

1. Simulate TCP congestion control options. Use RFC793edu TCP agent with

- I additive increase and multiplicative decrease
- II exponential increase and multiplicative decrease
- III AIMD and slow start
- IV AIMD, slow start and fast retransmission (=TCP Tahoe)
- V TCP Reno
- VI TCP Vegas

For each case, use a 10 s simulation time.

- (a) For each simulation,

- plot the congestion window
- explain the events in the congestion window plot. Specifically identify in each picture the different phases:
 - additive increase
 - exponential increase and slow start
 - time out
 - fast retransmit

- (b) Calculate the number of packet arrivals, packet drops and *throughput*,

$$\text{throughput} = \frac{\text{\#packet_arrivals} - \text{\#packet_drops}}{\text{simulation_time}}, \quad (1)$$

for each option. Discuss the reasons and consequences. Which throughput is the best and why?

Target: The student understands the basic mechanisms of TCP congestion control.

2. Simulate TCP Reno and Vegas so that there is a bottleneck link with two competing TCP connections: one Reno and one Vegas. Run a long simulation and estimate the numbers of packet drops and throughput for both connections. Explain the results. What can you say about *fairness* in this situation? How is the situation different if all TCP connections use the same agent?

Target: The student understands the problem of fairness in the Internet transport context.