Deploying MDA Traceroute on RIPE Atlas Probes

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Summary

- Multipath Detection Algorithm (MDA) and its limits
- Towards a better MDA:
 - Survey on load balancers
 - Provide heuristics based on data
 - Results

Multipath Detection Algorithm: Definition

- Allows to discover all the paths between a source and a destination, based on paris-traceroute
- Statistical guarantees on the discovered topology
- Potentially sends tens of thousands of packets to discover all the topology
- Makes the worst case hypothesis that every discovered interface could be part of a load balancer

Survey (work in progress)

- 350,000 traceroutes towards destinations from IMPACT IP Hitlist
 - Work divided among 35 PlanetLab nodes as sources
- ~112,000 traceroutes computed at the moment (computing still in progress)
- ~33% of the traceroutes contained at least one diamond

Survey: diamond lengths





Survey: diamond widths



Max width distribution

Survey : diamond width, max width = 96 Source : ple2.cesnet.cz Destination : 61.82.71.40



Survey: width asymmetry





Survey: meshed diamonds



- 15.3 % are meshed diamond
- More meshing metrics are being defined in our ongoing work



The MDA uses 8500 packets to discover this topology! Source : ple2.planet-lab.eu Destination : 125.155.82.17



Questions?

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