



perfSONAR@IHEP Data Center

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Introduction



- Importance of network performance measurement in data centers
 - High-energy physics research relies heavily on data transfer and network stability
- > Key metrics: latency, jitter, bandwidth, packet loss, throughput
- To ensure optimal performance and reliability of services



Challenges



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Technical :

• Compatibility issues, unexpected test failures

Learning Curve:

• New features and configurations in the latest version

Challenges:

- Limitations of older versions, scalability issues
- A vast number of data center switches and IP subnets.

Current status

Initial Deployment:

• Overview of the starting point, including version and scale

IHEP NetWork Dashboard		
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IHEP Dashboard		Last page refresh time:
IHEP - DataCenter Latency Testing	IHEP - Campus Latency Testing	
Loss rate is <= 0 Loss rate is >= 0 Loss rate is >= 1 Unable to retrieve data Check has not yet run	Loss rate is <= 0 Loss rate is >= 0 Loss rate is >= 1 Unable to retrieve data Check has not yet run	
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IHEP - BES3 - IPv4 Latency Testing	IHEP - BES3 - IPv4 Bandwidth Testing	
Loss rate is <= 0 Loss rate is >= 0 Loss rate is >= 1 Unable to retrieve data Check has not yet run	Throughput >= 600Mbps Throughput < 600Mbps Throughput <= 30Mbps Unable to retrieve data	Check has not yet run



Upgrading



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Upgrade Process:

• Centos 6.x to Almalinux9.4

[root@perf-99-10 ~]# df -hl					
Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Use%	Mounted on
devtmpfs	4.0M	0	4.0M	0%	/dev
tmpfs	1.8G	440K	1.8G	1%	/dev/shm
tmpfs	712M	66M	647M	10%	/run
/dev/mapper/almalinux-root	26G	9.6G	17G	38%	/
/dev/sda1	960M	412M	549M	43%	/boot
tmpfs	356M	0	356M	0%	/run/user/0

- The version of perfSONAR from 4.x to 5.1.3
- Use a high-performance server as the core node(central opensearch instance).

Benefits of Upgrading:

• Enhanced features, better performance, improved user interface, and security patches

[root@perf-99-10 ~]# top			
top - 09:24:29 up 20 days,	17:17, 1 user,	load average:	0.43, 0.37, 0.41
Tasks: 326 total, 1 runni	ng, 322 sleeping,	, 0 stopped,	3 zombie
%Cpu(s): 2.9 us, 5.9 sy,	0.0 ni, 91.2 id	, 0.0 wa, 0.0	hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st
MiB Mem : 3558.2 total,	800.0 free, 2	2567.3 used,	568.6 buff/cache
MiB Swap: 3056.0 total,	1324.1 free, 1	1731.9 used.	990.9 avail Mem

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perfSONAR Topology@IHEP DC

- Creation of over 20+ test nodes across the data center network
- Configuration: Detailed setup of each node, including softwar



Network Performance Measurement Tests 🏈 🐼

- Types of Tests: Ping, traceroute, iperf3, owamp, bwctl, throughput
- Test Frequency: Continuous monitoring with periodic in-depth tests
- Data Collection: Real-time and historical data storage for analysis
- Data Sources: OpenSearch

Configure tests between this host and	d other hosts.		+ Host	-	- Test	t
View by: Test Host						
TEST NAME	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	TEST MEMBERS	ENABLED	AC	TIONS
one-way latency	One-way latency		15 hosts	•	٥	Û
perfSONAR Toolkit Default Traceroute Test	Traceroute	10 minutes	0 hosts	0	0	Û
round-trip latency	Round-trip latency	30 minutes	15 hosts	0	٥	Û
throughput	Throughput - TCP	1 hour	15 hosts	0	٥	Û
traceroute	Traceroute	1 hour	15 hosts	•	ø	Û



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833 Mb/s

0.0300 ms

0.667%

192.168.60.10

netarchive.ihep.ac.cn

Maximum Packet Loss

Minimum Throughput



Highest Average Packet Loss by Sender

Sender Host	Max Packet Loss
192.168.55.10	0.500%
192.168.66.10	0.500%
192.168.23.20	0.333%
192.168.32.10	0.333%
192.168.50.10	0.333%
192.168.51.10	0.333%
192.168.54.10	0.333%
192.168.60.10	0.333%
192.168.65.10	0.333%
192.168.68.10	0.333%

Lowest Minimum Throughput by Sender

Sender Host	Receiver Throughput
192.168.23.20	287 Mb/s
192.168.68.10	932 Mb/s
192.168.60.10	932 Mb/s
192.168.54.10	934 Mb/s
192.168.66.10	935 Mb/s
ccnetarchive.ihep.ac.cn	935 Mb/s
192.168.65.10	937 Mb/s
192.168.99.10	937 Mb/s
192.168.51.10	937 Mb/s

Highest Average Packet Loss by Receiver

Receiver Host	Max Packet Loss
192.168.60.10	0.500%
ccnetarchive.ihep.ac.cn	0.500%
192.168.54.10	0.333%
192.168.55.10	0.333%
vm09.ihep.ac.cn	0.333%
192.168.23.20	0.167%
192.168.32.10	0.167%
192.168.50.10	0.167%
192.168.51.10	0.167%
192.168.65.10	0.167%

Lowest Minimum Throughput by Receiver

Receiver Host	Min Throughput
ccnetarchive.ihep.ac.cn	287 Mb/s
192.168.23.20	932 Mb/s
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192.168.50.10	934 Mb/s
192.168.55.10	935 Mb/s
netarchive.ihep.ac.cn	935 Mb/s
202.122.33.10	936 Mb/s
192.168.32.10	937 Mb/s
192.168.54.10	941 Mb/s



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net_ipv4_tcp_rmem_default	87380	204800
net_ipv4_tcp_rmem_max	33554432	33554432
net_ipv4_tcp_rmem_min	4096	102400
net_ipv4_tcp_wmem_default	65536	102400
net_ipv4_tcp_wmem_max	33554432	33554432
net_ipv4_tcp_wmem_min	4096	51200

Lessons Learned

• 1: Latency Reduction

- Scenario: Elevated latency between data servers and analysis workstations
- **Analysis**: Used perfSONAR data to isolate the problematic segment
- Solution: Upgraded network hardware

2: Packet Loss Mitigation

- Scenario: Frequent packet loss during high-data-rate transfers
- **Root Cause**: Faulty interface on a tor switch
- **Resolution**: Replaced the faulty hardware and implemented redundancy
- Importance of Regular Updates: Keeps the system secure and functional
- **Comprehensive Testing**: Ensures reliability before full-scale deployment
- **Collaborative Effort**: Engaging with the perfSONAR community for support and best practices

Future Plans

- Expanding Network Coverage
 - Network Segment Expansion: Plan to include more network segments in the monitoring system
 - Enhanced Visibility: Fuller figure of network health and performance
- Scalability Considerations
 - Horizontal Scaling: Adding more test nodes as the network grows
 - **Vertical Scaling**: Upgrading existing nodes with more powerful hardware

Enhancements to Monitoring Capabilities

- New features to be integrated into the monitoring system
- Plans for integrating AI and machine learning for predictive analysis
- Enhancing visualization capabilities

- Overview of the perfSONAR deployment at IHEP data center
- Network Performance Analysis System works well
- Positive impact on network performance and research productivity
- Optimistic future with ongoing improvements and expansion