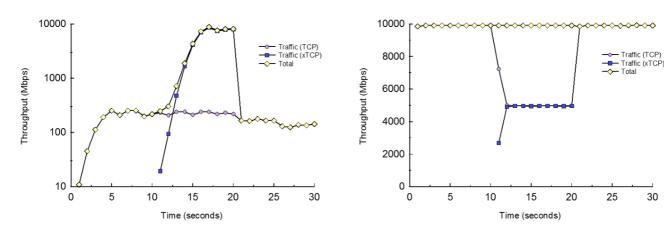
Development of software WAN accelerator based on HpFP

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For LFNs (Long-Fat Networks) with 10 Gbps or more and satellite networks with large latency, a variety of TCP-based protocols have been proposed which show high performance on large latency network conditions. However, such TCP protocols are essentially unable to archive large bandwidth on high latency networks accompanied with packet-losses that are inevitable on practical LFNs or satellite networks. To overcome this issue, we designed a new data transfer protocol on TCP/IP transport layer built on top of UDP: High-performance and Flexible Protocol (HpFP). It constantly monitors latency (RTT) and packet losses, and conducts rate control and retransmission control based on them to enable higher bandwidth data transfer than 10 Gbps even on packet-loss conditions over LFNs. The basic concepts are addressed and protocol design of the HpFP are discussed. An applications to tansfer many data files in small size (e.g., 1MB x 10000 files) with almost wire-rate bandwidth (10 Gbps) is also addressed. In this study we develop a software WAN accelerator based on the HpFP techniques. The objective of development of this protocol is for practical uses on a variety of networks, paying attention to the fairness with other traffices. In the near future, big data transfer with high speed is expected on LFNs such as SINET5.



WAN accelerator throughputs with TCP (CUBIC) on the LFN (long fat network) with packet loss (left) and without packet loss (right)