

Faster Restart for TCP Friendly Rate Control (TFRC) draft-ietf-dccp-tfrc-faster-restart-02.txt

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Idle period:

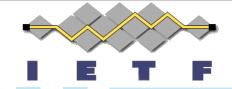
- Sending rate reduces down to 4 packets per RTT.
- Slowstart takes long for long delay paths/high rates.
- Sending rate limit
 - Can be at most twice receiver rate.
 - Not sufficient for when application is bursty.
- Not suitable for "bursty" applications that are datalimited or occasionally idle.





 Rapidly increasing rate to a previously achieved rate after idle or data-limited periods can be justified.

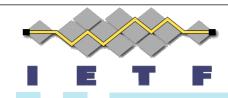
- FR modifies TFRC
 - Idle period:
 - Sending rate reduces down to 8 packets per RTT (for small packets) or 4 packets per RTT for large packets.
 - Quadruple the sending rate in absence of congestion.
 - Sending rate limit:
 - Allows four times the receiver rate.



Updates in draft FR-02

- Significantly updated Introduction to reflect FR's general applicability to idle and data-limited periods.
- Section 3.1 on min sending rate during idle periods
 - transport layer MUST send a minimum of X_ping/s,
 - $X_ping = min(X, s/4R)$
 - Must send a packet every 4 RTTs.
 - Provides endpoint RTT samples.
 - These packets are not reported to the application by the transport layer.
 - MUST use DCCP-Data or DCCP-DataAck packets with zero-length application data.

Notes: When feedback is received for these packets, sender should take the RTT samples, but should not use that to calculate sending rate?



Section 3.2 on Receive Rate Length

- RRL became an option.
- Revised definition: "Receive Rate Length reports the number of packets used to calculate the Receive Rate, minus one."
- Added Send Receive Rate Length Feature Negotiation.
- Added new variable X_active_min_rate
 - The minimum restart rate allowed by Faster Restart in the presence of idle and/or data-limited periods.
 - X_active_min_rate := min(8*s, max(4*s, 8760 bytes)).
- Updated the pseudocode in section 3.3
 - Added a new phase to make sure X_recv does not drop too low as the result of a slow send rate.



- Section 3.4 on nofeedback timer expiry
 - Sending rate never drops below 4 packets per RTT, or 8 packets per RTT for small packets, as the result of an idle period.
 - Changes Step 1 in Section 4.4 of RFC 3448:
 - If the sender has sent no data whatsoever since the time the nofeedback timer was set, and

Added simulation scenarios in Appendix.



Issues for the next rev

- Definitions for data-limited and idle periods.
- Fix NiTs in wording
- Simulations to be performed based on revised draft.
- >>>Other issues to be added...