

COMP3234B Computer and Communication networks

Assignment 2 (8%)

Sample Solution

Total mark is 100.

1. (20 marks) [Store-and-Forward in Packet-Switched Networks (ILO3)]

Answer:

(1) Time taken to send entire file from source host to router 1: $15 \times 8 / 0.6 + 0.002 = 200.002$ (s) **(1 marks)**

Time taken to send entire file from router 1 to router 2: $15 \times 8 / 1.5 + 0.004 = 80.004$ (s) **(1 marks)**

Time taken to send entire file from router 2 to destination host: $15 \times 8 / 1.2 + 0.003 = 100.003$ (s) **(1 marks)**

Total time: 380.009 seconds **(2 marks)**

(2) Time taken to send one packet from source host to router 1: $15 \times 8 / (10 \times 0.6) + 0.002 = 20.002$ (s) **(1 marks)**

Time taken to send one packet from router 1 to router 2: $15 \times 8 / (10 \times 1.5) + 0.004 = 8.004$ (s) **(1 marks)**

Time taken to send one packet from router 2 to destination host: $15 \times 8 / (10 \times 1.2) + 0.003 = 10.003$ (s) **(1 marks)**

Time taken for an ACK to be delivered from the destination to source: 0.009 s **(1 marks)**

Total time taken to finish transmission of one packet from source to destination: $20.002 + 8.004 + 10.003 + 0.009 = 38.018$ seconds **(2 marks)**

Total time taken to send entire file from source to destination: $38.018 \times 10 = 380.18$ seconds **(2 marks)**

(3) Time at which 1st packet is received at the destination host = $20.002 + 8.004 + 10.003 = 38.009$ seconds **(2 marks)**

After this, every 20.002 seconds one packet will be received **(3 marks)**

Thus time at which the last packet is received = $38.009 + 9 \times 20.002 = 218.027$ seconds **(2 marks)**

2. (10 marks) [DNS, Web Application (ILO2, 3)]

Answer:

(1) (8 marks)

The steps and time involved are:

- (i) the client sends a request to local DNS server: 2 **(1 marks)**
- (ii) the local DNS server queries the root DNS server, which responds with IP address of the TLD DNS server: 9+9 **(1 mark)**
- (iii) the local DNS server queries the TLD DNS server, which responds with IP address of the authoritative DNS server: 7+7 **(1 mark)**
- (iv) the local DNS server queries the authoritative DNS server, which responds with IP address of the web server: 4+4 **(1 mark)**
- (v) the local DNS server sends IP address of the web server to the client: 2 **(1 marks)**
- (vi) the client sends the HTTP request for the webpage to the web server: 6 **(1 mark)**
- (vii) the web server sends the webpage to the client: 6 **(1 mark)**

Total time: 56 **(1 mark)**

(2) (2 marks) The steps and time involved are:

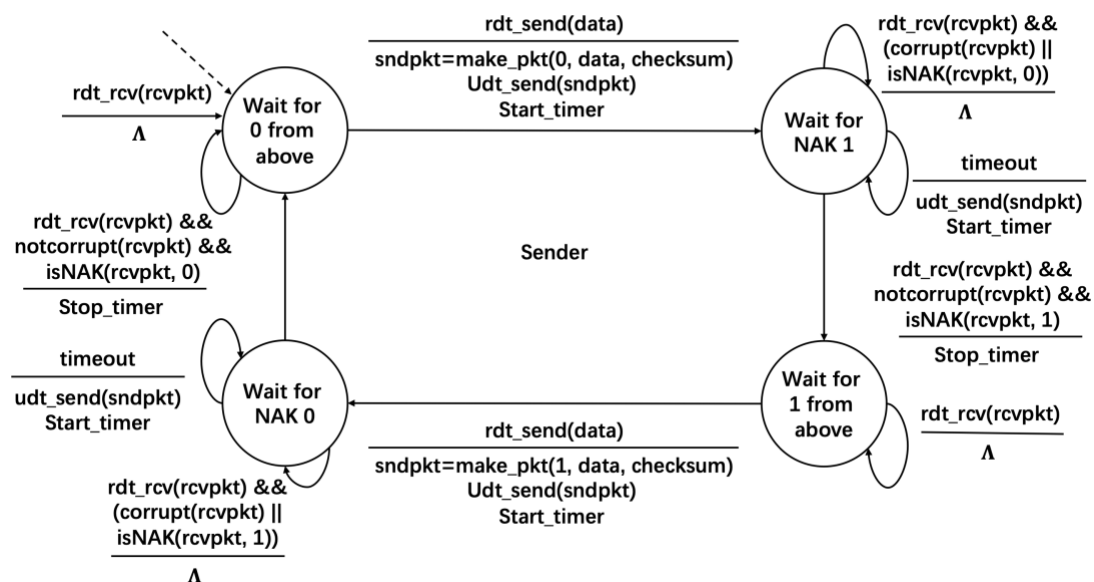
- (i) the client sends the HTTP request for the image to the web server: 6 **(0.5 mark)**
- (ii) the web server sends the image to the client: 6 **(0.5 mark)**

Total time: 12 **(1 mark)**

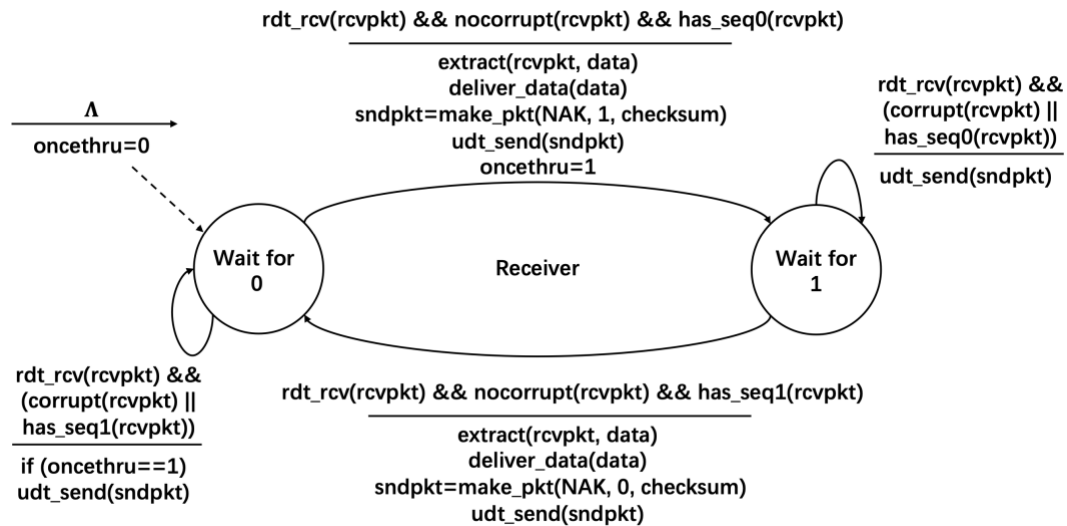
3. (15 marks) [Stop-and-Wait (ILO2, 3)]

Answer: (deduct 0.5 marks per wrong entry)

Sender FSM:

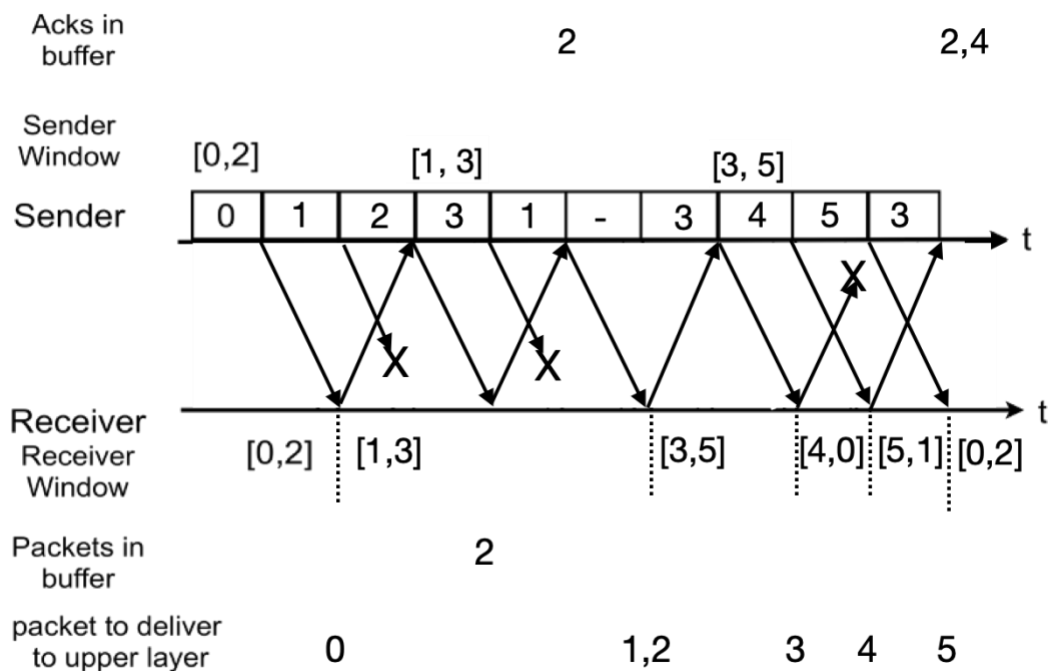


Receiver FSM:



4. (15 marks) [Selective Repeat RDT (ILO3)]

Answer: 0.625 marks per entry



5. (18 marks) [TCP RDT and Congestion Control (ILO2, 3)]

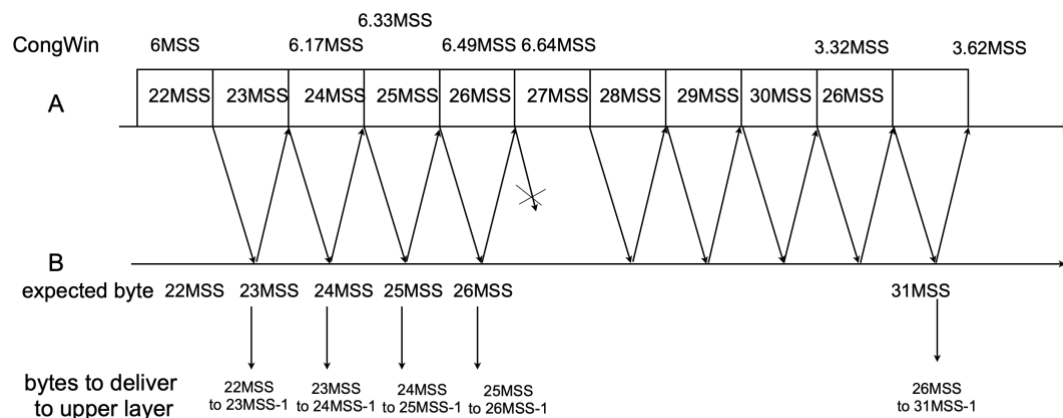
Answer:

(1) (6 marks)

The new CongWin=37/6 MSS

The new largest sender window: [26MSS (3 marks), 32(1/6)MSS-1 (3marks)]

(2) (12 marks) (0.5 marks per missing/wrong entry)



6. (22 marks) [TCP Congestion Control and RTT (Learning Outcomes 2, 3)]

Answer:

(1) (16 marks)

(10 marks for the table: deduct 0.2 marks per wrong entry in the table)

Time (in RTTs)	CongWin of TCP connection 1 (in MSS)	ssthresh of TCP connection 1 (in MSS)	CongWin of TCP connection 2 (in MSS)	ssthresh of TCP connection 2 (in MSS)
1	1	16	1	16
2	2	16	2	16
3	4	16	4	16
4	8	16	8	16
5	16	16	16	16
6	17	16	17	16
7	18	16	18	16
8	19	16	19	16
9	1	8	1	8
10	2	8	2	8
11	4	8	4	8
12	8	8	8	8
13			9	8
14			10	8
15			11	8
16			12	8

A loss occurs in RTT 19 in each TCP connection, and the missing segment will be retransmitted

in the next RTT.

Since $49.5\text{Kbytes}/500\text{bytes}=99=1+2+4+8+16+17+18+18+1+2+4+8$, host A's file transfer takes 12RTTs. **(3 marks)**

Since $70.5\text{Kbytes}/500\text{bytes}=141=1+2+4+8+16+17+18+18+1+2+4+8+9+10+11+12$, host B's file transfer take 16RTTs. **(3 marks)**

(2) (6 marks)

Throughput on TCP connection 1:

$49.5\text{Kbytes}/(12\text{RTTs})=49.5/(12*0.2)\text{KB/s}=20.6\text{KB/s}=165\text{Kbps}$ **(3 marks)**

Throughput on TCP connection 2:

$70.5\text{Kbytes}/(16\text{RTTs})=70.5/(16*0.2)\text{KB/s}=22.0\text{KB/s}=176.25\text{Kbps}$ **(3 marks)**