

CARLETON UNIVERSITY
School of Computer Science

COMP3203– Principles of Computer Networks
Assignment 1

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The assignment is **worth 3.64%** of the total course grade. It is graded out of 25, so your mark will be scaled accordingly.

You should submit a PDF document with your solutions in the respective assignment dropbox on Brightspace. For example, if you use MS Word, save it as PDF and upload. Name the PDF file as:

“A#_FirstName.LastName_StudentNumber.pdf”

So if John Smith, whose number is 123456789, is uploading the solution for Assignment 3, John should name the file “A3_John_Smith_123456789.pdf”.

Make sure you upload your solution before the deadline, which is at **11:59pm EST on Feb 1st**. As usual, feel free to ask questions on our Brightspace forum.

Distribution of Marks

Question	Points	Score
1	15	
2	10	
Total:	25	

1. Suppose Host A wants to send a large file to Host B. The path from Host A to Host B has three links, of rates $R_1 = 400Kbps$, $R_2 = 1.6Mbps$, and $R_3 = 800Kbps$.
 - (a) (5 points) Assuming no other traffic in the network, what is the throughput for the file transfer?
 - (b) (5 points) Suppose the file is 5 million bytes. Dividing the file size by the throughput, roughly how long will it take to transfer the file to Host B?
 - (c) (5 points) Repeat (a) and (b), but now with R_2 reduced to $100kbps$.
2. Review the car-caravan analogy in Section 1.4 of the textbook (Fig.1.17). Assume a propagation speed of $130km/hour$.
 - (a) (5 points) Suppose the caravan travels $120km$, 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) (5 points) Repeat (a), now assuming that there are seven cars in the caravan instead of ten.