Resetting and Closing Streams

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Problem Statement

- The WebTransport Use Case: "I really need to get the Session ID through"
- 2. The Relaying Proxy: "Oops, the upstream server died"
 - a. But the proxy wants to send the bytes it has received and signal an error
 - b. See https://github.com/quicwg/base-drafts/issues/3300

Victor's proposal: RESET_STREAM_WITH_PAYLOAD

- https://github.com/marten-seemann/draft-seemann-guic-reliable-stream-reset/pull/2
- basic idea: add some payload to a RESET_STREAM frame
 - doesn't need to correspond to any data sent on the stream
- requires changing both receiver and sender QUIC stream API
- cannot solve the relaying use case

```
RESET_STREAM_WITH_PAYLOAD Frame {
   Type (i) = 0x73,
   Stream ID (i),
   Application Protocol Error Code (i),
   Final Size (i),
   Application Protocol Payload Size (i),
   Application Protocol Payload (..),
}
```

RELIABLE_RESET_STREAM

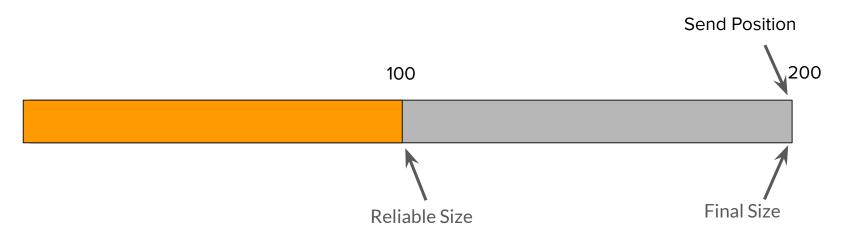
• RELIABLE_RESET_STREAM: the name is confusing



```
RESET_STREAM Frame {
  Type (i) = 0x04,
  Stream ID (i),
  Application Protocol Error Code (i),
  Final Size (i),
}
```

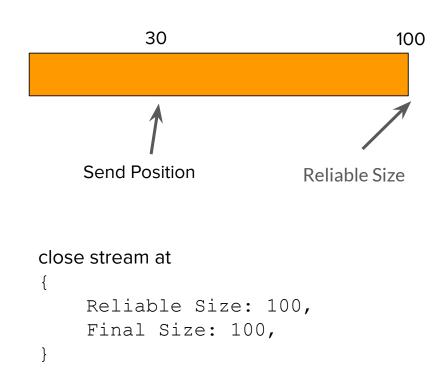
```
RELIABLE_RESET_STREAM Frame {
   Type (i) = 0x72,
   Stream ID (i),
   Application Protocol Error Code (i),
   Final Size (i),
   Reliable Size (i),
}
```

Sometimes it looks like a RESET!



```
close stream at
{
    Reliable Size: 100,
    Final Size: 200,
}
```

But it's actually more like a FIN!



Implementation Strategy:

don't send STREAM_CLOSE before having sent all the reliable bytes (like a FIN)

Stream API (sending side)

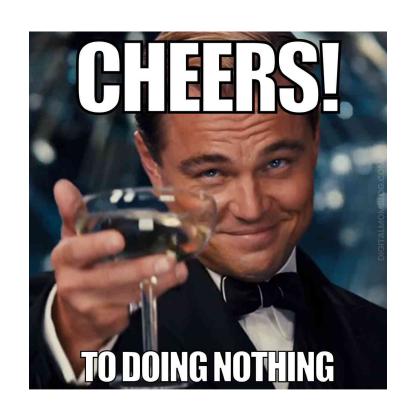
```
class SendStream:
   def write():
      // write data to the stream buffer
   def commit():
      // commit to transmit all bytes written so far
```

Receiver Side

Receiver: don't act on the Reliable Size before having deliver all the reliable bytes

Just like you'd do for a FIN bit!

Stream API (receiving side)



RELIABLE_RESET_STREAM

Maybe STREAM_CLOSE?



Implementation Status

- quic-go: ~80 LOC for the stream state machine changes
- quicly: ~50 LOC for the stream state machine changes
- quic-go and quicly successfully interop!

Next Steps

Adoption?