Timeout Timer Computation & Algo (Basic & Jacobson) and Silly Window Syndrome

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TCP PHASES

- **CONNECTION ESTABLISHMENT**
- **DATA TRANSMISSION**
- **CONNECTION TERMINATION**
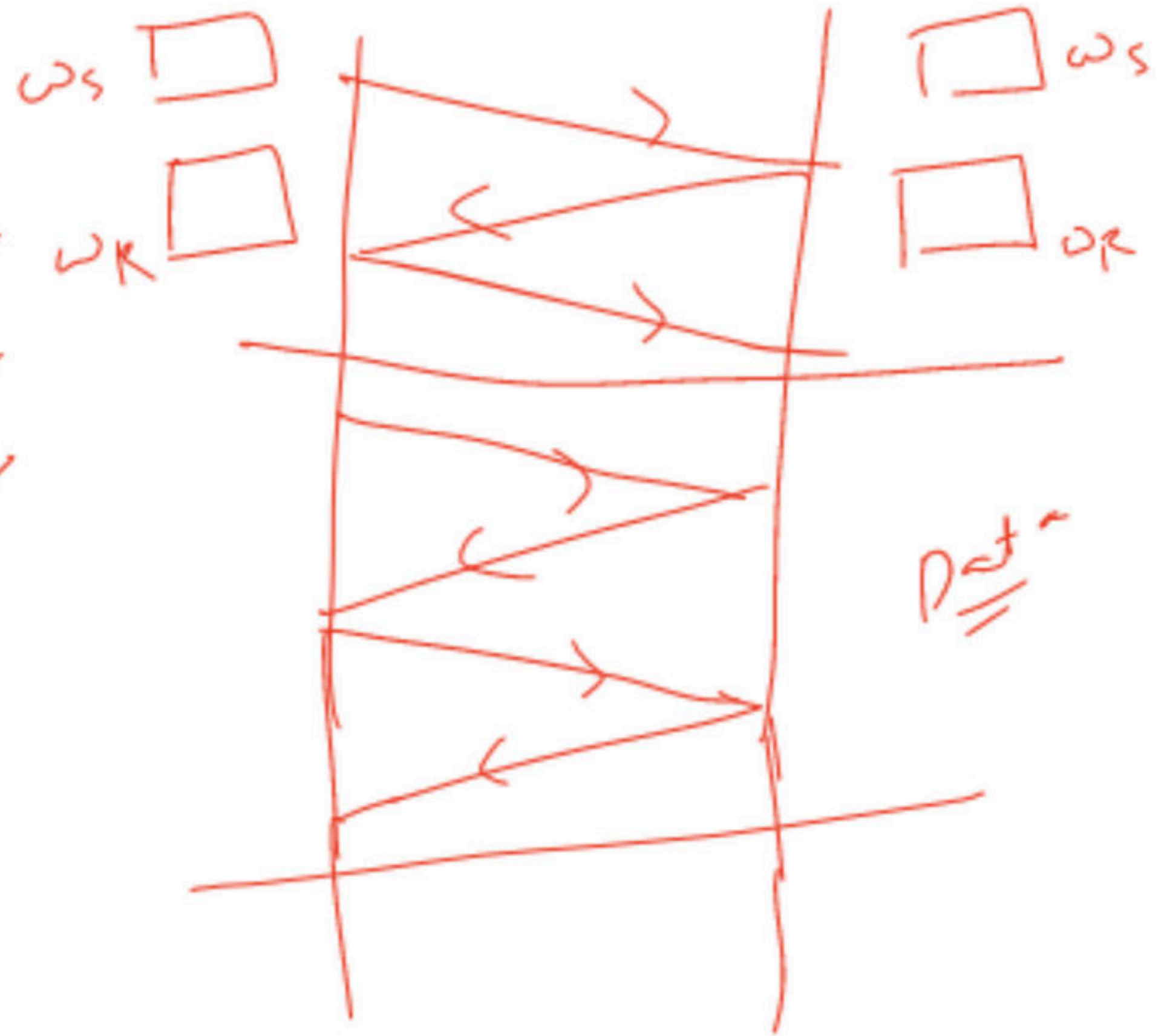
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Client   Server

Request Segment

SYN = 1 Seq = 521
MSS = 1460 window=14600B

Imagine this scenario for connection
Establishment
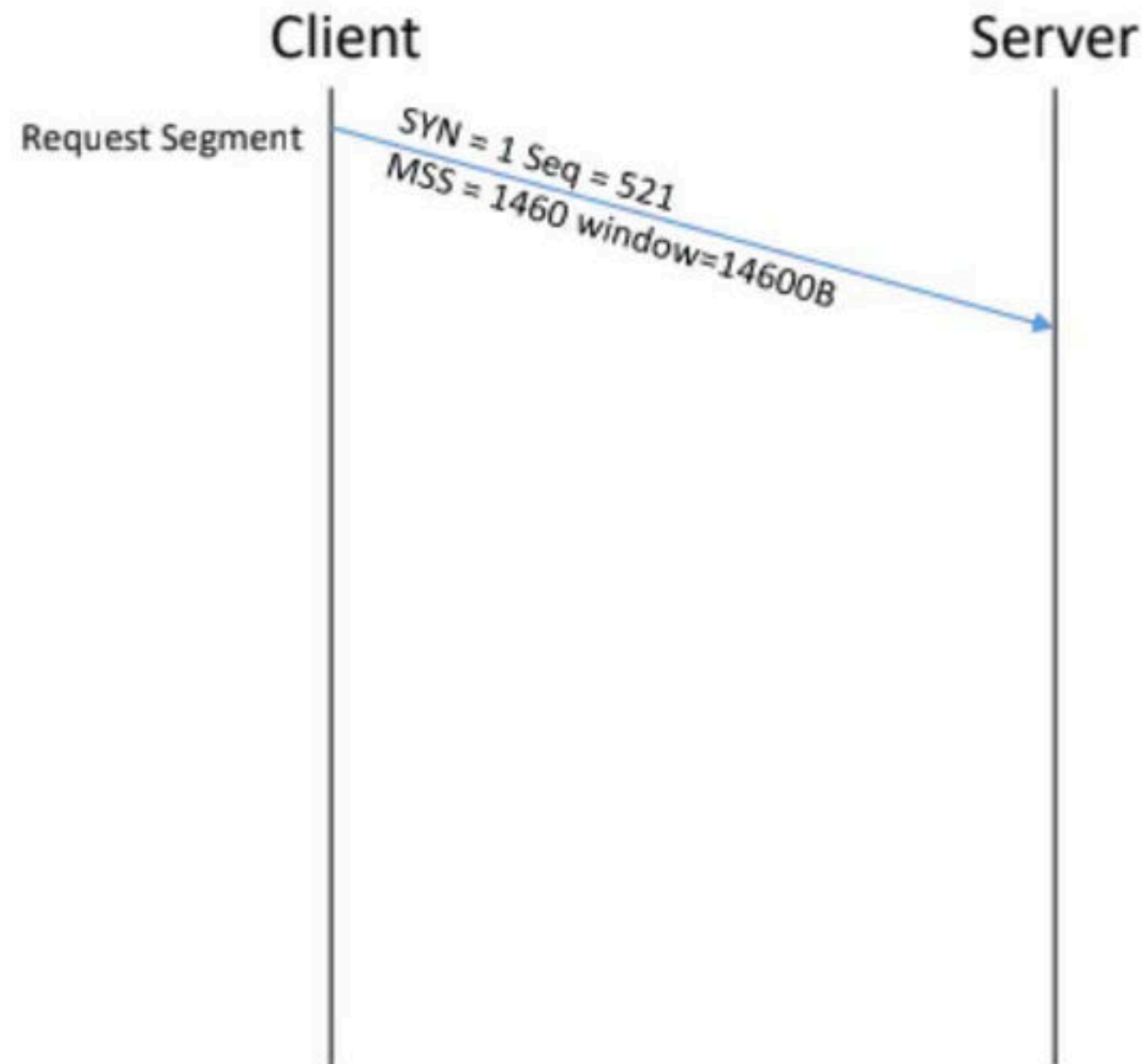
Step-01: SYN-

For establishing a connection,
•Client sends a request segment to the server.
•Request segment consists only of TCP Header with an empty payload.
•Then, it waits for a reply segment from the server.

Request segment contains the following information in TCP header-
1. Initial sequence number
2. SYN bit set to 1
3. Maximum segment size
4. Receiving window size

Three Way Handshake is a process used for establishing a TCP connection.

Client   Server

Request Segment
SYN = 1 Seq = 521
MSS = 1460 window=14600B

Reply Segment

SYN = 1 Seq = 2000
MSS = 500 window=10000B
Ackno =522 ACK =1

Imagine this scenario for connection
Establishment
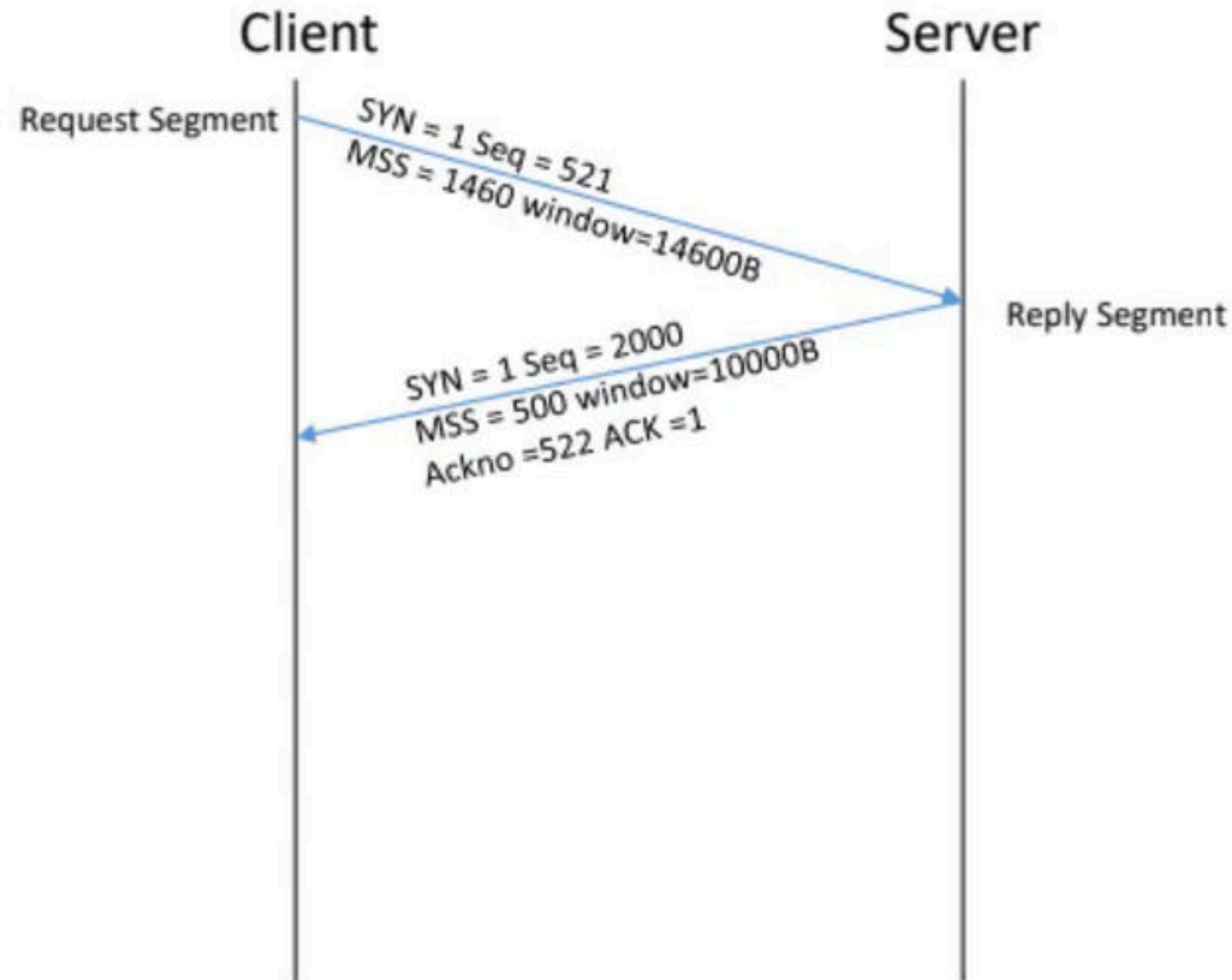
Step-02: SYN + ACK-

After receiving the request segment,
• Server responds to the client by sending the reply segment.
• It informs the client of the parameters at the server side. Reply segment contains the following information in TCP header-
1. Initial sequence number
2. SYN bit set to 1
3. Maximum segment size
4. Receiving window size
5. Acknowledgment number
6. ACK bit set to 1

Three Way Handshake is a process used for establishing a TCP connection.

Client   Server

1.) Request Segment

SYN = 1 Seq = 521
MSS = 1460 window=14600B

2.) Reply Segment

SYN = 1 Seq = 2000
MSS = 500 window=10000B
Ackno =522 ACK =1

3.) Ack Segment

Seq = 522 ackno=2001
ACK=1
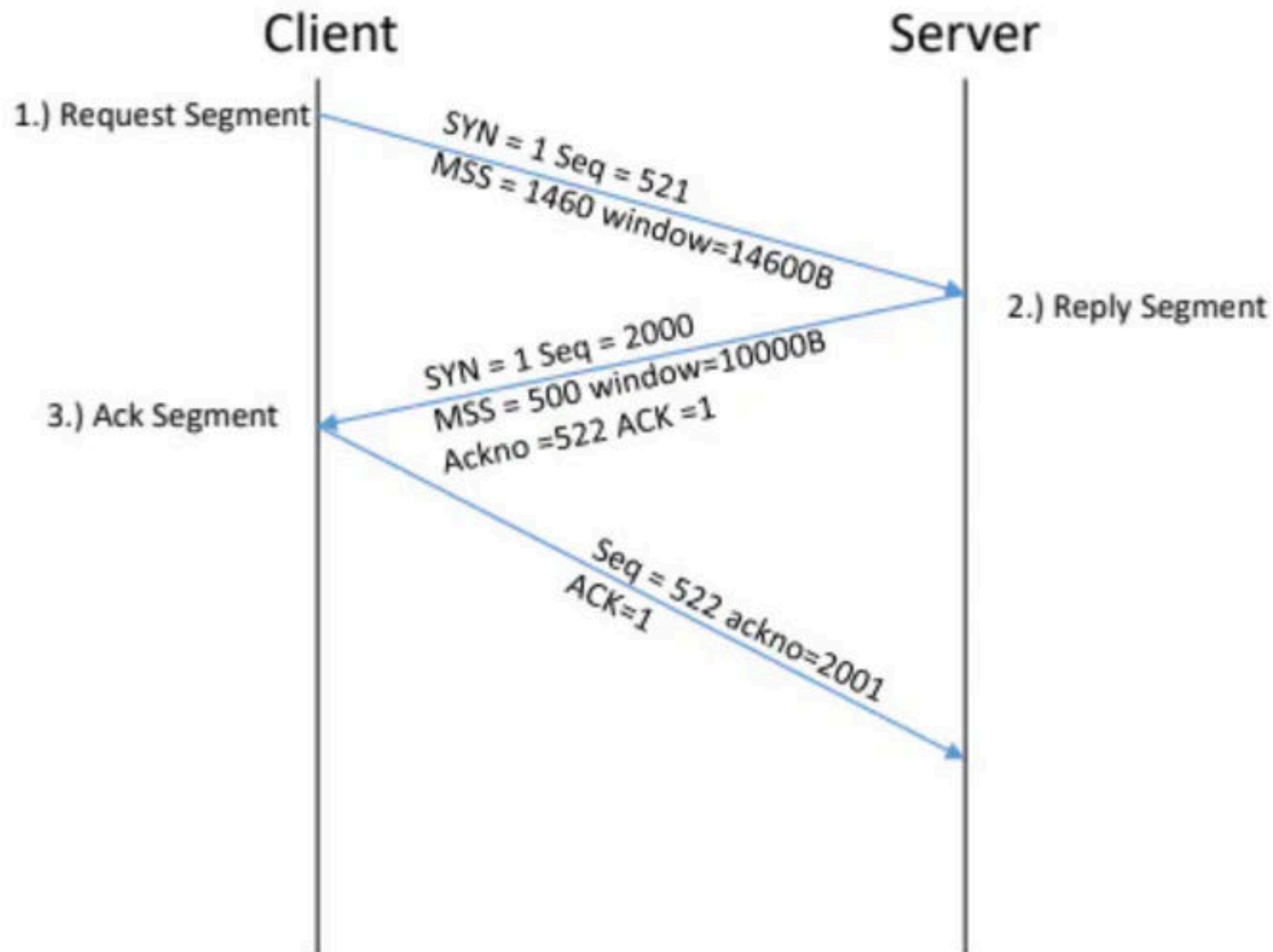
Imagine this scenario for connection
Establishment

Step-03: ACK-

After receiving the reply segment,
• Client acknowledges the response of server.
• It acknowledges the server by sending a pure acknowledgement.

In any TCP segment,
1. If SYN bit = 1 and ACK bit = 0, then it must be the request segment.
2. If SYN bit = 1 and ACK bit = 1, then it must be the reply segment.
3. If SYN bit = 0 and ACK bit = 1, then it can be the pure ACK or segment meant for data transfer.
4. If SYN bit = 0 and ACK bit = 0, then this combination is not possible.

DATA TRANSMISSION

100 B

621   522

Client   Server

Seq = 522 ackno=2001 ACK=1
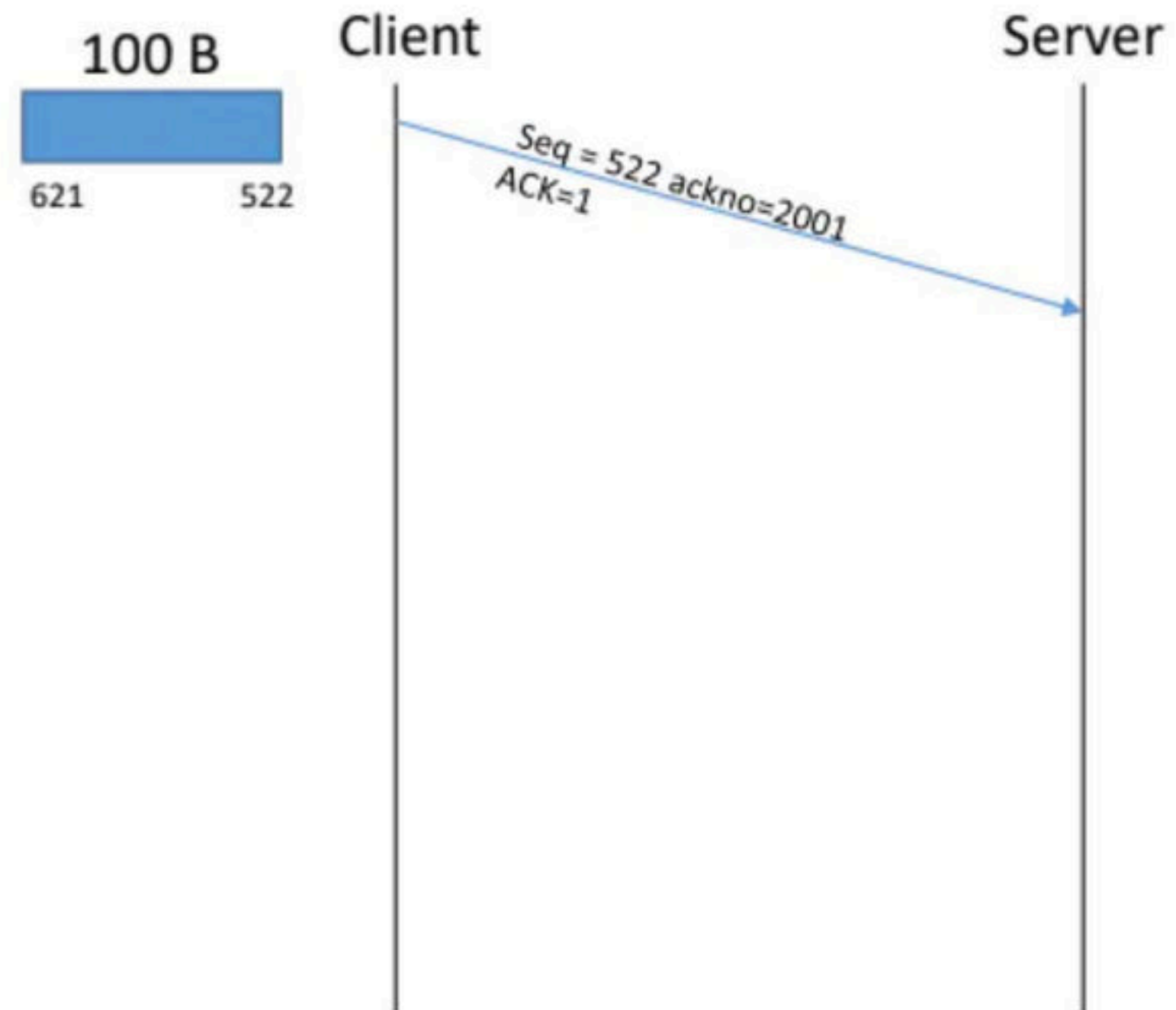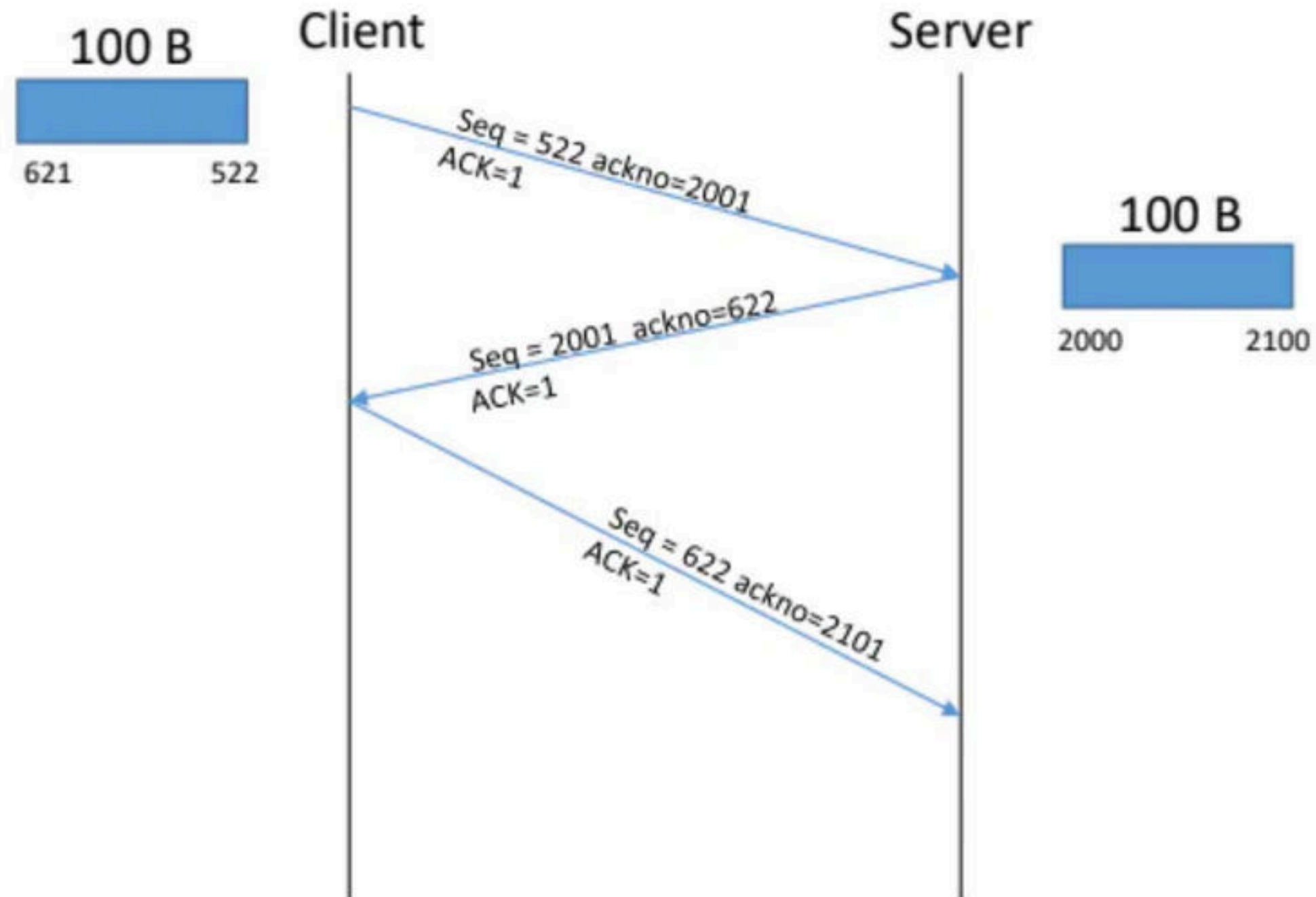
CONNECTION TERMINATION

Consider-
There is a well established TCP connection between the client and server.
Client wants to terminate the connection.

Client   Server

Seq = 722 ackno=2201
ACK=1 FIN =1

Step-01:

For terminating the connection,
- Client sends a FIN segment to the server with FIN bit set to 1.
- Client enters the **FIN_WAIT_1 state**.
- Client waits for an acknowledgement from the server.

CONNECTION TERMINATION

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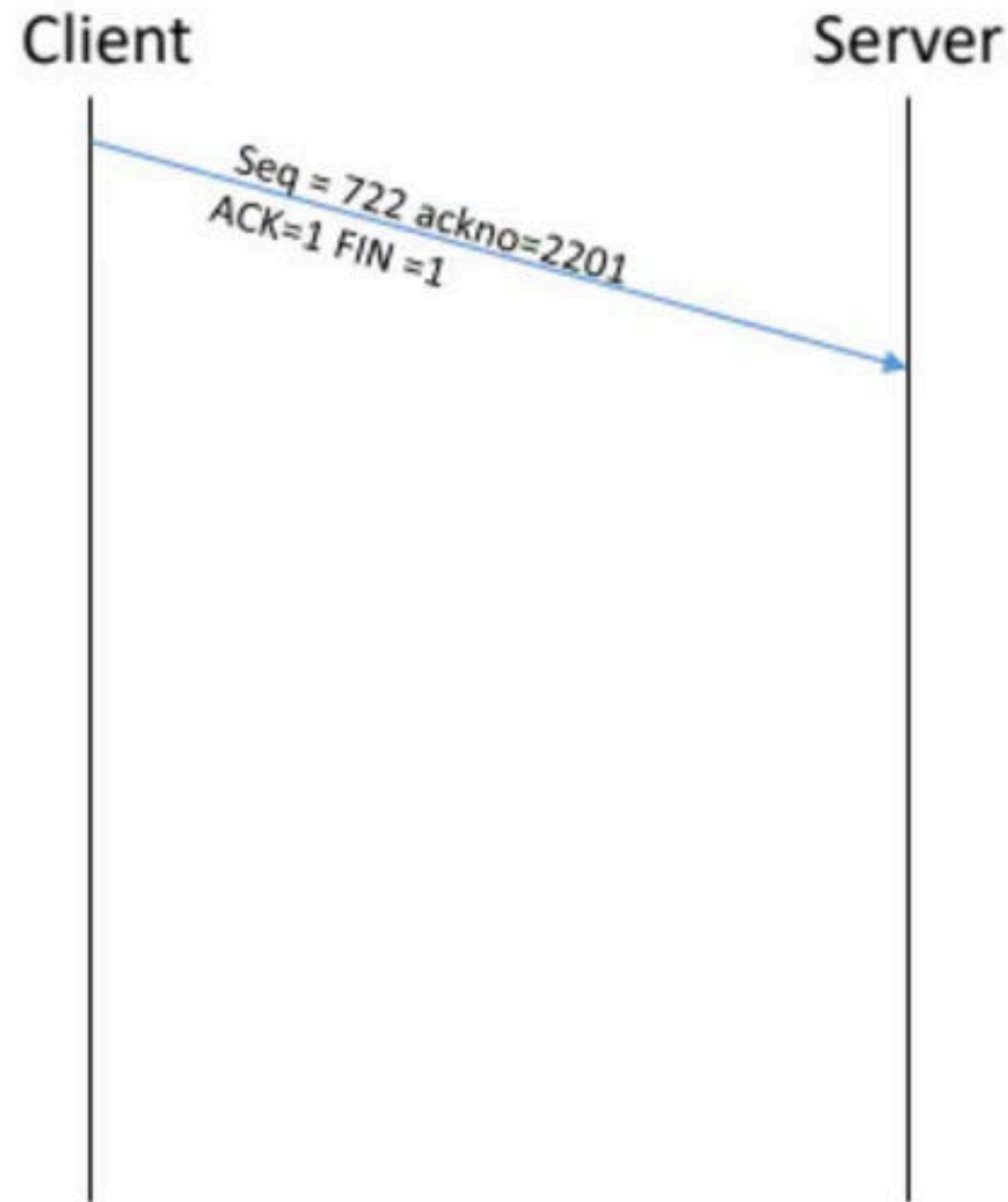
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ACK=1 FIN =1

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ACK=1

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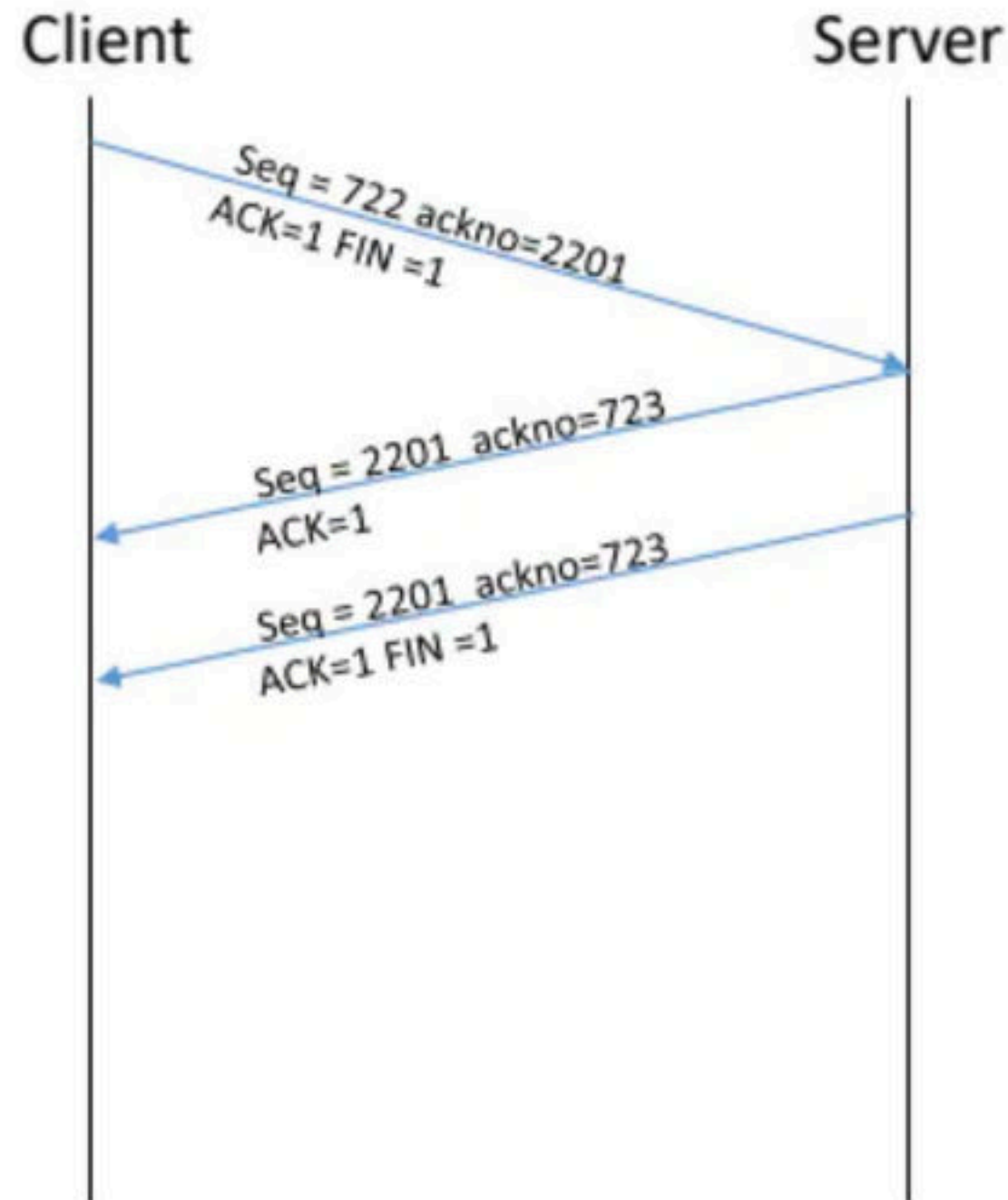
Step-02:

After receiving the FIN segment,
- Server frees up its buffers.
- Server sends an acknowledgement to the client.
- Server enters the CLOSE_WAIT state.

Step-03:

After receiving the acknowledgement, client enters the FIN_WAIT_2 state.

For terminating the connection,
- Server sends a FIN segment to the client with FIN bit set to 1.
- Server waits for an acknowledgement from the client.

CONNECTION TERMINATION

Client

Seq = 722 ackno=2201
ACK=1 FIN =1

Seq = 2201 ackno=723
ACK=1

Seq = 2201 ackno=723
ACK=1 FIN =1

Seq = 723 ackno=2202
ACK=1
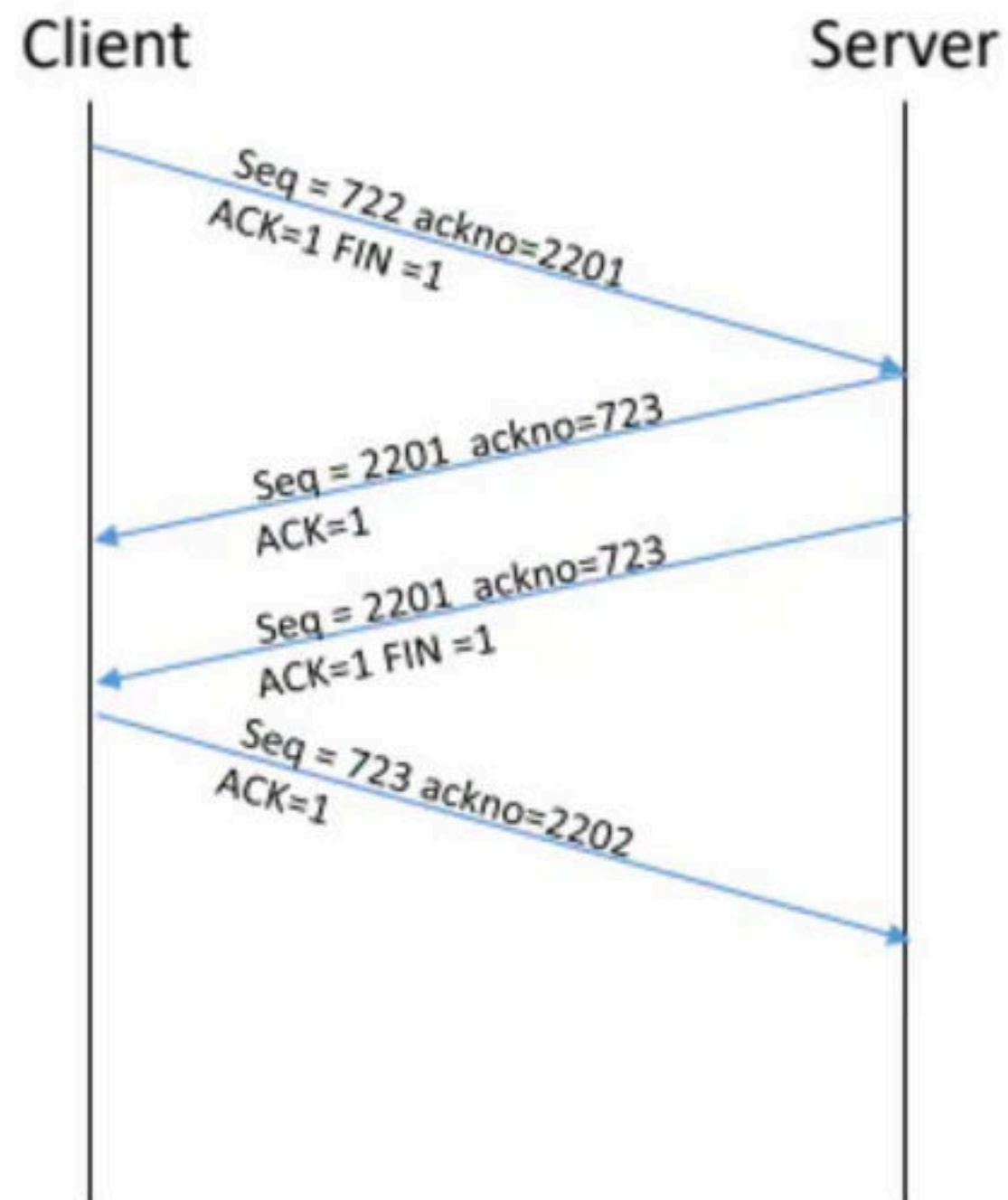
Server

Step-04:

After receiving the FIN segment,
•Client frees up its buffers.
•Client sends an acknowledgement to the server (not mandatory).
•Client enters the TIME_WAIT state.

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TCP header Part 4

PSH Bit-

PSH bit is used to push the entire buffer immediately to the receiving application.

When PSH bit is set to 1,
•All the segments in the buffer are immediately pushed to the receiving application.
•No wait is done for filling the entire buffer.
•This makes the entire buffer to free up immediately.

Useful in case of chat applications

URG Bit-

URG bit is used to treat certain data on an urgent basis.

When URG bit is set to 1,
It indicates the receiver that certain amount of data within the current segment is urgent.
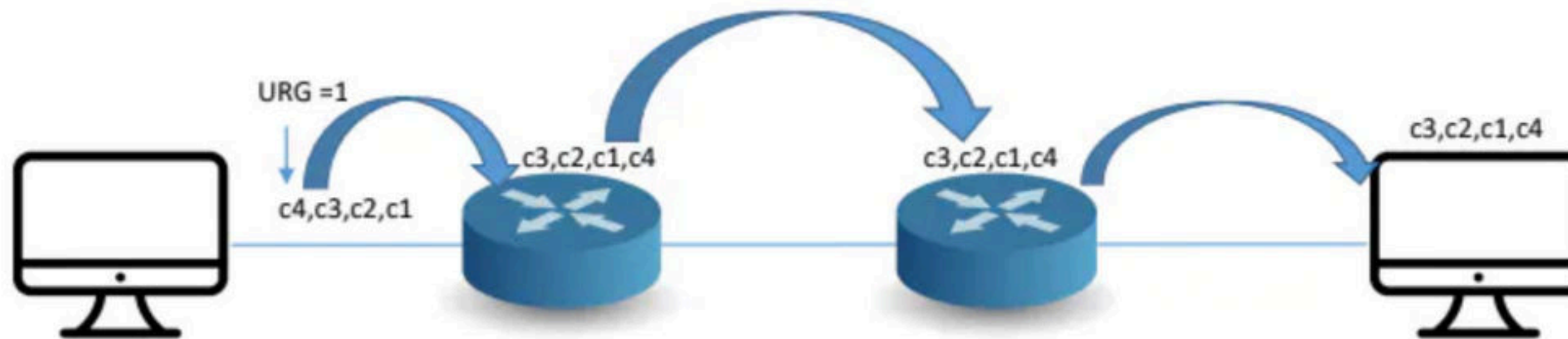
Urgent Pointer-

• Urgent pointer is a 16 bit field.
• It indicates how much data in the current segment counting from the first data byte is urgent.
• Urgent pointer added to the sequence number indicates the end of urgent data byte.
• This field is considered valid and evaluated only if the URG bit is set to 1.

Number of urgent bytes = Urgent pointer + 1

End of urgent byte
= Sequence number of the first byte in the segment + Urgent pointer

RST Bit-

RST bit is used to reset the TCP connection.

When RST bit is set to 1,
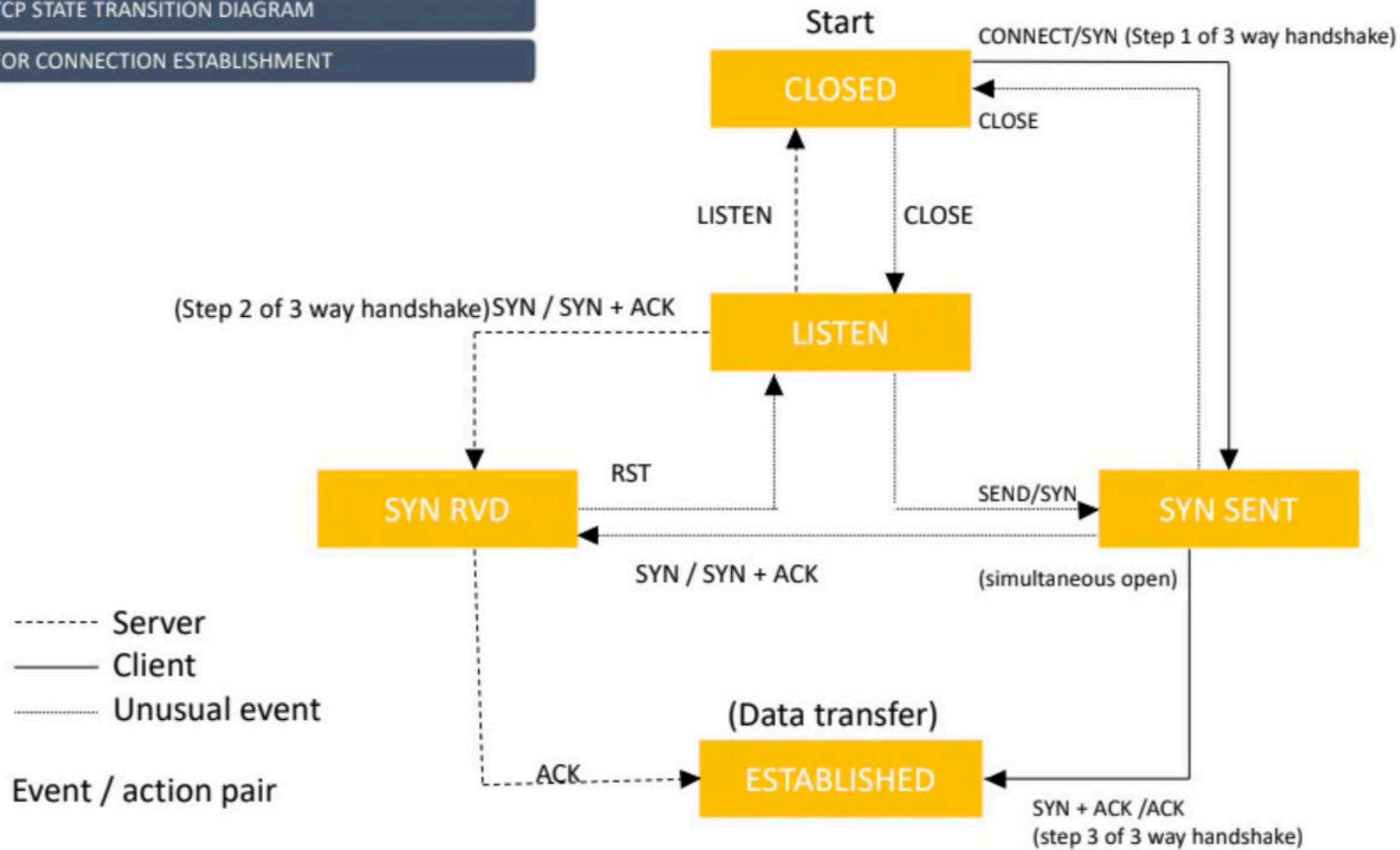- It indicates the receiver to terminate the connection immediately.
- It causes both the sides to release the connection and all its resources abnormally.
- The transfer of data ceases in both the directions.
- It may result in the loss of data that is in transit.

This is used only when-
- There are unrecoverable errors.
- There is no chance of terminating the TCP connection normally.

TCP STATE TRANSITION DIAGRAM

FOR CONNECTION ESTABLISHMENT

Start

CLOSED

CONNECT/SYN (Step 1 of 3 way handshake)

CLOSE

LISTEN

CLOSE

LISTEN

(Step 2 of 3 way handshake)SYN / SYN + ACK

SYN RVD

RST

SEND/SYN

SYN SENT

SYN / SYN + ACK

(simultaneous open)

Server

Client

Unusual event

Event / action pair

(Data transfer)

ESTABLISHED

ACK

SYN + ACK /ACK

(step 3 of 3 way handshake)

TCP STATE TRANSITION DIAGRAM

FOR CONNECTION TERMINATION

CLOSE/FIN   ESTABLISHMENT   FIN/ACK

ACTIVE CLOSE   PASSIVE CLOSE

FIN WAIT 1   FIN /ACK   CLOSING   CLOSE WAIT

ACK   FIN + ACK /ACK   ACK   CLOSE/FIN

FIN WAIT 2   FIN /ACK   TIME WAIT   LAST ACK

TIMEOUT

CLOSED   ACK

-------- Server
——— Client
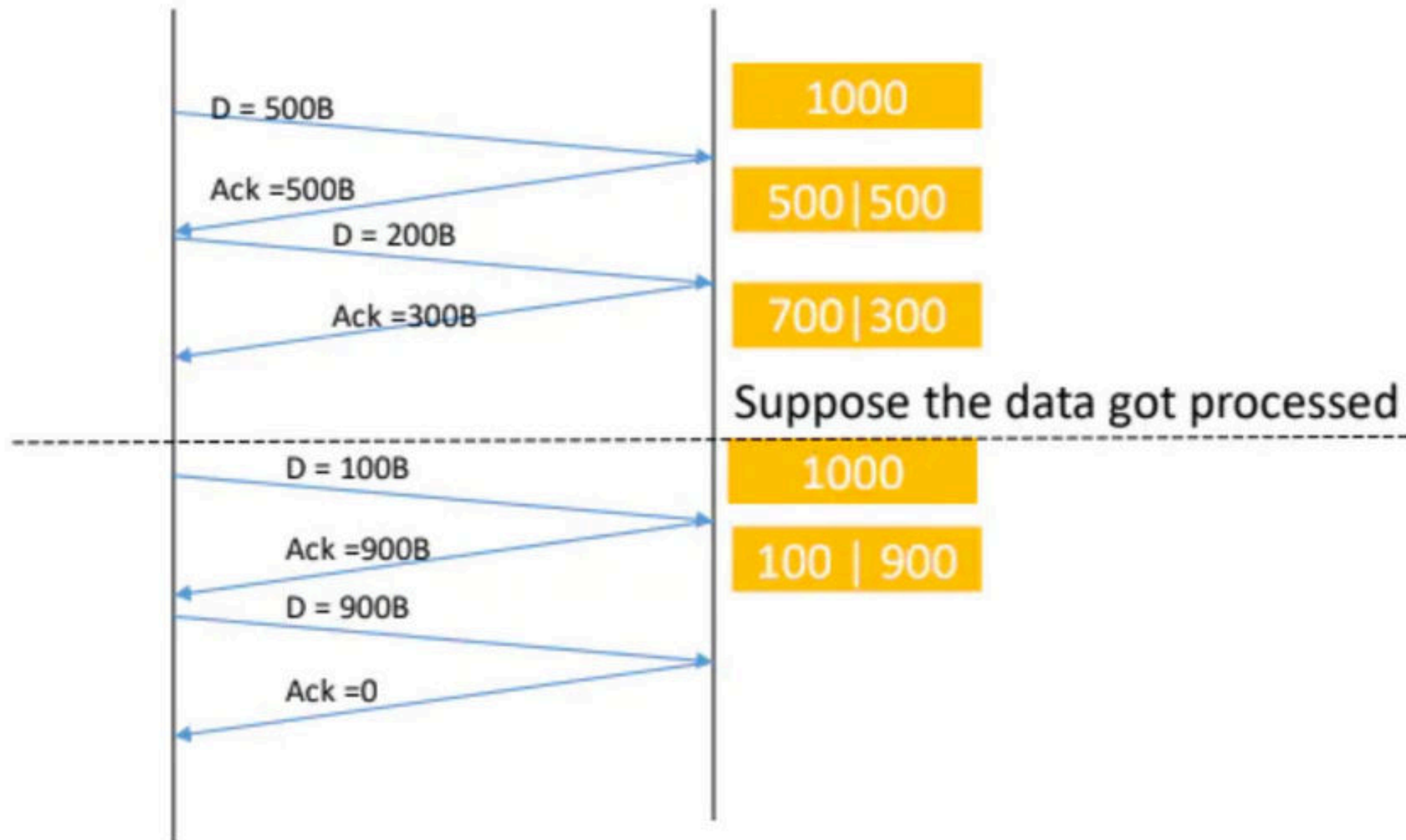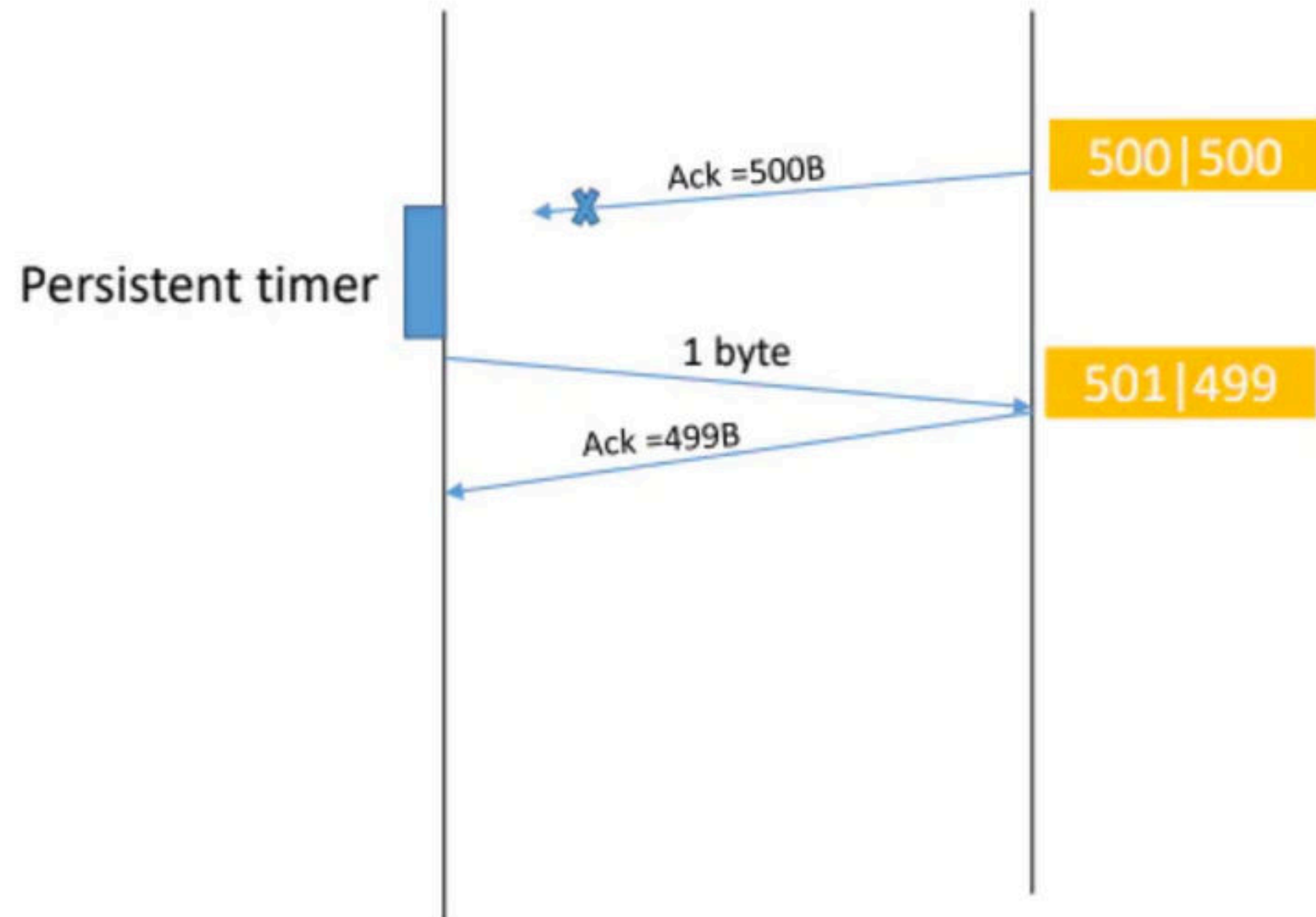········ Unusual event

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TCP header part 5

Window Size

- Window size is a 16 bit field.
- It contains the size of the receiving window of the sender.
- It advertises how much data (in bytes) the sender can receive without acknowledgement.
- Thus, window size is used for **Flow Control**.

Persistent timer

Ack =500B

500|500

1 byte

501|499

Ack =499B

Consider the following situation-
Sender receives an acknowledgment from the receiver
with zero window size.
This indicates the sender to wait.
Later, receiver updates the window size to 500B
and sends the segment with the update to the sender.
This segment gets lost.
Now, both sender and receiver keeps waiting for each
other to do something.
To deal with such a situation, TCP uses a persistent timer.

Checksum

Checksum is a 16 bit field used for error control.
It verifies the integrity of data in the TCP payload.
Sender adds CRC checksum to the checksum field before sending the data.
Receiver rejects the data that fails the CRC check.
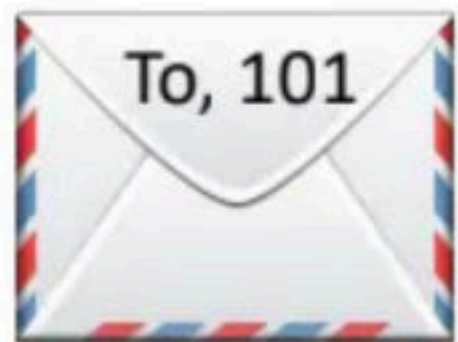
Understanding with an example

Got damaged
While transporting

To, 101

To, 102

MAIL

100

101

102

Letter delivered to wrong house

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Writing the delivery address
Inside the letter too

Options

Options field is used for several purposes.
The size of options field vary from 0 bytes to 40 bytes.

Options field is generally used for the following purposes-
1. Time stamp
2. Window size extension
3. Parameter negotiation
4. Padding

Time Stamp

When wrap around time is less than life time of a segment,
Multiple segments having the same sequence number may appear at the receiver side.
This makes it difficult for the receiver to identify the correct segment.
If time stamp is used, it marks the age of TCP segments.
Based on the time stamp, receiver can identify the correct segment

Window Size Extension

Options field may be used to represent a window size greater than 16 bits.
Using window size field of TCP header, window size of only 16 bits can be represented.
If the receiver wants to receive more data, it can advertise its greater window size using this field.
The extra bits are then appended in Options field.

Parameter Negotiation

Options field is used for parameters negotiation.
Example- During connection establishment,
Both sender and receiver have to specify their maximum segment size.
To specify maximum segment size, there is no special field.
So, they specify their maximum segment size using this field and negotiates.

Padding

Addition of dummy data to fill up unused space in the transmission unit and make it conform to the standard size is called as padding.
Options field is used for padding.