## Simulating InfiniBand Congestion Control using OMNeT++

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## Presentation Outline



Congestion and Congestion Control


The IB CC Model


Validation

## Shared network resources could lead to network congestion and head-of-line (HOL) blocking.



## A network is constructed from the compound modules 'Switch' and 'HCA'.



Switch (forwarding node)
HCA (host channel adapter)

## Experiments show that the HOL blocking leads to performance degradation when CC is not activated.



## The InfiniBand CC mechanism is able to remove both the HOL blocking and the parking lot problem.



## Three contributors to congestion creates a congestion tree with a root at S1.



## Ongoing Research: InfiniBand Congestion Control in M9

(SUN ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ DATACENTER INFINIBAND SWITCH 648)

- IBTA Specification 1.2 compliant
- 648 QDR/DDR/SDR 4x InfiniBand ports
- Three-stage internal full Clos network (non-blocking)


Want to give the IB CC model back to the $\mathrm{OMNeT}++$ community, but first...:

- Clean up
- Improve doc
- Parallelization


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