

# Network Delays

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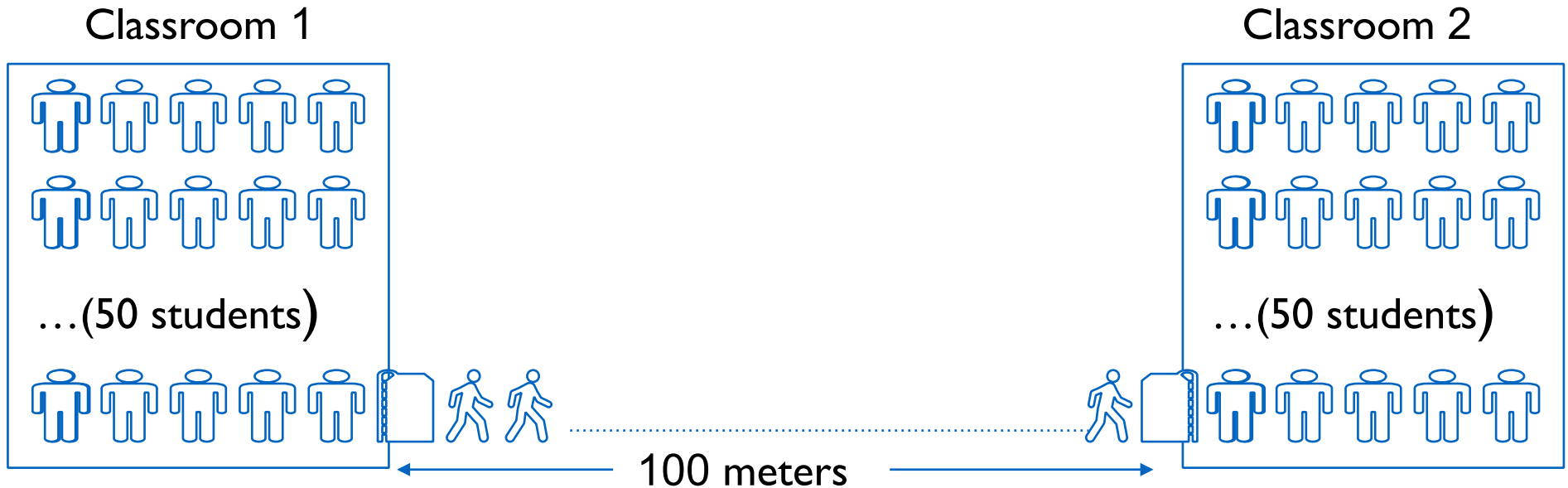
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# Resources

- [http://wps.pearsoned.com/ecs\\_kurose\\_compnetw\\_6/216/55463/14198700.cw/index.html](http://wps.pearsoned.com/ecs_kurose_compnetw_6/216/55463/14198700.cw/index.html)
- <https://acc.digital/experiential-learning-of-networking-technologies-understanding-network-delays/>
- [https://media.pearsoncmg.com/aw/ecs\\_kurose\\_compnetwork\\_7/cw/content/interactiveanimations/transmission-vs-propagation-delay/transmission-propagation-delay-ch1/index.html](https://media.pearsoncmg.com/aw/ecs_kurose_compnetwork_7/cw/content/interactiveanimations/transmission-vs-propagation-delay/transmission-propagation-delay-ch1/index.html)
- Computer Networking: A Top Down Approach
  - Kurose, Ross
  - Pearson publications

# Transmission vs Propagation Delay



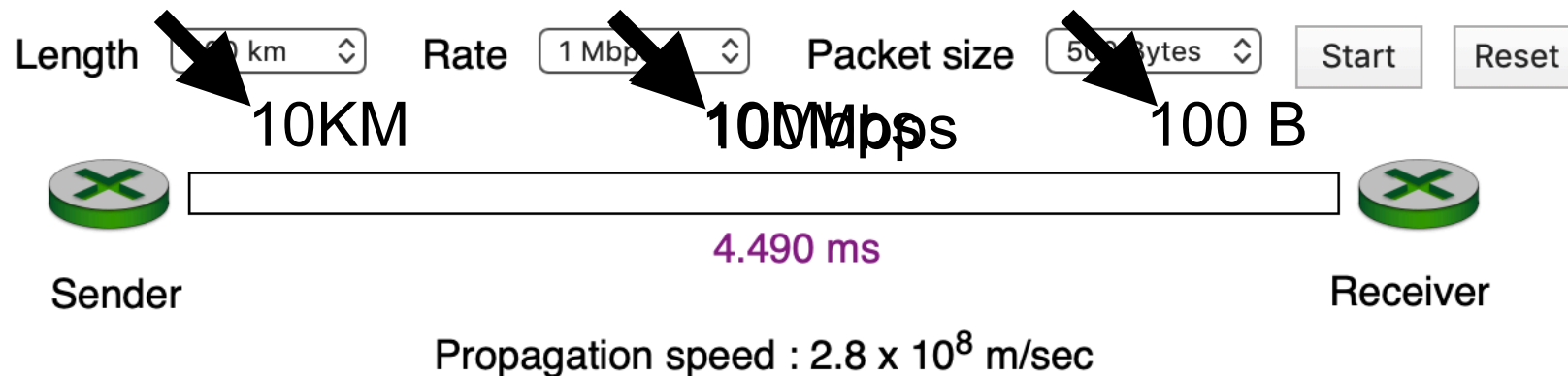
- Consider that a class of 50 students are asked to go (walk) to another classroom which is 100 meters away. The students exit the classroom at the rate of 1 student per second and start walking, at the speed of 3km/hr i.e 50m/minute.
- **Q: What is the total time taken by the class to move from class room 1 to class room 2?**
- **Ans:**
- **Note:** When last student exits the class, the first student is still on the way, and have travelled  $50 \times 5 / 6 = 41.66$  meters.

# Transmission vs Propagation Delay

- Analogy of students moving from one classroom to another.
  - Entire class: one packet
  - Student: 1 bit (of the packet)
  - Rate at which students exit classroom: Link **Bandwidth**
    - 1bit/second
  - Distance between two classrooms: link length (distance)
    - 100 meters
  - Time taken by one student to walk from classroom 1 to classroom 2: **Propagation delay**
    - 2 minutes
  - Time taken by all students to exit the classroom: **Transmission delay**
    - 50 seconds
  - Total delay = propagation delay + transmission delay
    - = 2minutes and 50seconds

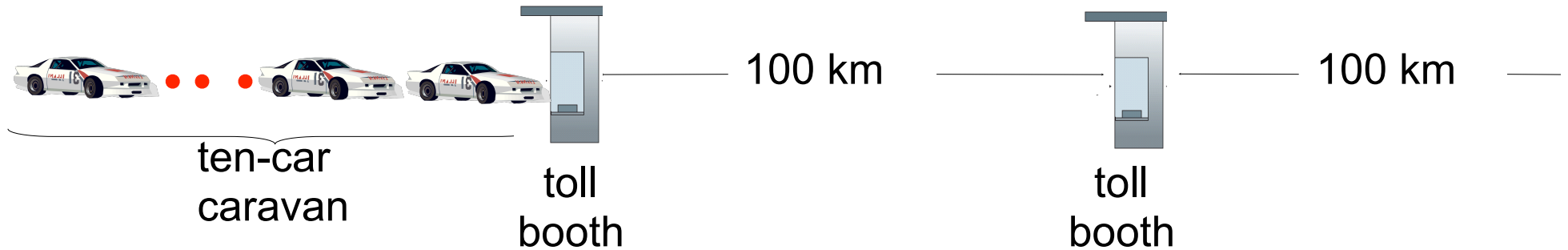
# Packet-switching: store-and-forward

- Transmission vs propagation delay
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Params	Case 1	Case	Case
Pkt Size (bytes)	100	100	100
Trans rate (Mbps)	1	10	100
Distance (Km)	10	10	100
Trans. Delay (ms)		—	—
Prop. Delay (ms)		—	—
Tot delay (ms)			

# Caravan analogy



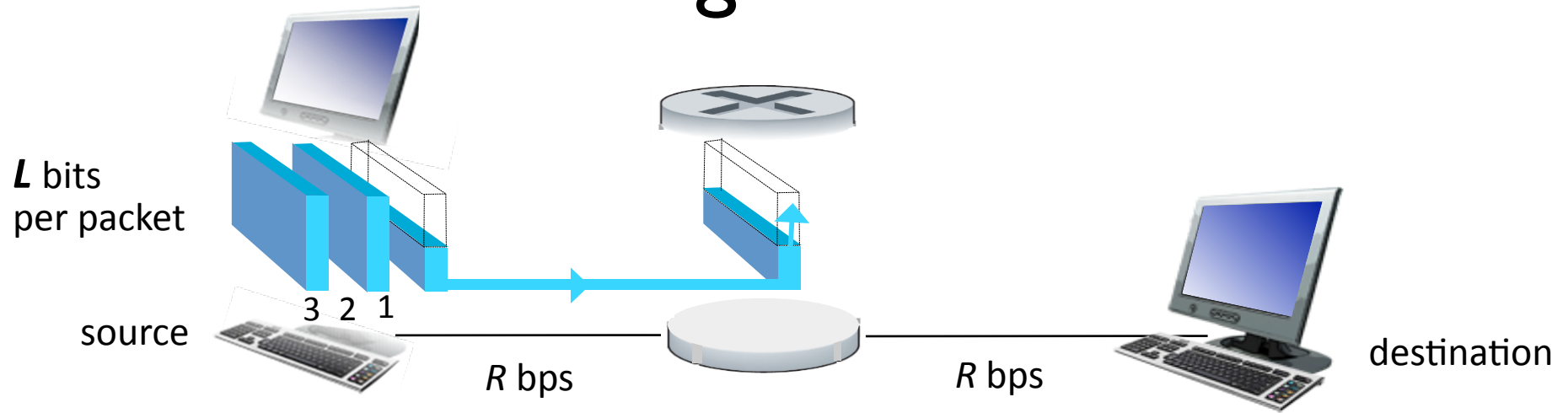
- cars “propagate” at 100 km/hr
- toll booth takes 12 sec to service a car (bit transmission time)
- Analogy:
  - car ~ bit;
  - caravan ~ packet

- time to “push” entire caravan through toll booth onto highway =  $12 * 10 = 120$  sec
- time for last car to propagate from 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> toll booth:  
 $100\text{km} / (100\text{km/hr}) = 1$  hr

- ❖ Q: How long until caravan is lined up before 2nd toll booth?
- A: 62 minutes

src: Computer Network: A top down approach; Kurose, Ross

# Packet-switching: store-and-forward



- Takes  $L/R$  seconds to transmit (push out)  $L$ -bit packet into link at  $R$  bps
- *Store and forward*: entire packet must arrive at router before it can be transmitted on next link
- end-end delay =  $2L/R$  (assuming zero propagation delay)

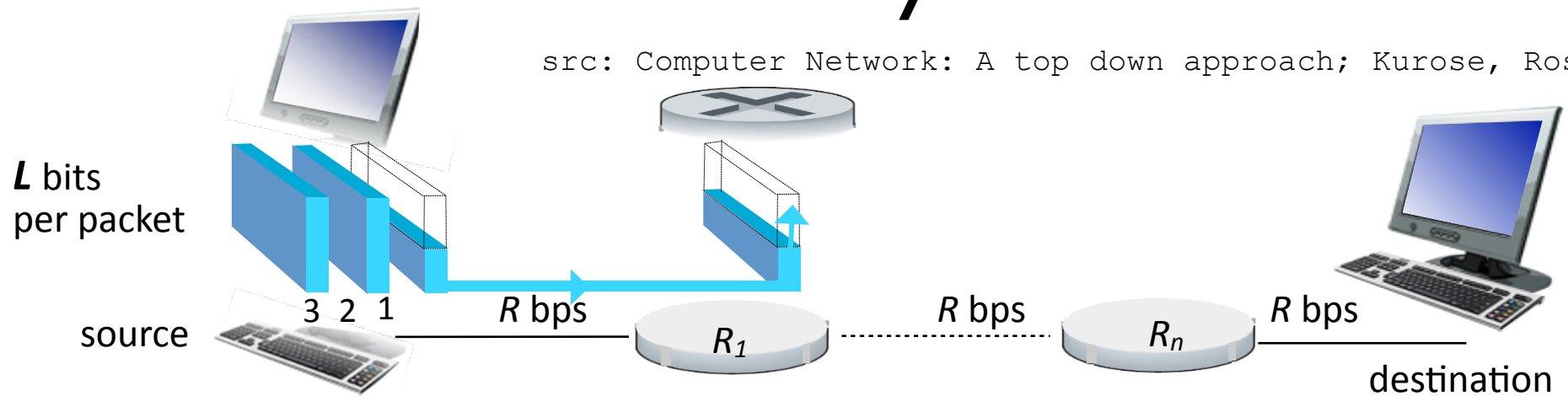
## *one-hop numerical example:*

- $L = 7.5$  Mbits
- $R = 1.5$  Mbps
- one-hop transmission delay = 5 sec
- **Q: with  $N$  routers and  $P$  Packets?**

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# Case Study 01

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## ***N hops and P Packets example:***

- Src sends  $P$  packets each of size  $L$  bits
- Transmission rate of each link is  $R$  bps
- There are  $N$  routers between source and destination
- **What the total transmission delay i.e. time interval between first bit is transmitted at source and last bit is received at destination (ignore propagation delay).**
- **Ans:**
- $N=1, P=1$ , delay =  $2L/R$
- $N=n, P=1$ , delay =  $(n+1) L/R$
- $N=1, P=p$ , delay =  $(p+1) L/R$ , pipelining happens
- $N=n, P=p$ , delay =  $(P+n) L/R$ , pipelining happens for  $n$  packets



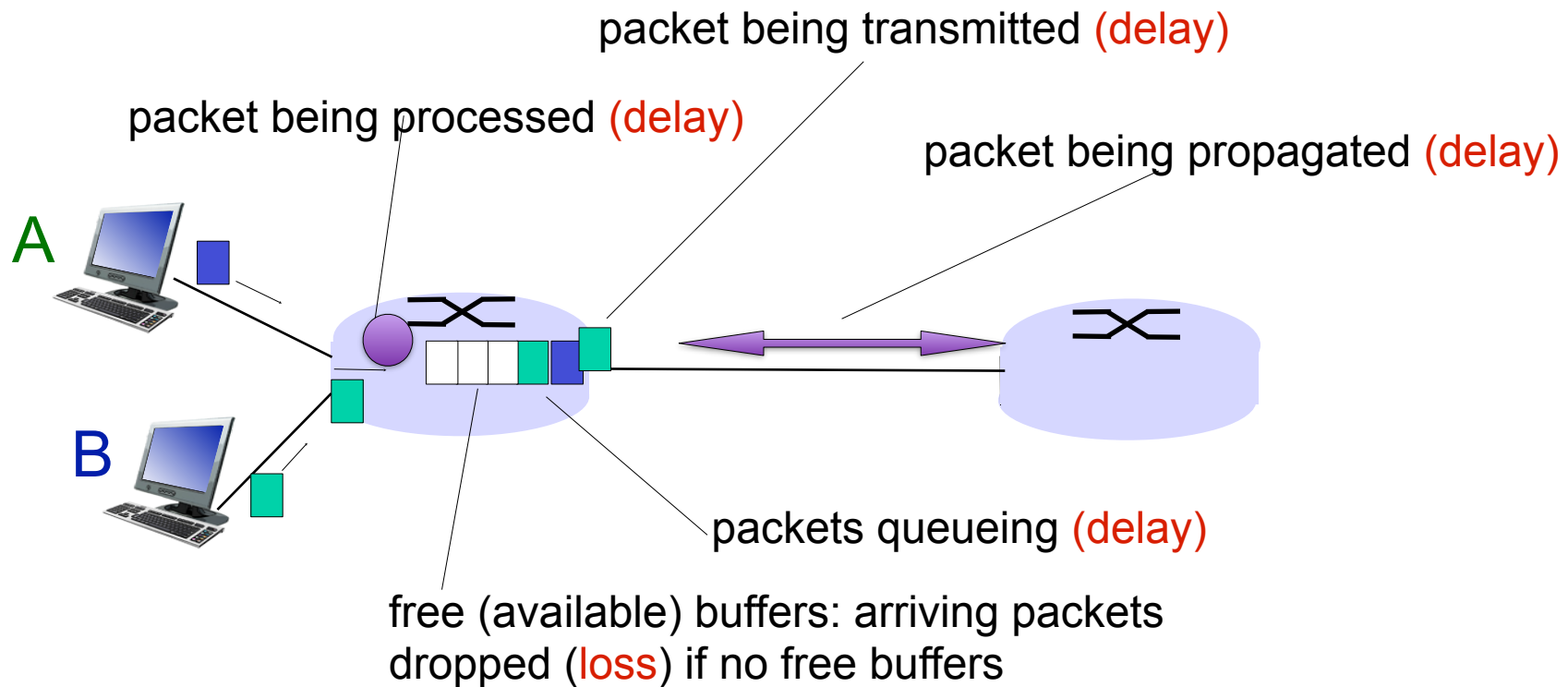
# Case Study 03

- Use the link below and under the Interactive exercises, use the 3rd option under Chapter 1: Introduction  
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- Carry out at least 3 exercises and verify your answers as given on the website and help consolidate your understanding.

# How do loss and delay occur?

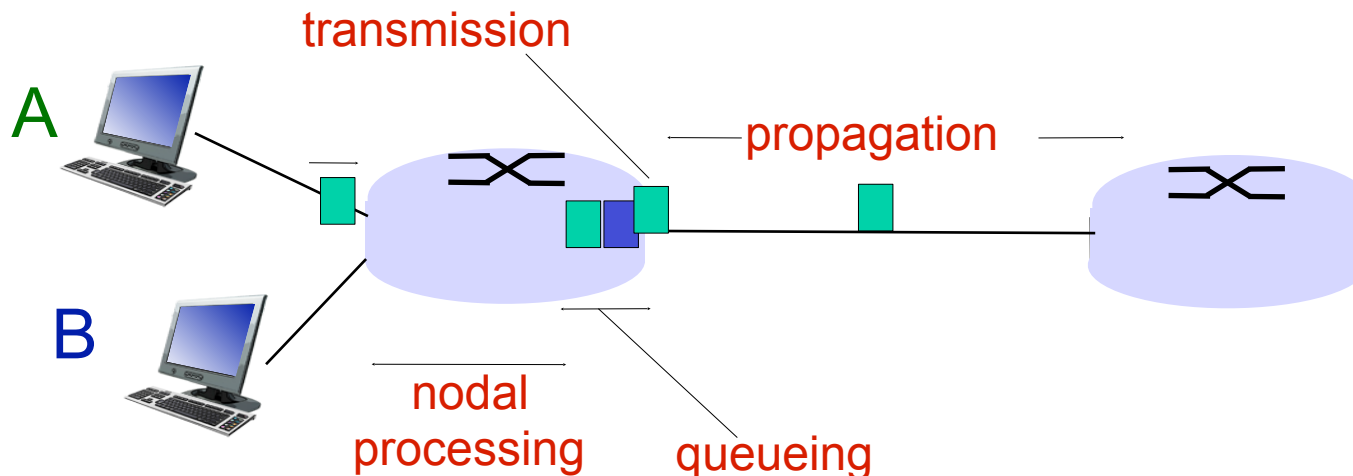
Packets *queue* in router buffers

- Packet arrival rate (temporarily) exceeds output link capacity
- Packets queue, wait for turn



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# Four sources of packet delay



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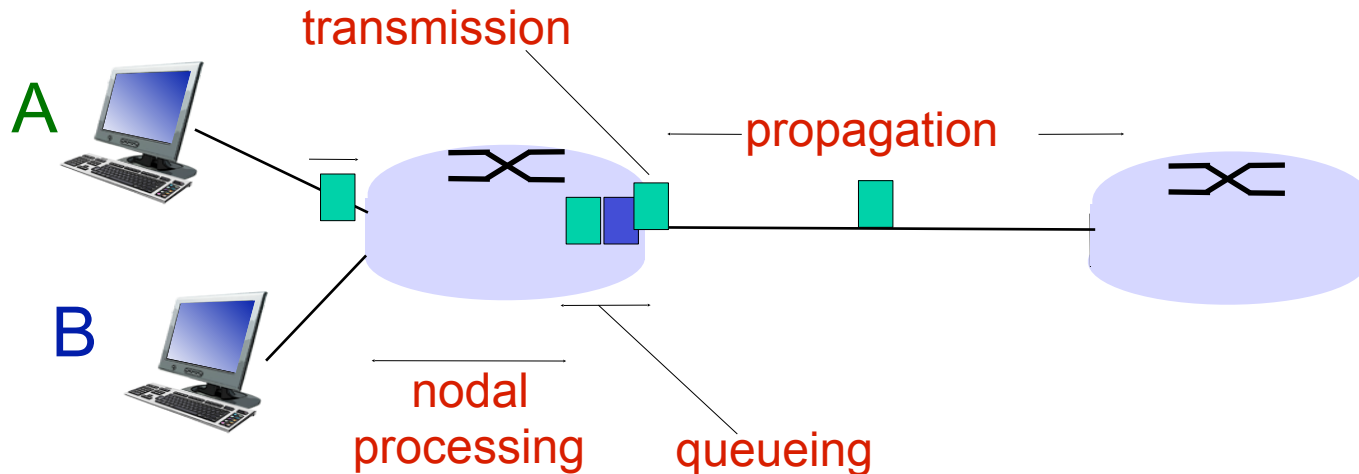
## $d_{\text{proc}}$ : nodal processing

- check bit errors
- determine output link
- typically < microsec

## $d_{\text{queue}}$ : queueing delay

- time waiting at output link for transmission
- depends on congestion level of router
  - Determined by packets coming on other links.

# Four sources of packet delay



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$d_{\text{trans}}$ : transmission delay:

- $L$ : packet length (bits)
- $R$ : link bandwidth (bps)
- $d_{\text{trans}} = L/R$

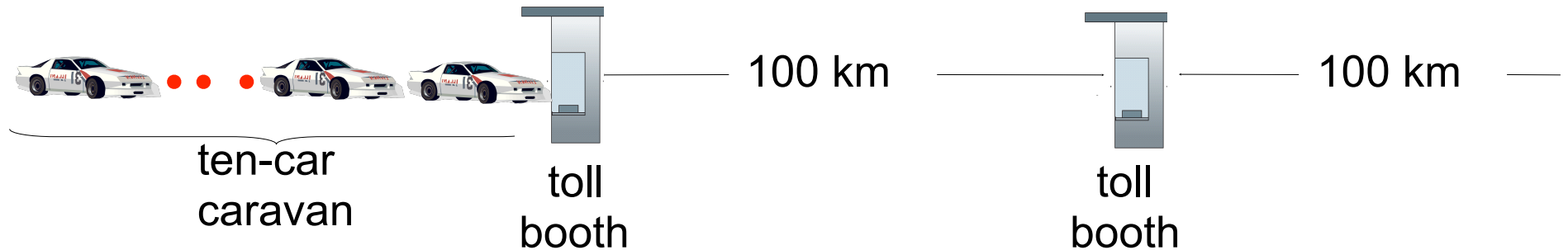
$d_{\text{prop}}$ : propagation delay:

- $d$ : length of physical link
- $s$ : propagation speed in medium ( $\sim 2 \times 10^8$  m/sec)
- $d_{\text{prop}} = d/s$

$d_{\text{trans}}$  and  $d_{\text{prop}}$   
very different

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# Caravan analogy (more)



- suppose cars now “propagate” at 1000 km/hr
- Suppose 1<sup>st</sup> toll booth takes **one** min to service a car
- Suppose 2nd toll booth takes **two** mins to service a car
- Q: Will cars arrive to 2<sup>nd</sup> booth before all cars leave first booth?
- Yes/No ?
- A:Yes! after 7 min, 1<sup>st</sup> car arrives at second booth; three cars still at 1<sup>st</sup> booth
- Q: Will there be queueing at 2<sup>nd</sup> booth?

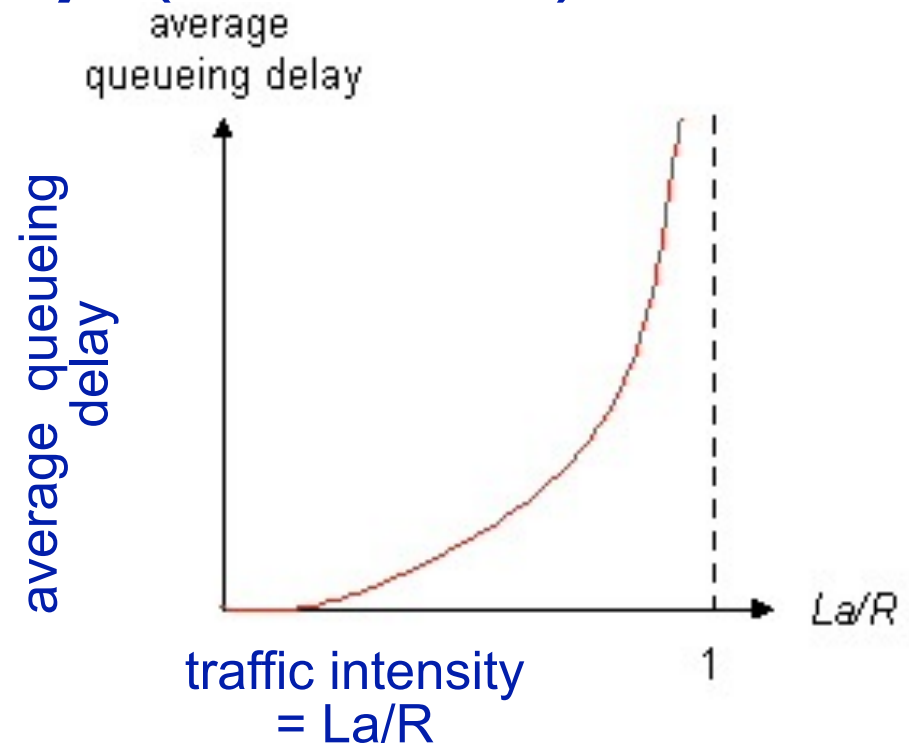
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# Queueing delay (revisited)

- 4 components of delay
  - Processing delay
  - Queueing delay
  - Transmission delay
  - Propagation delay
- Which of these delays is unpredictable and depends on traffic pattern
  - Periodically: one packet per  $L/R$  seconds
  - In bursts but periodically
    - $N$  packets arrive in burst in  $N(L/R)$  seconds
  - In general, packets arrival is random
    - Packets are spaced random amount of time

# Queueing delay (revisited)

- $R$ : link bandwidth (bps)
- $L$ : packet length (bits)
- $a$ : average packet arrival rate



- $La/R \sim 0$ : avg. queueing delay small
- $La/R \sim 1$ : avg. queueing delay large
- $La/R > 1$ : more “work” arriving than can be serviced, average delay infinite!



\* Check out the Java applet for an interactive animation on queueing and loss

# End to End Delay

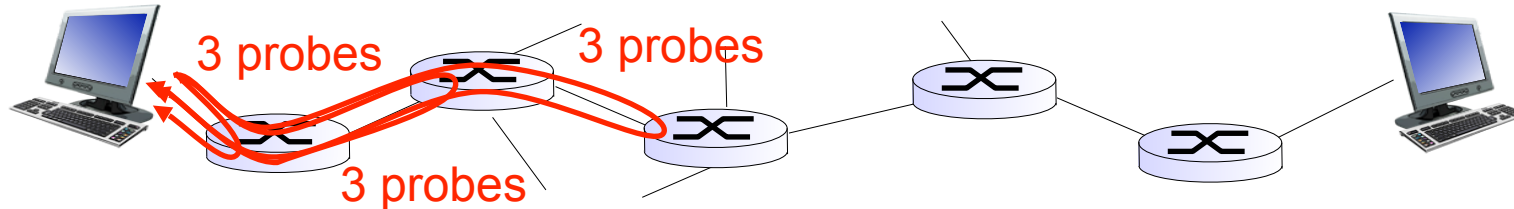
- Total delay at all routers from src to dstn
  - Assume  $N-1$  routers ( $N$  links)
  - Assume queuing delay to be zero
    - In real life it may not be zero
  - The end to end delay is given by

$$d_{\text{end-end}} = N * (d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{trans}} + d_{\text{prop}})$$



# “Real” Internet delays and routes

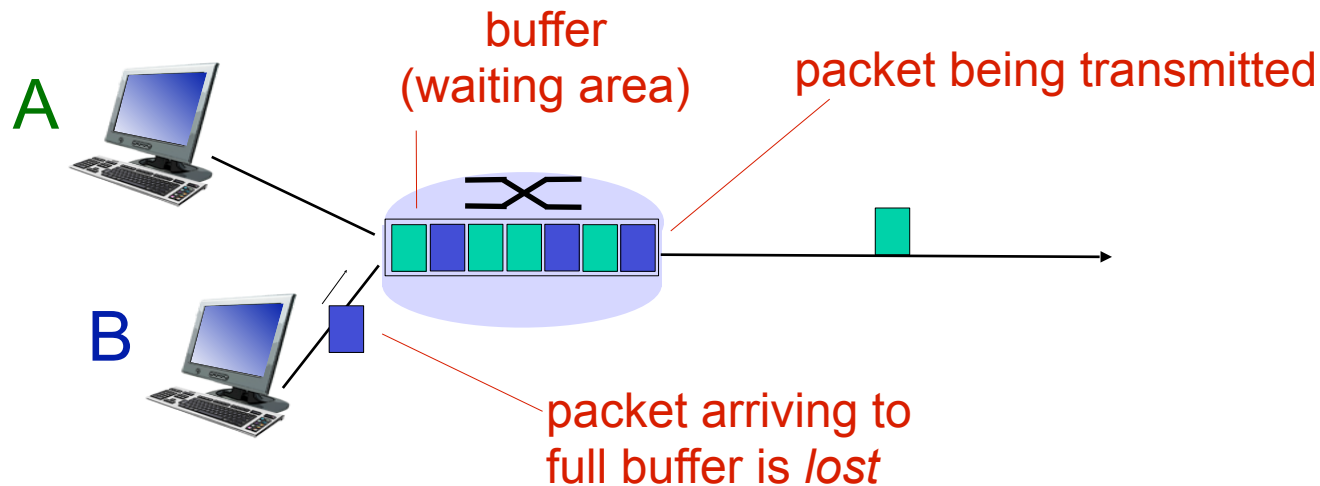
- what do “real” Internet delay & loss look like?
- `traceroute` program: provides delay measurement from source to router along end-end Internet path towards destination. For all  $i$ :
  - sends three packets that will reach router  $i$  on path towards destination
  - router  $i$  will return packets to sender
  - sender times interval between transmission and reply.



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# Packet loss

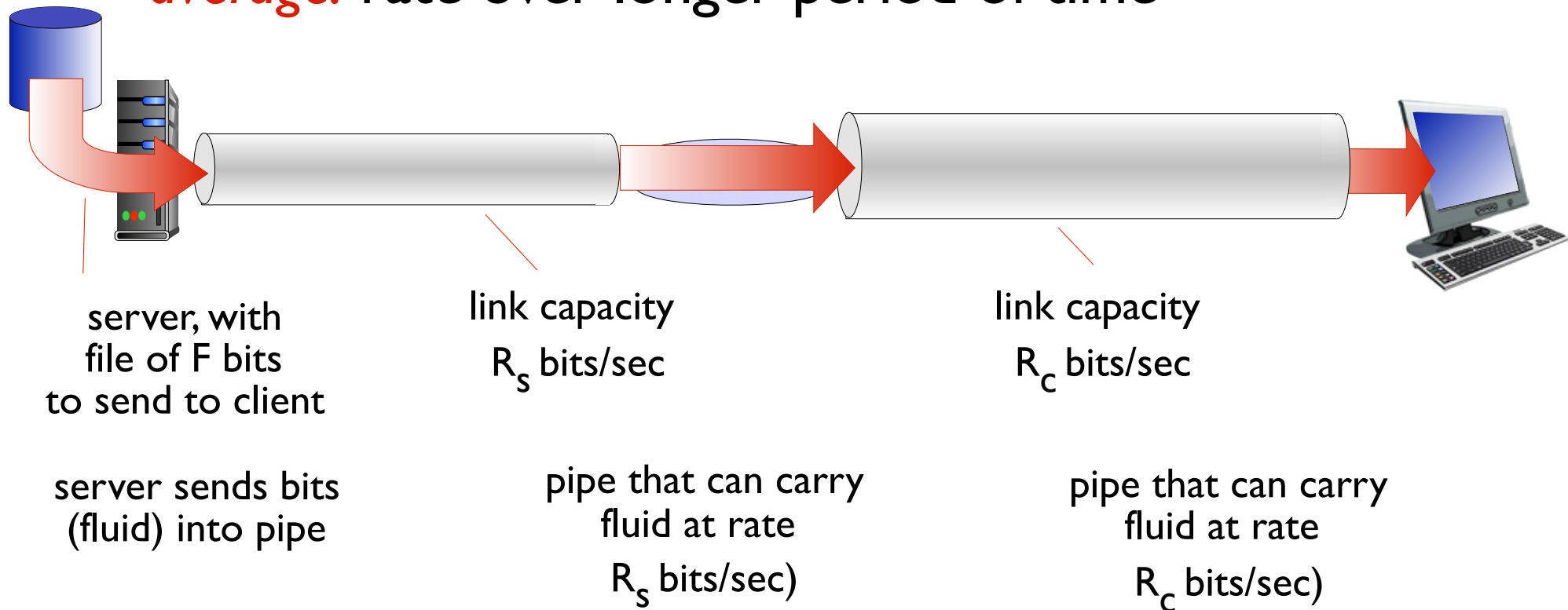
- queue (aka buffer) preceding link in buffer has finite capacity
- packet arriving to full queue dropped (aka lost)
- lost packet may be retransmitted by previous node, by source end system, or not at all



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# Throughput

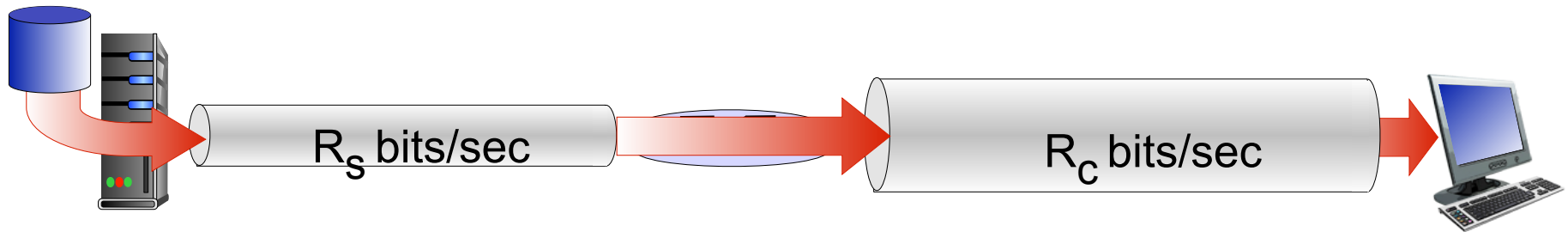
- *throughput*: rate (bits/time unit) at which bits transferred between sender/receiver
  - *instantaneous*: rate at given point in time
  - *average*: rate over longer period of time



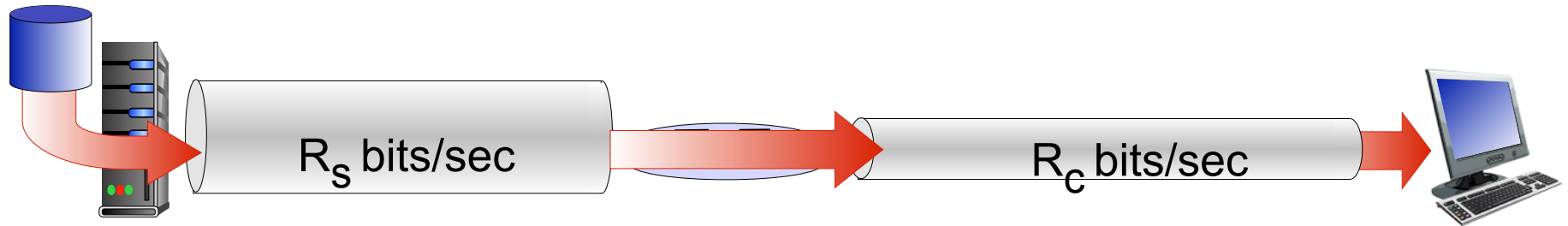
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# Throughput (more)

- $R_s < R_c$  What is average end-end throughput?



- ❖  $R_s > R_c$  What is average end-end throughput?



*bottleneck link*

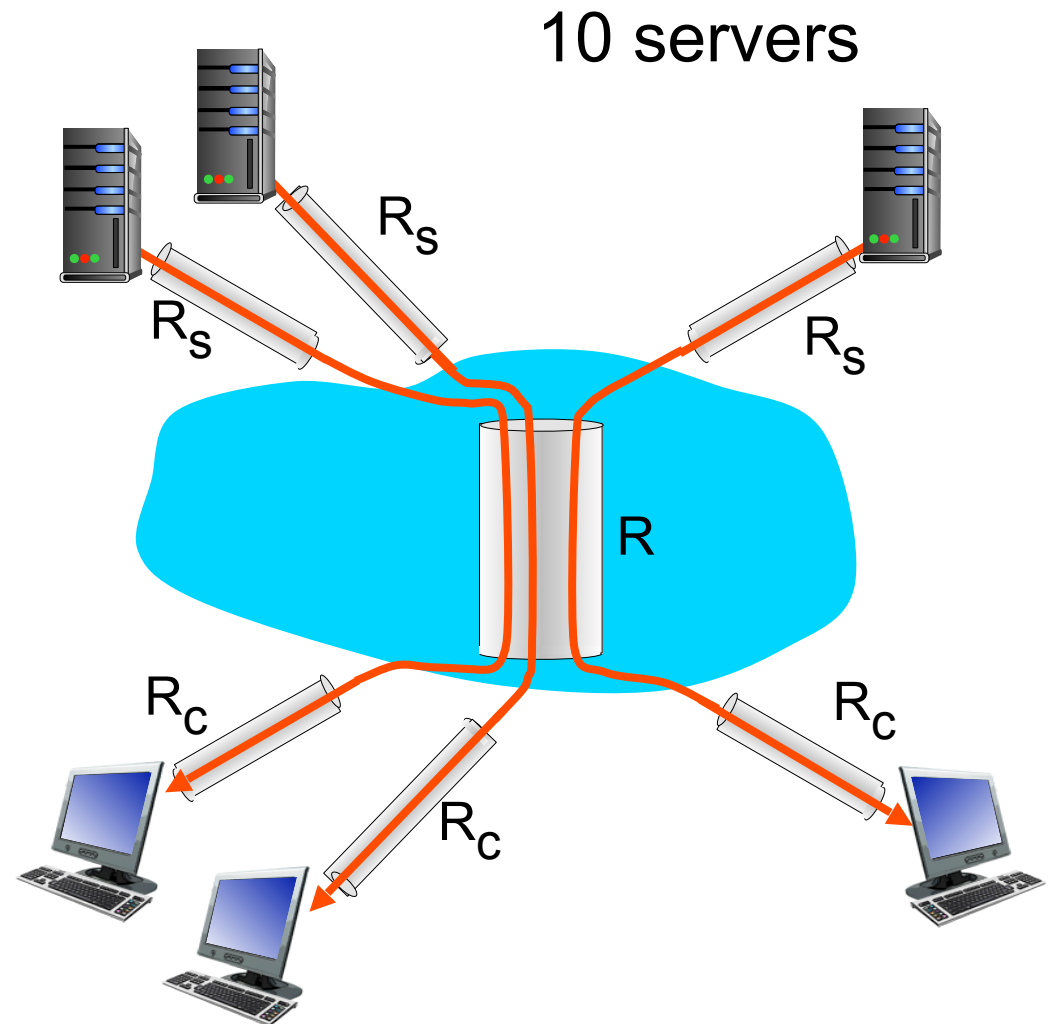
link on end-end path that constrains end-end throughput

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# Throughput: Internet scenario

- per-connection end-end throughput:  $\min(R_c, R_s, R/10)$
- in practice:
  - $R_c$  or  $R_s$  is often bottleneck
- Example:
  - $R_s = 2\text{Mbps}$
  - $R_c = 1\text{Mbps}$
  - $R = 5\text{Mbps}$
  - Thruput for each server = ?

500Kbps



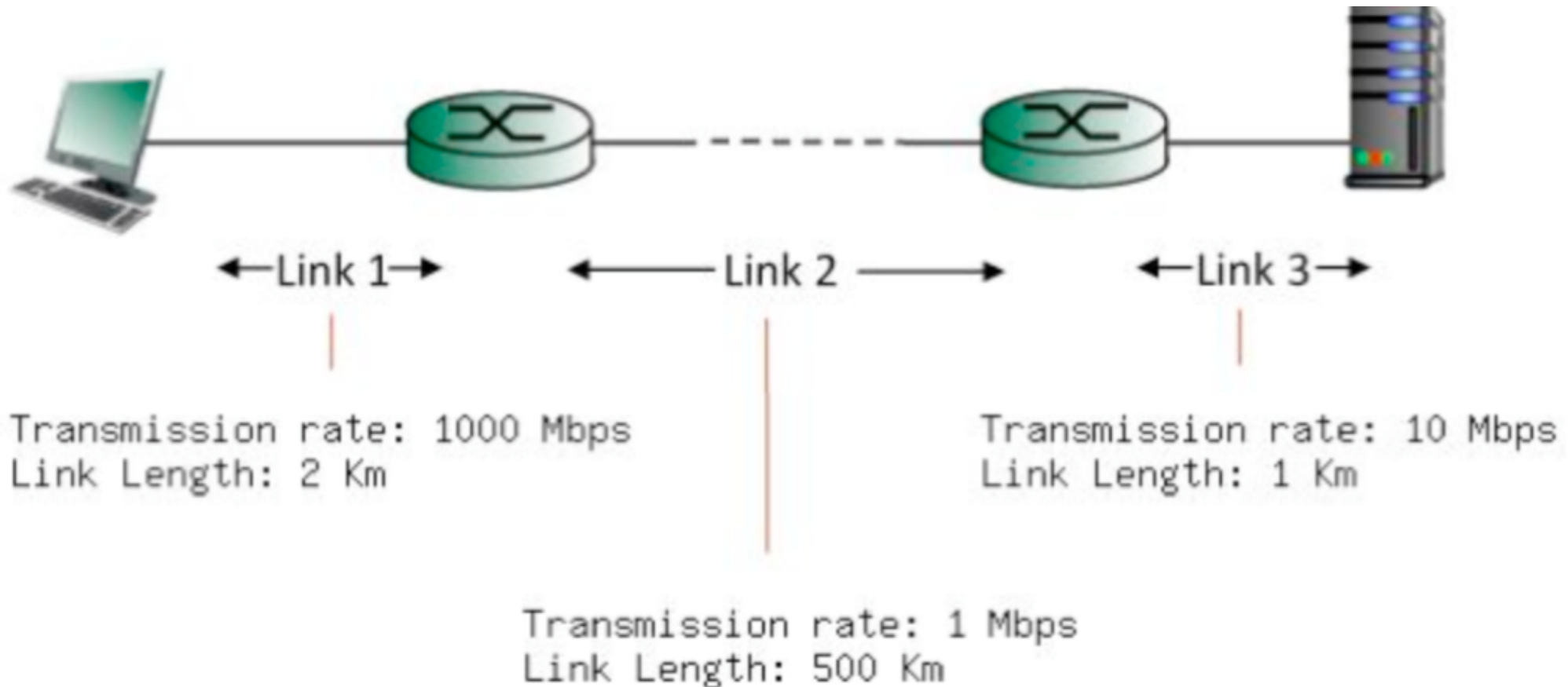
10 connections (fairly) share backbone  
bottleneck link  $R$  bits/sec

# Bandwidth Delay product

- Transmission Rate:  $R$
- Propagation delay:  $d_{\text{prop}}$
- Bandwidth-delay product =  $R * d_{\text{prop}}$
- Implies number of bits on the link
  - When transmission is not complete

# Case Study 03

Consider the following figure. Find the end-to-end delay (including the **transmission** delays, **propagation** and **queuing** delays, but ignoring the **processing** delays) from when the left host begins transmitting the first bit of a packet to the time when the last bit of last packet is received at the server at the right. The host on left sends 3 packets each of 1500 Bytes.



# Case Study 02 - Answer

- Propagation delay on link 1:  
 $= 2 * 1000 * 1000 / (2 \times 10^{**8}) = 0.01\text{ms}$
- Transmission delay for one pkt (1500 bytes=12000 bits) on link 1 :  
 $= 12000 / (1000 \times 10^{**6}) = 12\mu\text{s} = 0.012\text{ms}$
- Switch 1 will start transmission at  $= 0.01 + 0.012 = 0.022\text{ms}$
- Propagation delay on link 2:  
 $= 500 * 1000 * 1000 / (2 \times 10^{**8}) = 2.5\text{ms}$
- Transmission delay on one pkt on link 2 :  
 $= 12000 / (1 \times 10^{**6}) = 12000\mu\text{s} = 12\text{ms}$
- Switch 2 will start transmission at  $= 0.022 + 2.5 + 12 = 14.522\text{ms}$
- Propagation delay on link 3:  
 $= 1 * 1000 * 1000 / (2 \times 10^{**8}) = 0.005\text{ms}$
- Transmission delay on one pkt on link 3 :  
 $= 12000 / (10 \times 10^{**6}) = 1200\mu\text{s} = 1.2\text{ms}$
- Switch 3 will receive pkt at  $= 14.522 + 0.005 + 1.2 = 15.727\text{ms}$
- Total propagation delay =  $15.727\text{ms}$



# Lab Experiment 02

- Lab experiment 02.
  - Implement transmission of ping messages/ trace route over a network topology consisting of 6 nodes and find the number of packets dropped due to congestion.
- Outcome:
  - Account for packet loss
  - Account for packet queuing
  - Account for end to end delay

# Summary

- End to end delay
  - Propagation delay
  - Transmission delay
  - Queueing delay
  - Processing delay
- Queueing delay is unpredictable
  - Depending on traffic from other sources