

Assignment 3 Report

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Overview

Through this assignment, we are simulating TCP (Transmission Control Protocol) by UDP (User Datagram protocol). In order to implement the TCP cumulative acknowledgement, we first implement “stop and wait” protocol, and then based on “stop and wait” we implement “sliding windows”

Stop and Wait

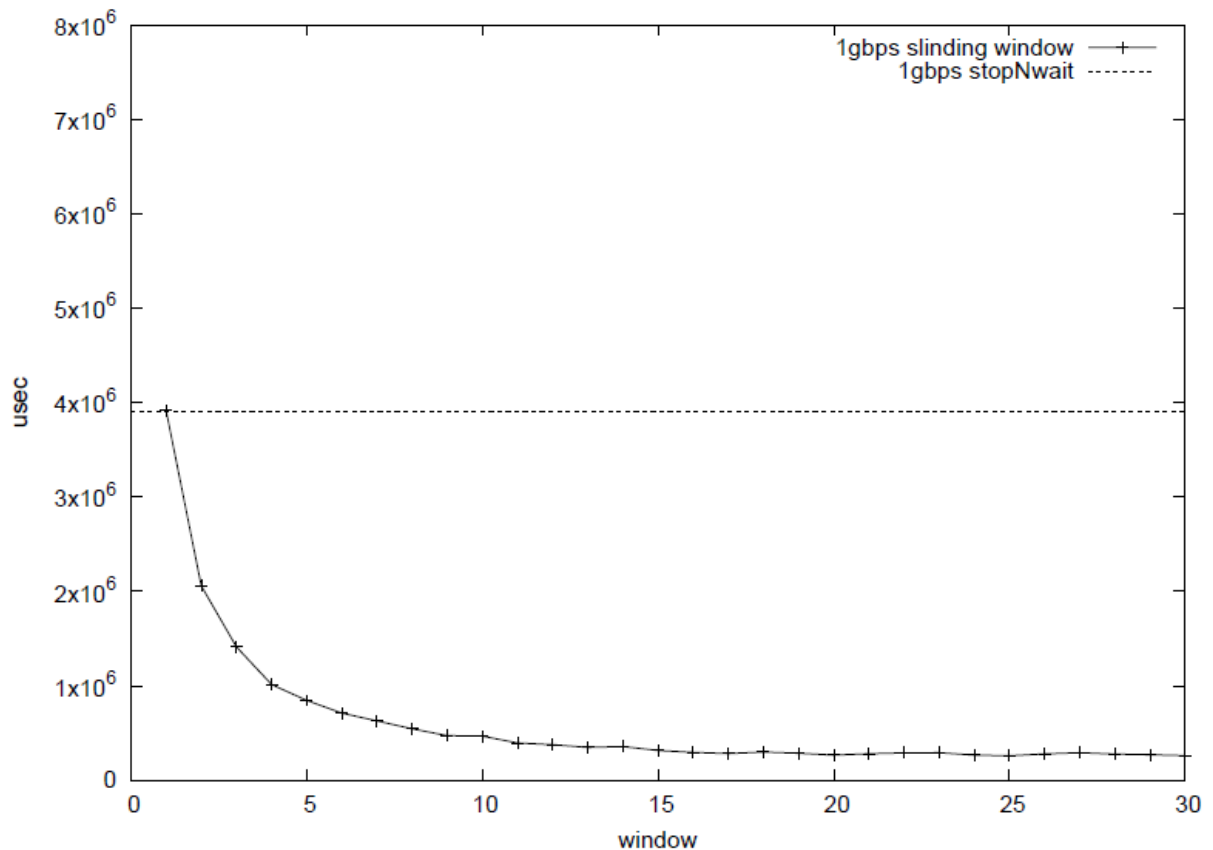
The stop and wait protocol guarantee the packet arrival and the packet acknowledge. There are two roles in this protocol: sender and receiver. At first the sender sends one packet to the receiver with sequence number and wait for the acknowledge from the receiver in a certain amount of time. (1500 us for our implementation) If there is acknowledgement from the receiver, the sender sends the next packet to the client. If there is no acknowledge from the receiver within the countdown, the sender sends the current packet to the receiver again.

For receiver, they wait the packet to be arrival, and acknowledge to the sender with the sender's sequence number as a verification of getting the packet from the sender.

Sliding Windows

For the sliding windows protocol, both sender and the receiver have the same window size in order to communicate. Moreover, there are two ways to implement the sliding windows: cumulative repeat, and selective repeat. For the selective repeat, the sender selective sends packet where the sender does not get the acknowledge from the sender. For the cumulative acknowledgement, the sender sends the frame from where the receiver does not acknowledged. For this assignment, we are going to implement cumulative sender.

Performance Evaluation



Stop-and-wait performance over 1Gbps

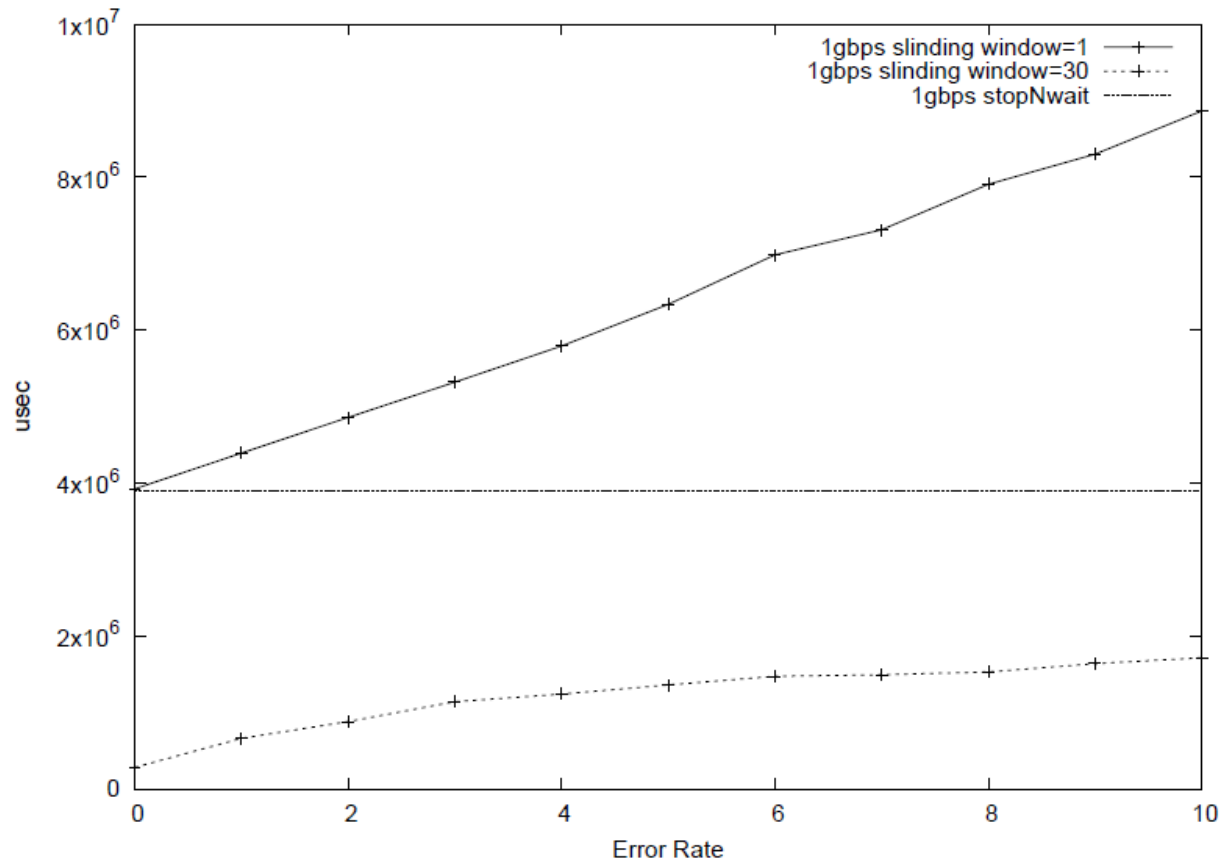
Since the sliding windows send the packet and wait for the acknowledgement from the receiver, the performance is equal to the sliding windows protocol with window size equal 1. It is the upper bound of the sliding windows protocol.

For the performance wise, it has the slowest performance, and it would increase linearly if there is package drop.

Sliding windows performance over 1Gbps

For the sliding windows, since it sends multiple packets at the same time, the performance gets better whenever the windows size gets bigger. The graph shows $\frac{1}{\text{windows_size}} = \text{time}$ behavior first, and when it gets to some limit, there is no performance improvement. (Because of processing delay, queueing delay, transmission delay, and propagation delay)

Performance with random drops



As the random drop increases, the 1gbps sliding window with windows=1 protocol increase linearly. It implies that for the stop and wait protocol, as the error rate increases, the time that it need to retransmit the packet will increase linearly, For the sliding windows protocol with windows size=30, the graph seems logarithmic increase as the error rate increases. Based on this behavior, we can conclude that the sliding windows can bring the huge performance improvement even with noisy environment (or high drop rate environment.).

Discussion

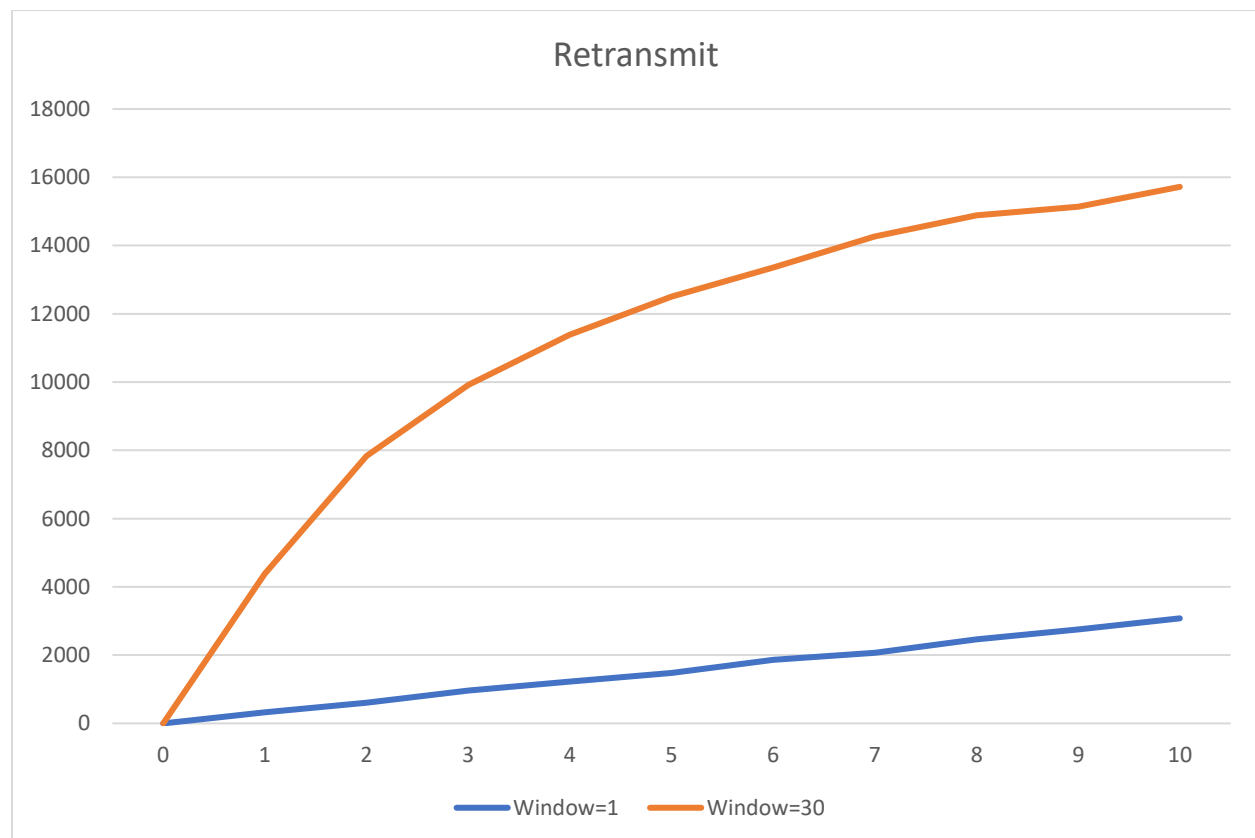
The difference in performance between stop-and-wait and sliding window Influence of window size on sliding window performance

The performance of the sliding-window gets better as the window size increases. When the window size is equal to the one, the performance is similar with stop and wait. (theoretically same) I notice that the performance of the sliding windows is:

$$Sliding_Time = \frac{Stop_wait}{Windows_Size}$$

However, although the window size could be infinite, the sliding time does not approach to zero, because there is delay caused by router, link, and process.

Differences in the number of messages retransmitted between stop-and-wait and sliding window algorithms Include discussion of the effect of drop rates on both the window size of 1 and 30.



Based on the program run, we can get the following graph. As y-axis represent the number of retransmit, and x-axis represent the error rate. From the chart, we can notice that as the error rate goes up, the retransmit rate drastically increases when window=30, while window=1 protocol show the stop-

and-wait protocol, the number of retransmit is lower for stop and wait, and the number of retransmit with windows=30 is highly larger.

In case there no drop rate, I notice that the retransmit rate become also random (with time=100), and it was not consistent.

The output pictures

Server: UW1-320-05.uwb.edu (ubuntu 16.04)

Client: UW1-320-01p.uwb.edu (Debian 9.6)

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received: 19935
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received: 19997
received: 19998
received: 19999
server ending...
Finished
ksh@uwb1-320-05:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=30$ !

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1807954
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_38 ./hwl uwl 320-05.uwb.edu 2>temp.txt
1909228
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_38 ./hwl uwl 320-05.uwb.edu 2>temp.txt
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1 3813858
2 2058148
3 1411089
4 1054818
5 365404
6 711977
7 450899
8 548524
9 450899
10 467692
11 209733
12 379133
13 388862
14 357473
15 117377
16 205386
17 263184
18 209733
19 287269
20 287987
21 281341
22 281763
23 283185
24 285057
25 280102
26 279284
27 282552
28 278088
29 271221
30 282546
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_38 cd ..
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3$ git pull
remote: Enumerating objects: 27, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (17/17), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (7/7), done.
remote: Total 22 (delta 15), reused 22 (delta 15), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (22/22), done.
From https://github.com:shen1438/Network
29f231..c4885e master -> origin/master
Updating 29f231..c4885e
Fast-forward
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_3/igmp.dat | 88 ++++++
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_3/udp.pdf | Bin 500? -> 400? bytes
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_3/udp.plt | 2 +
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_3/udp.ps | 118 ++++++
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part1_3/udp.cpp | 888 ++++++
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Graph/udp.plt | 2 +
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=1/udp.plt | Bin 2 -> 2010? bytes
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=1/udp.cpp | 118 ++++++
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=30/udp.plt | 2 +
 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=30/udp.cpp | 114 ++++++
 15 files changed, 206 insertions(+), 122 deletions(-)
create mode 100644 CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=1/hwl
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3$ cd Part4_Window=1/
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=1$ chmod +x hwl
hwl hwl.cpp
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=1$ ./hwl
ksh@uwb1-320-01p:~/Network/CS5432/Assignment_3/Part4_Window=1$ ./hwl uwl 320-05.uwb.edu 2>temp.txt
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