Introduction to Computer Networks

Assignment 4: Pipelined Reliable Data Transfer over UDP

1. Goal

- Develop a pipelined reliable data transfer protocol using UDP socket programming.
- Generate packet losses at a receiver program

2. Development environments

- You can use C/C++ (Visual Studio 2015 or above version) or Python (3.x) language on Windows or latest GCC versions on Linux systems
- You have to describe your development environment information in detail in the report.

3. Functionalities to implement

- Sender
 - When starting a sender program, enter the IP address of a receiver, timeout, and window size. (the port number of a receiver is 10080.)
 - After running the program, allow a user to enter the name of a file to send to the receiver.
 - The files must be in the same directory where the sender program is located.
 - Send the file name and the file itself to the receiver.
 - Divide the file into packets that are 1400 bytes or less in size.
 - ◆ Transmit packets as much as the given window size in a TCP fashion
 - ◆ During file transfer, the user can enter a new file name to send the file.
 - By receiving ACKs, detect and recover dropped packets.
 - Use a single timer to check "timeout" of packets.
 - ◆ Use "3 duplicated ACKs" for Fast Retransmission.
 - Per-file transfer, write a log file
 - E.g. "fileAAA_sending_log.txt"
 - ♦ Write packet & ACK event information with the logging time as shown in Figure 2-1.

◆ If the file transfer is finished, display the throughput (goodput) in the log file : packets / sec (the number of unique packets / the total transfer time).

Receiver

- Run a receiver program and a sender program on different computers.
- When starting a receiver, ask a user "packet loss probability". (e.g. 0 ~ 1.0)
- Bind a socket with the 10080 port number.
- Display "socket buffer size". If the size is less than 10 MB, set it to 10 MB (or as much as your system allows)
- If the packet loss probability is greater than zero, drop incoming packets according to the probability. ex) if the packet loss probability is 0.1, drop packets with a 10% probability.
- If a packet is successfully received, send a cumulative ACK.
 - Store received in-order packets in a file.
 - Store received out-of-order packets in temporary buffer.
- Per-file transfer, write a log file
 - ◆ E.g. "fileAAA_receiving_log.txt"
 - ◆ Write packet & ACK event information with the logging time as shown in Figure 1-1.
 - ◆ If the file transfer is finished, display the throughput (goodput) in the log file : packets / sec (the number of unique packets / the total transfer time).
- Allow concurrent file transfers.

Miscellaneous

- Time information starts from 0 seconds for each file transfer.
- The sequence number is started from 0 for each file transfer, and increases one per packet.
- Set the ACK number equal to the packet sequence number.
- In the log files, display sentences with proper alignment to improve readability
- The socket receive buffer size should be large enough (10 Mbytes) otherwise the UDP packets can be dropped before the receiver program reads.
- In a sender program, you may use a thread for receiving ACKs. If the receiving thread is started before the sending thread is started, you can see a socket related error message. You have to call bind() with the port number of zero (to request any unused source port number)
- To allow concurrent file transfers, per-flow management is required.

4. Experimentation

- For **one-to-one** file transfer, make following experimentations.
- 1) Draw a goodput graph with different probabilities of packet loss.
 - the window size is fixed to 8 and timeout is 0.05 seconds
 - the loss probability is changed to 0.02, 0.04, 0.08, 0.16.
- 2) Draw a goodput graph with different window sizes.
 - the loss probability is fixed to 0.02 and timeout is 0.05 seconds
 - Change the window size to 2, 4, 8, 16
- Testing file size should be large enough (more than 10 Mbytes)

4. Submission

- The deadline is 11.20 (Tue) 23:59.
 - For delayed submissions, a penalty of -15 points applies every 24 hours. After 72 hours, you get zero points.
 - In the case of plagiarism, you will receive 0 points for the first time and **F** for the second.
- Submit a zip file including a report and two (sender and receiver) program sources to iCampus
 - The report file format should be PDF.
 - Name the Report file as follows **StudentID_Name.pdf** (ex: 2017001_홍길동.pdf)
 - The report have to include the following things;
 - Describe your development environment information in detail (versions of operating systems, languages, compilers/interpreter versions, compile options)
 - 2) Present how to design your assignment such as data structures and algorithms.
 - 3) Explain how to run both sender and receiver programs including the screen capture.
 - 4) Show two graphs for the experimentation results.

5. 채점 기준

- Total 100 points
 - 20 points: the sender transmits packets as much as the window size, and transmits the next packet whenever receiving ACK. (Figure 1 & Figure 2)
 - assume no packet loss
 - display packet & ACK event information in log files
 - 10 points: Calculate goodput after the file transfer is finished.
 - display goodput in log files at the sender and the receiver.
 - 10 points: Provide packet drops according the given probability.
 - display packet drop events in the log file at the receiver.
 example)

```
0.005 pkt: 3 | received
0.005 pkt: 3 | dropped
```

- 20 points: Detect a timeout of a packet and retransmit the packet.
 - display timeout events in the log file at the sender.
 example)

```
1.063 pkt: 8 | timeout since 1.010
1.063 pkt: 8 | retransmitted
```

- 10 points: Detect 3 duplicated ACKs and packet retransmissions at a sender.
 - display the events in the log file at the sender.

```
1.063 ack: 5 | received
1.064 ack: 5 | received
1.065 ack: 5 | received
1.066 ack: 5 | received
1.066 pkt: 5 | 3 duplicated ACKs
1.066 pkt: 6 | sent
```

- 10 points: Allow concurrent file transfers.
 - Whenever entering a new file name at the sender program, start sending the new file while processing existing file transfers.
- 20 points: Report
 - 10 points for the basic documentation.
 - 10 points for the graphs of two experiments.

6. Q&A

Leave your questions on the google sheet

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packet loss probability: 0 socket recv buffer size: 8192 socket recv buffer size updated: 10000000 receiver program starts...
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Figure 1. Basic receiver operation

```
0.000 pkt: 0 | received
0.000 pkt: 0 | received
                                         0.000 ACK: 0 | sent
0.000 ACK: 0 | sent
                                         0.001 pkt: 1 | received
0.001 pkt: 1 | received
                                        0.001 ACK: 1 | sent
0.001 ACK: 1 | sent
0.025 pkt: 2 | received
                                        0.025 pkt: 2 | received
                                        0.025 ACK: 2 | sent
0.025 ACK: 2 | sent
0.026 pkt: 3 | received
                                        0.026 pkt: 3 | received
                                        0.026 ACK: 3 | sent
0.026 ACK: 3 | sent
File transfer is finished.
Throughput: 137.93 pkts / sec
```

Figure 1-1. "sample.jpg_receiving_log.txt"

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```
Receiver IP address: 115.175.179.180
window size: 2
timeout (sec): 0.1

file_name: sample.jpg
file_name: movie1.mp4
file_name:
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Figure 2. Basic sender operation

```
0.000 pkt: 0 | sent
0.001 pkt: 1 | sent
0.025 ACK: 0 | received
0.025 pkt: 2 | sent
0.026 ACK: 1 | received
0.026 pkt: 3 | sent
0.051 ACK: 2 | received
0.052 ACK: 3 | received
File transfer is finished.
Throughput: 137.93 pkts / sec
```

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Figure 2-1. "sample.jpg_sending_log.txt"
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```
0.000 pkt: 0 | sent

0.001 pkt: 1 | sent

0.025 ACK: 0 | received

0.025 pkt: 2 | sent

0.026 ACK: 1 | received

0.026 pkt: 3 | sent

0.051 ACK: 2 | received

0.052 ACK: 3 | received

...
```

Figure 2-1. "movie1.mp4_sending_log.txt"