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TOPIC ---

This article comes from the Apple Network Administrator Toolkit (ANAT) manual
and describes how the information from the Network Performance Report can be
used.

DISCUSSION ---

The Network Performance Report includes information that you can use to evaluate
the performance of your network. Here are some suggestions for using the Network
Performance Report:

• The number of routers between your workstation and another workstation can
affect the time the packets take to return. When you evaluate the times for a
workstation, you should compare them to the times for a workstation in the same
area of the network or with the same number of intervening routers.

• If the number of routers is not what you expect, there may be a problem with
your network.

• If the maximum time for a packet to return from a workstation is significantly
greater than the times for other workstations in the same area of your network,
there may be a problem with the workstation.

• If a single workstation has a large number of lost packets, there may be a
problem with the network connection to that workstation.

• If several workstations in the same area of the network have a large number of
lost packets, there may be a network connection problem or a problem with an
intervening router or bridge.

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