PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS OF INTEROPERABILITY

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Introduction to interoperability

« Interop » matrix

- At the core of QUIC WG activity
- Help identify issues in the proposed drafts
- Interoperability is necessary for a quic client A to communicate with quic server B



https://interop.seemann.io/



When interoperability meets congestion controls

- QUIC 'core'
 - May not specify much for the congestion control
 - Interoperability when it is needed for the life cycle of a connection (establishment, on going, ending)
- QUIC extensions can provide interoperability for aspects of the congestion control
 - DATAGRAM : unreliable congestion control
 - ACK Frequency : tune the ACK ratio and the delay between ACK
 - 0-RTT-BDP : efficient and careful connection resumption
- > Interoperability can have an impact on the *performance*
- Client and server both contribute to the performance of a connection

Transport Parameters and QUIC Implementations

- Default values for congestion controls differ from one implementation to another
- The ACK Policy varies:
 - PICOQUIC and QUICLY implement « ACK Frequency » (dynamic ACK policy during a connection)
 - NGTCP2 follows the RFC9000 (fixed ACK ratio)
- ACK poilicy impacts performance
 - 50 Mbps / 10 Mbps use-case

Transport parameters	picoquic	ngtcp2	quicly
Intitial_max_data	1Mo	1Mo	16Mo
Initial_max_stream_d ata_bid_local	2Mo	256Ko	1Mo
Initial_max_stream_d ata_bid_remote	64Ко	256Ko	1Mo
ICWND	10	10	10
Max_udp_payload_si ze	1252	1252	1252
Max_ack_delay	10ms	25ms	25ms
Congestion control	CUBIC, BBR	CUBIC, BBR	CUBIC



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Take aways

- Interoperability may be integrated as extensions to QUIC
 - These extensions can be negotiated, accepted or rejected
 - They may be of interest for a set of clients and servers
- Interoperability with congestion control parameters contribute to the performance of a session
 - Even if they affect the client!
- Questions ?