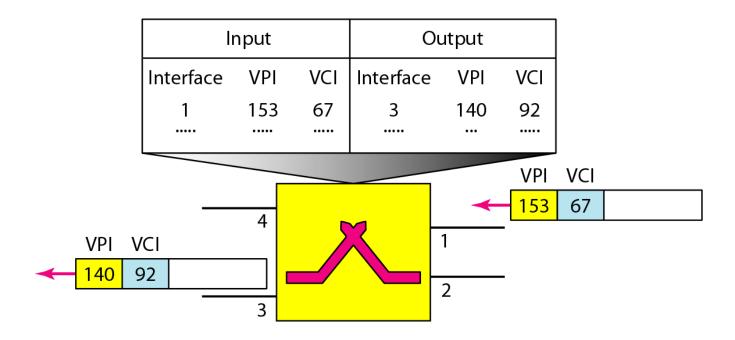


b. VPI and VCI in an NNI

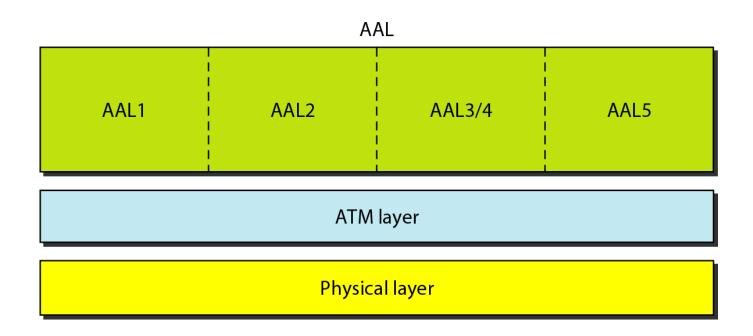
An ATM cell



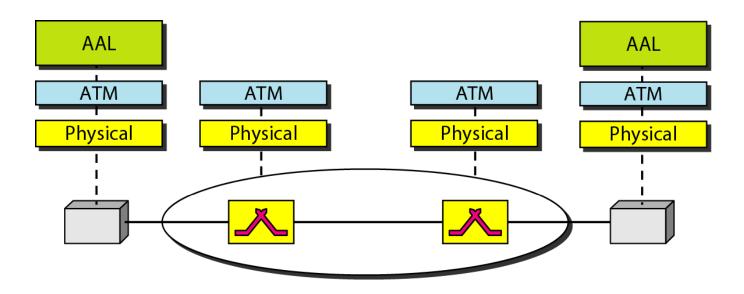
Routing with a switch



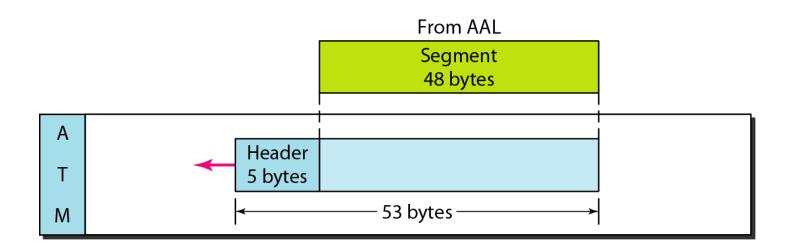
ATM layers



ATM layers in endpoint devices and switches



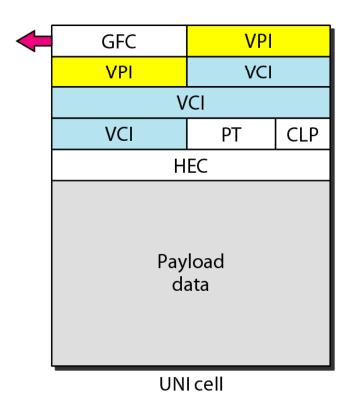
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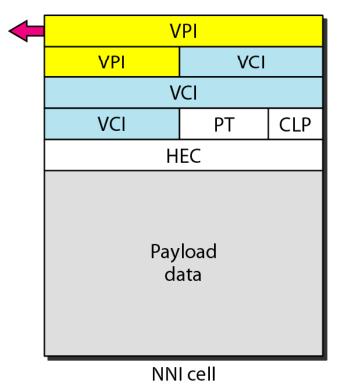


ATM headers

GFC: Generic flow control VPI: Virtual path identifier VCI: Virtual circuit identifier

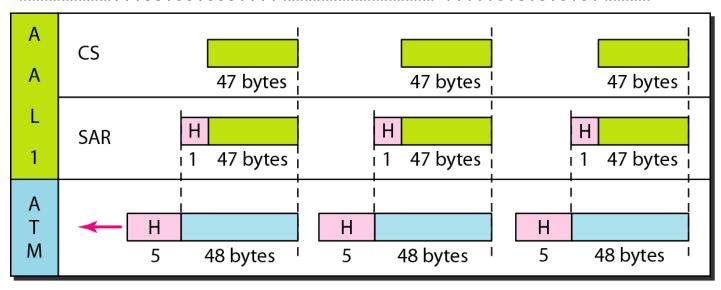
PT: Payload type CLP: Cell loss priority HEC: Header error control





AAL1

Constant-bit-rate data from upper layer

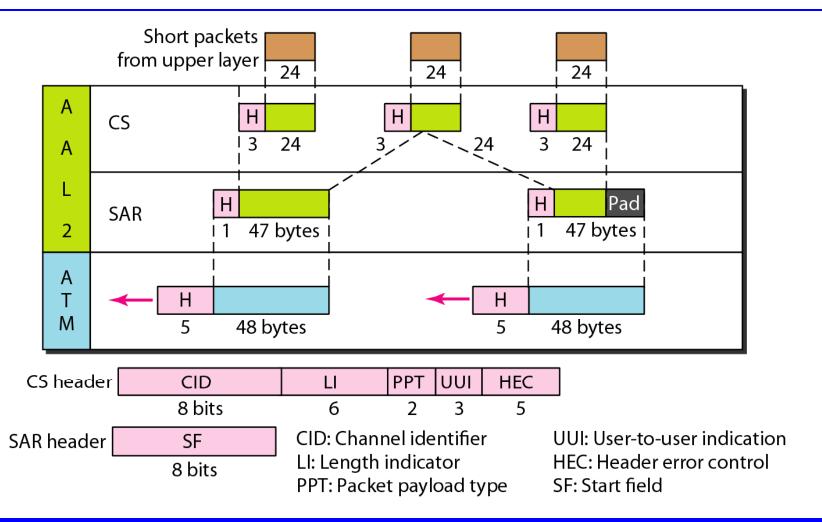


SAR header SN SNP 4 bits 4 bits

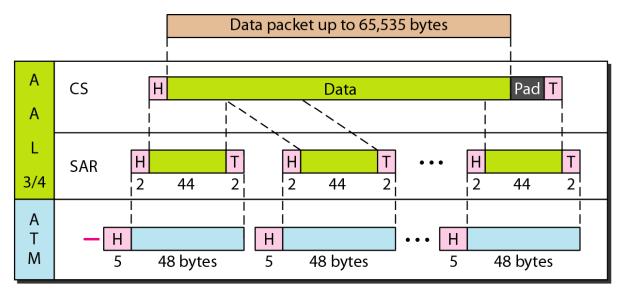
SN: Sequence number

SNP: Sequence number protection

AAL2



AAL3/4





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CPI: Common part identifier Btag: Beginning tag

BAsize: Buffer allocation size

AL Etag L AL: Alignment

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Etag: Ending tag L: Length

SAR header ST SN MID
2 4 10

8 bits

CS trailer

ST: Segment type

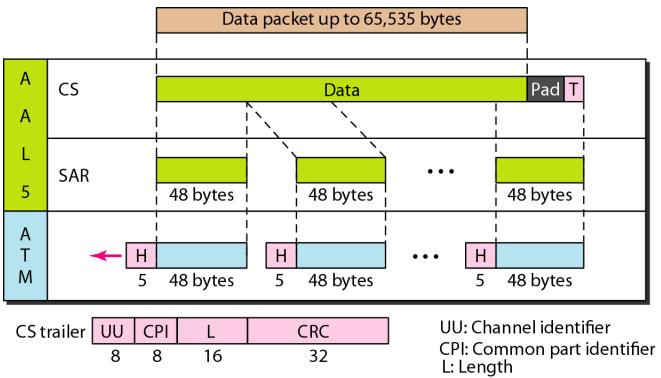
SN: Sequence number

MID: Multiplexing identifier

SAR trailer LI CRC 6 10

LI: Length identifier CRC: Error detector

AAL5



CRC: Error detector

APPLICATIONS

- ATM was developed to meet the needs of the Broadband Integrated Services Digital Network
- Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) is, according to the ATM Forum, standards for carriage of a complete range of user traffic, including voice, data, and video signals
- It is designed to unify telecommunication and computer networks.
- ATM has functional similarity with both circuit switched networking and small packet switched networking. It was designed for a network that must handle both traditional high-throughput data traffic (e.g., file transfers), and real-time, low-latency content such as voice and video.
- ATM is a core protocol used over the SONET/SDH backbone of the public switched telephone network (PSTN) and Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN), but its use is declining in favour of All IP.

SCOPE OF RESEARCH

Mobile and wireless ATM Networks

ASSIGNMENT 25

Compare Frame Relay and ATM Networks.

