

Declarative Network Path Queries

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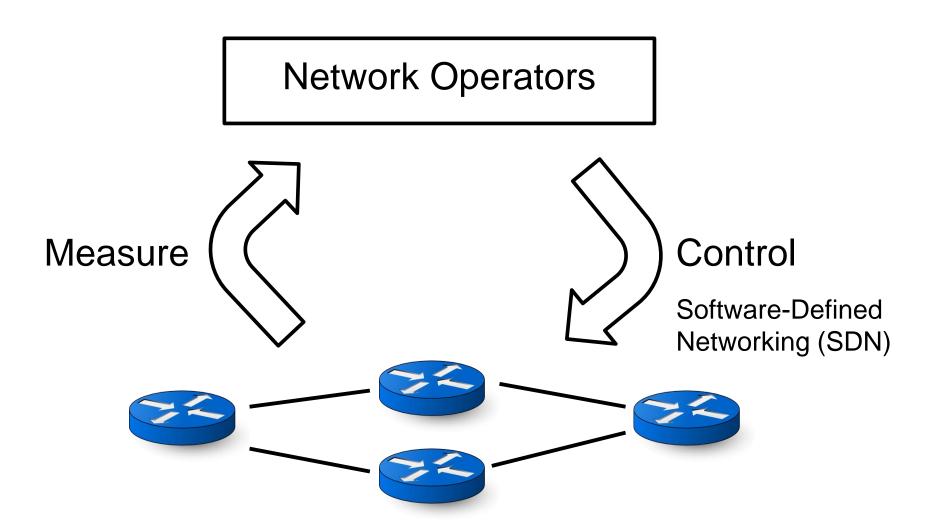






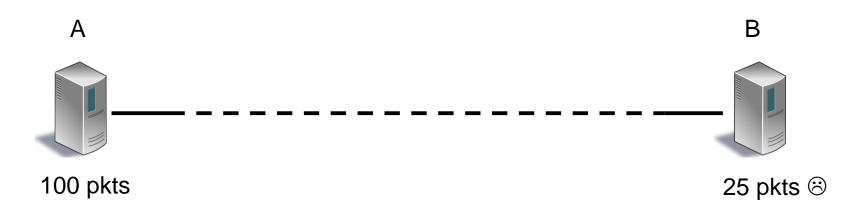


Management = Measure + Control



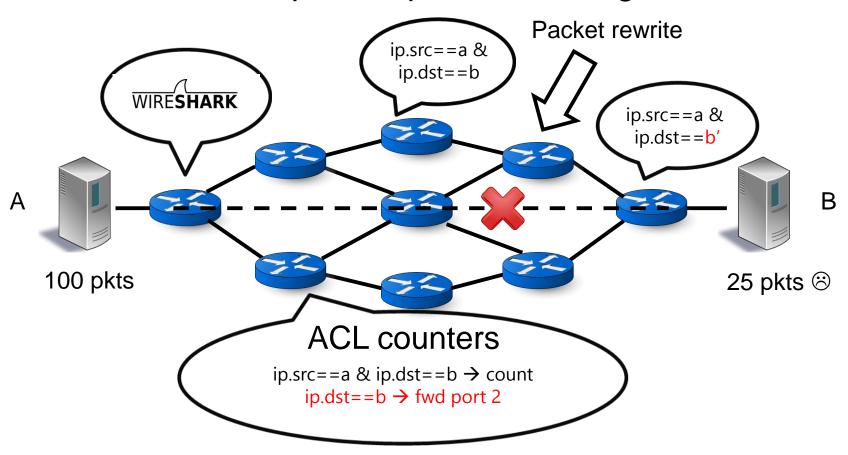
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Suspect: Faulty network device(s) along the way.



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Idea: "Follow" the path of packets through the network.



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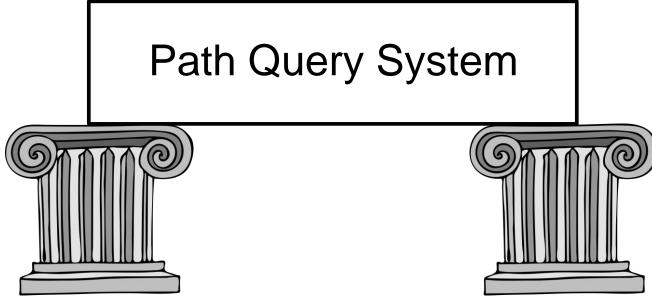
Lots of Measurement Use-Cases

- Traffic matrix
- Uneven load balancing
- DDoS source identification
- Port-level traffic matrix
- Congested link diagnosis
- Slice isolation
- Loop detection
- Middlebox traversal order
- Incorrect NAT rewrite
- Firewall evasion

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Resource management Policy enforcement Problem diagnosis

Solution Approach



Declarative Query Specification

Forwarding Independence Co-Measurement Independence Hardware Independence

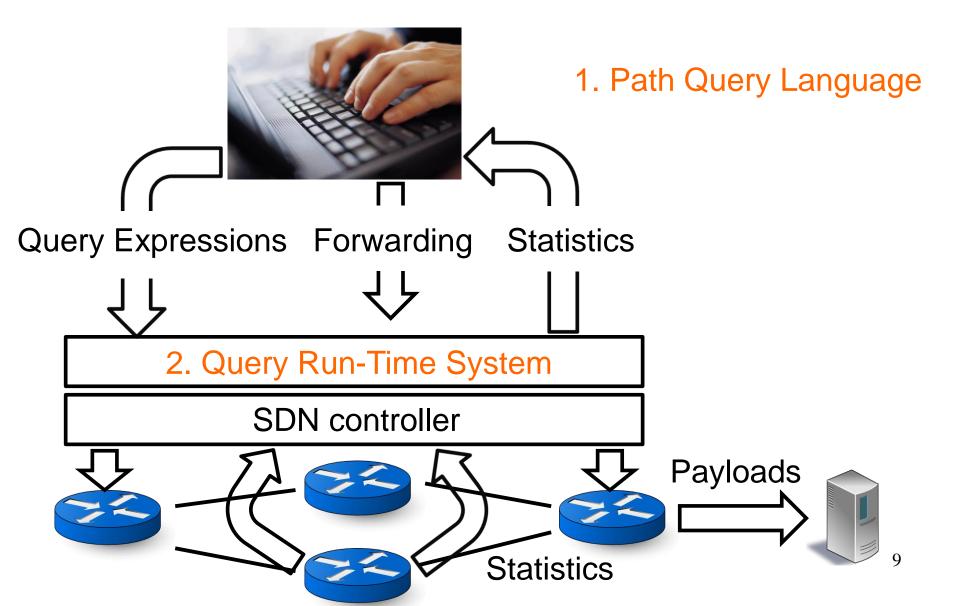
Path Query Language

Query-Driven Measurement

Accurate Answers
Pay Exactly For What You Query
Commodity ("Match-Action") Hardware

Query Run-Time System

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Path Query Language

Single location tests:

```
srcip=10.0.0.1
inport=3
```

Regular expression operators to combine tests:

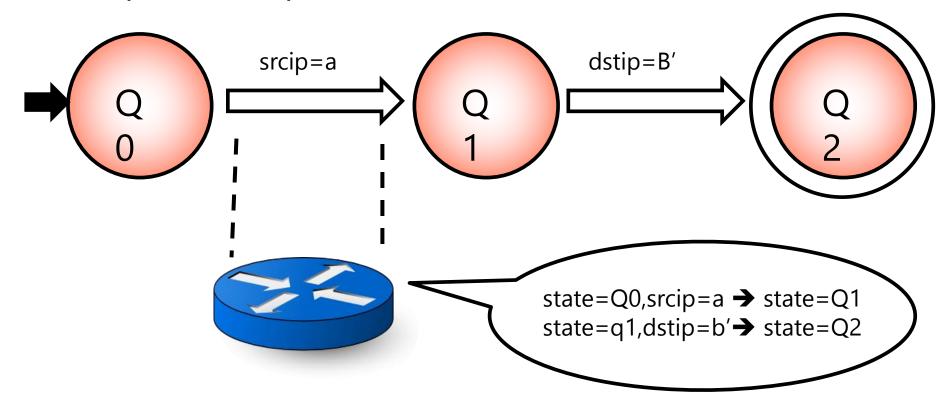
```
sw=1 ^ sw=4
srcip=A ^ true* ^ dstip=B'
ingress() ^ ~(sw=firewall)* ^ egress()
```

SQL-like grouping operators for aggregation

```
in_group(ingress(), [sw])
^ true*
^ out_group(egress(), [sw])
```

Query Run-Time System

srcip=a ^ dstip=B'



- Each packet carries its own DFA state
 - Packet satisfies query iff it reaches accepting states

Evaluation

- Prototype on Pyretic + NetKAT + OpenVSwitch
 - Publicly available: http://frenetic-lang.org/pyretic/
- Queries: traffic matrix, DDoS detection, per-hop packet loss, firewall evasion, slice isolation, congested link
- Metrics and results on Stanford (all queries together):
 - Compile time: 5 seconds
 - # Rules: ~ 650
 - # State bytes: 2 bytes

Queries? ©

http://www.cs.princeton.edu/~narayana/pathqueries

