Assignment Requirement

A popular TCP protocol is the TCP Reno, which uses the Additive-IncreaseMultiplicative-Decrease (AIMD) algorithm to control the amount of data sent. The AIMD algorithm controls the congestion window with two parameters. For source s, let the additive and the multiplicative parameters be set as, respectively, alpha and 0 < beta < 1. Typically, these two additive and the multiplicative parameters are set as 1 and 0.5, and this leads to a trajectory as shown below for two senders over a common switching link. Discuss how you might set the AIMD parameters in a data center environment with its integrated tiered architecture. Will fairness still be important in a data center?

Assignment 1 is Question 3 of Tutorial 1 on the AIMD mechanism of TCP and is Individual Submission by each student (not group work). Please submit a report (not more than five pages) written in Microsoft Word or Latex (https://www.overleaf.com/). Your report should consist of a section where you explore tuning AIMD parameters. For example, I demonstrated a code with the alpha parameter

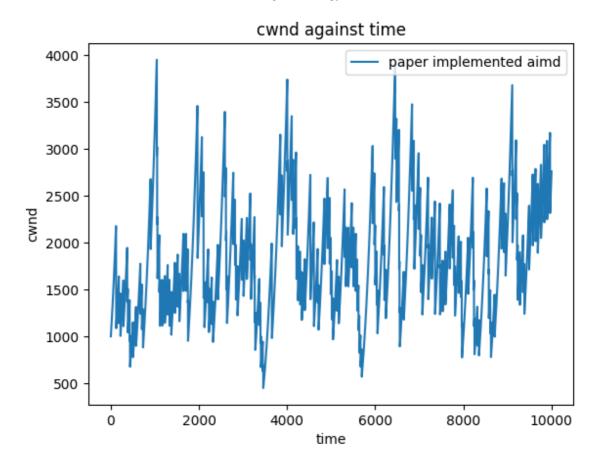
tuning AIMD parameters. For example, I demonstrated a code with the alpha parameter bring the logarithmic function of window size in the tutorial class. For reference, see https://www.evl.uic.edu/eric/atp/HighSpeedTCP.pdf

(https://www.evl.uic.edu/eric/atp/HighSpeedTCP.pdf) and consider different functions to design alpha and beta parameters. Your resport should have a section of numerical examples and experiments with different number of TCP users/flows sharing a single bottleneck. Show that the TCP dynamics converge numerically to some solution (e.g., the right eigenvector of the matrix A in the Lecture slides). Lastly, your report should have discussions based on your numerical experiments and a conclusion (attaching your code as Appendix). You may write your code in any programming language (we have demonstrated a Matlab/Python code in tutorial). You can use Python Jupyther Notebook and attach it as Code in Appendix or convert into a readable PDF or Word document for upload.

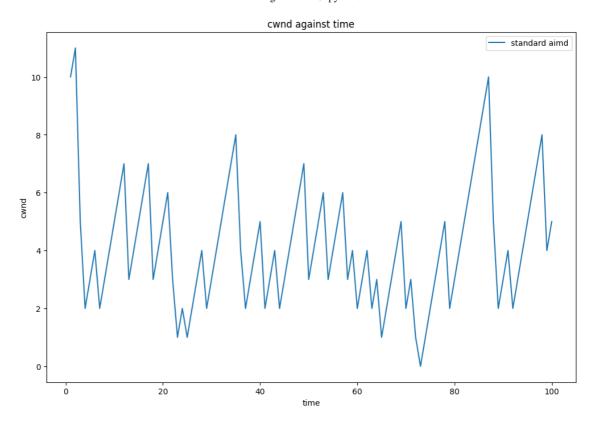
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In [2]:
            # simulate congestion probability: 90% of not dropping
          1
          2
            def next_packet(cwnd, p=0.1):
          3
                binomial_dist = binom(cwnd, p)
          4
                packets_dropped = binomial_dist.ppf(random.random() )
          5
                if packets_dropped == 0:
          6
                     return (packets_dropped, "Transfer")
          7
                else:
          8
                     return (packets_dropped, "Dropped")
```

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In [3]:
            def paper_aimd(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10):
          1
                 def b(cwnd):
          2
          3
                     return (0.1 - 0.5) * (math.log10(cwnd) - math.log10(38))
          4
                  , status = data_packet
          5
                if status == 'Transfer':
          6
          7
                     if (2 - b(cwnd)) > 0:
          8
                         a = cwnd**2 * (0.078 / cwnd**1.2) * 2 * b(cwnd) / (2)
          9
                     cwnd += round(a)
         10
         11
                 else:
                     cwnd = round(cwnd * (1-b(cwnd)))
         12
         13
                     if cwnd<1: cwnd=1</pre>
         14
                 rtt_tracker.append(cwnd)
         15
                 return cwnd
         16
         17
         18 ITERATIONS = 10000
         19 | cwnd = 1000
            pdr = [0, 0]
         20
         21 rtt_tracker = [cwnd]
         22
         23 # iterate
         24 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         25
                 data_packet = next_packet(cwnd, p=0.00001)
         26
                 pdr[0] += cwnd
         27
                 pdr[1] += data_packet[0]
         28
                 cwnd = paper_aimd(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=cwnd)
         29
         30 print("packet drop rate for highspeed aimd is", pdr[1]/pdr[0])
         31
         32 # visualise
            x, y = [], []
         33
         34
            for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         35
                 x.append(i + 1)
         36
                 y.append(rtt_tracker[i])
         37
            plt.plot(x, y, label="paper implemented aimd")
         38
            plt.xlabel("time")
         39
         40
            plt.ylabel("cwnd")
            plt.legend()
         41
         42
            plt.title(f"cwnd against time")
         43
            plt.show()
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packet drop rate for highspeed aimd is 9.573768705297681e-06

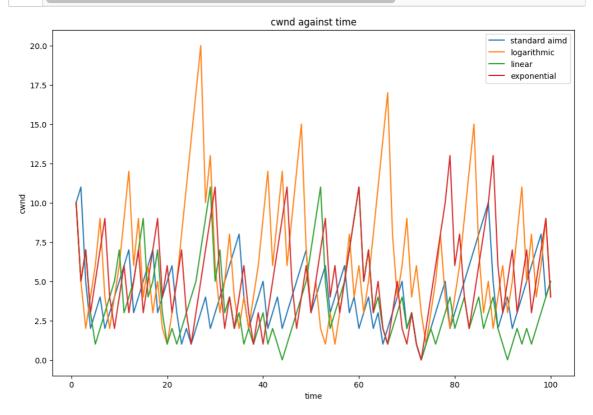


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In [4]:
            # standard tcp congestion control
          1
         2
            def standard_aimd(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10, a=1, b=0.5)
          3
                 _, status = data_packet
                if status == 'Transfer':
          4
          5
                     cwnd += a
          6
                else:
          7
                     cwnd = math.floor(cwnd * b)
          8
                rtt_tracker.append(cwnd)
         9
                return cwnd
         10
         11
         12 ITERATIONS = 10000
         13
            pdr = []
         14 \ cwnd_1 = 10
         15 | pdr_1 = [0, 0]
         16
         17 rtt_tracker_1 = [cwnd_1]
         18
         19 # iterate
         20 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         21
                data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_1)
         22
                pdr_1[0] += cwnd_1
         23
                pdr 1[1] += data packet[0]
         24
                cwnd_1 = standard_aimd(rtt_tracker_1, data_packet, cwnd=cwnd
         25
         26 pdr.append(pdr_1)
         27
         28 # visualise
         29 \times, y1 = [], []
         30 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         31
                x.append(i + 1)
         32
                y1.append(rtt_tracker_1[i])
         33
         34
            plt.figure(figsize=(12,8))
            plt.plot(x[:100], y1[:100], label="standard aimd")
         35
            plt.xlabel("time")
         36
         37 plt.ylabel("cwnd")
            plt.legend()
         38
         39
            plt.title(f"cwnd against time")
            plt.show()
         40
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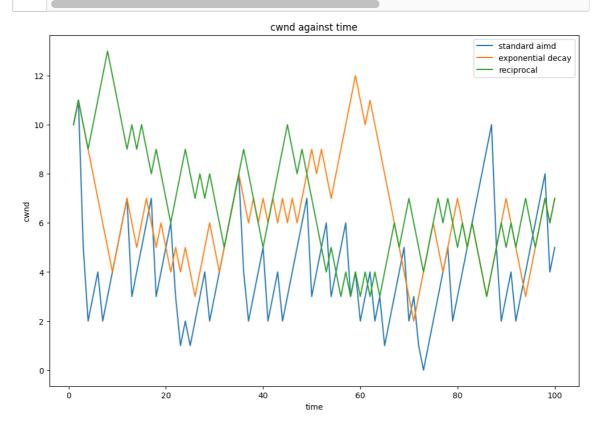
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In [5]:
          1 # highspeed tcp as per https://www.evl.uic.edu/eric/atp/HighSpee
          2 # w += a(w), a(w) increases with w; (1-b(w))*w, b(w) decreases w
          3 def ai_logarithmic(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10, b=0.5):
                 _, status = data_packet
          5
                 if status == 'Transfer':
          6
                     cwnd += math.ceil(math.log(cwnd+math.e)) # a(w) is a log
          7
                else:
          8
                     cwnd = math.floor(cwnd * b)
          9
                 rtt_tracker.append(cwnd)
         10
                 return cwnd
         11
         12
         13 def ai_linear(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10, b=0.5, denom=5)
                  , status = data_packet
         14
         15
                 if status == 'Transfer': # a(w) is a linear function, mention
         16
                     cwnd += cwnd//denom + 1
         17
                 else:
         18
                     cwnd = math.floor(cwnd * b)
         19
                 rtt_tracker.append(cwnd)
         20
                 return cwnd
         21
         22
         23 def ai_exponential(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10, b=0.5, lam
         24
                 _, status = data_packet
         25
                 if status == 'Transfer': # a(w) is an exponential function
         26
                     cwnd += math.floor(math.exp(lambda *cwnd+1))
         27
                else:
                     cwnd = math.floor(cwnd * b)
         28
         29
                 rtt tracker.append(cwnd)
         30
                 return cwnd
         31
         32
         33
         34 \text{ cwnd } 2 = \text{cwnd } 3 = \text{cwnd } 4 = 10
            pdr_2, pdr_3, pdr_4 = [0, 0], [0, 0], [0, 0]
            rtt_tracker_2, rtt_tracker_3, rtt_tracker_4 = [cwnd_2], [cwnd_3]
         37
         38
         39 # iterate
         40 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         41
                 data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_2)
         42
                 pdr_2[0] += cwnd_2
         43
                 pdr 2[1] += data packet[0]
         44
                 cwnd_2 = ai_logarithmic(rtt_tracker_2, data_packet, cwnd=cwn
         45
         46
                 data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_3)
         47
                 pdr_3[0] += cwnd_3
                 pdr_3[1] += data_packet[0]
         48
         49
                 cwnd_3 = ai_linear(rtt_tracker_3, data_packet, cwnd=cwnd_3)
         50
         51
                 data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_4)
         52
                 pdr_4[0] += cwnd_4
         53
                 pdr_4[1] += data_packet[0]
         54
                 cwnd_4 = ai_exponential(rtt_tracker_4, data_packet, cwnd=cwn
         55
         56 pdr.extend([pdr_2, pdr_3, pdr_4])
         57
         58 # visualise
         59 y2, y3, y4 = [], []
            for i in range(ITERATIONS):
                 y2.append(rtt_tracker_2[i])
         61
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y3.append(rtt_tracker_3[i])
62
63
          y4.append(rtt_tracker_4[i])
64
    plt.figure(figsize=(12,8))
65
    plt.plot(x[:100], y1[:100], label="standard aimd")
66
    plt.plot(x[:100], y2[:100], label="logarithmic")
plt.plot(x[:100], y3[:100], label="linear")
plt.plot(x[:100], y4[:100], label="exponential")
67
68
69
70
    plt.xlabel("time")
    plt.ylabel("cwnd")
71
72
    plt.legend()
73
    plt.title(f"cwnd against time")
74
    plt.show()
```



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In [6]:
          1 # highspeed tcp as per https://www.evl.uic.edu/eric/atp/HighSpee
          2 # w += a(w), a(w) increases with w; (1-b(w))*w, b(w) decreases w
          3 def md_exponential_decay(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10, a=1,
                _, status = data_packet
          5
                if status == 'Transfer':
          6
                     cwnd += a
          7
                else:
          8
                     cwnd = math.floor(cwnd * (1-math.exp(-lambda * cwnd)))
          9
                     if cwnd<1: cwnd=1</pre>
         10
                 rtt tracker.append(cwnd)
         11
                 return cwnd
         12
         13
         14 def md reciprocal(rtt tracker, data packet, cwnd=10, a=1):
         15
                 _, status = data_packet
                if status == 'Transfer':
         16
         17
                     cwnd += a
         18
                else:
         19
                     cwnd = math.ceil(cwnd * (1-1/cwnd)) #b(w) is a reciproca
         20
                 rtt tracker.append(cwnd)
         21
                 return cwnd
         22
         23
         24
         25
         26 \text{ cwnd } 5 = \text{cwnd } 6 = 10
         27 pdr_5, pdr_6 = [0, 0], [0, 0]
         28 rtt_tracker_5, rtt_tracker_6 = [cwnd_5], [cwnd_6]
         29
         30
         31 # iterate
         32 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         33
                data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_5)
                 pdr_5[0] += cwnd_5
         34
         35
                pdr_5[1] += data_packet[0]
         36
                cwnd_5 = md_exponential_decay(rtt_tracker_5, data_packet, cw
         37
         38
                data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_6)
         39
                pdr_6[0] += cwnd_6
         40
                pdr_6[1] += data_packet[0]
         41
                cwnd_6 = md_reciprocal(rtt_tracker_6, data_packet, cwnd=cwnd
         42
         43 pdr.extend([pdr_5, pdr_6])
         44 # visualise
         45 y5, y6 = [], []
         46 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         47
                y5.append(rtt_tracker_5[i])
         48
                y6.append(rtt_tracker_6[i])
         49
         50 plt.figure(figsize=(12,8))
         51 plt.plot(x[:100], y1[:100], label="standard aimd")
         52 plt.plot(x[:100], y5[:100], label="exponential decay")
         53 plt.plot(x[:100], y6[:100], label="reciprocal")
         54 plt.xlabel("time")
         55 plt.ylabel("cwnd")
         56 plt.legend()
         57 plt.title(f"cwnd against time")
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58 plt.show()



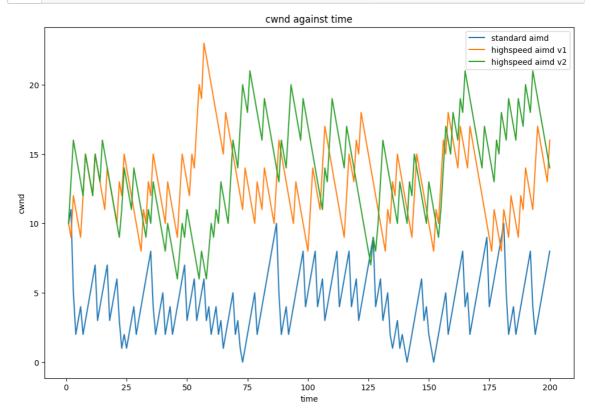
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In [7]:
          1
             result = {
          2
                 "aimd": [
          3
                     "standard",
          4
                     "ai_logarithmic",
          5
                     "ai_linear",
          6
                     "ai_exponential",
                     "md_exponential_decay",
          7
          8
                     "md_reciprocal",
          9
                 ],
         10
                 "total_packets_dropped": [x[1] for x in pdr],
         11
         12
                 "total_cwnd": [x[0] for x in pdr]
         13
            result = pd.DataFrame(result)
         14
            result["packet_drop_rate"] = result["total_packets_dropped"]/res
         15
            result["avg_cwnd"] = result["total_cwnd"]/ITERATIONS
         16
         17
            result
```

Out[7]:

	aimd	total_packets_dropped	total_cwnd	packet_drop_rate	avg_cwnd
0	standard	3499.0	35057	0.099809	3.5057
1	ai_logarithmic	5308.0	52705	0.100712	5.2705
2	ai_linear	3721.0	37051	0.100429	3.7051
3	ai_exponential	4947.0	49185	0.100579	4.9185
4	md_exponential_decay	6836.0	68606	0.099641	6.8606
5	md_reciprocal	6844.0	68416	0.100035	6.8416

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In [8]:
          1 # highspeed tcp as per https://www.evl.uic.edu/eric/atp/HighSpee
          2 # w += a(w), a(w) increases with w; (1-b(w))*w, b(w) decreases w
          3 def highspeed_aimd_v1(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10, lambda_
          4
          5
                 a(w): logarithmic
          6
                 b(w): exponential decay
          7
          8
                  , status = data_packet
          9
                 if status == 'Transfer':
         10
                         cwnd += math.ceil(math.log(cwnd+math.e)) # a(w) is a
         11
                 else:
         12
                     cwnd = math.floor(cwnd * (1-math.exp(-lambda_ * cwnd)))
         13
                     if cwnd<1: cwnd=1</pre>
         14
                 rtt tracker.append(cwnd)
         15
                 return cwnd
         16
         17
         18 def highspeed_aimd_v2(rtt_tracker, data_packet, cwnd=10, lambda_
         19
         20
                 a(w): exponential
         21
                 b(w): reciprocal
         22
                  , status = data_packet
         23
         24
                 if status == 'Transfer':
         25
                     cwnd += math.floor(math.exp(lambda_*cwnd+1))
         26
                 else:
         27
                     cwnd = math.ceil(cwnd * (1-1/cwnd))
                 rtt_tracker.append(cwnd)
         28
         29
                 return cwnd
         30
         31
         32
         33 \text{ cwnd}_{7} = \text{cwnd}_{8} = 10
            pdr_7, pdr_8 = [0, 0], [0, 0]
         34
         35
            rtt_tracker_7, rtt_tracker_8 = [cwnd_7], [cwnd_8]
         36
         37 # iterate
         38 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         39
                 data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_7)
         40
                 pdr_7[0] += cwnd_7
                 pdr_7[1] += data_packet[0]
         41
         42
                 cwnd_7 = highspeed_aimd_v1(rtt_tracker_7, data_packet, cwnd=
         43
         44
                 data_packet = next_packet(cwnd_8)
         45
                 pdr_8[0] += cwnd_8
         46
                 pdr_8[1] += data_packet[0]
         47
                 cwnd_8 = highspeed_aimd_v2(rtt_tracker_8, data_packet, cwnd=
         48
         49
         50 pdr.extend([pdr_7, pdr_8])
         51
         52 # visualise
         53 y7, y8 = [], []
         54 for i in range(ITERATIONS):
         55
                 y7.append(rtt_tracker_7[i])
                 y8.append(rtt_tracker_8[i])
         56
         57
            plt.figure(figsize=(12,8))
            plt.plot(x[:200], y1[:200], label="standard aimd")
         59
            plt.plot(x[:200], y7[:200], label="highspeed aimd v1")
            plt.plot(x[:200], y8[:200], label="highspeed aimd v2")
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plt.xlabel("time")
plt.ylabel("cwnd")
plt.legend()
plt.title(f"cwnd against time")
plt.show()
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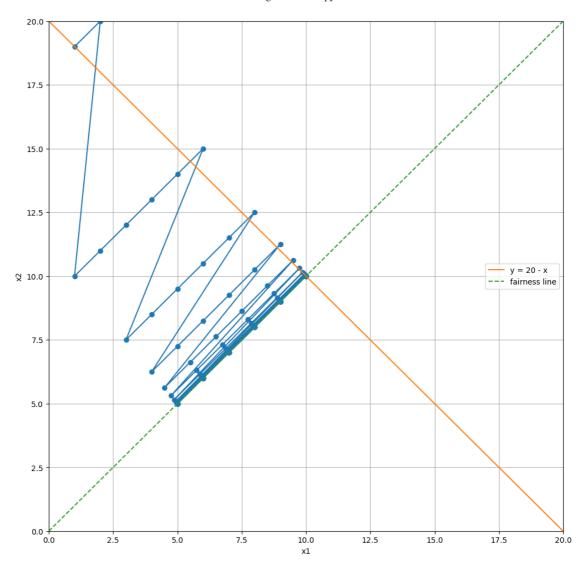


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In [9]:
            result = {
         1
                "aimd": [
         2
          3
                    "standard",
          4
                    "ai_logarithmic",
          5
                     "ai_linear",
          6
                     "ai_exponential",
          7
                     "md_exponential_decay",
          8
                     "md_reciprocal",
                    "highspeed_aimd_v1",
         9
         10
                    "highspeed_aimd_v2"
         11
                ],
         12
                "total_packets_dropped": [x[1] for x in pdr],
         13
                "total_cwnd": [x[0] for x in pdr]
         14
         15 }
         16 result = pd.DataFrame(result)
            result["packet_drop_rate"] = result["total_packets_dropped"]/res
         17
            result["avg_cwnd"] = result["total_cwnd"]/ITERATIONS
         19
            result
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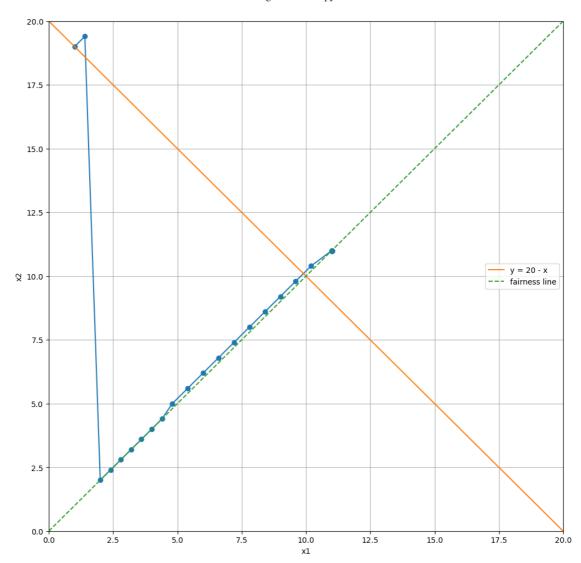
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4	md_exponential_decay	6836.0	68606	0.099641	6.8606
5	md_reciprocal	6844.0	68416	0.100035	6.8416
6	highspeed_aimd_v1	13982.0	140007	0.099866	14.0007
7	highspeed aimd v2	13175.0	131454	0.100225	13.1454

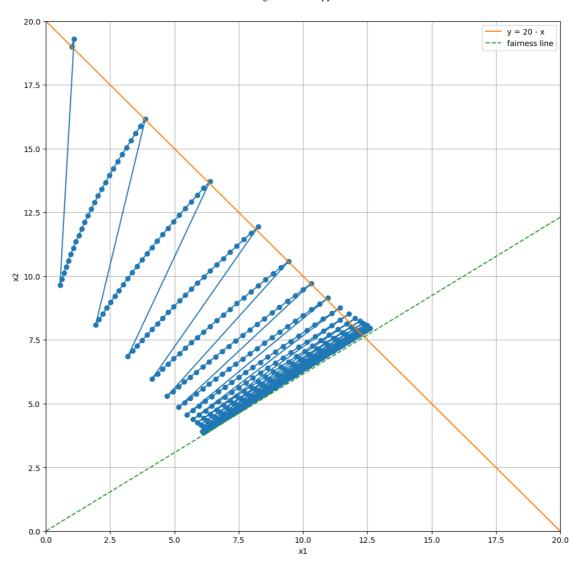
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In [10]:
           1 | ITERATESMAX = 100
           2 C = 20
           3 \mid alpha = 1
           4 beta = 0.5
           5 x1 = 1
           6 \times 2 = 19
           7
             x1_values = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
             x2_values = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
           9
             for i in range(ITERATESMAX):
          10
                  x1_values[i] = x1
          11
                  x2 \text{ values}[i] = x2
          12
                  if (x1 + x2 \le C):
          13
                      x1 += alpha
          14
                      x2 += alpha
          15
                  else:
          16
                      x1 *= beta
          17
                      x2 = beta
          18
          19
             plt.figure(figsize=(12,12))
          20
             plt.plot(x1_values, x2_values, marker='o', linestyle='-')
             plt.xlabel('x1')
          21
          22 plt.ylabel('x2')
          23 x = np.linspace(0, C, 100)
          24 y = C - x \# capacity
          25 y2 = x \# fairness line
          26 | plt.plot(x, y, label=f'y = \{C\} - x')
             plt.plot(x, y2, linestyle="--", label='fairness line')
          27
          28
             plt.grid(True)
             plt.xlim(0, 20)
          29
          30 plt.ylim(0, 20)
          31
             plt.legend()
          32
             plt.show()
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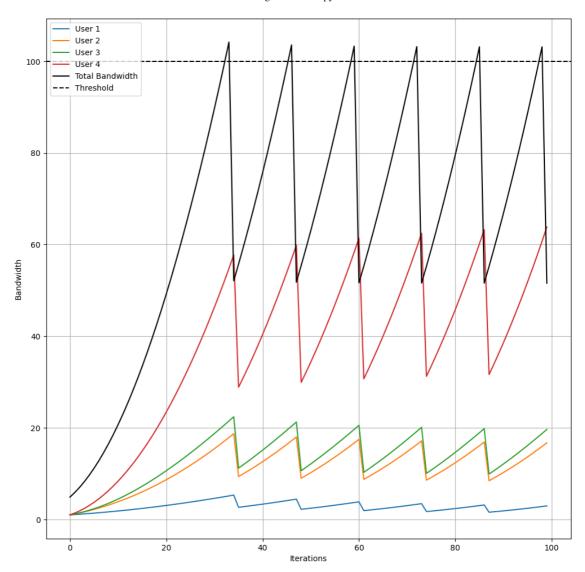
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In [11]:
           1 | ITERATESMAX = 100
           2 | C = 20
           3 \mid alpha = 0.2
             lambda = 0.01
           5 beta = 2
           6 x1 = 1
           7 \times 2 = 19
           8 x1_values = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
             x2_values = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
          10 for i in range(ITERATESMAX):
          11
                  x1 \text{ values}[i] = x1
          12
                  x2 \text{ values}[i] = x2
          13
                  if (x1 + x2 \le C):
          14
                      x1 += alpha*math.ceil(math.log(x1+math.e))
          15
                      x2 += alpha*math.ceil(math.log(x1+math.e))
          16
                  else:
          17
                      x1 = math.ceil(x1 * (1-math.exp(-beta * x1)))
          18
                      x2 = math.ceil(x1 * (1-math.exp(-beta * x1)))
          19
          20
             plt.figure(figsize=(12,12))
              plt.plot(x1_values, x2_values, marker='o', linestyle='-')
          21
          22 plt.xlabel('x1')
          23 plt.ylabel('x2')
          24 x = np.linspace(0, C, 100)
          25 y = C - x \# capacity
          26 y2 = x \# fairness line
          27
             plt.plot(x, y, label=f'y = \{C\} - x')
          28
             plt.plot(x, y2, linestyle="--", label='fairness line')
          29
             plt.grid(True)
          30 plt.xlim(0, 20)
             plt.ylim(0, 20)
          31
          32
             plt.legend()
          33
             plt.show()
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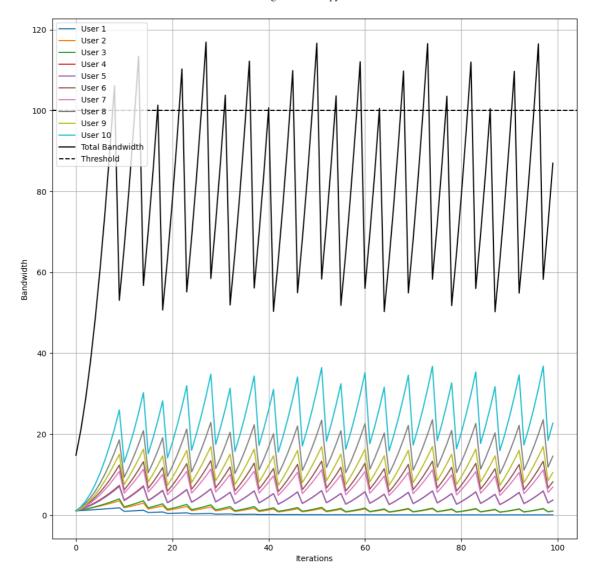
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In [12]:
           1 | ITERATESMAX = 1000
           2 | C = 20
           3 \mid alpha = 0.1
           4 beta = 0.5
           5 x1 = 1
           6 \times 2 = 19
           7 \text{ alpha1} = 0
           8 \text{ alpha2} = 0
           9 x1_values = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
          10 | x2_values = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
          11 for i in range(ITERATESMAX):
          12
                  x1 \text{ values}[i] = x1
          13
                  x2_values[i] = x2
          14
                  if (x1 + x2 \ll C):
          15
                      x1 += alpha * np.power(x1, beta)
          16
                      x2 += alpha * np.log(x2 + 1)
          17
                  else:
          18
                      x1 = x1 * beta
          19
                      x2 = x2 * beta
          20
          21
          22 plt.figure(figsize=(12,12))
              plt.plot(x1_values, x2_values, marker='o', linestyle='-')
              plt.xlabel('x1')
          24
          25 plt.ylabel('x2')
          26 x = np.linspace(0, C, 100)
          27
             y = C - x # capacity
          28 y2 = 8/13*x # fairness line
          29 plt.plot(x, y, label=f'y = \{C\} - x')
          30 plt.plot(x, y2, linestyle="--", label='fairness line')
          31
             plt.grid(True)
          32
              plt.xlim(0, C)
          33
              plt.ylim(0, C)
          34
             plt.legend()
          35
              plt.show()
```



```
In [13]:
             import numpy as np
          2
             import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
           3
           4 ITERATESMAX = 100
           5 C = 100
          6
             alpha = 0.1
           7
             beta = 0.5
          8 n_user = 4 # n_users
          9
             exponent1 = 0.5
          10
          11 | x values = np.zeros((ITERATESMAX, n user))
          12
             sum_bandwidth = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
          13
             x = np.ones(n user) # initialisation
          14
             for i in range(ITERATESMAX):
          15
                 x_values[i] = x
          16
          17
                 if np.sum(x) <= C:</pre>
          18
                     for j in range(n user):
          19
                          if j % 2 == 0: # Even-numbered users
          20
                              x[j] += alpha * (j+1) * np.log(x[j] + 1)
                          else: # Odd-numbered users
          21
          22
                              x[j] += alpha * (j+1) * np.power(x[j], exponent1)
          23
                 else:
          24
                     x *= beta
          25
          26
                 sum_bandwidth[i] = np.sum(x)
          27
          28
             plt.figure(figsize=(12, 12))
          29
             for i in range(n user):
                 plt.plot(range(ITERATESMAX), x_values[:, i], linestyle='-',
          30
          31
          32
             plt.plot(range(ITERATESMAX), sum_bandwidth, linestyle='-', color
          33
             plt.axhline(y=100, color='black', linestyle='--', label='Thresho
          34
             plt.xlabel('Iterations')
          35
             plt.vlabel('Bandwidth')
             plt.grid(True)
          36
          37
             plt.legend(loc='upper left')
          38
             plt.show()
          39
```



```
In [14]:
             import numpy as np
          2
             import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
           3
           4 ITERATESMAX = 100
           5 C = 100
          6
             alpha = 0.1
           7
             beta = 0.5
          8 n_user = 10 # n_users
          9
             exponent1 = 0.5
          10
          11 | x_values = np.zeros((ITERATESMAX, n_user))
          12
             sum_bandwidth = np.zeros(ITERATESMAX)
          13
             x = np.ones(n user) # initialisation
          14
             for i in range(ITERATESMAX):
          15
                 x_values[i] = x
          16
          17
                 if np.sum(x) <= C:</pre>
          18
                     for j in range(n user):
          19
                          if j % 2 == 0: # Even-numbered users
          20
                              x[j] += alpha * (j+1) * np.log(x[j] + 1)
                          else: # Odd-numbered users
          21
          22
                              x[j] += alpha * (j+1) * np.power(x[j], exponent1)
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                 else:
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                     x *= beta
          25
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                 sum_bandwidth[i] = np.sum(x)
          27
          28
             plt.figure(figsize=(12, 12))
          29
             for i in range(n user):
                 plt.plot(range(ITERATESMAX), x_values[:, i], linestyle='-',
          30
          31
          32
             plt.plot(range(ITERATESMAX), sum_bandwidth, linestyle='-', color
             plt.axhline(y=100, color='black', linestyle='--', label='Thresho
          33
          34
             plt.xlabel('Iterations')
          35
             plt.vlabel('Bandwidth')
             plt.grid(True)
          36
          37
             plt.legend(loc='upper left')
          38
             plt.show()
          39
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