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Experimental Methodology for Real Overlays

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Algorithm and Protocol validation methods



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Validation flavors

Experimentation

- Physical reality
- Deployment in Large Scale
- Real traffic
- Failures, unexpected events

Emulation

- Simulated PHY
- Virtual nodes
- Generated traffic
- Controllable depending on layer emulation

Simulation

- Model representation
- Possibly more scalable
- Synthetic traffic
- Fully controllable & Ideal conditions

Model improvement



Using validation - examples

Experimentation

- For algorithm/protocol deployment
- For PHY and MAC layer proposals
- For wide scale real world tests

Emulation

- For small scale experiments
- For testing under controlled conditions
- For flexible infrastructure experimentation

Simulation

- For large scale systems
- For protocols and algorithms where there is no current physical support
- For proof of concepts
- For proposals where the underlying models are accurate

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Validation flavors

Experimentation

- Network
 environment
 parameters
- Exogenous Traffic generation

Emulation

- Virtual Environment
- Injected traffic

Simulation

- Adjustable
 Parameters
- Fully controllable traffic



Example: Bittorrent protocol

Experimentation

- Create customized clients
- Test the clients on Planetlab

Emulation

- Create clients running on virtual nodes
- Generate traffic

Simulation

- Create nodes with the algorithm
- Create synthetic background traffic



Example: Rate adaptation mechanism

Experimentation

• Change driver code

 Capture and analyze traffic on a WLAN

Emulation

• Create a virtual device and a driver

 Use a virtual configurable channel

Simulation

- Create nodes with the rate adaptation algorithm
- Analyze the behavior with a channel model



Current snapshot



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What is missing?

Why experimentation is not as common?

- -It is difficult to set up an experimental network
 - Improve PlanetLab
- Experiments are not fully repeatable
 - Need for a measurement tool and infrastructure
- Experimentation is not as flexible as simulation
 - Use simulation and/or experimentation
- -It's more expensive
 - Federated platforms reduce the cost



The methodology

Scenario Definition

Parameter Configuration

Multiple Runs, Capture

Processing

Analysis

Storage



The data sources





The measurement challenges

- Accurate representation of events
- Data fusion from sources (sensors!)
- Structures to standardize the data
- Instrumentation of interfaces and applications
- Common syntax to process data
- Platform calibration
- Easier, faster, cheaper, smarter...



Still cooking

- Experimentation scheduling beta
- Data processing alpha
- Output generation basic functionality.
- Integration coming soon



SELECT retry from wlan where addr="00:1B:11:1B:96:22"; SELECT rate from radiotap where mactime<9000 and mactime>1000;



Thank You for Your Attention!

