

NWC RG IETF97 meeting

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Agenda

1. welcome, administrative and general matters (5')
2. taxonomy I-D update
 - Vincent Roca (10')
3. FECFRAME v2: adding convolutional FEC codes support to the FEC Framework
 - draft-roca-tsvwg-fecframev2-02
 - Vincent Roca (10')
4. network coding for NFV (network functions virtualization)
 - draft-vazquez-nfvrg-network-coding-function-virtualization
 - Angeles Vazquez-Castro (15')
5. proposals and open discussion
 - Vincent Roca, all (20')

2- Taxonomy I-D

<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-irtf-nwcrg-network-coding-taxonomy/>



● goals

- bridge the gap between IETF / academic work terminologies
- start to structure the domain
 - it's a taxonomy

● proposal

- simplify the structure (fewer top level sections)
- change text so that explanations use the IETF terminology
 - certain definitions are too RLNC/information theory oriented
- make sure we didn't miss any item
 - in particular go through RMT/FECFRAME documents

5- Proposals and open discussion

- **clarification:** "coding for efficient network communications"
 - do not restrict ourselves to hop-by-hop coding only
 - many contributions involve a single encoding point
- **a key expertise:** the only place within IETF/IRTF that gathers coding experts
 - mostly trivial FEC schemes are considered elsewhere
 - find a consolidated answer to any FEC question (hopefully somebody willing to review a FEC-related I-D during a WGLC?)

Proposals and open discussion (2)

- proposal

- structure work into topics in order to stimulate participation
- provide objectives and milestones to measure progress
- is there an emerging topic that could justify the creation of an IETF WG?

- example of topic:

- "NC, from theory to practice" (already in charter)
 - list known NC deployments for which we have technical info
 - what did we learn
 - in terms of architecture?
 - in terms of performance/benefits?
 - in terms of signaling?

Proposals and open discussion (3)

- example of topic...
 - "NC architecture"
 - we already discussed a lot...
 - topic 1 on NC deployment could provide interesting input...
 - "convolutional coding with and without recoding"
 - could help IETF groups looking for something more powerful than trivial XOR codes
 - distinguish the two situations since recoding complicates a lot
 - <list other proposals here if any>

Proposals and open discussion (4)

- how to proceed?

- gather ideas
- select a subset of topics of interest
- formalize the organization
 - define "teams"
 - within each team, clarify the goals, define a schedule and milestones
 - if meaningful summarize outputs of a team in an informational I-D and present it during meetings