

DFN's Tools for Monitoring IP Performance Metrics Across Backbone Networks

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DFN-Labor@RRZE – who we are



- RRZE
 - Regional Computing Center Erlangen
 - IT service for the University Erlangen-Nürnberg
- DFN
 - German research network provider
- DFN-Labor@RRZE
 - Research project of the DFN at the RRZE
 - Network hardware tests
 - Development and operation of an IP accounting system
 - Quality assurance for the G-WiN SDH/WDM core network
 - Development and operation of an IPPM measurement system









- Academic interest to determine the IP Quality of Service parameters
- Verification of provider's network failure data
- Early warning system for network failure
- Correlation of QoS parameters with other network parameters
 - Throughput
 - Visual quality of video conferencing
 - Passive delay measurement
- Analysis of customer's network performance
 - Collaboration with DFN video conferencing team
 - Mobile boxes
 - Second network interfaces







Alert System

- Allows for surveillance of SLAs as well as early warning about network outages
- Current implementation sends out alerts via mail, SNMP traps are under development
- Scenarios to raise alerts:
 - x% packet loss (requires relatively high frequency of measurements to determine reliably)
 - One way delay > x ms for y s (typical end-to-end SLA)
 - One way delay variation > x ms for y s (sensitive parameter to most realtime network applications)
- Primary target group: NOCs and network management







- Active measurement
- UDP-Packets with timestamp
- Packets are sent in groups
 - Group median / maximum -> (no) single outliers
- Current configuration:
 - One group every 30 s
 - 5 packets per group
 - Distance between packets: 20 ms
- Configurable:
 - ToS bits
 - Packet size
 - Group size, interval
 - Central configuration







- 1 sending and 1 receiving process for every measurement connection
- Time offset between processes at every measurement PC to avoid collisions









One way delay plot







G-WiN













- G-WiN: National backbone of DFN
 - 10 level 1 sites, 17 level 2 sites
 - 7 x 10 Gbps, 31 x 2.4 Gbps, 1 x 622 Mbps
- Current measurements
 - 27 active Measurement Points
 - > 1200 connections in total, running 24/7 "full meshed"
 - Up to 100 connections per PC
- Central data analysis station
 - Fetches raw data regularly (≈ 200 MB / d)
 - Computes:
 - Timestamps, delay, jitter, loss
 - Group minimum, median, maximum
 - Traceroutes
 - Stores analyzed data (≈ 240 MB / d)





G-WiN goes X-WiN



- Old G-WiN network is running out for the end of the year
- Currently being replaced by the X-WiN with more PoPs
- 13 additional measurement points, preserves the full mesh of measurements







G-WiN delay overview along SDH-paths:









Measurement Point Selection: Go 09.11.2005 Year> < Year < Month <Week Week> Month > Choose node and date Measurement node 02.11. 03.11. 04.11. 05.11. 06.11. 07.11. 08.11. 09.11. 10.11. 11.11. 12.11. 13.11. 14.11. 15.11. 16.11. Aachen_DFN Augsburg DFN Berlin_DFN Bielefeld_DFN Bielefeld Uni







Path Selection:								
			16.11.2005	; .	Go			
	< Year _ < Month _ < Day _ Day > _ Month > _ Year > Back to selection of measurement node							
	Submit							
Measurement paths for Erlangen_DFN on 16.11.2005								
	<u>Select all</u> - <u>Unselect all</u>							
		From	То		From	То		
		Aachen_DFN	Erlangen_DFN		Erlangen_DFN	Aachen_DFN		
		Augsburg_DFN	Erlangen_DFN		Erlangen_DFN	Augsburg_DFN		
		Berlin_DFN	Erlangen_DFN		Erlangen_DFN	Berlin_DFN		
		Bielefeld_DFN	Erlangen_DFN		Erlangen_DFN	Bielefeld_DFN		





Measurement Examples G-WiN









Measurement Examples G-WiN





Long-time (15 min) average network load vs. delay shows at different customers either:

- Correlation
- High delay without high load
- High load without increased

delay

Higher time resolution of network load (< 1 s) necessary

Lab tests!





Measurement Examples G-WiN











Routing vector surveillance

 Allows an interpretation of sudden jumps or just general changes of behaviour in OWD measurements

FromTillTraceroute Log00:03:3307:17:42007:17:4207:20:17107:20:1707:23:41107:23:4107:32:10007:32:1022:49:280

Traceroute Log 0

0 ar-erlangen1-ge4-1-800.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.36.45
1 cr-erlangen1-ge5-0.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.72.1
2 cr-leipzig1-po9-2.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.18.46
3 cr-berlin1-po3-3.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.18.41
4 ar-berlin2-ge0-0-0-650.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.64.3
5 legolas.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.32.54

Traceroute Log 1

0 ar-erlangen1-ge4-1-800.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.36.45
1 cr-erlangen1-ge5-1.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.72.45
2 cr-leipzig1-po9-2.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.18.46
3 cr-berlin1-po3-3.g-win.dfn.de	188.1.18.41
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6WiN



- Native IPv6 backbone
 - Utilization of network during ftp download from Münster to Erlangen
 - Outdated, planned to be integrated into X-WiN





Measurement Examples 6WiN



Measurements between Erlangen and Münster (Delay)







Measurement Examples 6WiN



Measurements between Erlangen and Münster (Delay Variation)







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Current Activities

- Currently, nine Measurement Nodes installed and running
 - Athens, Frankfurt, Paris, Poznan, Rome, Sofia, Tel Aviv, Thessaloniki, Zagreb
 - <u>http://www.win-labor.dfn.de/cgibin/ipgos/select.pl?config=geant</u>
 - . IPv4 measurements running, IPv6 up in four locations
- **Ongoing development**
 - Make IPPM conform to One Way Active Measurement protocol (OWAMP)
 - **Traceroute**
 - . Throughput / bandwidth
 - Interface to raw / analyzed data (PerfSONAR)
 - More user interaction
 - Mobile boxes





GÉANT2



Network Monitoring Activity JRA1

- In GÉANT2 (four years project, started sep. 2004) there is a whole research activity (JRA1) on network monitoring;
- JRA1 focuses not only on enhancing existing tools but also on integrating them in a coherent architecture
- This architecture should be multi-domain and allow users to access measurement services and measurement results over well defined interfaces
- There is an ongoing coordination with Internet 2, ESNET and other third parties to reach an aligned design of this monitoring architecture

Future of IPPM-DFN

- IPPM as activity within GÉANT2
- Measurements in the European research networks (approx. 20-30 nodes)





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