

Station Types

- Dual attached station (DAS), which is connected to both rings
- Single attached station (SAS), which is attached only to the primary ring
- Dual attached concentrator (DAC), which is connected to both rings and provides connection for additional stations and concentrators. It is actually the root of a tree
- Single attached concentrator (SAC), which is connected only to the primary ring (through a tree)

Main Steps in a Normal Frame Transmission

- 1. Sending station waits for token.
- 2. Sending station captures and strips token, and then transmits frames.
- 3. Sending station issues token at the end of transmission.
- 4. Destination station copies the transmitted frame and sets the A and C bits (address recognised and frame copied indicators).
- 5. Sending station removes the data from the ring by stripping the sent (and acknowledged) frame.
- 6. The first bytes of the frame are not stripped, and continue to circulate on the ring (as a fragment). Each repeating station strips one byte from the fragment, and a transmitting station completely strips it







