

CMSC417 Spring 2016 Lecture #13 3/23/2016

Agenda

⇒ project 3 assigned, due 4/6 @ 11:59pm

⇒ review sliding window

⇒ receiver-based flow control

□ when to ack

□ how to ack

⇒ how many seq #s do you need?

⇒ TCP

Sliding Window Receiver

⇒ Keeps 3 variables

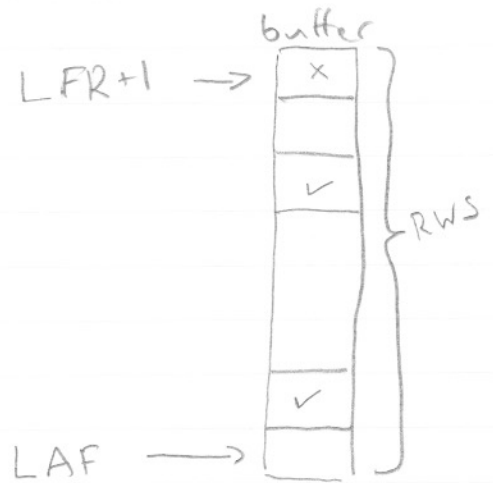
⇒ RWS = receiver window size

⇒ LAF = last acceptable frame

⇒ LFR = last frame received

⇒ invariant

$$\text{LAF} - \text{LFR} \leq \text{RWS}$$



SWS \approx buffer size

even if frames arrive out-of-order,
I have this many slots to store frames
and still deliver them to the application
in order

on recving frame w/seq# s

if ($s \leq \text{LFR}$)

discard (may ack) // we already got it

else if ($\text{LFR} < s \leq \text{LAF}$)

accept
must ack

else

discard // no space

What to ack?

⇒ the frame you just received?

⇒ all recvd frames?

⇒ the last frame you've recvd everything up to?

⇒ the "holes" you have? (nack == negative ack)

This is called a cumulative ack

⇒ what TCP does

⇒ in acks, set seq# to LFR

⇒ locally keep $LAF = LFR + RWS$

Example

$LFR = 3$ $RWS = 4$ \Rightarrow $LAF = 9$

we get 7, 8 → buffer
ack 5

we get 6 → release 6, 7, 8 to app
ack 8

$LFR = 8$ $RWS = 4$ \Rightarrow $LAF = 12$

⇒ Do you need to tell the sender the RWS?
could it help?

⇒ How big should RWS be? How big does it need to be?

□ $RWS = 1$ is called go-back-N

□ why is it called that? when is it efficient?

Finite seq #s

How many seq #s do we need?

clearly $|\text{seq \#s}| \geq \text{SWS}$

and

$|\text{seq \#s}| \geq \text{RWS}$



assume $\text{SWS} = \text{RWS} = 7$

seq #s in $0..7$, so 8 total

receiver is now expecting 0-6

* oops!

receiver thinks it's the new 0, but it's actually the old 0

\Rightarrow sender will only send frames from $\text{LAR}+1$ to $\text{LAR}+\text{SWS}$

\Rightarrow receiver is expecting frames from $\text{LFR}+1$ to $\text{LFR}+\text{RWS}$

\Rightarrow how far apart can these two windows get?

□ sender sends everything

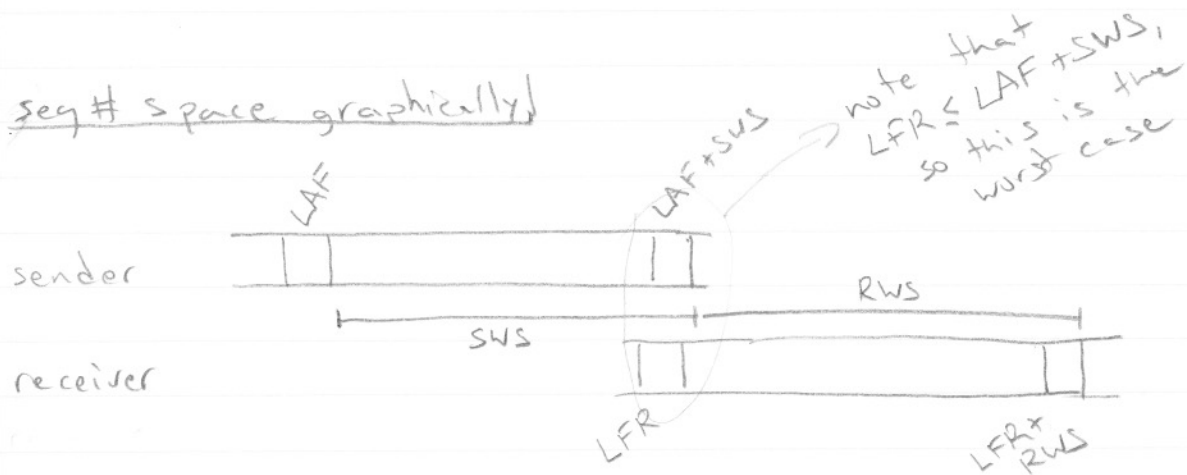
□ receiver gets everything, but all acts lost

$\Rightarrow \text{LFR} = \text{LAR} + \text{SWS}$

\Rightarrow receiver expects through $\text{LFR} + \text{RWS} = \text{LAR} + \text{SWS} + \text{RWS}$

$|\text{seq \#s}| \geq \text{SWS} + \text{RWS}$

seq # space graphically



don't care about frames before LAF b/c sender won't send them

don't care about frames after $LFR + RWS$ b/c receiver will ignore them

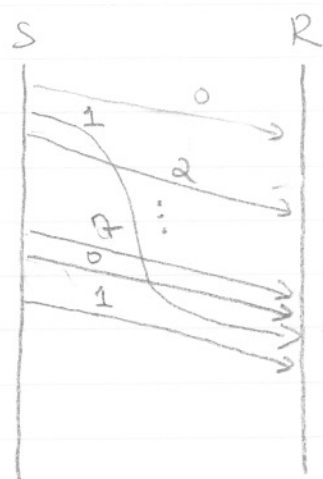
thus we need $SWS + RWS$ unique sequence #s to be safe

if $SWS \neq RWS$, then $2 SWS \leq |seq \#s|$

$$SWS \leq |seq \#s| / 2$$

in the book $\rightarrow SWS < (|seq \#s| + 1) / 2$

out of order frames



$$SWS = RWS = 4$$

seq #s = 0..7

* oops, receiver takes delayed 1 as the real one

when is out-of-order safe?