Chapter 1 Exercises

THE SIMPLEST CASE IS A SINGLE LINK



- 1. Consider two hosts, A and B connected by a single link of rate **R** bits/sec (bps). Say that the hosts are separated by **D** meters and that the propagation speed along the link is **S** meters per second. A host sends a packet of size **L** bits to B
 - a) What is the propagation delay dprog?
 - b) How much time is the transmission time dtras
 - c) What is the end to end delay if there is no queueing delay and processing delay?
 - d) At time drans where is the last bit of the package?
 - e) If dprop > dtrans. At time dtrans where is the first bit of the packet?
 - f) Say that dprop < dtrans. Where would the first bit at time dtrans?
 - g) Say $s = 2.5 \cdot 10^8$, L = 100 bits, R = 100 kbps. Find the distance m so that $d_{prop} = d_{trans}$.

Solution: g) D = 250Km

- 2. Consider two hosts, A and B connected by a single link of rate **100**Mbps. Say that the hosts are separated by 50 meters and that the propagation speed along the link is 2.5×10^8 m/s.
 - a) How many bits can fit in the link?
 - b) How long/"wide" is a bit in meters?
 - c) If we increase the transmission rate, will the bit length increase or decrease?

Solution: a) 20 bits

b) 2,5 m per bit

EXERCISES WITH PACKET SWITCHING NETWORKS

ONLY 1 STORE AND FORWARD ROUTER

A R1 B

- 3. In previous figure packets are generated at host A and sent to host B through router R1.
 - a) Calculate the total time required to transfer a 1KB file from host A to host B based on the following data:
 - Router queues are not flooded.
 - Packet size is **1Kbits** (header size is negligible).
 - Hosts A is separated from R1 by D₁ meters, and R1 is separated from host B by D₂ meters, being D₁ > D₂.
 - Both links (from A to R1, and from R1 to B) have the same propagation (S_{prop}) and transmission (S_{trans}) speed.
 - b) What will be the time required if the transmission speed (S_{trans}) of the link between host A and R1 is higher than S_{trans} between R1 and B? ($S_{trans_A-R1} > S_{trans_R1-B}$)

Solution:

a)
$$T_{total} = 8 * d_{trans_A-R} + d_{prop_A-R} + d_{proc} + d_{trans_R-B} + d_{prop_R-B}$$

b)
$$T_{total} = \ d_{trans_A-R} + d_{prop_A-R} + d_{proc} + 8 * d_{trans_R-B} + d_{prop_R-B}$$

4. Repeat section b) of the previous exercise, assuming that the data travel from B to A.

Solution: $T_{total} = 8 * d_{trans_B-R} + d_{prop_B-R} + d_{proc} + d_{trans_R-A} + d_{prop_R-A}$

MULTIPLE STORE AND FORWARD ROUTERS

5. Repeat section b) of exercise 3, assuming that the data travel from A to B, and there is a new router between R1 and B, as shown in the following figure. The new link is similar to the link between A and R1, (i.e., $S_{trans_A-R1} = S_{trans_R2-B} > S_{trans_R1-R2}$).



 $\begin{aligned} & Solution: \ T_{total} = d_{trans_A-R1} + d_{prop_A-R1} + d_{proc_R1} + 8 * d_{trans_R1-R2} + d_{prop_R1-R2} + \\ & d_{proc_R2} + \ d_{trans_R2-B} + d_{prop_R2-B} \end{aligned}$

6. In the following figure,



host A sends a packet to host B through routers R1, R2, and R3.

- Route delay is ignored ($d_{router} = processing$ and queueing delays = 0).
- Packet size is **h** + **L** bits (header + data)
- All the links have the same length, D meters.
- All the links (from A to R1, R1 to R2, R2 to R3, and R3 to B) have the same propagation speed, S_{prop} m/s, and transmission speed, S_{trans} bps.
- a) How long does it take to move the packet from host A to host B?
- b) How long does it take to move 4 packets from host A to host B?
- c) How long does it take to move 4 packets from host A to host B, if propagation delay is 0?
- d) How long does it take to move 4 packets from host A to host B, if router delay > 0?
- e) How long does it take to move N packets from host A to host B, if there are Q links (Q-1 routers) between host A and host B?
- f) How long does it take to move 4 packets from host A to host B, if link between R2 and R3 is $4 * S_{trans}$, (i.e., $S_{trans_R2_R3} = 4 * S_{trans}$)?
- g) How long does it take to move 4 packets from host A to host B, if link between R2 and R3 is one quarter of S_{trans} , (i.e., $S_{trans_R2_R3} = S_{trans} / 4$)?
- 7. We define the round-trip time (RTT), as the time it takes for a packet to travel from client to server and then back to the client. The RTT includes packet-propagation delays, packet queuing delays in intermediate routers and switches, and packet-processing delays.
 - a) Calculate the RTT between host A, and host B if:
 - they are connected using the network of exercise 1.

- host A sends only a request packet of 1000 bit-length, and host B sends a response back packet of 200 bit-length.
- $S_{trans} = 100 \text{ Mbps}$; $S_{prop} = 2 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}$; link A-R distance = 200m; link R-B distance = 100m.
- Route delay is ignored (d_{router} = processing and queueing delays = 0).
- 8. Based on the data of exercise 7. Calculate the RTT between host A and host B, if host A sends 5 request packets of 1000 Byte-length. Host B sends the response packet when it receives the last packet from host A.
- 9. Consider sending a 5000 byte-length message from host A to server S over a packet-switching network. There are two links (and one router) between host A and server S. A-R link has a transmission rate of 100 Mbps, and R-S link a transmission rate of 1 Gbps. Host A and the router are separated by 20 Km, and the router and server S are separated 10 Km. The propagation speed along both links is 2 · 10⁸ m/s. Host A segments the message into packets of 2000 byte-length as maximum, including the header, that is considered negligible. Also, the router and host processing delays are considered negligible (not the queueing delays!). There are not transmission errors.
 - a) Draw a space-time graph of the packets sent from host A to server S. Indicate the transmission and the propagation delay for each link.
 - b) Based on the graph in part a), calculate the total time required to transfer since host A sends the first packet until the last packet is received in sever S.
- 10. Host A sends two consecutive packets of 1000 byte-length each to server S. Simultaneously, host B also starts a transmission of two packets of 1000 byte-length. Calculate the total time required since host A sends the first packet until the second packet of A is received in sever S. Packets are saved in input order in the router output queues. The propagation speed is 2 · 10⁸ m/s, and all links works at 10Mbps.

