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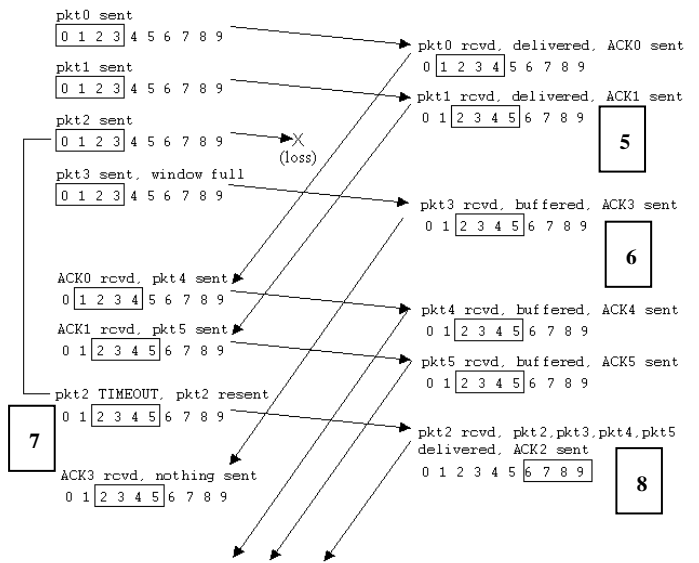
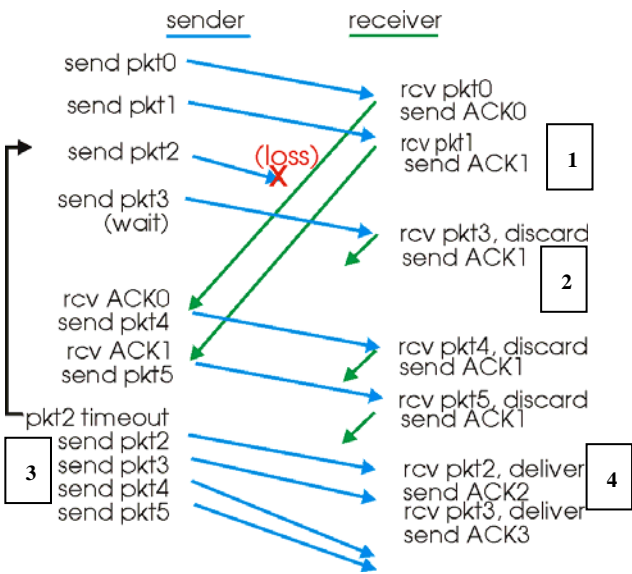
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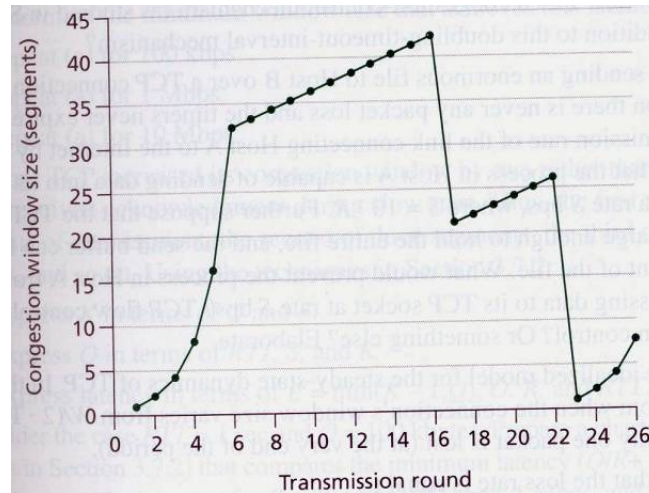
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Ans:

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If sender receives 3 ACKs for the same data, (3%) it supposes that segment after ACKed data was lost: resend segment before timer expires (3%) (6% total)
- (b) How TCP does its flow control? (6%)
Rcvr advertises spare room by including value of RcvWindow in segments (3%)
Sender limits unACKed data to RcvWindow for guaranteeing receive buffer doesn't overflow (3%)

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Ans:

- (a) DNS services (3%)
 - hostname to IP address translation
 - host aliasing (Canonical, alias names)
 - mail server aliasing
- (b) iterated query: (2%)
 - contacted server replies with name of server to contactrecursive query: (2%)
 - contacted server forwards the DNS query to next server and waits for the reply
- (c) authoritative DNS server (2%)
 - organization's DNS servers, providing authoritative hostname to IP mappings for organization's servers

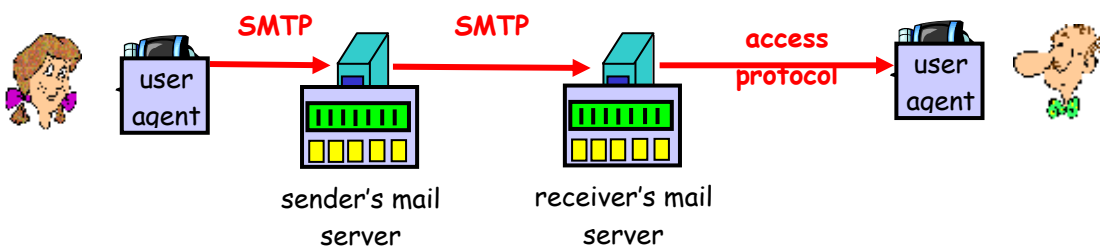
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Ans:

POP: Mail access protocol: retrieval from server (說明 2%)

SMTP:

- direct transfer between mail servers to send email messages (說明 2%)



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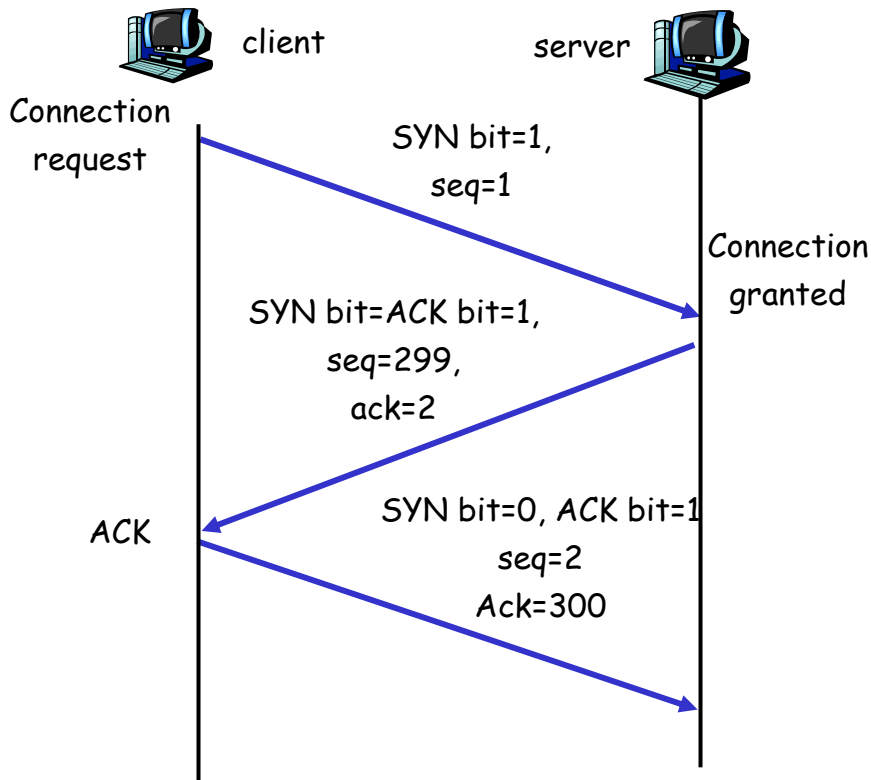
Ans: Three way handshake:

Step 1: client host sends TCP SYN segment to server (搭配圖要正確 2%)

Step 2: server host receives SYN, replies with SYNACK segment (4%)

Step 3: client receives SYNACK, replies with ACK segment, which may contain data (4%)

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上圖每個符號含內容 1 分，標示不全者，視狀況扣分，共 10 分

5. How sender and receiver detect “errors” in transmitted TCP/UDP segment? (10%)

Ans: Sender:

- treat segment contents as sequence of 16-bit integers
- checksum: addition (1's complement sum) of segment contents (2%)
- sender puts checksum value into UDP checksum field (2%)

Receiver:

- compute checksum of received segment (2%)
- check if computed checksum equals checksum field value: (2%)
- NO - error detected (1%) YES - no error detected. (1%)

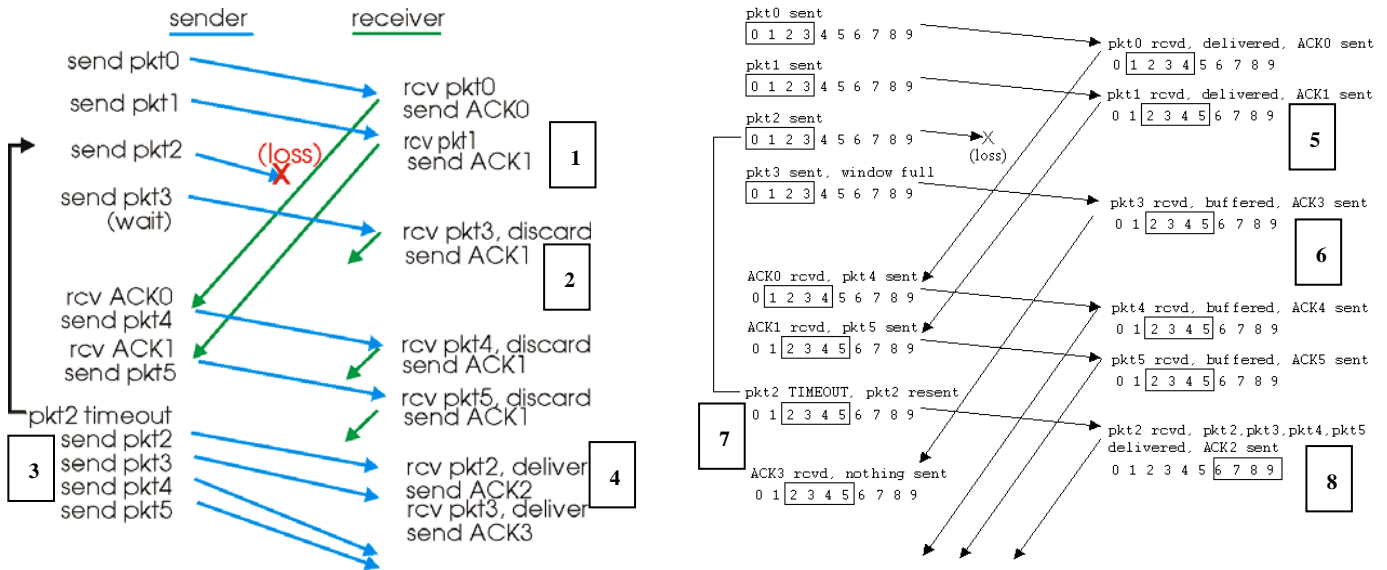
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Ans:

Go-back-N (5%)

- “window” of up to N, consecutive unack'ed pkts allowed (window = 4) (1%)
- (1) ACK-only: always send ACK for correctly-received pkt with highest *in-order* seq # (1%)
- (2) out-of-order pkt:
 - discard (don't buffer) -> no receiver buffering! (1%)
 - Re-ACK pkt with highest in-order seq # (1%)
- (3) timeout(n): retransmit pkt n and all higher seq # pkts in window (1%)
- (4) deliver in-order segments to upper layer. (1%)

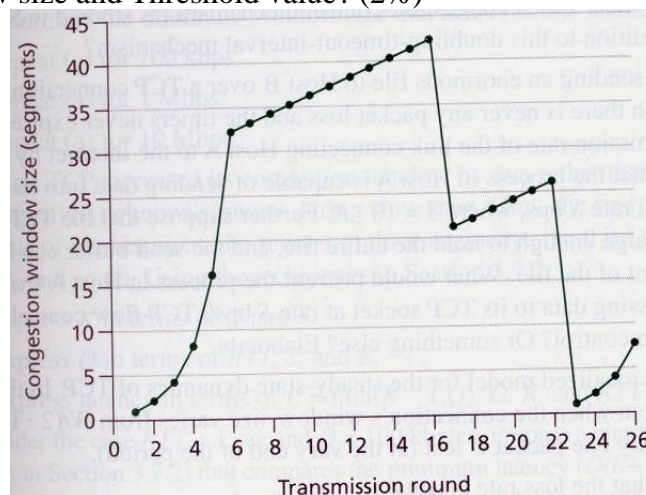
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Selective Repeat (4%)

- (5) receiver *individually* acknowledges all correctly received pkts (1%)
- (6) buffers out-of order pkts (1%)
- (7) sender only resends pkts for which ACK not received when timeout (1%)
- (8) deliver total in-order pkts to upper layer (1%)

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Ans: (8%)

When **CongWin** is below **Threshold**, sender in slow-start phase, window grows exponentially.

When **CongWin** is above **Threshold**, sender is in congestion-avoidance phase, window grows linearly.

When a triple duplicate ACK occurs, **Threshold** set to **CongWin/2** and **CongWin** set to **Threshold**.

When timeout occurs, **Threshold** set to **CongWin/2** and **CongWin** is set to 1 MSS.

(b) (8%)

- a. TCP slowstart is operating in the intervals [1,6] and [23,26] (1% each, 2% total)

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- b. TCP congestion avoidance is operating in the intervals [6,16] and [17,22] (1% each, 2% total)
 c. After the 22th transmission round, packet loss is recognized by a timeout event. (2%)
 d. The congestion window and threshold will be set to half the current value of the congestion window (8) when the loss occurred. Thus the new values of the threshold will be 4 but and window will be 1. (說明 1%, 答案 1% , 共 2%)

8. Consider the TCP procedure for estimating RTT ($EstimatedRTT^n = \alpha \times SampleRTT^{n-1} + (1-\alpha) \times EstimatedRTT^{n-1}$).

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Ans: (a) Exponential weighted moving average => influence of past sample decreases exponentially fast. 據測量出來的 $SampleRTT$, 估計下一次的 $EstimatedRTT$, 用來設定下一次的 Timeout 時間 (3%)

(b) Denote $EstimatedRTT^{(n)}$ for the estimate after the n th sample. (8%)

$$\begin{aligned}
 EstimatedRTT^n &= \alpha \times SampleRTT^{n-1} + (1-\alpha) \times EstimatedRTT^{n-1} \\
 &= \alpha \times SampleRTT^{n-1} + (1-\alpha) \times [\alpha \times SampleRTT^{n-2} + (1-\alpha) \times EstimatedRTT^{n-2}] \\
 &= \alpha \times SampleRTT^{n-1} + \alpha(1-\alpha) \times SampleRTT^{n-2} + (1-\alpha)^2 \times EstimatedRTT^{n-2} \\
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 & \quad SampleRTT^{n-3} + (1-\alpha)^4 \times EstimatedRTT^{n-3} \\
 &= \dots \\
 &= \alpha \times SampleRTT^{n-1} + \alpha(1-\alpha) \times SampleRTT^{n-2} + \\
 & \quad \alpha(1-\alpha)^2 \times SampleRTT^{n-3} + \dots + \alpha(1-\alpha)^{n-2} \times SampleRTT^{n-(n-1)} \\
 & \quad + (1-\alpha)^{n-1} \times EstimatedRTT^{n-(n-1)} \\
 &= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (1-\alpha)^{j-1} SampleRTT^{n-j} + (1-\alpha)^{n-1} EstimatedRTT^1 \\
 &= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (1-\alpha)^{j-1} SampleRTT^{n-j} (\because EstimatedRTT^1 = 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) As $n=4$ and $\alpha=0.1$, (3%)

$$\begin{aligned}
 EstimatedRTT^4 &= \alpha \times SampleRTT^{4-1} + \alpha(1-\alpha) \times SampleRTT^{4-2} + (1-\alpha)^2 \times \\
 & \quad [\alpha \times SampleRTT^{4-3} + (1-\alpha) \times EstimatedRTT^{4-3}] \\
 &= \alpha \times SampleRTT^3 + \alpha(1-\alpha) \times SampleRTT^2 + (1-\alpha)^2 \times \alpha \times SampleRTT^1 \\
 &= 0.1 \times SampleRTT^3 + 0.1 \times (1-0.1) \times SampleRTT^2 + (1-0.1)^2 \times 0.1 \times SampleRTT^1 \\
 &= 0.1 \times SampleRTT^3 + 0.1 \times 0.9 \times SampleRTT^2 + (0.9)^2 \times 0.1 \times SampleRTT^1
 \end{aligned}$$

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Ans: forwarding: move packets from router's input to appropriate router output

routing: determine route taken by packets from source to dest. (名稱 2%, 說明 2%, 8% total)