Network Layer: logical communication between hosts

Transport Layer: logical communication between processes (services: connection-oriented data stream, reliability, flow control, multiplexing, congestion control, connection setup).

Multiplexing @ **sender:** handle data from multiple sockets, add transport header.

Demultiplexing @ receiver: use header info to deliver received segments to correct socket.

How demultiplexing works:

Host receives IP datagrams: each datagram source IP address, destination IP address, carries one transport-layer segment, source/destination port number.

UDP demultiplexing: SEND: socket=host-local port #, datagram=des IP addr, des port #; RECV: check des port #, direct to socket w/port #.

TCP demultiplexing: source IP addr & port #, des IP addr & port #.

UDP flaws: may be lost, delivered out-of order, no handshaking between snd/rcv; each UDP segment handled indp.

Why UDP? No connec. Establishment, small header size, no congestion control.

Checksum: detects errors in transmitted segment.

ACK: receiver "pkt OK" → sender **NAK(neg ack):** recv "pkt errors" → sender → retransmission

Handling Duplicates: sender retransmits pkt if ACK/NAK corrupted \rightarrow sender adds seq # to pkts \rightarrow recv discards dup pkts Pipelined Protocol: sender allows multiple, "in-flight", yet-to-be-ack pkts (twp forms: go-back-N, selective repeat)

	<u>Go-back-N</u>	Selective Repeat
sender	max = N unACK pkts	max = N unACK pckts
receiver	sends cummulative ACK	sends individual ACK

(doesn't ACK pck if gap exists)

sender timer = oldest unACK pkt timer = on each unACK pkt

(when timer expires: retransmit **all** unACK pkts) (when timer expires: retransmit only that unACK pkt)

TCP seq # & ACKs:

seq # → byte stream "#" of first byte in segment's data(e.g seq=500, 100 bytes → next segment seq=600).

*instead of numbering segments, TCP numbers bytes of transmitted data & uses the # of the first data byte in a segment as that segment's sequence #.

 $ACK \rightarrow seq$ of next byte expected from other side; cumulative ACK.

TCP Seq # & ACKS example:*

Computing Timeout Intervals:

Low Fluctuations, Steady graph:

EstRTT_{new} = $(1-\alpha)$ *EstRTT_{old} + α *SampleRTT where , α is usually 1/8 = 0.125.

High Fluctuations (How to calculate deviations:):

DevRTTnew = $(1 - \beta)$ DevRTTold + β |SampleRTT - EstRTT| where, β is usually $\frac{1}{4} = 0.25$.

TimeoutInterval = EstRTT + 4*DevRTT

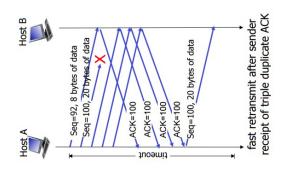
"est RTT" "safety margin"

*when a segment timesout and is re-sent, timeout interval = 2 * timeout interval *when 3 dupACK (indicating out of order), segment is re-sent, even if timer has not expired, this is called **FAST RETRANSMIT**.

TCP Fast Retransmit

- time-out period long
- detect lost segments via 3 dupACKs (if sender receives 3 dupAcks resend segment w/smallest seq #, w/timing out)

example →



Flow Control: endpoints in TCP prevent a fast sender from "overwhelming" a slow receiver. Each w/**receive window** sizes.

* Receiver controls sender, so sender won't overflow receiver's buffer by transmitting too much too fast.

Receive Window (rwnd):

- + two hosts exchange rwnd size at beginning
- + sender guarantees that diff between last seq # & ACK sent never > rwnd

Principles of Congestion Control

- +"too many sources sending too much data too fast for the network to handle"
- + manifestations:
 - lost pkts (buffer overflow at routers)
 - long delays (queuing in router buffers)

Causes of Congestion (from ex in book):

- + too many senders, too many receivers
- + one router, w/infinite buffers
- + output link capacity: R
- + no retransmission

Perfect knowledge scenario:

+ sender sends only when avail buffer

Known Loss Scenario w/out free buff space:

- + pkts can be lost, dropped @ router bc full buffers
- + sender only resends if packet known to be lost

Known Loss w/free buffer space:

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Duplicates (realistic):

- +packets can be lost, dropped at router bc full buffer
- + sender times out permanently, sends 2 copies, delivers

Costs of congestion:

- +more work (retrans) for given "goodput"
- +unneeded retrans: link carries multiple copies of pkt*
 - dec goodput
- +when pkt dropped, any "upstream trans capacity used*
- for that pkt was wasted!

TCP Congestion Control: add inc/mult dec

- +sender inc trans rate (window size), until loss occurs
 - additive inc: inc cwnd by 1 MSS every RTT until loss detected
 - multiplicative dec: cut cwnd in half after loss
- +Sending Rate: roughly: send cwnd bytes, wait RTT for ACKS,

then send more bytes; rate = cwnd/ RTT (bytes/sec)

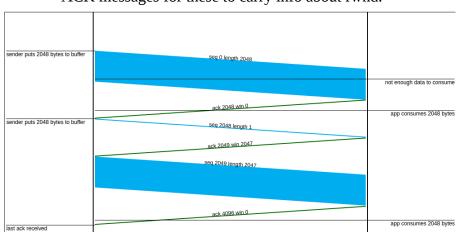
+Last byte sent/ACK <= cwnd

- *Congestion control is different from flow control. It uses observations about network behavior to control the amount of data that is sent. A variable called the "congestion window" (cwnd) is set to the maximum number of bytes that can be transmitted at one time. The congestion window grows when acknowledgements are received in a timely way and shrinks when timeouts occur.
- *Seq, length, and ACK fields in the TCP segment. When the receiver acknowledges a segment with seq and len, it send the ACK=seq + len, the number of the next byte expected. (NOTE: this happens only if all seqments up to seq have been received; if there are gaps, then the acknowledgement is for the last segment that was received with no preceding gaps.)

*rwnd Question (assume rwnd=0): How does recv tell sender to start sending again?

*Answer: sender sends tiny messages (1 byte each); recv then uses

* ACK messages for these to carry info about rwnd.



TCP Slow Start

- + when connection begins, inc rate expon until 1st loss event
- init cwnd = 1 MSS
- double cwnd every RTT
- done by incrementing cwnd per ACK reveived
- TCP Tahoe, cwnd = 1
- TCP Reno, 3 dupACKs, cwnd=cwnd/2
- Slow Start Treshold

ssthresh = cwnd/2

*3 dupAcks = ssthresh=cwnd/2 +3

The rate of growth of cwnd is determined by another variable **ssthresh**, the slow-start threshhold. When the value of cwnd is than ssthresh, the size of the window grows exponentially (doubling). When cwnd exceeds ssthresh, the window size grows only linearly.