

Current status of Yeti DNS Project



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Outline

- Background & Motivation
- Yeti Testbed & Statistics
 - Distribution master
 - Authority server
 - Resolver & traffic
 - Data collection& Monitoring
- Some technical findings and bugs report
- Conclusion

Related work & discussion on Root System

- **ICANN ITI Panel & technical report**
 - <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/iti-report-15may14-en.pdf>
- **ICANN RSSAC documents**
 - [RSSAC 002: Advisory on Measurements of the Root Server System](#)
 - [RSSAC003: Report on Root Zone TTLs](#)
 - History and Technical Analysis of the Naming Scheme Used for Individual Root Servers (working on)
- **[ICANN Root Zone KSK Rollover Plan\(draft\)](#)**
- **[Scaling the Root by Geoff Huston, IPJ, March 2015](#)**
- **IETF work on DNS Root system**
 - draft-ietf-dnsop-root-loopback-05
 - draft-ietf-dnsop-resolver-priming-05
 - RFC7626: DNS Privacy Considerations, by S. Bortzmeyer

Root system is “special”?

- The top infrastructure / entrance of DNS system/
- The priming process& hint file stuff is not fully documented as part of DNS protocol
- Produce Root zone/ signed the Root zone /Distribute the root zone by various parties
- The KSK of Root zone is the Trust anchor/No parent DS
- Rely heavily on BGP routing system (Anycast) to support Root system
- Regarding Internet governance for non-technical people
 - may view the root as “the control of Internet”

What is Yeti?

- Yeti is an IPv6 only Live Root DNS Server System Testbed
 - Precisely mirrors the IANA DNS namespace
 - Experimental project with 3 years duration and clear goal
- Like IANA, has diverse servers globally
 - Server operators are volunteers from many nations
- Like IANA, has DNSSEC, with a published signing key
 - Has its own DNSSEC signing and validation keys
- System is intended for Internet-scale *science*

Why: Problem Space of Yeti(1)

Conflict between DNS Centralization Vs. Network Autonomy

- **External Dependency**

- Local services rely on external root services
- Require external management and support

- **Surveillance risk**

- Information leakage cause by the DNS Root lookup
- RFC7626: DNS Privacy Considerations, by S. Bortzmeyer

Why: Problem Space of Yeti(2)

- **Can IPv6-only DNS survive?**
 - Some DNS servers which support both A & AAAA (IPv4 & IPv6) records still do not respond to IPv6 queries
 - IPv6 introduces larger MTU (1280 bytes) , but a different fragmentation model
- **Is it ready for KSK Rollover, or not?**
 - Not all resolver is compliant to RFC5011
 - Larger packets will introduce risks during ksk/zsk rollover
- **And, Renumbering issue**

https://github.com/BII-Lab/Yeti-Project/blob/master/doc/Yeti_PS.md

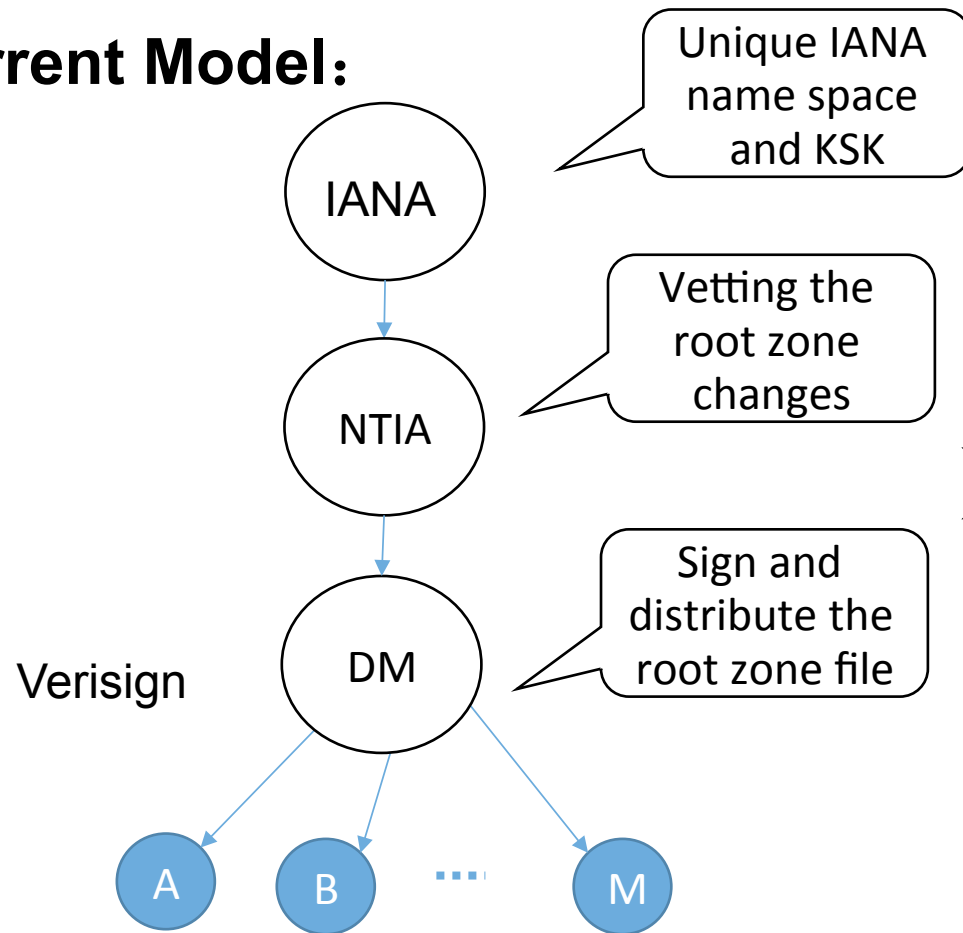
Hypothesis & Experiments expected on Yeti

- IPv6-only operation
- DNSSEC Key rollover and even algorithm rollover
- Renumbering with larger frequency
- Adding more than 13 root servers (How about 25 or more?)
- Multiple zone file signers
- Multiple zone file editors (some kind of Shared zone control)

“a good design could allow a political process of deciding how control for a particular zone should be shared to start” --- ICANN ITI technical report

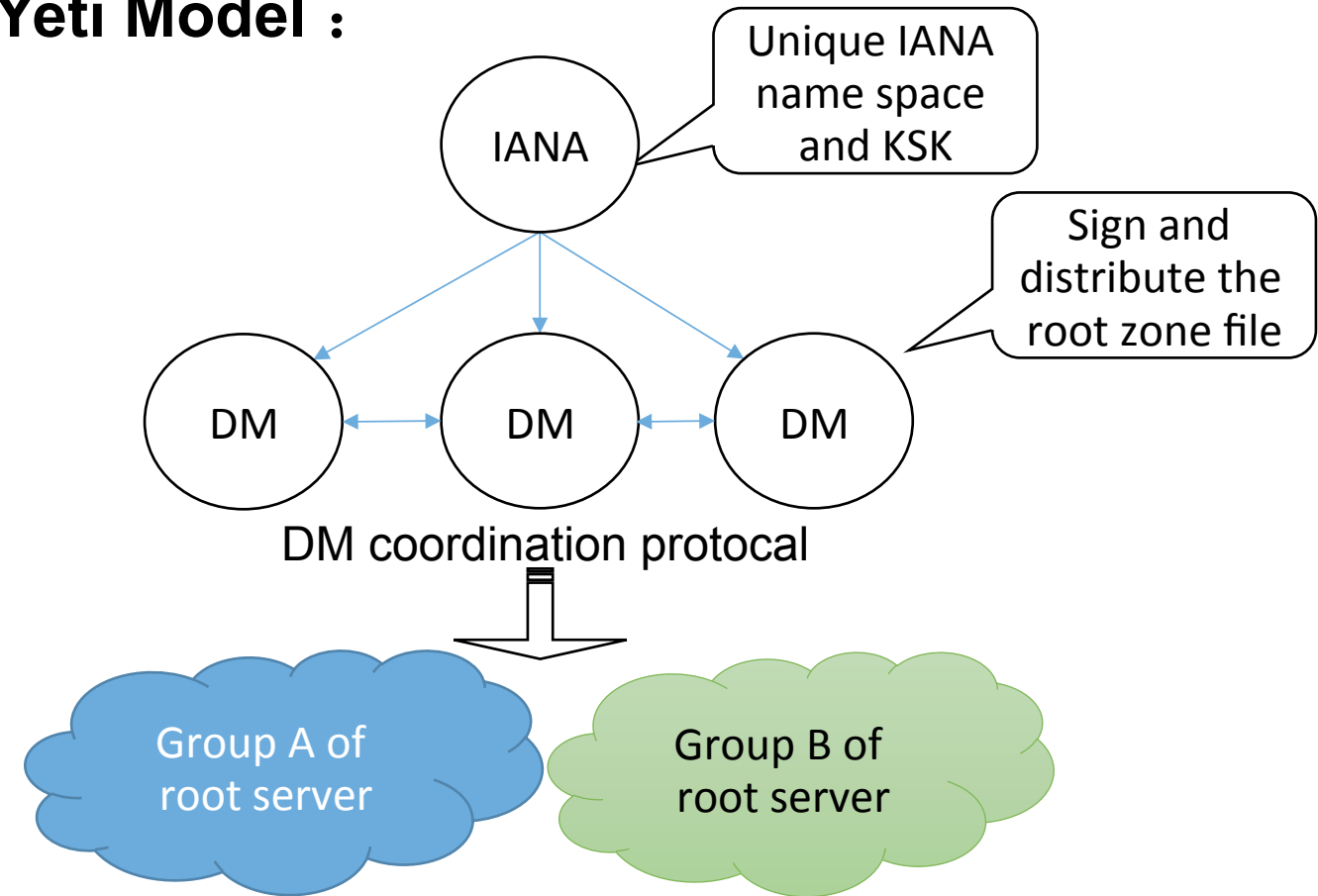
Architecture Design for Yeti

Current Model:

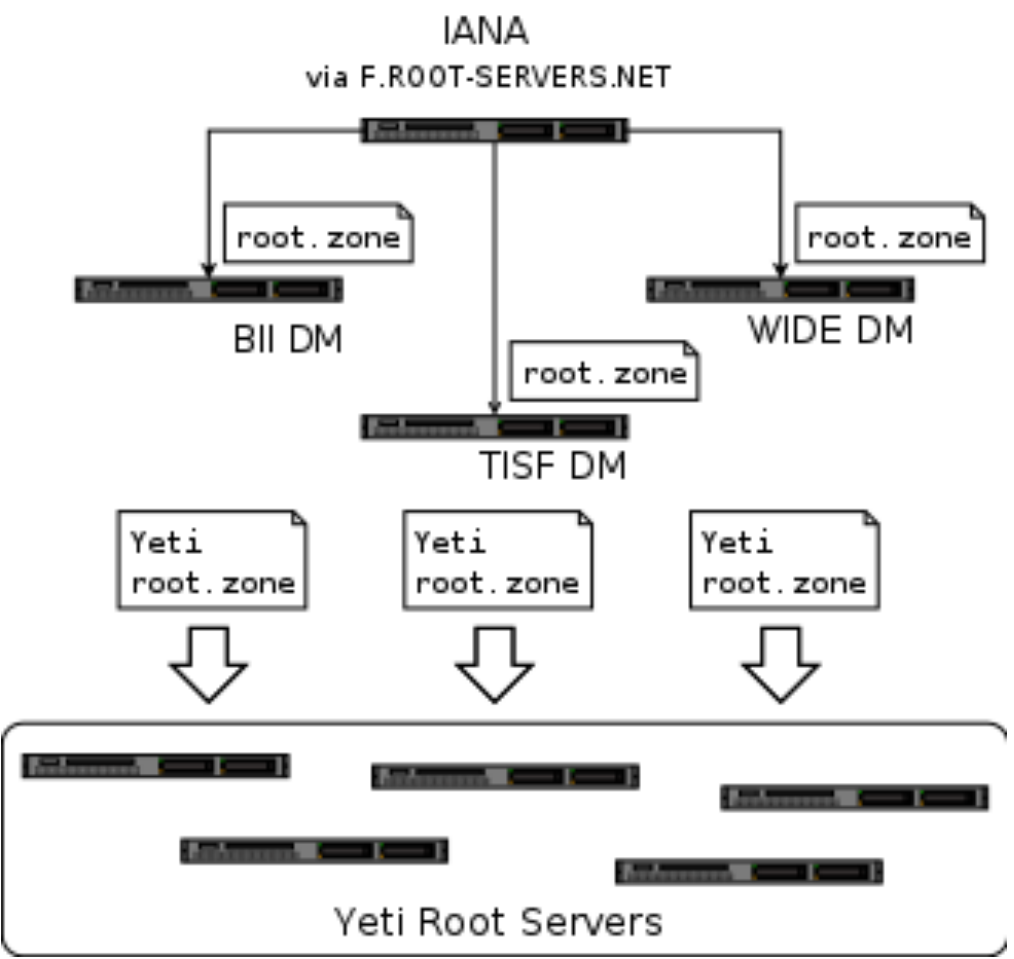


DM: distribution master

Yeti Model :



Three DMs setup and coordination

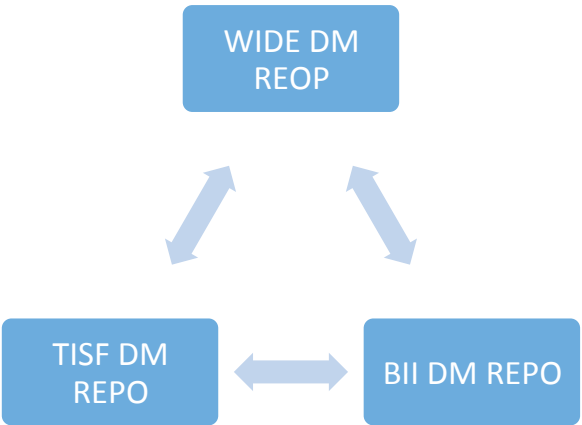


Timing setting

DM	Time
BII	<i>hour + 00</i>
WIDE	<i>hour + 20</i>
TISF	<i>hour + 40</i>

Time of Fetching the zone

Synchronizing



KSK, ZSK, server list,
IANA serial number

<https://github.com/BII-Lab/Yeti-Project/blob/master/doc/Yeti-DM-Setup.md>
<https://github.com/BII-Lab/Yeti-Project/blob/master/doc/Yeti-DM-Sync.md>



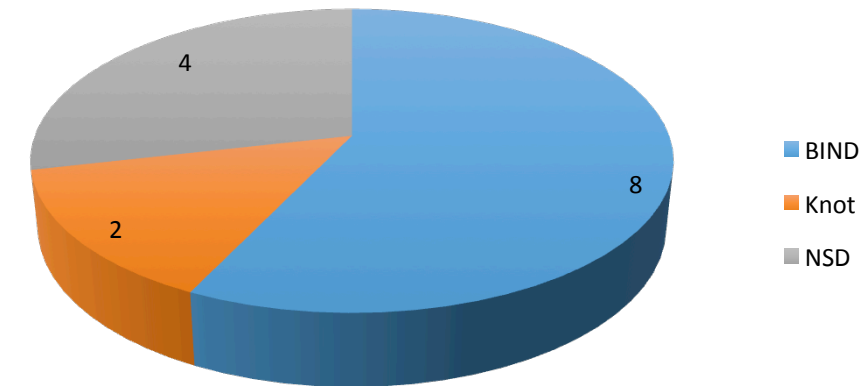
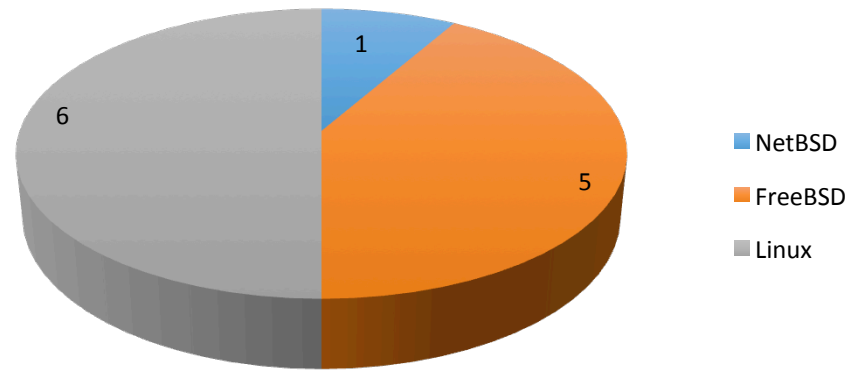
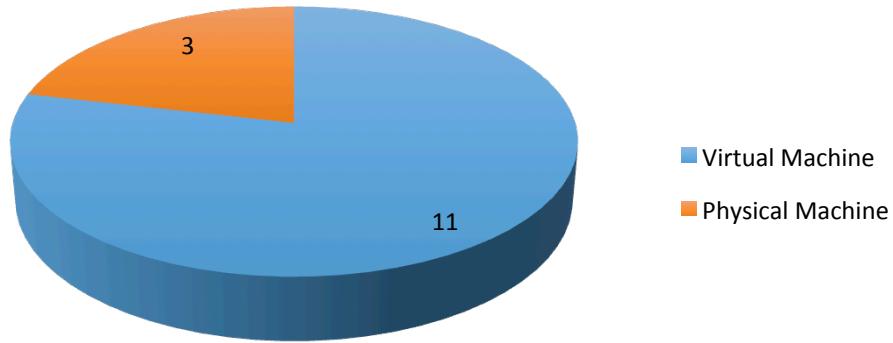
Yeti DNS Project

An IPv6-only DNS Root Testbed



Yeti Root server

- Machine, OS system, DNS software

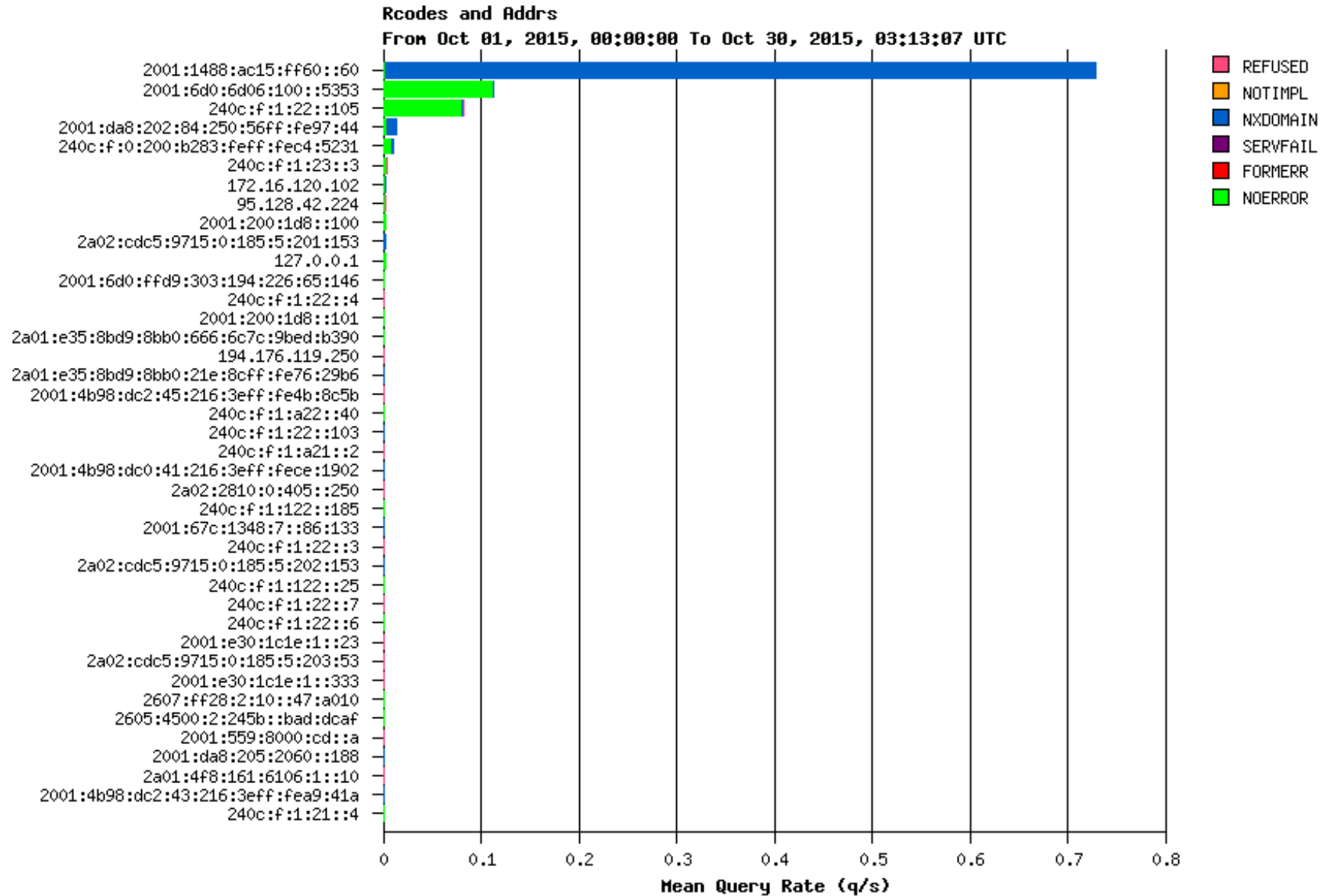


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BIND 9.9.7-P2, BIND 9.9.8

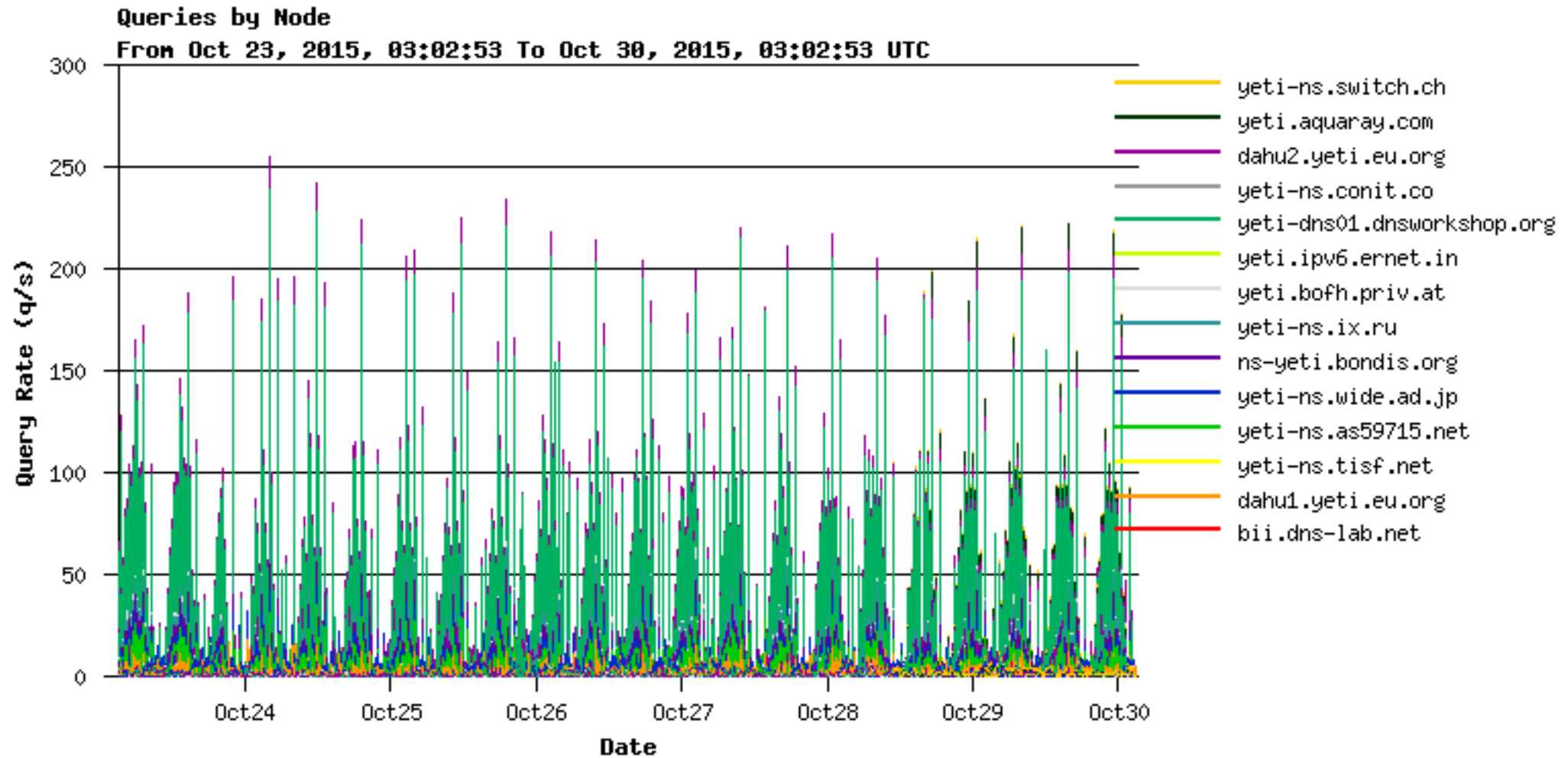
NSD 4.1.5, NSD 4.1.0

Knot 2.0.1,, Knot 2.1.0

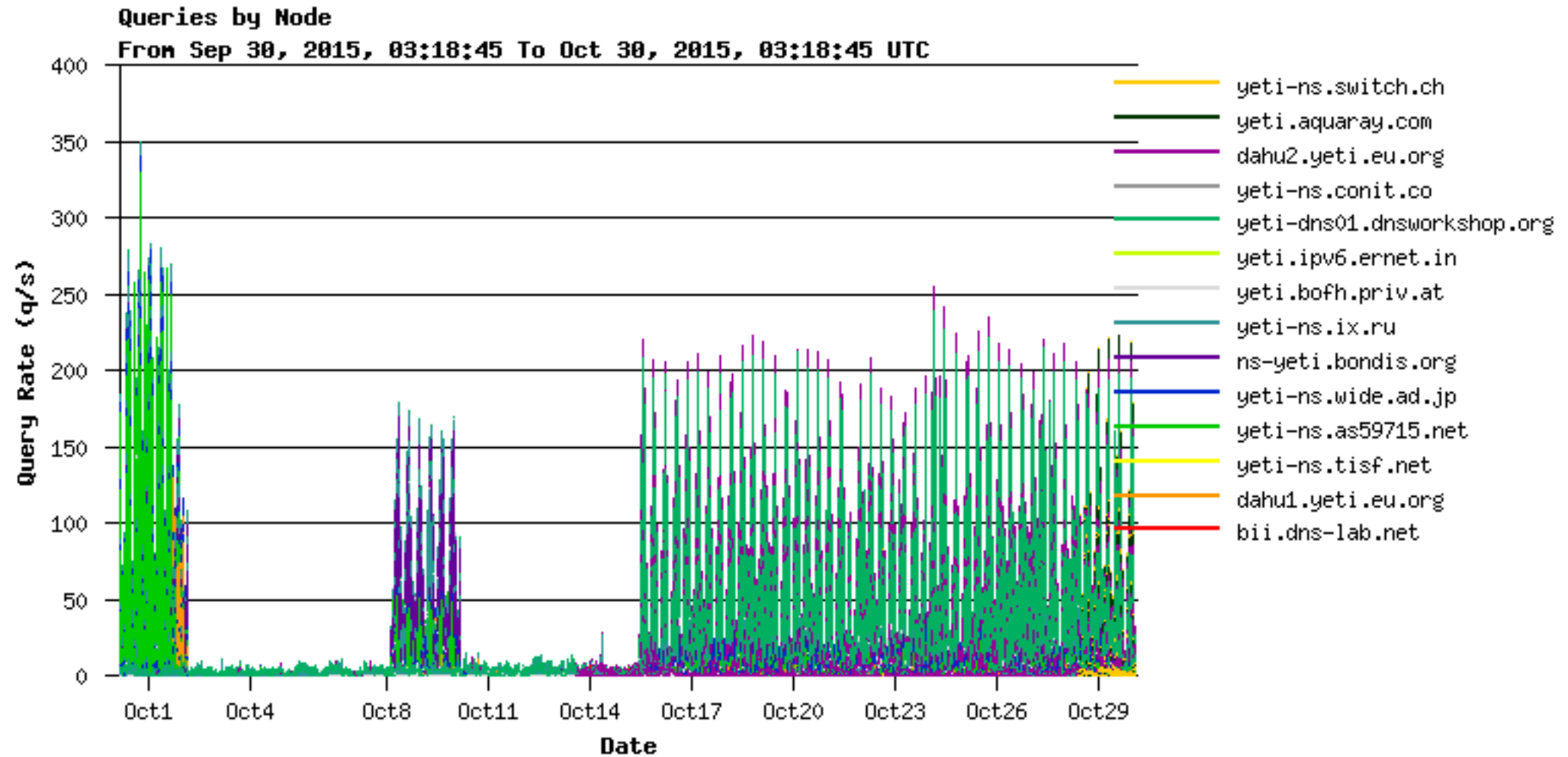
Resolvers



Experimental traffic



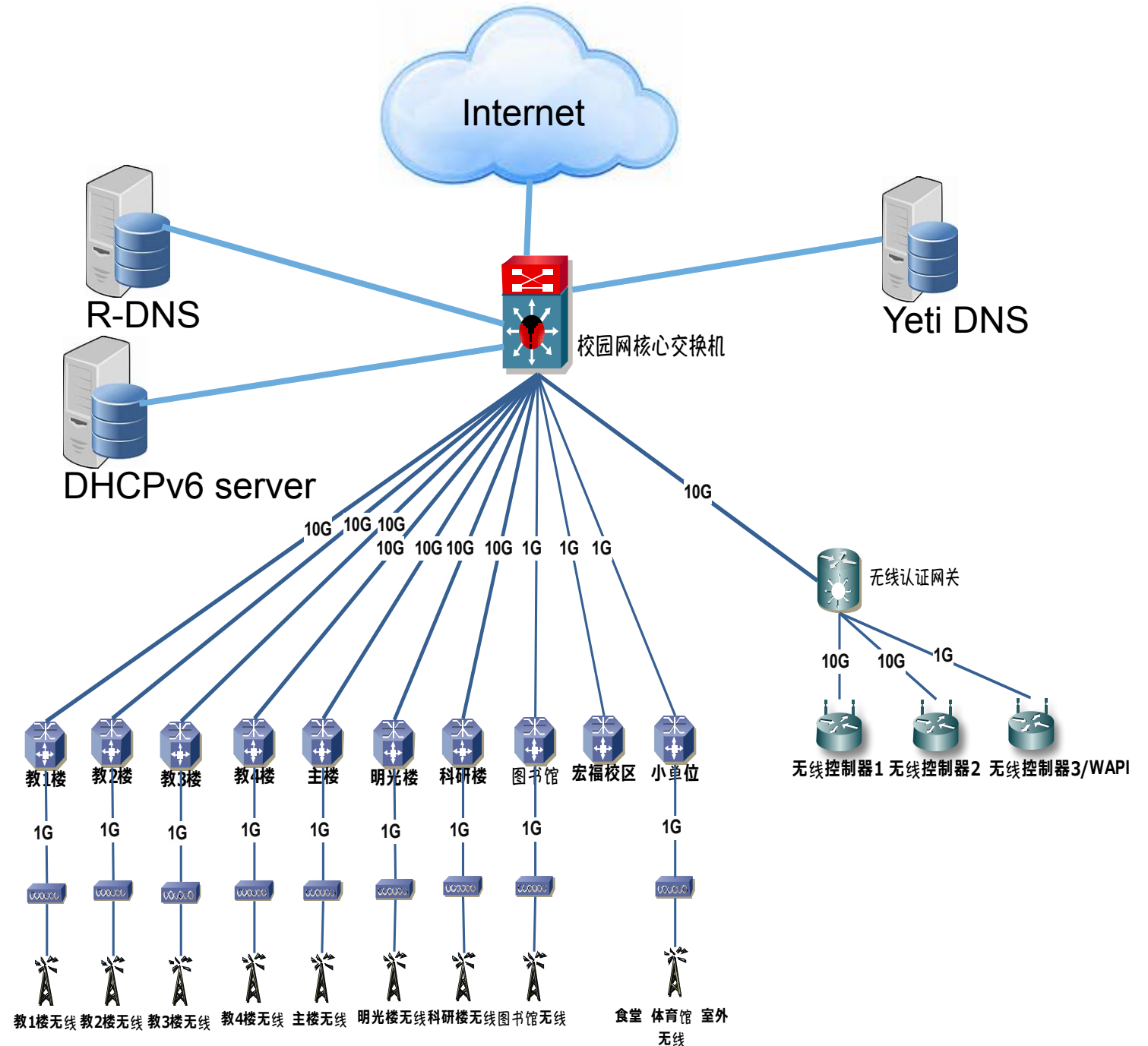
Resolvers and experimental traffic



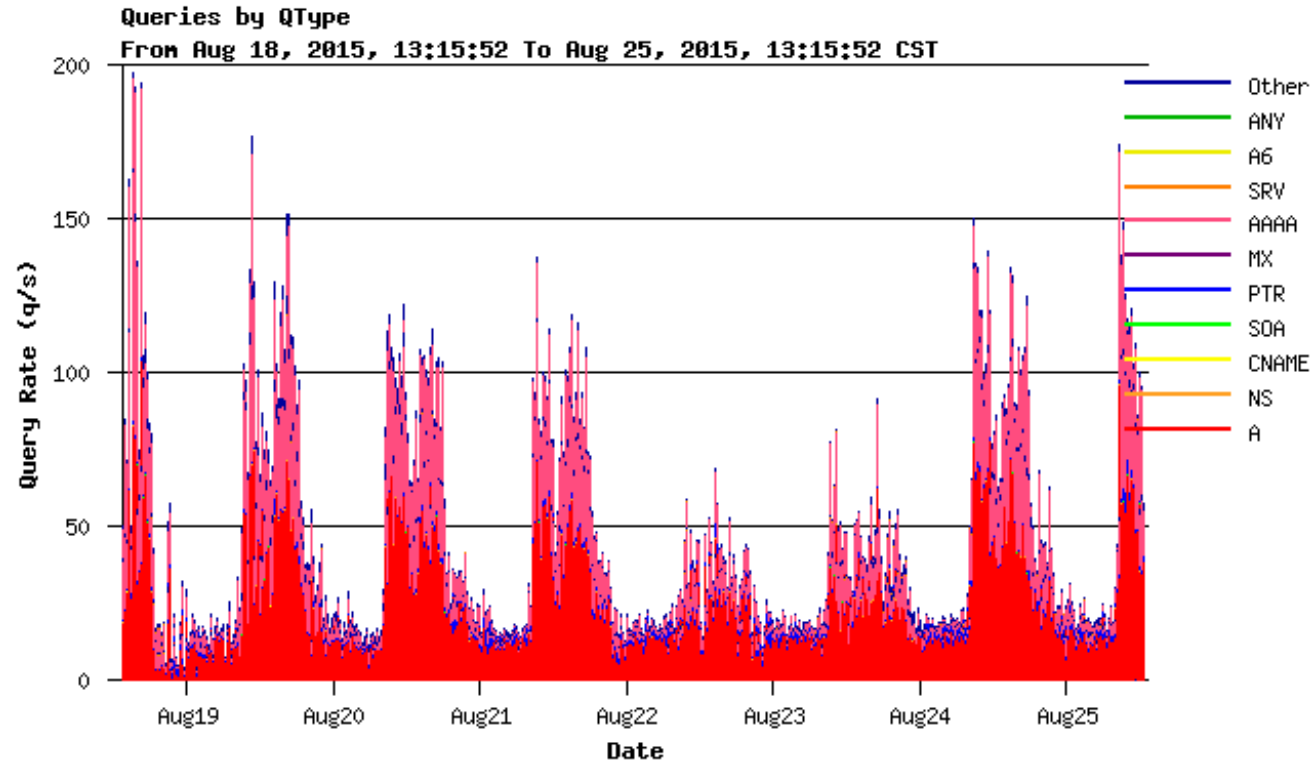
Experiment in BUPT

- Test the feasibility of Yeti concept in campus network with over 10,000 IPv6 active users
- Accessibility of one Yeti DNS root server from BUPT
- Setup a dual stack Recursive-DNS and DHCPv6 server in WiFi network of BUPT Building-3
- Setup IPv6-Yeti-test as one WiFi SSID
- Distribute R-DNS to IPv6 users via DHCPv6 server
- Encourage student to try
- Collect access information for further analysis

System Ready for Yeti Experiment

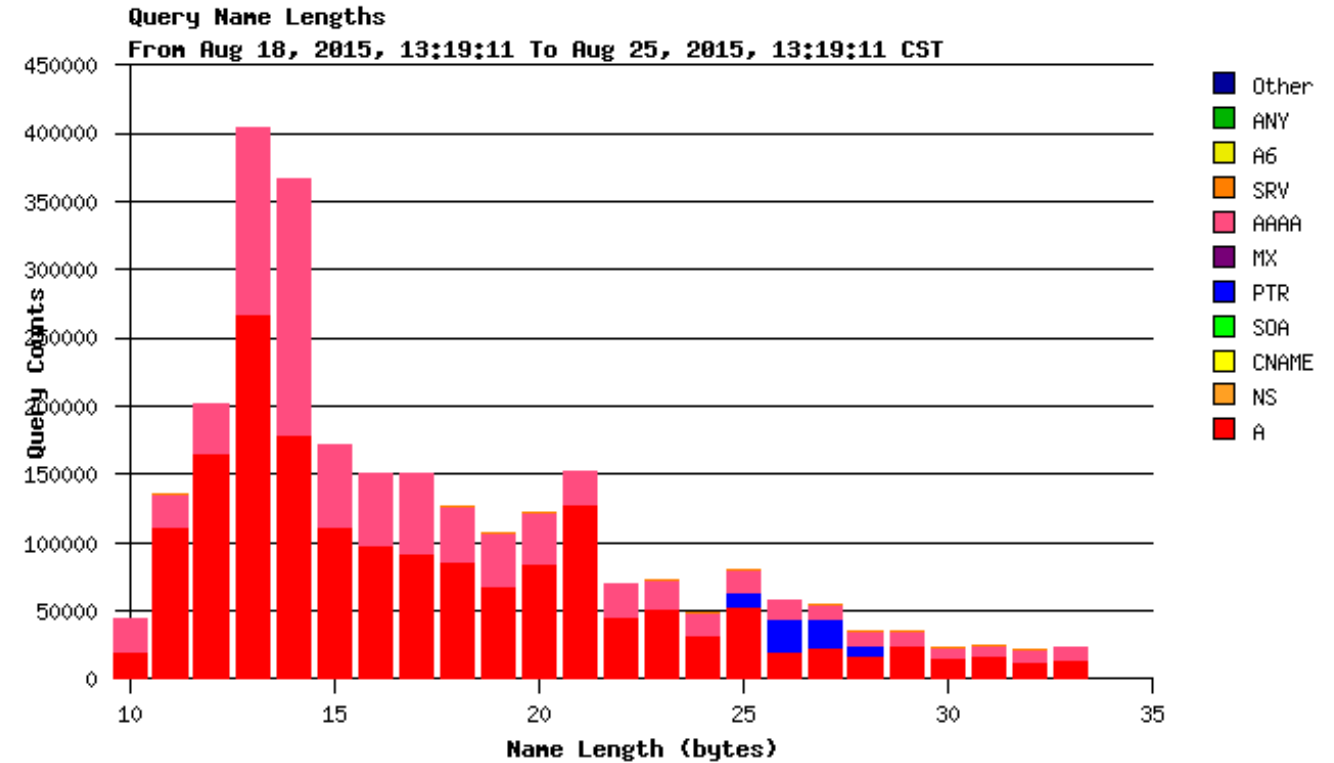


Yeti R-DNS Traffic Analysis



Peak: 205 qps

Major Qtype: AAAA, A



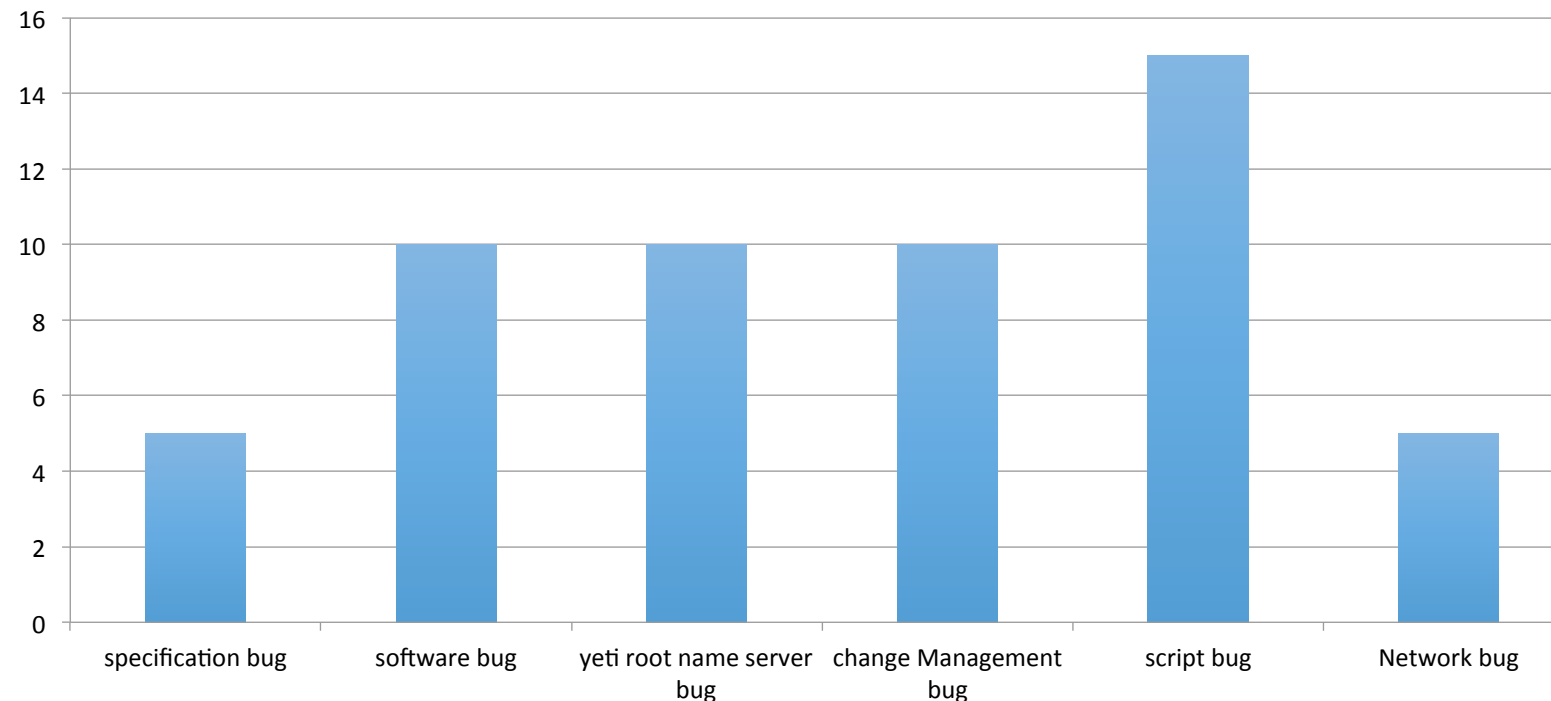
AAAA query: 37%

A query: 58%

Other Qtype: 5%

Data collection and monitoring

- DSC page in Yeti website : <http://yeti-dns.org/statistics.html>
- Health monitoring page: http://yeti-dns.org/yeti_server_status.txt
- Yeti debug page: <http://yeti-dns.org/resource/yeti-bug.txt>



Findings & bugs

- Root Glue issues (**Resolved!**)
 - Current root servers answer for the **root-servers.net** zone, but Yeti root server dose not (independent domain), Without this setup, BIND 9 does not include glue in answers to priming queries.
 - Resolved! With a patch for BIND9
- Related issues
 - .arpa. zone issue
 - Unused Glue issue

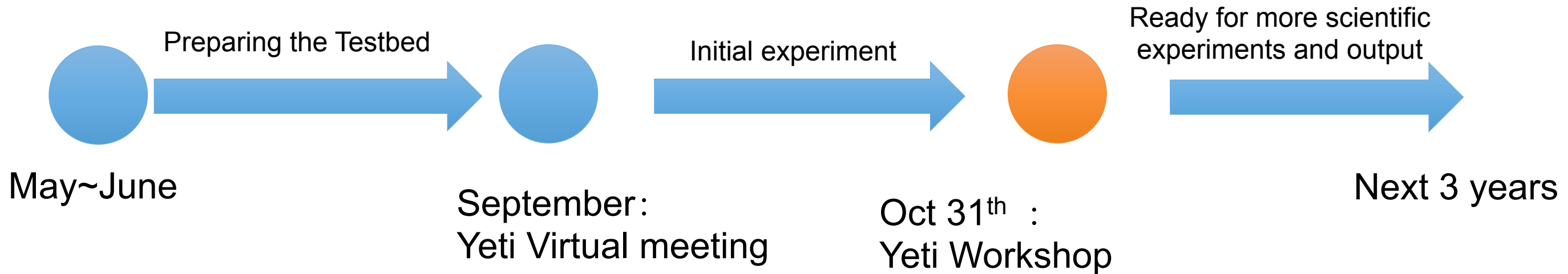
Findings & bugs

- A Bug in Knot 2.0 (**Resolved!**)
 - Knot 2 compress even the root. It is useless since it is a zero-length label, only one byte. Knot 1.6 used for K-root do not do that
 - Resolved! <https://gitlab.labs.nic.cz/labs/knot/issues/398>
- DNSCAP issues
 - Current DNSCAP(both DNS-OARC and Verisign versions) was observed losing some packet which is not ideal

Findings & bugs

- Failure on Root server zone transfer
 - Some authoritative server on some VPS failed to pull the zone from Distribution Master
 - One fact : TCP fails to respect IPV6_USE_MIN_MTU (**draft-andrews-tcp-and-ipv6-use-minmtu-04**)
 - Another fact : there are bugs in Virtual machine software failing to receive IPv6 fragments (One Example: FreeBSD on VMware ESXI 5.5)
- Recommendation:
 - 1) Change the IPV6_USE_MIN_MTU setting on server side to 1500 (DM in Yeti case)
 - 2) Or set TCP MSS to 1280 on client side (Root server in Yeti case)

In conclusion



- All most finish the engineering part of Yeti testbed
- Three DMs are running, more than 13 root servers are running
- Lack of traffic , resolvers, and end-to-end measurement
- Experiments agenda expected

Thank you! Any Questions?

More information on website:

<http://yeti-dns.org/>

<https://github.com/BII-Lab/Yeti-Project>

<http://lists.yeti-dns.org/mailman/listinfo/discuss>