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Quiz 1: Computer Networks and the Internet (Chapter 1)

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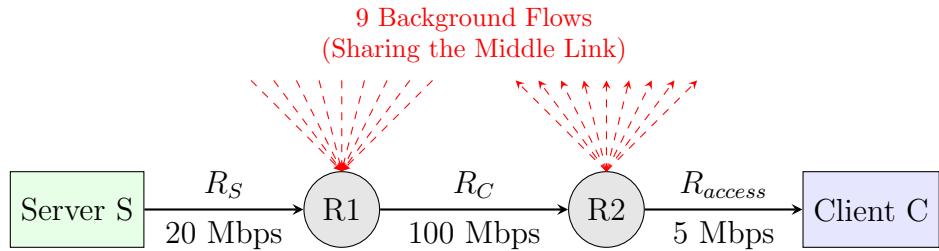
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Section: BSE-6B1 (Spring 2026)

1. (5 points) Throughput and Bottleneck Analysis

Consider the file transfer scenario shown below. Server S sends a file to Client C through two intermediate routers $R1$ and $R2$.

- Link $S \rightarrow R1$: Rate $R_S = 20$ Mbps.
- Link $R1 \rightarrow R2$: Shared link, Rate $R_C = 100$ Mbps. This link is shared by 9 other background traffic flows (assume all are working at full capacity).
- Link $R2 \rightarrow C$: Rate $R_{access} = 5$ Mbps.
- The 9 background flows consume exactly 10 Mbps each of the middle link ($R1 \rightarrow R2$).

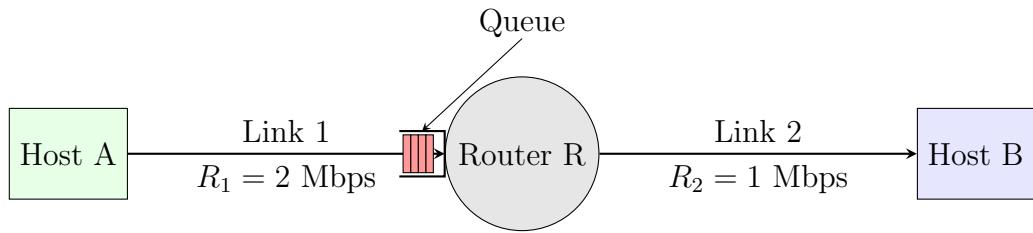


Calculate the throughput for the file transfer from S to C . Show the available bandwidth for each link and identify the bottleneck link.

2. (10 points) Nodal Delays and Queuing Dynamics

Consider a packet-switched network where Host A sends a burst of $N = 10$ packets back-to-back to Host B via a single Router R.

- **Link 1 ($A \rightarrow R$):** Transmission Rate $R_1 = 2$ Mbps. Propagation Delay $d_{prop1} = 10$ ms.
- **Link 2 ($R \rightarrow B$):** Transmission Rate $R_2 = 1$ Mbps. Propagation Delay $d_{prop2} = 10$ ms.
- **Packet Size:** All packets have a length $L = 2000$ bits.
- **Processing Delay:** Negligible at Router R ($d_{proc} \approx 0$).
- **Queuing:** Router R has a buffer. Since $R_1 > R_2$, packets arrive at R faster than they can be transmitted to B, causing a queue to build up.



- (4 points) Calculate the **Transmission Delay** per packet for Link 1 (d_{trans1}) and Link 2 (d_{trans2}). Notice that a queue builds up at Router R.
- (6 points) Calculate the **Queuing Delay** experienced specifically by the **10th packet** at Router R.