# CSC4200/5200 - COMPUTER NETWORKING 

## NETWORK PERFORMANCE BASICS

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## Recap - Network = Graph (Nodes + Links)



## Packet Switching on the Internet



## Performance - Terminology

- Bits = b
- Bytes = B
- Kilobytes = KB (1024 Bytes or 1000Bytes)
- Megabytes = MB (1024KB or 1000 KB )
" Ask ECE folks = 1000, 1Mbps = 1000*1000Bps
- Ask CS folks $=1024,1 \mathrm{MB}=1024 * 1024$ Bytes


## Performance Basics - Bandwidth and Latency

- Bandwidth = Size of the network pipe
- Latency = Delay in sending packets

- Throughput = How fast your can send data, function of both bandwidth and latency (and other things)


## Performance - Latency

- Latency = Propagation Delay + Transmission Delay + Queuing Delay
- Propagation = Distance/Speed Of Light (in Copper or Fiber)
- Transmit = Size/Bandwidth



## Performance - Bandwidth - bits/second



Bits transmitted at a particular bandwidth can be regarded as having some width:
(a) bits transmitted at 1 Mbps (each bit $1 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ wide);
(b) bits transmitted at 2 Mbps (each bit $0.5 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ wide).

Packets are made of bits - each bit need some time to be processed at the router. This is transmission delay!

## Propagation delay



Packets are made of bits. All bits must make it the next router before it can be forwarded.
Propagation delay $=50 \mathrm{~ms}$ (time it takes for a bit to go from A to B)
Transmission delay $=1 \mathrm{~ms}$ (time it takes for each bit to be converted into signal)


## Performance - Queuing Delay

- R: link bandwidth (bps)
" L: packet length (bits)
- A: Average packet arrival rate
- Traffic delay = AL/R


AL/R~1
$A L / R \sim 0$

## Performance - Example

- Breakout
- Calculate the total time required to transfer a 1000-KB file using 1 KB packets. Assuming bandwidth is 1.5 Mbps , the RTT of 50 ms , an initial $2 \times$ RTT of "handshaking" before any data is sent.

Delay $=$ Handshake + Transmission + Propagation + Queuing
Delay $=2 * 50 \mathrm{~ms}+(1000 * 1024 * 8) /(1.5 * 1000 * 1000)$ second + 50/2ms $+0=5.586$ seconds

- Propagation delay = First bit from sender to receiver
- Transmission delay = All bits on the wire


## Bandwidth x Delay Product



Capacity of a network pipe = Bandwidth (bits) $\times$ Two way Delay (Seconds) (a.k.a RTT or Round Trip Delay)

This is the amount of bits that a pipe can hold!

## Bandwidth x Delay Product - Example



Bandwidth $=50 \mathrm{Mbps}$
Latency $=100 \mathrm{~ms}$
Bandwidth x Delay $=50 \times 10^{6} \times 100 \times 10^{-3}=5 \times 10^{6}$ bits $=625$ kilobytes

## Bandwidth x Delay - Some more examples



Bandwidth $=54 \mathrm{Mbps}($ Wireless G)
RTT $=1 \mathrm{~ms}$
How much data can the pipe hold?
$\mathrm{BxD}=54 \times 10^{6} \times 1 \times 10^{-3}$

## Bandwidth x Delay - Mars Rover


https://mars.nasa.gov/msl/mission/communications/
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NGgzq8eXZOQ

## Breakout:

- Bit rate of curiosity: 32000bits/second
- Delay = 14 minutes each way
$-\mathrm{BxD}=32000 * 14 * 60 * 2$


## And one more thing - Jitter



Also called Interpacket gap

- why does it happen (which artifact of packet switching?)
- why is it important (think video applications)?
- How do you solve this?


## Performance - Example

" Calculate the total time required to transfer a 1000-KB file in the following case, assuming bandwidth is 1.5 Mbps , an RTT of 50 ms , a packet size of 1 KB data, and an initial $2 \times$ RTT of "handshaking" before data is sent. (Peterson-Davie Exercise 3, Chapter 1)

Delay $=$ Handshake + Transmission + Propagation + Queuing
Delay $=2 * 50 \mathrm{~ms}+(1000 * 1024 * 8) /(1.5 * 1000 * 1000)$ second + $50 / 2 \mathrm{~ms}+0=5.586$ seconds

- Propagation delay = First bit from sender to receiver


## Performance - Example

" Calculate the total time required to transfer a 1.5-MB file in the following cases, assuming an RTT of 80 ms , bandwidth $=10 \mathrm{Mbps}$, a packet size of 1 KB data, and an initial $2 \times$ RTT of "handshaking" before data is sent:

Delay $=$ Handshake + Transmission + Propagation + Queuing

- Propagation delay = First bit from sender to receiver


## What does it take to create a link?



- Common abstractions
- Why?


## Reading Assignment

- Read Section 1.5:
- https://book.systemsapproach.org/foundation/performance.html \#performance
- ~30Mins


