CS 181AG Lecture 20

Output Scheduling (cont.)

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Recap

- Within each output queue, there are several flows (set of packets that take the same path through whole network)
- RED discards packets *before* they are placed in the output queue if the running average of queue length > threshold. Why?
- Sometimes we need a way of controlling long-term rate and maximum burst size for a flow -> token bucket algorithm



Token Bucket Shaping

- Goal: for a particular flow, limit 1) the long-term rate of sending and
 2) the maximum burst size
- Why: we might need to limit the amount of news traffic, or UDP traffic

r = 2 Mbps b = 5 Mb 1 token = 1 Mb



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Token Bucket Per Flow

• So far, we have considered token bucket algorithm per flow



Token Bucket: One Buffer?

• What would be the issue if we kept all flows in the same buffer?

1	Size: 1 Flow: 1	Size: 2 Flow: 3	Size: 1 Flow: 2	
2				

Token Bucket: One Buffer?

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- Waiting for one packet to get enough tokens could block other flows that are able to send
- Solution: drop any packet that has insufficient tokens to send

Token Bucket Shaping vs Policing

- Shaping: one buffer per flow in the output queue; if there are insufficient tokens to send packet at head of buffer, wait
- Policing: one buffer for all packets in the output queue; if there are insufficient tokens to send packet at head of buffer, drop (still keep 1 token bucket per flow)

Token Bucket Policing Example

- It takes one unit of time to look at the head of the buffer and decide what to do with it
- Two tokens are added at each time slot and may be used in the same time slot they are added. Token bucket can hold max 8
- Show the head of the buffer and the token count in each bucket at the start of each time step

Size: 2	Size: 3	Size: 4	Size: 4	Size: 6	Size: 3	
Flow: 2	Flow: 1	Flow: 1	Flow: 2	Flow: 2	Flow: 1	

Handling Multiple Flows

• In the case where we have multiple flows and we wait, how do we decide which flow to send from?

Size: 3 Flow: 1		Size: 1 Flow: 1	Size: 2 Flow: 1		Size: 1 Flow: 1	
Size: 1 Flow: 2	Size: 4 Flow: 2			Size Flov	e: 1 w: 2	
Size: 1 Flow: 3	Size: 2 Flow: 3					

Salary = 1 token



























- Keep buffer and token bucket per flow and round robin, sending as many packets as possible each turn
- Each bucket gets a "salary," or an amount put in on each cycle of the round robin