1. Mobiles node aren't supported by Netsukuku algorithms.  $^{1}$ 

2.

For the sake of simplicity, in this paper, we will assume to operate on level 0 (the level formed by 256 single nodes).

#### 4 Tracer Packet

A TP (Tracer Packet) is the fundamental concept on which the QSPN is based: it is a packet which stores in its body the IDs of the traversed hops.

#### 4.1 Tracer Packet flood

A TP isn't sent to a specific destination but instead, it is used to flood the network. By saying "the node A sends a TP" we mean that "the node A is starting a TP flood".

A TP flood passes only once through each node of the net: a node which receives a TP will forward it to all its neighbours, except the one from which it

```
current branch can't be explored anymore, therefore it is a
   valid route. Print it */
   print branch
}
```

A proof of concept of the above algorithm has been implemented in Awk [3].

#### Example

Consider this graph:



Figure 2: A simple graph with one segment and one cycle

Given this graph as input the algorithm will output:

```
Α
   В
       D
          C
   В
      D
          Ε
Α
   C
      D
Α
          В
   C
Α
      D
          Ε
В
   Α
      C
          D
             Ε
В
   D
       C
          Α
В
   D
       Ε
C
   Α
      В
          D
              Ε
C
   D
       В
          Α
C
   D
      Ε
D
   В
          C
      Α
   С
D
          В
   Ε
```

### 6 Raw Tracer Packet flood

We can consider each route given by the output of the above algorithm as a

node doesn't forward the RTP to the neighbour from which it has received the packet itself.

**Invalid route** A route must not be in the form of:

XacaY

where a and c are two nodes. A simplification, which gives a route of this

- 3. In a cycle, just two TP are needed, and one is the reverse of the other. The first can be constructed in this way:
  - Choose a node of the cycle, this will be the pivot node.
  - Start from one neighbour of the pivot and write sequencially all the other nodes until you return to the pivot (but do not include it). Call this string *C*.
  - The TP will be:

CpC

where p is the pivot node.

Example: if we choose the node D as the pivot, we can write the TP as:



Figure 4: A cycle

#### *EFABCDEFABC*

and its reverse:

#### **CBAFEDCBAFE**

These two TPs will give all the routes to all the nodes of the cycle.

#### 7.3 The question

Can we implement a "live" version of the Simplify Route algorithm like we did with the Generate Route one? The reply is ahead.

### 8 Continuous Tracer Packet

A Continuous Tracer Packet (CTP) is an extension of the TP flood: a node will always forward a TP to all its neighbours, excepting the one from which it has received the TP. If a node is an extreme of a segment, i.e. a node with just one link, it will erase 5(a)-39516(n67t(a)-395stor(ed)-332(nd)-332(5(a)-395bo)-27(o)-28(6(nya)-395(of)-332(5h)10 the TP.

## 9.1 Interesting information

A node considers a received CTP interesting when its body contains at least a new route, i.e. a route that the node didn't previously know. In other words, if a CTP contains routes already known by the node, it is considered uninteresting.

# 9.3 Cyclicity

When a CTP reaches the extremity of a segment, it is back forwarded, thus it's as if the extreme nodes had a link with themselves.

rtt or the bandwidth capacity. If the node has reached the *MaxRoutes* limit, it will substitute the old route with the more e cient one.

Note that this definition is more general than the previous. Indeed, if the node  ${\cal S}$  doesn't know the route to reach  ${\cal D}$ 

The underlined routes are the new route for G. As you can see, in the CTP (10) G doesn't find any new route, so it drops the packet and doesn't forward it.

 ${\it g}$  as a normal TP. All the (g)nodes of  ${\it g}$ 

5. The Q2 is easier and simpler than the Q1 to be implemented. In general this means that the code of the Q2 will have less bugs.

From this comparison we can conclude that the Q2 is preferable over the Q1, even if its is slightly less e cient. However the tests in the network simulator ns2 [6], will give the final words.

# 11 QSPN optimisations

If  ${\it N}$  doesn't erase the route received in the CTP,  ${\it A}$  will receive the following CTP:

 $\cdots$  A B C N C B A

In this case  $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{A}}$ 

$$R_e = R_e \frac{1 - s(R, S)}{k}$$

where k is an appropriate coe cient.

As explained in section 9.5 the e ciency of a route is used as a parameter to evaluate its interest, therefore the more a route is similar to a memorised route