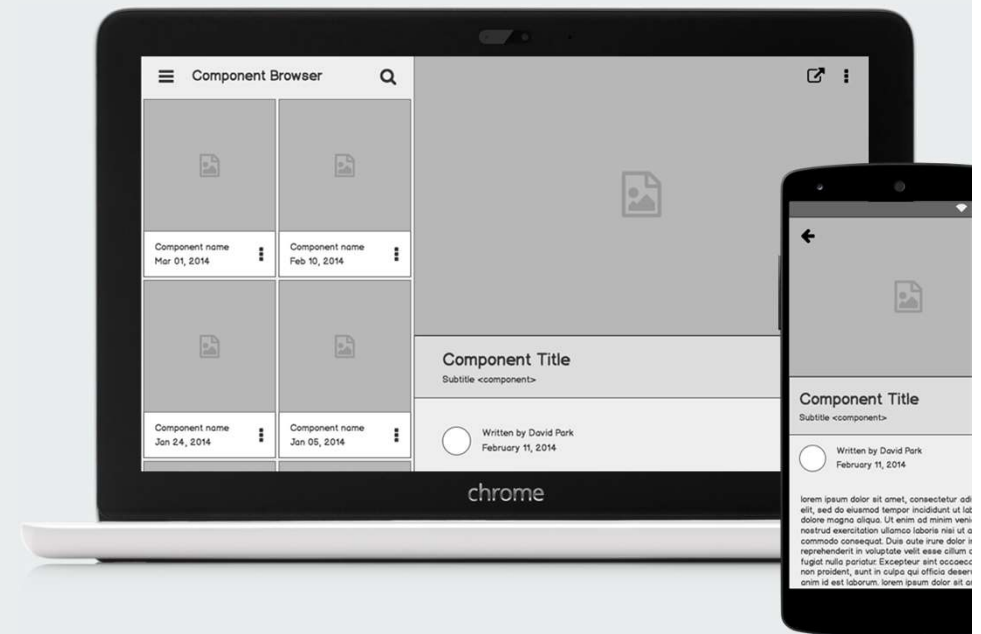


# NS2 Project Proposal

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The Paper:

The Peak-Hopper: A New End-to-End Retransmission Timer for  
Reliable Unicast Transport

Link:

[https://www.cs.helsinki.fi/u/gurtov/reiner/PeakHopper\\_draft0207.pdf](https://www.cs.helsinki.fi/u/gurtov/reiner/PeakHopper_draft0207.pdf)



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# Overview

Modified mechanism for  
RTT calculation

**TCP Retransmission Time Out (RTO) and  
Round-Trip Time (RTT)**

Two RTO algorithm runs in parallel.

One is Short-Term History RTO.

Another one is Long-Term History  
RTO.

# Calculating RTO [From the Paper]

$$\delta = \frac{RTT_{sample} - RTT_{previous}}{RTT_{previous}} \quad (\text{Step 1})$$

$$D = 1 - \frac{1}{F * S} \quad (\text{Step 2})$$

$$B \leftarrow \max(\delta, D * B) \quad (\text{Step 3})$$

$$RTT_{max} = \max(RTT_{sample}, RTT_{previous}) \quad (\text{Step 4})$$

$$RTO \leftarrow \max(D * RTO, (1 + B) * RTT_{max}) \quad (\text{Step 5})$$

$$RTO \leftarrow \max(RTO, RTO_{min}) \quad (\text{Step 6})$$

# Explanation

Step 1

$$\delta = \frac{RTT_{sample} - RTT_{previous}}{RTT_{previous}}$$

Having collected a new RTT sample,  $RTT_{sample}$  (in the picture), we compare this value to the previous RTT sample collected,  $RTT_{previous}$  (in the picture), as shown in Step 1.

We call the normalized change between these two samples  $\delta$ . This is the measure of the short-term changes in RTT.

Step 2

$$D = 1 - \frac{1}{F * S}$$

D is decay factor. D determines how rapidly the RTO is decayed. F is fade variable, which controls the speed of this decay (a high F gives a slow decay and a low F gives a high decay).

# Explanation

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Step 3

$$B \leftarrow \max(\delta, D * B)$$

We calculate a booster variable B. The booster variable determines how high the RTO should hop when a large RTT increase has been detected.

Step 4

$$RTT_{\max} = \max(RTT_{\text{sample}}, RTT_{\text{previous}})$$

We set RTTmax to the maximum of the new RTT sample, RTTsample, and the previous RTT sample, RTTprevious. RTTmax is used to represent the short-term history of the RTT

# Explanation

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Step 5

$$RTO \leftarrow \max(D * RTO, (1 + B) * RTT_{\max})$$

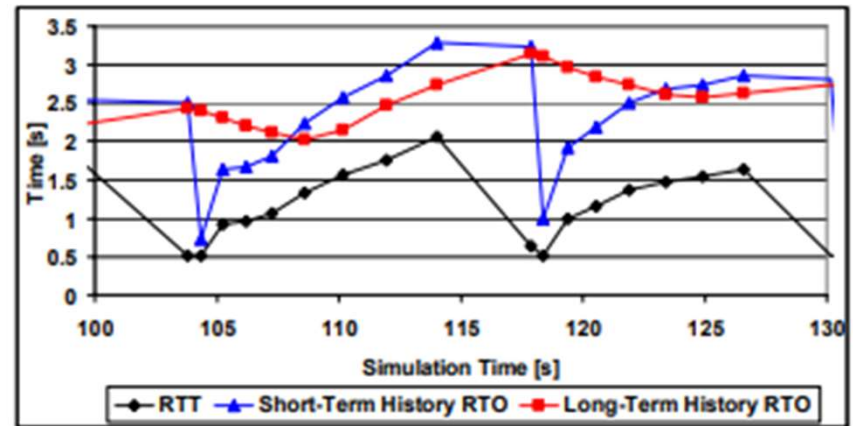
We set RTO to the maximum of a long-term history (represented by the term  $D * RTO$ ) and the short-term history (represented by the term  $((1+B)*RTT_{\max})$ ).

Step 6

$$RTO \leftarrow \max(RTO, RTO_{\min})$$

we ensure that the RTO does not fall below the minimum allowed RTO.

# Expected Output



**Figure 4. The PH-RTO is calculated as the envelope of the Short- and Long-Term History RTO curves**



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**Thank you.**