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TCP DCM+ (DYNAMIC CONGESTION MANAGEMENT  
PROTOCOL) FOR ENHANCING PERFORMANCE IN MOBILE  
AND WIRELESS NETWORKS



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# 1. INTRODUCTION

- **CONGESTION CONTROL:**

CONTROLS THE E2E DATA RATE ON THE LINK THROUGH:

- 1- PACKET LOSSES, OR
- 2- ARRIVAL OF **N** DUPLICATE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PACKETS  
(UNORDERED ARRIVAL OF PACKETS ).

- **FLOW CONTROL:**

ENSURES THAT A SENDER IS NOT OVERWHELMING THE RECEIVER.

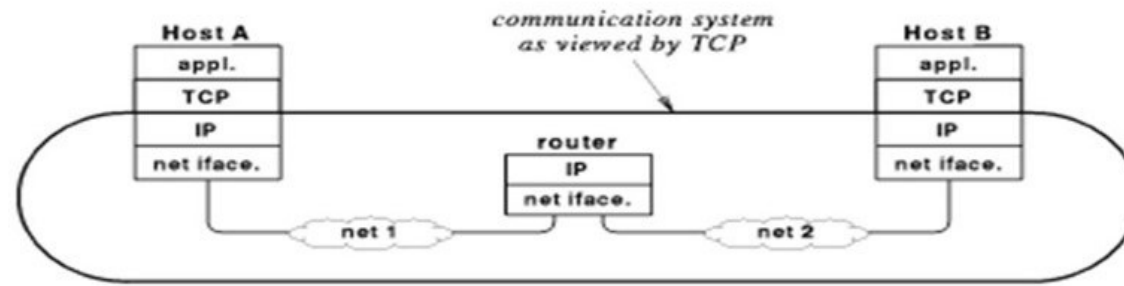
( IF IT SENDS PACKETS FASTER THAN THE RECEIVER BUFFER CAN HANDLE. )

# 1. INTRODUCTION (CONT.)

- E2E (END-TO-END) :
  1. ONLY TCP SOURCE AND TCP DESTINATION MANAGE THE CONNECTION. (SETTING WINDOW SIZE OF THE TRANSMISSION).
  2. INTERMEDIATE NODES (ROUTERS) DON'T CARE ABOUT LOST PACKETS OR CONGESTION EVENTS.
  3. TCP DCM+ STANDS FOR (DYNAMIC CONGESTION CONTROL PROTOCOL FOR MOBILE AND WIRELESS NETWORKS)
  4. DCM+ IS AN E2E PROTOCOL, THAT IS DESIGNED TO CONTROL THE DATA RATE IN WIRED, WIRELESS AND MANETS.

# 1. INTRODUCTION (CONT.)

## End to end communication [1]



- TCP has no knowledge of the underlying Internet structure

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## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+

- TCP DCM+ [6] FOLLOWS THE PARADIGM (AIADD) LIKE TCP WESTWOOD+
- AIADD : ADDITIVE INCREASE/ ADAPTIVE DECREASE
- ADDITIVE INCREASE : LIKE TCP NEWRENO BEHAVIOR IN SLOW-START (SS) REGION.
- ADAPTIVE DECREASE : UNLIKE TCP NEWRENO :
  - 1- NO DROP TO THE HALF OF CONGESTION WINDOWS (CWND)
  - 2- NETWORK CONGESTION DETECTED: NEW CWND DEPENDS ON THE AVAILABLE CHANNEL CAPACITY, ALSO KNOWN AS SLOW-START THRESHOLD (SSTHRESH).
  - 3- NEW SSTHRESH CALCULATION USING A BANDWIDTH ESTIMATION (BWE) ALGORITHM.



## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

TCP NewReno behavior (AIMD)

Additive Increase / Multiplicative Decrease

Congestion Avoidance (CA):

- Lost Packet

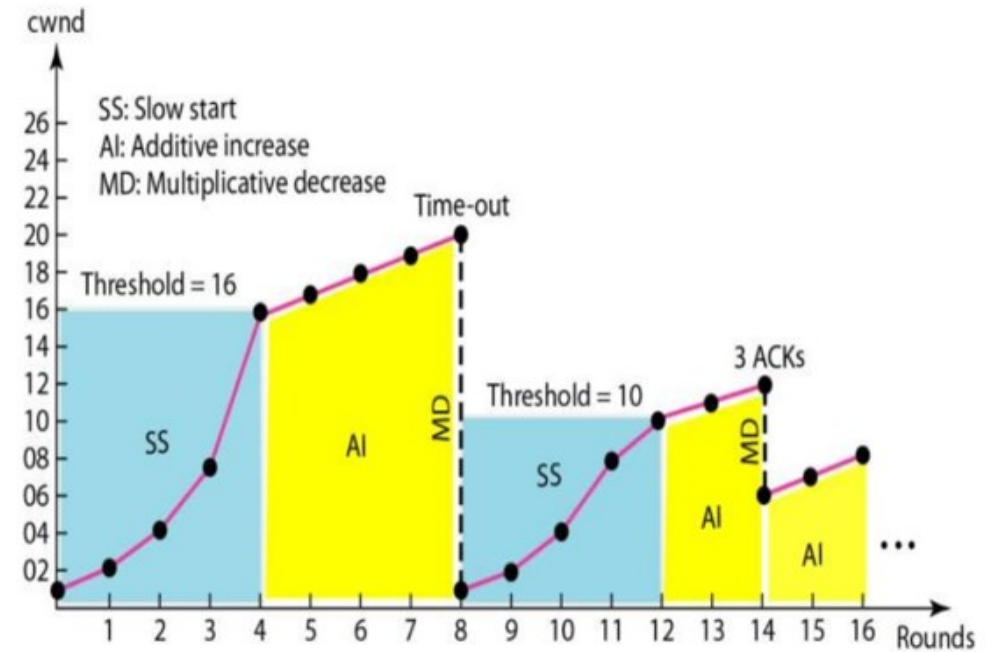
-> retransmission **timeout**, set **cwnd** to 1 segment and enters **SS**.

- Unordered arrival of data packets

-> receiver sends **3 DUPACK** packets to sender, set cwnd to new **ssthresh** and enters **SS**.

$$Ssthresh_{new} = cwnd_{old} / 2$$

## TCP Congestion Control [2]



## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

- At the **discrete time** ( $T_n$ ):

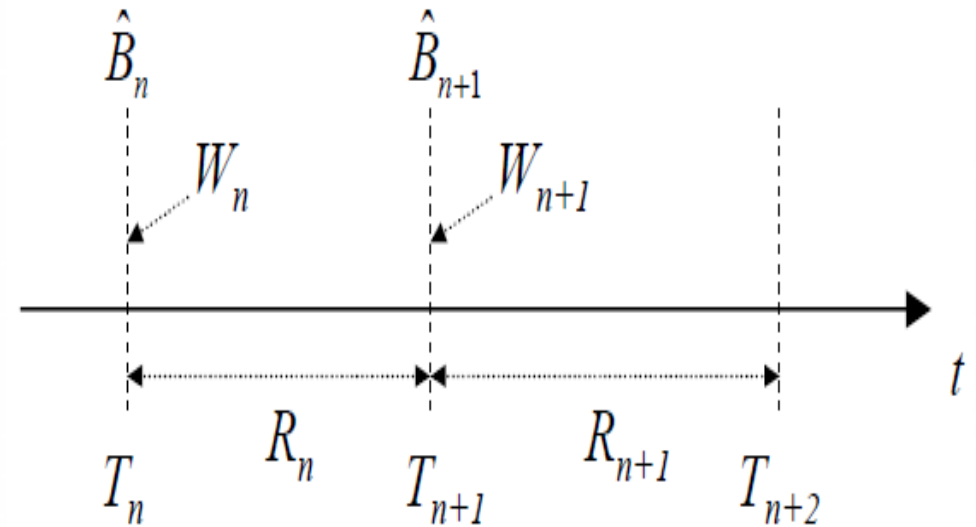
$W_n$ : Congestion Window (**wnd**),

$\hat{B}_n$ : Estimated BW (**BWE**),

$R_n$ : round-trip-time (**RTT**) at time  $n$

**New wnd** is inverse proportional to the measured **RTT**:

$$W_n \propto \frac{1}{R_n}$$



**BWE in the network [3]**

## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

- TCP WELCOME [4]

(WIRELESS ENVIRONMENT, LINK LOSSES, CONGESTION MODELS)

PROPOSED (2009) FOR IMPROVING PERFORMANCE OF NETWORKS WITH DYNAMIC TOPOLOGY.

AIM: CONGESTION CONTROL IN MOBILE ADHOC NETWORKS (MANETS)

- IDEA:  $RTO_{OLD} / RTO_{NEW} = RTT_{OLD} / RTT_{NEW}$  (RTT ↑ ↔ RTO ↑)

## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

- **DCM:** DYNAMIC CONGESTION MODEL [5]
- **PROPOSED:** MAY 2015 (MSC. THESIS)  
R. A. HAMAMREH AND M. BAWATNA.
- **AIM:** ADDRESSES THE **WEAKNESS** OF TCP **WELCOME** TO USE CONVENTIONAL TCP **NEWRENO** CONGESTION CONTROL TECHNIQUES IN **MANETS**.
- **IDEA:** USE THE RESULTS OF ROUTE REQUEST (**RREQ**) TO **DETECT CONGESTION** AND DYNAMICALLY SELECT A DIFFERENT PATH, IF AVAILABLE.
- **DCM** REQUIRES THE COOPERATION OF L3 AND L4 IN THE OSI MODEL.

## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

- DCM EQUATIONS (ALGORITHM):

- 1- CONGESTION\_THRESHOLD = 1.8 \* RTT<sub>MIN</sub>
- 2- RTT > CONGESTION\_THRESHOLD -->  
L3 NOTIFIES L4 TO SELECT ANOTHER PATH WITH LOWER RTT.
- 3- IF NEW PATH FOUND -> IT IS SET AS THE NEW MAJOR PATH.
- 4- ESTIMATE THE CHANNEL CAPACITY (BW) TO FIND NEW SSTHRESH ACCORDING TO TCP WESTWOOD. ALSO, SET NEW CWND.
- 5- EQUATIONS :

$$BWE = \frac{ACK\_SIZE}{ACK\_INTERVAL}, \quad SSTHRESH_{NEW} = \text{MAX}(2, BWE * \frac{RTT_{MIN}}{SEGSIZE})$$

$$RTO_{NEW} = RTO_{OLD} * \frac{RTT_{NEW}}{RTT_{OLD}}, \quad CWND_{NEW} = \beta * \frac{RTT_{OLD}}{RTT_{NEW}} * SSTHRESH_{NEW}, \quad \text{WHERE } (\beta = 0.8)$$

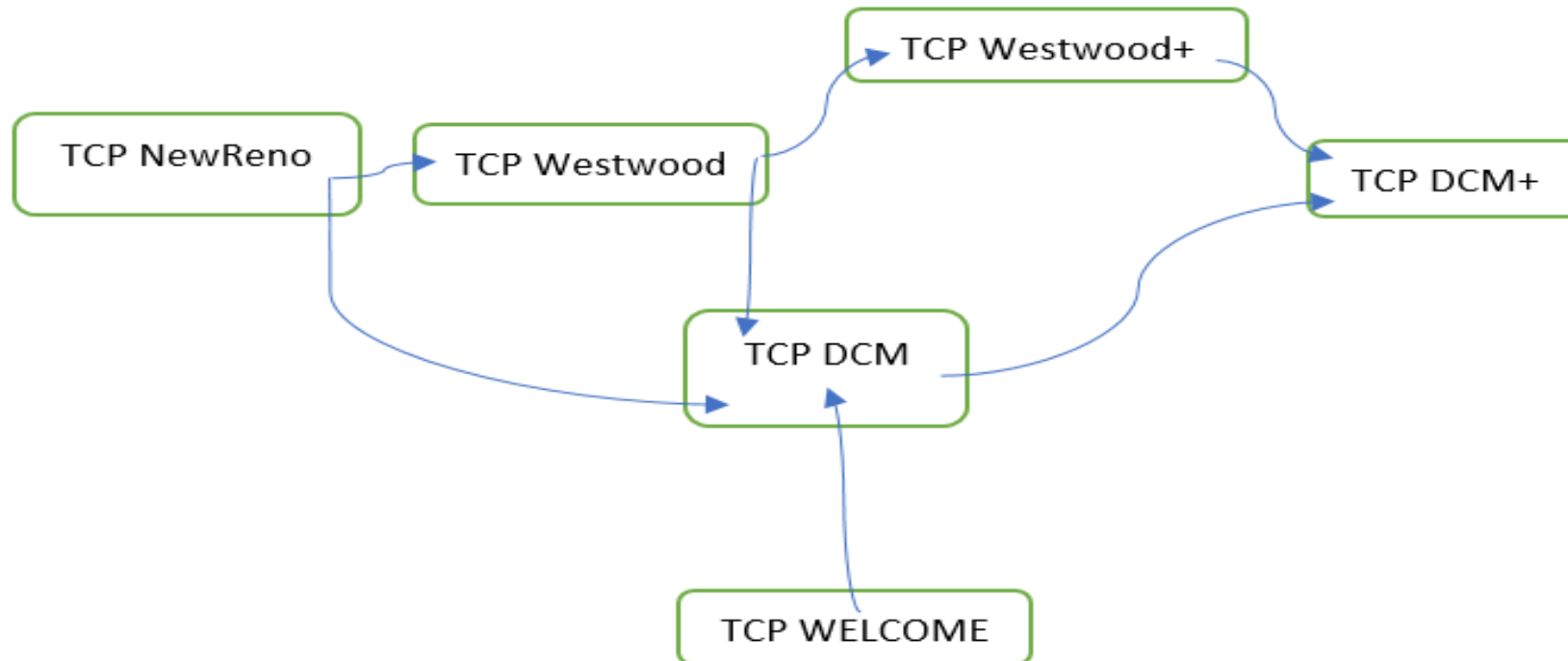
## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

5- IF NO PATH IS FOUND WITH LOWER *RTT* :

$$CWND_{NEW} = \begin{cases} CWND_{OLD} + \frac{RTT_{OLD}}{RTT_{NEW}} * 0.9 & ; CWND_{OLD} < Ssthresh \\ CWND_{OLD} + \frac{RTT_{NEW}}{RTT_{OLD}} * \frac{1}{CWND_{OLD}} & ; CWND_{OLD} \geq Ssthresh \end{cases}$$

## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.) [6]

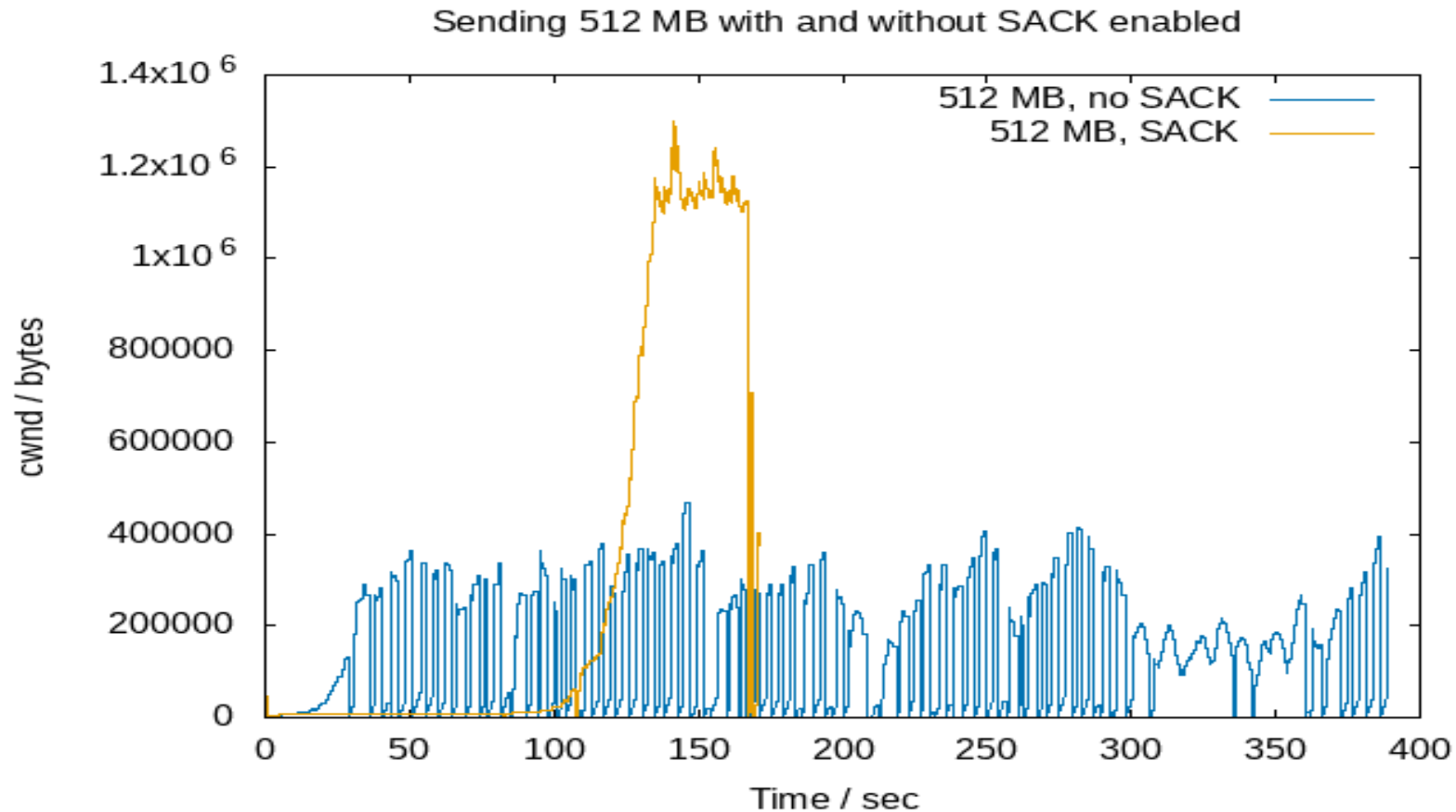
TCP DCM+ HAS ITS ROOTS IN DIFFERENT APPROACHES, MAINLY TCP WESTWOOD+, WHICH DELIVERS THE TECHNIQUE FOR BANDWIDTH ESTIMATION.



## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.) – SACK OPTION

- TCP DCM+ PERFORMS BEST WITH SACK OPTION ENABLED FOR LARGE FILES.

### LARGE FILE



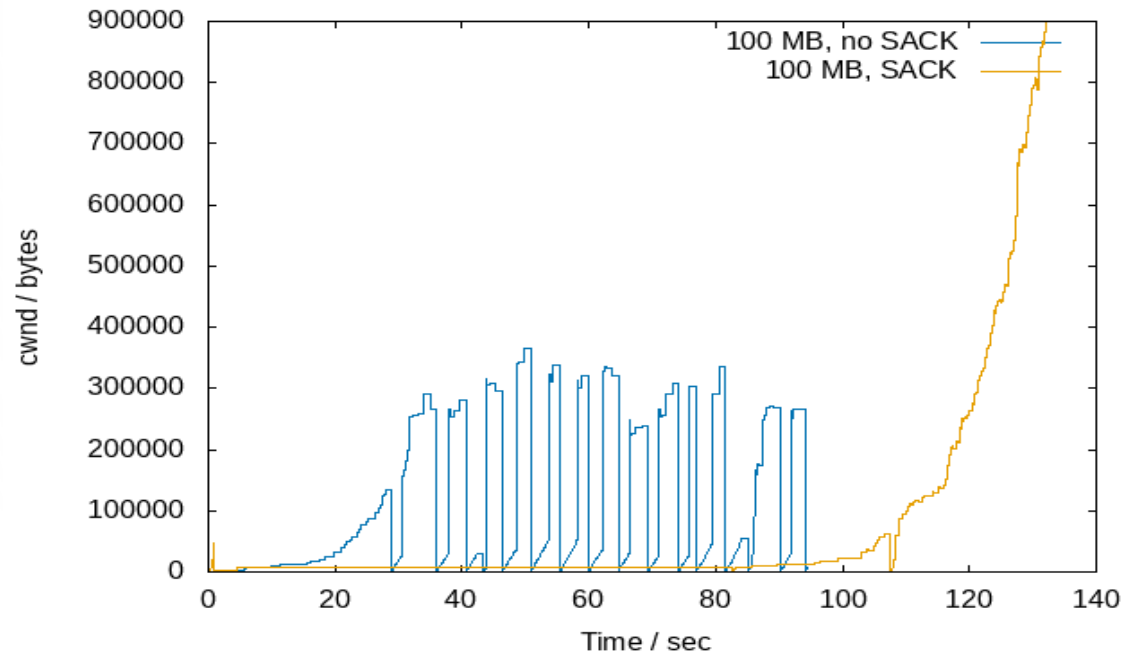


## 2. ORIGINS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.) – SACK OPTION

- THE ADVANTAGES NOTICED FOR MID-SIZED FILES ARE THE STABILITY AND THE MINIMAL NUMBER OF CWND DROPS, BUT THE TRANSMISSION TAKES LONGER TIME.
- SMALL FILES ARE BEST SENT WITH DCM+ WITHOUT SACK OPTION ENABLES.

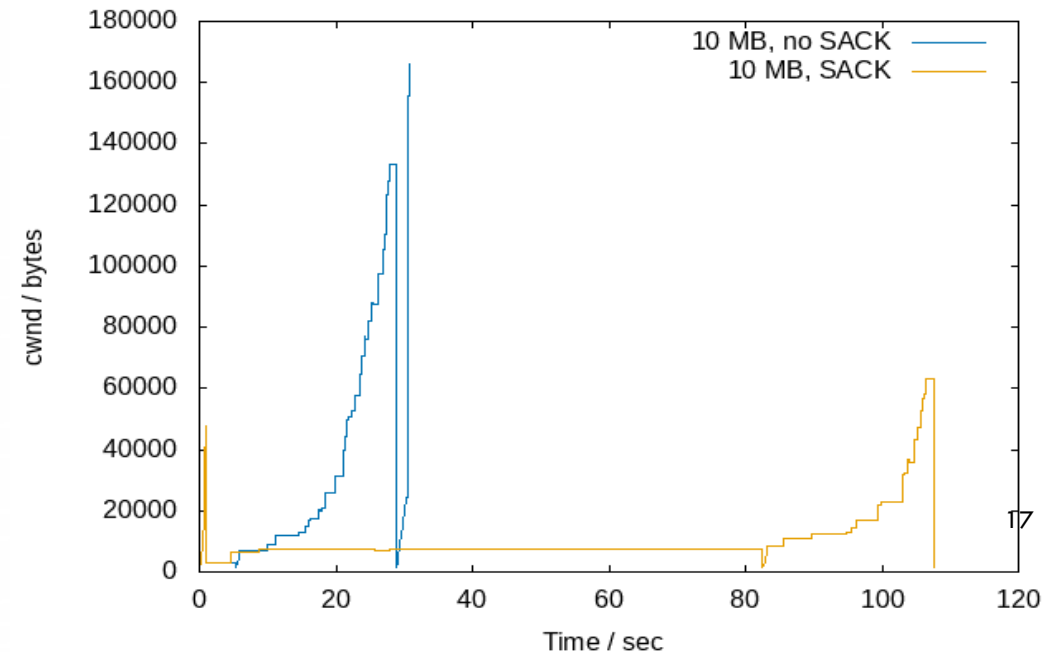
### MID-SIZED FILE

Sending 100 MB with and without SACK enabled



### SMALL FILE

Sending 10 MB with and without SACK enabled



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### 3. BANDWIDTH ESTIMATION (BWE) [19]

- WESTWOOD:

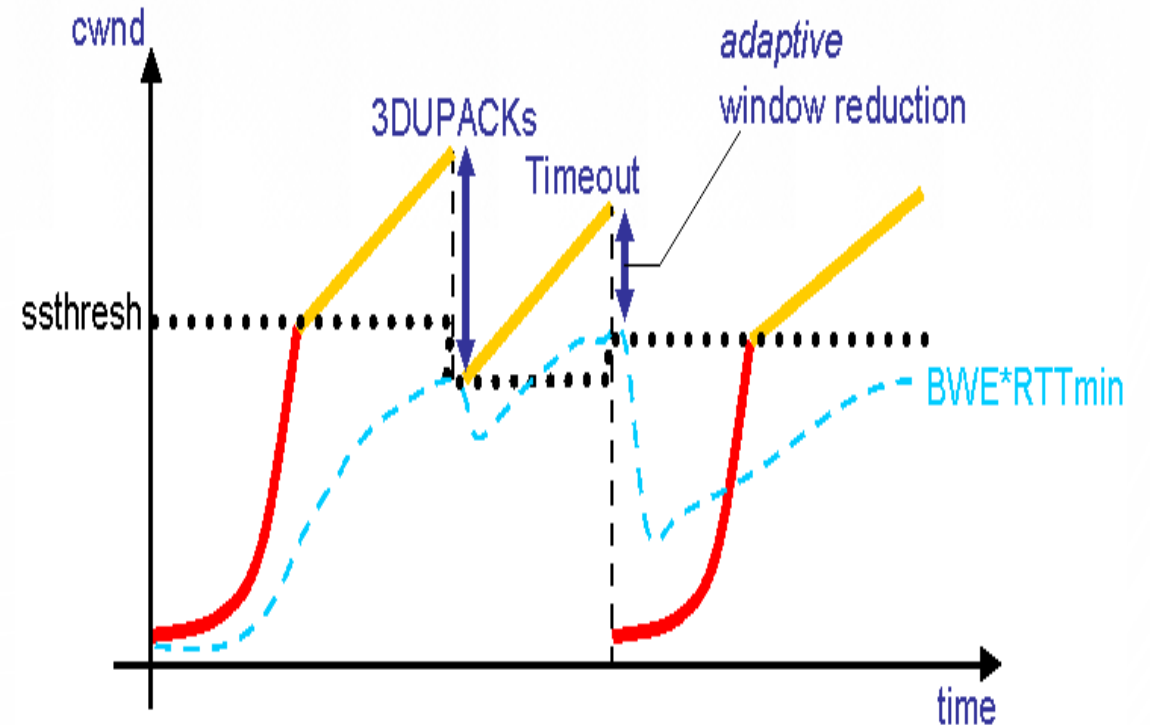
**BWE** SAMPLES CALCULATED AFTER EACH **ACK**

→ **OVERESTIMATION** → **WRONG** ESTIMATION.

- WESTWOOD+ : **BWE** SAMPLES CALCULATED AFTER EACH **RTT**.

→ MORE **ACCURATE**

→ **REFLECTS** THE AVAILABLE **CHANNEL CAPACITY**.



### 3. BANDWIDTH ESTIMATION (CONT.)

- BWE IN TCP WW+ [7][8]: USING A LOW-PASS FILTER (LP) 1<sup>ST</sup> ORDER.

ANTI-ALIASING FILTER (AAF) IS USED AS LP FILTER → LIMITING SIGNAL BW.

- CALCULATION: 
$$SSTHRESH = \text{MAX} \left( 2, \frac{BWE * RTT_{\text{MIN}}}{SEG\_SIZE} \right);$$
- 3 DUPACKS → CWND = SSTHRESH (SEGMENTS)
- RETRANSMISSION TIMEOUT (RTO) → CWND = 1 (SEGMENT)

### 3. BANDWIDTH ESTIMATION (CONT.)

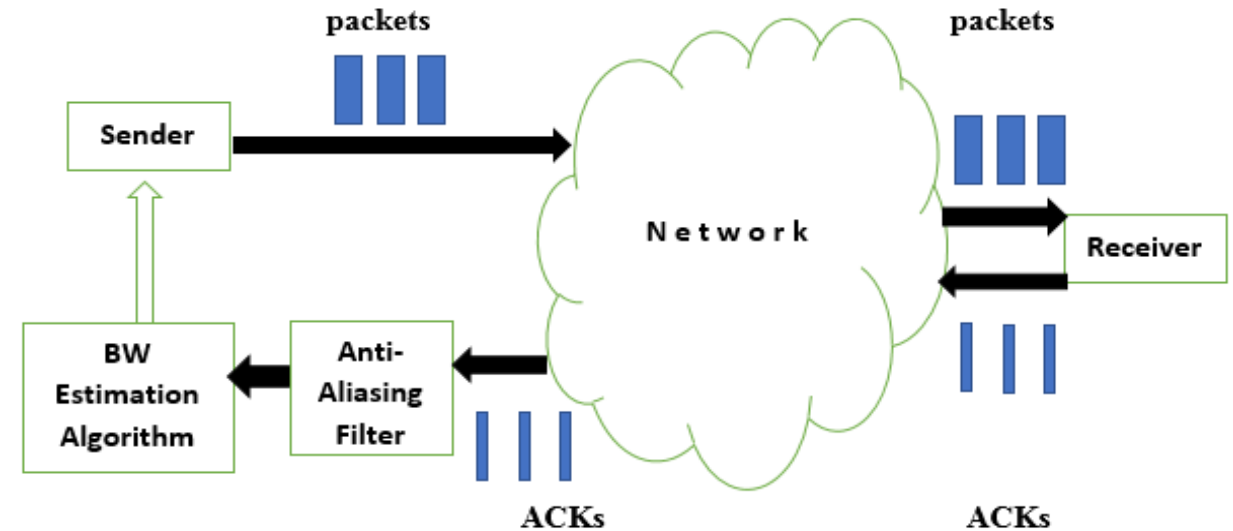
- OUTPUT OF **AAF** ARE  $B_i$  SAMPLES

$$B_i = \frac{d_i}{RTT_i}$$

- $B_i$ : ANTI-ALIASING **BW** SAMPLE
- $D_i$ : ACKNOWLEDGED DATA

- **FILTER EQUATION:**

$$\hat{b}_k = \alpha * \hat{b}_{k-1} + (1 - \alpha) * b_k ;$$



$\hat{b}_k$ : ESTIMATED **BW** SAMPLE ;  $\alpha$  = FILTER CONSTANT

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## 4. COMPONENTS OF TCP DCM+

1- 
$$RATECA = \frac{RTT_{OLD}}{RTT_{MIN}}$$

**RATECA** : CONGESTION RATE

**RTT<sub>MIN</sub>** : MINIMUM TIME NEEDED FOR THE TCP TRANSMISSION WITH BUFFER AT THE DESTINATION.

EMPTY TCP

$$RTT = \sum_{i=1}^4 D_i$$

$D_1$  : TRANSMISSION DELAY ( $D_{TR}$ )

$D_2$  : PROPAGATION DELAY ( $D_{PROP}$ )

$D_3$  : PROCESSING DELAY ( $D_{PROC}$ )

$D_4$  : QUEUEING DELAY ( $D_Q$ )

$$RTT_{MIN} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \min(D_i) ; (D_4 = D_Q = 0)$$

## 4. COMPONENTS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

**NOTE:**  $\begin{cases} \text{rateCA} > 1 \rightarrow \text{TCP buffer decreasing} \\ \text{rateCA} < 1 \rightarrow \text{TCP buffer increasing} \end{cases}$

**RATECA > 1** : NO CONGESTION EXPECTED  $\rightarrow$  BURST TRANSMISSION

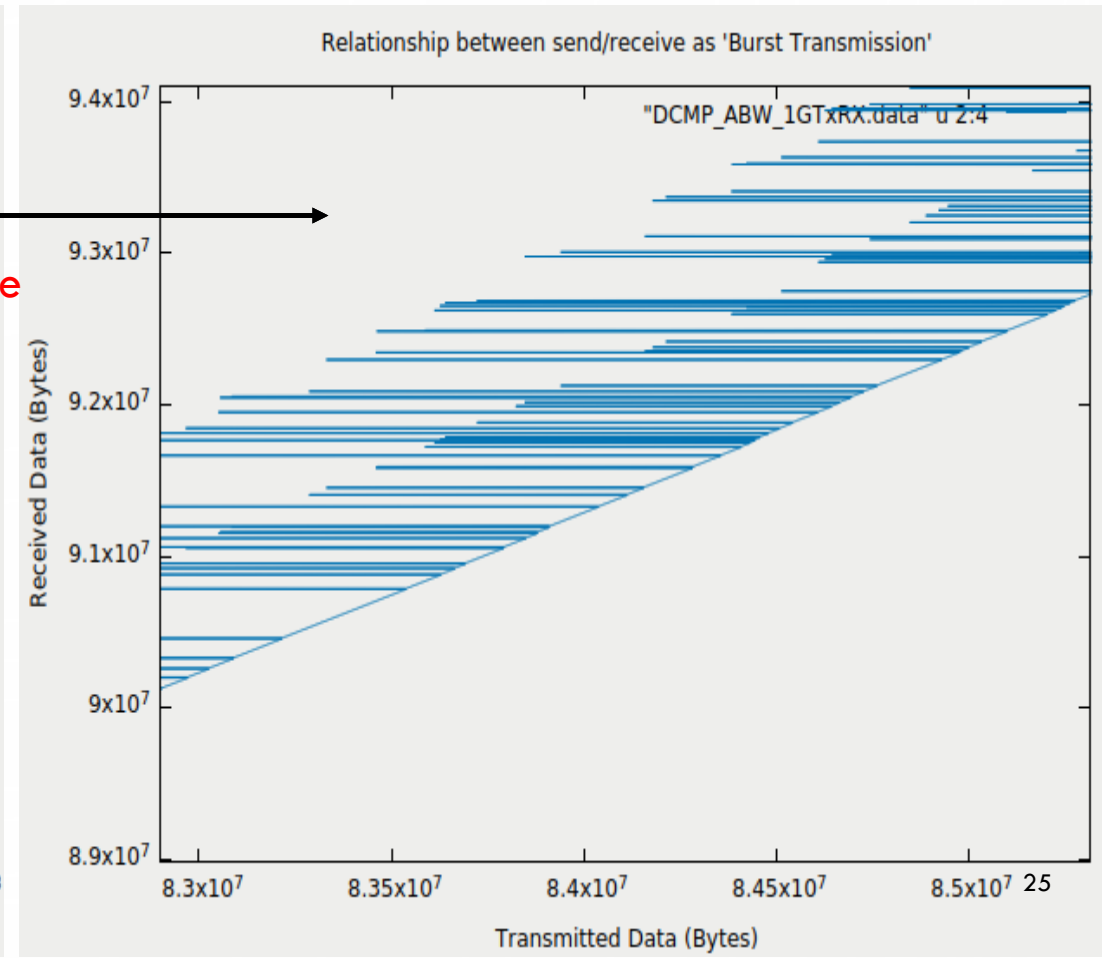
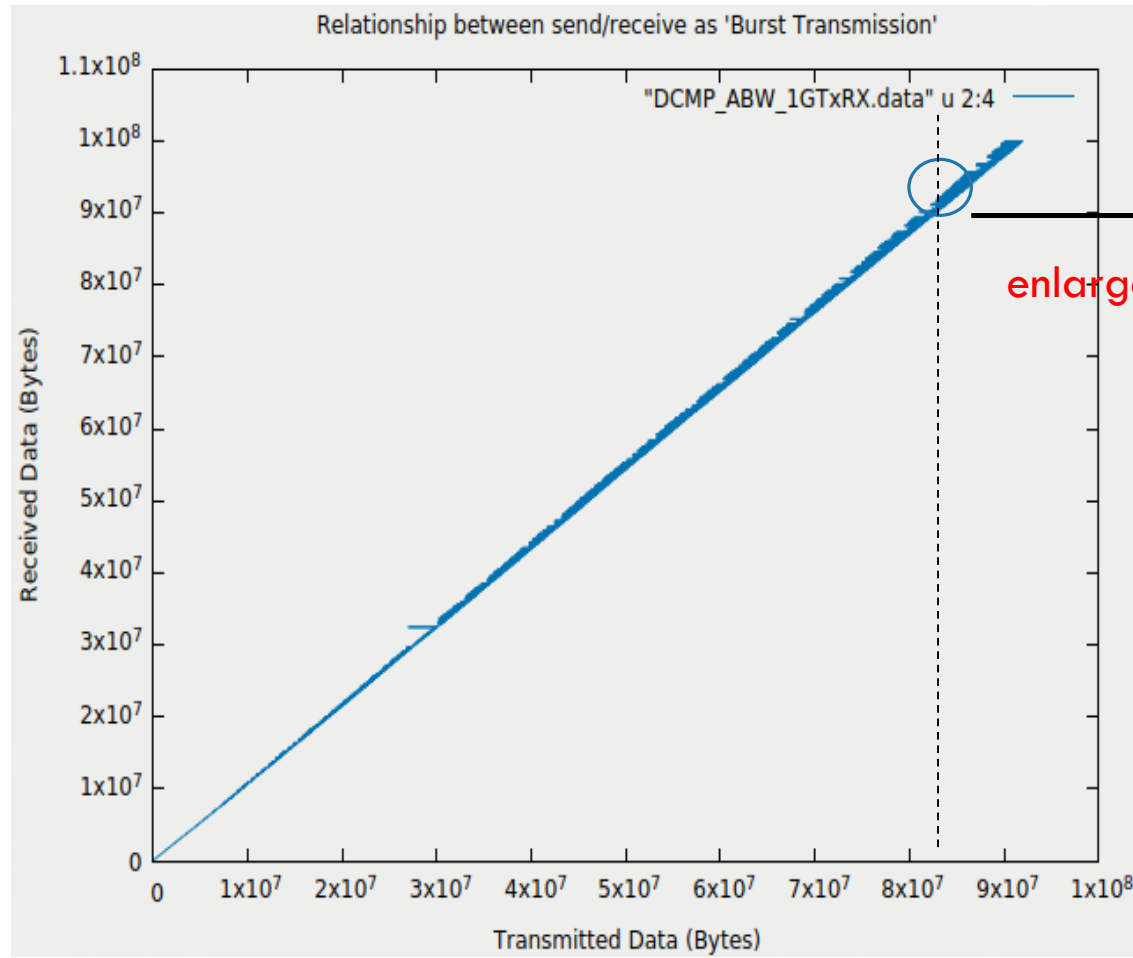
$\rightarrow$  **ADVANCING** (  $\rightarrow$  LARGE BURSTS )

**RATECA < 1** : GRADUAL INCREASE OF RTT  $\rightarrow$  CONGESTION EXPECTED

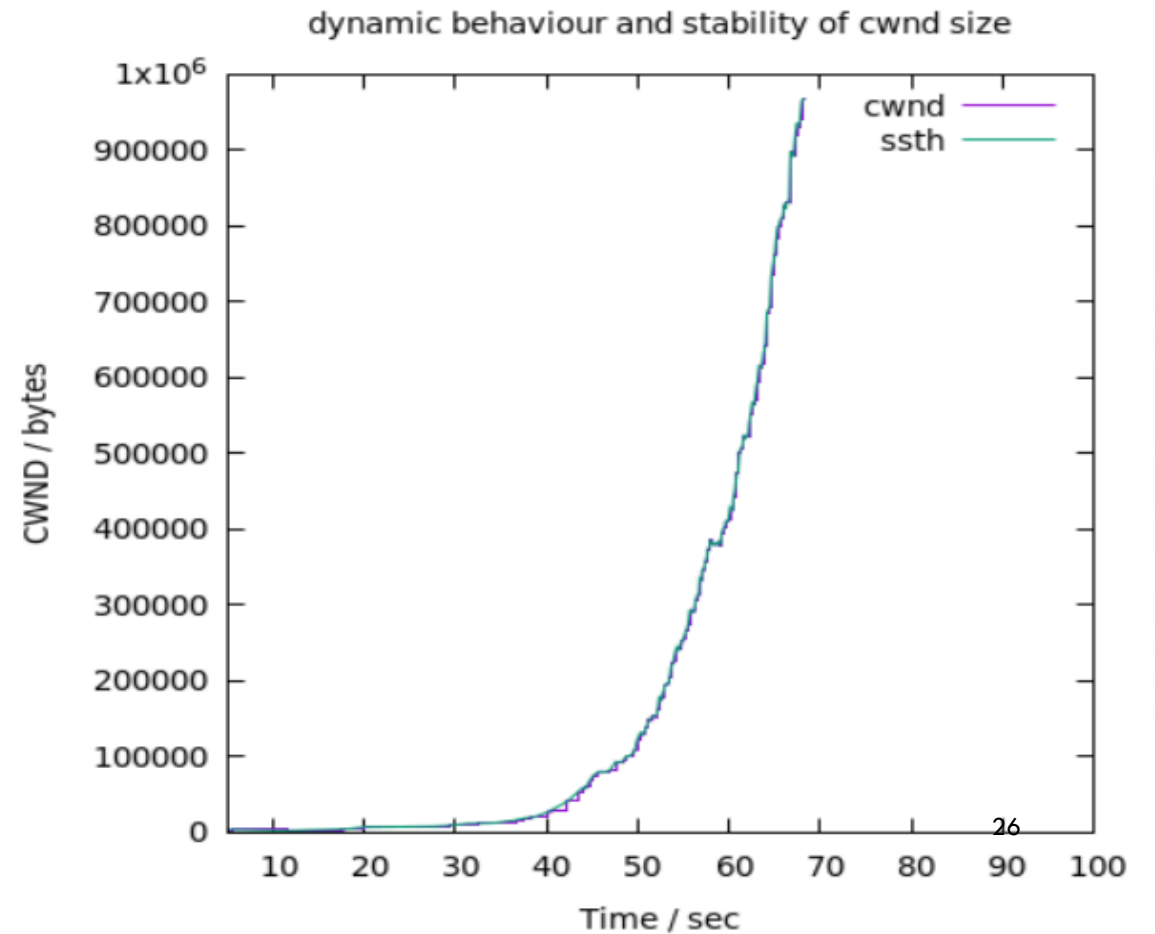
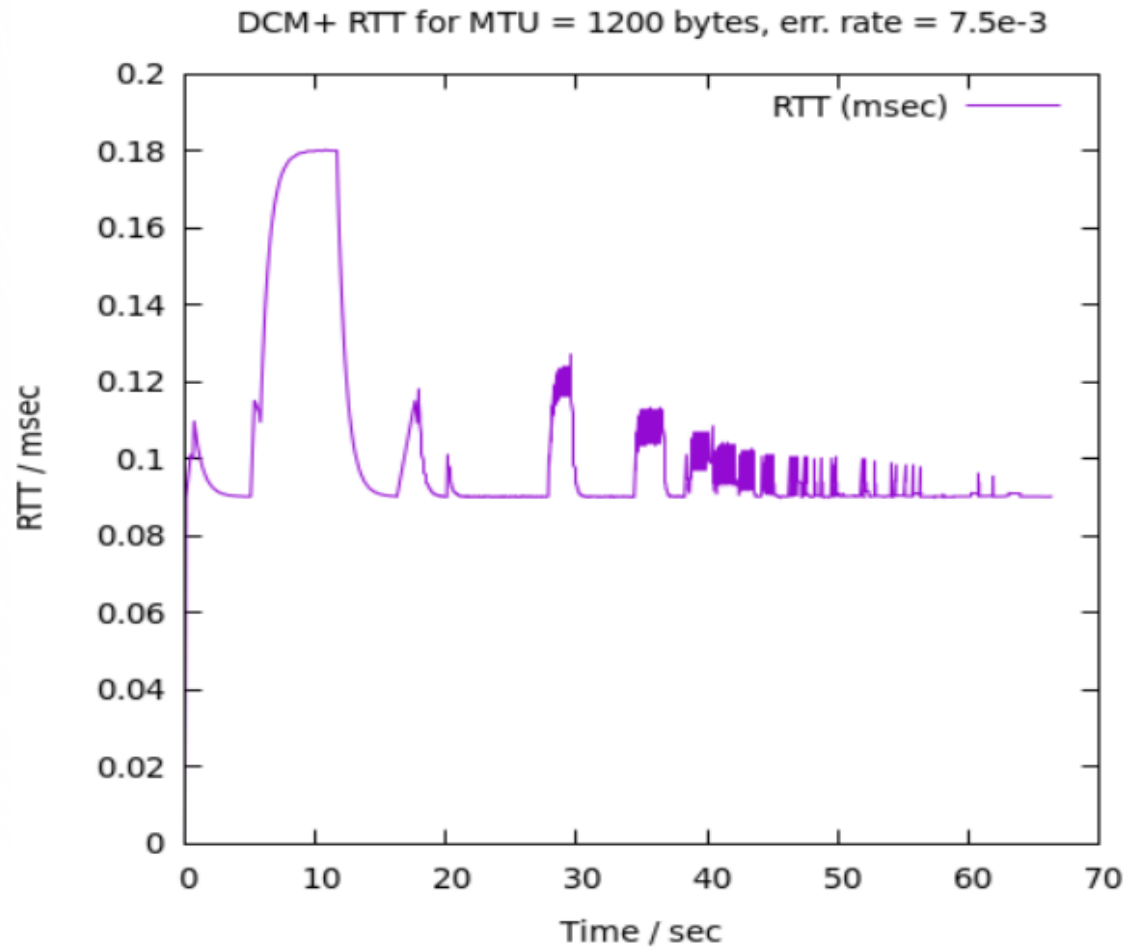
$\rightarrow$  **DANGER** (  $\rightarrow$  MINI BURSTS / CONSTANT TRANSMISSION )



# 4. COMPONENTS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.) – BURST TRANSMISSION



# 4. COMPONENTS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.) – DYNAMIC BEHAVIOR OF DCM+ (CWND IS TRACKING SSTHRESH)



## 4. COMPONENTS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.)

2- 
$$RTO_{NEW} = RTO_{old} * \frac{RTT_{new}}{RTT_{old}} = \frac{RTO_{old}}{rateCA}$$

- RATECA ↑ → RTO ↓

**CLEAR:** INCREASING OF RATECA MEANS CONGESTIONS ARE NOT EXPECTED,

→ NO NEED TO WAIT LONGER FOR THE PACKETS.

- RATECA ↓ → RTO ↑ (BECAUSE OF DANGER OF CONGESTION → WAIT LONGER )

# COMPONENTS OF TCP DCM+ (CONT.) – CA ALGORITHM

## 3- NEW MEMBER FUNCTION IN C++ FOR THE CONGESTION AVOIDANCE

- *VOID CONGESTIONAVOIDACE (TCP\_SOCKET , ACKEDSEGMENTS)*
- *WW AND WW+ DOES NOT HAVE THIS MEMBER FUNCTION IN NS3.*
- *THIS FUNCTION OVERRIDES THE BEHAVIOR OF THE SAME FUNCTION EXISTING IN TCP NEWRENO CLASS.*
- *TCP DCM+ BEHAVIOR WITHIN THE MEMBER FUNCTION:*

```
IF NUMBER OF SEGMENTS ACKED > 0  
{  
    IF LAST CWND < AVAILABLE CHANNEL CAPACITY  
        CWND += 2 *RATECA; ← ADVANCING  
    ELSE  
        CWND += 2 / (RATECA *CWND); ← DANGER  
}
```

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# 5. TCP DCM+ ALGORITHM

- DCM+ EQUATIONS:

1-  $RATE_{CA} = RTT_{OLD} / RTT_{MIN}$

2-  $\frac{RTO_{NEW}}{RTO_{OLD}} = \frac{RTT_{NEW}}{RTT_{OLD}}$

3-

$$CWND_{NEW} = \begin{cases} CWND_{OLD} + 2 * RATE_{CA} ; & CWND < SSTHRESH \\ CWND_{OLD} + \left( \frac{2}{RATE_{CA} * CWND_{OLD}} \right) ; & CWND \geq SSTHRESH \end{cases}$$

## 5. TCP DCM+ ALGORITHM (CONT.)

**Measuring BURST ratio:**

$$\text{rateCA}_{\text{old}} = \frac{\text{RTT}_{\text{old}}}{\text{RTT}_{\text{min}}}$$

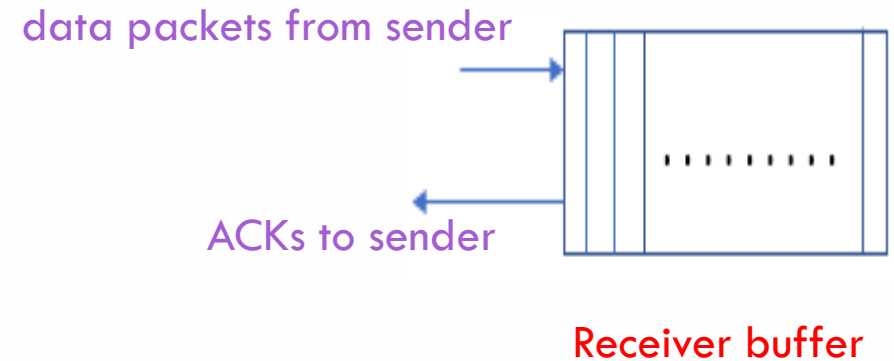
$$\text{rateCA}_{\text{new}} = \frac{\text{RTT}_{\text{new}}}{\text{RTT}_{\text{min}}}$$

**Assumption** :  $\text{RTT}_{\text{min}}$  remain unchanged.

**space ratio** on the channel =  $\frac{\text{rateCA}_{\text{old}}}{\text{rateCA}_{\text{new}}}$

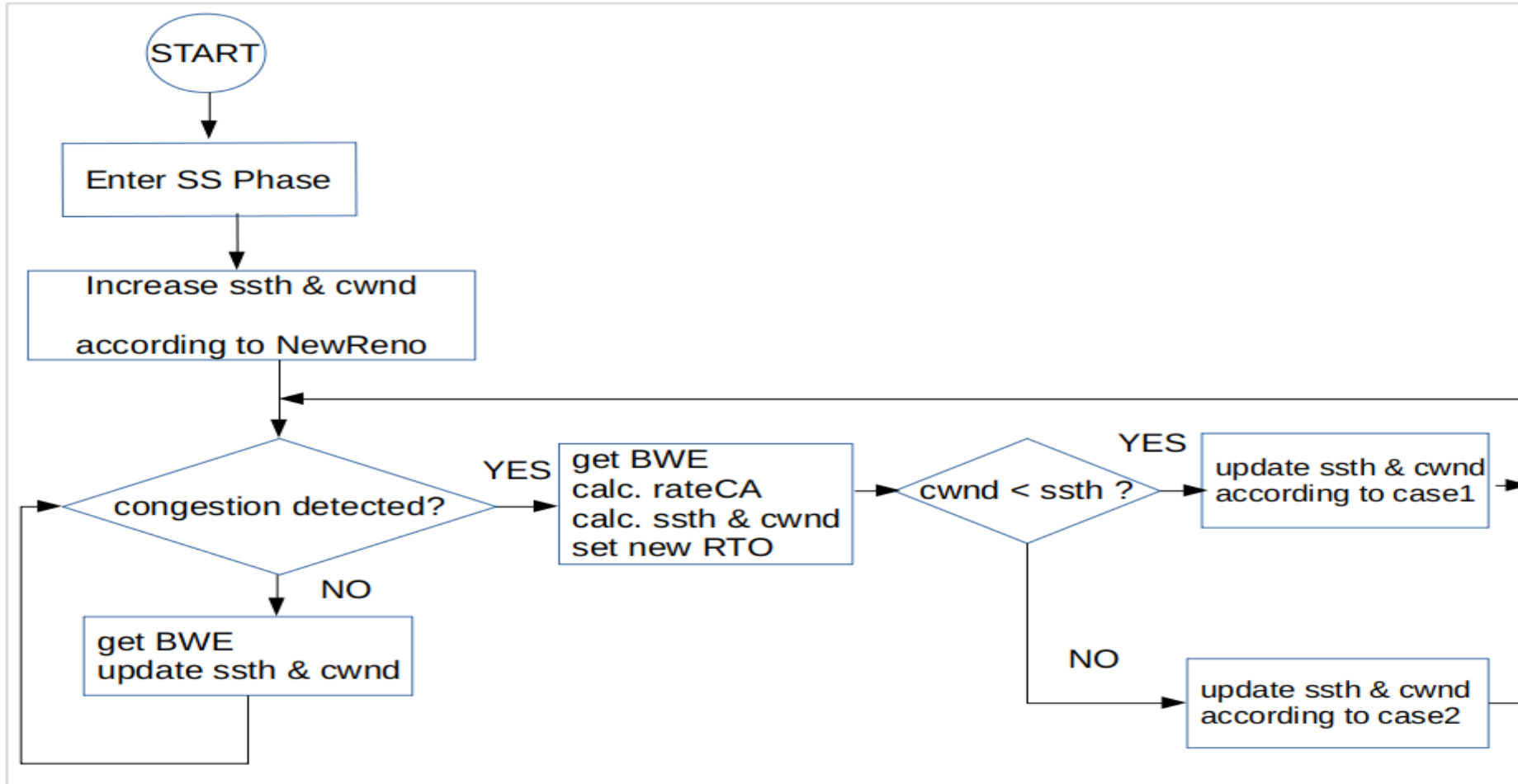
$$S = \frac{\text{rateCA}_{\text{old}}}{\text{rateCA}_{\text{new}}} = \frac{\text{RTT}_{\text{old}}}{\text{RTT}_{\text{min}}} * \frac{\text{RTT}_{\text{min}}}{\text{RTT}_{\text{new}}}$$

$$S = \frac{\text{RTT}_{\text{old}}}{\text{RTT}_{\text{new}}} \approx \frac{D_{q,\text{old}}}{D_{q,\text{new}}} \propto \frac{\text{old buffer capacity}}{\text{new buffer capacity}}$$



# 5. TCP DCM+ ALGORITHM [6]

WE SEE THE DIFFERENT PHASES IN THIS ALGORITHM:  
NEWRENO, WESTWOOD+ AND THE TIME PARAMETERS RTT AND RTO





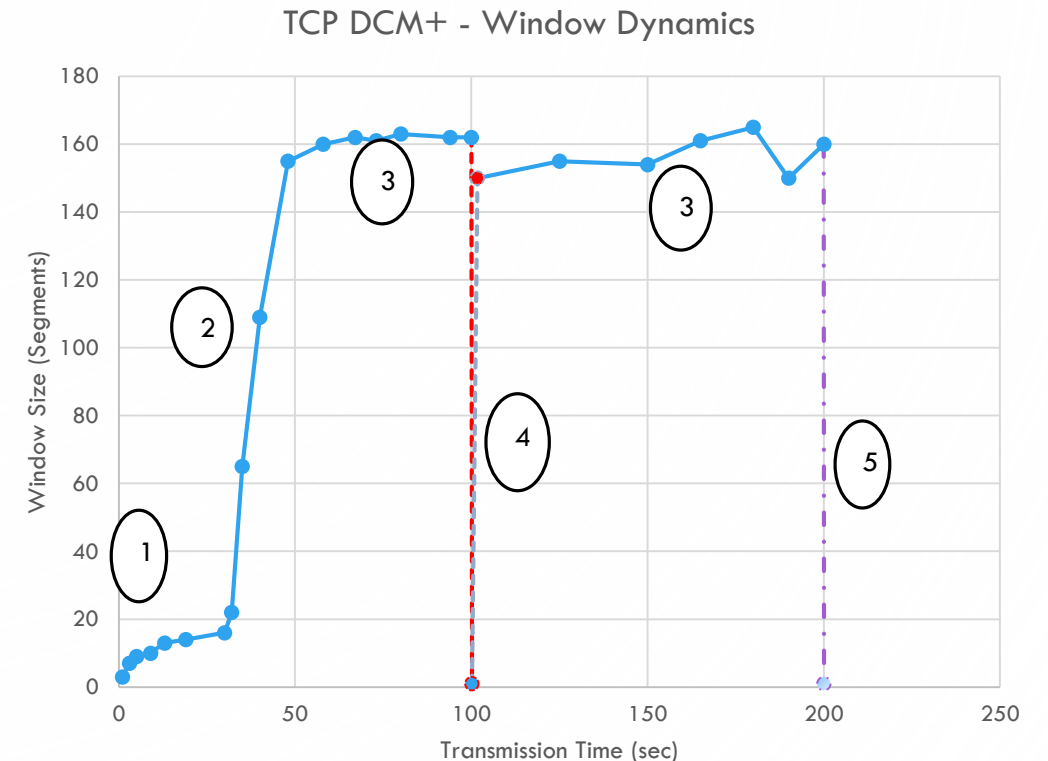
## 5. TCP DCM+ ALGORITHM (CONT.)

ALL THE FOLLOWING PHASES CAN APPEAR DEPENDING ON THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS:

ERROR RATE, DATA SIZE, MTU SIZE AND TCP BUFFER SIZE.

- PHASES OF DCM+

1. *INITIALIZATION* (PROBING) PHASE (IP)
2. *ADVANCING* PHASE (AP)
3. *NEAR-CHANNEL-CAPACITY* PHASE (NCCP)
4. *LOSSES* PHASE (LP) (*OPTIONAL*)
5. *END* PHASE (EP) (*OPTIONAL*)



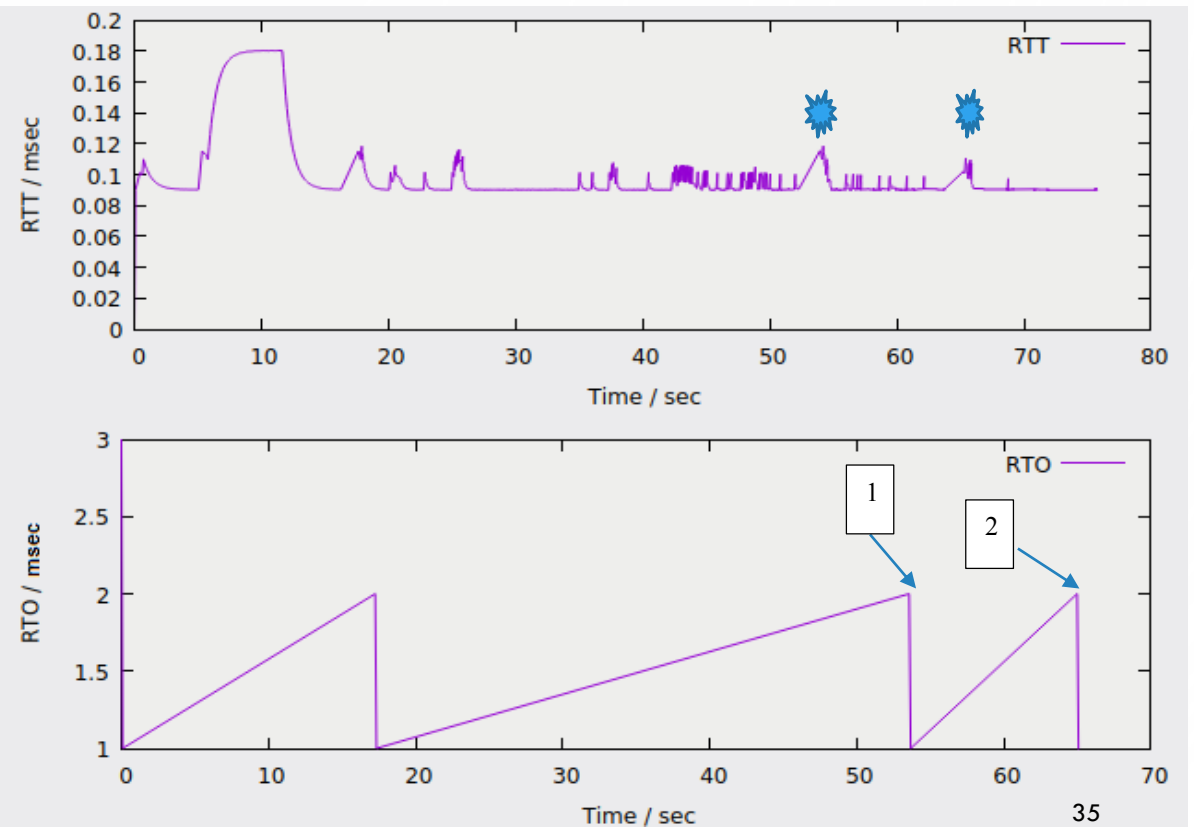
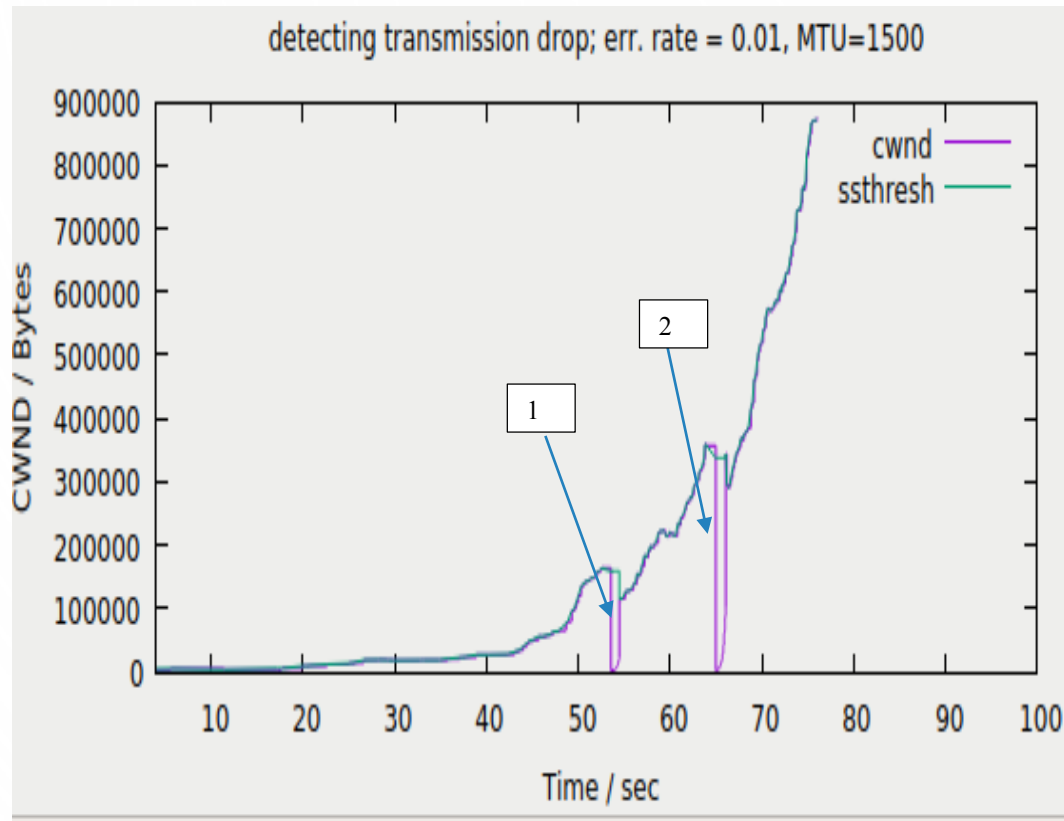
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## 6. SIMULATION RESULTS –

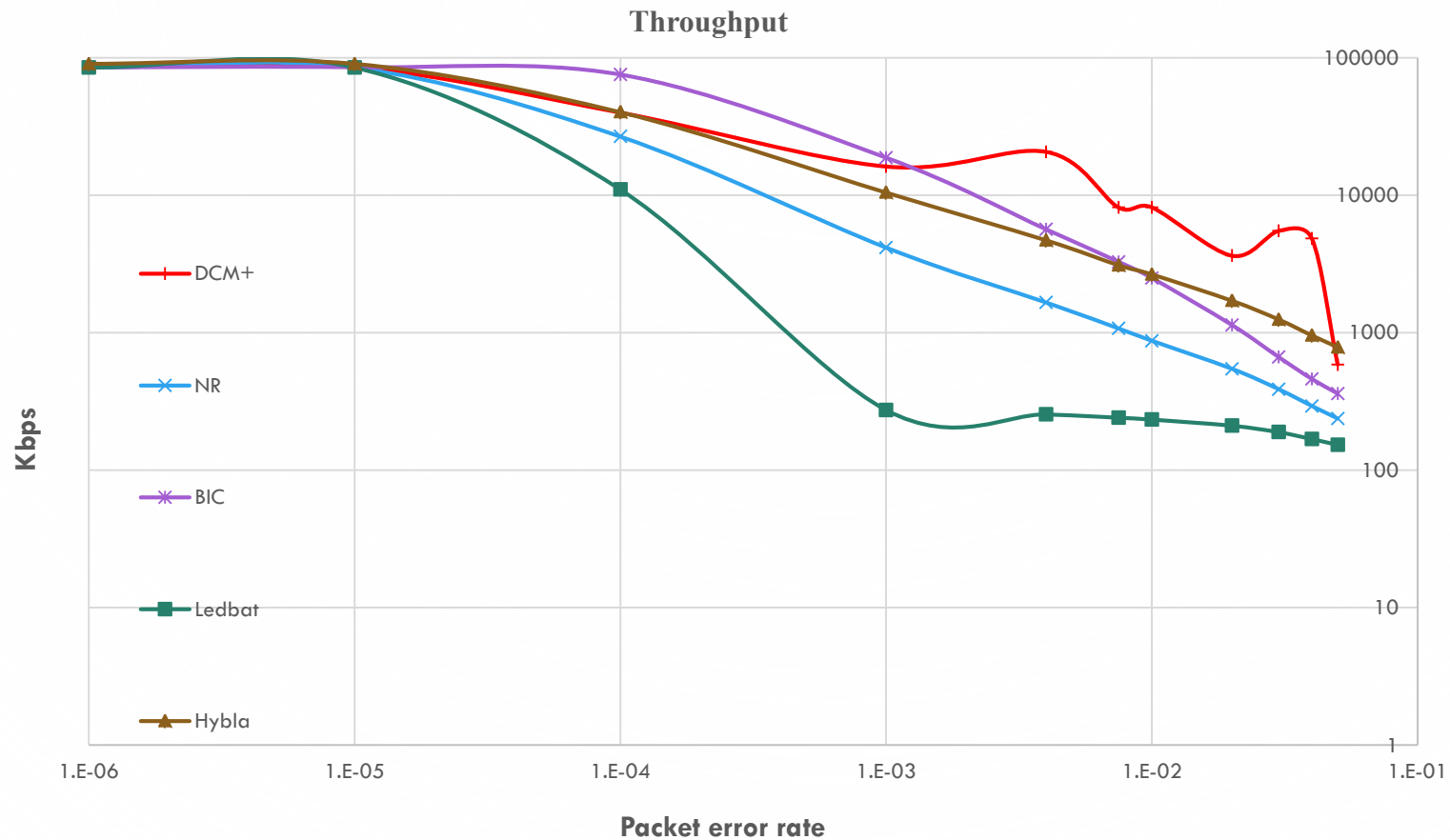
TCP DCM+ CAN ALSO DETECT LOSSES:

- 1- SPIKES IN RTT PLOT OR
- 2- RESETTING OF RTO VALUES.



# 6. SIMULATION RESULTS - THROUGHPUT

- THROUGHPUT : DCM+ SHOWS THE HIGHEST THROUGHPUT IN THE RANGE (1E-3 TO 5E-2).

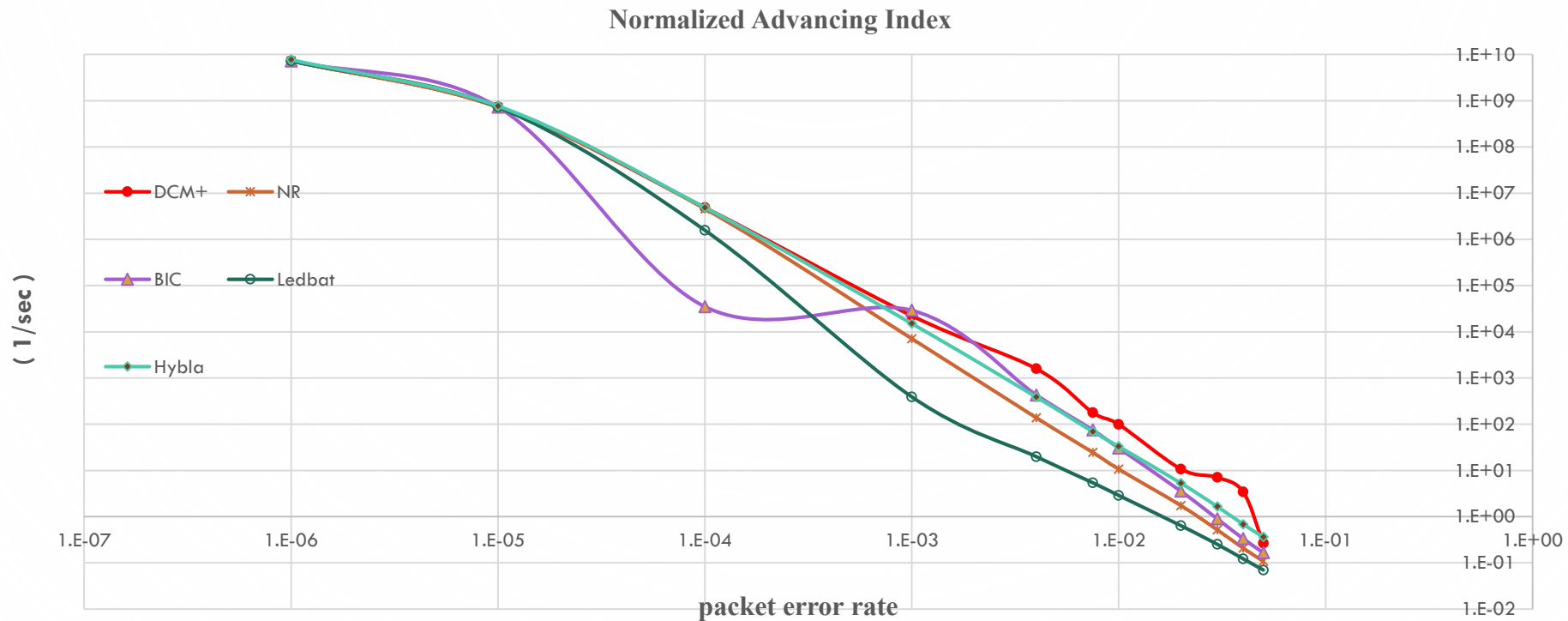


# 6. SIMULATION RESULTS – (NAI) ROBUSTNESS

NAI: NORMALIZED ADVANCING INDEX

NAI SHOWS THE ROBUSTNESS OF THE TRANSMISSION

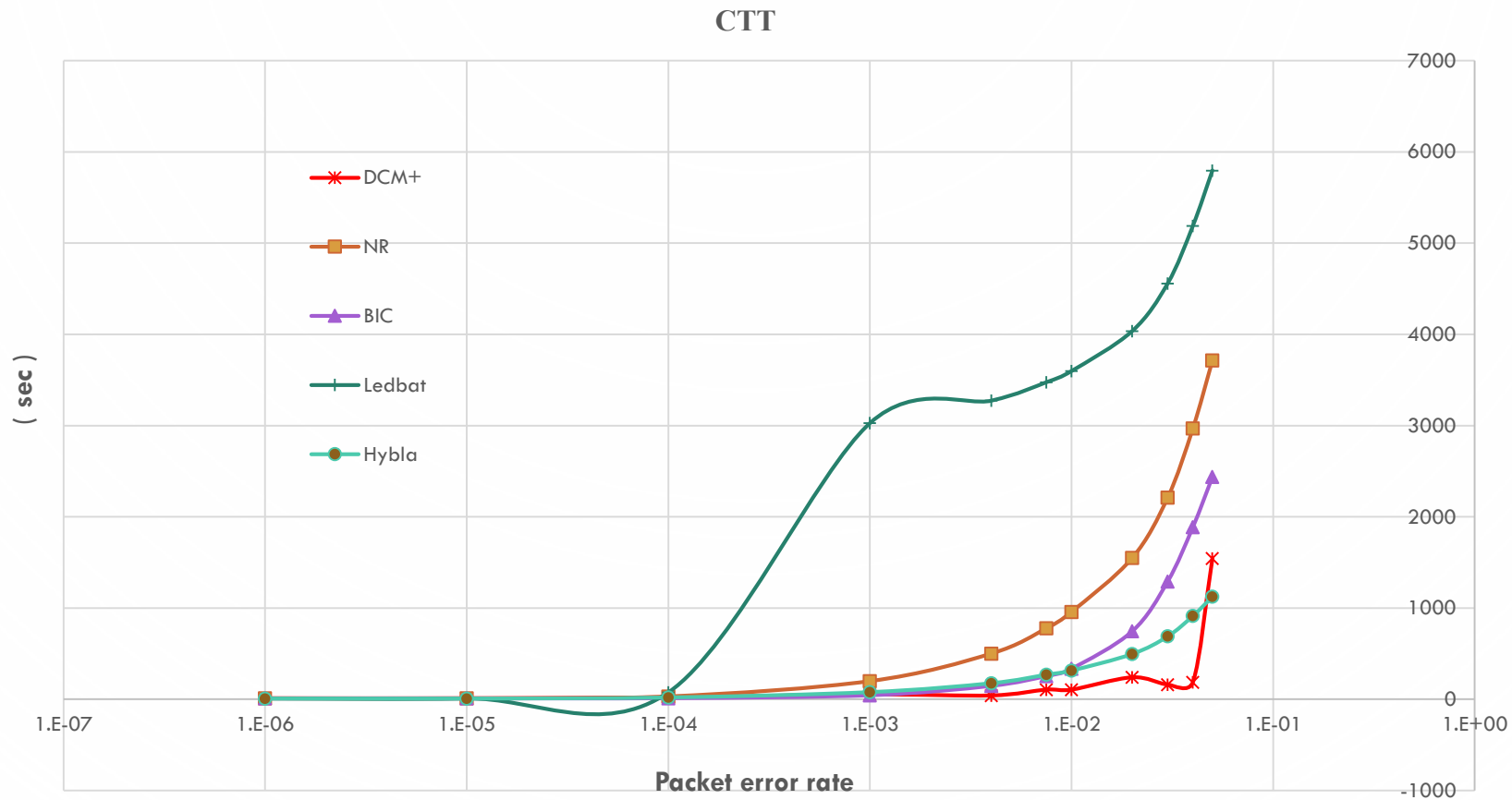
DCM+ HAS THE HIGHEST ROBUSTNESS IN THE RANGE (1E-5 TO 4E-2)



# 6. SIMULATION RESULTS – CTT (TRANSMISSION TIME)

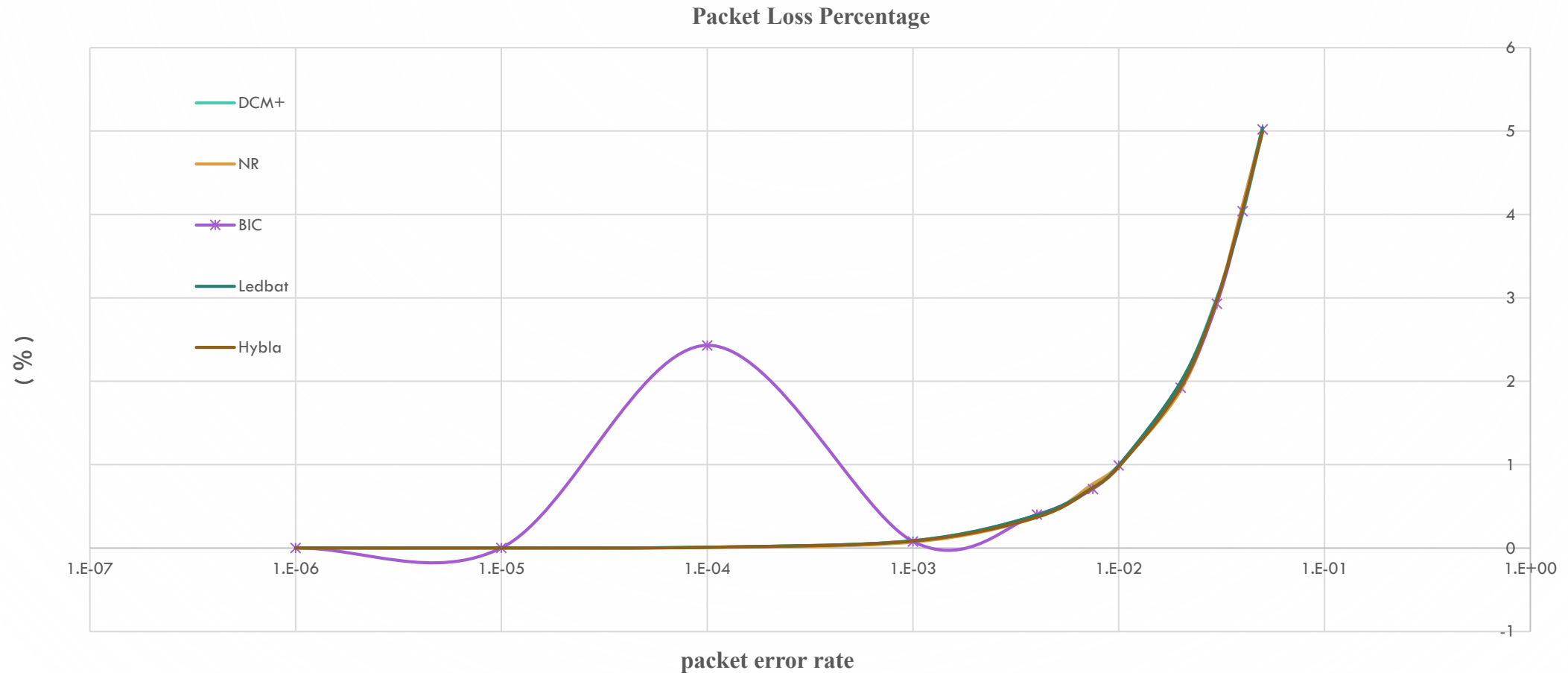
CTT: COMPLETE TRANSMISSION TIME

DCM+ SHOWS THE SHORTEST TIME NEEDED FOR THE TCP TRANSMISSION



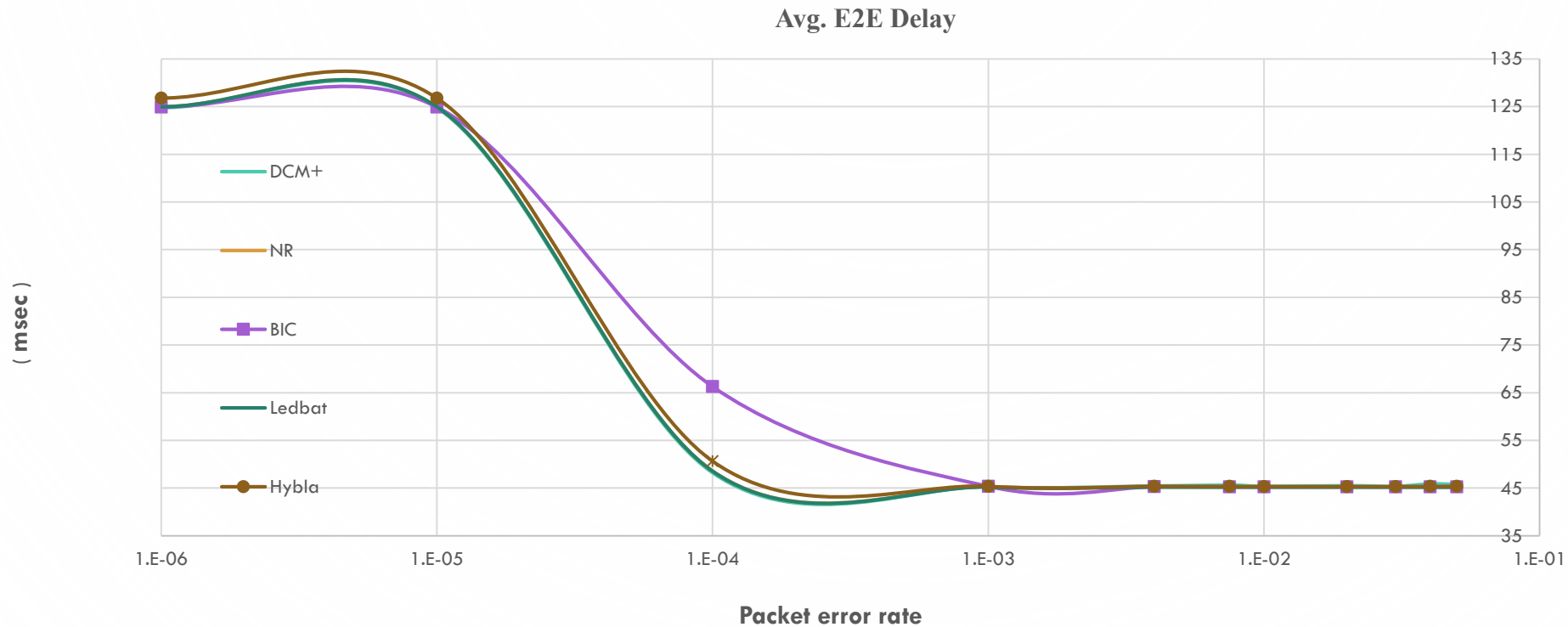
# 6. SIMULATION RESULTS – PACKET LOSSES

DCM+ HAS EQUAL OR LESS LOSSES THAN OTHER APPROACHES.  
TCP BIC SHOWS HIGHEST LOSSES IN THE RANGE (1E-5 TO 1E-3)



## 6. SIMULATION RESULTS – AVG. E2E DELAY

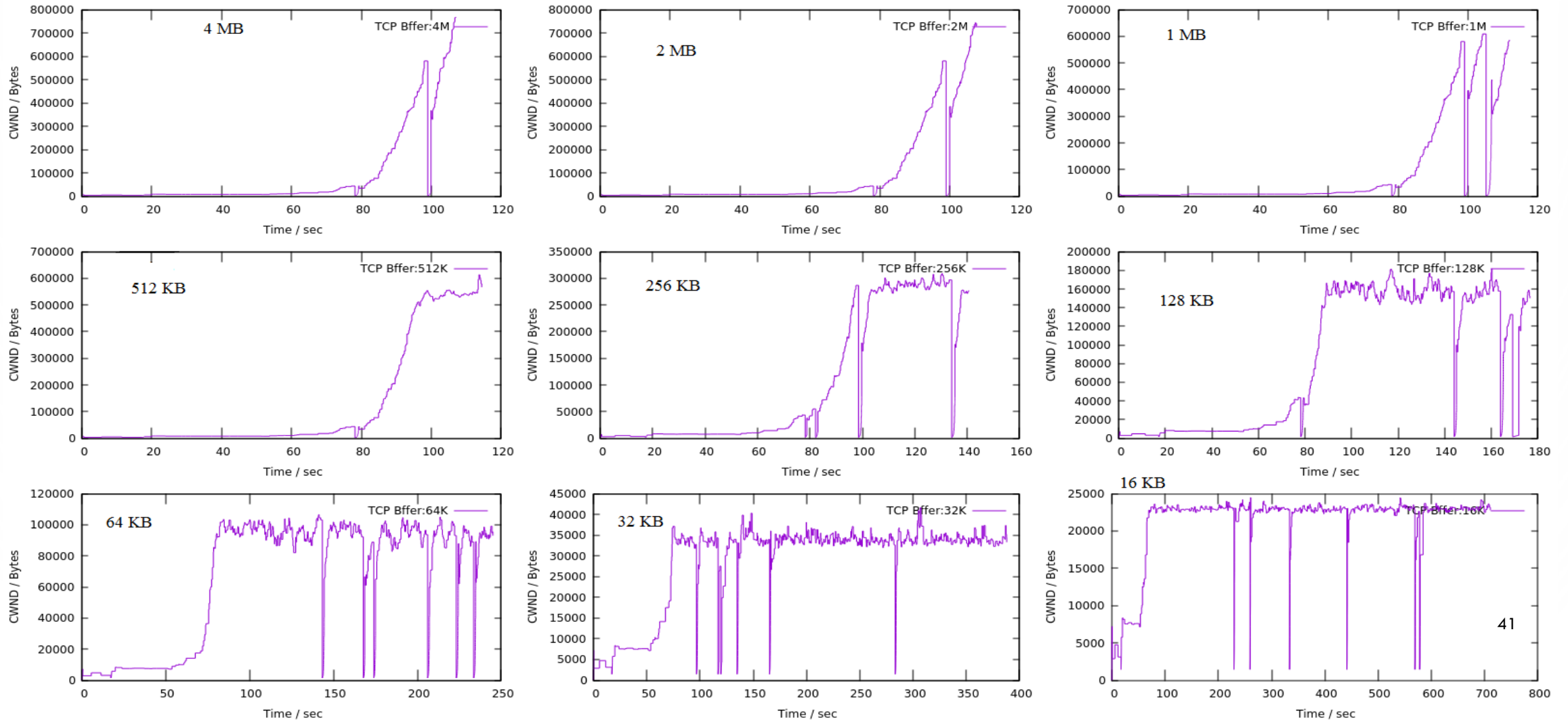
DCM+ SHOWS THE LOWEST DELAY, WHILE BIC SHOWS THE HIGHEST DELAY.





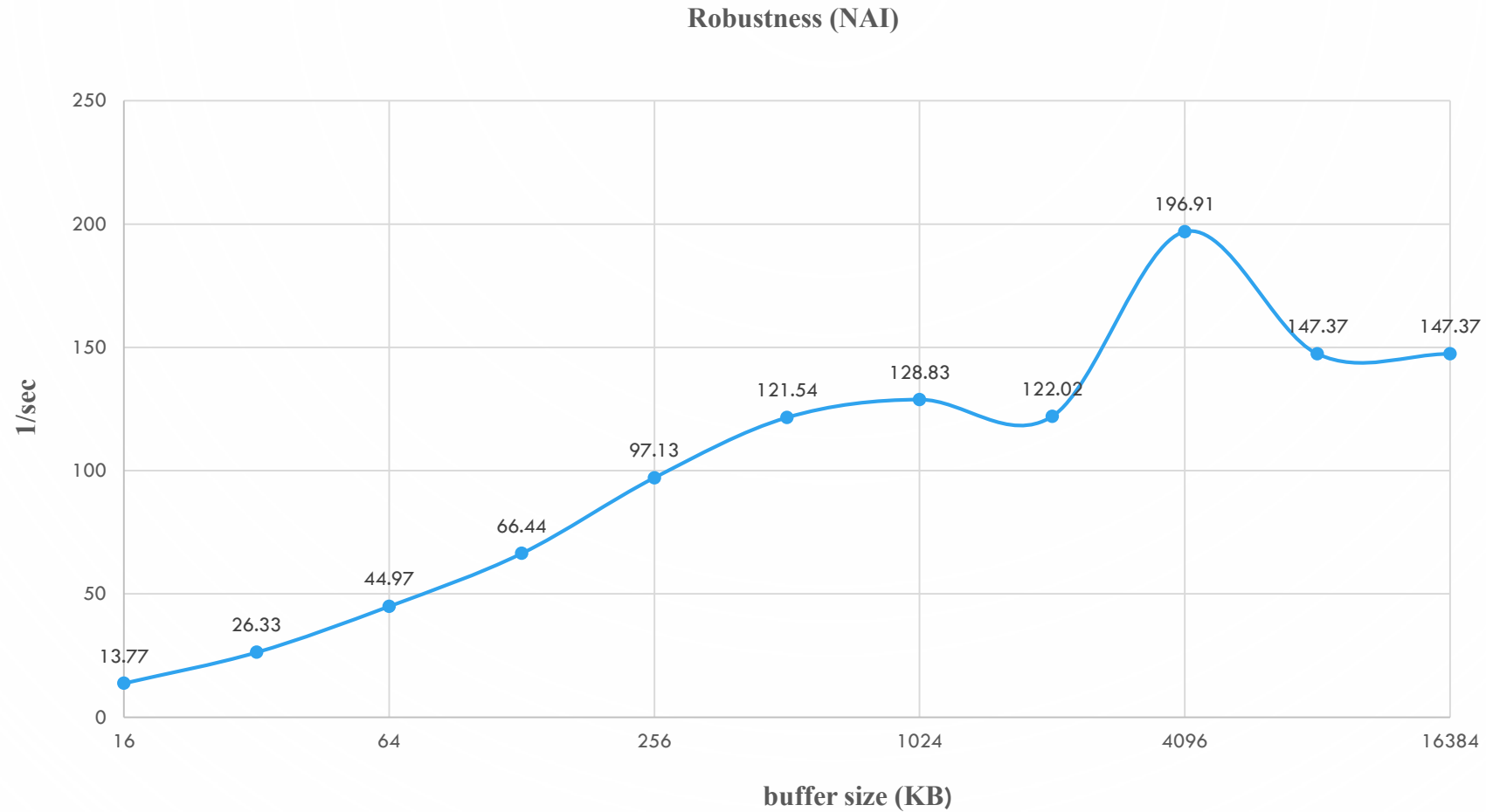
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THE SIZE OF RECEIVER BUFFER AFFECTS THE TRANSMISSION TIME, ROBUSTNESS AND THE DROPS OF WINDOW SIZE.



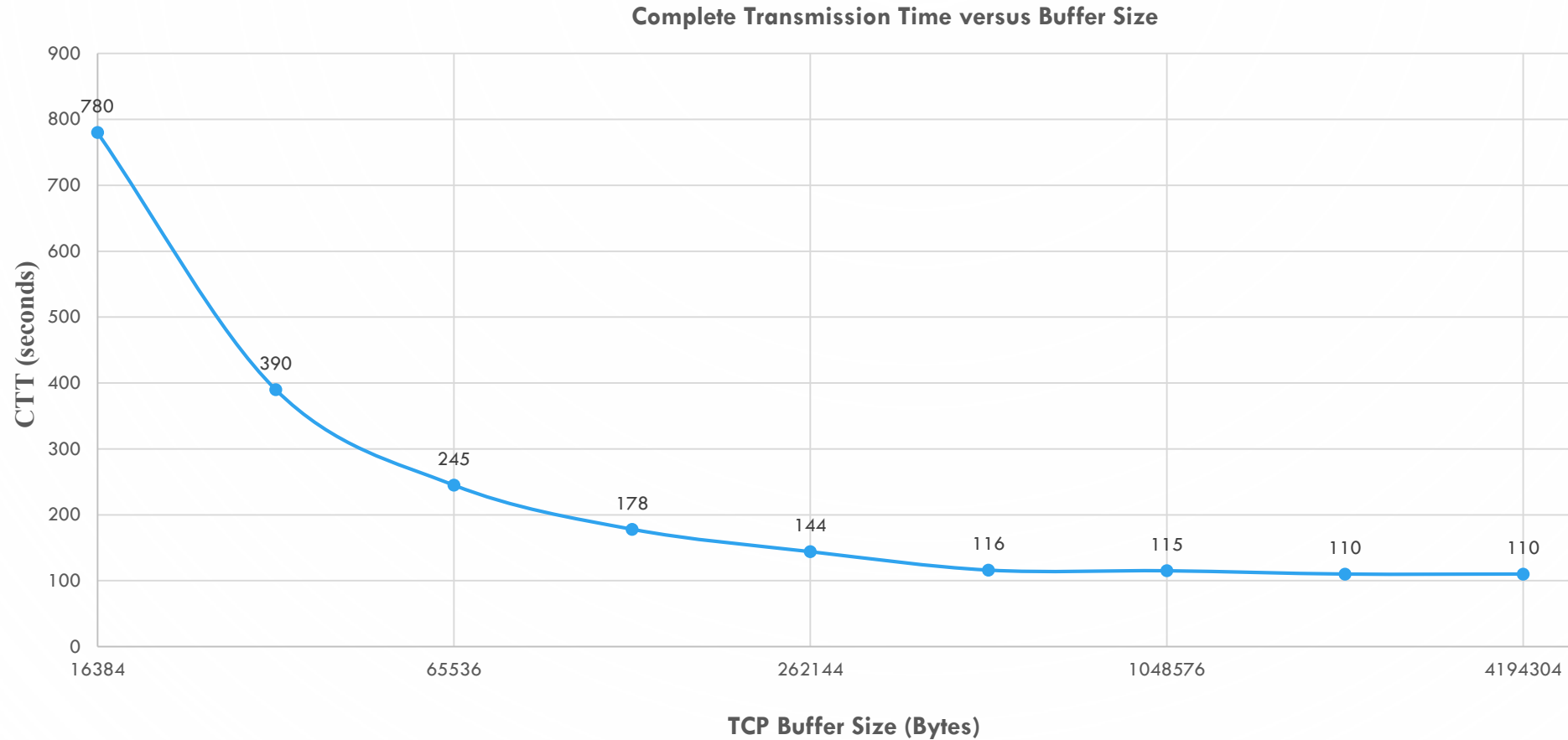
# 6. SIMULATION RESULTS –

## TCP DCM+ TRANSMISSION ROBUSTNESS AS A FUNCTION OF RECEIVER BUFFER



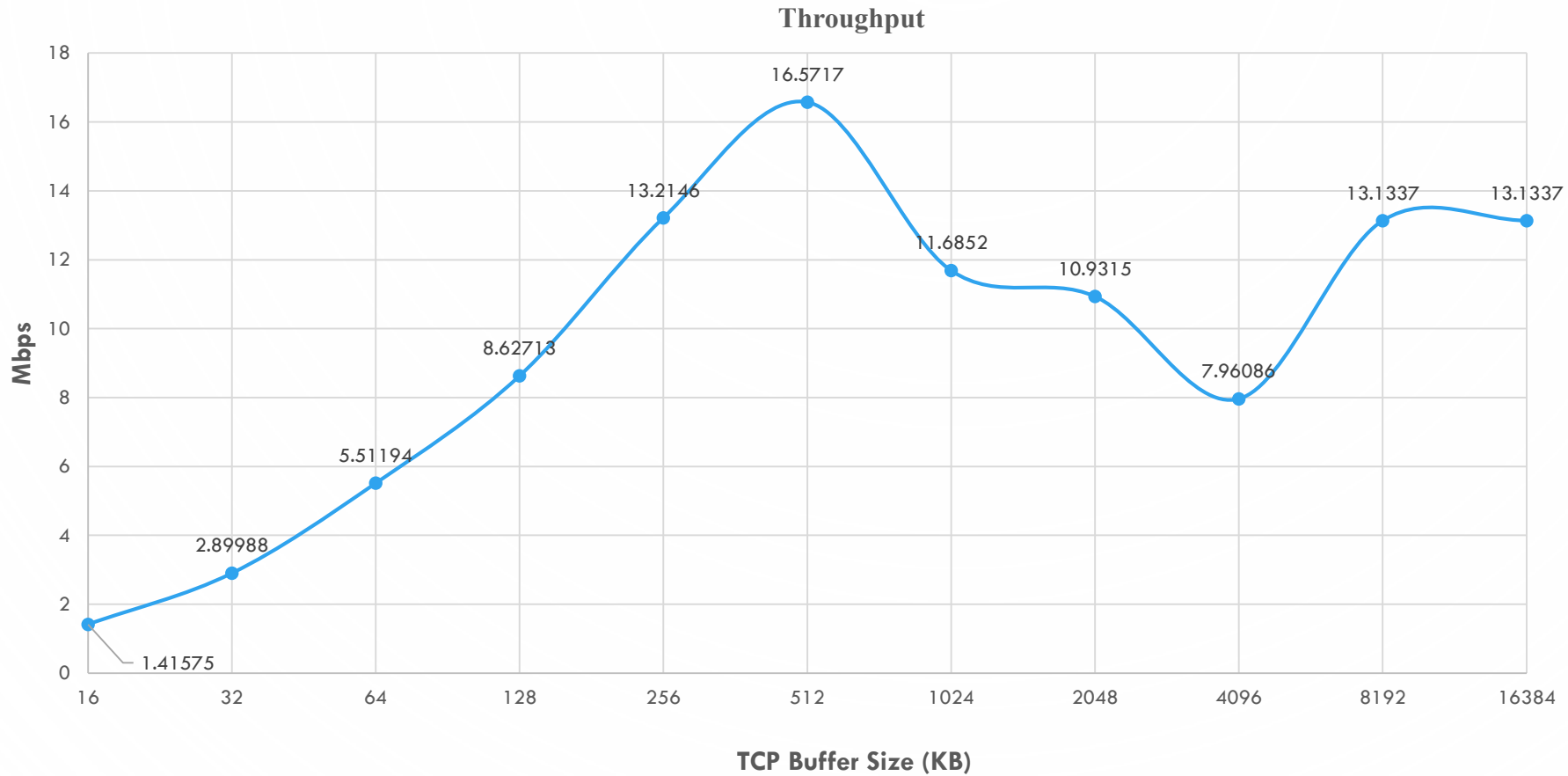
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TCP DCM+ WITH TCP BUFFER SIZE = 1 MB REACHES ENOUGH LOW CTT.



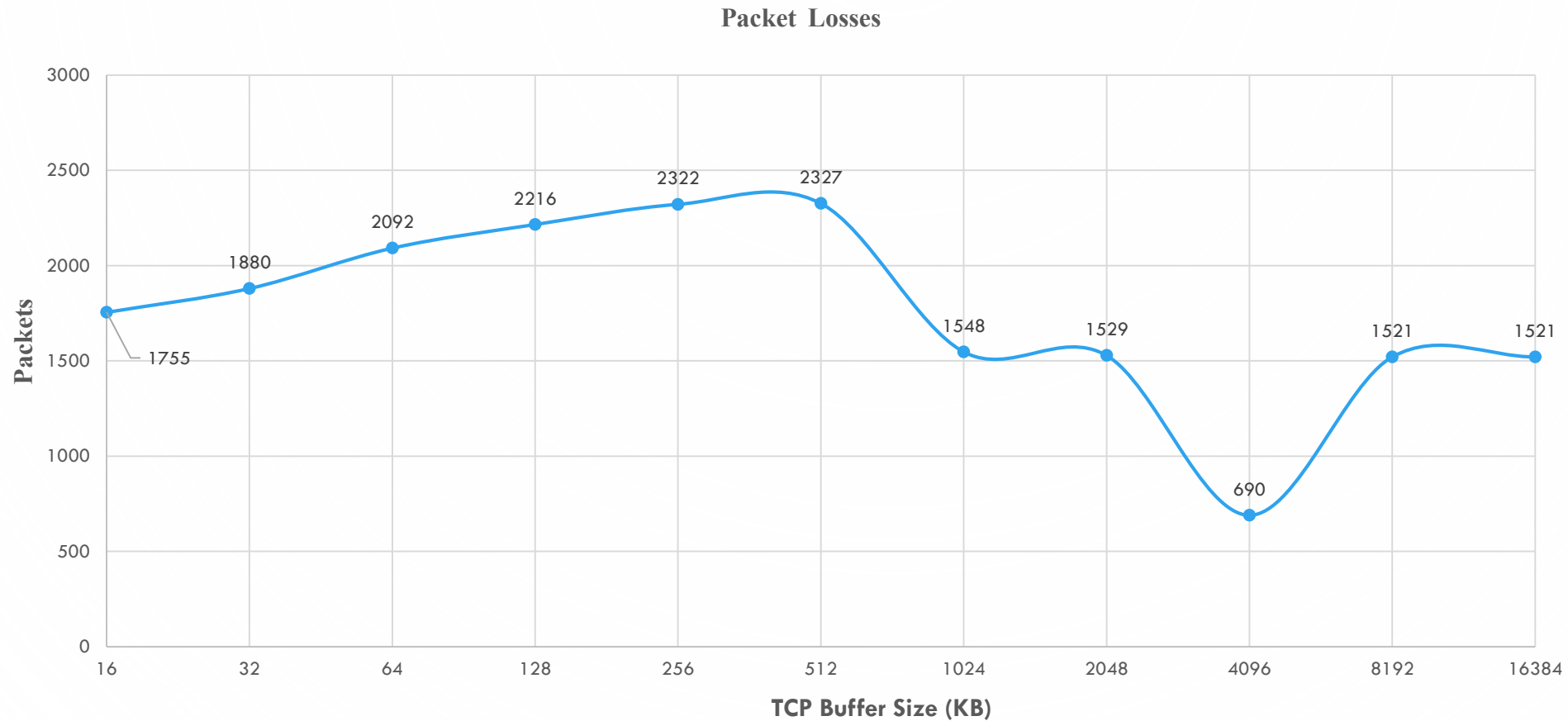
# 6. SIMULATION RESULTS –

## DCM+ THROUGHPUT AS A FUNCTION OF RECEIVER BUFFER SIZE



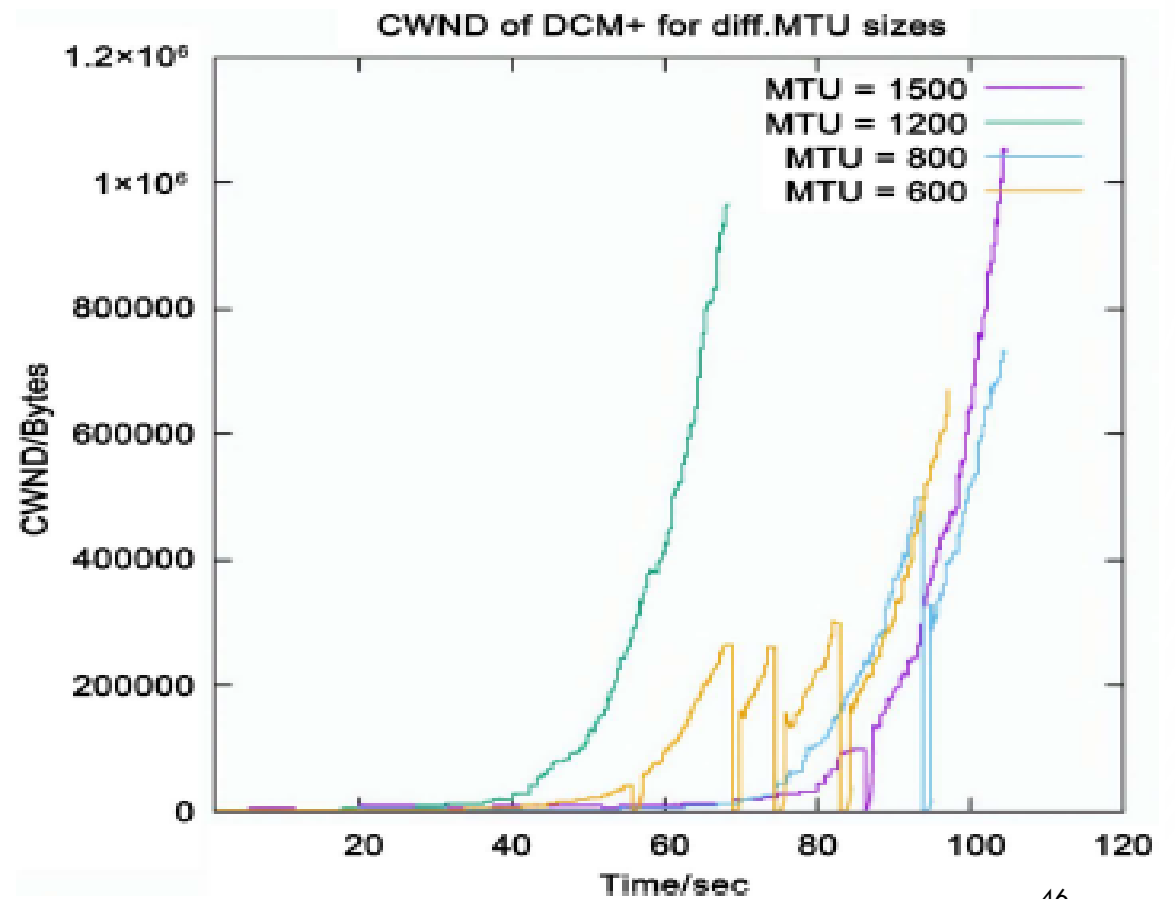
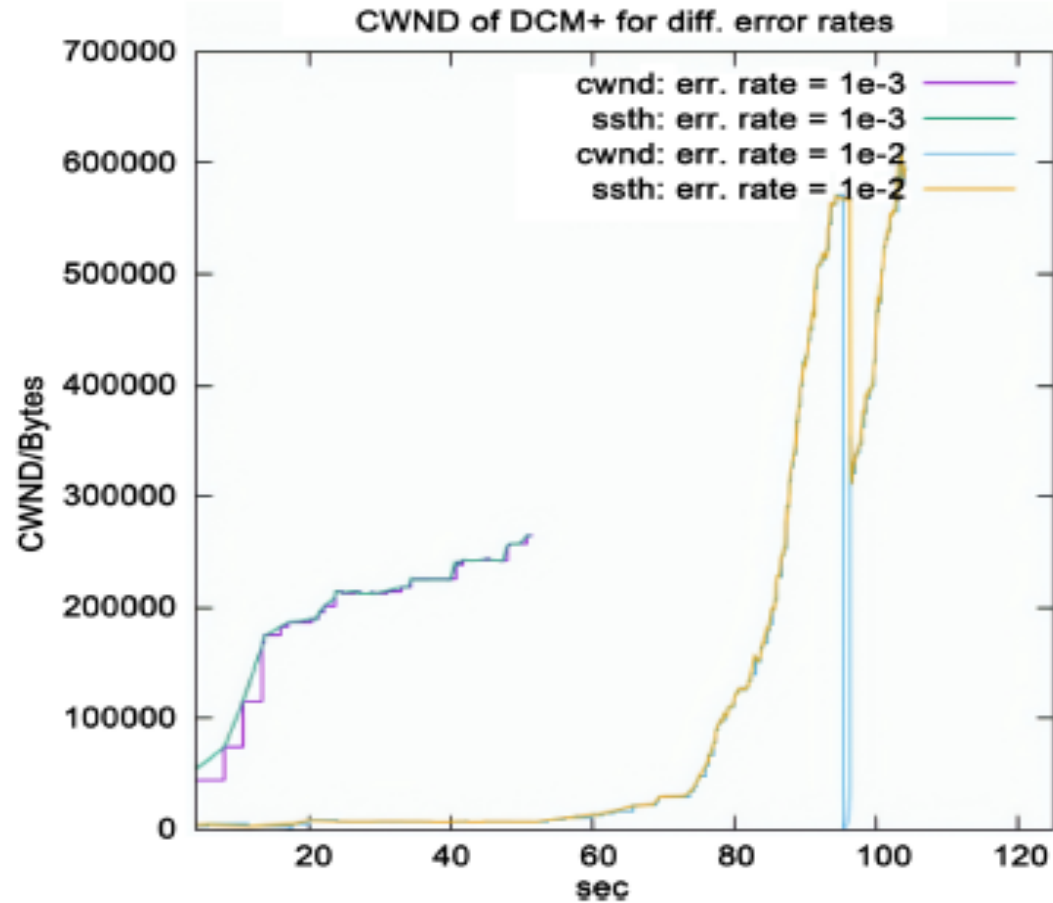
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## DCM+ LOSSES AS A FUNCTION OF RECEIVER BUFFER SIZE



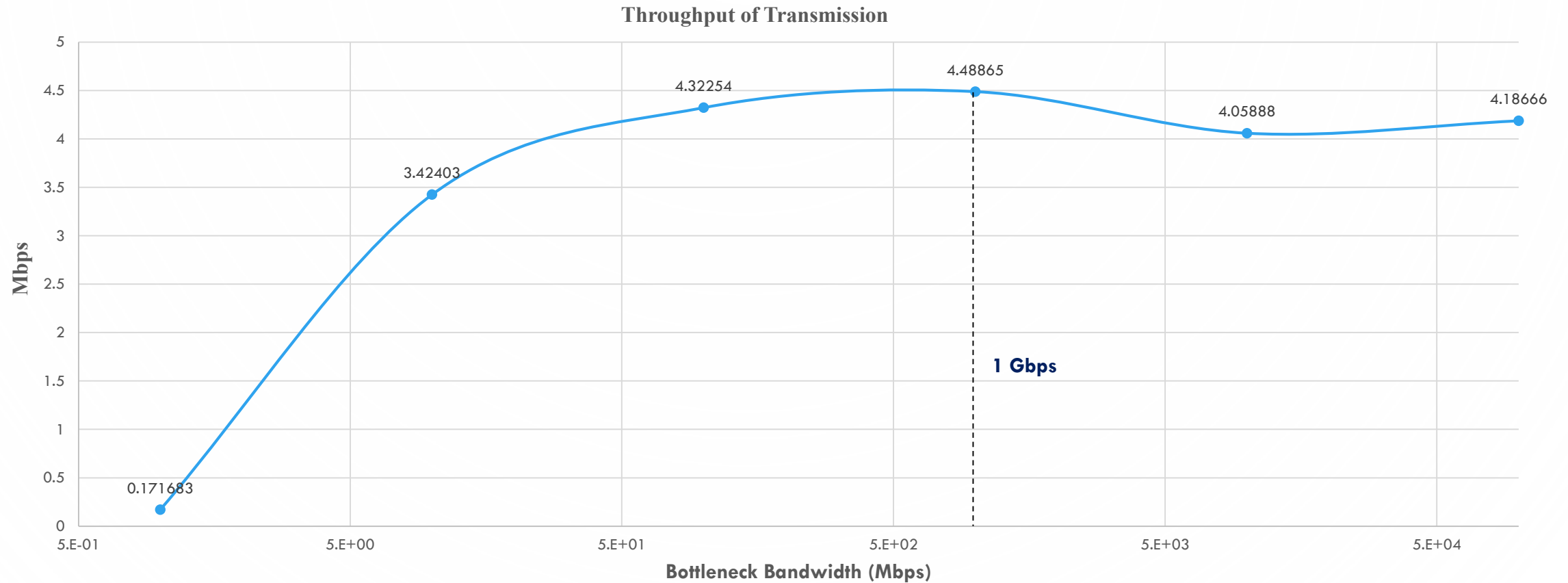
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SEGMENT SIZE OPTIMIZATION BEFORE THE TRANSMISSION CAN IMPROVE THE PERFORMANCE OF TCP DCM+



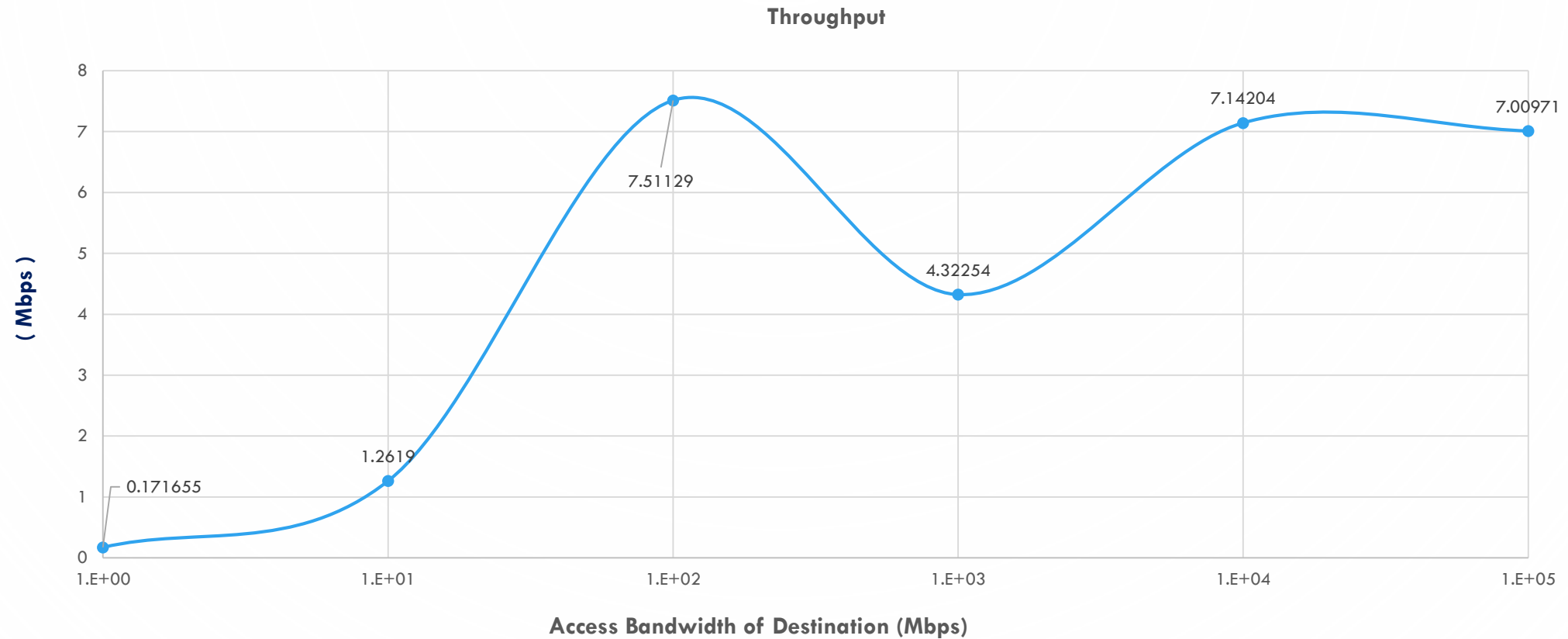
# 6. SIMULATION RESULTS –

MAXIMUM THROUGHPUT OF TCP DCM+ IS GUARANTEED FOR DESTINATION BW  $\geq$  BOTTLENECK BW. (HERE: DESTINATION BW = 1 GBPS).



## 6. SIMULATION RESULTS –

MAXIMUM THROUGHPUT OF TCP DCM+ IS GUARANTEED FOR DESTINATION BW  $\geq$  BOTTLENECK BW. (HERE: BOTTLENECK BW = 100 MBPS).





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