SCTP Sendbuffer Advertising CS4089 Project

Midterm Evaluation

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Introduction

- ► Stream Control Transmission Protocol(SCTP):
 - is designed to transport Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) signaling messages over IP networks, but is capable of broader applications.
 - the next generation transport protocol which aims to remove several limitations of TCP
- Sentbuffer Advertising:
 - each segment will carry the amount of backlogged data present in the sender's buffer

Problem Statement

▶ To study the effects of advertising send-buffer occupancy in SCTP. This information allows networks to discern between application-limited, network-limited and flow-control limited flows, creating new avenues of network optimization.

Literature Survey

- ▶ RFC 3286 [2] provides a high level introduction to the capabilities supported by SCTP .
- ▶ RFC 4960 [3] describes the complete protocol
- Agache and Raiciu [1] propose a scheme to advertise sendbuffer occupancy in TCP.

Work Done

- Completed a part of the planned literature survey
- Wrote a file transfer utility that uses SCTP as the transport protocol to measure the fluctuations in the sendbuffer size.

Future Work

- ➤ To design a working prototype of sendbuffer advertising for SCTP in the Linux kernel and test it in a simulated network.
- Security implications of the prototype will also be studied.

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