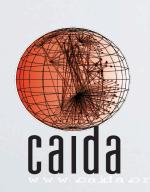
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Lessons learned by "measuring" the Internet during/after the Sandy storm

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ANALYSIS OF INTERNET OUTAGES

By combining different measurement sources

- BGP
 - BGP updates from route collectors of RIPE-NCC RIS and RouteViews
- Active Traceroute Probing
 - Archipelago Measurement Infrastructure (ARK)
 - RIPE-NCC Atlas
- Internet Background Radiation (IBR)
 - Traffic reaching the UCSD Network Telescope
- more data sources to come...























CASE STUDIES

Different for causes/tech implications/impact

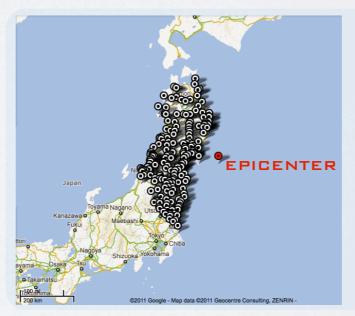
• Country-level Internet Blackouts (BGP withdrawals, packet-filtering, satellite-signal jamming, ...)



EGYPT, JAN 2011
GOVERNMENT ORDERS
TO SHUT DOWN THE
INTERNET

Natural disasters affecting the

infrastructure/population



JAPAN, MAR 2011
EARTHQUAKE OF
MAGNITUDE 9.0





SANDY: IS IT DIFFERENT?

(compared to our previous case studies)

- Movement over a large area
 - with no fixed epicenter like an earthquake has
- High level of Internet penetration in the affected region, including major hubs for international Internet connectivity
- Disruption was limited to only a subset of networks/hubs in the affected region, making it harder to identify geographic areas of massive impact
- For the 1st time we tried to measure in realtime





ACTIVE MEASUREMENTS

ARK + ATLAS

• CAIDA ARCHIPELAGO (ARK)

- Coordinate traceroute-based topology measurement probing the full routed IPv4 address space

http://www.caida.org/projects/ark/

RIPE ATLAS

- traceroutes/pings to fixed destinations
- user-defined measurements (a community-oriented tool)

https://atlas.ripe.net/



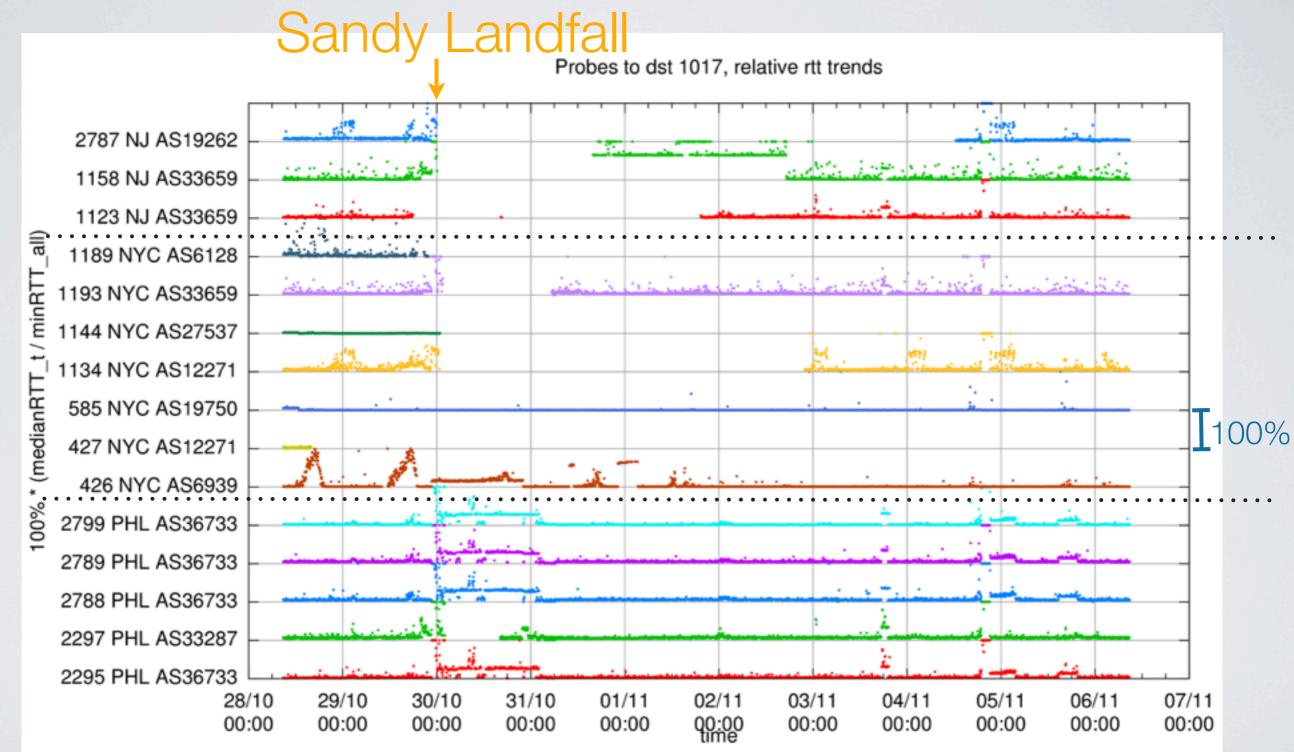
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ATLAS: RTT



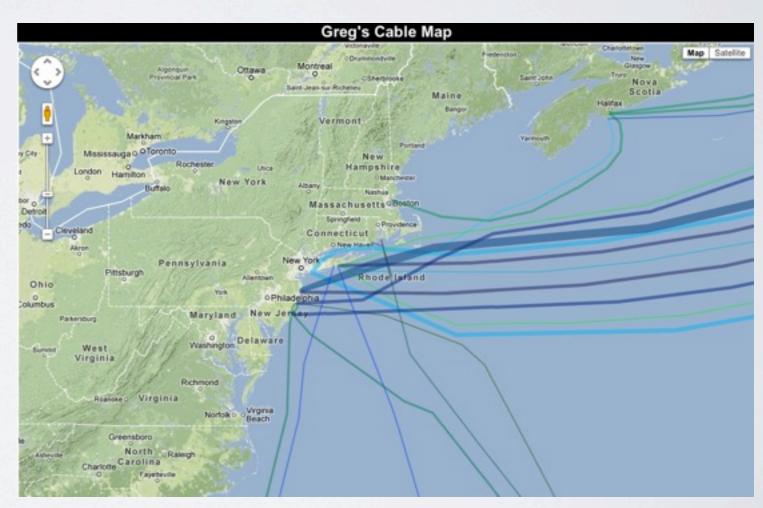




ATLAS: PATH CHANGES

Looking at two major hubs

- New York City (NYC) is a major Internet connectivity hub
- Ashburn/Washington DC (ASH) is the other for US-Europe traffic

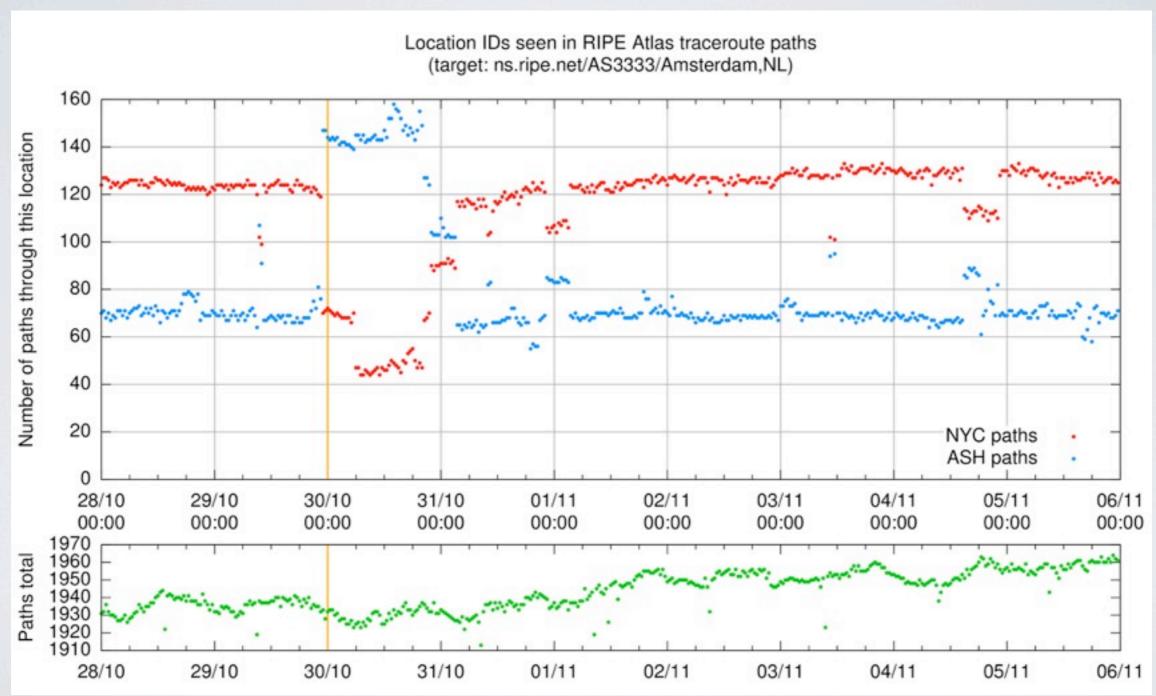


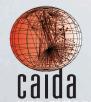




ATLAS: PATH CHANGES

dst: ns.ripe.net / AS3333 / NL







ATLAS: NYC PATH CHANGES

dst: ns.ripe.net / AS3333 / NL

pre: 22:00 UTC vs. post: 09:00 UTC

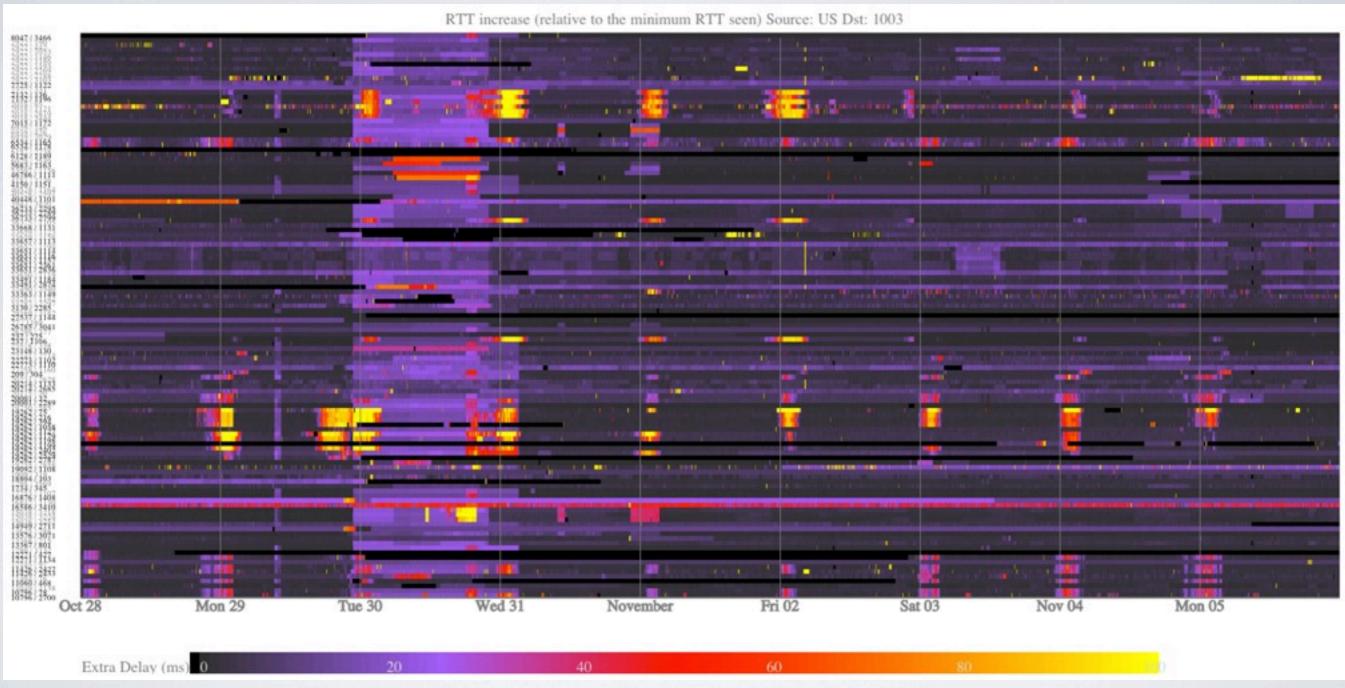






ATLAS: LATENCY

RTT US -> AS3333/NL (+20 ms)



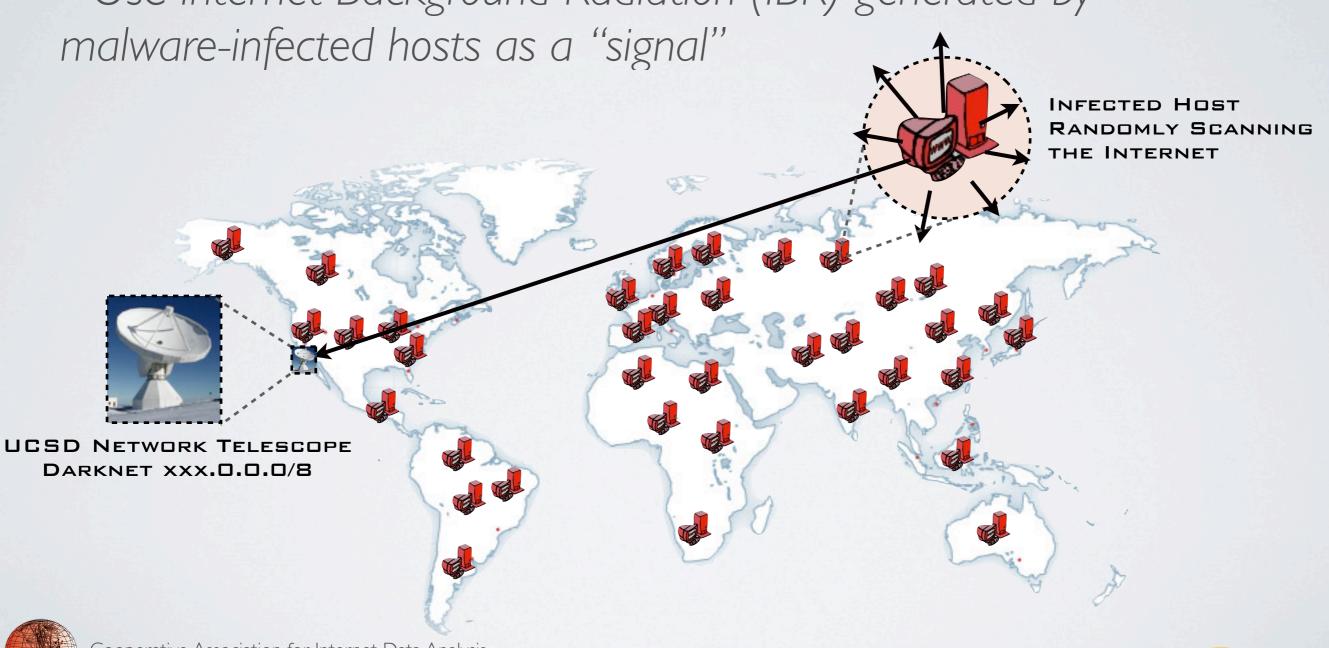




IBR

"Extracting benefit from harm.."

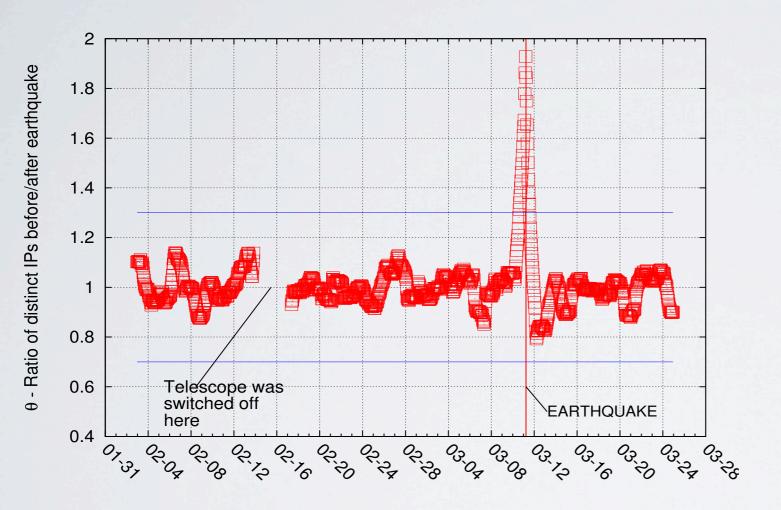
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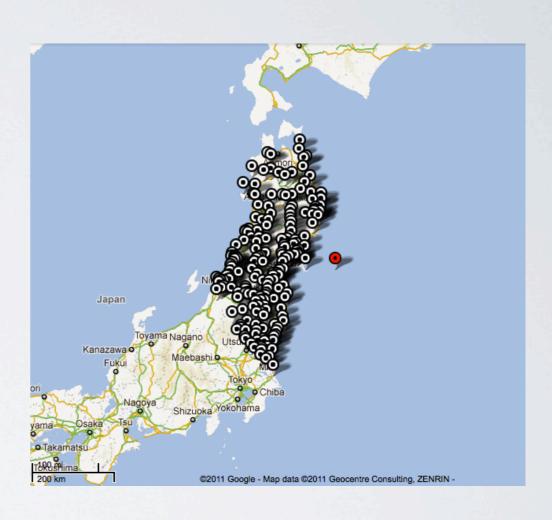




IBR: TOHOKU'S EARTHQUAKE

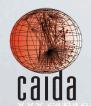
the effect of the 2011 earthquake/tsunami in Japan





Extracting Benefit from Harm: Using Malware Pollution to Analyze the Impact of Political and Geophysical Events on the Internet

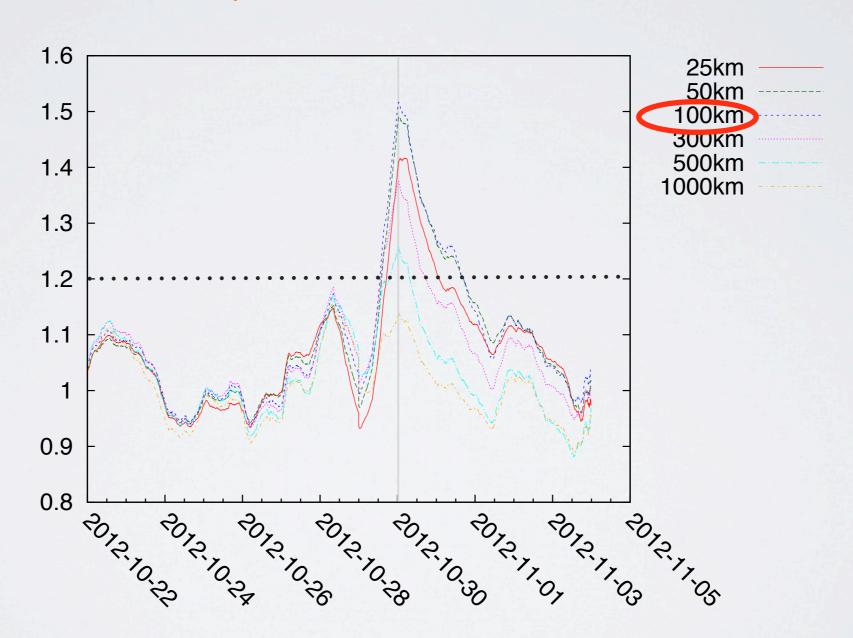
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IBR: SANDY IN NYC

Reusing the same metric based on ratio of distinct source IPs

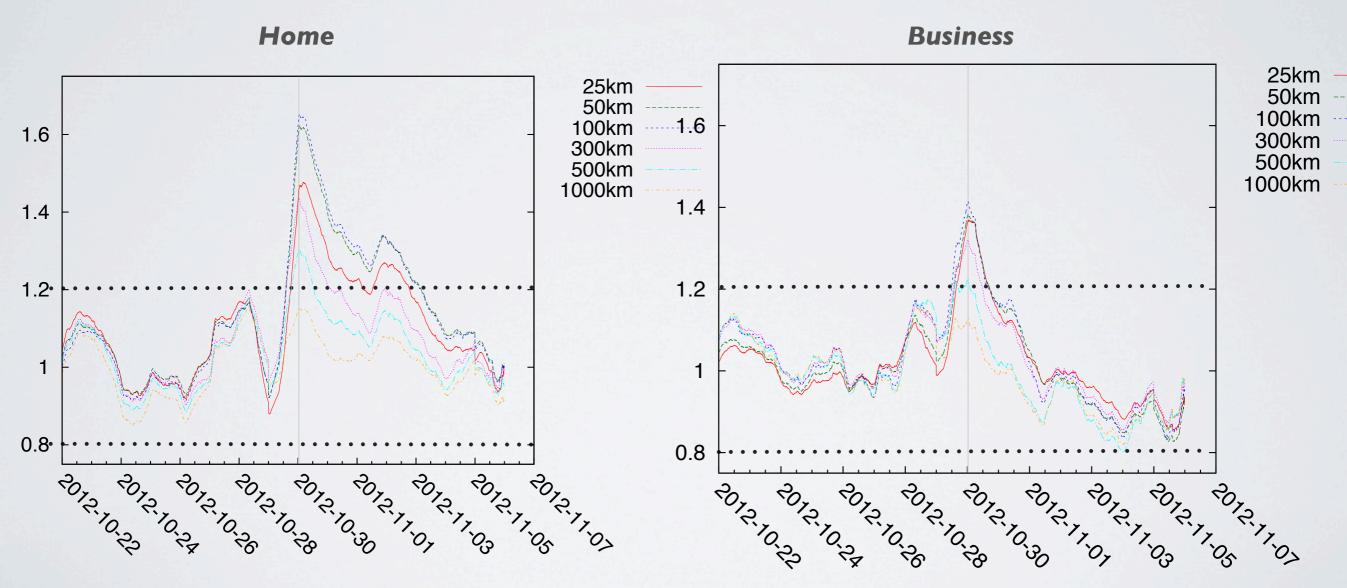






IBR: NY, HOME vs BUSINESS

Different impact on home vs business users*







WISHLIST / CURRENT WORK

(partial list)

• ARK

- Increase (time + space) granularity
- wish: IP Census data, to be used to improve on-demand probing
- Geo-Ark on demand, for realtime measurements
- Improve tools for geography-based analysis of Internet data
 - which helps also with *realtime analysis* and *combining* different measurements
 - Geolocation of BGP-advertised prefixes
 - Fast/interactively-visual selection of network blocks/prefixes
 - Implement different cartography/geo-analysis techniques (e.g., for IBR)
 - Realtime/Interactive geographical visualization





THANKS

