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■ measurements

- hardware
- data
- analysis

■ results

- traffic by applications
- traffic by ASes
- traffic by countries

- ‘geographical’ 3-D plots

■ conclusions

DAG – PCI network monitoring cards:

- project at University of Waikato (New Zealand) computer science department
 - <http://dag.cs.waikato.ac.nz/>
- DAG4 card – ATM and PoS capture at OC48c
 - 2.5 GBit/sec link rate
 - exceeds PCI bus bandwidth, requires filtering & compression
 - provides highly accurate timestamping
 - timestamp sync across boards available via cable and GPS
- CAIDA/U.Waikato collaboration (subcontract)

measurements: data

- data provided by Waikato Applied Network Dynamics group
 - <http://wand.cs.waikato.ac.nz/>
- collected at Metromedia Fiber Network (MFN) backbone, San Jose, CA
- oc48mon2 link, one direction only
- duration: 76 minutes total
 - 20:00 – 21:16 (PDT), 5 Aug 2001
- volume: 32 GB of data

measurements: analysis

use CoralReef software suite

- <http://www.caida.org/tools/measurement/coralreef/>

obtain quantitative parameters of captured traffic:

- **Byte rates and Packet rates**

- **Flows**

- Flow = (src IP, src port, dest IP, dest port, protocol)

use NetGeo tool to map src/dst IP addresses to ASes and countries

- <http://www.caida.org/tools/utilities/netgeo/>

consider various aggregations of traffic:

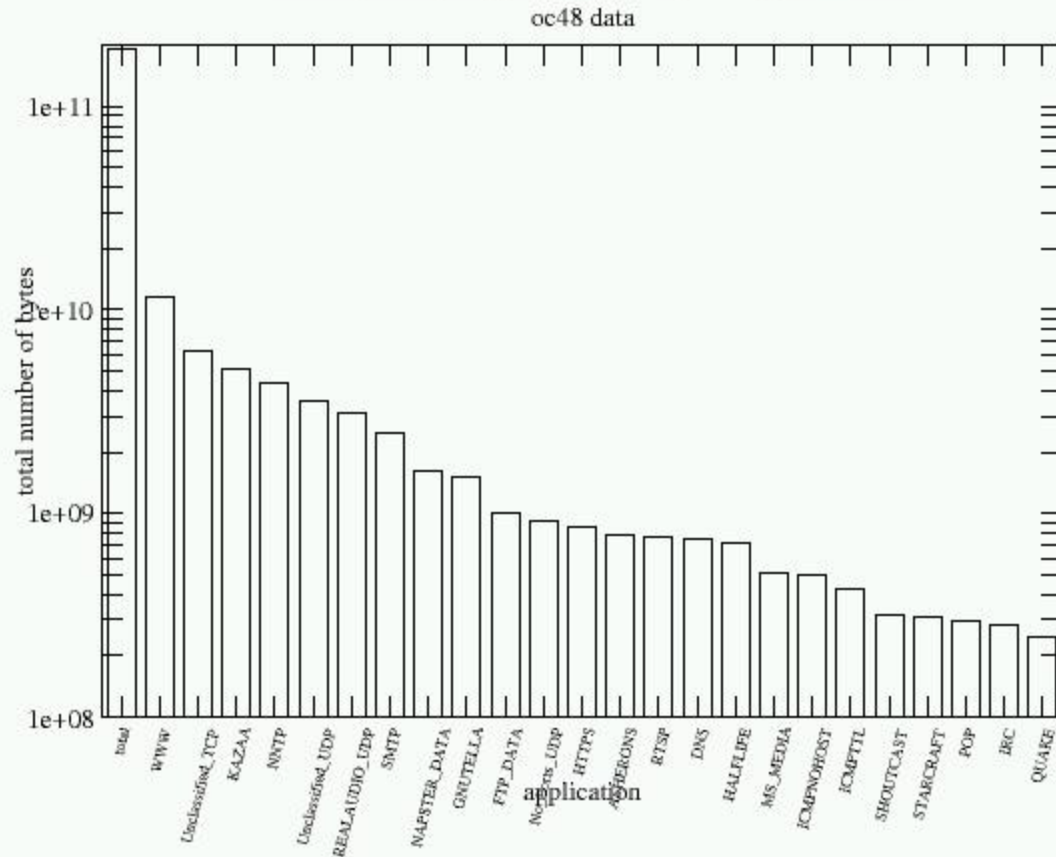
- **applications**

- **ASes**

- **countries**

results: application characteristics

Total Bytes by Application, Top 25 Applications



- Well-known applications are determined from port numbers
- Plot distributions of bytes, packets, and flows by applications

results: traffic by (top 10) applications

■ by bytes

- www (79%)
- unclassified TCP (4%)
- kazaа – peer-to-peer file sharing system (for music) (2%)
- 1% or less:
 - nntp – netnews; unclassified UDP; realaudio, smtp, napster, gnutella, ftp

■ by packets

- www (67%)
- unclassified TCP/UDP (7%/3%)
- 1% or less:
 - Halflife (game); ICMP (e.g., ping – small pkts); smtp; kazaа (large pkts), dns, realaudio, Starcraft (game)

■ by flows

- www (69%)
- ICMP (16%)
- dns (3%)
- unclassified TCP (2%)
- asherons (game) (2%)
- 1% or less:

results: characteristics of traffic by ASes

map IP addresses to their origin Autonomous Systems

consider distribution of bytes, packets, flows

– by source and destination ASes

■ top source ASes: Microsoft-AS-Block

- also: Shawfiber, JNIC-ASN, Abovenet, ACTTG, Telus

■ top destination ASes:

- Hanaro (Korea), Chinalink (China), Dacomnet (Japan), Thrunet (Korea)
- Abovenet, AOL-Primehost, Chinanet-core-wan-north, Backbone-Guangdone-AP
- Hotmail-AS: 5th by flows, 17th by bytes

results: traffic by countries/continents

distribution of bytes, packets, flows by source and destination countries

■ top source countries:

- US – 1st by bytes and packets, 2nd by flows
- Japan – 1st by flows, 2nd by bytes and packets
- also: Canada, United Kingdom, Hong Kong, Denmark (but: 10 times less bytes, packets, or flows than US or JP)

■ top destination countries:

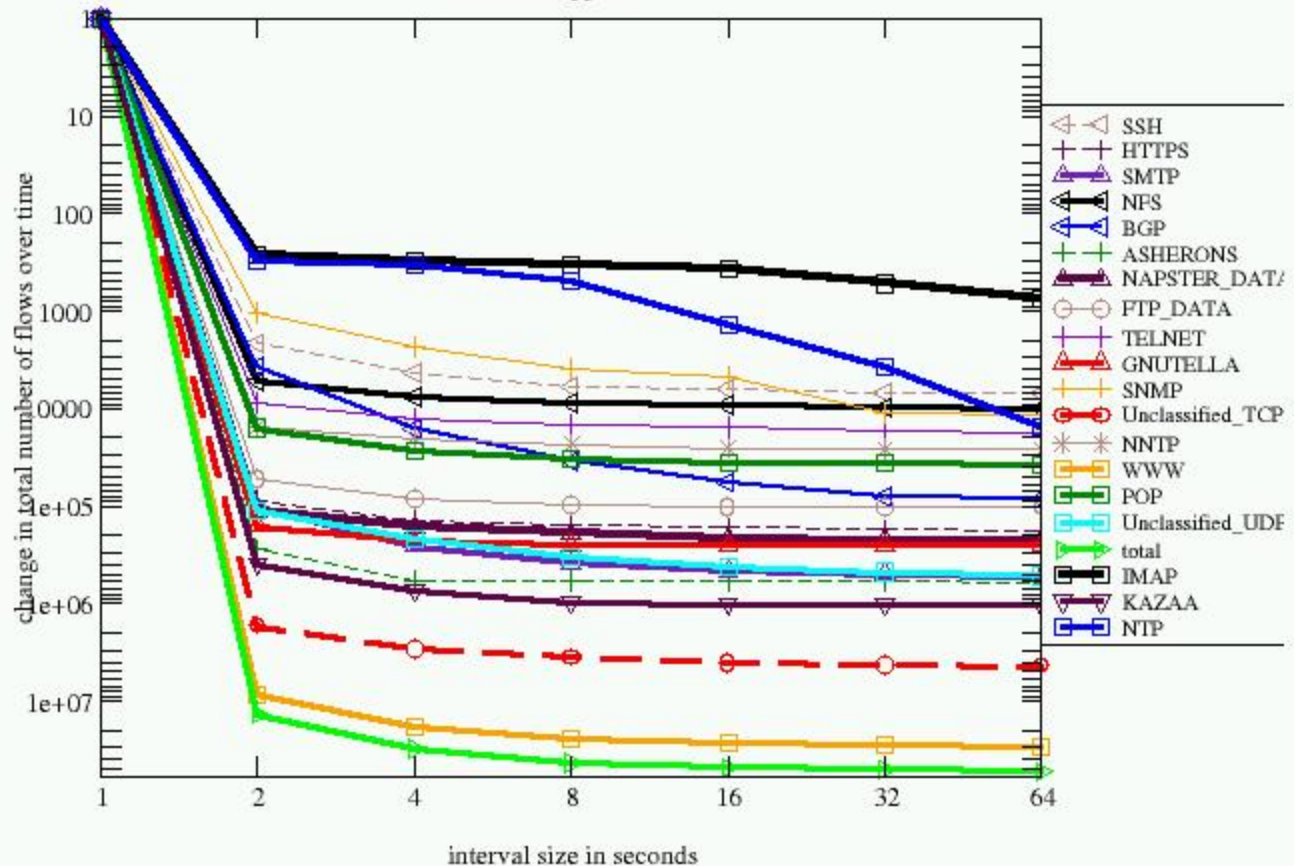
- Korea, US, China
- also: Japan, New Zealand, Taiwan, Australia

AS analysis and geographical findings both reflect nature of traffic passing through MFN backbone: mostly directed to asia

results: flow interval spacing

oc48 data, change in total flows with varying intervals

common applications



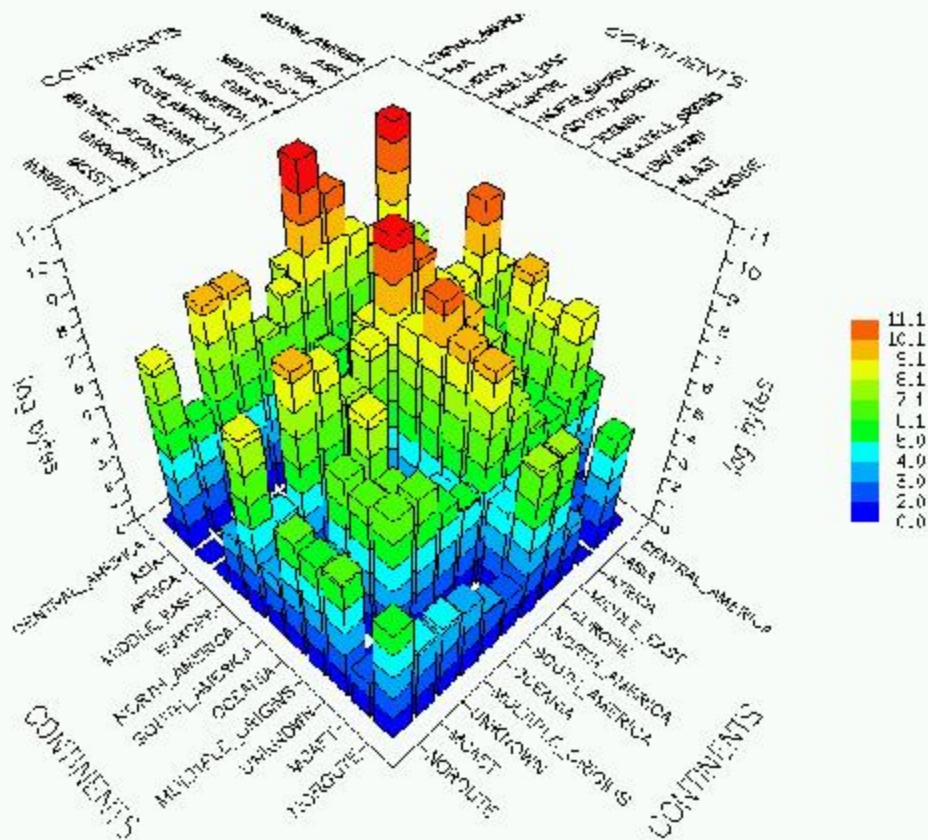
- packet interarrival time is always less than 2s
- 4s timeout sufficient to capture most application flows

results: 3D traffic matrices

- source/destinations pairs aggregated by continents/regions
- 3D plots use XRT-based tool
 - http://www.caida.org/tools/utilities/graphing/graph_xrt3d.xml
 - x/y axes – source/destination locations
 - z-axis – logarithmic scale traffic volume (bytes, packets, or flows)
- examples follow (number of bytes shown in all plots)

results: 3D traffic matrices

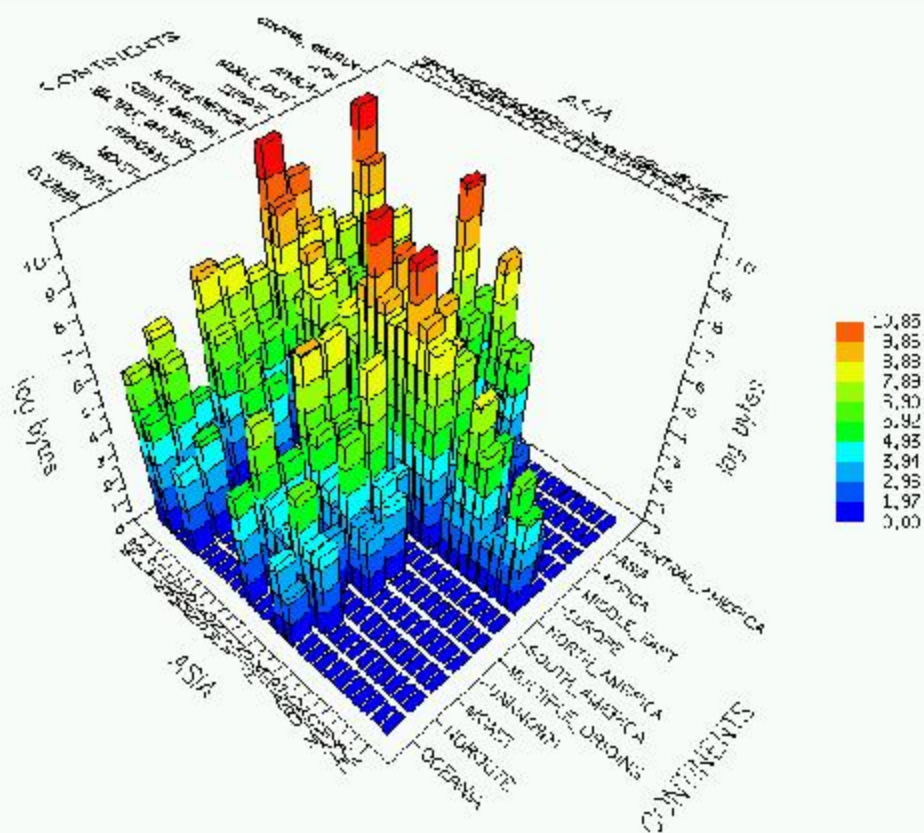
Source vs. Destination Location by Number of Bytes



cc4J data

peaks: asia/n.amer/eur. -> asia; n.amer/eur. -> n.amer; n.amer/eur -> oceania

results: 3D traffic matrices

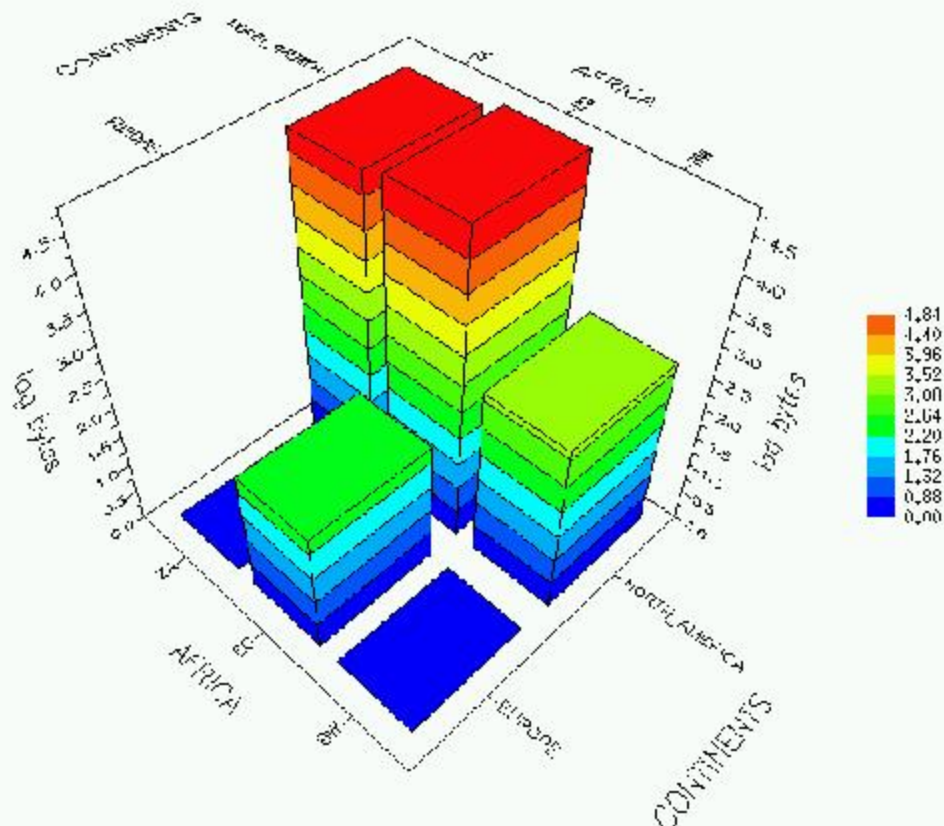


continents-to-asia: primary srcs – n.amer/asia/europe
primary dsts – south korea, china, japan, taiwan

east asia locations are primary traffic destinations for this link

results: 3D traffic matrices (continents)

Source vs. Destination Location by Number of Bytes



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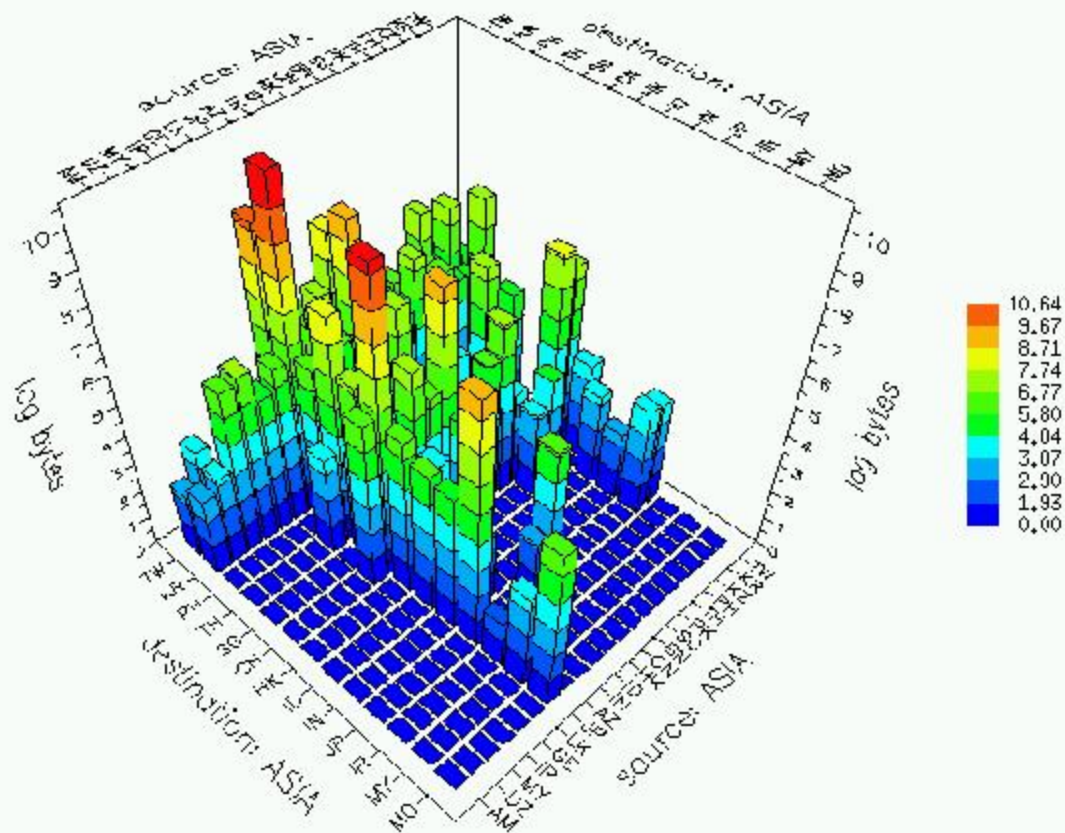
continents-to-africa: only 3 countries receive (little) traffic: .za, .eg, .bw

results: anomalies

we see the following unexpected traffic at our measurement location in San Jose, California, US:

- asia to asia – rather significant amount
- .uk to .eg (egypt)
- .uk to .tu (turkey)
- .fr to .fr and .uk to .uk
- .se (sweden) to .es (spain)

results: anomalies (example)



significant amount of asia-to-asia traffic passes through San Jose!
includes even same country traffic (e.g., .jp->.jp, .tw->.tw)

gs
g applications

- traffic destinations
 - dominated by East Asia (KI)
- significant traffic 'anomalies'
 - western europe – western E
 - eastern asia – eastern asia

conclusions

■ unique

- first and only OC48 flow monitor worldwide
- caida's public tools analyze data without modification

■ software implemented

- CoralReef, NeTraMet, custom routines (CAIDA)
- custom routines by U. of Waikato, others
- darpa/nsf/caida members funded

■ software, data analysis, viz tools all prototypes

■ backbone core now needs oc192/oc768 monitoring

- currently no such project exists