Criteria and Assessment for DetNet Services Forwarding Plane Methods

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Goals

- Q: How should we (DetNet WG)
 and later implementers/operators compare and select
 - For a particular deployment (network, speed, scale, application)
 - The most fitting forwarding plane method?
- A: Ideally there was a "Spec-Sheet"
 - Describing the Method
 - Maybe later also implementations of the method (adds more implementation parameters)

- This draft is an attempt at defining such a "Spec Sheet"
 - Definition / explanation of criteria
 - Example spec-sheet for one method (TCQF)

Criteria (1)

End-to-end Service characteristics

Latency guarantee: NA / Bounded or Heuristic

Hop-by-hop jitter bounds: in-time / on-time / <other>

Network Applicability

Intended / applicable for IP / IPv6 / MPLS (subset)

Intended for 100Gbps networks and faster (Yes/No)

Requires new on-the-wire packet header fields (Yes/No/

Optional)

Link Latency/Jitter requirements

Latency requirements for links

Jitter requirements/impact for wireline links

Jitter requirements/impact for radio links

Asynchronous: Yes / No (No =~ Asynchronuous)

Clocking: MTIE impact on jitter and bounded latency

Criteria (2)

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Traffic Model – of flows to use the model
Forwarding model
   (per-hop, per-flow) Stateful: Yes / No (No =~ stateless)
   Algorithm parameters and mechanisms
Calculus
   Published per-hop calculus: Yes/No
   Published linear per-hop, per-flow calculus: Yes/No
   Hop-by-hop jitter bounds: in-time / on-time / <other>
Packetization
   Per-flow compatibility with per-hop source-routing: Yes/No (SR-MPLS, SRv6, BIER-TE,...)
   End-to-end packet header requirements (~N bits/bytes)
   Hop-by-hop packet header requirements (M + N/per-hop bits/bytes)
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Assessment – TCQF (1)

End-to-end Service characteristics

Latency guarantee: **Bounded**

Hop-by-hop jitter bounds: on-time (2 * cycle-time T)

Network Applicability

Intended / applicable for: IP, IPv6, MPLS

Intended for 100Gbps networks and faster: Yes

Requires new on-the-wire packet header fields: No

Link Latency/Jitter requirements

Latency requirements for links: arbitrary

Jitter requirements/impact for wireline links: supported (at cost of higher latency)

Jitter requirements/impact for radio links: TBD

Asynchronous: No

Clocking: MTIE impact on jitter and bounded latency: higher MTIE translates into added latency

Assessment – TCQF (2)

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Traffic Model – of flows to use the model: bits/cycle time T for a flow
Forwarding model
    (per-hop, per-flow) Stateful: No
    Algorithm parameters and mechanisms:
        mapping table on each egres interface:
         (input-interface, ingres-cycle) -> (egres-cycle / egres-cycle-buffer)
Calculus
    Published per-hop calculus: Yes
    Published linear per-hop, per-flow calculus: Yes
    Hop-by-hop jitter bounds: on-time (2 * T) - same as end-to-end jitter
Packetization
    Per-flow compatibility with per-hop source-routing: Yes (SR-MPLS, SRv6, BIER-TE,...)
    End-to-end packet header requirements: 2 bits (3 cycle values)
    Hop-by-hop packet header requirements: 0 bits
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Summary

- Very early proposal how we could start capture "common parameters"
- If other methods propose would attempt to apply criteria, it would hopefully help to identify gaps / improve these parameters

Feedback / collaboration highly welcome!