



#### Assumptions:

avg object size: 100K bits

avg request rate from browsers to origin servers: 15/sec

avg data rate to browsers: 1.50 Mbps

RTT from institutional router to any origin server: 2 sec

(Internet delay)

Access link rate: 1.54 Mbps

#### Consequences:

LAN utilization: 15%

Access link utilization = 99%

Total delay = Internet delay + access delay + LAN delay

= 2 sec + minutes + usecs

#### Consequences elaboration:

##### Traffic Intensity on LAN Utilization =15%?

$15 \text{ rec/sec} * (100,000 \text{ bits/req}) / 10,000,000 \text{ bits/sec} = 0.15 = 15\%$  [Note: 10 Mbps LAN = 10,000,000 bps]

##### Traffic Intensity on Access Link utilization = 99% (approximately)?

$15 \text{ rec/sec} * (100,000 \text{ bits/req}) / 1540000 \text{ bits/sec} = 0.9740 = 97\%$  [i.e. close to 99%] (approximately) [Note: 1.54 Mbps Access link = 1540000 bps]

Since the access link is being utilized around 97-99%, there will be a congestion, hence delay will be more.

Total delay = Internet delay (2 sec) + Access delay (since intensity is 97-99%, which is high, it will be in order of minutes, which is also a larger delay in networking (NOT OK)) + LAN delay (typically is milliseconds (OK))

= ~ 2 seconds ++

#### SOLUTIONS:

**1. We can upgrade the access link. If updated with a larger bandwidth, it will reduce the traffic intensity on the access link and consequently delay will be reduced in the access link.**

Let us, increase the bandwidth of access link from 1.54 Mbps to **154 Mbps**.

The access link intensity becomes =  $15 \text{ rec/sec} * (100,000 \text{ bits/req}) / 154000000 \text{ bits/sec} = 0.09740 = 9.7\%$ .

Access Link utilization is reduced.

Total delay = Internet delay (2 sec) + Access delay (since intensity is 9.7%, which is low, it will be in order of milliseconds (OK)) + LAN delay (typically is milliseconds (OK))

= ~ 2 seconds ++

However, increasing access link bandwidth is **COSTLY**. Since, we need to pay for this large bandwidth every month.

## 2. We can install Web cache (proxy server) in the institutional network.

Suppose after installing the proxy server in the LAN, the cache-hit rate is 0.4 (40%), 60% requests are satisfied at origin servers.

Now 60% of requests use the access link, instead of 97-99%.

Data rate to browsers over the access link =  $0.6 * 1.50 \text{ Mbps} = 0.9 \text{ Mbps}$

Hence, access link utilization becomes =  $0.9 / 1.54 \text{ Mbps} = 0.584 = 58.4\%$  (reduced than original 97-99%)

Now, Total delay =  $0.6 * (\text{delay from origin servers}) + 0.4 * (\text{delay when satisfied at web cache}) = 0.6 * 2.01 + 0.4 * (\sim \text{milliseconds}) = \sim 1.2 \text{ seconds}$  (which is lower than the delay with increased bandwidth of 154 Mbps also (VERY GOOD-CHEAPER- FASTER)).