Homework3

CS 664-Computer Networks

- 1. Consider that only a single TCP (Reno) connection uses one 10Mbps link which does not buffer any data. Suppose that this link is the only congested link between the sending and receiving hosts. Assume that the TCP sender has a huge file to send to the receiver, and the receiver's receive buffer is much larger than the congestion window. We also make the following assumptions: each TCP segment size is 1,500 bytes; the two-way propagation delay of this connection is 150 msec; and this TCP connection is always in congestion avoidance phase, that is, ignore slow start.
- a. What is the maximum window size (in segments) that this TCP connection can achieve?
- b. What is the average window size (in segments) and average throughput (in bps) of this TCP connection?
- c. How long would it take for this TCP connection to reach its maximum window again after recovering from a packet loss?
- 2. Refer to Figure 3.56, which illustrates the convergence of TCP's AIMD algorithm. Suppose that instead of a multiplicative decrease, TCP decreased the window size by a constant amount. Would the resulting AIAD algorithm converge to an equal share algorithm? Justify your answer using a diagram similar to Figure 3.56.

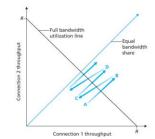


Figure 3.56 + Throughput realized by TCP connections 1 and 2

- 3. Suppose two packets arrive to two different input ports of a router at exactly the same time. Also suppose there are no other packets anywhere in the router.15 points
 - a. Suppose the two packets are to be forwarded to two different output ports. Is it possible to forward the two packets through the switch fabric at the same time when the fabric uses a shared bus?
 - b. Suppose the two packets are to be forwarded to two different output ports. Is it possible to forward the two packets through the switch fabric at the same time when the fabric uses a crossbar?
 - c. Suppose the two packets are to be forwarded to the same output port. Is it possible to forward the two packets through the switch fabric at the same time when the fabric uses a crossbar?

4. Consider a datagram network using 32-bit host addresses. Suppose a router has four links, numbered0 through 3, and packets are to be forwarded to the link interfaces as follows:25 points

Destination Address Range	Link Interface
11100000 00000000 00000000 00000000 through 11100000 00111111 11111111 11111111	0
11100000 01000000 00000000 00000000 through 11100000 01000000 11111111 11111111	1
11100000 01000001 00000000 00000000 through 11100001 01111111 11111111 11111111	2
otherwise	3

- a. Provide a forwarding table that has five entries, uses longest prefix matching, and forwards packets to the correct link interfaces.
- b. Describe how your forwarding table determines the appropriate link interface for datagrams with destination addresses: