

P2. Equation 1.1 gives a formula for the end-to-end delay of sending one packet of length L over N links of transmission rate R . Generalize this formula for sending P such packets back-to-back over the N links.

end-to-end delay = $N(L/R)$

P packet delay = $P \cdot N(L/R)$

P3. Consider an application that transmits data at a steady rate (for example, the sender generates an N -bit unit of data every k time units, where k is small and fixed). Also, when such an application starts, it will continue running for a relatively long period of time. Answer the following questions, briefly justifying your answer:

a. Would a packet-switched network or a circuit-switched network be more appropriate for this application? Why?

b. Suppose that a packet-switched network is used and the only traffic in this network comes from such applications as described above. Furthermore, assume that the sum of the application data rates is less than the capacities of each and every link. Is some form of congestion control needed? Why?

a. A circuit-switched network would be more appropriate for this application. Because the application involved fixed bandwidth and long sessions.

b. No congestion control needed, since the sum of the application data rates is less than the capacities of each and every link. For the worst case, the bandwidth is still enough for all applications transmitting data in the same time over one or more network links, thus congestion is not needed.

P5. Review the car-caravan analogy in Section 1.4. Assume a propagation speed of 100 km/hour.

a. Suppose the caravan travels 175 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?

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

a. travel time = $175 \text{ km} / 100 \text{ km/h} = 1.75 \text{ h} = 105 \text{ mins}$

time for taken by 3 tollbooths to reach 10 cars = $2 \cdot 3 = 6 \text{ mins}$

end-to-end delay = $105 + 6 = 111 \text{ mins}$

b. time for taken by 3 tollbooths to reach 8 cars = $12 \cdot 8 \cdot 3 = 288 \text{ s} = 4.8 \text{ mins}$

end-to-end delay = $105 + 4.8 = 109.8 \text{ mins}$

P6. This elementary problem begins to explore propagation delay and transmission delay, two central concepts in data networking. Consider two hosts, A and B, connected by a single link of rate R bps. Suppose that the two hosts are separated by m meters, and suppose the propagation speed

along the link is s meters/sec. Host A is to send a packet of size L bits to Host B.

- Express the propagation delay, d_{prop} , in terms of m and s .
- Determine the transmission time of the packet, d_{trans} , in terms of L and R .
- Ignoring processing and queuing delays, obtain an expression for the end-to-end delay.
- Suppose Host A begins to transmit the packet at time $t = 0$. At time $t = d_{\text{trans}}$, where is the last bit of the packet?
- Suppose d_{prop} is greater than d_{trans} . At time $t = d_{\text{trans}}$, where is the first bit of the packet?
- Suppose d_{prop} is less than d_{trans} . At time $t = d_{\text{trans}}$, where is the first bit of the packet?
- Suppose $s = 2.5 \times 10^8$, $L = 1500$ bytes, and $R = 10$ Mbps. Find the distance m so that d_{prop} equals d_{trans} .

- $d_{\text{prop}} = m/s$ seconds
- $d_{\text{trans}} = L/R$ seconds
- end-to-end delay = $(L/R + m/s)$ seconds
- The last bit is just leaving Host A.
- The first bit is in the link and has not reached Host B.
- The first bit has reached Host B.
- $m = L/R \times s = 1500/(10^7) \times (2.5 \times 10^8) = 37500$ m

P10. Consider a packet of length L that begins at end system A and travels over three links to a destination end system. These three links are connected by two packet switches. Let d_i , s_i , and R_i denote the length, propagation speed, and the transmission rate of link i , for $i = 1, 2, 3$. The packet switch delays each packet by d_{proc} . Assuming no queuing delays, in terms of d_i , s_i , R_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3$), and L , what is the total end-to-end delay for the packet? Suppose now the packet is 1,500 bytes, the propagation speed on all three links is 2.5×10^8 m/s, the transmission rates of all three links are 2.5 Mbps, the packet switch processing delay is 3 msec, the length of the first link is 5,000 km, the length of the second link is 4,000 km, and the length of the last link is 1,000 km. For these values, what is the end-to-end delay?

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{end-to-end delay} &= L/R_1 + L/R_2 + L/R_3 + d_1/s_1 + d_2/s_2 + d_3/s_3 + d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{proc}} \\
 &= (1500 \times 8)/(2.5 \times 10^6) \times 3 + (5000 \times 10^3)/(2.5 \times 10^8) + (4000 \times 10^3)/(2.5 \times 10^8) \\
 &\quad + (1000 \times 10^3)/(2.5 \times 10^8) + 0.003 + 0.003 \\
 &= 0.0048 \times 3 + 0.02 + 0.016 + 0.004 + 0.006 \\
 &= 0.0604 \text{ sec}
 \end{aligned}$$