QoSFlow: Prioritizing Flows in Software-Defined Networking for Enhanced Quality of Service

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Abstract— Software-Defined Networking (SDN) represents the next generation of network infrastructure, offering flexibility and the ability to quickly integrate services tailored to specific business applications and use cases. Motivated by the rapid rise of SDN and the increasing focus on Quality of Service (QoS) within SDN networks, this project explores how SDN can replace traditional network architectures and improve QoS management. Specifically, we investigate the role of protocols such as OpenFlow, iPerf, and Open vSwitch Database Protocol, which are pivotal in configuring and managing virtual bridges, ports, tunnels, and queues in SDN environments. The project emphasizes the QoSFlow solution for effectively managing QoS in SDN networks, demonstrating its potential for enhancing flow prioritization and overall network performance.

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