

Note for ARQ analysis: (Problem 2.17)

Let q be the probability that a packet is correctly received and acked on a given transmission.

In the following, we show that $1/q$ is the expected number of times a packet must be transmitted for a stop-and-wait system, assuming independent errors on all frames:

let X be the number of transmissions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } E[X] &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \cdot q(1-q)^{k-1} \\ &= \frac{q}{1-q} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k(1-q)^k = \frac{q}{1-q} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n k(1-q)^k \end{aligned}$$

let $z = 1-q$ and $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n k \cdot z^k$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \underline{S_n} + (n+1)z^{n+1} &= \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} k \cdot z^k = \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1)z^{k+1} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n k \cdot z^{k+1} + \sum_{k=0}^n z^{k+1} \\ &= z \cdot \underline{S_n} + \frac{z - z^{n+2}}{1-z} \end{aligned}$$

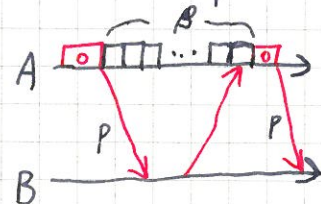
$$\Rightarrow S_n = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2} (z - (n+1)z^{n+1} + n \cdot z^{n+2})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E[X] &= \frac{q}{1-q} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n \quad (\text{Note: by the Pinching Theorem we can prove that } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot z^n = 0.) \\ &= \frac{q}{1-q} \left(\frac{z}{(1-z)^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{q}{1-q} \left(\frac{1-q}{(1-(1-q))^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{q} \quad \times \end{aligned}$$

P_1 P_2 ARQ analysis in terms of goodput: (page 82 and Problem 2.26)

In "go back N" and "selective repeat" protocols, let β be the expected number of transmitted frames from A to B between the transmission of a given frame and the reception of feedback about that frame.

Let p be the probability that a frame arriving at B contain errors. Let r be the expected number of transmitted frames from A to B per successfully accepted packet at B.



$$\begin{aligned} r &= 1 \cdot (1-p) + [1 + (1+\beta)] \cdot p \cdot (1-p) \\ &\quad + [1 + 2(1+\beta)] \cdot p^2(1-p) \\ &\quad + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (1-p) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + (k-1)(1+\beta)) \cdot p^{k-1} \\ &= (1-p) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p^{k-1} + (1-p)(1+\beta) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k-1) \cdot p^{k-1} \\ &= (1-p) \cdot \frac{1}{1-p} + (1-p)(1+\beta) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k' p^{k'} \\ &= 1 + (1-p)(1+\beta) \cdot \frac{p}{(1-p)^2} \\ &= \frac{1+p\beta}{1-p} \end{aligned}$$

(note that if $\beta = 0$ then you can think of it as a stop-and-wait system, and r becomes $\frac{1}{1-p}$ which is essentially the result we derived on the left side.)

$$\text{The goodput} = \frac{1}{r} = \frac{1-p}{1+p\beta}$$

In "selective repeat", ideally β will decrease upon each retransmission; informally, this gives goodput $\approx 1-p$.