# (Long-Term) Reporting Metrics: Different Points of View

Al Morton Gomathi Ramachandran Ganga Maguluri July 2011 draft-ietf-ippm-reporting-metrics-05

# Summary of Recommendations so far:

- Set a LONG Loss threshold
  - Distinguish between Long Finite Delay and Loss
  - Avoid truncated distributions
- Delay of Lost Packets is UNDEFINED
  - Maintain orthogonality avoid double-counting defects
  - → Use <u>conditional distributions</u> and compute statistics
- Report BOTH Loss and Delay
- Report BOTH the Sample Mean and Median.
  - → Comparison of the Mean and Median is informative
  - Means may be combined over time and space (when applicable)
  - Means come with a weighting function for each sample if needed, the sample Size, and Loss simply reduces the sample size
  - Means are more Robust to a single wonky measurement when the sample size is Large
- Move the Industry Away from "Average Jitter"
  - → Use the 99.9%-ile minus minimum PDV
  - ➔ Portray this as a Delay Variation "Pseudo-Range"

#### **Different Points of View (POV): 2 key ones**

- When designing IP measurements and <u>reporting</u> results, MUST know the Audience to be relevant
- Key question: "How will the results be used?"



# **Background on Capacity Discussion**

#### Section on Raw Capacity Reporting

- Utilization Time scale of averaging conceals variability
- Available Capacity Many methods of <u>Estimation</u>

### Section on Restricted Capacity Reporting

- ➔ Distinguished from Raw Capacity:
  - + Requires Uniqueness of Data Delivered
  - + Adds Flow Control, Congestion Awareness
  - + Transport-layer bits, not IP header + Payload
- New Type-C Concept
  - + Similar to Type-P, but for TCP options & algorithms
- BOTH emphasize Capturing Variability

# Now, for Raw and Restricted Capacity

**Two Discussion Questions:** 

- What ways can Utilization/BTC be measured and summarized to describe the potential variability in a useful way?
- How can the variability in Available Capacity/BTC estimates be reported, so that the confidence in the results is also conveyed?

### New Proposal in Version 05

With a set of singleton Utilization or Available Capacity estimates, each representing a <u>minimum time to ascertain the estimate</u>, we propose to describe the variation over the set of singletons as though reporting <u>summary statistics of a distribution</u>. Four useful summary statistics are:

- o Minimum, Maximum, and the Range they define
- o Mode

For an on-going series of singleton estimates, propose <u>a moving</u> <u>average of n estimates to provide a single value estimate</u> to more easily distinguish substantial changes in performance over time. For example, in a window of n singletons observed in time interval, t, a percentage change of x% is declared to be a substantial change and reported as an exception.

# What's Next?

• Finish the WG draft on Short-term reporting?

#### Address Barry Constantine's comments on the list

Any specific points?

#### Need Additional IPPM people to

Discuss the Raw and Restricted Capacity related Proposal now, in the halls, and on the list.