

assumptions actually hold on the Internet. While we find that standard modeling assumptions (e.g., the Gao-Rexford path preference policies) are well-grounded in reality, some of the responses beg for closer scrutiny (e.g., using empirical measurements) and motivate new routing models.

While our survey provides a useful starting point, it also calls for more rigorous study of routing policies. Indeed, like any survey, our results suffer from biases (e.g., larger networks are over represented) and “noise” resulting from misunderstandings of terminology. (Indeed, some comments we collected indicated that operators interpreted the term “peer” to mean “neighbor”, rather than “settlement-free peer” as we had intended. Similarly, we had to discard the results of Q8 because our use of the term “neighbor-specific” (see [40]) was not understood.) Further exploration of the operational issues highlighted by this paper through targeted and larger-scale surveys is of value. More extensive empirical analyses and the development of new routing models are also valuable directions for future research.

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