

802.3as Frame Expansion

Changes to Clause 4

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Agenda

- **Half & Full Duplex**
- **FCS coverage**
- **Frame size**
- **Constants & Types**
- **Sample frames**

Half & Full Duplex

- All changes apply equally to half and full duplex modes
- Or should we limit it to full duplex?
 - This would remove half-duplex repeater constraints

FCS coverage

- **What is the maximum length that FCS can cover?**
 - ~9000 bytes ???
- **Assumption is that FCS can cover at least the maximum of the proposed new lengths (2048 bytes)**

Frame sizes

Frame Sizes	802.3-2002	802.3as
Minimum basic MAC frame size	64 octets	64 octets
Maximum basic MAC frame size	1518 octets	1518 octets
Minimum Tagged MAC frame size	64 octets	N/A
Maximum Tagged MAC frame size	1522 octets	N/A
Minimum Envelope MAC frame size	N/A	TBD octets
Maximum Envelope MAC frame size	N/A	TBD octets

Use to update Clause 4.4.2

Allowable implementations -

Clause 4.4.2

Parameters	10M, 100M	1G	10G
slotTime			
interFrameGap			
attemptLimit		No change	
backoffLimit			
jamSize			
maxUntaggedFrameSize	1518 octets	1518 octets	1518 octets
maxBasicFrameSize			
maxEnvelopeFrameSize	TBD octets	TBD octets	TBD octets
minFrameSize	64 octets	64 octets	64 octets
burstLimit		No change	
ifsStretchRatio			

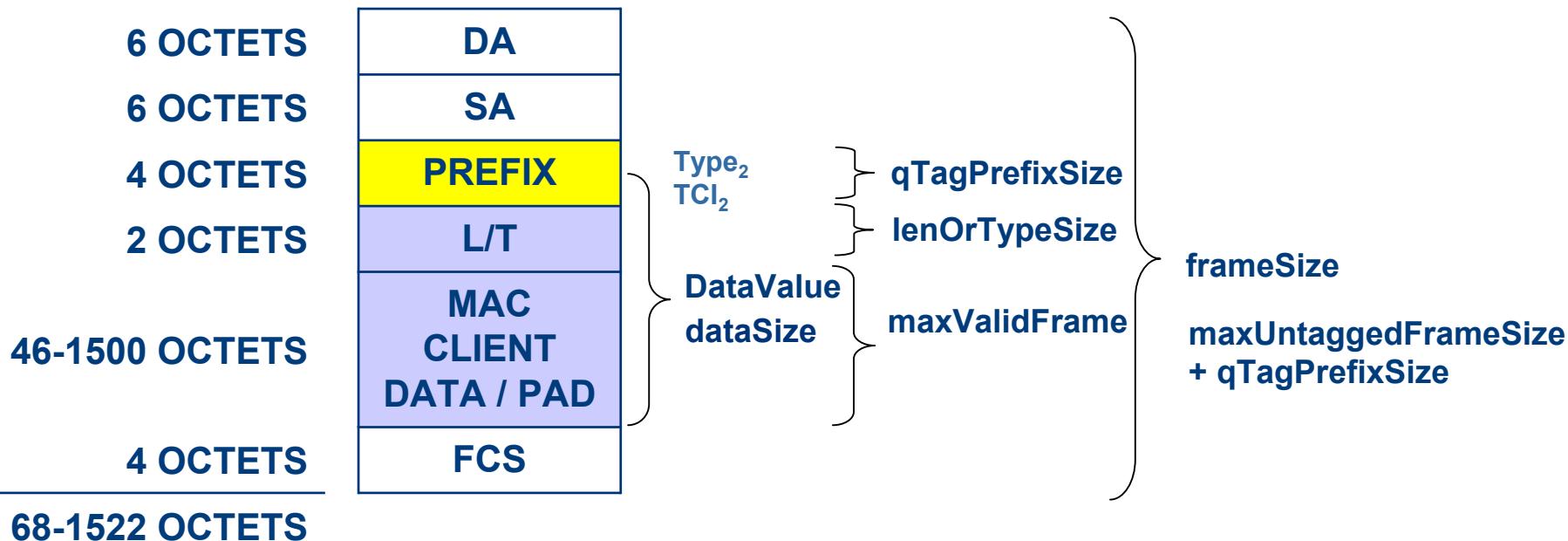
Clause 4.2.7.1 - constants

Current	802.3as
frameSize = address + L/T + data + CRC	No change
minFrameSize = 64 octets	No change
maxUntaggedFrameSize = 1518 octets	maxBasicFrameSize = 1518 octets maxEnvelopeFrameSize = TBD octets
qTagPrefixSize = 4 octets	No change (grandfathered)
	prefixSize = 2 ... max[2, maxEnvelopeFrameSize – suffixSize] octets
	suffixSize = 0 ... max[0, maxEnvelopeFrameSize – prefixSize] octets
maxValidFrame	No change
DataValue = includes VLAN tag	DataValue = includes prefix & suffix
	BasicDataValue = without prefix & suffix
	PrefixValue
	SuffixValue

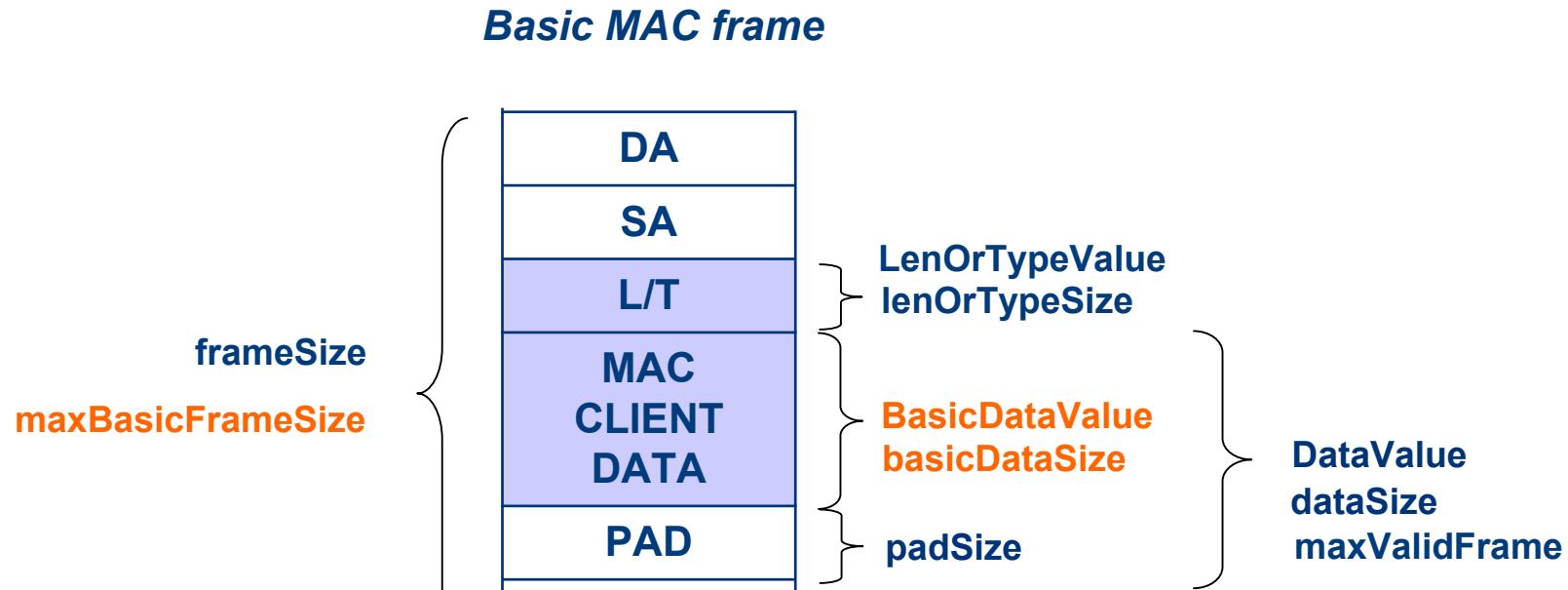
Constants - 802.3-2002

802.1Q Tagged Frame

Envelope MAC frame

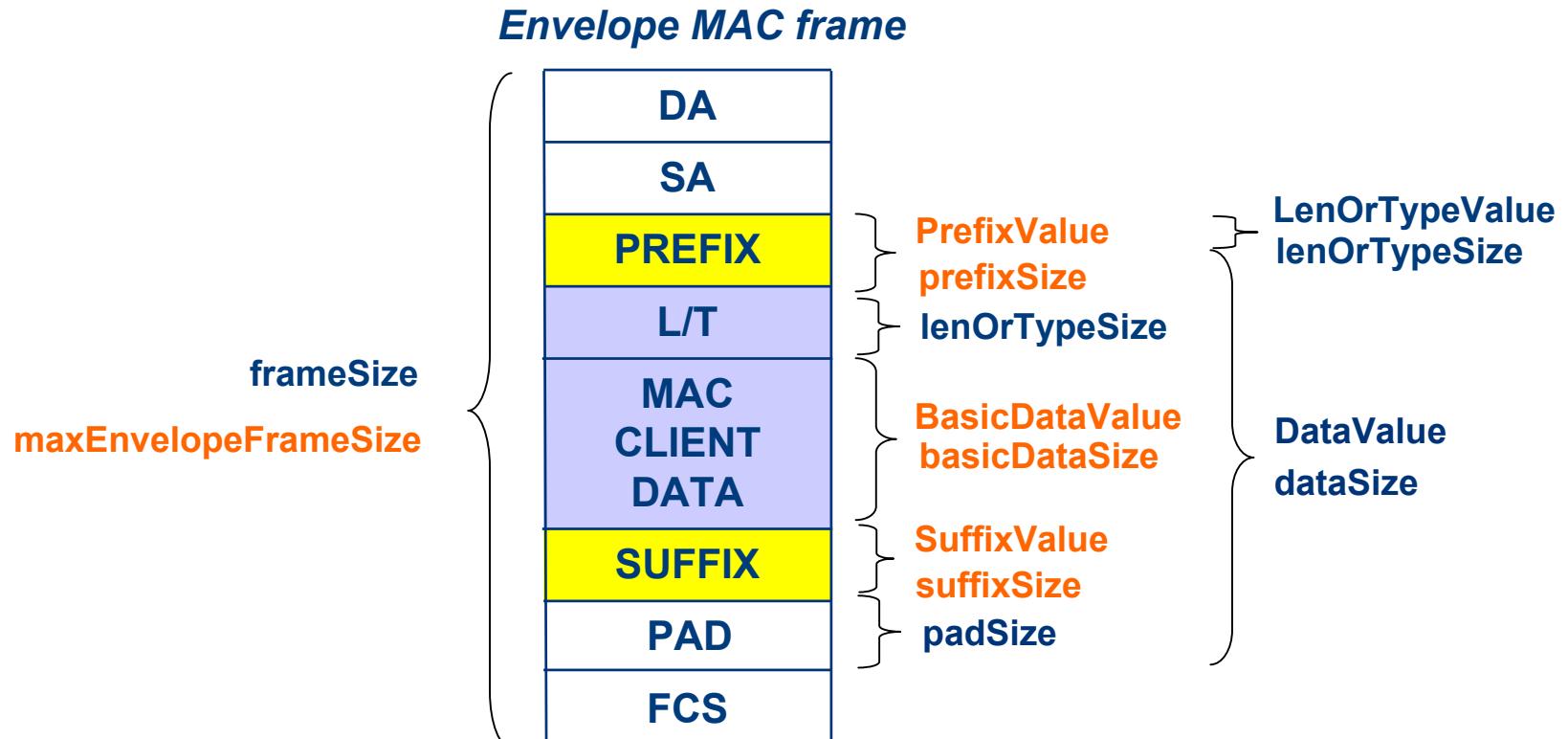


Constants - 802.3as



$$\text{maxValidFrame} = \text{basicDataSize} + \text{padSize}$$

Constants - 802.3as



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Sample frames (1/3)

Basic MAC frame

6 OCTETS	DA
6 OCTETS	SA
2 OCTETS	L/T 
46-1500 OCTETS	MAC CLIENT DATA
4 OCTETS	FCS
<hr/> 64-1518 OCTETS	

802.1Q Tagged Frame

Envelope MAC frame

6 OCTETS	DA
6 OCTETS	SA
4 OCTETS	PREFIX
2 OCTETS	L/T 
46-1500 OCTETS	MAC CLIENT DATA
4 OCTETS	FCS
<hr/> 68-1522 OCTETS	

PREFIX=4, SUFFIX=0

Sample frames (2/3)

802.1ad Double Tagged Frame

Envelope MAC frame

6 OCTETS	DA
6 OCTETS	SA
8 OCTETS	PREFIX
2 OCTETS	L/T 
46-1500 OCTETS	MAC CLIENT DATA
4 OCTETS	FCS
72-1526 OCTETS	

PREFIX=8, SUFFIX=0

802.1AE MACSec Frame

Envelope MAC frame

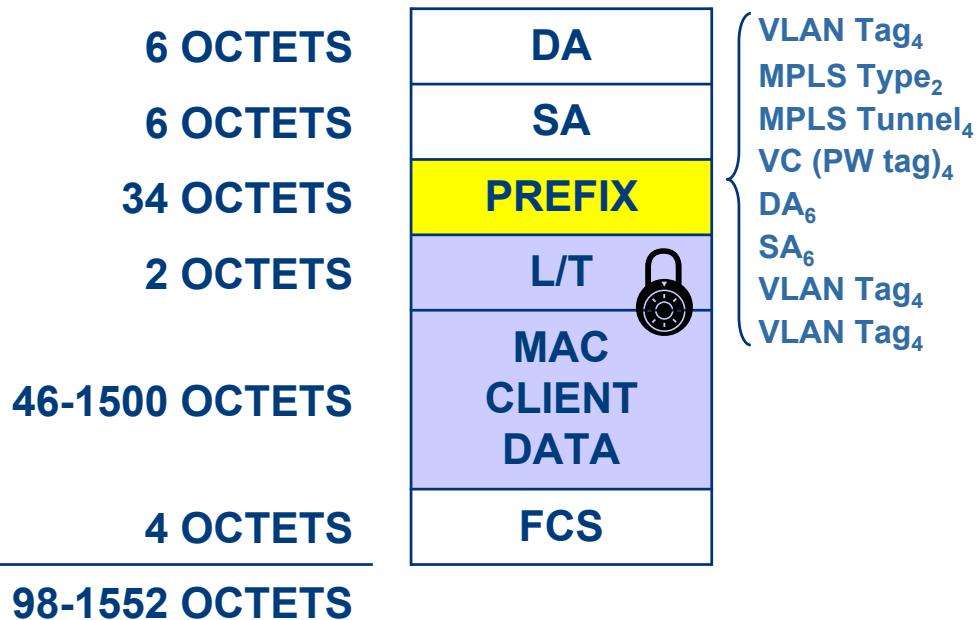
6 OCTETS	DA
6 OCTETS	SA
4 OCTETS	PREFIX
2 OCTETS	L/T 
46-1500 OCTETS	MAC CLIENT DATA
64 OCTETS	SUFFIX
4 OCTETS	FCS
132-1586 OCTETS	

PREFIX=4, SUFFIX=64

Sample frames (3/3)

MPLS

Envelope MAC frame



PREFIX=34, SUFFIX=0