
An IPFIX-Based File Format

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IPFIX Files in Review

- Standard flow storage format useful for interoperability and implementation reuse.
- Flat binary files ideal for flow storage
 - Wide variety of operations available on files.
 - Flow data not semantically complex.
 - Limits applicability of RDBMS.
 - Low variety in record structure relative to data volume.
 - Limits applicability of XML.
- IPFIX message format ideal for flow records
 - templates provide extensibility and self-description.

Changes since -04

- Completed Examples
- Removed existing file format survey
 - Comment: is this really appropriate for a standards document?
- Applicability to NetFlow V9 collection infrastructures
 - Includes lightweight V9-to-IPFIX translation algorithm for writing IPFIX Files directly from V9 collectors...
 - ...in a non-normative appendix
- Minor editorial changes

The Future

- Continue to gain implementation experience with IPFIX files.
- Submission of ietf-00 revision
 - After Vancouver meeting, in December
- Submission to IESG
 - After Philadelphia meeting, by June 2008

Questions and Discussion
