In-class assignment 3: QoS for Applications

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Application	Reliability	Delay	Jitter	Bandwidth	Explanation
Email	high	not critical	don't care	low	Receiving party must receive the exact email sent by the transmitting party without any loss of the content. Therefore, the reliability should be high. However, since the emails are transmitted using the store and forward mechanism delay in transmission is not critical. As the email is constructed after receiving all the required data packets, delay in between packets in not a problem. since the emails are restricted to several MBs the required bandwidth is quite low.
File Transfer	high	not critical	don't care	medium	Receiving party must receive the exact files sent by the transmitting party without any loss of the content. Therefore, the reliability should be high. Delay in transmission is not critical as it does not affect the quality of the received file. As the files are constructed after receiving all the required data packets, delay in between packets is not a problem. Since, files can have varying sizes, sufficient bandwidth is required to provide the service within a reasonable amount of time. If the bandwidth is very low transmission may take very long time which is can not be tolerated.
Web	high	<2s	don't care	medium	Purpose of a web page is to provide information to public, therefore the reliability should be high. Otherwise loss of characters and etc. due to errors in packets can corrupt the original information. As the humans interact with web in real time, the delay it takes to build a given web page should be limited. Jitter is not a problem as long as the requested web page is built after receiving all the required data packets. Web pages may contains embedded images and videos which require sufficient amount of bandwidth in order to load the page within the specified amount of time.

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Remote Login	high	<2s	not critical	low	Remote login involves processes related to security such as user authentication. Therefore reliability of the service must be high in order to transmit the exact information and commands. Since user interaction in real time is present in remote login the delay of service must be maintained within some specified time. Bandwidth requirement is low as all we have to transmit is some commands through a Command Line Interface.
Audio Streaming	low	not critical	significant	medium	Since target audience is humans even though there is some error in a given conversation/sentence, it will not be a big problem as humans can guess the missing word or phrase depending on the context of the conversation. However, even for that to happen there should be some minimum acceptable reliability in the service. Affect of jitter is significant as the data packets should receive in a proper sequence in order to interpret the received data meaningfully for a smooth user experience. However, affect of jitter is not critical as buffers can be used in receiving end to construct the stream before playing. Some bandwidth is required for audio streaming as it may contains voice and music type data.
Video Streaming	low	not critical	significant	high	Explanation given for the Audio streaming applies here as well. But video Streaming requires much higher bandwidth rather than audio streaming as it contains both audio and video data.
Telephony	low	<0.2s	critical	low	Telephony involves real time voice communication between two parties. Reliability of the required service is low as one party can always disturb the other party by asking for any missing information. Affect of jitter is critical, as the incoming data must be interpreted continuously in the proper sequence to get any meaningful information. Required bandwidth is low as telephony involves only voice data.

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Video Conferencing	low	<0.2s	critical	high	Video Conferencing involves real time voice and video communication between two parties. Reliability of the required service is low as one party can always disturb the other party by asking for any missing information. Affect of jitter is critical, as the incoming data must be interpreted continuously in the proper sequence to get any meaningful information and to maintain the synchronization between audio and video. Video Conferencing requires much higher bandwidth rather than telephony as it contains both audio and video data.