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Q1
a)
i)

$$f(i) = 1 + (i-1)k$$

from the sliding window protocol

when $w > 2a+1$ an upper bound to the number of outstanding frames is $2a+1$

when $w < 2a+1$ an upper bound to the number of outstanding frames is w

Therefore

$$k \sim 2a+1 \quad \text{if } w > 2a+1$$

$$k \sim w \quad \text{if } w < 2a+1$$

ii)

$$N_R = \sum f(i) p^{i-1} (1-p)$$

$$N_R = (1-k) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p^{i-1} (1-p) + k \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i p^{i-1} (1-p)$$

$$= 1-k + \frac{k}{1-p} = \frac{1-p+kp}{1-p}$$

$$U|_{w > 2a+1} = \frac{1-p}{1+2ap}$$

$$U|_{w < 2a+1} = \frac{w(1-p)}{(1+2a)(1-p+kp)}$$

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Q. 11
ix)

MANETS

- Do not rely on fixed backbone infrastructure support.
- Dynamically changing topologies
- Mobile devices might have short battery lifetime and limited computing power
- Easy to deploy

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Technical Issues

- Power consumption management
- Security threats
- Wireless data rates
- Scalability (memory, bandwidth, processing power)

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Routing

- Dynamic topology (high probability of link failure)
- Every device is a potential router
- No centralised routing

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Deployment examples

- opportunistic inter-personal communications
- Disaster relief remote environments
- Alternative to expensive fixed infrastructure

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ii) Intelligent vehicle

- Collision avoidance
- Driven assistance
- Collision notification

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expand any ^{specific} application from above

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Q2a
i) $\min T_1 = \sum L_i u(x_i)$

This optimisation problem minimises the total or equivalently the average delay experienced over all paths

$$T_1 = \frac{x_1^2}{3} + x_1 + 2x_2^2 + x_2 \quad x_1 + x_2 = 1$$

$$\frac{3x_1^2}{3} = 6x_2^2 \quad \text{opt condition}$$

$$x_1 = \sqrt{6} x_2 \quad x_1 + x_2 = 1$$

ii) $\min T_2 = \sum (L_i u(x_i))$

In this case each source chooses minimum delay end-to-end path. That is all paths with non-zero flow have the same delay. There is no regard as to the delay of the other paths or the system

$$\frac{x_1^2}{3} = 2x_2^2$$

$$x_1^2 = 6x_2^2$$

$$x_1 = \sqrt{6} x_2$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = 1$$

$$x_1^* = 0.7101$$

$$x_2^* = 0.2898$$

iii) Discussion

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Q2b) P1: marking of packets allow routers to distinguish among packets from different traffic classes
- classification allow routers to treat different classes accordingly
- A service level agreement is necessary

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P2: provide a degree of protection among traffic flows

- A policing mechanism needs to be in place

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P3: While providing isolation among flows it is desirable to use resources as efficiently as possible

- Flows allow to use another flow's unused bandwidth

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P4: As sufficient resources will not be always available, before accepting a new cell flows declare their QoS requirements

- Call admission process is needed: network may deny service if it cannot meet needs.

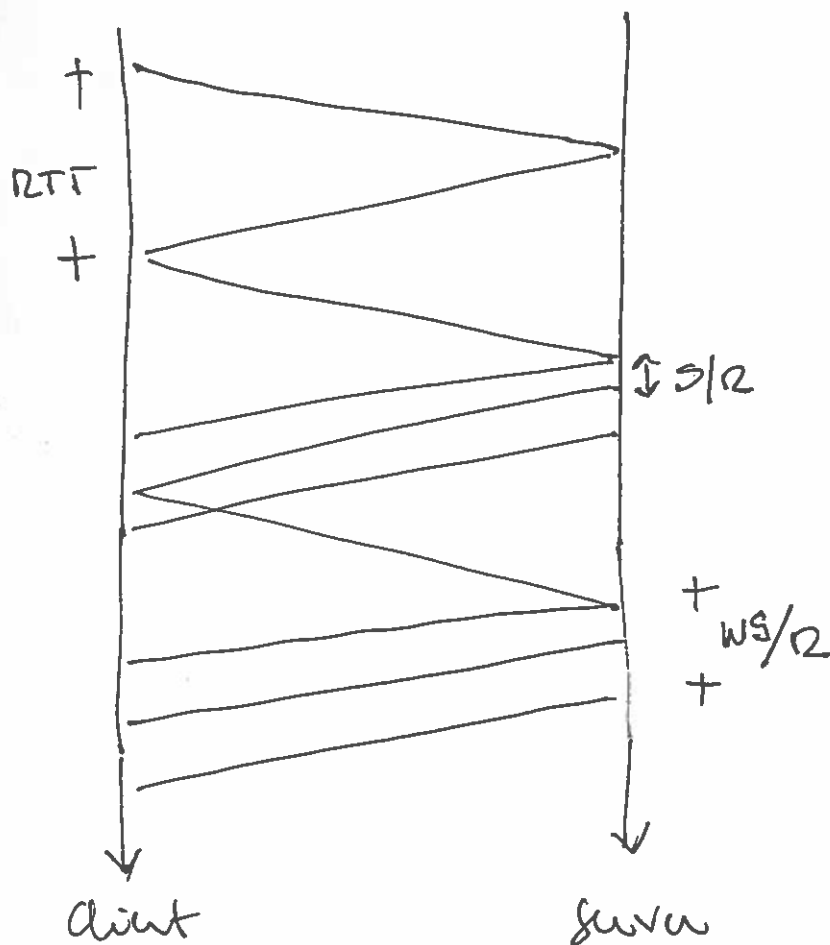
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- Q3
a) The TCP congestion control algorithm has
- i) three major components:
 - Additive-increase, multiplicative decrease
 - slow start
 - reaction to time out events
- + Discussion and highlight of implementation issues

- ii) For the case $WS/R < RTT + S/R$



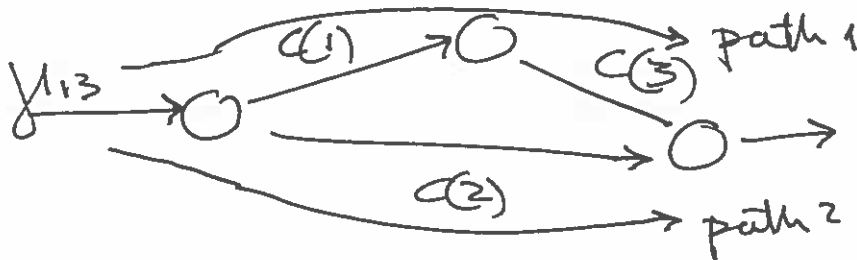
$$\text{Latency} = 2RTT + 0/R + (K-1) \left[\frac{S}{R} + RTT - \frac{WS}{R} \right]$$

$$K = 0/WS$$

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Q3b)



- i) All traffic is carried by path 2. Optimality condition:

$$\frac{c_1}{(c_1 - \phi)^2} + \frac{c_3}{(c_3 - \phi)^2} = \frac{c_2}{(c_2 - \phi)^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{c_1} + \frac{1}{c_3} = \frac{c_2}{(c_2 - \phi)^2} = R$$

$$c_3 + c_1 = R c_1 c_3$$

$$c_1 - R c_1 c_3 = -c_3$$

$$c_1 (1 - R c_3) = -c_3 \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{c_3}{R c_3 - 1} = c_1}$$

$$\boxed{R c_3 - 1 > 0}$$

ii) $c_2 = 2\phi$ $c_3 = 2c_2 = 4\phi$

$$c_1 = \frac{4\phi}{\frac{4\phi^2}{(2\phi - \phi)^2} - 1} = \frac{4\phi}{8 - 1} = \frac{4}{7}\phi$$

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Q4) This Index is independent of the shared resource. The Index always lies between 0 and 1. For example if the Index is 0.1 means that is unfair to 90% of the users.

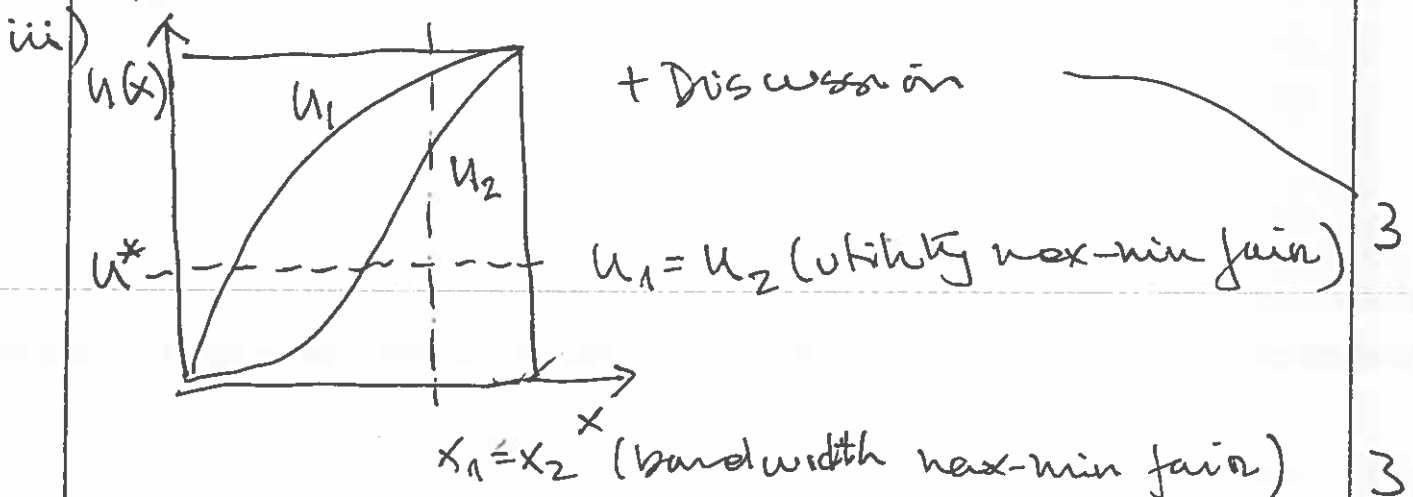
Worst case $\frac{1}{n}$ best case 1

$\frac{k}{n}$ when k users equally share the resource and the other $n-k$ users receive zero allocation.

ii) Max-min fairness:

Max-min fairness has been achieved if the allocation is feasible and an attempt to increase the allocation of flow will decrease the allocation of some other flow with an equal or smaller allocation.

- The allocation is done in infinitesimal increments to all flows until one is satisfied then among the remainder of the flows and so on until all flows are satisfied or the bandwidth is exhausted.



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Q4b)

Edge Router:

- i)
- Per flow (aggregated) traffic management
 - Mark packets as in-profile and out-profile
- profile: pre-negotiated rate r and bucket sizes (in the context of a token bucket mechanism).

Use of marking:

- class based marking
- Intra-class marking

ii) Core Router:

- Per class traffic management
- Queuing and scheduling based on marking at the edge
- Preference given to in-profile over out-of-profile packets.
- Individual Router's behaviour as referred as per-hop behaviour (PHB)
- PHB result in a different measurable forwarding performance behaviour
- PHB does not specify what mechanism to use to ensure required PHB.
- Example of PHB:
 - Expedite forwarding
 - Assured forwarding
 - Best effort

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