Internet Measurements

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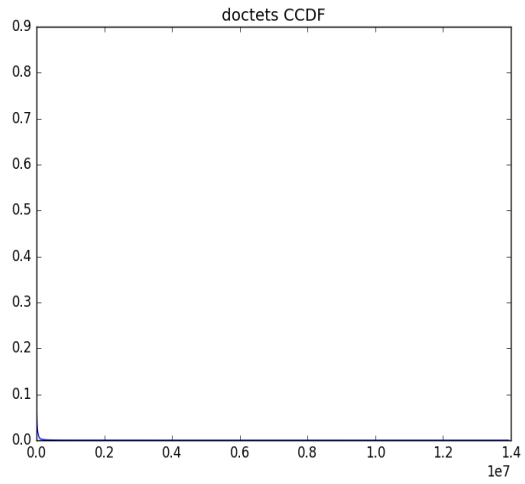
1. Traffic Measurements

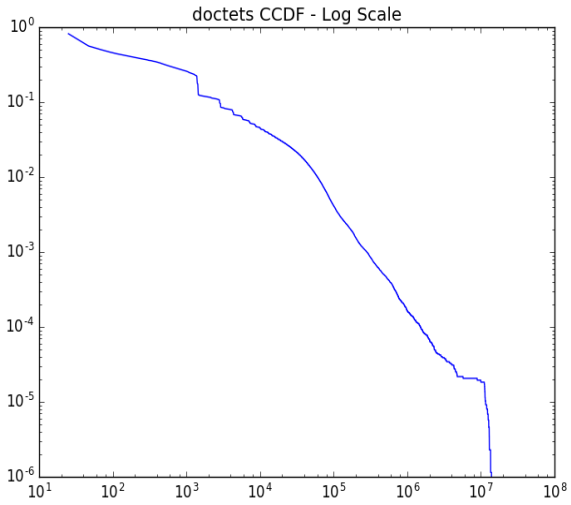
1.1. Average packet size

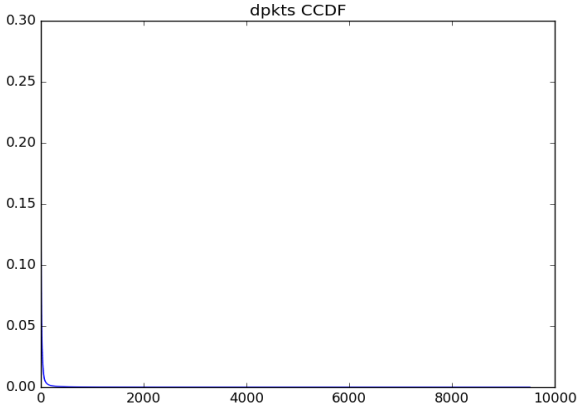
768.180860115 bytes/packet

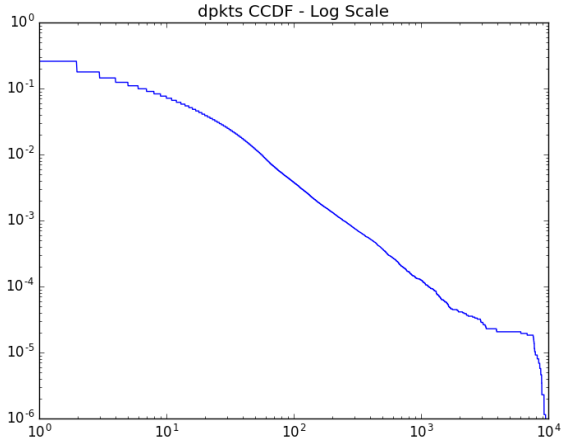
Method: Compute sum of column 'doctets': doctets_sum
Compute sum of column 'dpkts' : dpkts_sum
Average = doctet_sum/dpkts_sum

1.2. CCDF plots





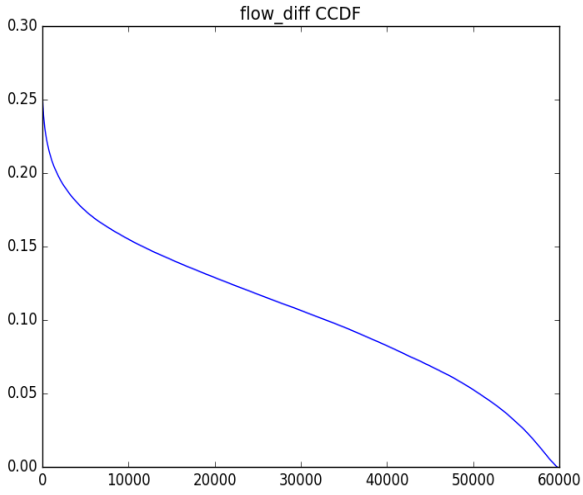


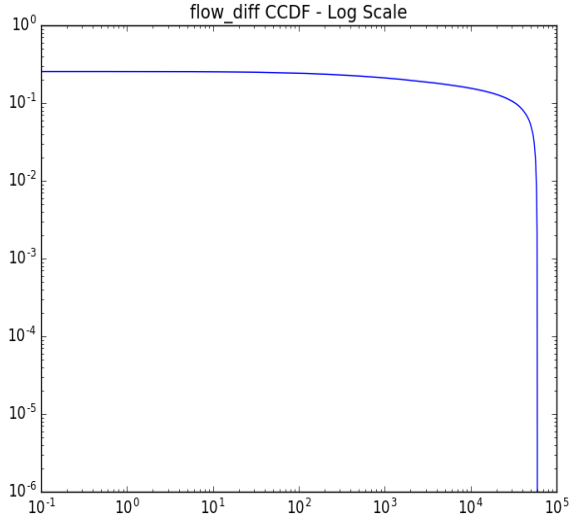


As we can see the linear plots show that the data is skewly distributed. A projection on the log scale elevates the notable details.

Most of the values in dpkts and doctets both die down around 1000 counts, whereas data values are largely spread toward 100000 counts. Since maximum data points are located towards the lower end we can explode that lower range by plotting a log scale plot.

A sudden drop towards the end in log scale plots shows us that the packets are hitting a minimum threshold. That could be attributed to the minimum packet limits.





Plots of flow diff show us that many packets have near 0 difference in their flow. This fact is over exaggerated in the log scale, by the sudden drop.

1.3 Port Traffic Summary

Top 10 - Sender Traffic

Port	% Traffic (doctets)
80	43.9392292066
33001	7.36276654205
1935	3.6642032488
22	2.16825907515
443	1.72566315283
55000	1.62354441884
388	1.33870163233
16402	0.762124945925
20	0.67176649388
0	0.635461841965

Top 10 - Receiver Traffic

Port	% Traffic (doctets)
33002	4.02482238059
80	2.9274459721
49385	2.09168580249
62269	1.22937861047
443	0.774196087257
43132	0.763082084153
16402	0.742866997313
22	0.648377789391
5500	0.647780093861
0	0.610893817829

This summary of port traffic gives us a few crucial bits.

1) High traffic through port 80: Attributed to the HTTP trafic
2) Port 443: HTTPS Traffic
3) Port 22: For SSH
4) The high variation between traffic in sender and receiver bytes for port 80 can be explained by a small observation that senders usually send large amount of data for requests whereas the requests generated are very small, so naturally sender side traffic is larger than receiver side traffic
5) Port 33001 and 33002 have unusually high traffic for being IANA unsigned ports. I believe that this might be because of some proxy or firewall within Princeton that might be using these two specific ports.

1.4 IP Prefix Summary

IP Prefix Summary

Prefix	% Traffic (doctets)
0.0.0.0	43.2598960632
130.14.0.0	10.9471454625
18.0.0.0	2.78010278398
128.135.0.0	2.33995411181
198.116.0.0	2.33047586991
140.247.0.0	1.52036222029
131.142.0.0	1.06244322859
140.234.0.0	1.02343837791
132.198.0.0	0.953258004834
140.90.0.0	0.863532008203

Summary without prefix 0

Top Prefixes	Traffic %
0.1%	28.3171888021
1%	63.7701505448
10%	95.119624315

A large amount of traffic is directed towards prefix 0. We can take a look at the distribution that excludes 0 to get a better view.

Turns out just 10% of total prefixes carry 95% of the traffic. Internet is considerably sparse. Most of the prefixes don't have any traffic at all.

1.5 Princeton's Share

ip prefix	doctets	dpkts
128.112.0.0 as src	0.700924298962	1.01425895718
128.112.0.0 as dst	2.19155896747	1.46844861319

Princeton's has a share of about 1% share either way in either measures. 1% of total internet traffic is from and to Princeton. Quite impressive!

2. BGP Measurements

2.1 Average BGP Updates

Session	Average Updates/Minute
20140103	623.6666666666666
20140203	1020.2083333333334
20140303	1959.05

The number of updates increased over the sessions. This might be because of the prefixes added during the previous session. This is naturally expected as the internet grows overtime.

Method of computation:

1. Read all the update files per session and count total announcements in it.
2. Every file provides us announcements for 15 minutes and there are 8 dumps per session.
3. so average updates = total updates / 15*8

2.2 & 2.3 IP Prefix fractions

Session	0 update Prefixes	Total Prefixes	% Fraction
20140103	5783	487934	98.81479872277808
20140203	17607	492351	96.42389271068811
20140303	46262	492029	90.59770867164333

Clearly most of the prefixes in all sessions don't receive any updates, this is because most of them don't change at. We even saw in the traffic measurements how low traffic a large amount of prefixes carry.

Session: 20140103

IP Prefix	Fraction of Updates
121.52.145.0/24	1.3629075360769642
121.52.144.0/24	1.3629075360769642
121.52.149.0/24	1.3629075360769642

We can see by this table that the top prefixes that change are usually around the same subnet.

This might be because the entire block is changing.

Session: 20140203

IP Prefix	Fraction of Updates
85.239.28.0/24	0.6003675719828466
89.221.206.0/24	0.5815805595262405
85.239.24.0/24	0.576679599754952

This detail is strengthened by the fact that the fraction of updates is nearly same within a session.

Session: 20140303

IP Prefix	Fraction of Updates
109.161.64.0/20	0.3096739065703615
67.138.8.0/24	0.2577780046451086
67.136.14.0/23	0.2577780046451086

2.4 Most Unstable Prefixes

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Top shares of updates

Session 20140103
+------+---------------+
| Top  |   Updates %   |
+------+---------------+
| 0.1% | 44.7848743987 |
|  1%  | 98.7920897916 |
| 10%  |     100.0     |
+------+---------------+

Session 20140203
+------+---------------+
| Top  |   Updates %   |
+------+---------------+
| 0.1% | 31.3538901368 |
|  1%  | 79.4837655708 |
| 10%  |     100.0     |
+------+---------------+

Session 20140303
+------+---------------+
| Top  |   Updates %   |
+------+---------------+
| 0.1% | 12.3197468161 |
|  1%  |   39.3936687  |
| 10%  |     100.0     |
+------+---------------+
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This table is rather interesting. We can see that most of the updates are done to very unstable prefixes.

Just 10% of total prefixes garner up all updates. The rest of them never experience any considerable updates at all.

That is, if a prefix is changing a lot, most probably it'll change again. The ones that have no updates will probably have no updates at (we saw it in 2.2)

This trend being constant over all sessions strengthens it even more.

Appendix

Code:

The scripts are written in python and can be found here...

https://github.com/manikantareddyd/InternetMeasurements

Traffic Measurements Code

```
import pandas
import config
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import ipaddress
from prettytable import PrettyTable

def get_ip_prefix(ip, mask):
    bi = ''.join([bin(int(x)+256)[3:] for x in ip.split('.')])
    n = bi[:mask] + '0'*(len(bi)-mask)
    ip_prefix = str(
        ipaddress.IPv4Address(
            '%d.%d.%d.%d' %
            (int(n[:8],2),
            int(n[8:16],2),
            int(n[16:24],2),
            int(n[24:32],2)
            )))
    return ip_prefix

def compute_src_ip_prefix(row):
    return get_ip_prefix(row['srcaddr'],row['src_mask'])

def compute_dst_ip_prefix(row):
    return get_ip_prefix(row['dstaddr'],row['dst_mask'])

class TrafficMeasurements:
    def __init__(self):
        self.dataframe = pandas.read_csv(config.FLOW_RECORD_FILE)
        self.dataframe['flow_diff'] = self.dataframe['last'] - self.dataframe['first']

    def average_packet_size(self):
        self.datadescribe = self.dataframe.describe()
        mean_dpkts = self.datadescribe['dpkts']['mean']
        mean_doctets = self.datadescribe['doctets']['mean']
        print(
            "Average packet size: ",
            mean_doctets/mean_dpkts,
            "bytes/packet"
            )

    def plot_all(self):
        self.plot_ccdf('flow_diff')
        self.plot_ccdf('dpkts')
        self.plot_ccdf('doctets')
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def plot_ccdf(self, column):
    column_data = np.copy(self.dataframe[column].values)
    values, base = np.histogram(column_data,bins='auto')
    cumulative = np.cumsum(values)/len(column_data)
    fig, ax = plt.subplots()
    ax.set_title(column + ' CCDF')
    ax.plot(base[:-1], 1-cumulative)
    fig.savefig('plots/' + column + ' ccdf.png')
    fig, ax = plt.subplots()
    ax.set_xscale('log')
    ax.set_yscale('log')
    ax.set_title(column + ' CCDF' + ' - Log Scale')
    ax.plot(base[:-1], 1-cumulative)
    fig.savefig('plots/' + column + ' ccdf log.png')

def print_port_summary(self):
    data = self.dataframe[[
        'srcport',
        'dstport',
        'doctets'
        ]].copy()
    print('Top 10 - Sender Traffic')
    src_port_grouped = data.groupby('srcport').sum()
    sorted_src_port_grouped = src_port_grouped.sort_values(by='doctets',ascending=False)
    sorted_src_port_grouped['doctets'] = 100*sorted_src_port_grouped['doctets']/data['doctets'].sum()
    index = 0
    x = PrettyTable(["Port","% Traffic (doctets)"])
    for row in sorted_src_port_grouped.itertuples():
        if index >= 10: break
        x.add_row([row[0],row[2]])
        index +=1
    print(x)
    print('\n')
    print('Top 10 - Receiver Traffic')
    dst_port_grouped = data.groupby('dstport').sum()
    sorted_dst_port_grouped = dst_port_grouped.sort_values(by='doctets',ascending=False)
    sorted_dst_port_grouped['doctets'] = 100*sorted_dst_port_grouped['doctets']/data['doctets'].sum()
    index = 0
    x = PrettyTable(["Port","% Traffic (doctets)"])
    for row in sorted_dst_port_grouped.itertuples():
        if index >= 10: break
        x.add_row([row[0],row[2]])
        index +=1
    print(x)

def get_princeton_share(self):
    data = self.dataframe[['srcaddr','src_mask','dstaddr','dst_mask','doctets','dpkts']].copy()
    data['doctets'] = 100*data['doctets']/data['doctets'].sum()
    data['dpkts'] = 100*data['dpkts']/data['dpkts'].sum()
    data['src_ip_prefix'] = data.apply(compute_src_ip_prefix,axis=1)
    data['dst_ip_prefix'] = data.apply(compute_dst_ip_prefix,axis=1)
    data_src = data[['src_ip_prefix','doctets','dpkts']].copy()
    data_dst = data[['dst_ip_prefix','doctets','dpkts']].copy()
    del data
    src_prefix_group = data_src.groupby('src_ip_prefix').sum()
    dst_prefix_group = data_dst.groupby('dst_ip_prefix').sum()
    x = PrettyTable(['ip prefix','doctets','dpkts'])
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    x.add_row([
       '128.112.0.0 as src',
       src_prefix_group['doctets']['128.112.0.0'],
       src_prefix_group['dpkts']['128.112.0.0']
       ])
    x.add_row([
       '128.112.0.0 as dst',
       dst_prefix_group['doctets']['128.112.0.0'],
       dst_prefix_group['dpkts']['128.112.0.0']
       ])
    print(x)

def aggregate_ip_prefix_traffic(self):
    data = self.dataframe[['srcaddr','src_mask','doctets']].copy()
    data['doctets'] = 100*data['doctets']/data['doctets'].sum()
    data['ip_prefix'] = data.apply(compute_src_ip_prefix, axis=1)
    ip_prefix_group = data.groupby('ip_prefix').sum()
    self.ip_prefix_group = ip_prefix_group.sort_values(by='doctets',ascending=False)
    print("IP Prefix Summary")
    x = PrettyTable(["Prefix","% Traffic (doctets)"])
    index = 0
    for row in self.ip_prefix_group.itertuples():
       if index >= 10: break
       x.add_row([row[0],row[2]])
       index +=1
    print(x)
    fraction_list = np.array(self.ip_prefix_group['doctets'])
    without_0 = fraction_list[1:].sum()
    _0_1 = int(len(fraction_list)*0.1/100)
    _1_0 = int(len(fraction_list)*1/100)
    _10_0 = int(len(fraction_list)*10/100)
    top_0_1 = fraction_list[1:_0_1+1].sum()
    top_0_1 = 100*top_0_1/without_0
    top_1_0 = fraction_list[1:_1_0+1].sum()
    top_1_0 = 100*top_1_0/without_0
    top_10_0 = fraction_list[1:_10_0+1].sum()
    top_10_0 = 100*top_10_0/without_0
    print("\nSummary without prefix 0")
    x = PrettyTable(["Top Prefixes","Traffic %"])
    x.add_row(["0.1%",top_0_1])
    x.add_row(["1%",top_1_0])
    x.add_row(["10%",top_10_0])
    print(x)
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BGP Measurements Code

```
import os
import config
import csv
from prettytable import PrettyTable
import operator
import numpy as np
class BGPMeasurements:
    def __init__(self):
        self.sessions=["20140103","20140203","20140303"]

    def compute_updates(self):
        bgp_updates = {}
        bgp_files_in_updates = {}
        for session in self.sessions:
            bgp_updates[session] = 0
            bgp_files_in_updates[session] = 0
        for filename in os.listdir(config.UPDATES_DIR):
            for session in self.sessions:
                if session in filename:
                    bgp_files_in_updates[session] += 1
            with open(
                config.UPDATES_DIR + filename,
                "r") as infile:
                for line in infile:
                    fields = line.split("|")
                    if "." in fields[5]:
                        for session in self.sessions:
                            if session in filename:
                                bgp_updates[session] += 1
        x = PrettyTable([
            "Session",
            "Average Updates/Minute"
            ])
        for session in self.sessions:
            minutes = 15*bgp_files_in_updates[session]
            fraction = bgp_updates[session]/(minutes)
            x.add_row([
                session,
                fraction
                ])
        print(x)

    def compute_prefix_fractions(self):
        prefix_list = {}
        total_updates = {}

        for session in self.sessions:
            prefix_list[session] = {}
            total_updates[session] = 0

        for filename in os.listdir(config.RIB_DIR):
            with open(
                config.RIB_DIR + filename,
                "r") as infile:
                for line in infile:
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                prefix = line.split("|")[5].strip()
                if "." in prefix:
                    for session in self.sessions:
                        if session in filename:
                            prefix_list[session][prefix] = 0

        for filename in os.listdir(config.UPDATES_DIR):
            with open(
                config.UPDATES_DIR + filename,
                "r") as infile:
                for line in infile:
                    prefix = line.split("|")[5].strip()
                    if "." in prefix:
                        for session in self.sessions:
                            if session in filename:
                                total_updates[session] += 1
                                if prefix in prefix_list[session]:
                                    prefix_list[session][prefix] += 1
                                else:
                                    prefix_list[session][prefix] = 1

        for session in self.sessions:
            print("\nSession:\t",session)
            x = PrettyTable([
                "IP Prefix",
                "Fraction of Updates"
                ])
            for prefix in prefix_list[session]:
                counts = prefix_list[session][prefix]
                total  = total_updates[session]
                prefix_list[session][prefix] = 100*counts/total
            for row in sorted(
                prefix_list[session].items(),
                key=operator.itemgetter(1),
                reverse=True
                )[:3]:
                x.add_row(row)
            print(x)
        self.prefix_list = prefix_list

    def compute_no_update_fraction(self):
        self.compute_prefix_fractions()
        x = PrettyTable([
            "Session",
            "0 update Prefixes",
            "Total Prefixes",
            "% Fraction"
            ])
        for session in self.sessions:
            zero_count = 0
            for prefix in self.prefix_list[session]:
                if self.prefix_list[session][prefix] != 0:
                    zero_count += 1
            total_prefixes = len(self.prefix_list[session])
            fraction =100 - 100*zero_count/total_prefixes
            x.add_row([
                session,
                zero_count,
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            total_prefixes,
            fraction,
            ])
        print(x)

    def compute_distibution_unstable_prefixes(self):
        self.compute_prefix_fractions()
        print("\nTop shares of updates")
        for session in self.sessions:
            fraction_list = np.array(
                sorted(
                    self.prefix_list[session].items(),
                    key=operator.itemgetter(1),
                    reverse=True)
                    )[:,1].astype(float)
            _0_1 = int(len(fraction_list)*0.1/100)
            _1_0 = int(len(fraction_list)*1/100)
            _10_0 = int(len(fraction_list)*10/100)
            top_0_1 = fraction_list[:_0_1].sum()
            top_1_0 = fraction_list[:_1_0].sum()
            top_10_0 = fraction_list[:_10_0].sum()
            print("\nSession",session)
            x = PrettyTable(["Top","Updates %"])
            x.add_row(["0.1%",top_0_1])
            x.add_row(["1%",top_1_0])
            x.add_row(["10%",top_10_0])
            print(x)
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