Evaluating Congestion Control for Interactive Real-time Media

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Current Status

Draft-01 makes some changes based on the list discussion

- Main Open Issue: Quality Metric
 - To analyse the trade-off between loss, throughput and delay.
 - List discussion indicates against having it

Metrics

- Bandwidth Utilization = sending rate/capacity
 - Under utilization
 - Overuse
 - Steady-state
- Packet loss and discard rate
- Fair share with similar flows
 - Should be equal?
- Fair share [open issue]
 - Long TCP flows
 - Short TCP flows
 - Many and few competing flows

Measure: min, max, average for the call duration?

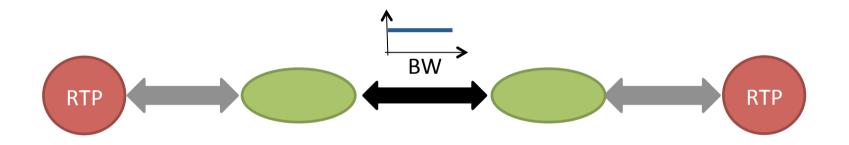
Summary of Evaluation Guidelines

- 1. Avoiding Congestion Collapse
 - Does it require any changes to circuit breakers?
- 2. Stability
 - For stable link conditions does the sending rate oscillate, which may reduce the Quality of Experience
- 3. Media Traffic
 - Variable motion, series of variable talk spurts
- 4-6. Diverse Environments
 - Wired and wireless (802.11x, HSPA, GPRS)
 - Varying Path Characteristics
 - Reacting to Transient Events or Interruptions
- 7. Fairness With Similar Cross-Traffic
- 8. Impact on Cross-Traffic

Do we need a minimum set of guidelines?

Evaluation Scenarios (1/4)

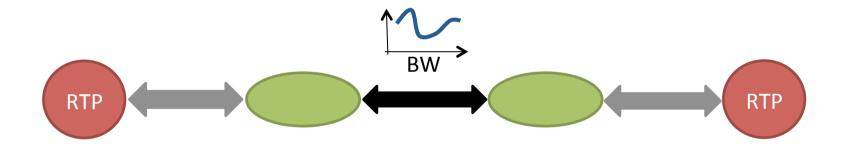
RTP on a fixed link



For convenience we show only 3 hops and unidirectional flows

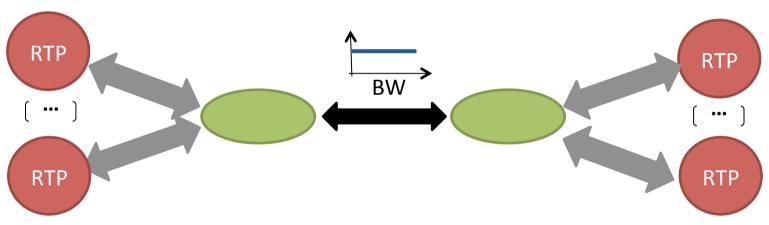
Evaluation Scenarios (2/4)

RTP flow on a variable capacity link



Evaluation Scenarios (3/4)

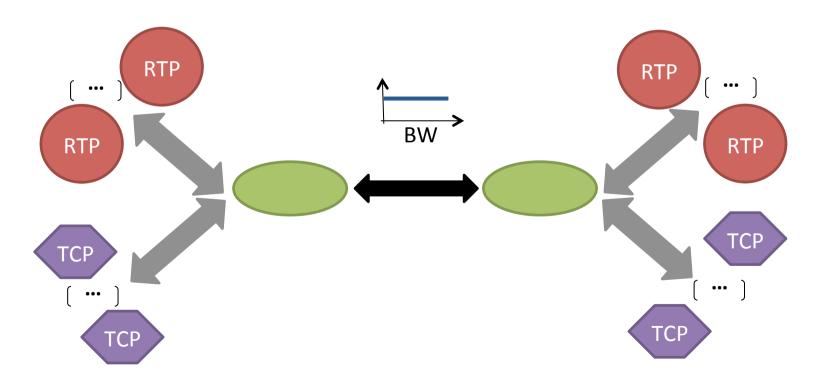
• Self-fairness



These links can have same or different path properties

Evaluation Scenarios (4/4)

- Competing with TCP
 - Short and long flows
 - Small and large number of flows



Open Issues

Other metrics?

Clarify Topology: Dumbbell and Bus-stop

Clarify TCP and UDP flow parameters

- Define simulation/emulation parameters
 - Requirement document?