



# Connection Termination

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# 4 ways to terminate a connection

Stateless Reset

Immediate Close

Application Close

Idle Timeout

# Stateless Reset

Only used when server has no connection state at all

Server sends with Stateless Reset Token

Client tears down all state immediately

# Immediate Close

## Error close

used for app or transport error cases  
or for an app that knows what it's doing (NO\_ERROR) ?

## On Immediate Close

All streams considered implicitly reset  
CONNECTION\_CLOSE frame sent  
Connection enters "draining" period

## During draining period

Respond with CONNECTION\_CLOSE  
Exit if CONNECTION\_CLOSE received  
Exit if ACK for CONNECTION\_CLOSE received

# Application Close

(Some of this is in draft, details need discussion)

Application peers negotiate termination

Hypothetical example: by closing stream 1 for HTTP

Connection is in `CLOSE_PENDING` state (not in spec)

No new data should be received in this state

No new data should be queued by app

Transport finishes sending pending data and rtxs

When nothing left to send, enter “draining” period

Send same final ACK in response to received packets

# Draining Period

After sending last packet, wait to handle retransmissions

- Last packet may be lost in the network

- Need to respond to peer's retransmissions

How long? Currently  $3 \times \text{RTO}$

- Allows 2 RTOs from peer

- (Peer's RTO may be different than ours)

ACK, CONNECTION\_CLOSE, PADDING allowed to be sent

After draining period, discard connection state

# Idle Timeout

(Basic text in draft, details need specification)

Connection is *idle* for longer than idle timeout

Timeout negotiated during handshake

*Idle* is defined as time from when: (no spec text)

Last new app data sent or received

Last PING sent, retransmissions excluded

Last PING received

What if path is dead?

Retransmissions being sent, no acks received

Idle is app semantic, need something when path dies

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Path Timeout Haiku

*Time since endpoint sent  
the first ackable packet  
after largest acked*