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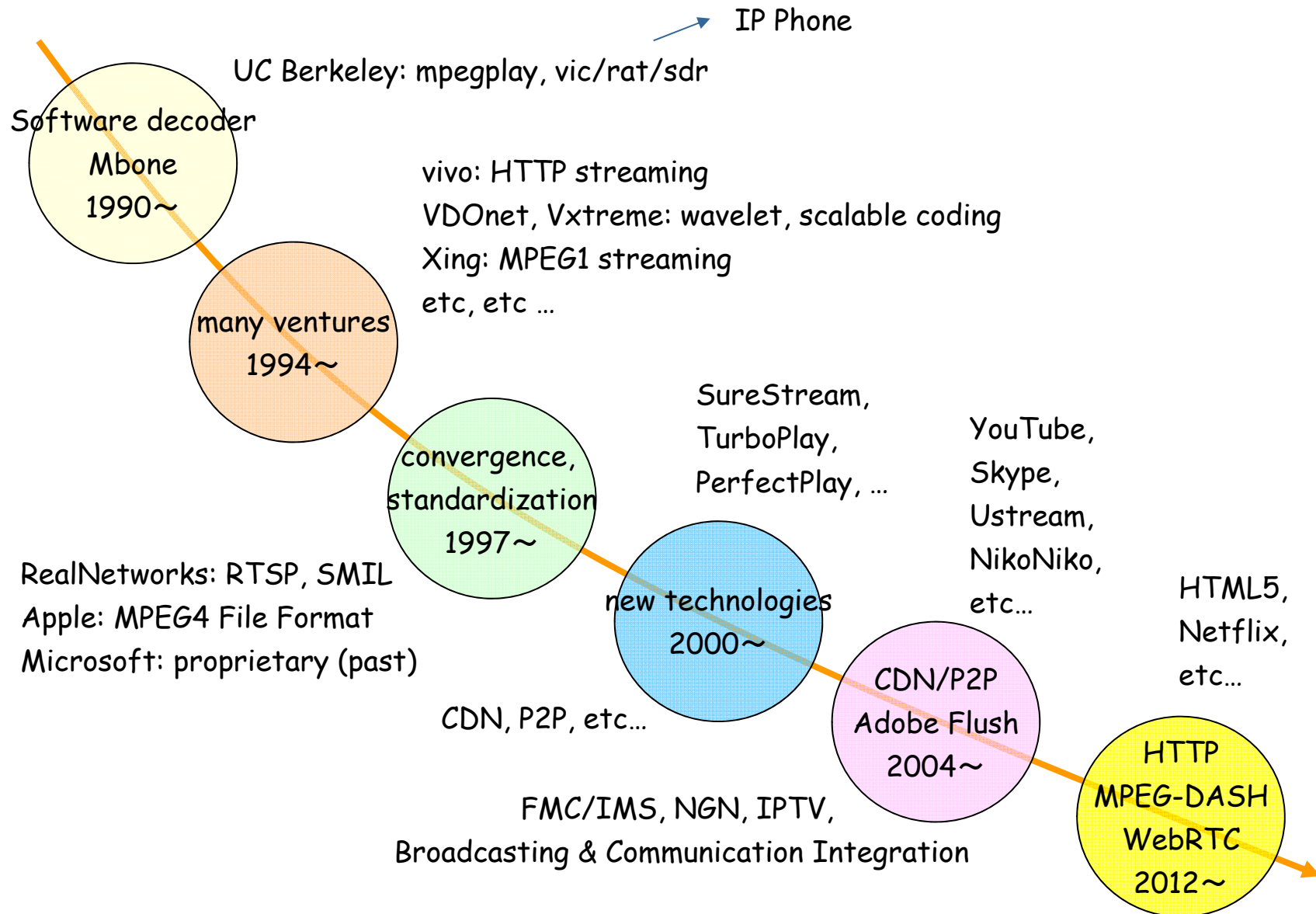
Streaming & TCP Variants

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Background

History of Streaming



(Old) Protocol Stack for Video Streaming

VoIP, IPTV and streaming shares almost common protocol stack

application (L7)	video (H.264 etc...)	audio	SDP	layout (HTML, SMIL)
adaptation	RTP / RTCP		RTSP, SIP, SAP*	HTTP
transport (L4)	UDP / TCP / DCCP		TCP / UDP / SCTP	
network (L3)	IP (IPv4, IPv6, IP-multicast)			
datalink & physical (L2 & L1)	actual networks (802.3 (ethernet), 802.11 (WiFi), etc)			

* SAP: delivered by IP-multicast for program advertisement

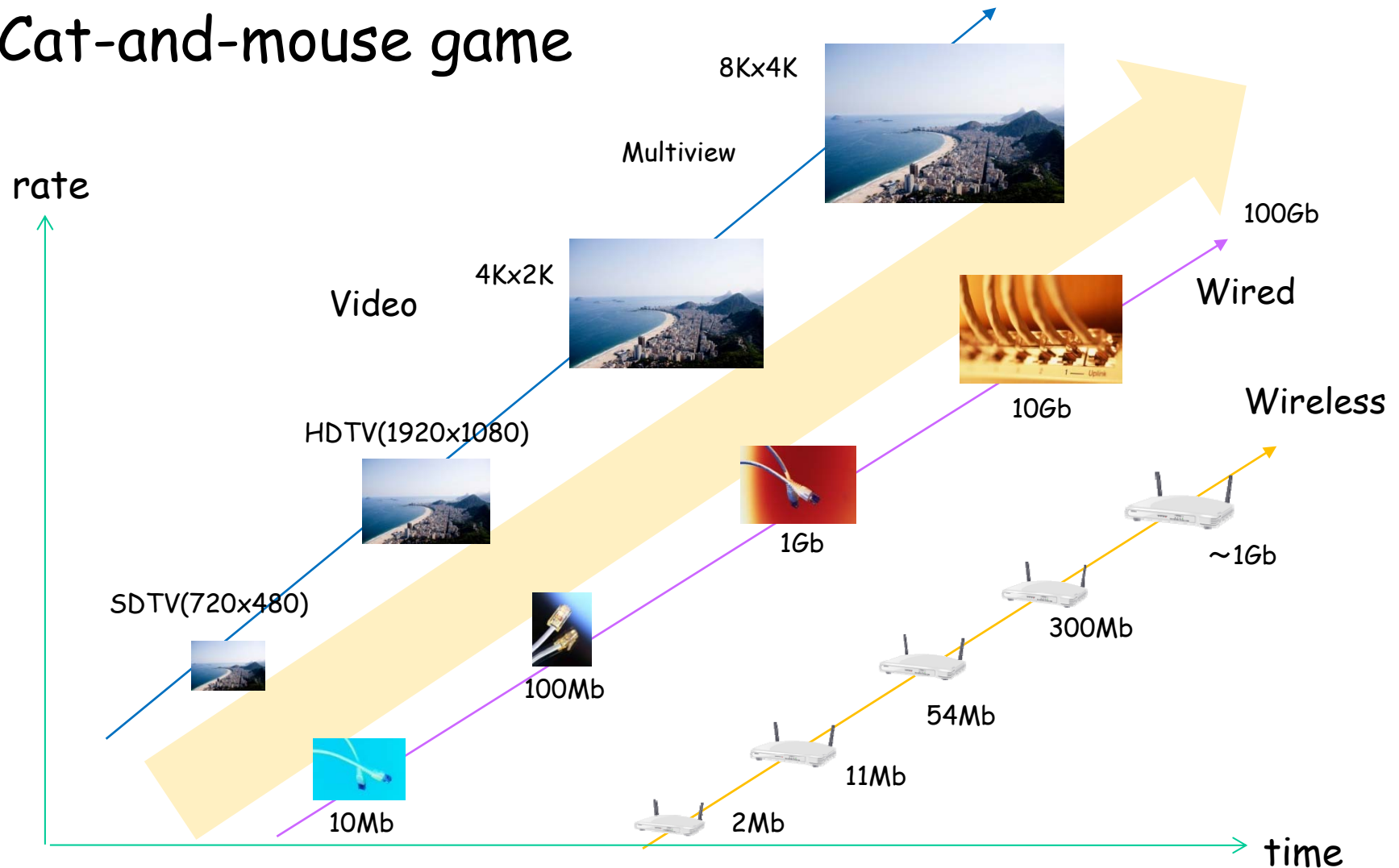
Protocol Stack for HTTP Video Streaming

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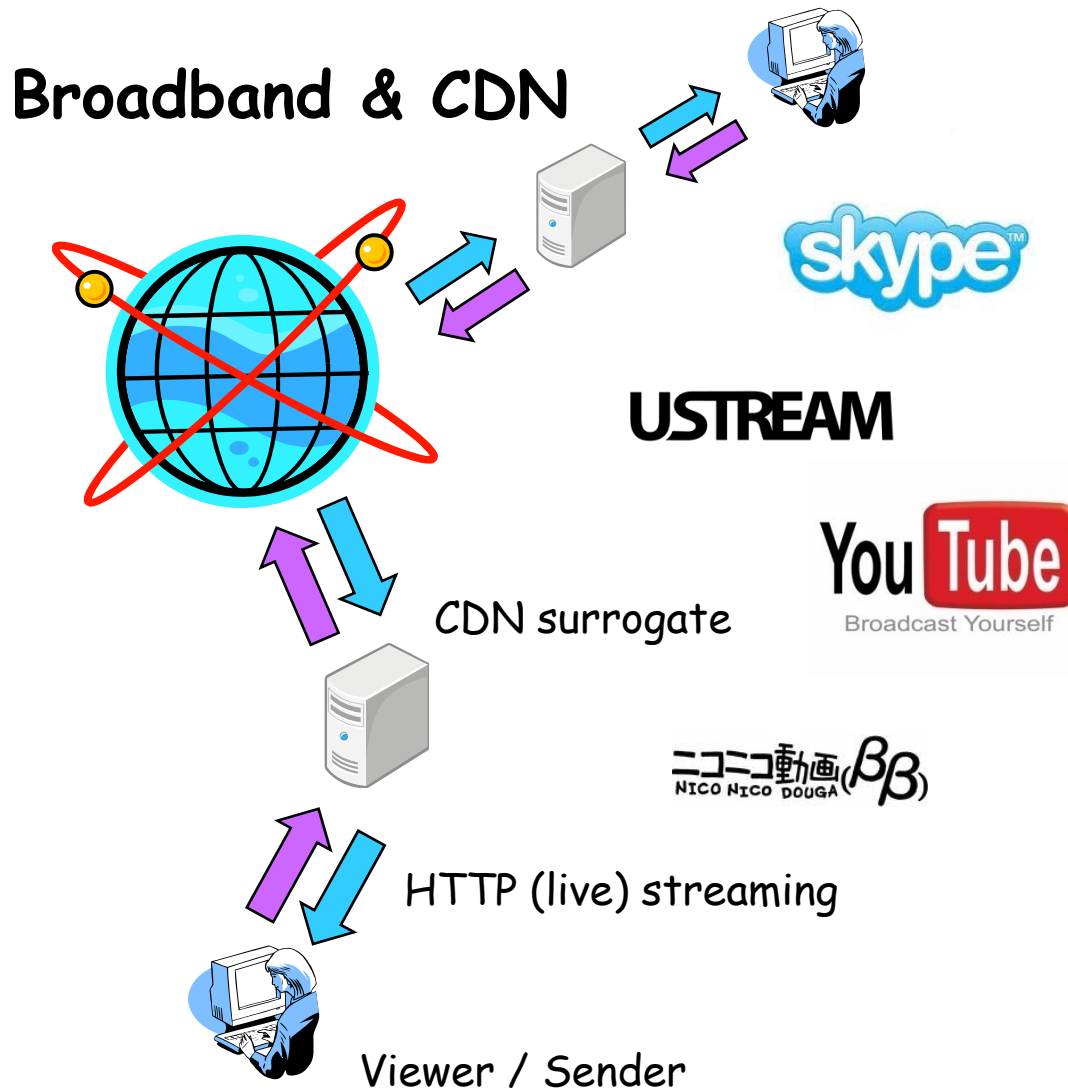
application (L7)	video (H.264 etc...)	audio	MPD (MPEG-DASH)	layout (HTML)
adaptation	HTTP			
transport (L4)	TCP			
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Networks and Multimedia

- Cat-and-mouse game



Wired Networks



RTP/UDP & RTSP & TFRC

→ HTTP/TCP streaming

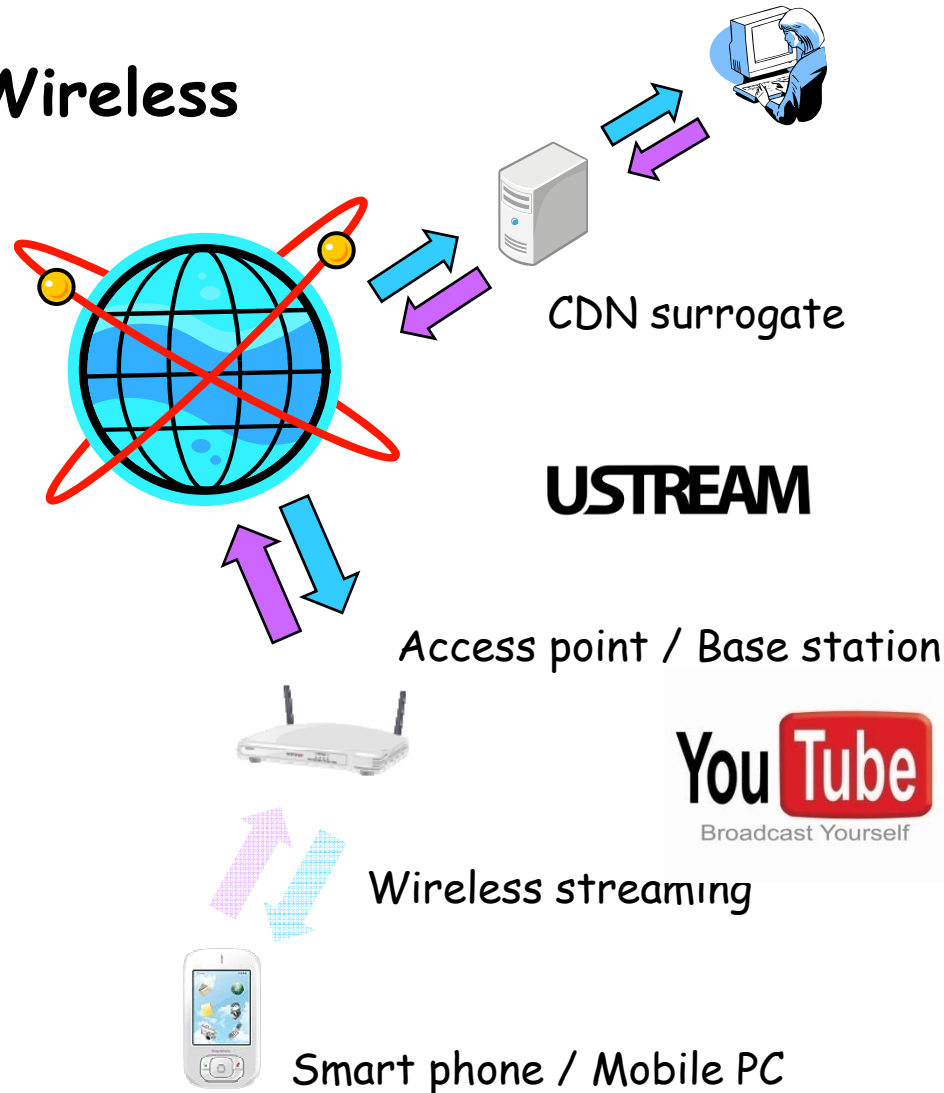
- Broadband
- CDN (Akamai, Lime Networks)
- Firewall (port 80)
- ...

One-way (on-demand / live)

Bi-directional (interactive)

Wireless Networks

Wireless



Wireless specific problems

- Wireless LAN: IEEE 802.11
- Cellular: 3G, LTE, 4G
- WiMAX: IEEE 802.16
- Home Networks: DLNA
- (Satellite)
- ...

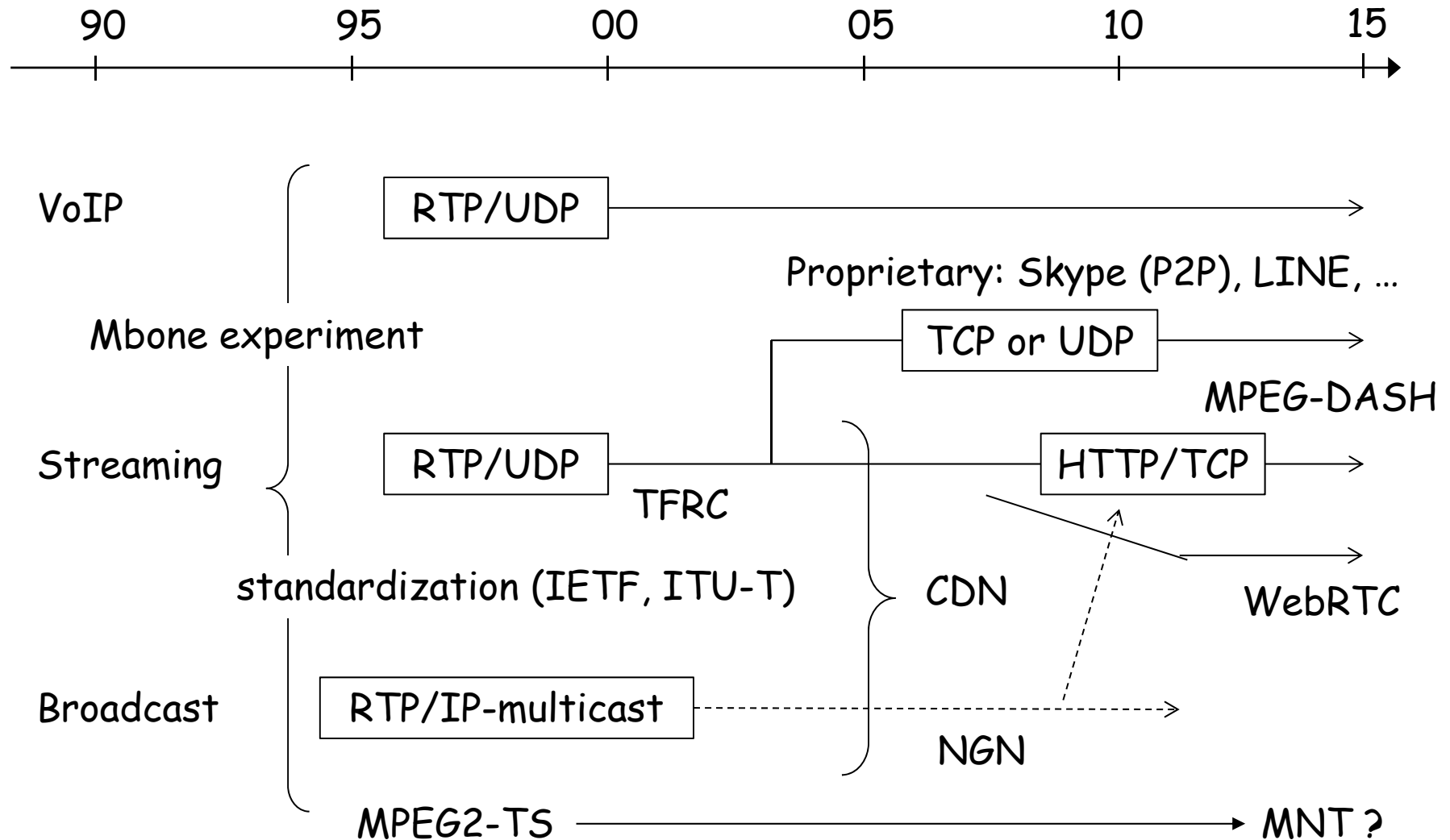
• Wireless issues

random errors, collisions,
interference, delay increase

• Multi-hop issues

severe interference, lower
throughput and higher delay

Protocol Transition

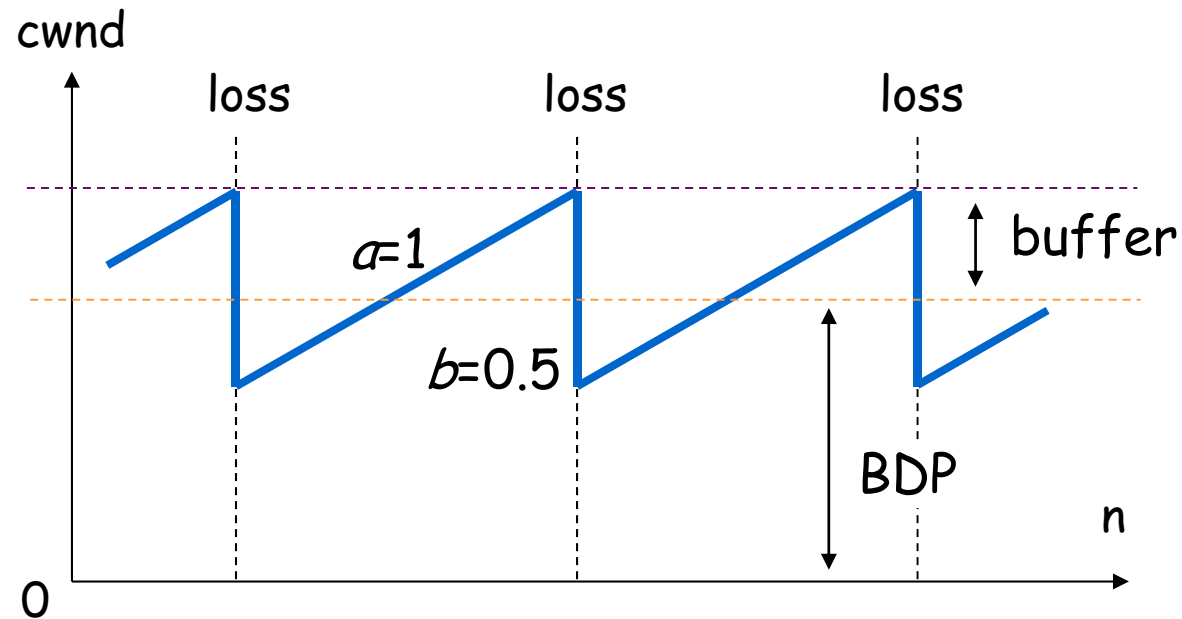


Overview

- TCP
- TFRC
- CDN & P2P
- MPEG-DASH
- WebRTC

TCP Variants

TCP-Reno (loss-based)

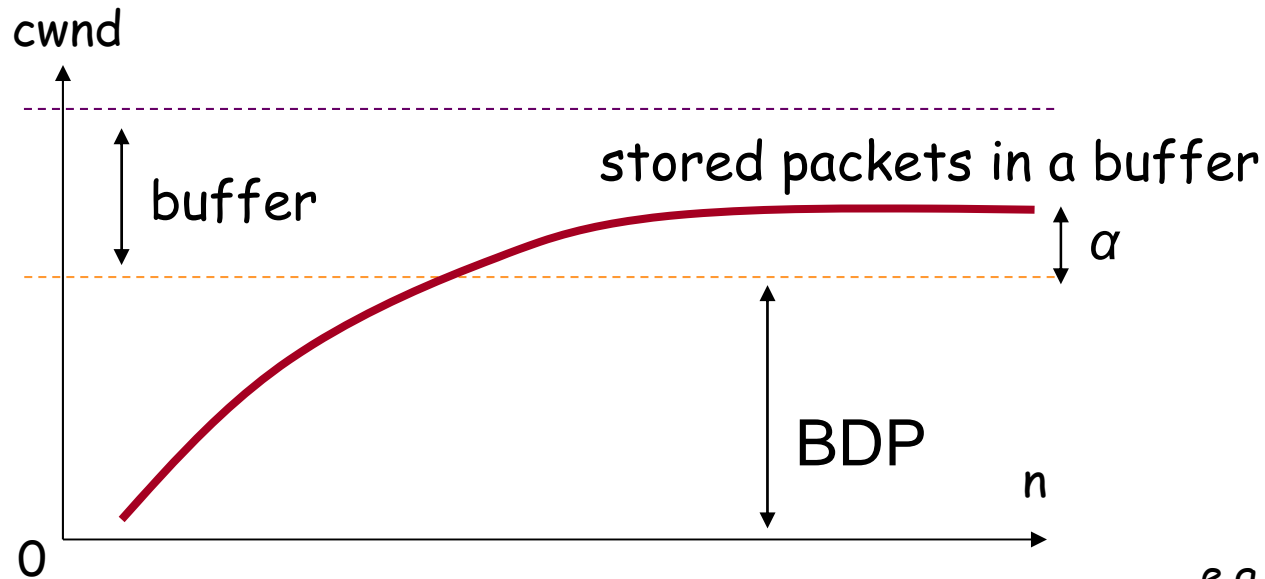


increase: $cwnd = cwnd + 1/cwnd$

decrease: $cwnd = cwnd / 2$

AIMD: additive increase multiplicative decrease

TCP-Vegas (delay-based)



e.g. $\alpha=1, \beta=3$

$$diff = \left(\frac{cwnd}{RTT_{min}} - \frac{cwnd}{RTT} \right) \cdot RTT_{min}$$

stored packets in a buffer

increase: $cwnd = \begin{cases} cwnd + 1 & diff < \alpha \\ cwnd & otherwise \\ cwnd - 1 & diff > \beta \end{cases}$

decrease: $cwnd = cwnd * 0.75$

TCP problems ten years ago

- broadband wired networks
 - slow window increase (inefficiency)
- deployment of wireless networks
 - cannot distinguish wireless errors and buffer overflow

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- TCP-Reno (NewReno, SACK) problem
 - Reno expels Vegas (unfriendliness)

TCP Variants in the 21th century

- **Loss-driven (AIMD)**
 - TCP-Reno / NewReno / SACK
 - High-Speed TCP (IETF RFC 3649, Dec 2003)
 - Scalable TCP (PFLDnet 2003)
 - BIC-TCP / **CUBIC-TCP** (IEEE INFOCOM 2004, PFLDnet 2005) ... Linux
 - H-TCP (PFLDnet 2004)
 - TCP-Westwood (ACM MOBICOM 2001)
- **Delay-driven (RTT Observation)**
 - TCP-Vegas (IEEE JSAC, Oct 1995)
 - FAST-TCP (INFOCOM 2004)
- **Hybrid**
 - Gentle High-Speed TCP (PfHSN 2003)
 - TCP-Africa (IEEE INFOCOM 2005)
 - **Compound TCP** (PFLDnet 2006) ... Windows
 - Adaptive Reno (PFLDnet 2006)
 - YeAH-TCP (PFLDnet 2007)
 - TCP-Fusion (PFLDnet 2007)

Loss-based TCPs

	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	
Variants	Increase / Update	Decrease	
TCP-Reno	1	0.5	
aggressive	HighSpeed TCP (HS-TCP)	$a(w) = \frac{2w^2 \cdot b(w) \cdot p(w)}{2 - b(w)}$ e.g. 70 (10Gbps, 100ms)	$b(w) = \frac{\log(w) - \log(W_{low})}{\log(W_{high}) - \log(W_{low})} (b_{high} - 0.5) + 0.5$ e.g. 0.1 (10Gbps, 100ms)
	Scalable TCP (STCP)	0.01 (per every ACK)	0.875
adaptive	BIC-TCP	$\begin{cases} \text{additive increase (fast)} \\ \text{binary search (slow)} \\ \text{max probing (fast)} \end{cases}$	0.875
	CUBIC-TCP	$w = 0.4(t - \sqrt[3]{2W_{max}})^3 + W_{max}$	0.8
	H-TCP	$\alpha \leftarrow 2(1 - \beta)\{1 + 10.5 \cdot (t - TH)\}$	$\beta \leftarrow \begin{cases} 0.5 & \text{for } \left \frac{B(k+1) - B(k)}{B(k)} \right > 2 \\ \frac{RTT_{min}}{RTT_{max}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
	TCP-Westwood (TCPW)	1	$\begin{cases} RE * RTT_{min} / PS & (\text{not congested}) \\ BE * RTT_{min} / PS & (\text{congested}) \end{cases}$

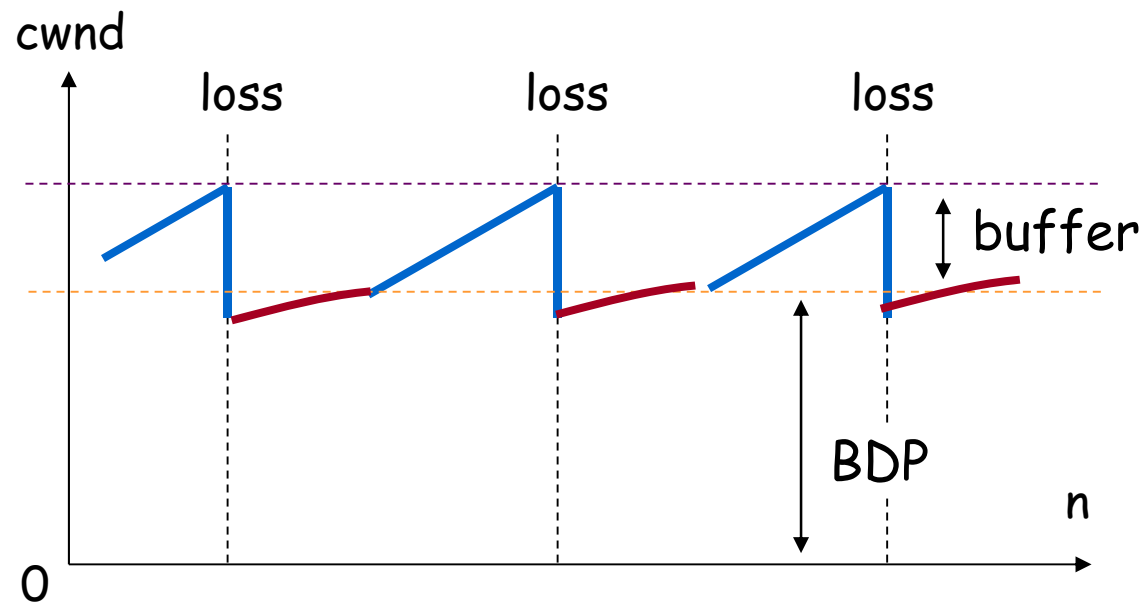
Delay-based TCPs

a

b

Variants	Update	Decrease
TCP-Vegas	$w \leftarrow \begin{cases} w + 1 & (\text{no congestion}) \\ w & (\text{stable}) \\ w - 1 & (\text{early congestion}) \end{cases}$	0.75
FAST-TCP	$w \leftarrow \min \left\{ 2w, (1 - \gamma)w + \gamma \left(\frac{RTT_{\min}}{RTT} w + \alpha \right) \right\}$	0.5 (?)

Hybrid TCP



- RTT increase: loss mode \Rightarrow improvement of friendliness
- no RTT increase: delay mode \Rightarrow improvement of efficiency

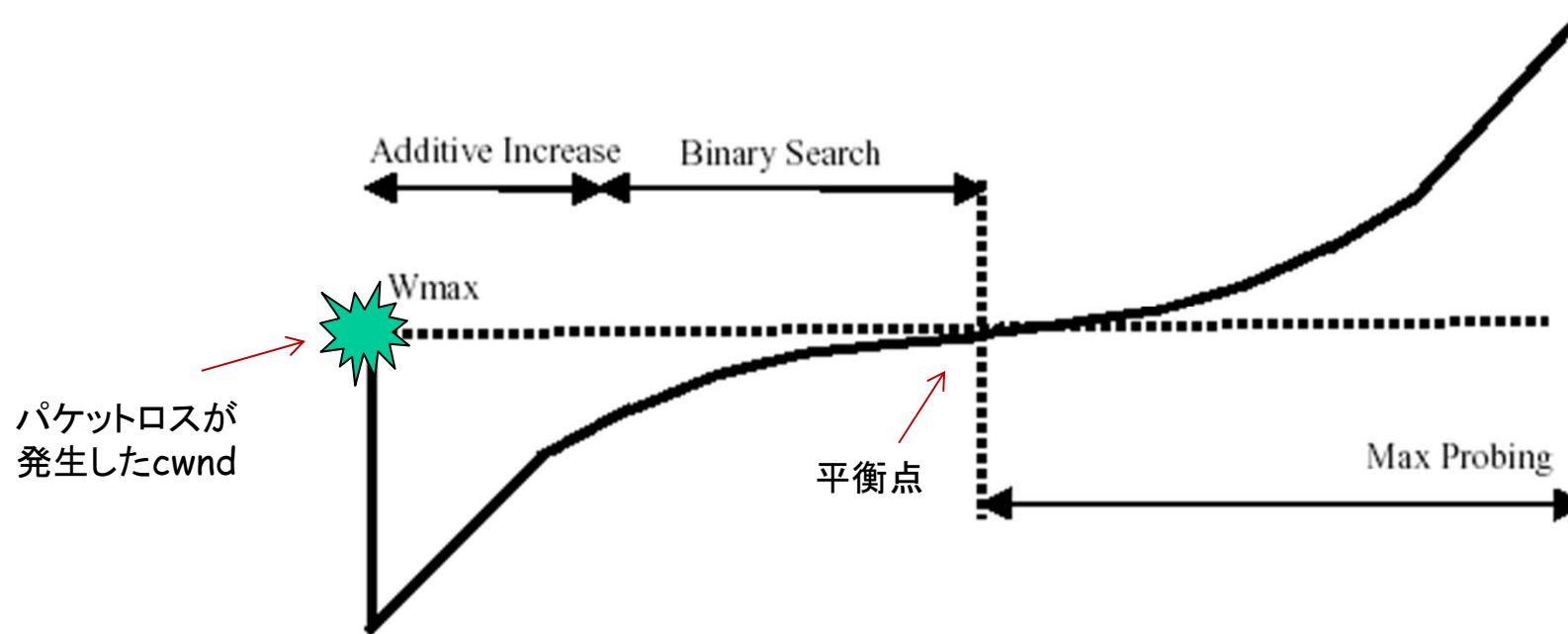
Hybrid TCPs

		<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	
		Variants	Increase	Decrease
simple	{	Gentle HS-TCP	HS-TCP / Reno	HS-TCP
		TCP-Africa	HS-TCP / Reno	HS-TCP
adaptive	{	Compound TCP (CTCP)	$0.125 \cdot cwnd^{0.75}$ / Reno	0.5
		Adaptive Reno (ARENO)	$B/10\text{Mbps}$ / Reno	$\begin{cases} 1 & (\text{non congestion loss}) \\ 0.5 & (\text{congestion loss}) \end{cases}$
		YeAH-TCP	STCP / Reno	$\max\left(\frac{RTT_{\min}}{RTT}, 0.5\right)$
		TCP-Fusion	$\frac{B * D_{\min}}{PS}$ / Reno	$\max\left(\frac{RTT_{\min}}{RTT}, 0.5\right)$

CUBIC-TCP

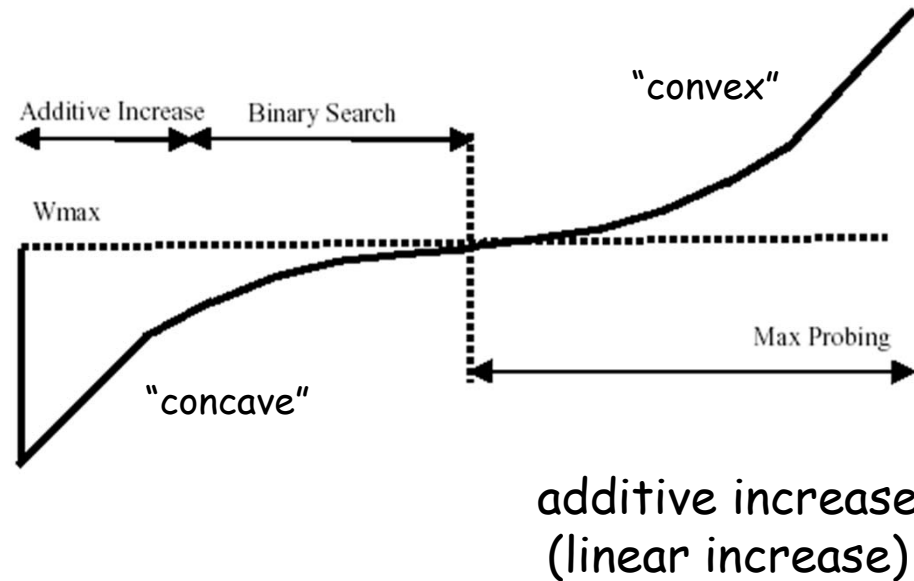
BIC-TCP (1)

- Binary Increase Congestion Control



BIC-TCP (2)

- Window Increase



W_{max} : cwnd when a last loss happened
 S_{max} : maximum increase rate (e.g. 32)
 S_{min} : minimum increase rate (e.g. 0.01)

binary search

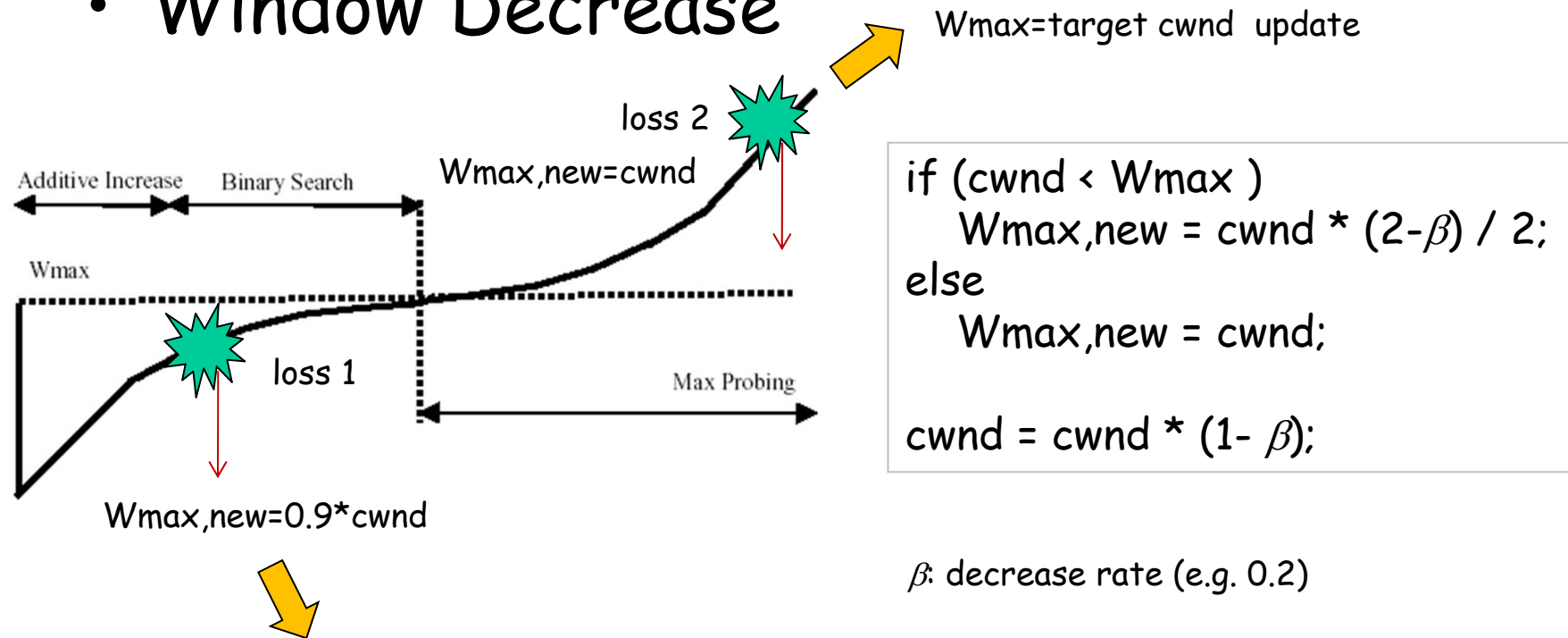
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if (cwnd < Wmax )
    Winc = (Wmax - cwnd) / 2;
else
    Winc = (cwnd - Wmax) / 2;

if (Winc > Smax)
    Winc = Smax;
elseif (Winc < Smin)
    Winc = Smin;

cwnd = cwnd + Winc / cwnd;
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BIC-TCP (3)

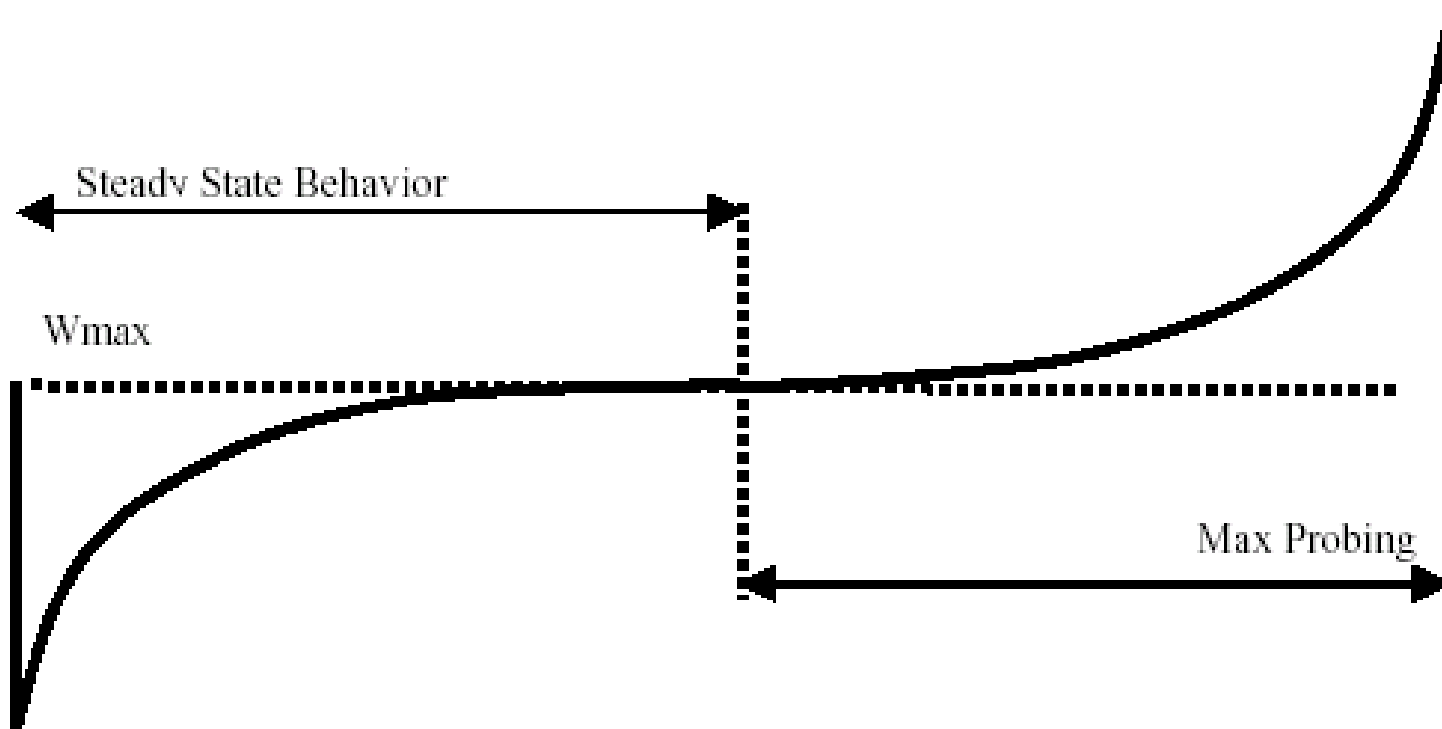
- Window Decrease



*0.9: give bandwidth to newly-coming flows
... "Fast Convergence"

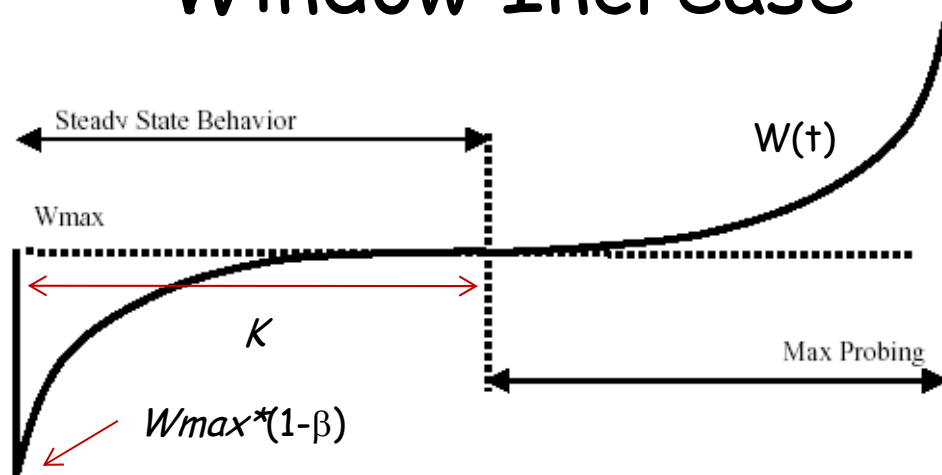
CUBIC-TCP (1)

- Cubic approximation of BIC-TCP



CUBIC-TCP (2)

- Window Increase



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/* cubic function */
Winc = W(t+RTT) - cwnd;

cwnd = cwnd + Winc / cwnd;

/* TCP mode */
if ( Wtcp > cwnd )
    cwnd = Wtcp;
    
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$$W(t) = C * (t - K)^3 + W_{\max}$$

$$K = \sqrt[3]{\frac{W_{\max} \beta}{C}}$$

equivalent to Reno



$$W_{tcp}(t) = W_{\max} (1 - \beta) + 3 \frac{\beta}{2 - \beta} \frac{t}{RTT}$$

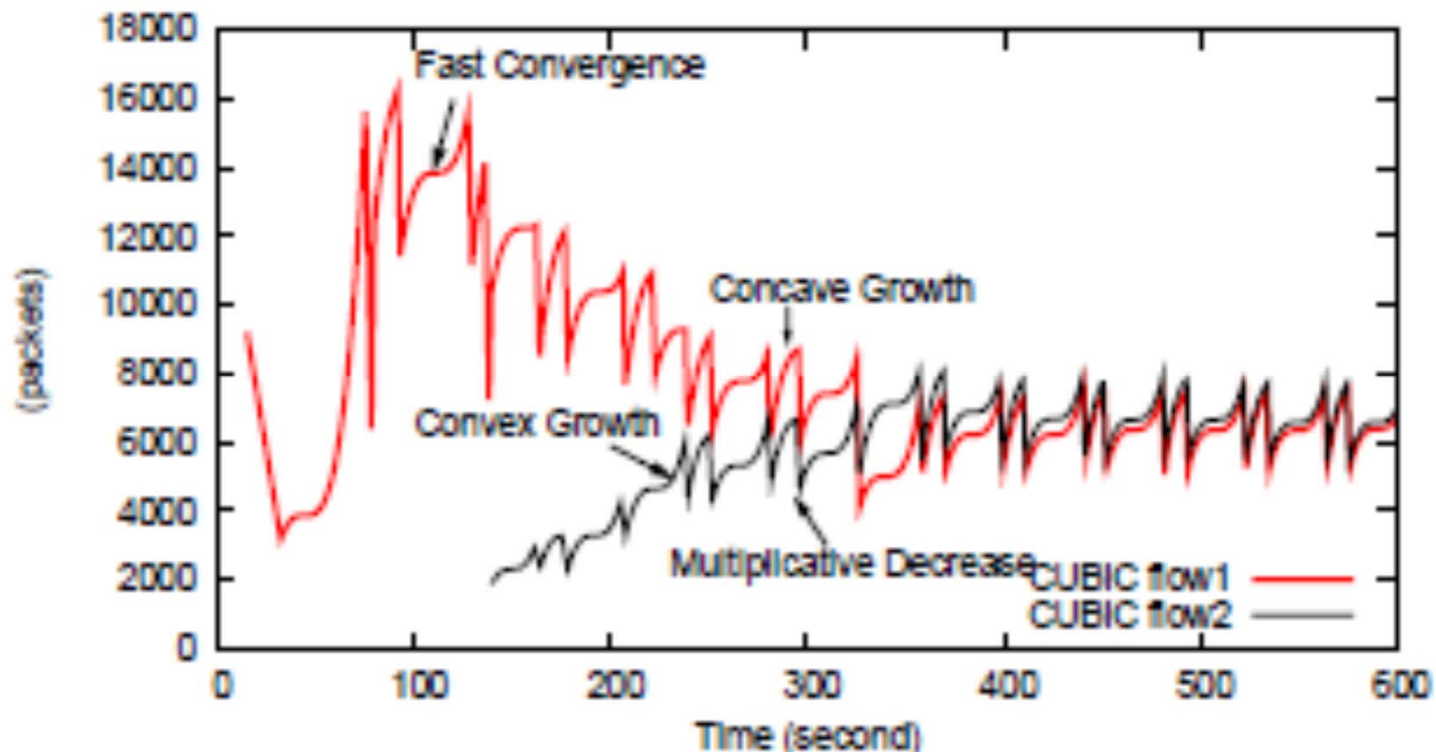
✂ window decrease is the same as BIC

β : decrease rate (e.g. 0.2)

C: constant (e.g. 0.4)

CUBIC-TCP (3)

- CUBIC's cwnd behavior



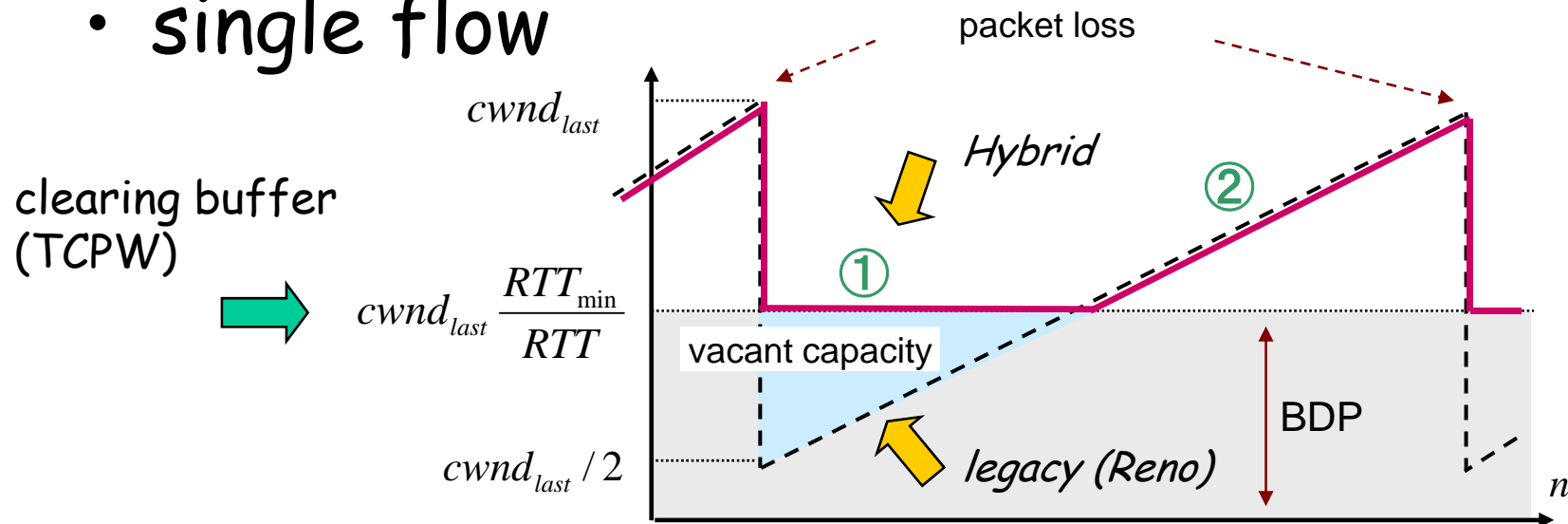
CUBIC-TCP (4)

- Advantages
 - stability
 - "intra-protocol fairness" among multiple CUBIC flows
- Disadvantages
 - heavy buffer occupancy and delay increase (\Leftrightarrow delay-based)
 - "inter-protocol unfairness" against other TCP flows
 - "Linux beats Windows!" (vs. Compound TCP)

Hybrid TCPs

Hybrid TCP (1)

- single flow

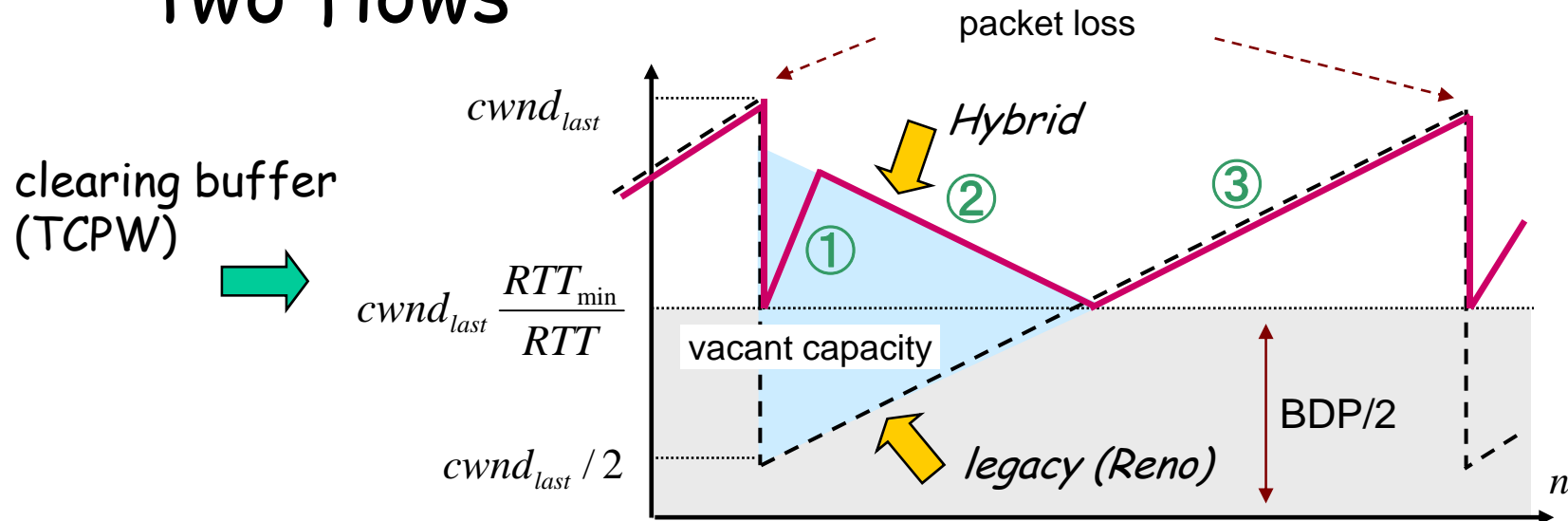


adaptive switching of two modes (loss & delay):

- ① constant rate until RTT increases (delay mode) : "efficiency" and "low delay"
- ② performs as Reno when RTT increases (loss mode) : "friendliness"

Hybrid TCP (2)

- two flows

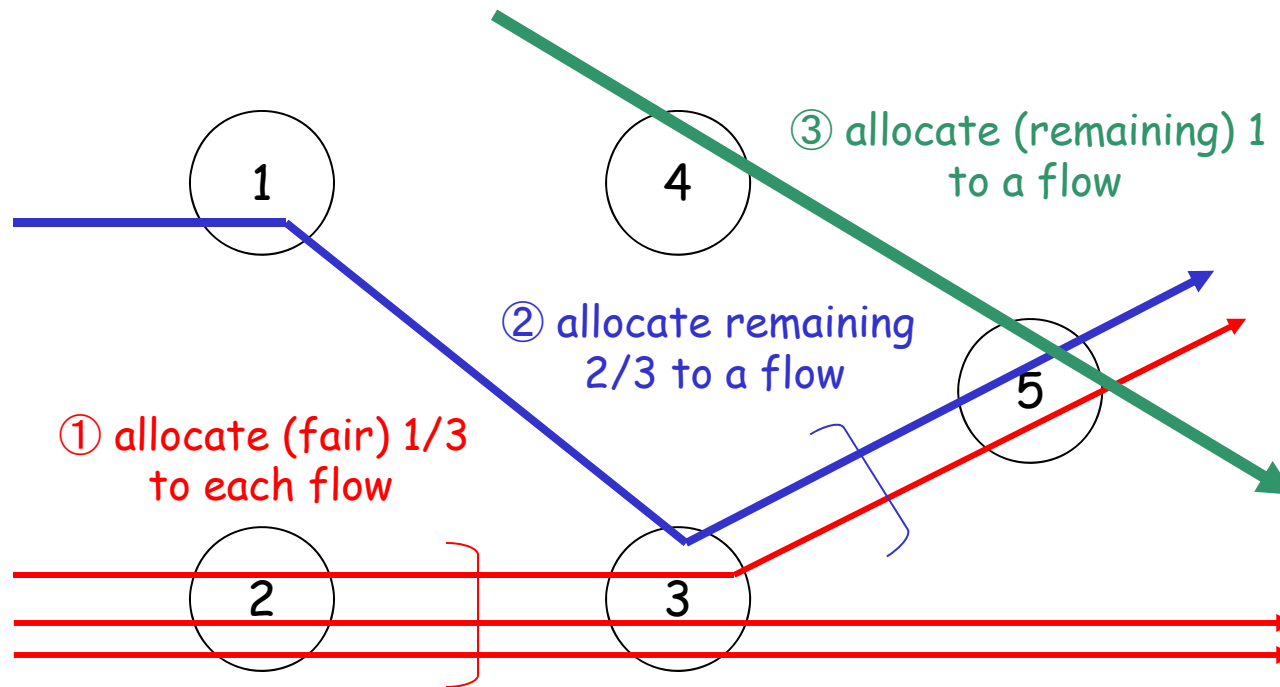


adaptive switching of two modes (loss & delay):

- ① fast $cwnd$ increase (delay ... "efficiency")
- ② mild $cwnd$ decrease (delay ... congestion avoidance)
- ③ performs as Reno when RTT increases (loss ... "friendliness")

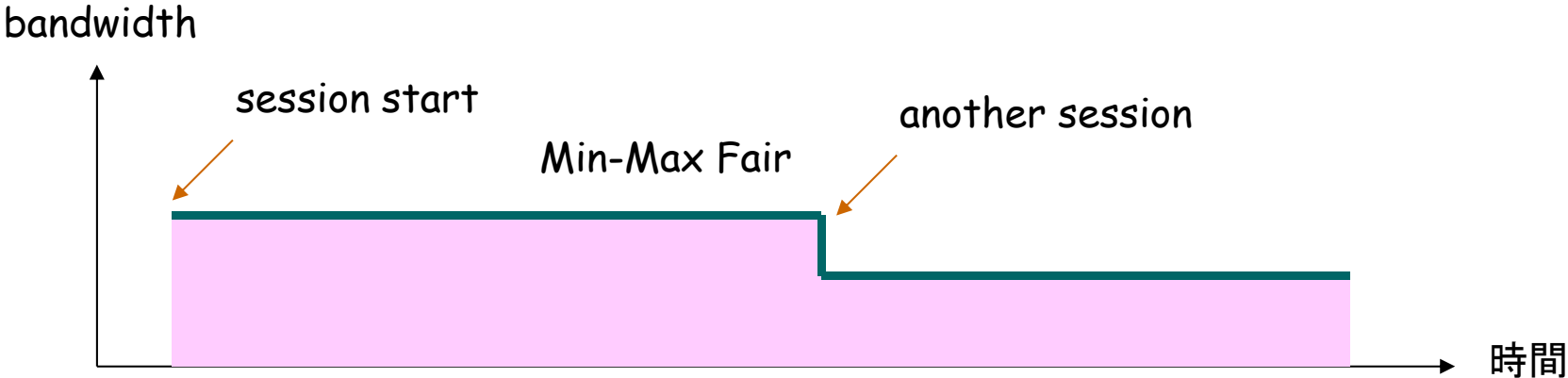
Min-Max Fair (ideal case)

- Min-Max-Fair: allocate "maximum bandwidth" to a user who has "minimum bandwidth"

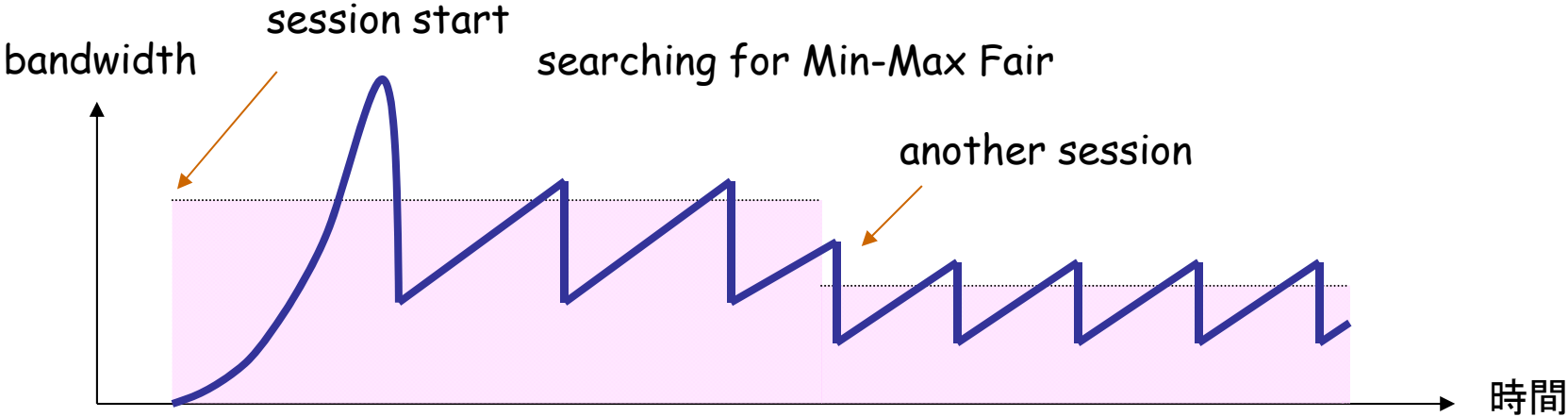


TCP's objective

Ideal:



TCP Reno



TCP behavior model (1)

- model definition
 - Loss-mode (TCP-Reno) :
 - $\text{cwnd} += 1$ (per "RTT round")
 - $\text{cwnd} *= 1/2$ (when a packet loss is detected)
 - Delay-mode :
 - fill a "pipe" (fully utilize a link) without causing RTT increase
 - Hybrid :
 - works in delay mode when RTT is not increased
 - works in loss mode when RTT is increases (i.e. when packets are buffered)
 - mode selection: $\text{cwnd} = \max(\text{cwnd}_{\text{loss}}, \text{cwnd}_{\text{delay}})$

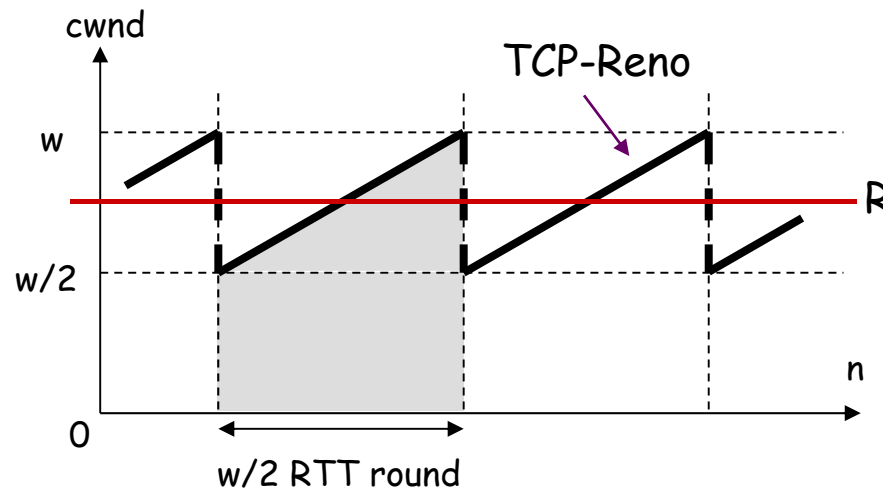
TCP behavior model (2)

- parameter definition
 - w : cwnd when a packet loss is detected
 - W : cwnd which just fills a pipe \sim BDP
 - p : packet loss rate
- assumption
 - packet loss due to buffer overflow is equivalent to packet loss due to random error

$$p = \frac{8}{3w^2} \quad (\text{in case of TCP-Reno})$$

TCP behavior model (3)

- TCP friendly model

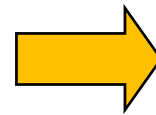


w: cwnd when a packet loss is detected
 p: packet loss rate
 RTT: round trip time

R: TCP equivalent rate

of transmitted packets until a packet loss is detected
 = area of a trapezoid

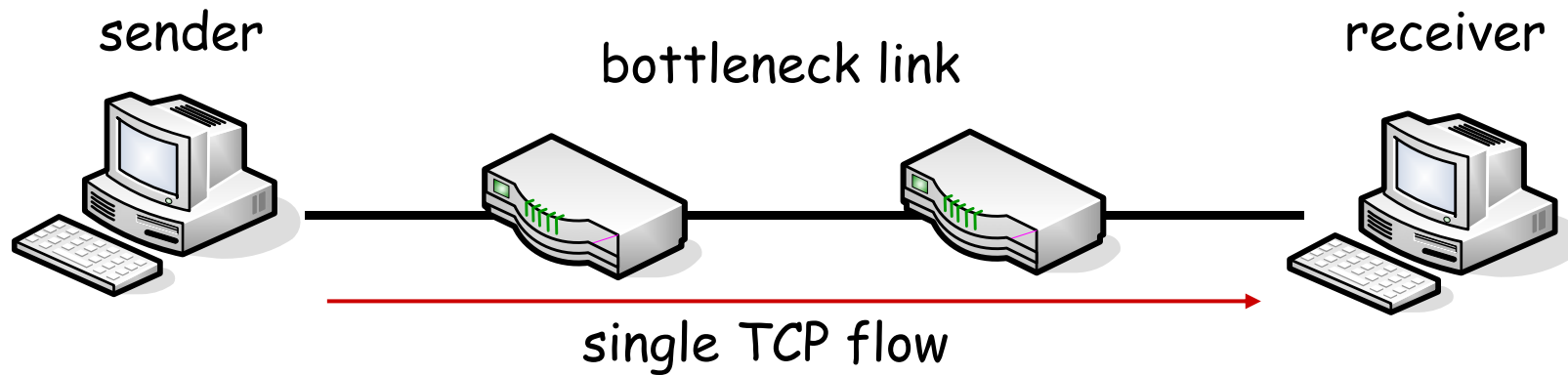
$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{w}{2} + w \right) \cdot \frac{w}{2} = \frac{3w^2}{8}$$



$$\begin{cases} p = \frac{8}{3w^2} \\ R = \frac{PS}{RTT} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{2p}} \end{cases}$$

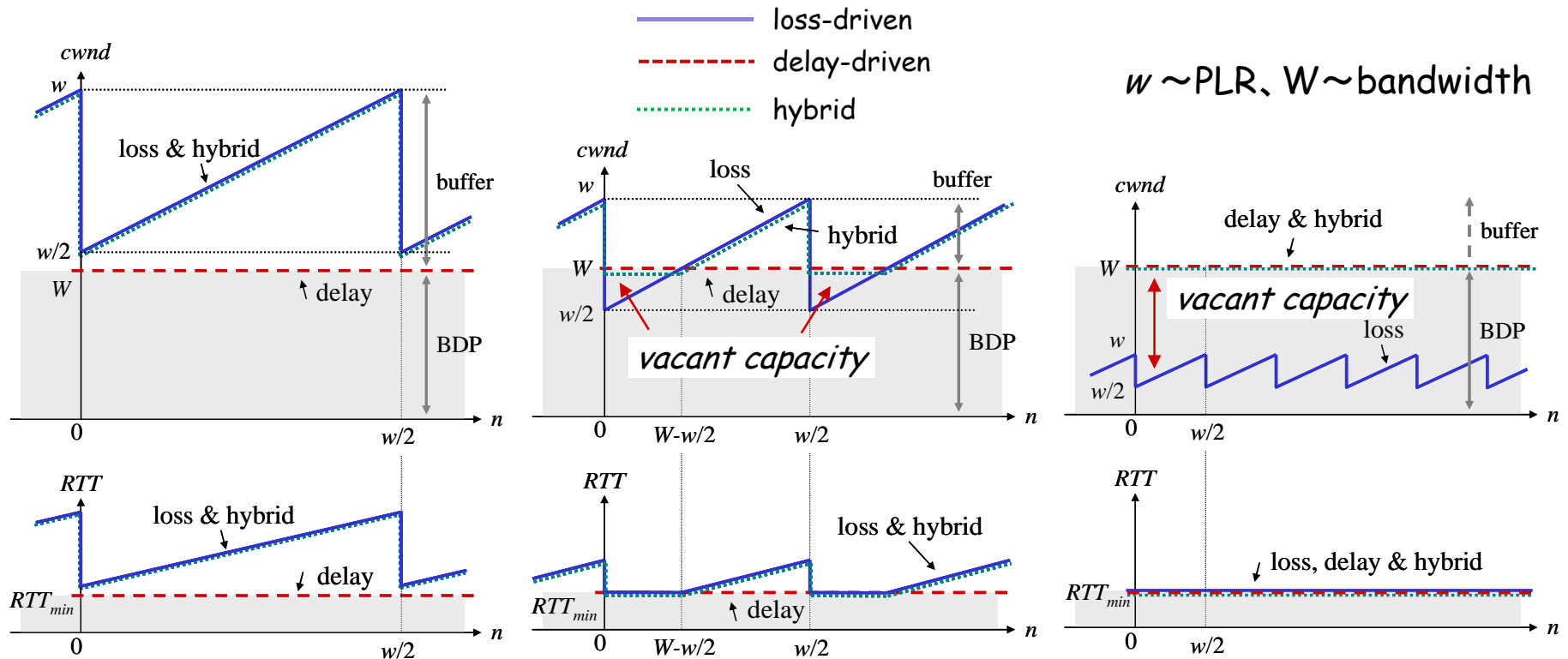
TCP behavior model (4)

- single flow



TCP behavior model (5)

- cwnd & RTT behaviors of ideal models (single flow case)



(i) $W < w/2$

large buffer, small PLR
 (always loss-mode)

(ii) $w/2 < W < w$

small buffer, medium PLR
 (delay \leftrightarrow loss)

(iii) $w < W$

large PLR, always vacant
 (always delay-mode)

TCP behavior model (6)

- formulation

TCP	CA round	(i) $W < w/2$	(ii) $w/2 \leq W < w$	(iii) $w \leq W$
Loss	transmitted packets	$\frac{3}{8}w^2$	$\frac{3}{8}w^2$	$\frac{3}{8}w^2$
	elapsed time	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min} + \frac{1}{8}(3w^2 - 4wW) \cdot \frac{PS}{B}$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min} + \frac{1}{2}(w-W)^2 \cdot \frac{PS}{B}$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min}$
Delay	transmitted packets	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot W$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot W$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot W$
	elapsed time	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min}$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min}$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min}$
Hybrid	transmitted packets	$\frac{3}{8}w^2$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot W + \frac{1}{2}(w-W)^2$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot W$
	elapsed time	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min} + \frac{1}{8}(3w^2 - 4wW) \cdot \frac{PS}{B}$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min} + \frac{1}{2}(w-W)^2 \cdot \frac{PS}{B}$	$\frac{1}{2}w \cdot RTT_{\min}$

PS: Packet size, B: Link bandwidth

TCP behavior model (7)

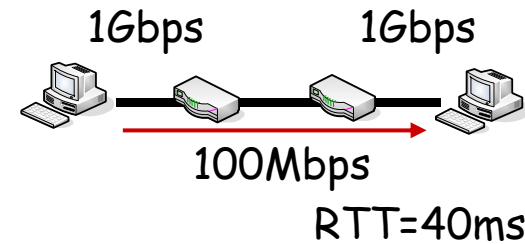
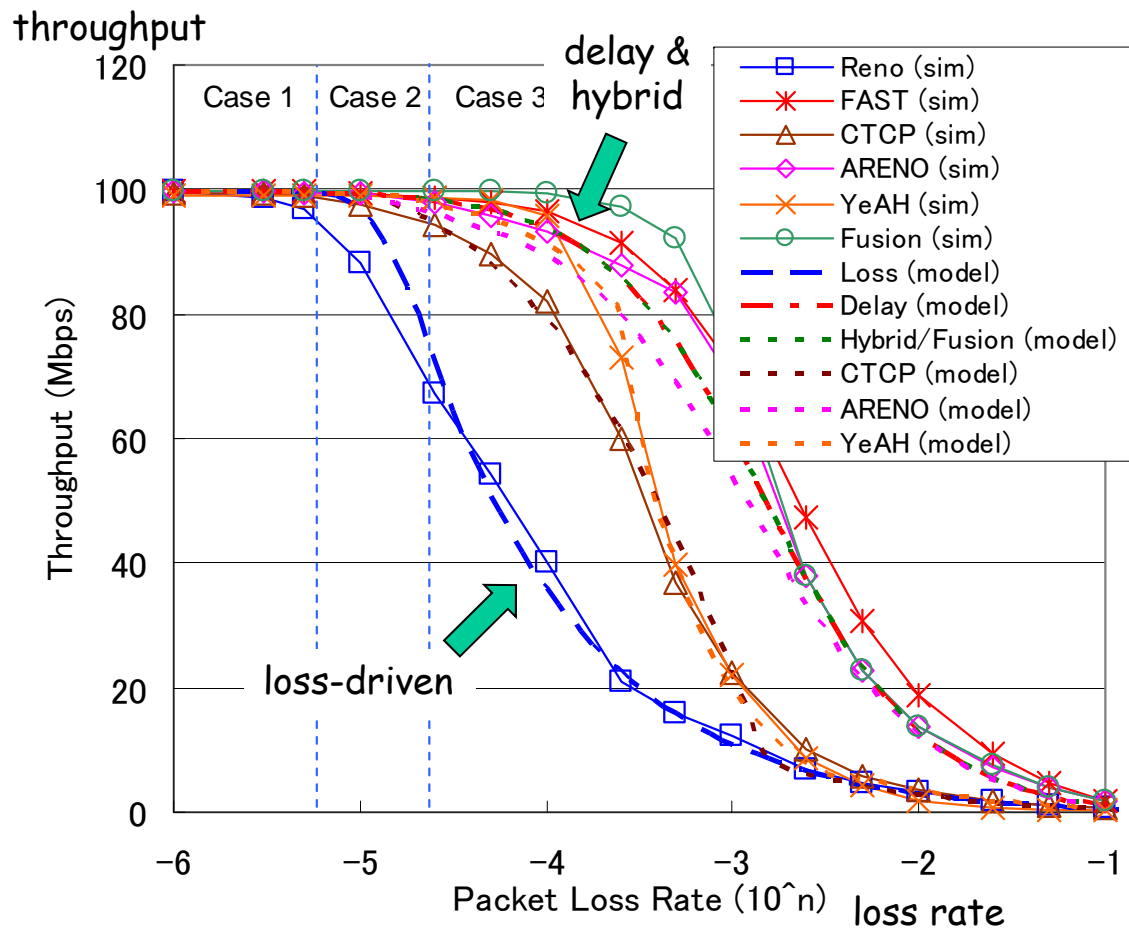
- abstraction of actual hybrids

Hybrids	Window increase	Window decrease
Compound TCP	$0.125 * cwnd^{0.75}$	1/2
ARENO	B/10Mbps	1/2~1
YeAH-TCP	Scalable TCP (1.01)	1/2, RTT_{min}/RTT , 7/8
TCP-Fusion	$B * D_{min} / (N * PS)$	RTT_{min} / RTT

D_{min} : timer resolution, N: # of flows

TCP behavior model (8)

- evaluation by models and simulations



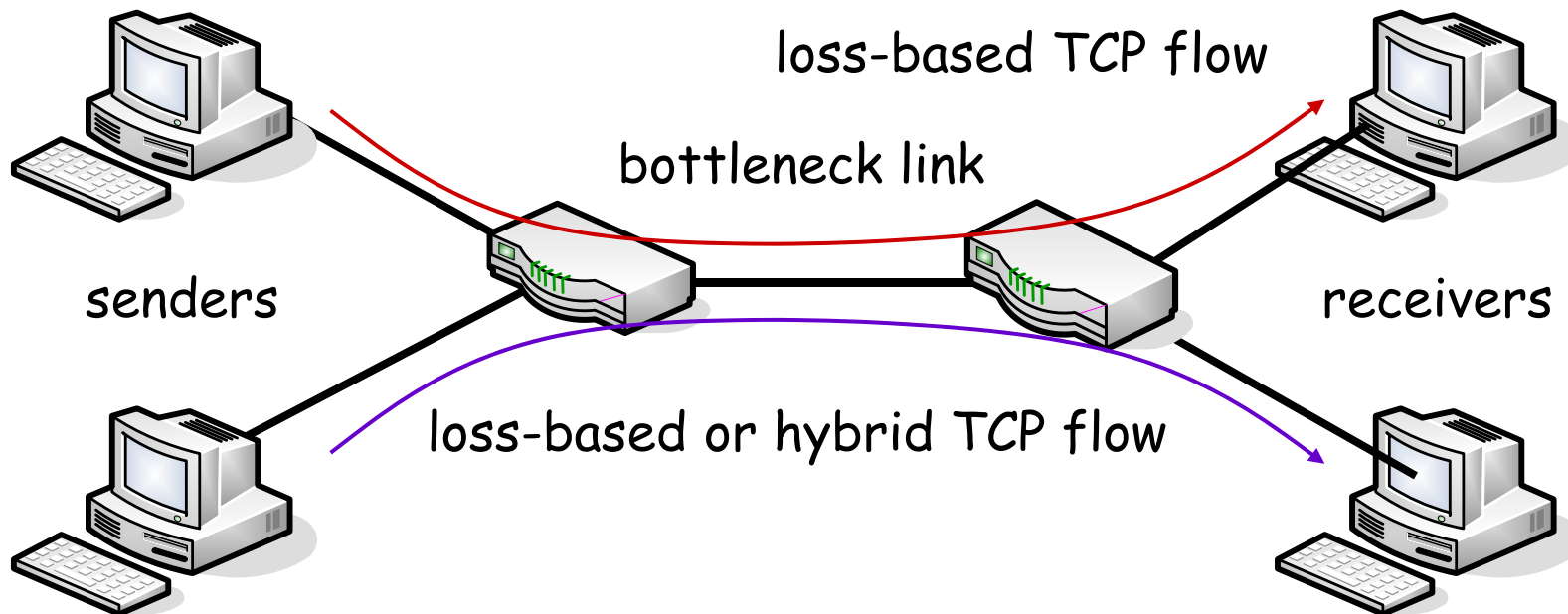
buffer size = BDP (constant)
 Packet loss rate : variable

when PLR is large ($w/2 < W$),
 throughputs of delay &
 hybrid are much larger than
 that of loss-mode (i.e.
efficiency)

degradation of Compound &
 YeAH is due to fixed window
 decrease

TCP behavior model (9)

- two flows (competing)

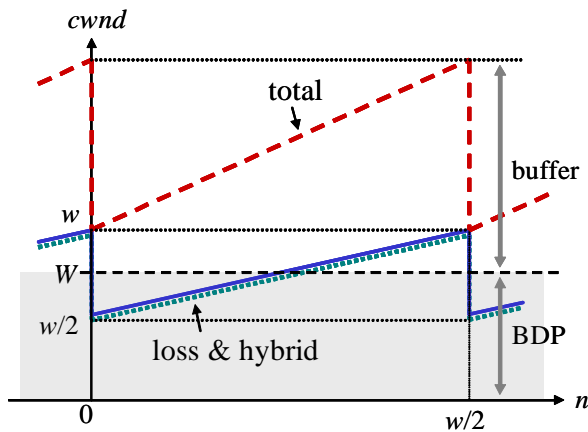


TCP behavior model (10)

- cwnd behavior of ideal models (two flow case)

— loss-driven
- - - hybrid
- - - total (loss + hybrid)

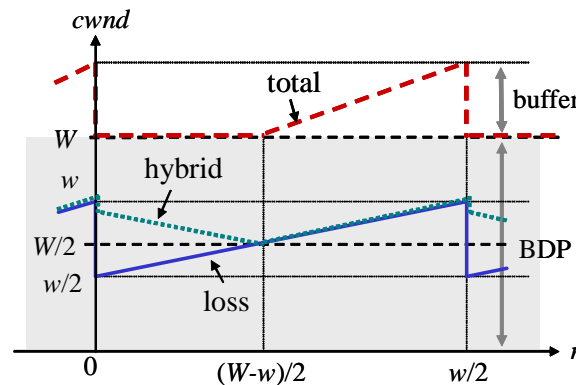
$w \sim \text{PLR}$, $W \sim \text{bandwidth}$



(i) $W < w$ (low PLR)

always buffered
(loss mode)

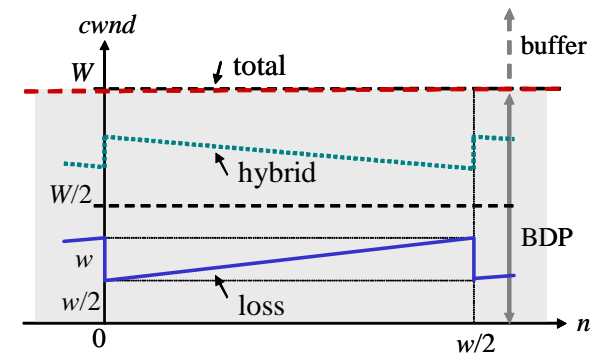
large buffer, small PLR



(ii) $w < W < 2 * w$ (medium PLR)

vacant \rightarrow buffered
(delay \rightarrow loss)

small buffer, medium PLR



(iii) $2 * w < W$ (high PLR)

always vacant
(delay mode)

large PLR, always vacant

TCP behavior model (11)

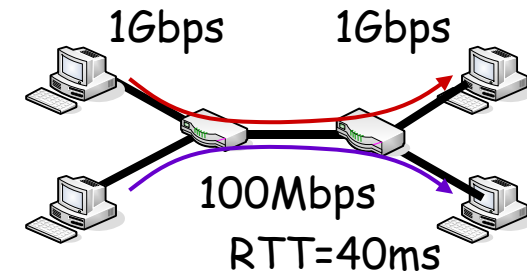
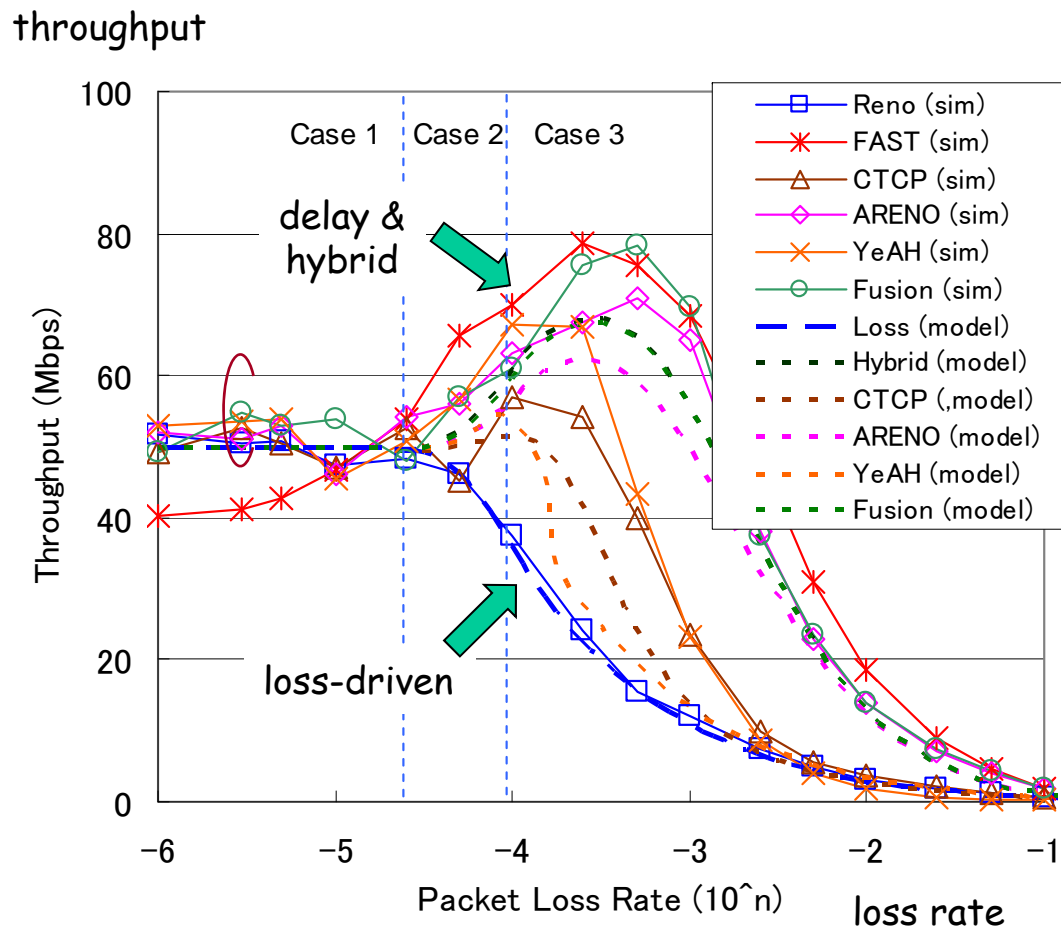
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TCP behavior model (12)

- evaluation by models and simulations



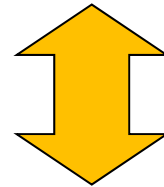
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 throughputs of delay & hybrid are much larger than that of loss-mode
 (efficiency)

when PLR is low ($w > W$),
 hybrid behaves similar to loss-mode (friendliness)

TCP behavior model (13)

- Advantages of Hybrid TCP
 - when vacant capacity exists (or PLR is large), throughput efficiency is greatly improved (advantage of delay-mode)
 - when no vacant capacity exists (or buffer size is large), friendliness to legacy TCP (i.e. Reno) is achieved (advantage of loss-mode)
- Disadvantages of Hybrid TCP
 - when buffer size is large, delay-mode is never activated ...



Summary of Hybrid TCP

- “Efficiency”, “Friendliness” and “Low delay”
 - can be applied to real-time streaming and large file download
 - might be effective in wireless networks
 - friendliness to CUBIC-TCP or Compound-TCP
 - CUBIC-TCP: Linux default
 - Compound-TCP: Windows
 - other metrics
 - RTT fairness, mice/elephant (short-lived or long-lived), convergence speed, etc...
 - efficiency is brought by delay-mode

TCP over Wireless

Wireless issues

- error control (L1)
 - BER (bit error rate), PER (packet error rate)
 - error model: AWGN, Two-States Markov
- access control (L2)
 - CSMA/CA (MACA, MACAW):
 - interference, collision
 - hidden terminal, exposed terminal
 - grey zone: receive range & carrier sense range
 - TDMA, FDMA, CDMA
- ad-hoc routing (L3)
 - DSDV, DSR, AODV, OLSR, TORA, AOMDV, ...
- transport protocol (L4)
 - Wireless TCP/TFRC, multi-hop TCP/TFRC
- mobility management (L3 / L7)
 - mobility model: Random Waypoint, Random Trip
 - handover
- energy consumption (all layers)
 - energy model

Discussion

- Wireless LAN
 - CSMA/CA, half-duplex, interferences, random errors, ...
 - cannot send packets when the sender wants to
 - packets are continuously stored into a transmission buffer of the sender
 - NIC buffer size is very large
 - Hybrid TCP always operates in the loss mode only
 - Unfairness between upload and download
 - D.Leith: WiOpt 2005

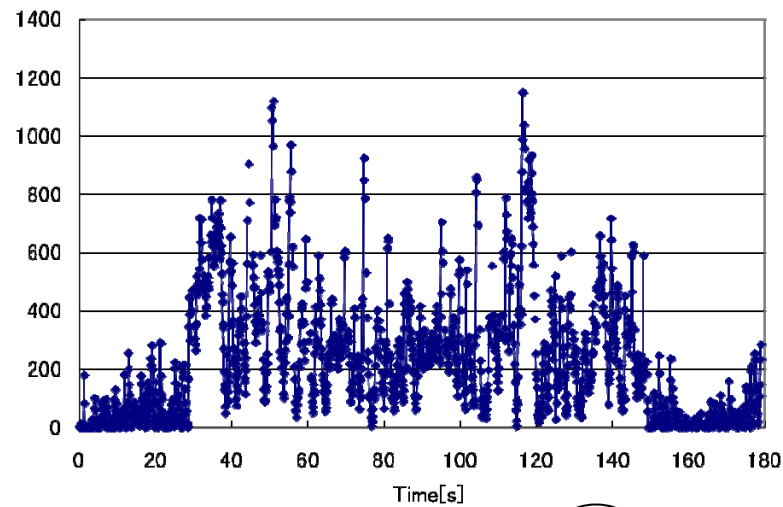
TCP over Wireless Networks

(1) TCP Differentiation

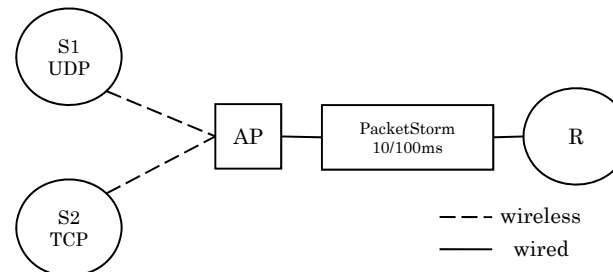
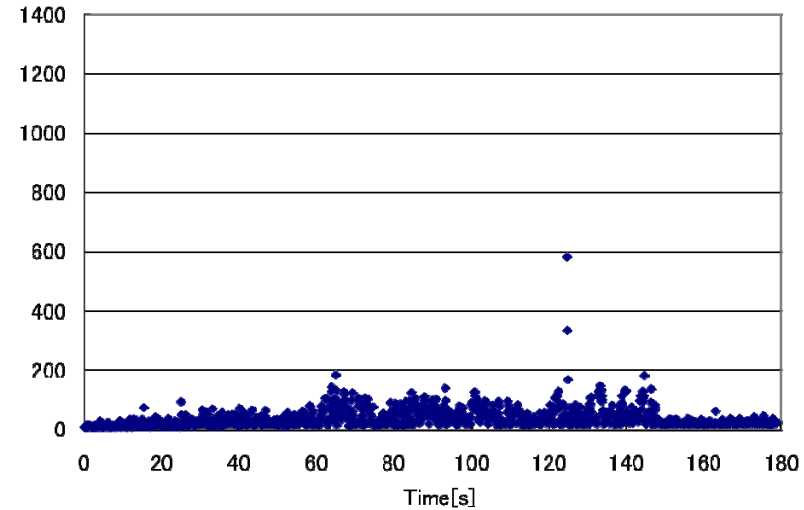
WiFi Example

- RTT instability and unfairness between upload and download

RTT upload, wireless to wired



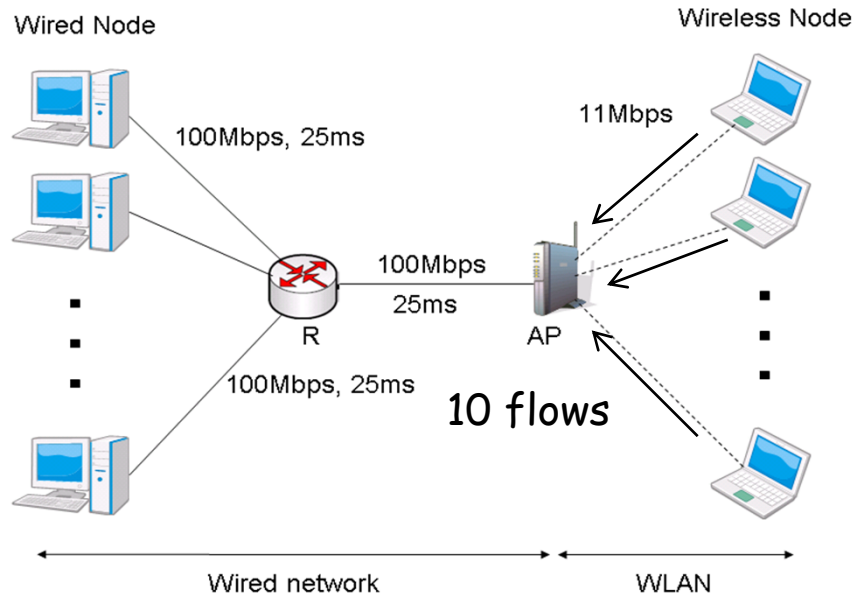
RTT download, wired to wireless



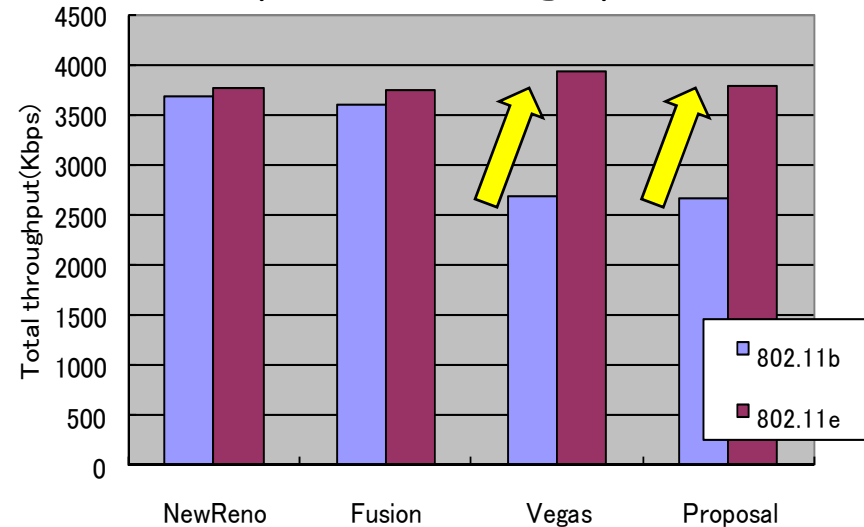
Wireless LAN (1)

※ ns-2 simulation

- TCPs and throughputs

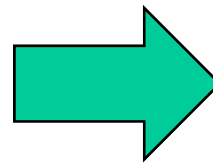


upload throughputs



Apply IEEE 802.11e to alleviate the unfairness problem between upload and download

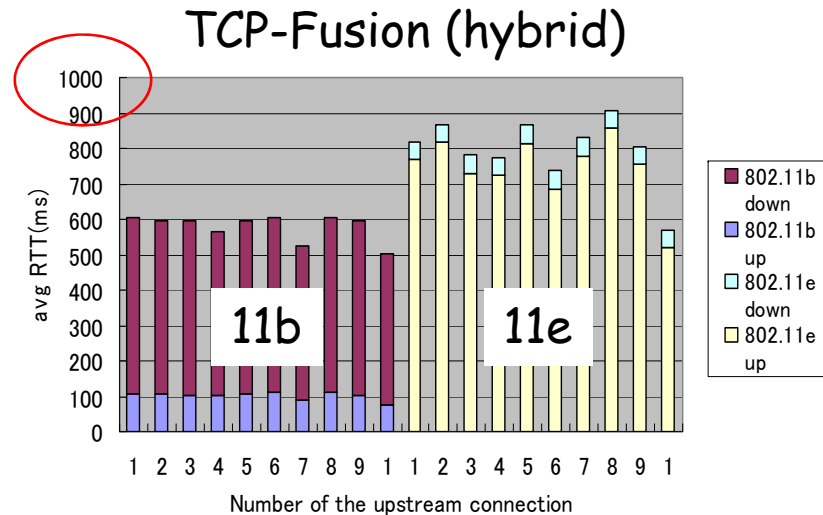
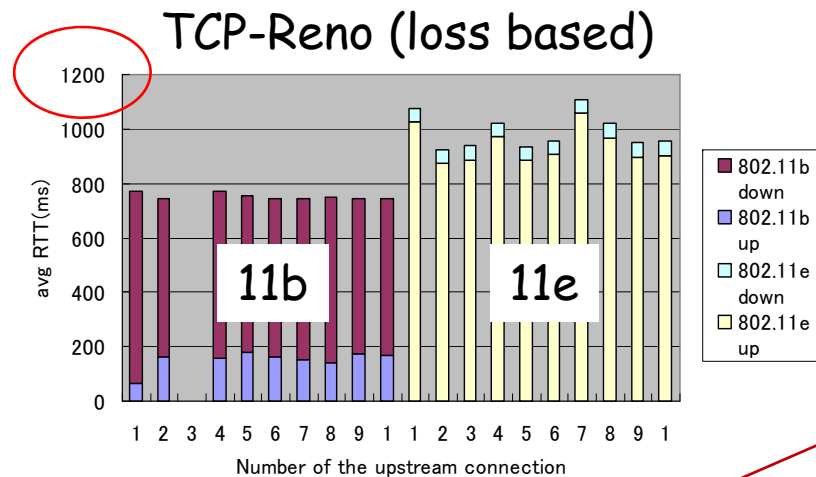
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TCP-Reno: loss based
 TCP-Fusion: hybrid
 TCP-Vegas: delay based
 Proposal: Vegas extension

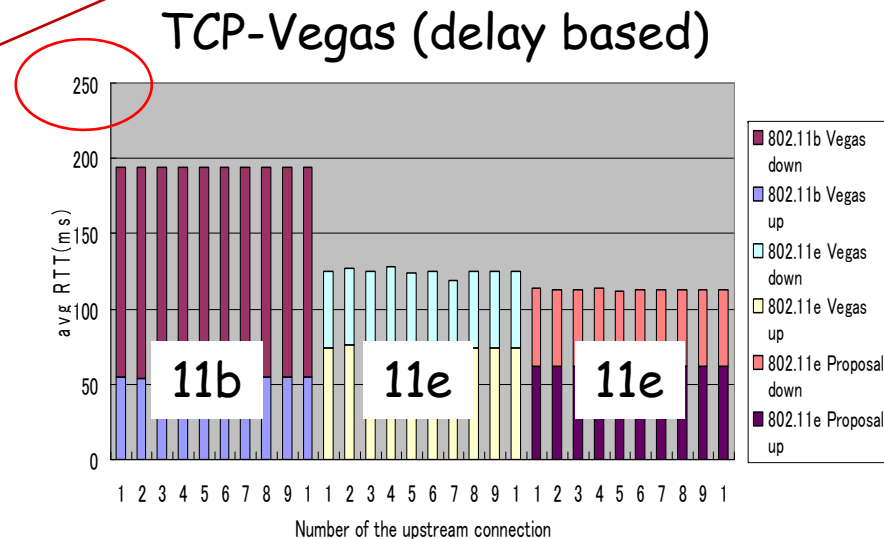
Wireless LAN (2)

- TCPs and delays



Reno, Fusion: though unfairness was alleviated, delay increases (esp. upload)
 Vegas & Proposal: unfairness and delay are decreased (compare vertical axis)

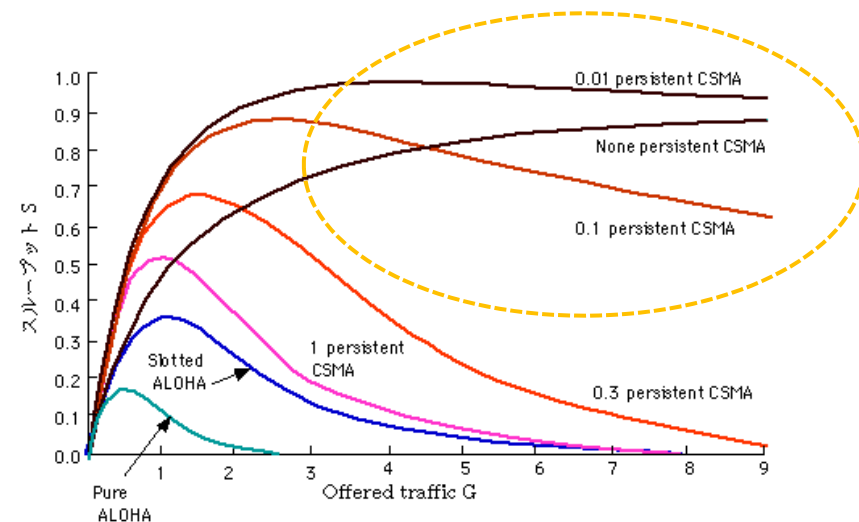
→ Hybrid TCP works in loss mode only



Wireless LAN (3)

- Common to wired
 - Delay based TCP design is effective if we require low delay transmission (but, it is expelled by loss based flows)
- Differences to wired
 - Hybrid does not operate in "hybrid" (delay mode) due to huge transmission buffer
 - Too many packet insertion causes huge delay due to multiple access mechanism (i.e. CSMA)

Critical throughput-delay tradeoff due to CSMA/CA

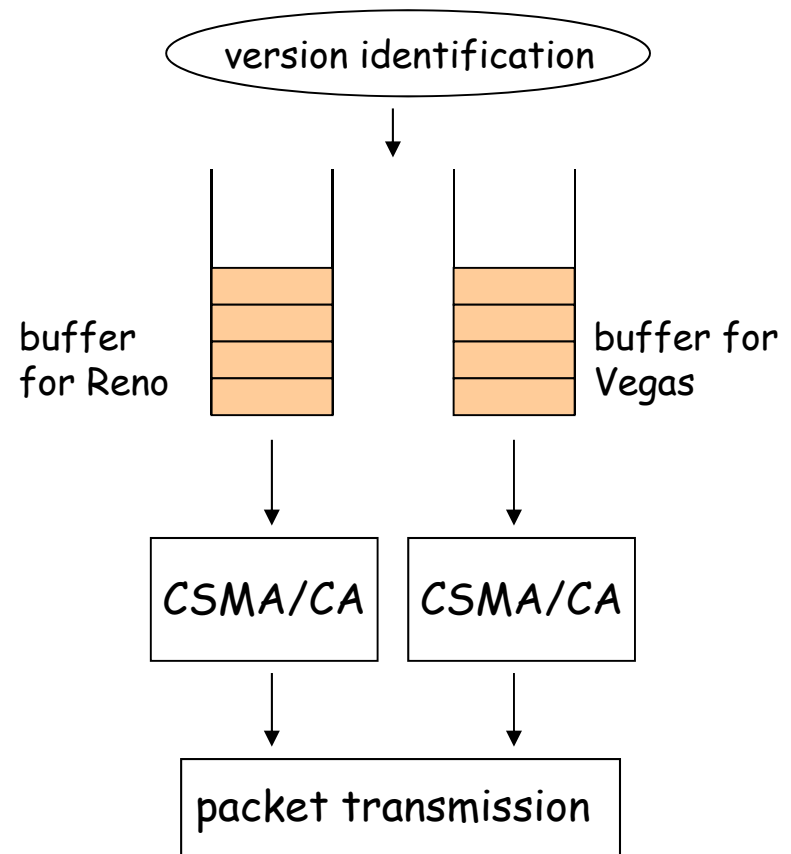


TCP Version Differentiation (1)

TCP version identification and differentiation

1. Access points identify TCP versions using RTT/cwnd estimation
2. Access points separate different TCP versions into different buffers
3. Prioritize delay based TCP flows by tuning CSMA/CA parameters of IEEE 802.11e

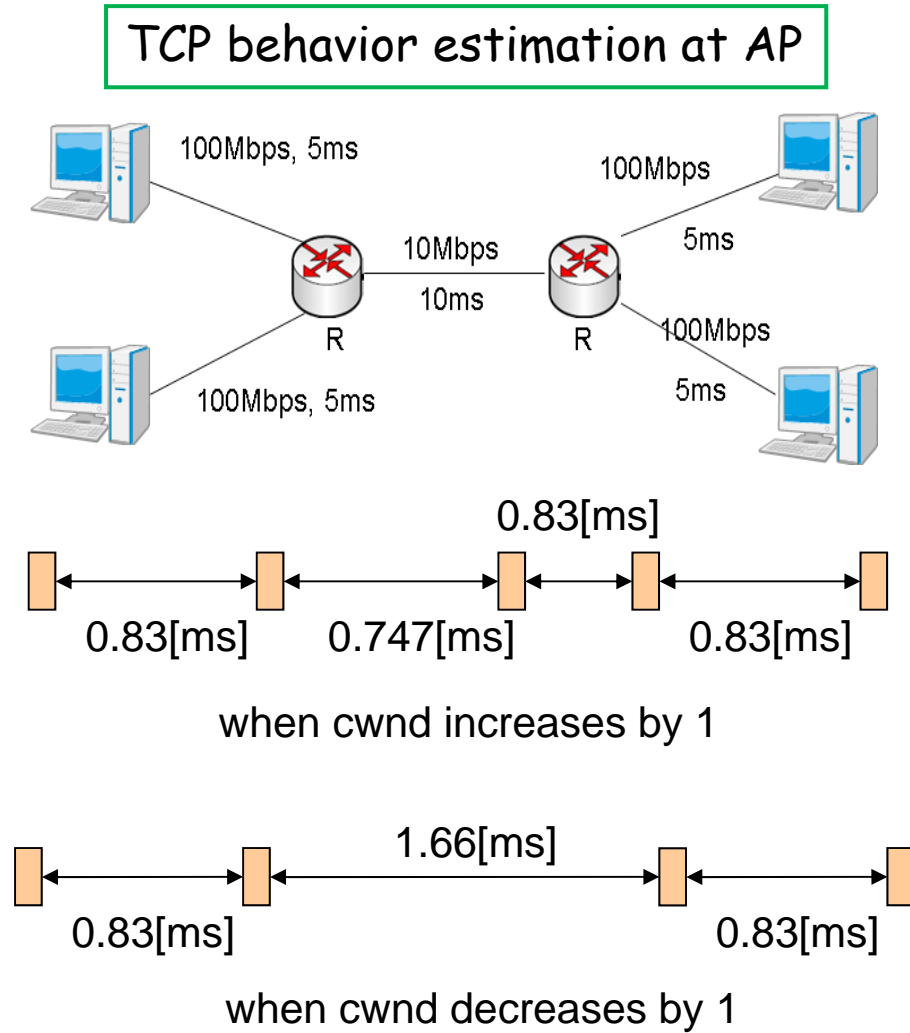
prioritize delay-based TCPs



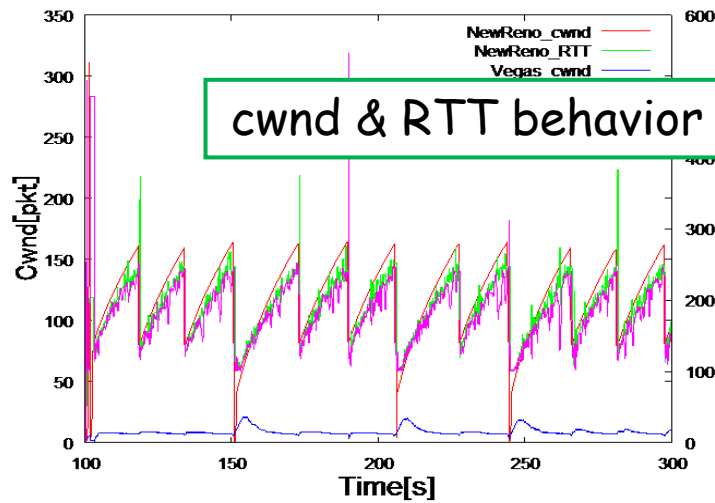
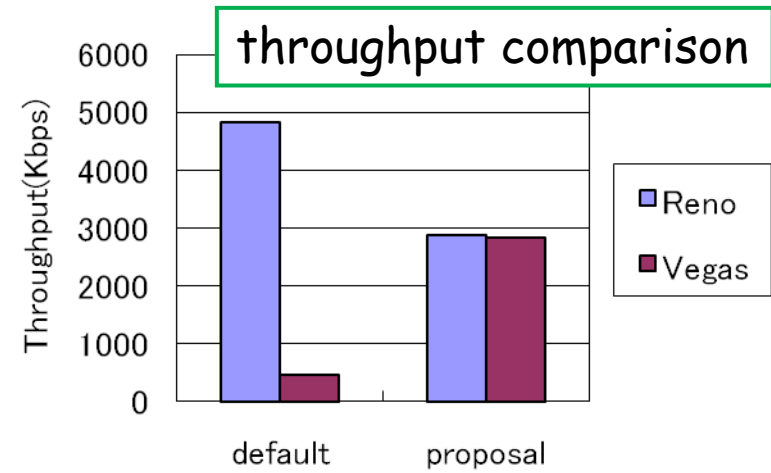
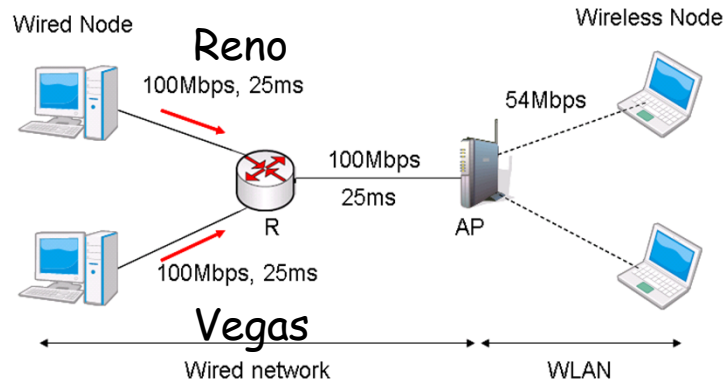
TCP Version Differentiation (2)

- RTT estimation for delay based flow
 - When cwnd increases by one, two consecutive packets are transmitted
 - When cwnd decreases by one, no packets are transmitted for the last ACK

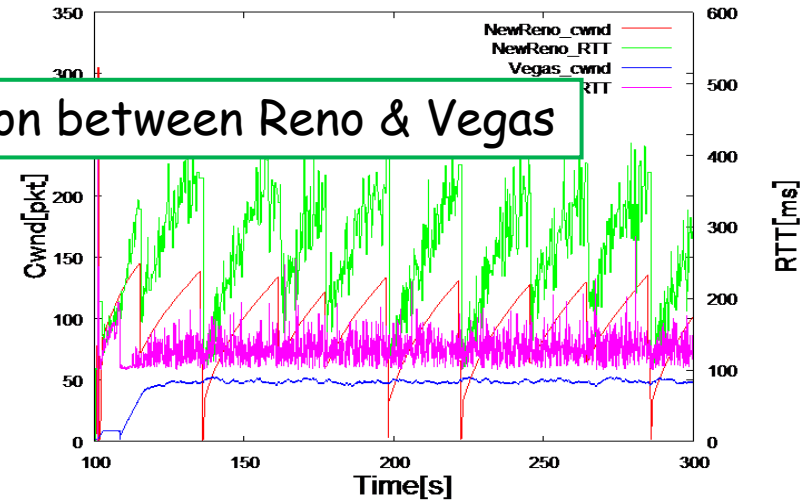
- cwnd estimation
 - Access points let the number of arrived packets per RTT be "cwnd"



TCP Version Differentiation (3)



without differentiation



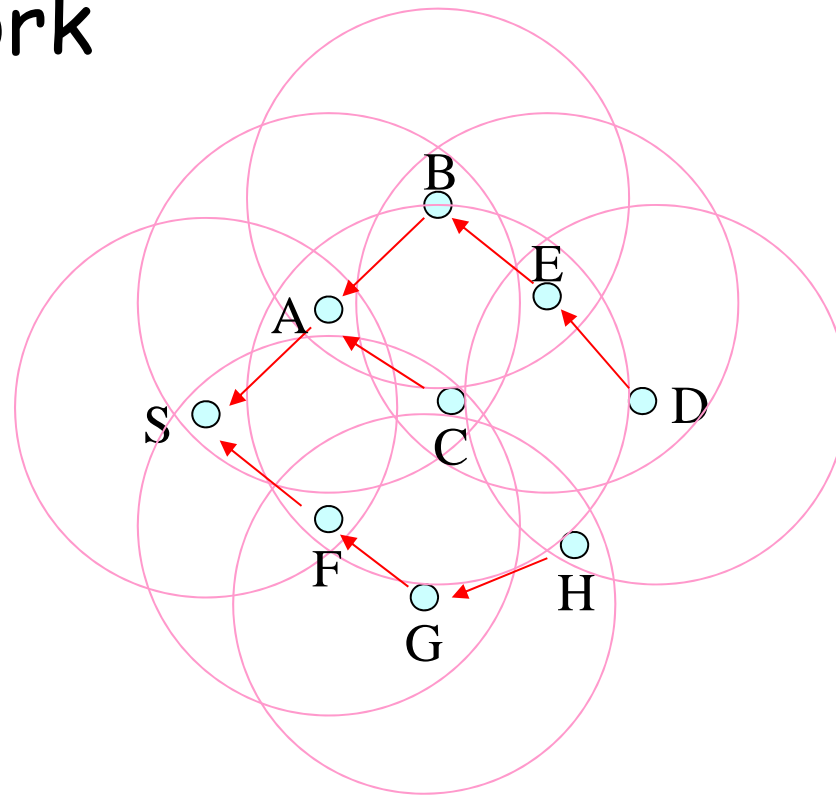
with differentiation

TCP over Wireless Networks

(2) Multi-hop

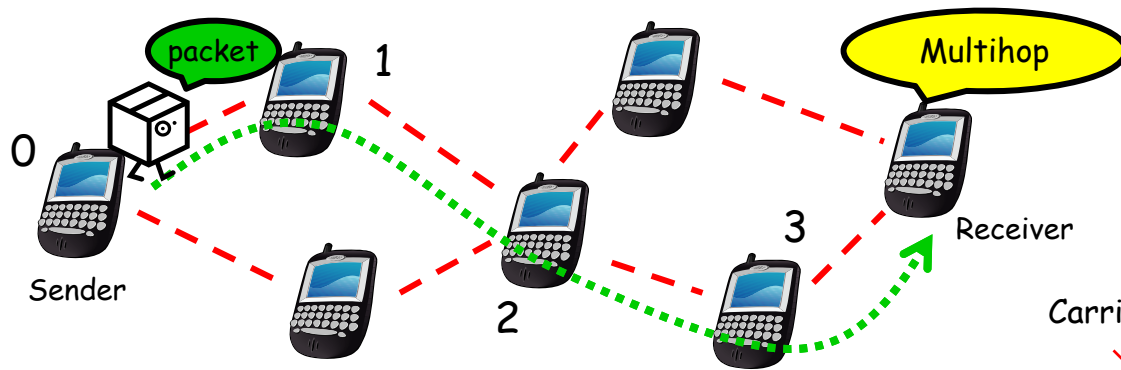
Wireless Multihop Networks

- ad-hoc network
- sensor network



Wireless Multihop Networks (1)

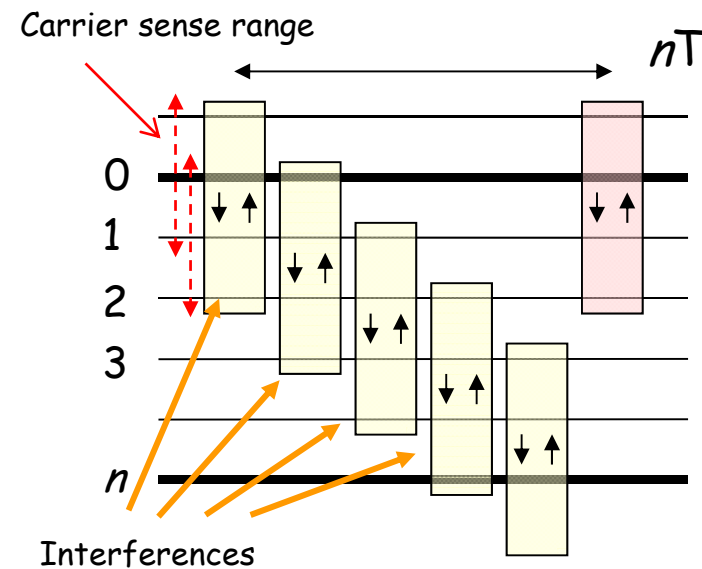
- Single Radio Multi-hop Transmission



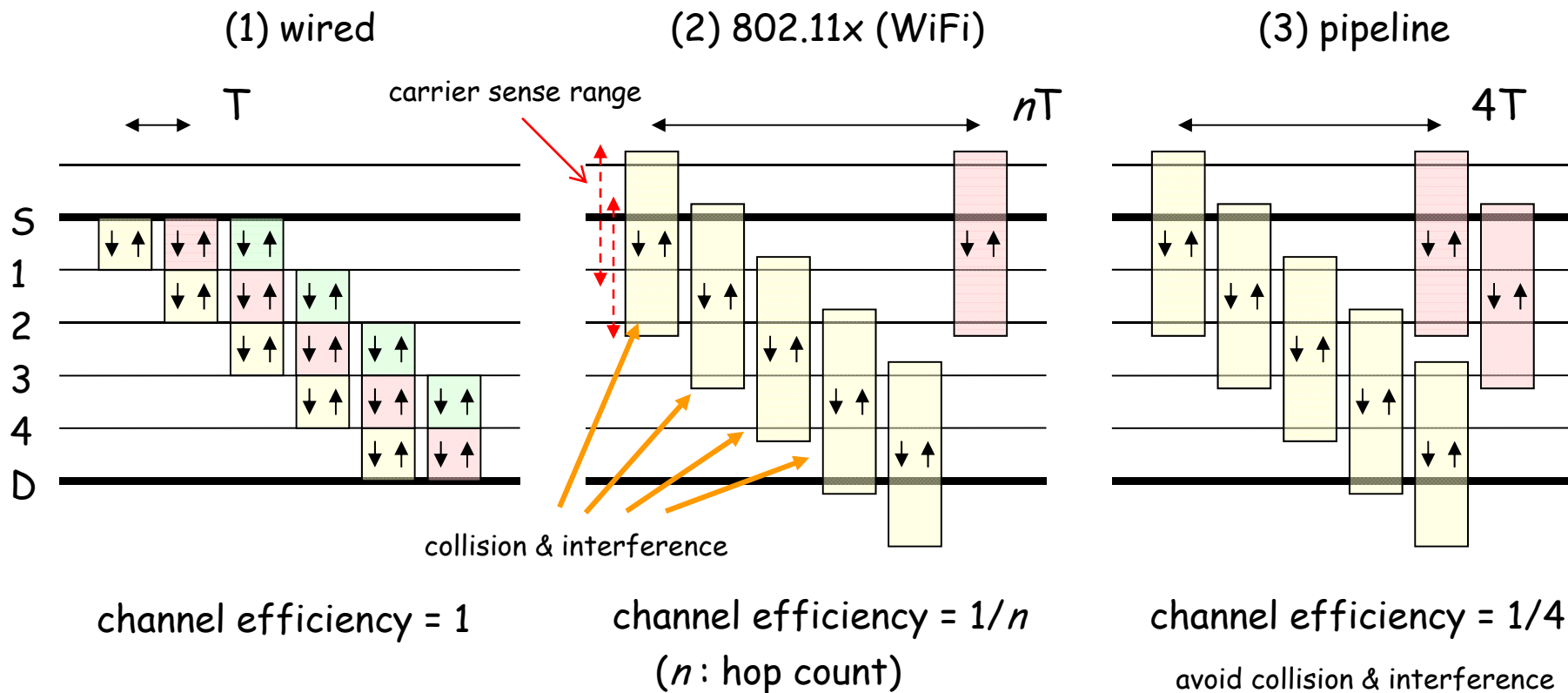
Decrease of link utilization due to radio interferences

Link utilization ratio can be at most $1/4$ (or $1/n$ without pipelining, where $n = \#$ of hops)
(J.Li et al.: ACM Mobicom 2001)

Small packet buffering at the intermediate nodes (Z.Hu et al: IEEE INFOCOM 2003)



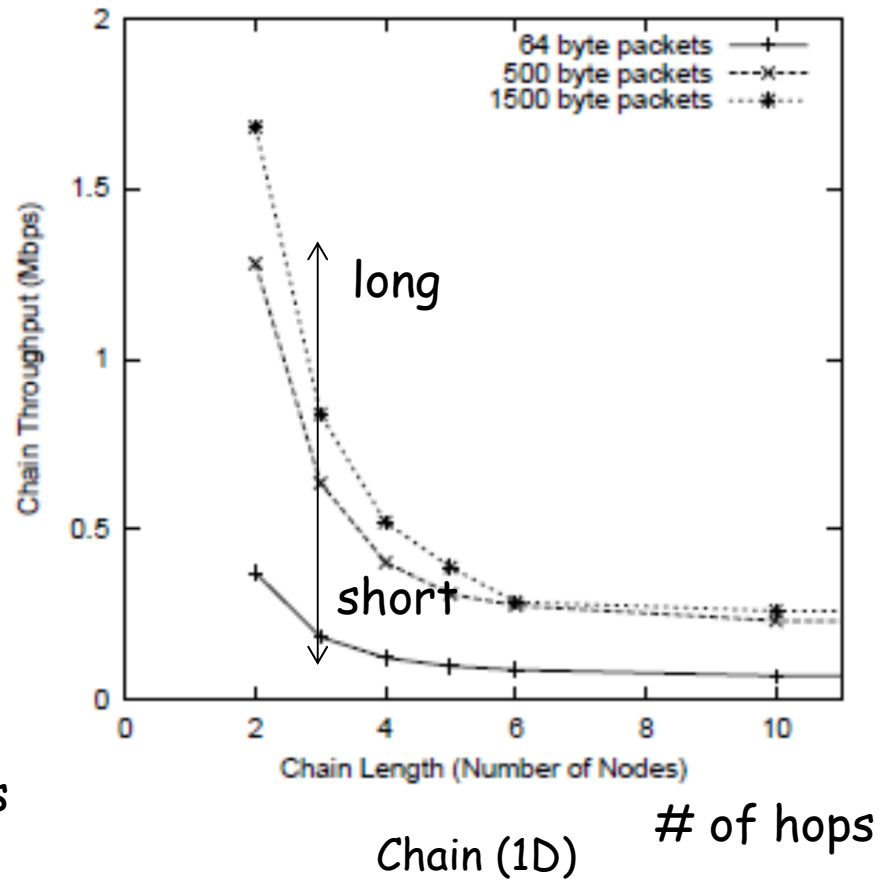
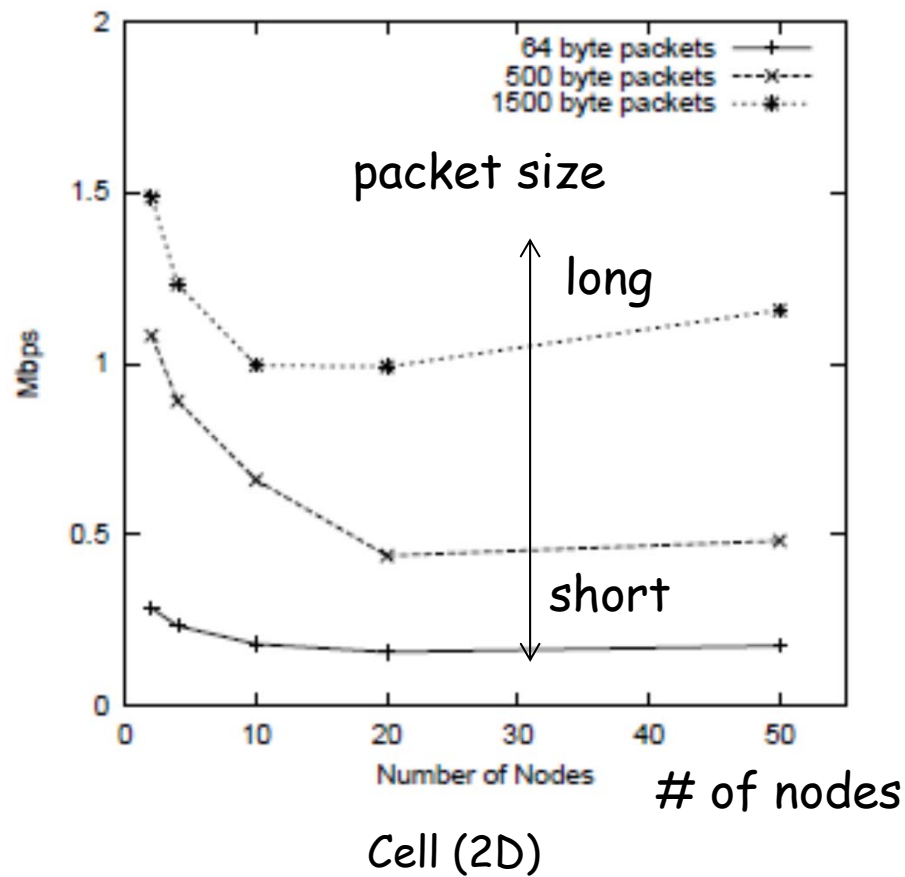
Multihop Capacity (1)



Multihop Capacity (2)

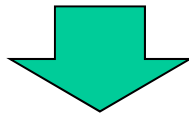
throughput

2Mb/s link



Link RED & Adaptive Pacing

- Wireless capacity is limited by # of hops (1/4 is the theoretical maximum channel efficiency for chain topology)

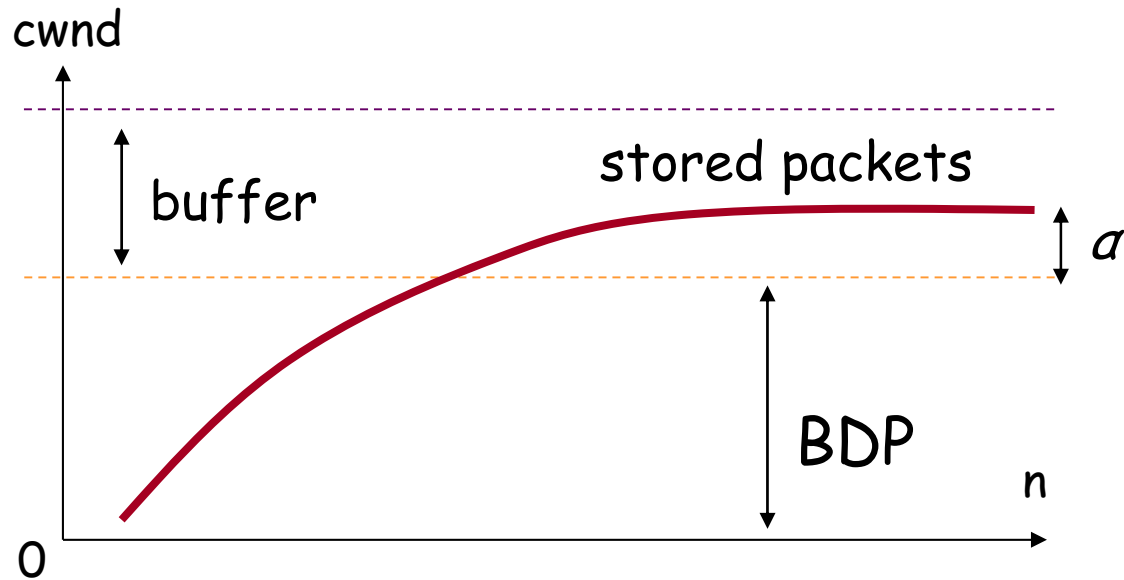


- Distributed Link RED: drops packets randomly at the link level when link load increases (analogous to random early detection)
- Adaptive Pacing: controls packet transmission scheduling in order to approach 1/4 (spatial channel reuse)

	TCP NewReno	LRED+
flow 1	244 Kbps	166 Kbps
flow 2	0 Kbps	153 Kbps
Aggregate	244 Kbps	319 Kbps
Fairness	0.5	0.9983

	TCP NewReno w/standard LL	TCP NewReno w/LL+LRED+PACING
flow 1	532 Kbps	85512 Kbps
flow 2	126229 Kbps	90459 Kbps
flow 3	115554 Kbps	70334 Kbps
flow 4	1608 Kbps	47946 Kbps
Aggregate	242923	294251
Fairness	0.51	0.95

TCP-Vegas (revisited)



e.g. $\alpha=1, \beta=3$

$$diff = \left(\frac{cwnd}{RTT_{min}} - \frac{cwnd}{RTT} \right) \cdot RTT_{min}$$

stored packets in a buffer

increase: $cwnd = \begin{cases} cwnd + 1 & diff < \alpha \\ cwnd & otherwise \\ cwnd - 1 & diff > \beta \end{cases}$

decrease: $cwnd = cwnd * 0.75$

Vegas-W (1)

for wireless multihop

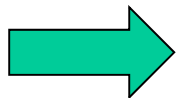
- Vegas-W [Ding, C&C 2008]
 - **Slower window increase than TCP-Vegas**

$$cwnd = \begin{cases} cwnd + 1 / cwnd & (\Delta < \alpha \ \& \ n_{CA} > N_{CA}) \\ cwnd & (\alpha \leq \Delta \leq \beta \ \text{or} \ \Delta \leq \alpha \ \& \ n_{CA} \leq N_{CA}) \\ cwnd - 1 / cwnd & (\Delta > \beta) \end{cases}$$

n_{CA} : # of consecutive states entering into

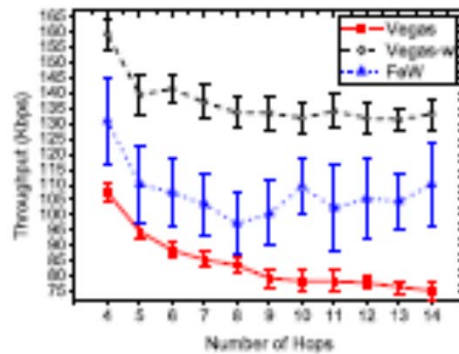
$(\alpha \leq \Delta \leq \beta \ \text{or} \ \Delta \leq \alpha \ \& \ n_{CA} \leq N_{CA})$

N_{CA} : threshold (e.g. 100)

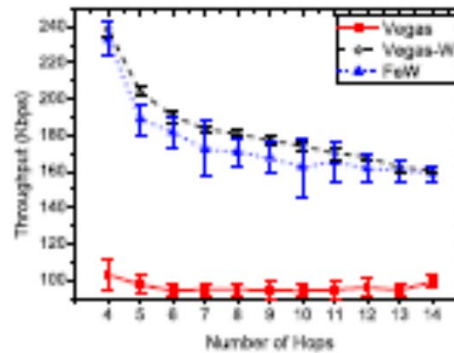


much slower than TCP-Vegas

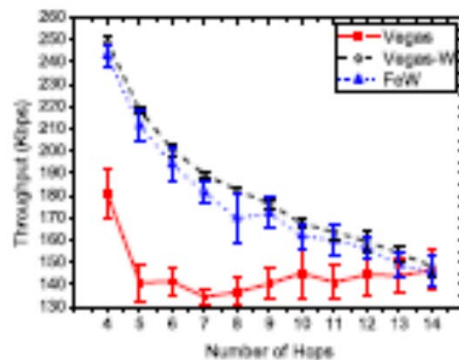
Vegas-W (2)



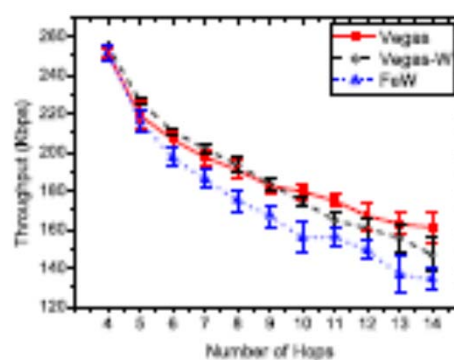
(a) Eight flows



(b) Four flows



(c) Two flows



(d) One flow

Fig. 4: Throughput comparison over chain topology with DSR and 95% confidence interval.

FeW: Fractional Window Increment (ACM Mobihoc 2005)

Vegas degraded as # of flows increases

Vegas-W improves as # of flows increases

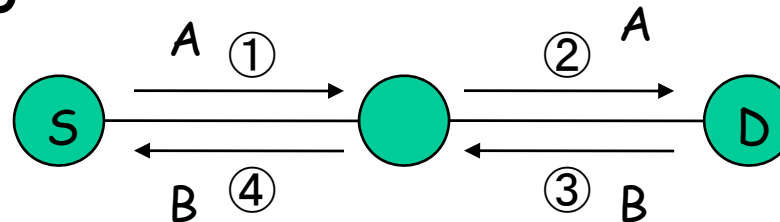
Summary of Wireless Multihop Networks

- Common to wired & wireless LAN
 - delay-based TCP is effective as long as no competing loss-based flows exist
- Gap to the wired case
 - wired case: faster window increase
"immediately" fills a pipe
 - multi-hop case: slower window increase
"safely" fills a pipe

A,B: symbol
a,b: signal

(ref.) Wireless Network Coding

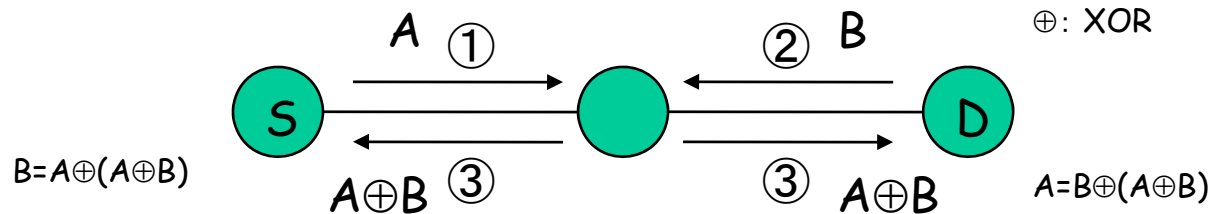
- Multihop



of time-slots which is necessary to transmit packets A&B between source and destination

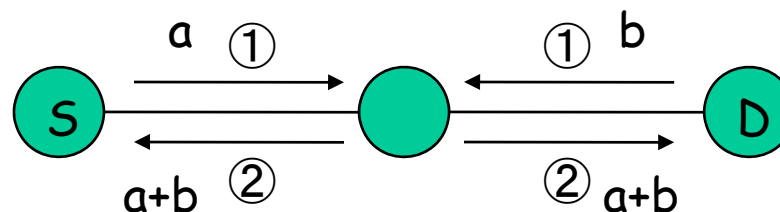
4 (channel efficiency 1/4)

- Network Coding (in Wireless)



3 (channel efficiency 1/3)

- Physical-Layer Network Coding



2 (channel efficiency 1/2)

synchronization is the key point