

Three Codes of TCP Vegas Modification

The idea is to let Vegas find out for itself the optimum value for α and β rather than fixing it at 1 and 3 respectively.

Code 3:

- ♦ No change in the slow start mechanism.

In the increase-decrease mode:

- ♦ If $Th_{diff} < \alpha$:
 - If $\alpha > 1$
 - ♦ If $Th_{act(n)} > Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow Increase cwnd only.
 - ♦ If $Th_{diff} < \alpha$ and $\alpha \neq 1$ and $Th_{act(n)} < Th_{act(n-1)}$ and cwnd has not been decremented after the packet has been sent \rightarrow Decrease cwnd. Set $\alpha = \alpha - 1$ and $\beta = \alpha + 2$.

This is to compensate for the increase that may occur in next step, when needed. When α is too large and congestion occurs, a small throughput can still make $Th_{diff} < \alpha$. Instead of decreasing the cwnd (congestion), we would have been increasing cwnd, had we followed the present algorithm.

- If $\alpha = 1$
 - ♦ Increase cwnd.
- ♦ If $\beta > Th_{diff(n)} > \alpha$:
 - $Th_{act(n)} > Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow Increase cwnd. Set $\alpha = \alpha + 1$ and $\beta = \alpha + 2$

The reasoning is that even though $Th_{diff} > \alpha$, the Th_{diff} is decreasing. This means that actual throughput is increasing. So the value of α that we have assumed is preventing us from making use of more available bandwidth. So we have got to increase α .

- $Th_{act(n)} \leq Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow No change in cwnd, α and β .
- ♦ If $Th_{diff} > \beta$, decrease cwnd, α , β .
- ♦ If none of the above conditions are satisfied, do not update cwnd, α and β .

Code 2:

In the increase-decrease mode:

- ♦ If $Th_{diff} < \alpha$:
 - If $\alpha > 1$
 - ♦ If $Th_{act(n)} > Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow Increase cwnd, $\alpha = \alpha + 1$, $\beta = \beta + 1$.
 - ♦ If $Th_{diff} < \alpha$ and $\alpha \neq 1$ and $Th_{act(n)} < Th_{act(n-1)}$ and cwnd has not been decremented after the packet has been sent \rightarrow Decrease cwnd. Set $\alpha = \alpha - 1$ and $\beta = \beta - 1$.

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- If $\alpha = 1$
 - ♦ Increase cwnd, $\alpha = \alpha + 1$, $\beta = \beta + 1$.
- ♦ If $\beta > Th_{diff(n)} > \alpha$:
 - $Th_{act(n)} > Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow Increase cwnd. Set $\alpha = \alpha + 1$ and $\beta = \alpha + 2$

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- $Th_{act(n)} \leq Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow No change in cwnd, α and β .
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- ♦ If none of the above conditions are satisfied, do not update cwnd, α and β .

Code 1:

In the increase-decrease mode:

- ♦ If $Th_{diff} < \alpha$:
 - If $\alpha > 1$
 - ♦ If $Th_{act(n)} > Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow Increase cwnd, $\alpha = \alpha + 1$, $\beta = \beta + 1$.
 - ♦ If $Th_{diff} < \alpha$ and $\alpha \neq 1$ and $Th_{act(n)} < Th_{act(n-1)}$ and cwnd has not been decremented after the packet has been sent \rightarrow Decrease cwnd. Set $\alpha = \alpha - 1$ and $\beta = \beta - 1$.

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- If $\alpha = 1$
 - ♦ Increase cwnd, $\alpha = \alpha + 1$, $\beta = \beta + 1$.
 - ♦ If $\beta > Th_{diff(n)} > \alpha$:
 - $Th_{act(n)} > Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow Increase cwnd. **No change in α and β values.**
- The reasoning is that even though $Th_{diff} > \alpha$, the Th_{diff} is decreasing. This means that actual throughput is increasing. So the value of α that we have assumed is preventing us from making use of more available bandwidth. So we have got to increase α .
- $Th_{act(n)} \leq Th_{act(n-1)}$, and the cwnd has not been incremented after the packet was sent \rightarrow No change in cwnd, α and β .
 - ♦ If $Th_{diff} > \beta$, decrease cwnd, α , β .
 - ♦ If none of the above conditions are satisfied, do not update cwnd, α and β