



Reporting Metrics: Different Points of View (Short Update)

Al Morton

Gomathi Ramachandran

Ganga Maguluri

March 10, 2008

draft-morton-ippm-reporting-metrics-03

“Our plans miscarry because they have no aim. When a man does not know what harbor he is making for, no wind is the right wind.”

Seneca

Version 04 Status

- **Resolved Steve Konish's comments**
 - ➔ **Section 4 reorganized**
 - ✦ **New sub-sections to help with this.**
 - ➔ **Clarified the meaning of processing "forks"**
- **Section 6 now:**
 - ➔ **Summarizes results for each metric, loss, delay delay var.**
 - ➔ **Discusses Long-Term Reporting**
 - ➔ **Advantages of Short term collection to support Long term reporting**

Summary of Recommendations so far:

- **Set a LONG Loss threshold**
 - ➔ Distinguish between Long Finite Delay and Loss
 - ➔ Avoid truncated distributions
- **Delay of Lost Packets is UNDEFINED**
 - ➔ Maintain orthogonality – avoid double-counting defects
 - ➔ Use conditional distributions and compute statistics
- **Report BOTH Loss and Delay**
- **Report BOTH the Sample Mean and Median.**
 - ➔ Comparison of the Mean and Median is informative
 - ➔ Means may be combined over time and space (when applicable)
 - ➔ Means come with a weighting function for each sample if needed, the sample Size, and Loss simply reduces the sample size
 - ➔ Means are more Robust to a single wonky measurement when the sample size is Large
- **Move the Industry Away from “Average Jitter”**
 - ➔ Use the 99.9%-ile minus minimum PDV
 - ➔ Portray this as a Delay Variation “Pseudo-Range”

What's Next?

- **Homework from IETF-70**
 - ➔ Did you read either draft?
 - ➔ No comments received ...
- **Point to Recognize:**
 - ➔ This work Complements the current (short-term) draft, without the restrictions brought-on by producing a result every 10 seconds
- **Need people to Read Both Drafts and suggest what makes the most sense for this topic**

New Section: Long-Term Reporting

- **Section 6 now:**
 - ➔ Summarizes results for each metric, loss, delay delay var.
 - ➔ Discusses Long-Term Reporting
- **Measurement Intervals need not be the same length as “Long” Reporting Intervals (days, weeks, months)**
- **Long Measurements come with some risks**
 - ➔ Temporary power failure: loose results to date.
 - ➔ Timing signal outage invalidating some measurements.
 - ➔ Maintenance on the meas. system, or its connectivity.
- **Relatively Short Meas. Intervals can help to**
 - ➔ match user session length
 - ➔ allow dual-use of measurements in monitoring activities

Approaches to Measurement Aggregation

- **Store all the singletons of the Measurement Intervals**
 - ➔ Evaluate all singletons in the Reporting Interval
- **Methods like those envisioned in "Framework for Metric Composition", draft-ietf-ippm-framework-compagg-05, for Temporal Aggregation**
 - ➔ Produce an estimate of the metric for the Reporting Interval using a deterministic process to combine the metrics from measurement intervals.
- **Use a numerical objective for the metric, and compare the results of each measurement interval:**
 - ➔ Every measurement interval where the results meet the objective contribute to the fraction of time with performance as specified.
 - ➔ Present the results as "metric A was less than or equal to objective X during Y% of time."