

CS 455/555
Introduction to Networks & Communication
Spring 2008
Solution for Homework #2
Points: 20
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The following questions are selected from Chapter 2.

Problem 10

Parallel download would only share the 100K bandwidth among the 10 connections (each getting just 10K bits/sec) thus, there is no significant advantage here. With persistent HTTP we avoid the SYN and SYNACK exchange but that only requires 2 seconds (1 second to send the 100 bit SYN message over the 100 bps link, and 1 second to receive the ACK). Given that each object takes 101 seconds to send and receive the ACK, the use of pipelining gives only a 2 percent gain.

Problem 7

The total amount of time to get the IP address is

$$RTT_1 + RTT_1 + \dots + RTT_n .$$

Once the IP address is known, RTT_0 elapses to set up the TCP connection and another RTT_0 elapses to request and receive the small object. The total response time is $2RTT_0 + RTT_1 + RTT_2 + \dots + RTT_n$

Problem 4

- a) The document request was `http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/cs453/index.html`. The Host : field indicates the server's name and `/cs453/index.html` indicates the file name.
- b) The browser is running HTTP version 1.1, as indicated just before the first `<cr><lf>` pair.
- c) The browser is requesting a persistent connection, as indicated by the Connection: keep-alive.
- d) This is a trick question. This information is not contained in an HTTP message anywhere. So there is no way to tell this from looking at the exchange of HTTP messages alone. One would need information from the IP datagrams (that carried the TCP segment that carried the HTTP GET request) to answer this question.

Problem 16

For calculating the minimum distribution time for client-server distribution, we use the following formula: $D_{cs} = \max \{NF/u_s, F/d_{min}\}$

Similarly, for calculating the minimum distribution time for P2P distribution, we use the

following formula: $DP_{2P} = D \max \{F/u, F/d, NF/ u_s + \sum_{i=1, N} u_i\}$

Where, $F = 10 \text{ Gbits} = 10 * 1024 \text{ Mbits}$

$u_s = 20 \text{ Mbps}$

$d_{min} = d_i = 1 \text{ Mbps}$

Client Server

		10	N
U	200 Kbps	10240	512000
	1 Mbps	10240	512000

Peer to Peer

		10	N
	200 Kbps	10240	47559.33
	1 Mbps	10240	10240