

1. How long does it take a packet of length 1000 bytes to propagate over a link of distance 2,500 km, propagation speed 2.5×10^8 m/s, and transmission rate 2 Mbps? More generally, how long does it take a packet of length L to propagate over a link of distance d , propagation speed s , and transmission rate R bps? Does this delay depend on packet length? Does this delay depend on transmission rate?

Answer: $t_{\text{prop}} = d/s = 2500 \times 10^3 / (2.5 \times 10^8) = 10.00$ msec; no; no

2. Suppose Host A wants to send a large file to Host B. The path from Host A to Host B has 3 links, of rates $R_1 = 500$ kbps, $R_2 = 2$ Mbps and $R_3 = 1$ Mbps.

- a) Assuming no other traffic in the network, what is the throughput for the file transfer?

Answer: The min throughput available = 500 kbps

- b) Suppose the file is 4 million bytes. Dividing the file size by the throughput, roughly how long will it take to transfer the file to Host B?

Answer: File size/throughput = $4 \times 10^6 \times 8 / (500 \times 10^3) = 64$ s

- c) Repeat (a) and (b), but now with R_2 reduced to 100 kbps.

Answer: 100kbps; 320 seconds

3. Review the car-caravan analogy in Section 1.4. Assume a propagation speed of 100 km/hour.

- a. Suppose the caravan travels 150 km, beginning in front of one tollbooth, passing through a second tollbooth, and finishing just after a third tollbooth. What is the end-to-end delay?

ans: total distance = 150 kms

speed = 100 km/hr

hence, total propagation delay = $150/100 = 1.5$ hrs

time taken by each toll booth to service a single car = 12 sec

therefore, time taken to service 10 cars = 120 sec or 2 min

time taken by three toll booth to service 10 cars = 6 min

end-to-end delay = 1.5 hrs + 6 min = 1 hr 36 min

b. Repeat (a), now assuming that there are eight cars in the caravan instead of ten.

answer : total transmission delay = $150/100 = 1.5$ hrs

time taken by each toll booth to service a single car = 12 sec

time taken to service 8 cars = $8 \times 12 = 96$ sec

time taken by three toll booth to service 8 cars = $3 \times 96 = 288$ sec

end-to-end delay = 1.5 hrs + 4 min 48 sec

so, for end to end delay for 8 cars = 1 hr 34 min 48 sec

Question 4

Suppose two hosts, A and B, are separated by 20,000 kilometres and are connected by a direct link of $R = 2$ Mbps. Suppose the propagation speed over the link is 2.5×10^8 meters/sec.

a. Calculate the bandwidth-delay product, $R \times d(\text{prop})$.

ans: Propagation delay = Distance/speed = $2 \times 10^7 / 2.5 \times 10^8 = 0.08$ sec

Transmission rate = 2 Mbps

So, bandwidth delay product = $R \times d(\text{prop}) = 2 \times 10^6 \times 0.08 = 16 \times 10^4$ bits

b. Consider sending a file of 800,000 bits from Host A to Host B. Suppose the file is sent continuously as one large message. What is the maximum number of bits that will be in the link at any given time?

ans:

If the file is sent continuously as one message, a link can have the maximum number of bit at the same as band width delay product.

So the maximum number of bits at a given time will be 16×10^4 bits

c. What is the width (in meters) of a bit in the link? Is it longer than a football field?

ans:

The width of each bit is the length of the link divided by the number of bits it can carry,

$20000\text{km} = 2 \times 10^7$ meter

So, length of 1 bit is= $(2 \times 10^7) / (16 \times 10^4 \text{ bits}) = 125$ meter

e. Derive a general expression for the width of a bit in terms of the propagation

speed s , the transmission rate R , and the length of the link m .

ans: the width of a bit is related with the propagation speed per bandwidth

than general expression for the width of bit is $= s/R$