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Hands-on session 2: Measuring Performance Metrics with perfSONAR and Displaying them on Grafana

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perfSONAR 5 Lab Library

- Lab experiments
 - Lab 1: Introduction to Mininet
 - Lab 2: Setting Administrative Information via perfSONAR Toolkit GUI
 - Lab 3: Scheduling Regular Tests Using perfSONAR GUI
 - Lab 4: Configuring Regular Tests Using pScheduler CLI Part I (throughput, latency, and traceroute)
 - Lab 5: Configuring Regular Tests Using pScheduler CLI Part II (repeat, store, monitor, and cancel)
 - Lab 6: Defining Regular Tests with a pSConfig Template
 - Lab 7: Configuring pScheduler Limits
 - Lab 8: Visualizing pScheduler Measurements using Grafana
 - Lab 9: Observing the Impact of TCP Window Scaling and Small TCP Buffer Sizes

Lab 10: Investigating the Effects of MTU Mismatch

Organization of the labs

Each lab starts with a section Overview

- Objectives
- Lab topology
- Lab settings: passwords, device names
- Roadmap: organization of the lab

Section 1

- Background information of the topic being covered (e.g., fundamentals of perfSONAR)
- Section 1 is optional (i.e., the reader can skip this section and move to lab directions)

Section 2... n

Step-by-step directions

Lab Description

- This lab shows how to show perfSONAR measurements on Grafana
- The user will display throughput, latency, and loss measurements on a dashboard
- The dashboard shows the measurements produced by pScheduler and stored in the OpenSearch database



perfSONAR Layers

Lab Description

- The lab presents a basic topology with two perfSONAR nodes and multiple routers
- The topology runs on Mininet which interacts with real traffic



Mininet topology

Lab Description

- The user launches Grafana on a Docker container
- The lab manual shows the steps to create and organize basic dashboards



Running Grafana on a Docker container



Displaying and organizing perfSONAR measurements