

Kc Claffy, My Favourite Net Things

Route aggregation and increasing payload
Multiway peering and net-friendly C code
Boxes that filter on source-routed pings
These are a few of my fav'rite net things

Multicast native and option-free packets
VLANs that don't break and short A.S. path lengths
End-to-end measures with meaning to bring
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When my link's toast
When the spam grows
When my thruput hits ground
i simply remember my fav'rite net things
and then i don't feeeeel sooo down

Far reaching coverage and routing that's stable
Aggregate flow stats and Mice that are able
to back off when shown that the Net's being zinged
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Routers that do red and balanced net loading
Video apps with hierarchical coding
Raw packet traces to dissect and see
all of my absolute fav'rite net things

when DNS freaks
when my routes leak
when i lose a peer
i try to remember my favorite net things
and then go buy more net gear

Visualizations of virtual networks
Discovering "features" in new IOS quirks
Vendor built stacks that respect TCP
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SNMP tools like MRTG
Knowing how to unconfig your P.V.C.'s
Measurement boxes that sniff OC3
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When my page stalls
Or they pass laws
to invade free net speech
i simply remember that it could be worse
at least there're still sites i reach

Cool network geeks and their company perks
Analysis tools in which true insight lurks
Stable peer sessions and route symmetry
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Multi-mode fiber with an optical splitter
BGP sessions configed not to litter
Reverting from ATM back to IP
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When popups leap
when copyrights creep
into my browser's cache
i simply remember that SDMI
will most likely buuurn & crash

Stock trading web sites that haven't yet crashed
MP3 players with plenty of flash
having my cell phone talk to my PC
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Linux and Open- and FreeBSD
Persistence in TCP's HTTP
Finally remembering my PGP key
All of my abosolute fav'rite net things

When Backhoes sting
or TIME WAITs bring
servers to the ground
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