

1. (a) (6 pts) Integrated services (IS) and differentiated services (DS) are flow-based and class-based approaches to QoS, respectively. Describe the advantage and disadvantage of them each.
- (b) (6 pts) In the Internet, the design of explicit congestion notification (ECN) involves the use of two bits in the IP packet header and two 1-bit flags ECE and CWR in the TCP segment header. Describe how the full ECN mechanism works.
2. A private company has **two** public IP addresses, 198.60.42.12 and 198.60.42.13, in a **NAT** box (like the one shown in Fig. 1). Within the company, every computer gets a unique private IP address of the form 10.x.y.z.
  - (a) (3 pts) How many addresses does the company have for its internal hosts/machines?
  - (b) (5 pts) How many internal machines at most can communicate simultaneously with the machines with public IP addresses outside of the company?

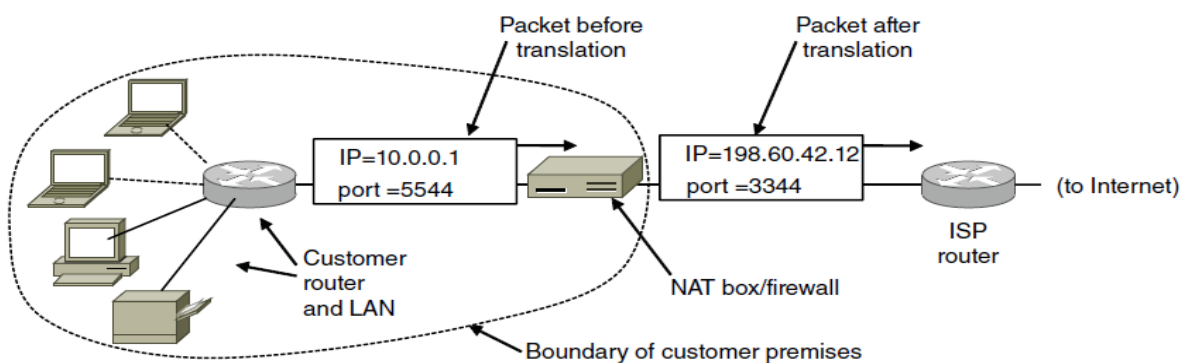


Figure 1: Placement and operation of a NAT box.

3. IPv4 header comprises such fields: *Version, IHL, Differentiated services, Total length, Identification, DF, MF, Fragment offset, Time to live, Protocol, Header checksum, Source address, Destination address, and Options*.
  - (a) (6 pts) What fields are used to implement nontransparent fragmentation? Also describe their functions;
  - (b) (3 pts) Describe the method used by IPv6 to deal with fragmentation issues.
4. Suppose that the transport entity at source S is sending packets at the rate  $\lambda$  packets/sec across a network to destination transport entity D and that the network is capable of supporting the capacity of the SD connection at rate  $\mu$  packets/sec.
  - (a) (6 pts) View the network as an M/M/1 queueing system of a single node. Show the mean delay, denoted by  $T$ , from S to D.
  - (b) (4 pts) Kleinrock (1970) proposed the metric of **power** for congestion. This metric is a function of load  $\lambda$  pkts/sec. Show the power, a function of  $T$  and  $\lambda$ .
  - (c) (5 pts) The load with the highest power represents an efficient load for the transport entity D to place on the network. Find the load  $\lambda$  that maximizes the power.
5. (a) (4 pts) The timing **ack clock** is an essential part of TCP. Explain its meaning and use.
- (b) (6 pts) TCP adjusts the congestion window size according to the AIMD (Additive Increase Multiplicative Decrease) control law. However, the algorithm called **slow start** is still used for "increase" and there is also a **slow start threshold** involved. Describe why the slow start algorithm is chosen and how it works.

6. (6+7 pts) Suppose that the clock-driven scheme for generating initial sequence number is used with a 10-bit clock counter. The clock ticks once every 1000 msec (i.e., 1 per second), and the maximum packet lifetime is 24 sec. How often need resynchronization take place?
- (a) in the worst case?
- (b) when the data consumes 40 sequence numbers/min?
7. Consider that a **weighted fair queueing algorithm** is chosen as the packet scheduling algorithm in a queueing system and that the algorithm simulates a byte-by-byte round-robin. Suppose that there are currently three flows of packets, with flow  $i$  having a weight of  $i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . Listed in Table 1 are the flow number, packet arrival time, packet length (byte), some unresolved packet finish time, unresolved packet output order for each of packets A, B,  $\dots$ , and H waiting in the queue.

Table 1: The flow number, arrival time, packet length (byte), virtual finish time, and packet output order for each of packets A, B,  $\dots$  and H arriving at input queues for service.

| Packet | Flow No. | Arrival time | Length | Finish time | Output order |
|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------------|--------------|
| A      | 1        | 0            | 7      | 7           | 1            |
| B      | 2        | 1            | 14     | 8           | 2            |
| C      | 3        | 3            | 27     | 12          | $y_1$        |
| D      | 2        | 5            | 18     | $x_1$       | $y_2$        |
| E      | 3        | 7            | 6      | $x_2$       | $y_3$        |
| F      | 1        | 9            | 11     | $x_3$       | $y_4$        |
| G      | 3        | 10           | 12     | $x_4$       | $y_5$        |
| H      | 1        | 11           | 8      | $x_5$       | $y_6$        |

- (a) (10 pts) Compute virtual finish times  $x_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$ .
- (b) (6 pts) Show packet output order  $y_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, 6$ , where  $y_i \in \{3, 4, \dots, 8\}$ .
8. (a) (6 pts) Give the full name and main functionality of each term: ARP, ICMP, DNS.
- (b) (4 pts) What is the relevance of the **two army problem** to releasing connections?
- (c) (4 pts) A network on the Internet has a subnet mask of 255.255.224.0 What is the maximum number of hosts it can handle?
- (d) (3 pts) The Sequence number in a RTP header is just a counter that is incremented on each RTP packet sent. For what is the number used?