



## Short Announcement

- ▶ Assignment 2:  
You may change your design compared to #1 slightly.  
But if you do, explain why and how.



## Protocol Design

### Assignment 3: Protocol Analysis



## How robust is your protocol design...? (1)

Analyze your design with respect to:

- ▶ Robustness to extended error conditions along the path
  - How many packets lost in a row can you deal with? Error rate?
    - What are the implications of increased loss rate?
  - How much (variation in) latency is acceptable?
- ▶ Try to come up with situations in which your protocol will be less than perfect
  - Have you considered all boundary cases (zero-length files etc.)?
  - Can you handle all error cases (losses, duplications, ...)?
  - What kinds of failures do you get:
    - Crash
    - Lack of progress
    - Incorrect result
    - Livelock, Jabbering



## How robust is your protocol design...? (2)

- ▶ Robustness of the sender to a cheating receiver?
  - Concerning congestion control
    - E.g.: Can the receiver make the sender create and sustain congestion on the path?
- ▶ Robustness against DoS attacks from men at the side?
  - Can overhear and inject traffic in both directions, but cannot suppress
  - Three attacks:
    - Pretend successful reception
    - Mess up received files
    - Tamper with congestion control to cause link overload
  - Sketch remedies for your protocol design (no complete spec needed)



## For fun: how robust is your implementation?

- ▶ What happens...
  - In case of inopportune packet losses
  - In case of borderline parameters
  - After injection of damaging packets
  - After injection of random packets
  
- ▶ Google keyword: Fuzzer...