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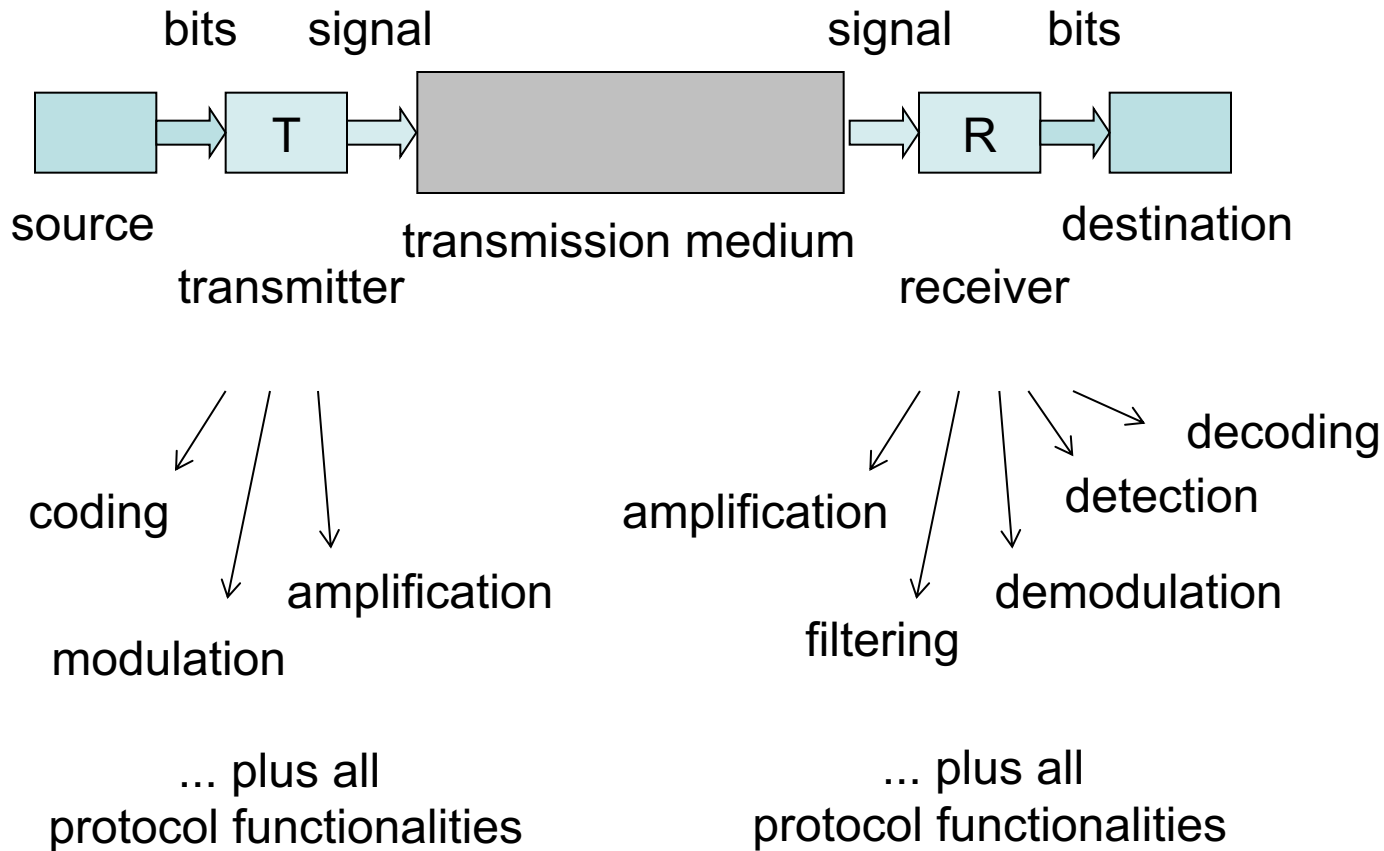
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Fundamentals of Digital Comms

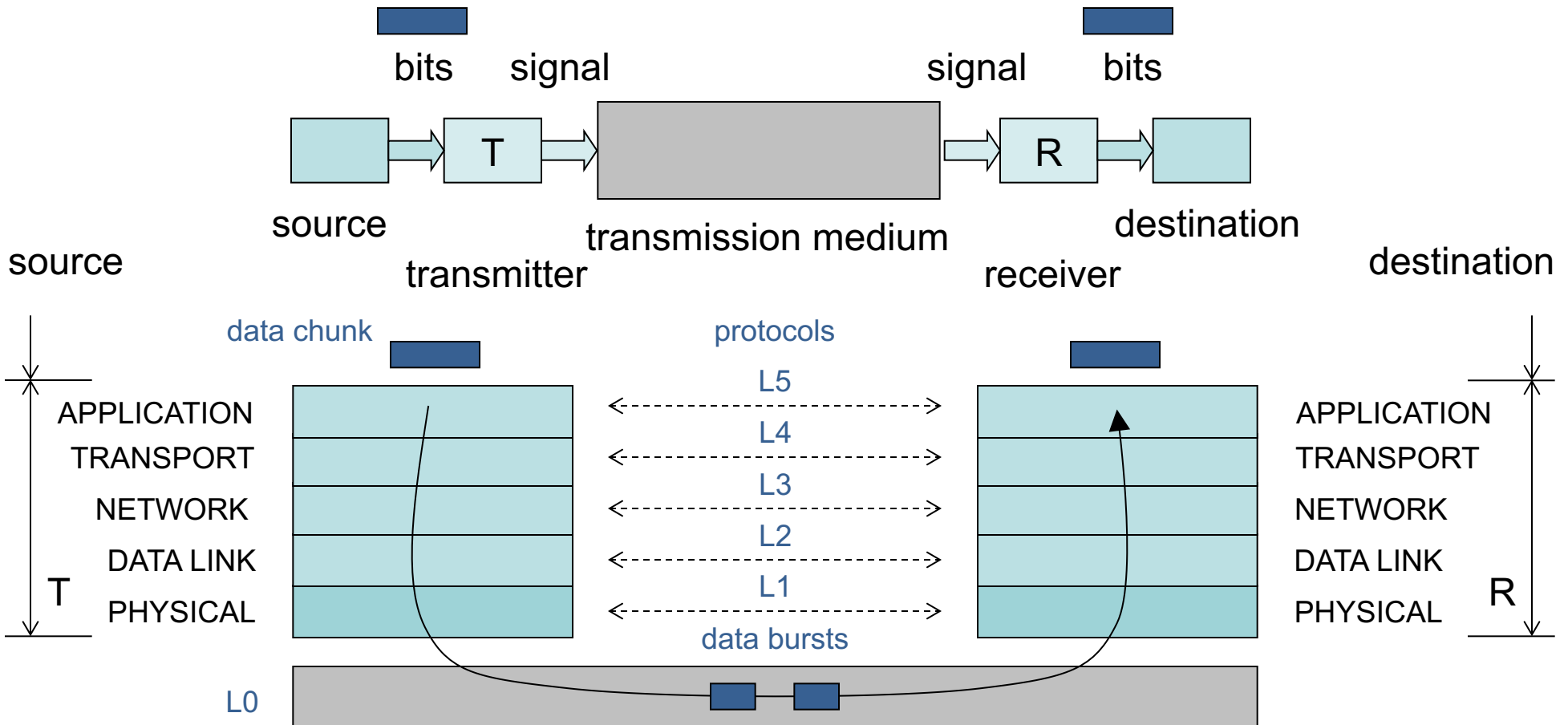
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Digital Communications → Protocols



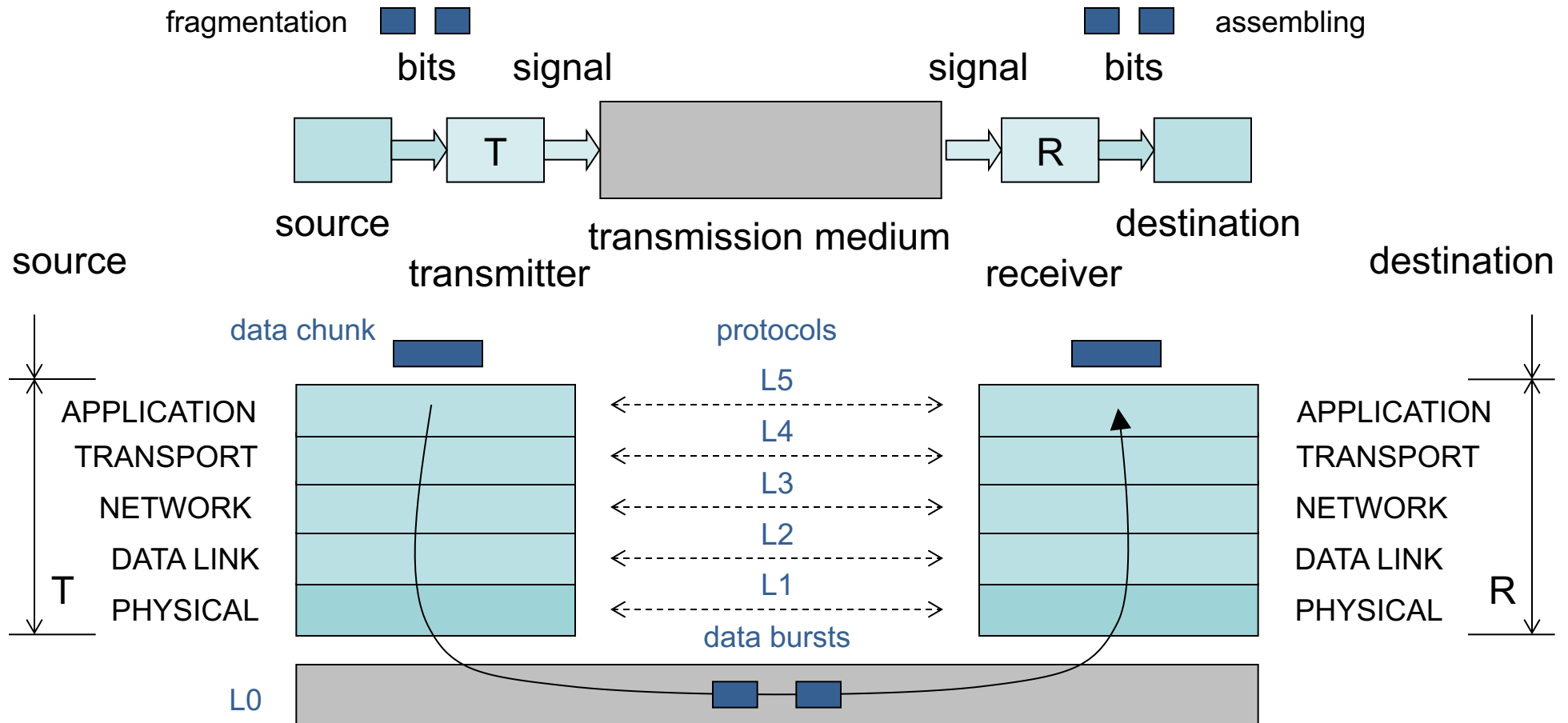
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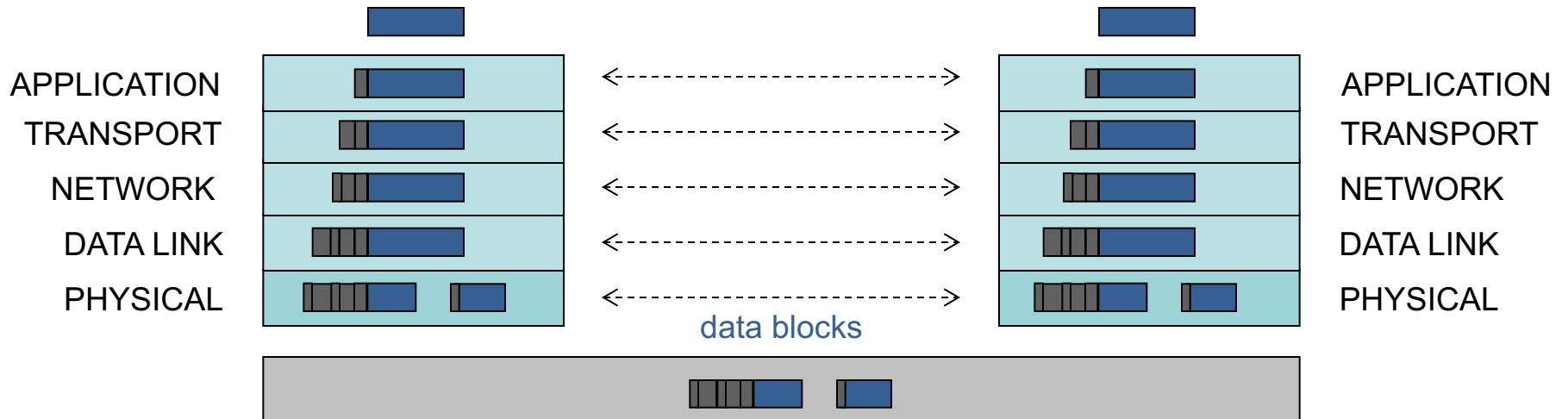
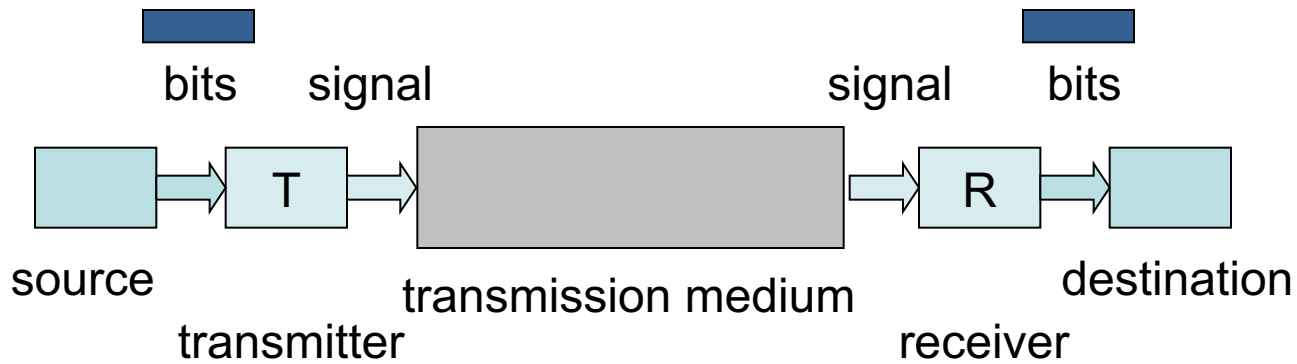


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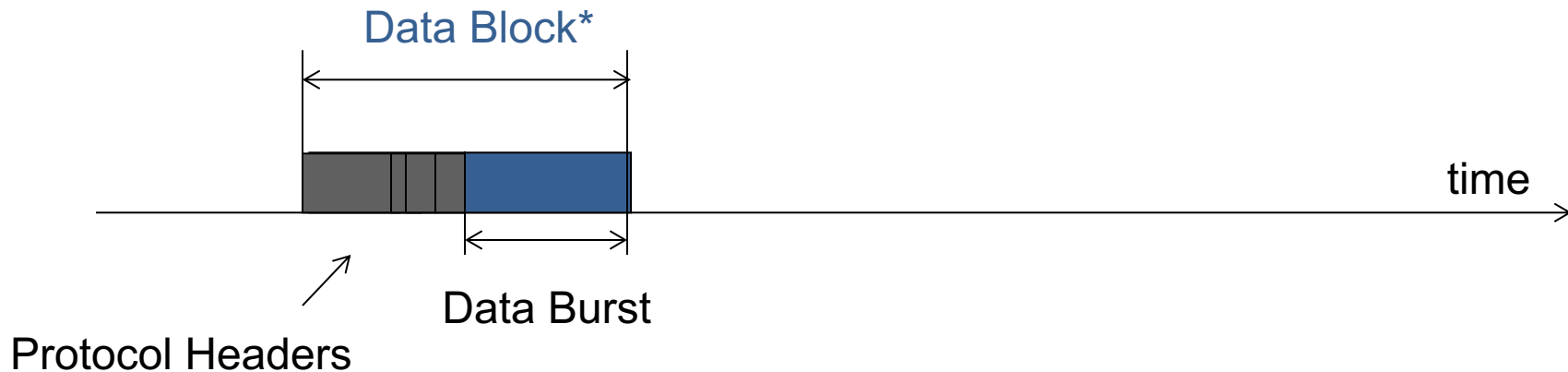
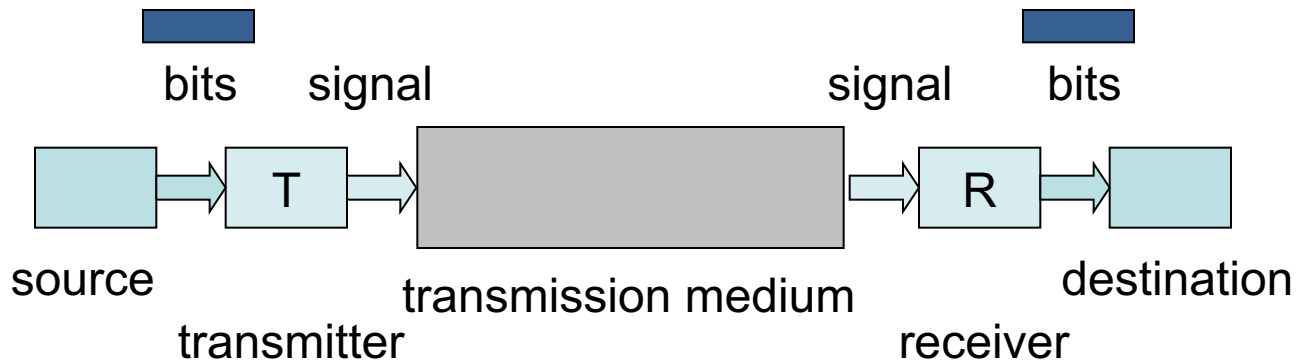


Protocols



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* Sometimes erroneously denoted as Packet. Packets are L3 entities.

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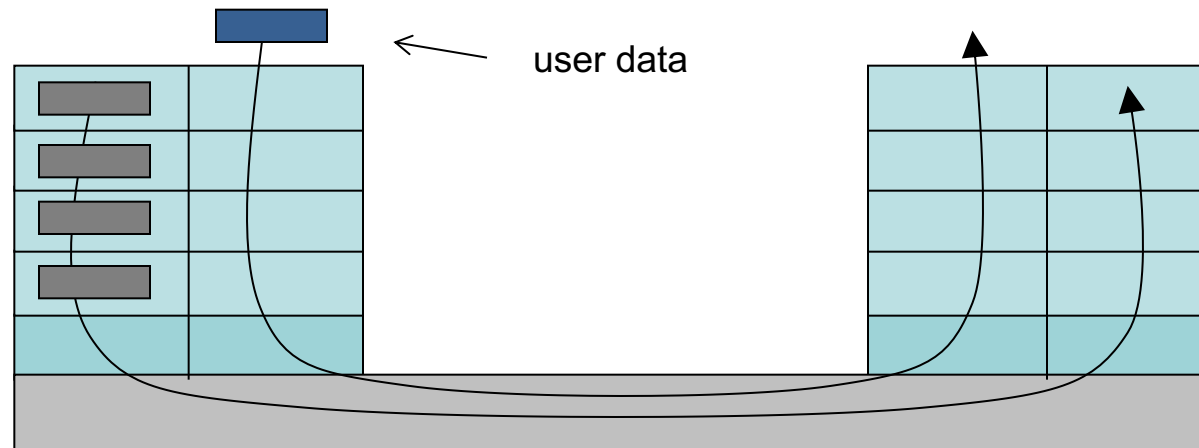


Control Plane **User Plane**

control messages

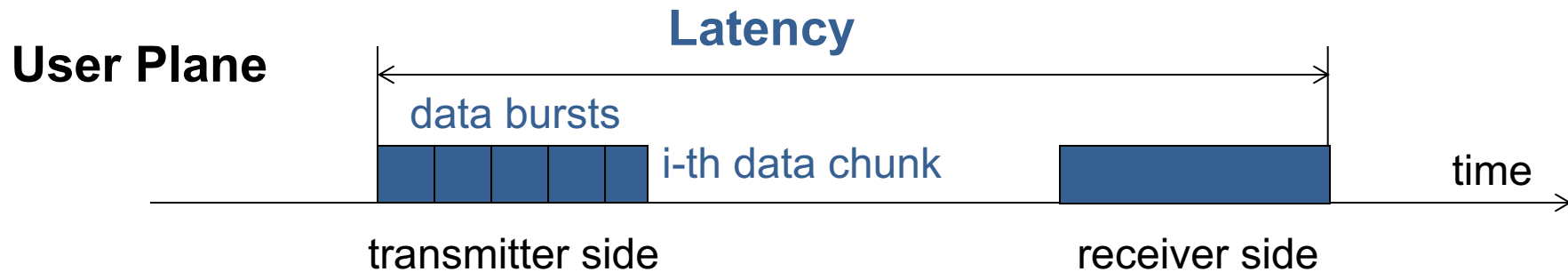
user data

“out-of-band”
or
“in-band”
signalling



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R_b = Bit Rate = number of bits per second transmitted on the channel.

U = User Throughput = number of information bits per second successfully received by the destination.

W = Latency = time to transfer a data chunk from source to destination.

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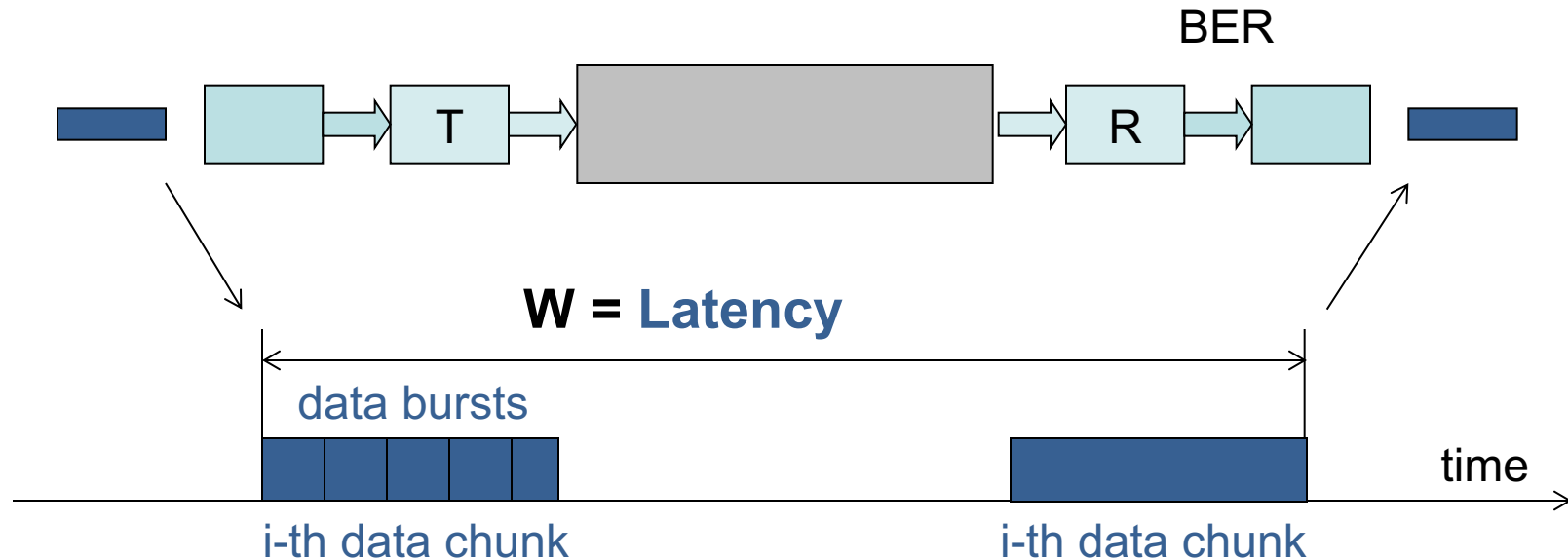


Application Requirements

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User Plane



U = User Throughput = Number of information bits per second received

BER = Bit Error Rate = Percentage of erroneous bits

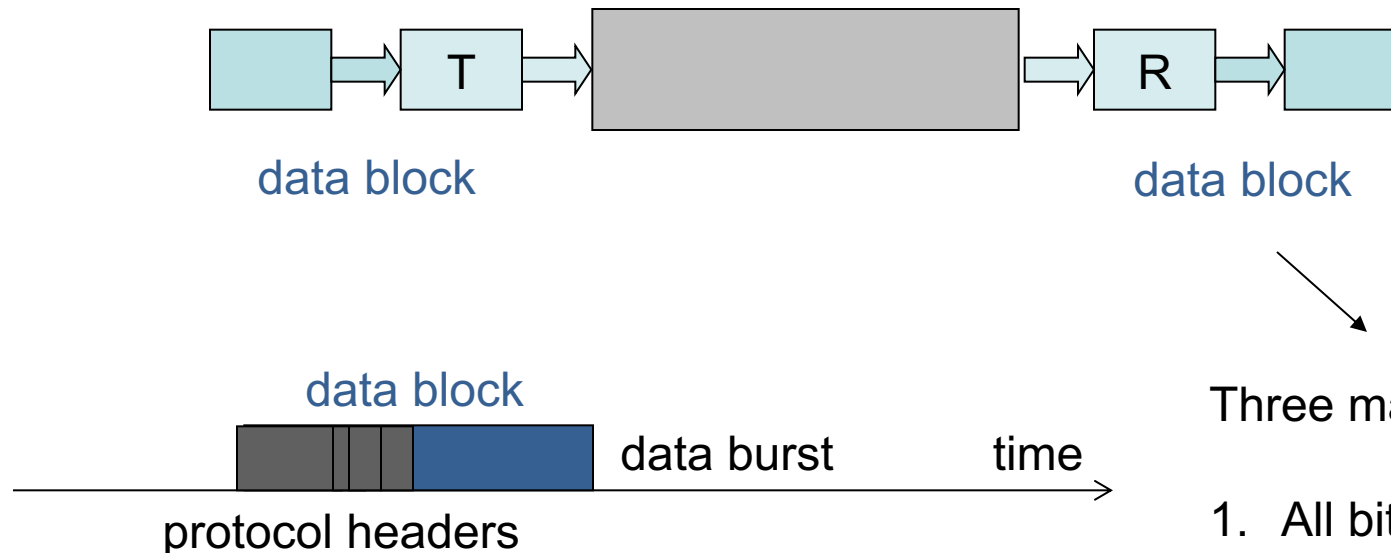
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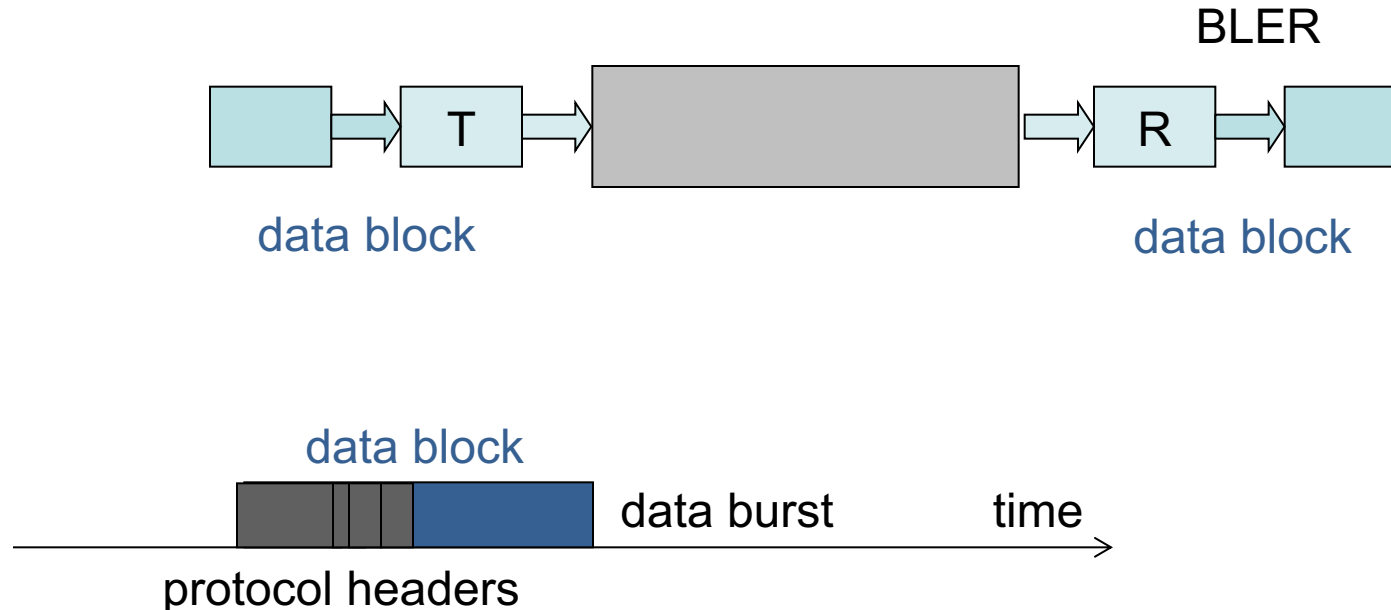
Three main options:

1. All bits are correct
2. Errors are correctable
3. To be discarded
4. Only partially discarded

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BLER = BLock Error Rate = Percentage of erroneous data blocks

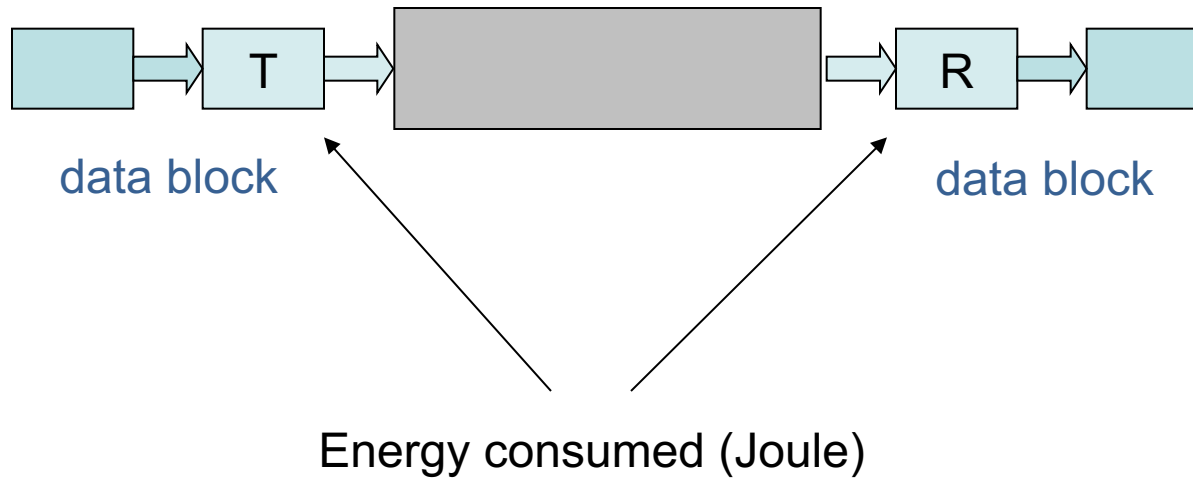
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Both Planes



EE = Energy Efficiency = Number of information bits per joule received

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Application Requirements



Some examples

	Interactive audio	Interactive video	web browsing	control
user throughput	10 Kbit/s	100 Kbit/s	n. a.	n. a.
latency	300 ms	500 ms	n. a.	0.1-10 ms
BLER	0.05	0.01	zero	0.0001

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Energy Efficiency



Latency

User Throughput

... with different levels of reliability (BLER).

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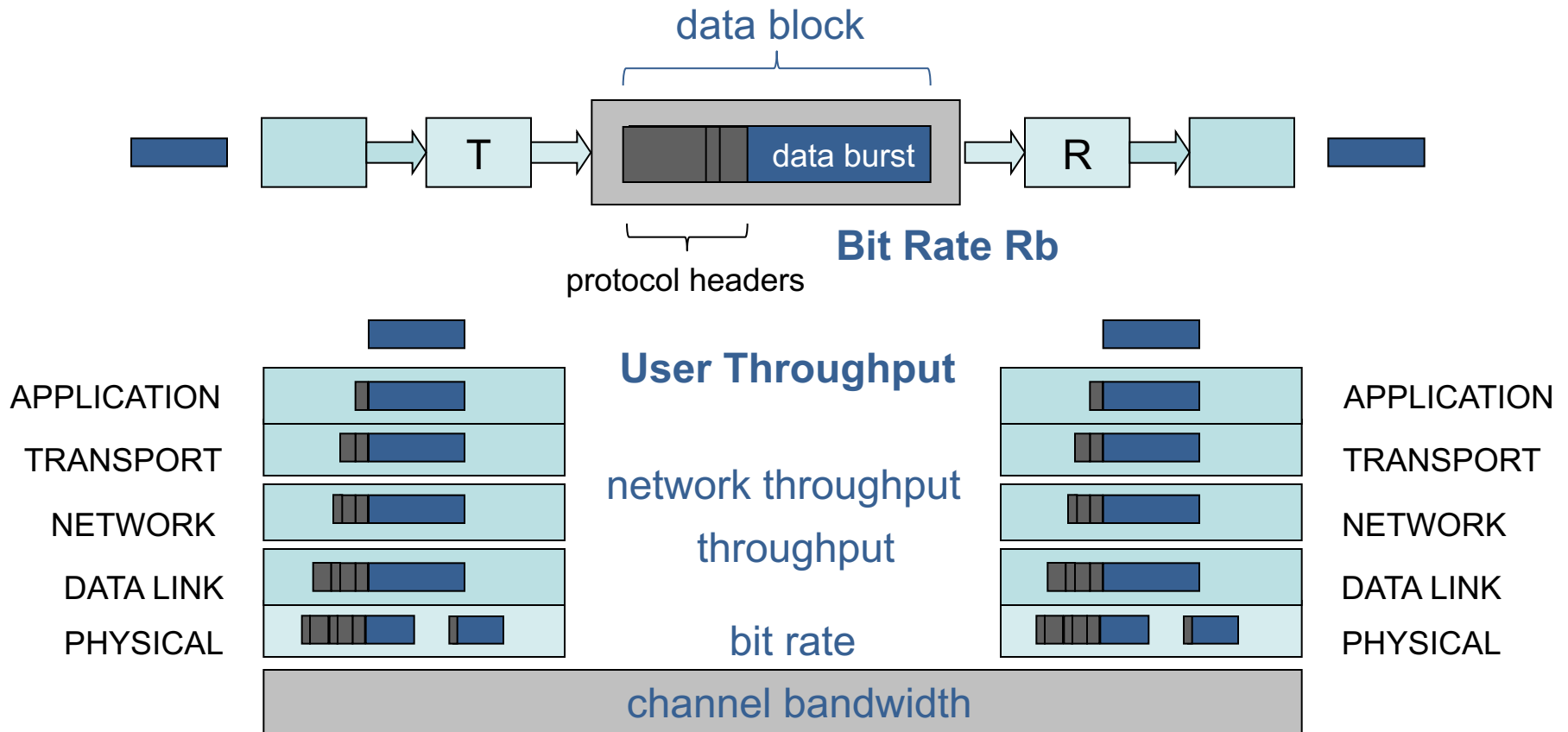
Protocol Efficiency

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Protocol Efficiency

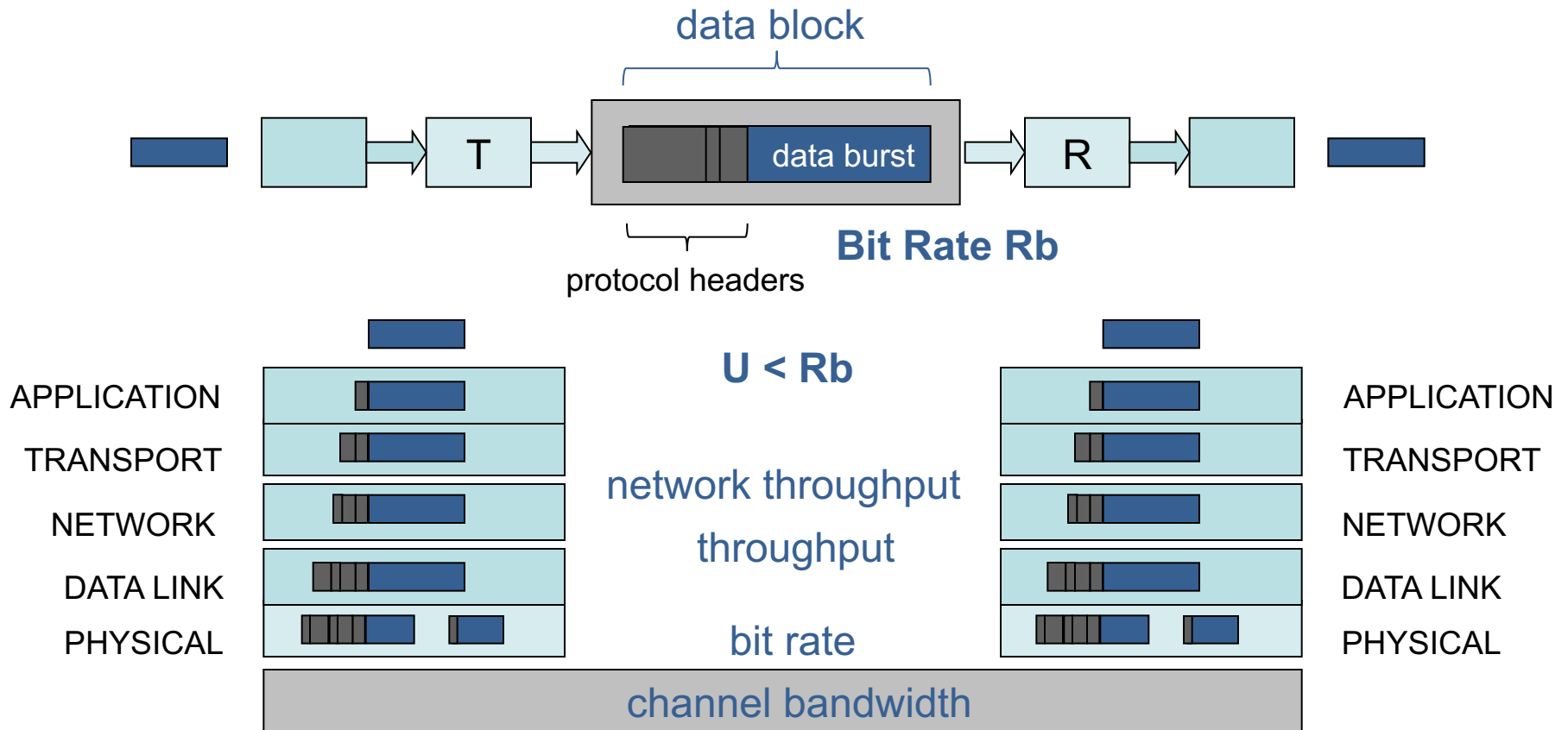


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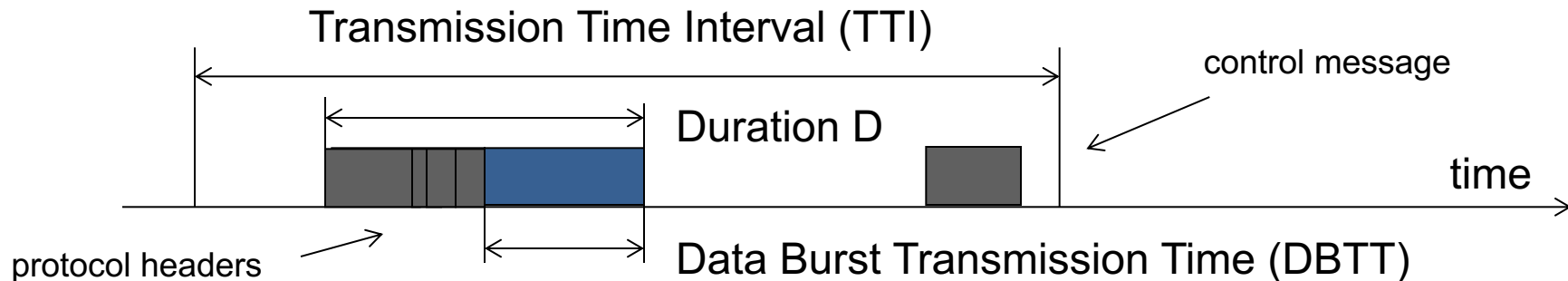


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Digital Communications → Protocol Efficiency

$U < R_b$ for three reasons:

1. protocol headers (redundancy)
2. control messages (overhead)
3. silent intervals (overhead)



$$\text{Protocol Efficiency} = \eta_p = \text{DBTT} / \text{TTI} < 1$$

$$\text{User Throughput} = R_b * \eta_p < R_b$$

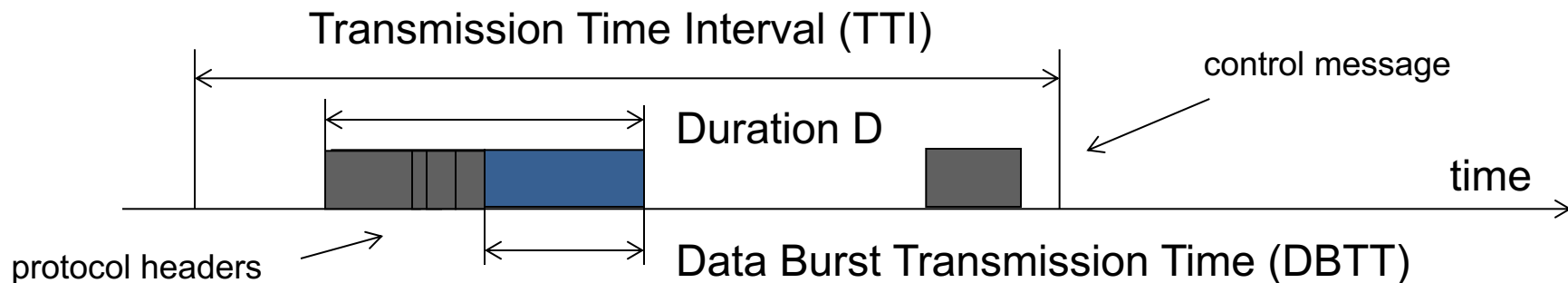
(ideal channel conditions)

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Redundancy Factor = $\eta_r = \text{DBTT} / D < 1$

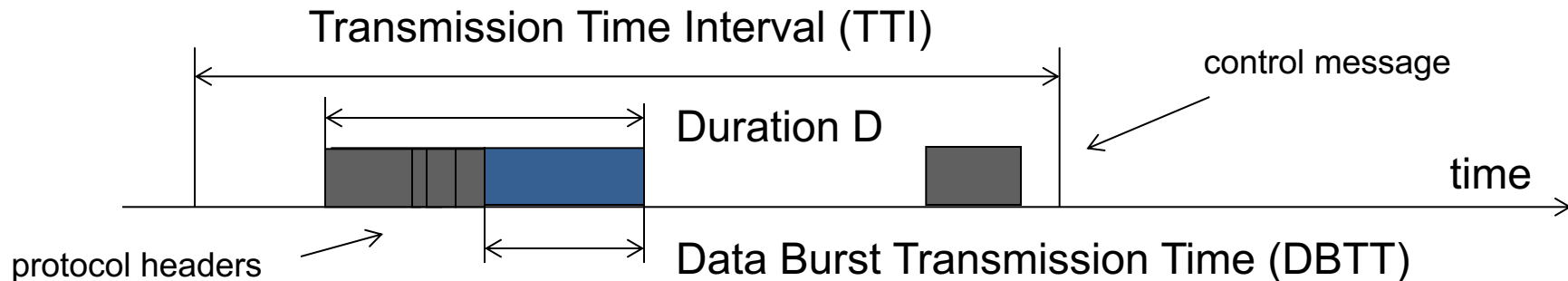
Overhead Factor = $\eta_o = D / \text{TTI} < 1$

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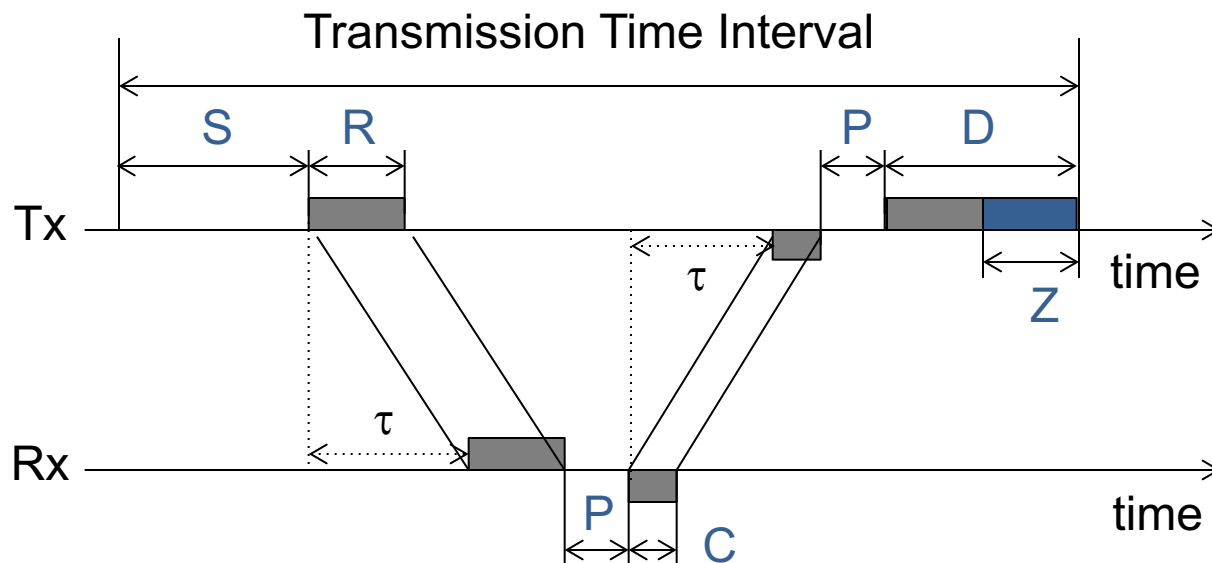


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e.g. CSMA with RTS/CTS



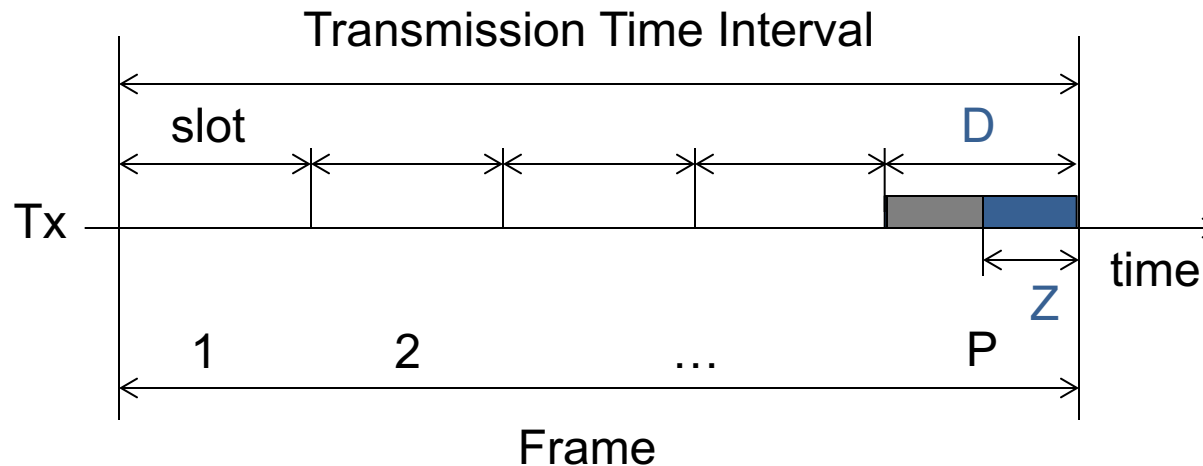
$$\text{Protocol Efficiency} = \eta_p = Z / [Z + (S+R+C+(D-Z)+2P+2\tau)]$$

E.g. in WiFi $\eta_p \approx 1 / [1 + (S+2\tau)/Z] \approx 0.5$ with large data bursts (1 KB)

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e.g. TDMA

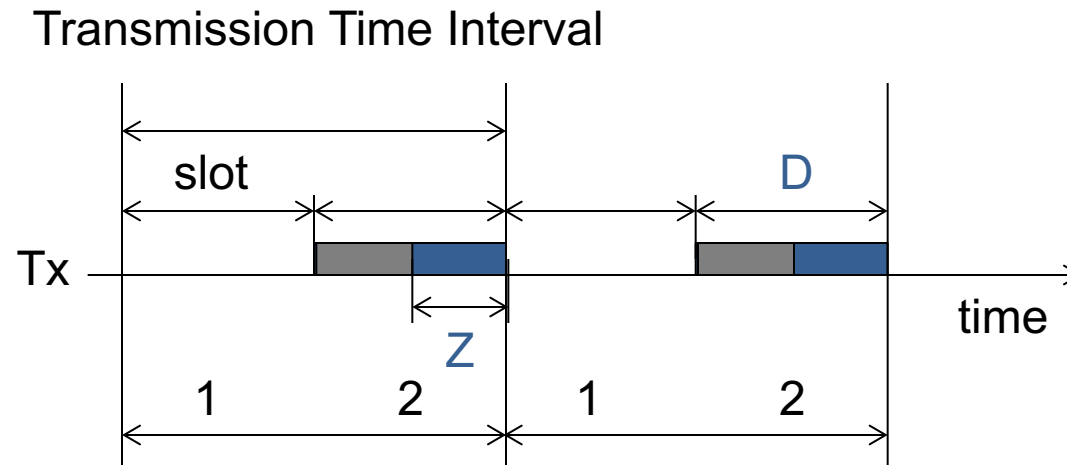


Protocol Efficiency = $\eta_p = Z / P D = \eta_a * Z / D = \eta_a * \eta_r$
E.g. in 2G $\eta_p \approx 0.04$ when using only one slot over eight

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e.g. TDD



$$\text{Protocol Efficiency} = \eta_p = Z / 2 D = \eta_d * Z / D = \eta_d * \eta_r$$

E.g. in Bluetooth $\eta_p \approx 0.25$ when only one slave is connected to a master

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Protocol Efficiency



$$\eta_p = \eta_r * \eta_o$$

η_r Redundancy Factor
 η_o Overhead Factor

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Protocol Efficiency



$$U = Rb * \eta_p * (1 - BLER)$$

Higher user throughputs require:

- ◆ Larger bit rates
- ◆ More efficient protocols
- ◆ Reliable channels