Test Cases for Evaluating RMCAT Proposals

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Motivation

- Move the test cases from the eval-criteria draft
 - Evaluation Parameters
 - Appendix B
- Compare the performance of the algorithm(s) for a set of basic test cases.
- All tests have the same structure
- Easily extend the test case with new attributes

Common Structure (1/2)

- Description of the test
 - Why this test needs to be done?
 - What is the desired behaviour?
 - How to measure the behaviour? (metrics)

Common Structure (2/2)

- Topology
 - Number of media sources
 - Number of competing sources
- Test bed attributes
 - Path characteristics
 - Media traffic characteristics
 - Competing Traffic characteristics

Media source

- Range of adaptability:
 - Bit rate,
 - Frame rate, frame resolution (video),
 - Frame size, sampling frequency (audio)
- Encoder's responsiveness
 - How quickly does it produce a new rate
 - Variation in the encoder output for a given target rate
- Traffic Timeline
 - When to start and stop the media for each flow

Competing traffic

- Type and Number of sources
- Congestion control
 - TCP CUBIC, NewReno, Vegas, ...
- Traffic timeline
 - When to start and stop the traffic for each competing traffic source.

Test cases

- 1. Single Flow with variable channel capacity
- 2. Single Flow on a limited path capacity
 - Maximum media bit rate is higher than the available path capacity
- 3. Multiple RMCAT flows using the same algorithm
- 4. Competing with a long TCP flow
- 5. Competing with multiple short TCP flows
- 6. Feedback channel is congested
- 7. RTT fairness: multiple media flow with different path RTTs
- 8. Media pause and resume

Open Issues

- Model short TCP
 - Better or more realistic model
- Reaction to ECN
 - Test case requires input

Wireless Test Cases

- LTE Wireless cases in [draft-sarker-...]
 - Next presentation
- WLAN wireless model
 - Test case requires input

Next Steps

• Is this the right structure for the test cases?

What other test cases are we missing?

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