

Web Caching Performance Evaluation : Quiz

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Web caching

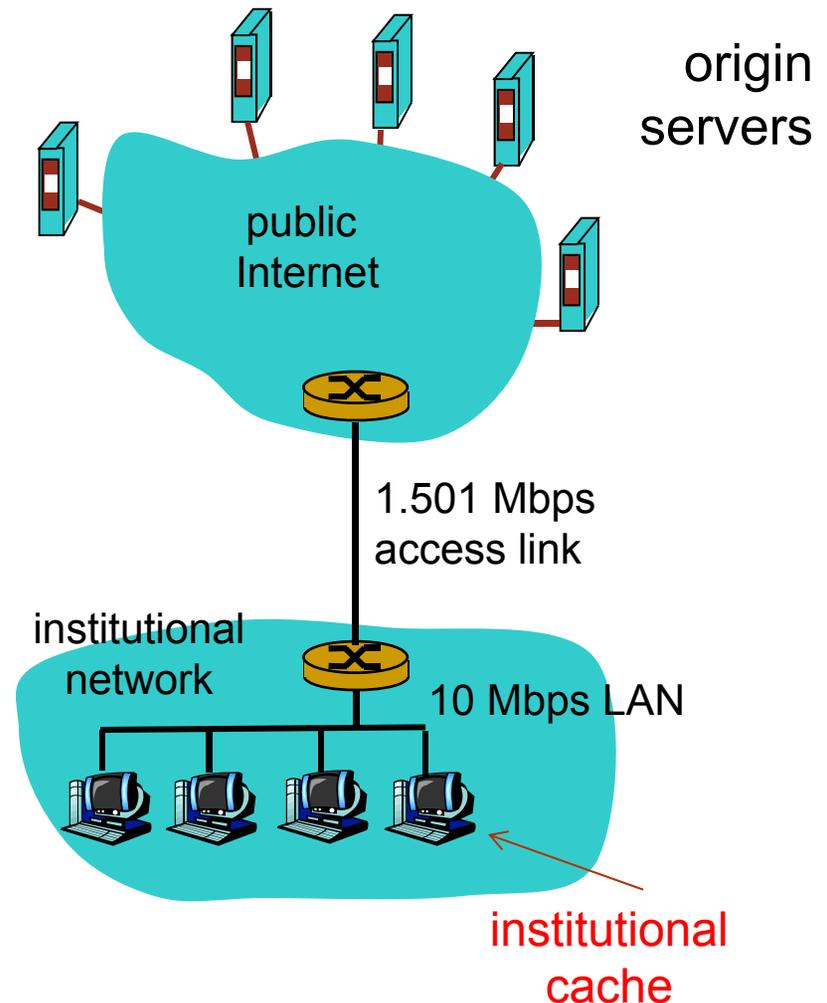
- Caches frequently accessed web pages “closer” to the user
- Cache acts as both client and server

Motivation

- ↓ response time for client request.
- ↓ traffic on an institution’s access link.

Usage

- Cache is installed by Internet Service Provider (university, company, residential ISP)
- Internet dense with caches: enables “poor” content providers to effectively deliver content (but so does P2P file sharing)



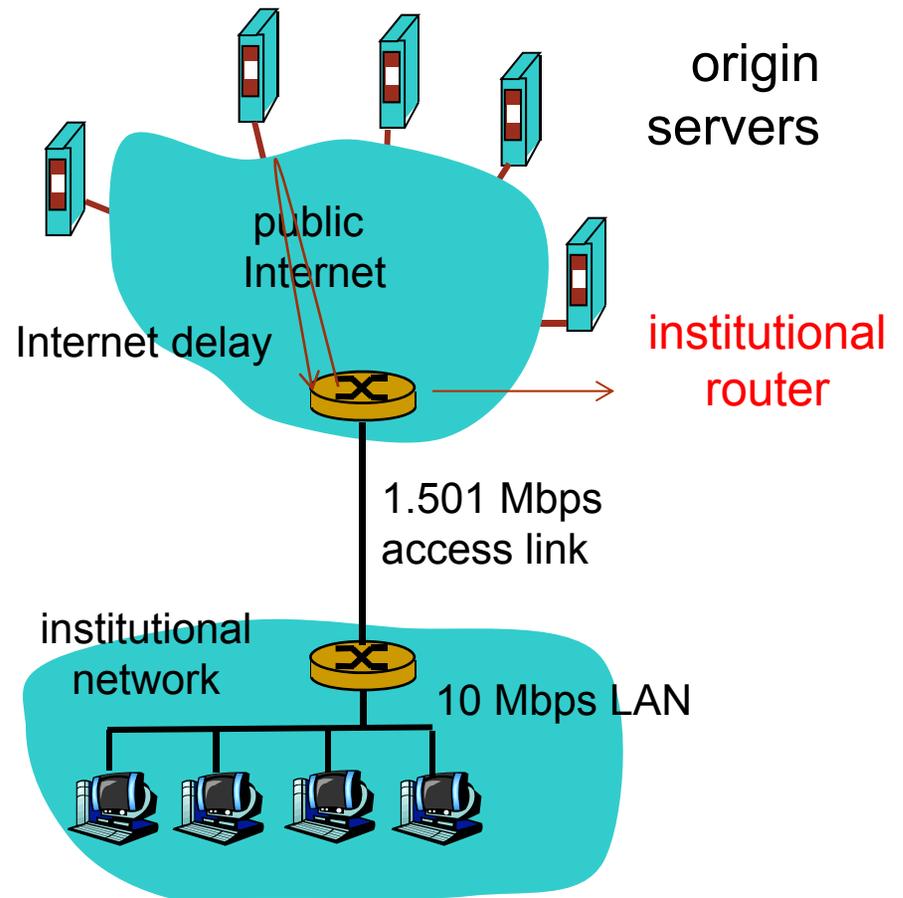
Initial Scenario

Assumptions

- average object size = 100,000 bits
- avg. request rate from institution's browsers to origin servers = 15/sec
- delay from institutional router to any origin server and back to router = 2 sec

Questions:

- What is the utilization of LAN?
- What is the utilization of access link?
- What is the total delay (latency) per request?
Total delay = Internet delay + access delay + LAN delay
 - only account for data transmission delay and ignore transmission delay for the request.



Improving Performance

- ❑ Performance Goal : avg. access delay $< 3\text{sec.}$
- ❑ Option 1: Fatter access link – 10Mbps
- ❑ Option 2: Adding Cache on the LAN
 - The estimated hit rate of 80%

Question: Which option is better in terms of average access delay?

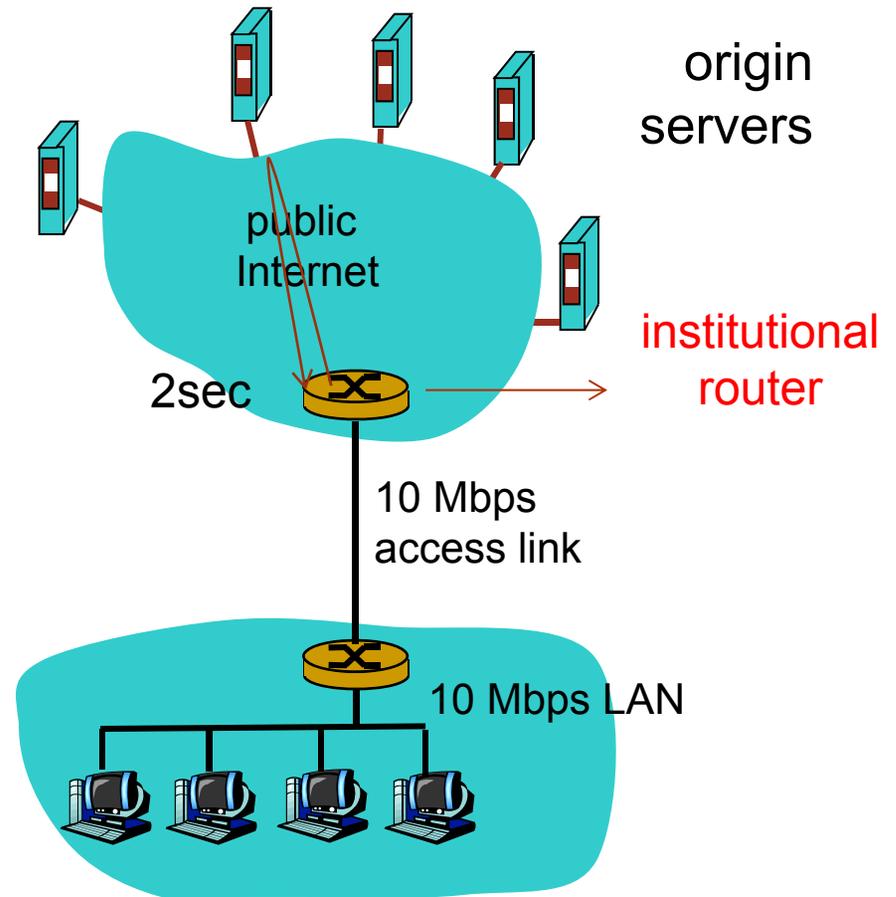
Option 1: Fatter access link

Possible solution

- increase bandwidth of access link to, say, 10 Mbps
 - often a costly upgrade

Performance Evaluation (Hint)

- utilization on LAN = ?
- utilization on access link = ?
- Total delay = Internet delay + access delay + LAN delay
= 2 sec + ? + ?



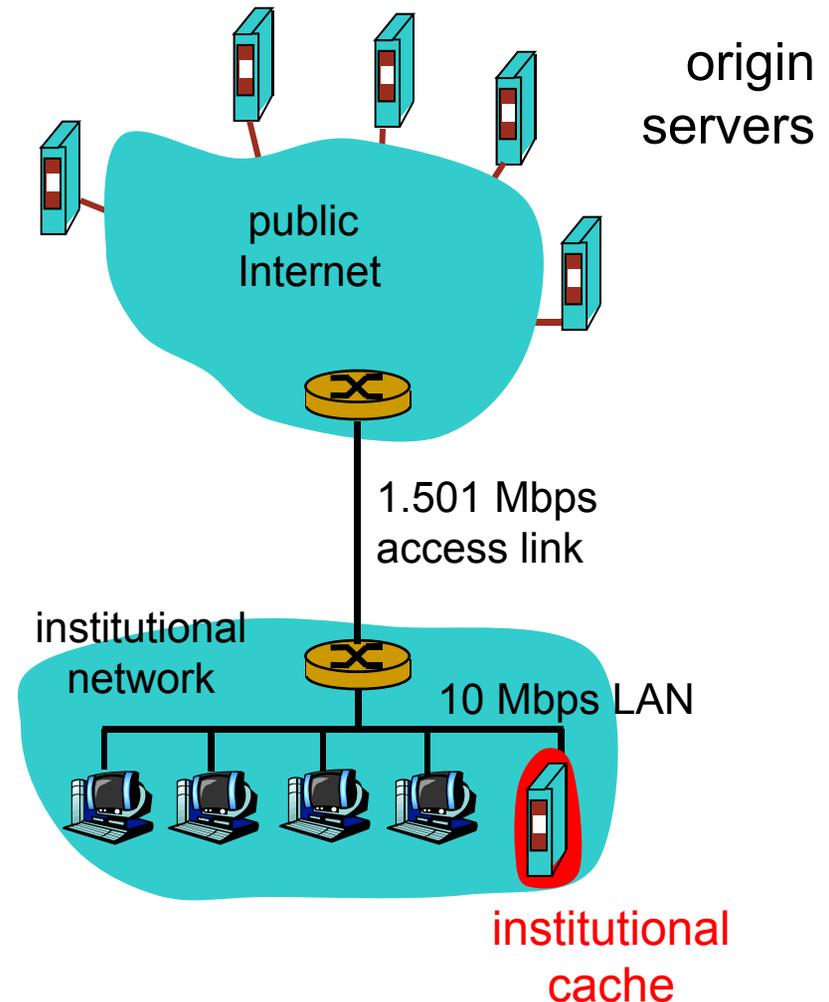
Option 2: Adding Cache on LAN

Install cache

- hit rate is .8

Performance Evaluation (hint)

- How many requests are satisfied locally on LAN?
- What is the effective request rate on the access link?
- What is the delay on the access link?
- total avg. delay ?



Evaluating Initial Performance

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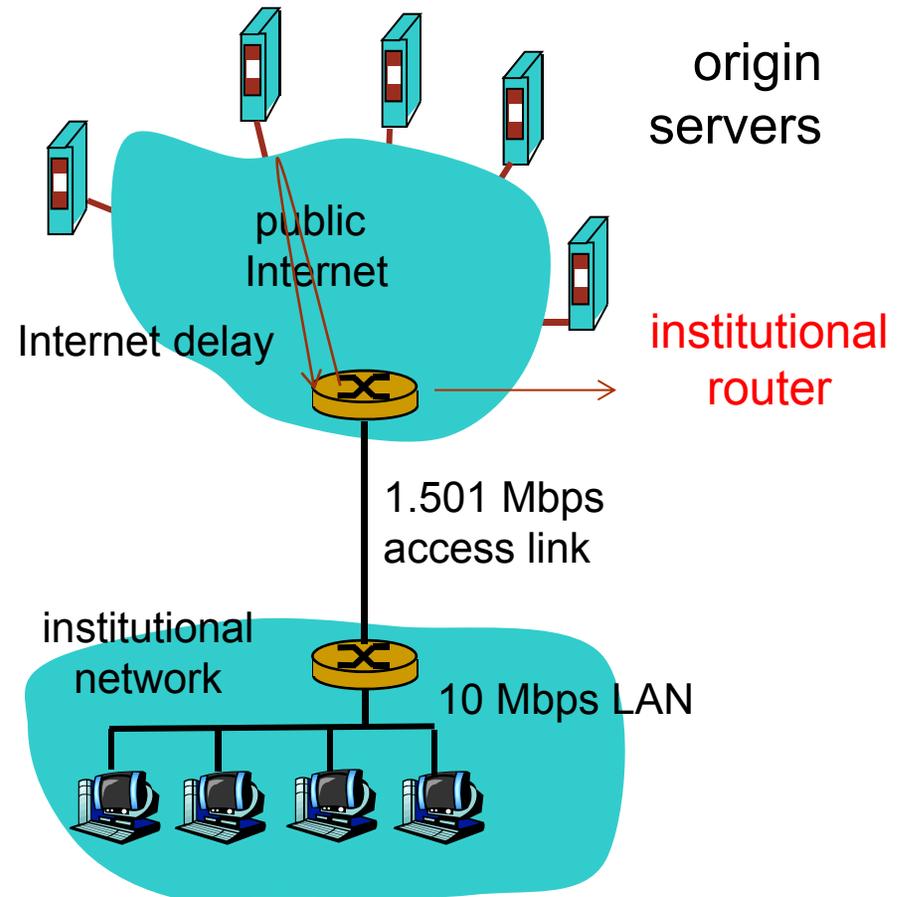
Performance Evaluation

- utilization on LAN = $15 \cdot 10^5 / 10^7 = 15\%$
- utilization on access link (modeled as M/M/1 queuing system)
 - $\mu = 15.01/\text{sec}$
 - $\lambda = 15/\text{sec}$
 - $P = \lambda / \mu = .99$
- total delay = Internet delay + access delay + LAN delay

$$= 2 \text{ sec} + 1/(\mu - \lambda) + 10^5/10^7$$

$$= 2 \text{ sec} + 100 \text{ sec} + 10 \text{ msec}$$

$$> 3 \text{ sec}$$



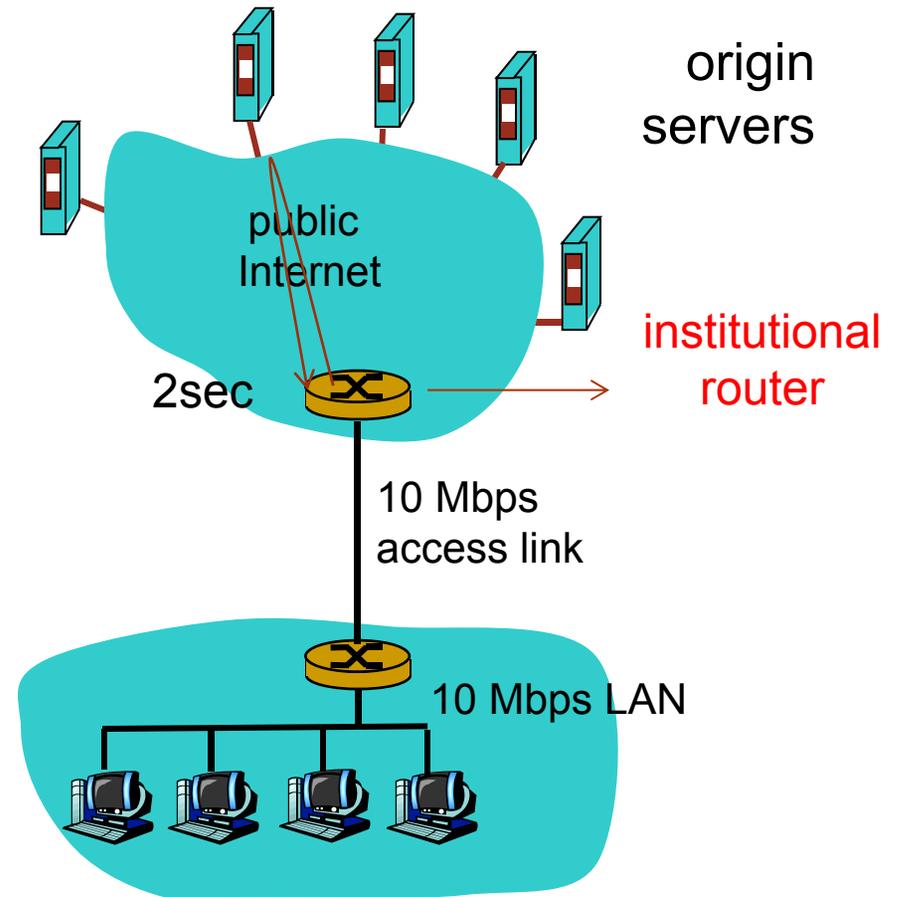
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Performance Evaluation

- utilization on LAN = 15%
 - utilization on access link = 15%
 - Total delay = Internet delay + access delay + LAN delay
- $$= 2 \text{ sec} + 10 \text{ msec} + 10 \text{ msec}$$
- $$= 2.2 \text{ sec}$$



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Performance Evaluation

- 80% requests will be satisfied almost immediately
- 20% requests satisfied by origin server
- utilization of access link reduced to 20%,
 - resulting in negligible delays
 - $1/(15 - (1/5)*15) = 1/12 = 80\text{ms}$
- total avg delay = Internet delay + access delay + LAN delay
= $.2*(2.008)\text{ secs} + .8*10\text{ ms}$
< 1 sec.

