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Sunday 3 November 2024

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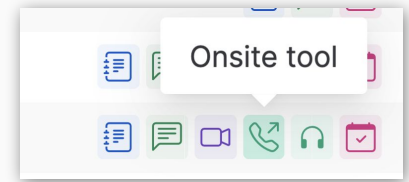
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- So you can follow along, we're using the datatracker for all slides
  - Let the conversations begin!

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# Palimpsest

## Structured Collaborative Editing

Phillip Hallam-Baker

# The Open Meeting

(Mallery & Hurwitz)

- A Part of Vice President Al Gore's National Performance review
  - Introduced tagged semantics
  - Required a LISP machine to run

Please make sure you read the overview for [Reengineering Through Information Technology](#)

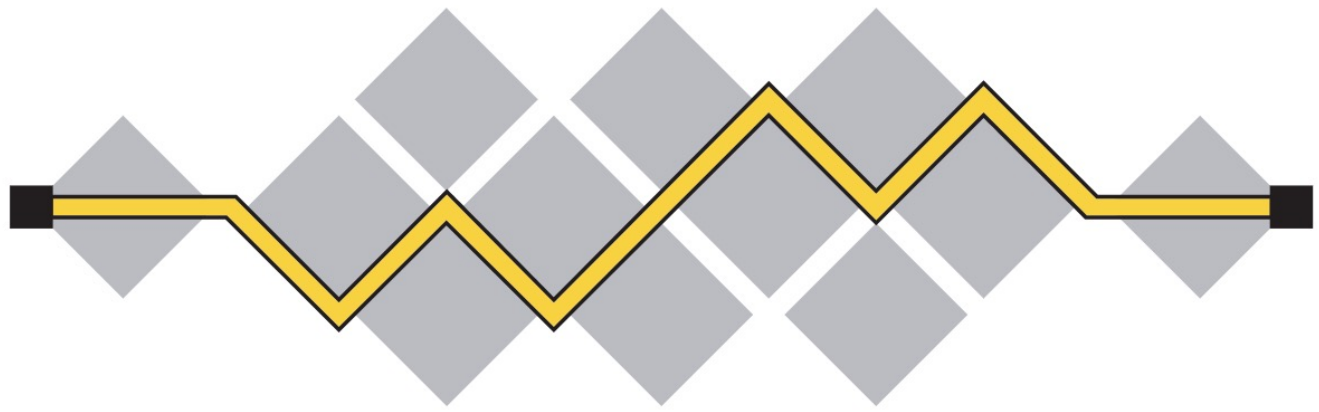
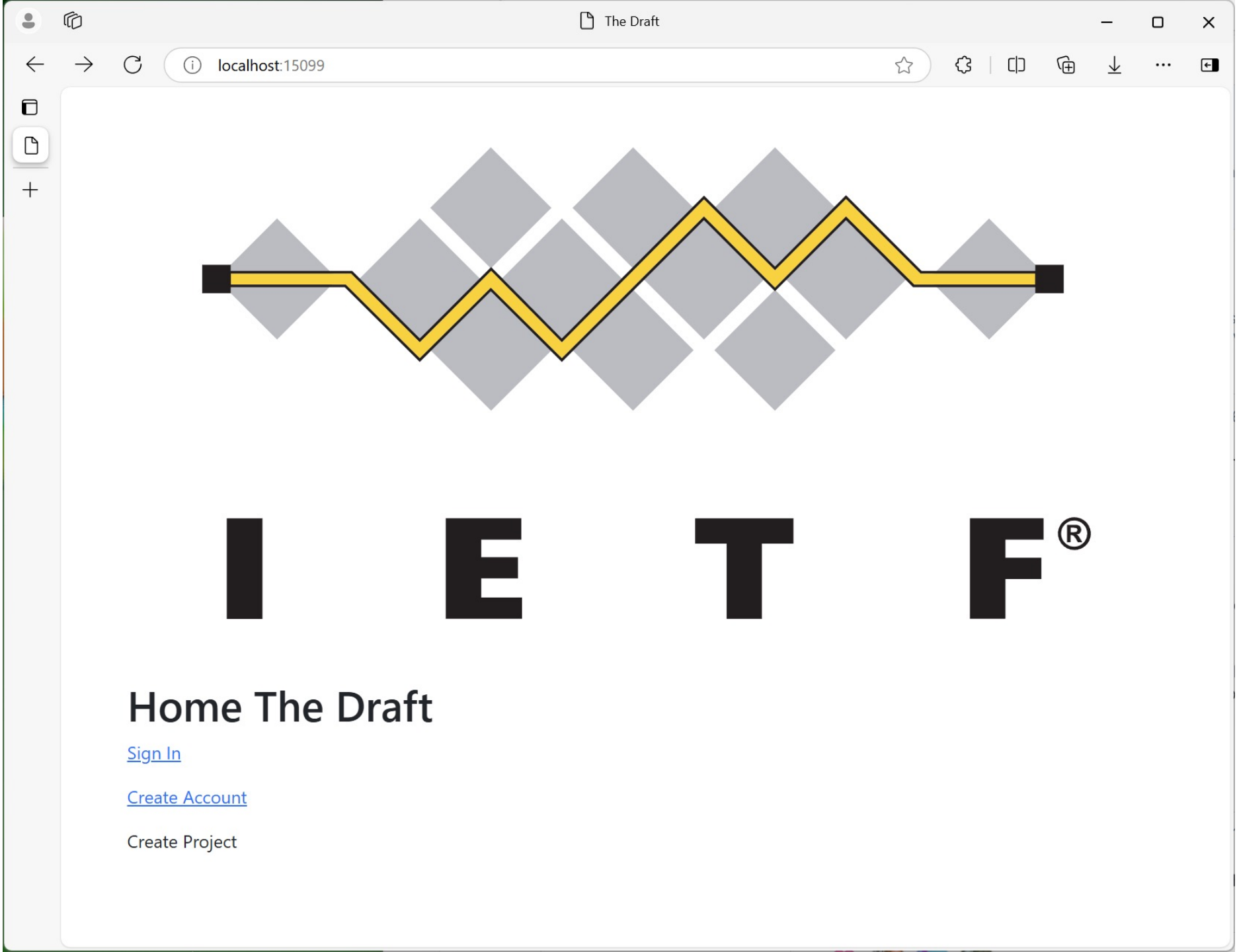
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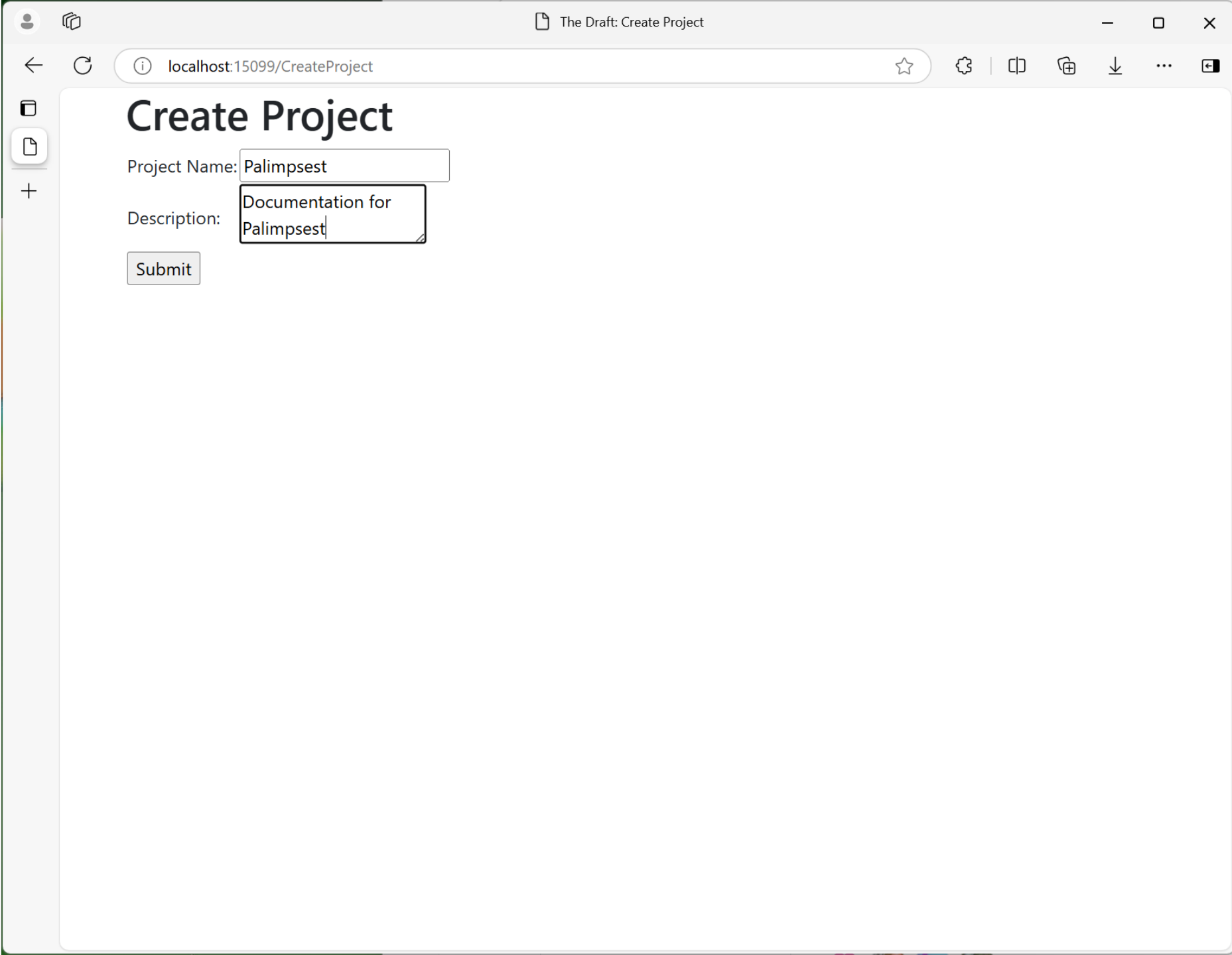
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# Project: Palimpsest

Documentation for Palimpsest

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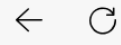
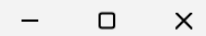
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# Semantic Traces

- Internal
  - Question → Answer → Agree → Closed
  - Text → Agree → Closed
- Raise Issue
  - Question → Answer → Issue
  - Information → Issue
  - Issue
- Publish
  - Approve

# Why not Github?

- Github is designed for collaboratively editing code
  - Documents are not code
  - Using a 'Pull request' to propose an alternative is a hack
    - Try doing it from an iPad
- Palimpsest ties comments to documents
  - Distinguish nits from issues
  - Can download document source in Word, Markdown or XML

# Next Steps

- Extend engineering prototype
  - Install Bootstrap style sheet
  - Moderation interface
  - Report generation
  - Email subscription
  - [Client for zero-trust / End to End secure hosting mode]
  
- Trial?

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# Large Language Models (LLMs) for Networking

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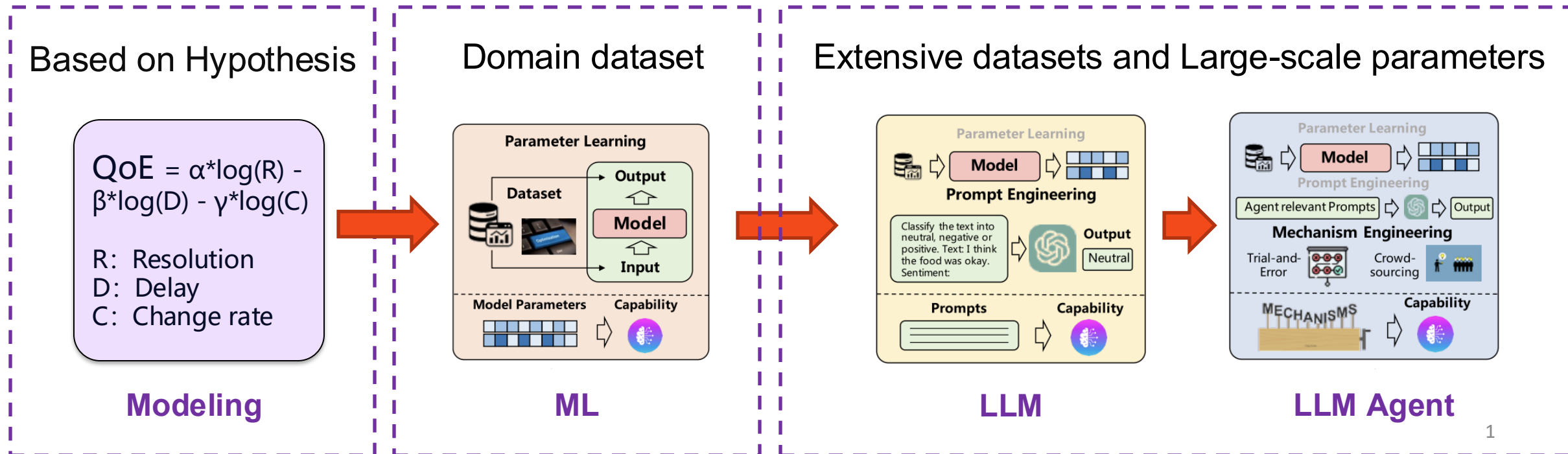
# Background & Motivation

- **Network Challenges:**

- Complex environments
- Diverse demands
- Rapid iteration cycles

- **LLMs' Emerging Capabilities:**

- Concept Understanding
- Logical Reasoning
- Tool Utilization



# Increased Attention on LLMs for Networking

- **HotNets 2023**

- November 2023 @ MIT
- Two sessions (2 out of 9) are dedicated to this topic.

**Session 6: Can LLMs Manage Networks?**

Session Chair: Nate Foster (Cornell)

**Adapting Foundation Models for Operator Data Analytics**

Manikanta Kotaru (Microsoft)

**A Holistic View of AI-driven Network Incident Management**

Pouya Hamadani (Microsoft Research, MIT); Behnaz Arzani, Sadjad Fouladi, Siva Kesava Rodrigo Fonseca (Azure Systems Research); Denizcan Billor, Ahmad Cheema, Edet Nkposo (Microsoft Research)

**What do LLMs need to Synthesize Correct Router Configurations?**

Rajdeep Mondal, Alan Tang (UCLA); Ryan Beckett (Microsoft Research); Todd Millstein, Ge

**Enhancing Network Management Using Code Generated by Large Language Models**

Sathiya Kumaran Mani (Microsoft); Yajie Zhou (Microsoft and Boston University); Kevin H. Segarra (Microsoft and Rice University); Trevor Eberl, Eliran Azulai, Ido Frizler, Ranveer Cl

**HotNets 2023: Twenty-Second ACM Workshop on Hot Topics in Networks**

November 28-29, 2023 — Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA



**Overview**

The Twenty-second ACM Workshop on Hot Topics in Networks (HotNets 2023) will bring together researchers in computer networks and systems to engage in a lively debate on the theory and practice of networking. HotNets provides a venue for discussing innovative ideas and for debating future research agendas in networking.

**Location**

[Samberg Conference Center](#)  
[50 Memorial Dr, Cambridge, MA 02142](#)  
6th floor, Dinning Room 5 & 6  
MIT



**Session 2: Can LLMs reason about networking problems, and their solution?**

Session Chair: Ranjita Bhagwan (Google)

**Towards Interactive Research Agents for Internet Incident Investigation**

Yajie Zhou, Nengneng Yu (Boston University); Zaoxing Liu (University of Maryland)

**PROSPER: Extracting Protocol Specifications Using Large Language Models**

Prakhar Sharma, Vinod Yegneswaran (SRI International)

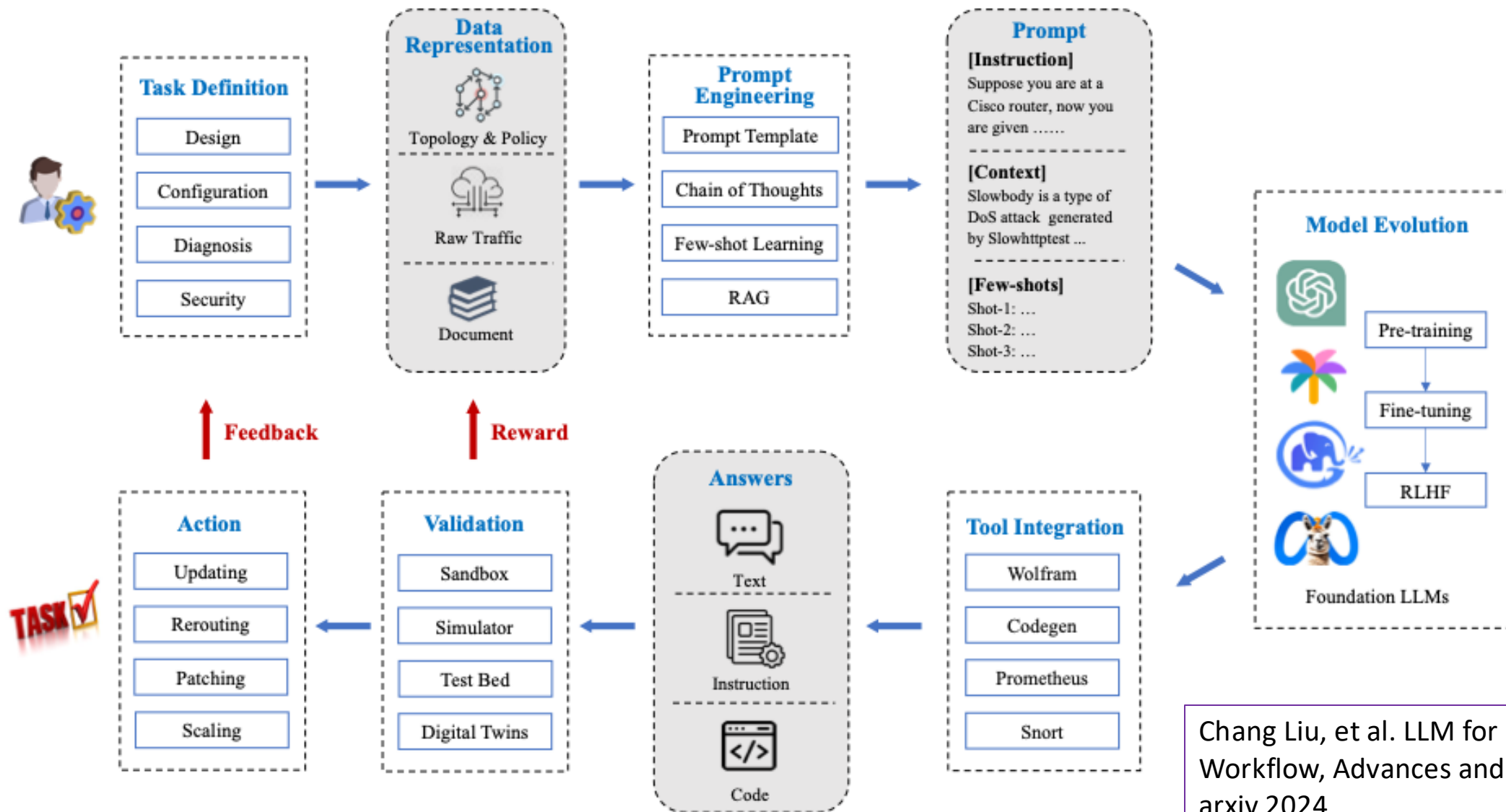
**Towards Integrating Formal Methods into ML-Based Systems for Networking**

Fengchen Gong, Divya Raghunathan, Aarti Gupta, Maria Apostolaki (Princeton Un

**Toward Reproducing Network Research Results Using Large Language Models**

Qiao Xiang, Yuling Lin, Mingjun Fan, Bang Huang, Siyong Huang, Ridi Wen (Xiamen University); Kong (Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China); Jiwu Shu (Xiamen University)

# Workflow for applying LLMs in Networking



Chang Liu, et al. LLM for Networking: Workflow, Advances and Challenges. arxiv 2024

# Challenges and Future Directions

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- **Understanding Multimodal Data**
  - Multimodal data plays a critical role in the networking domain
- **Prompt Engineering for Deliberate Reasoning**
  - Many networking tasks involve integrating multiple intermediate results to reach a final conclusion
  - multi-path reasoning processes, e.g., Tree of Thoughts or Graph of Thoughts
- **Network-specific LLMs**
  - Construct LLMs specialized for the networking domain to enhance efficiency and performance
- **Validation Environment**
  - Ensuring the reliability and safety of applying LLMs in networking presents a critical challenge

# Thanks

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# KIRA – Scalable Zero-Touch Routing

KIRA: Kademlia-directed ID-based Routing Architecture

- **Scalability:** 100,000s of nodes (in a single domain)
- **Zero-touch:** no configuration required
- **Goal:** provide highly resilient **autonomous control plane connectivity**
- **Need this in every networked device** → IETF Standard
- **Internet-Draft:** <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-bleess-rtgwg-kira/>
  - Comments welcome!
  - **Running code** provides zero-touch IPv6 connectivity
- **Looking for:** collaborations toward BoF & implementers
- **Side meeting/BarBOF:**  
**Wednesday Nov 6th, 19.00–20.00h, Wicklow Meeting Room 4**
  - Q&A, collaboration

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More Info



<https://s.kit.edu/KIRA>

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Update on the  
**Universal Name System (UNS)** and **Universal Certificate Authority (UCA)**

**About Extrinsic, Intrinsic,  
Decentralized, and Stem Identifiers**

# **A new type of identifiers**

for complex digital entities

Entities need inherent

**individuality, authenticity, history, and relationships**

Requires assurance of provenance, integrity, and confidentiality  
for data objects across distributed systems

# Why bring it to IETF?

Pretty much everything is a complex digital entity,  
with its **own lifecycle and relationships** with other entities

People, organizations, chips, IoT devices, code snippets,  
executables, workloads, any item in any supply chain...

**Extrinsic  
Identifier**

**Trusted  
Roles**



**Data  
Object**

Identifier persists when data object changes but  
requires trust, undermines integrity and confidentiality

**Intrinsic  
Identifier**

**Math**



**Data  
Object**

Mathematical integrity but  
identifier changes when data object changes

+ **Public-Private Key Pairs**  
**(Trusted roles)**

**Decentralized  
Identifier**

**Math**



**Data  
Object**

Mathematical integrity but

assumes secure key management without verifiability

**+ Trusted Execution  
Environments**

**Stem  
Identifier**

**Math**



**Data  
Object**

Mathematical integrity and verifiability,  
enables “stemcryption” for provenance and confidentiality

## Stem Identifier (StemID)

Random 256-bit with full entropy

Exclusively generated and managed in TEEs

Identifier AND key simultaneously

**c1KXzxfVRf1JIJYVKq4zMGixUBGOF3J4LRrDHeJxpHk**

# **“Stemcryption”**

Encryption with keys derived from a StemID  
or with keys themselves stemcrypted

**Entity StemID # relationship\_string # keyname\_string**

**#** is the HMAC function

symmetric signature *and* key derivation function

# **Universal Name System (UNS)**

A global, decentralized, automated, verified cryptographic name system unified across all types of entities: people, organizations, physical things, and digital things

# **Universal Certificate Authority (UCA)**

A global, decentralized, automated, verified key infrastructure to solve provenance, integrity, authenticity, reputation, confidentiality, and privacy

Side Meeting in **Wicklow Meeting Room 4 (WMR4)** on **Mon @ 13:30**

**UNS / UCA overview** and **updates** since IETF 120, and **conversation**

**Discuss collaboration and coalition** for neutral governance

Figure out **whether/how to bring this work to the IETF**

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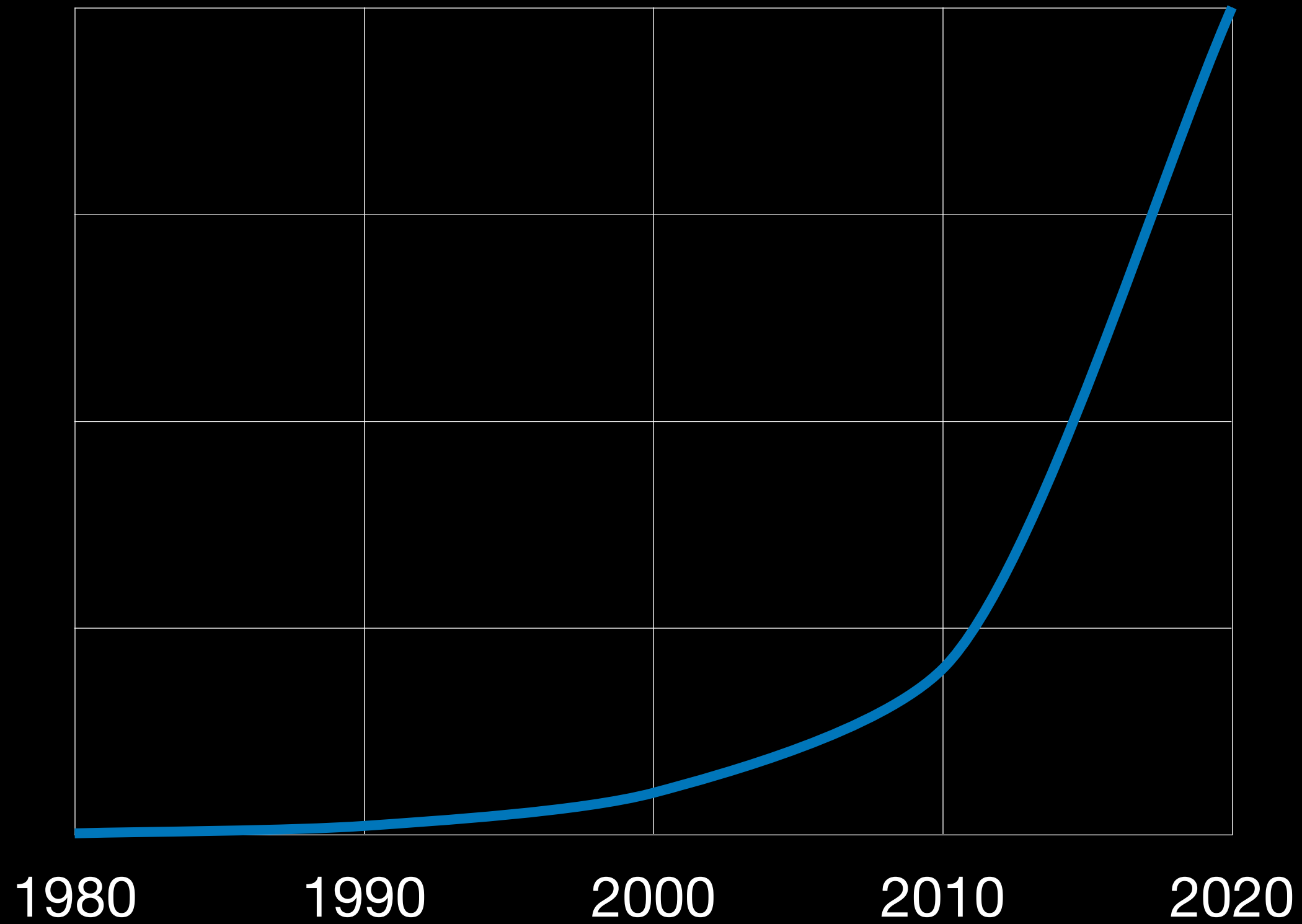
# Roundtrips Per Minute (RPM)

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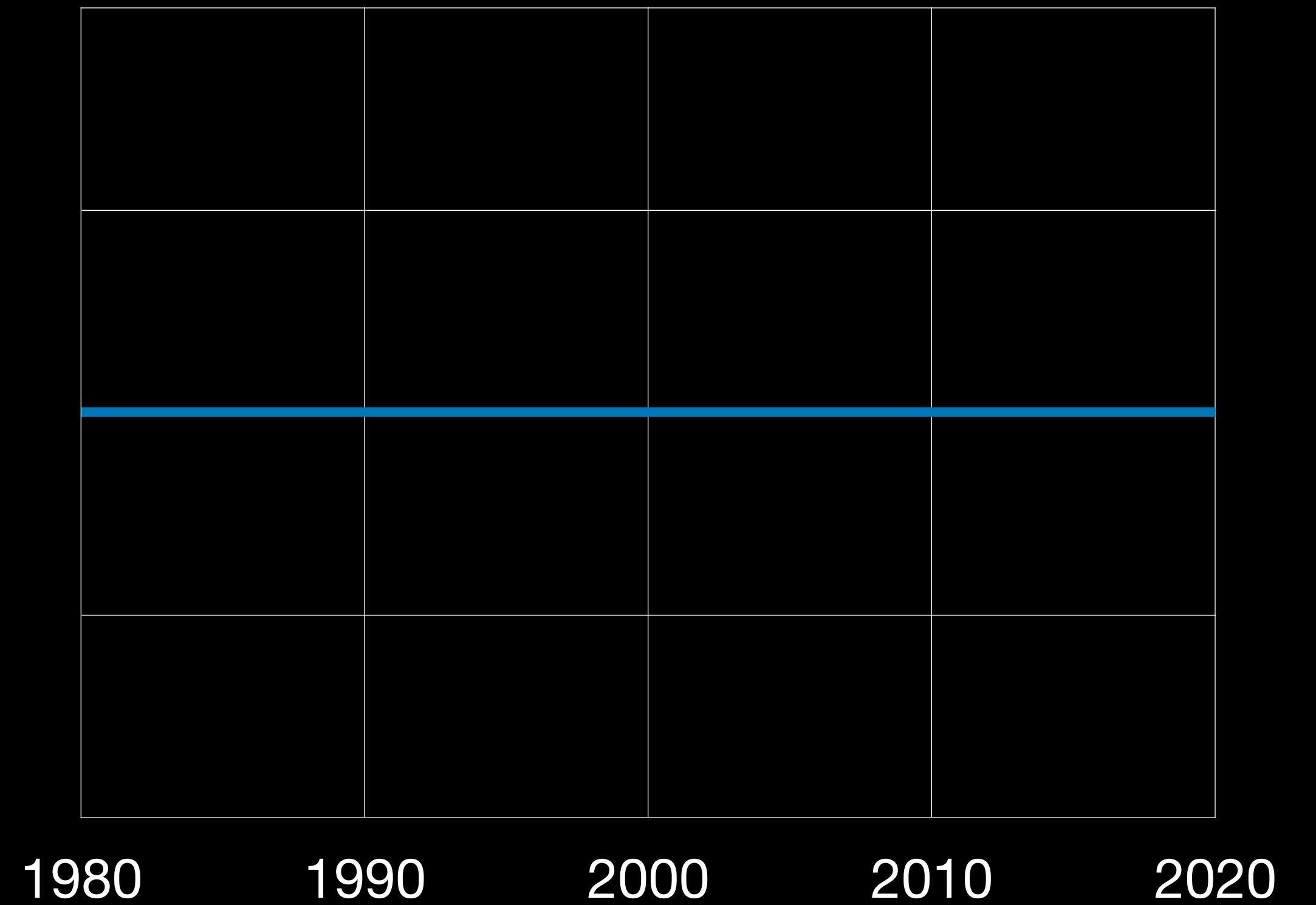
Stuart Cheshire, Apple

# Bandwidth and Latency

## Bandwidth



## Working Latency



# Why has Working Latency stagnated?

Engineers improve what they can measure

- Lots of tools measure throughput
- We measure latency badly — only on idle networks

Bufferbloat is still common

We still accept videoconferencing glitches

# New Latency Measurement Tool

## Roundtrips Per Minute (RPM)

Measures latency while network is used, not when it is idle

Reports responsiveness — reciprocal of latency

- Latency, measured in time (e.g., milliseconds)
- $1/\text{latency}$  gives frequency (Hz)
- Multiply by 60 to get Roundtrips Per Minute (RPM)
- Typical result reported as three-digit or four-digit integer
- Bigger numbers are better

# Call to Videoconferencing Engineers and other delay-sensitive applications

Is our RPM test measuring the delay properties you care about?

- 90<sup>th</sup> percentile delay? 95<sup>th</sup> percentile? 99<sup>th</sup> percentile?

Reading: draft-ietf-ippm-responsiveness

Discussion: IPPM meeting, 13:00 - 15:00 Monday

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# Formal Analysis of Attested TLS for Confidential Computing

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# Attested TLS

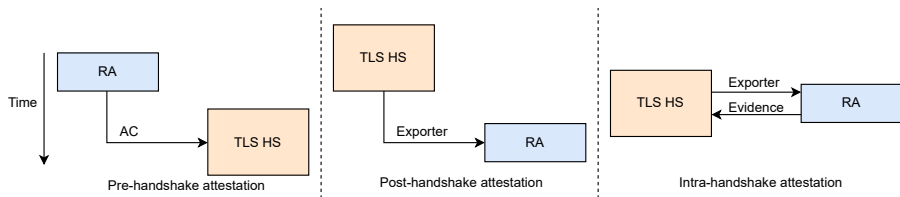
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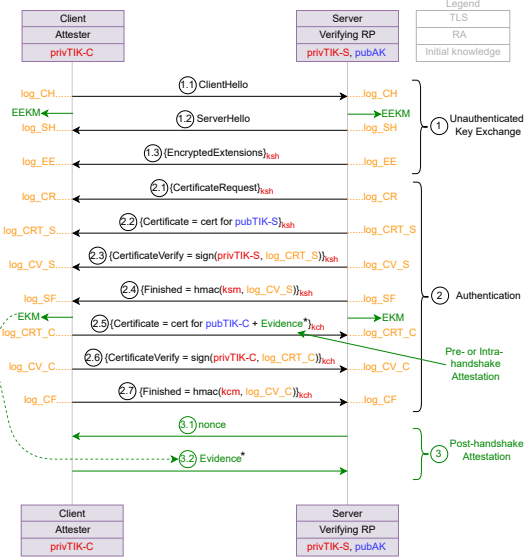
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# Generic Protocol (Client as Attester)



# What's done: Pre-handshake attestation (Intel's RA-TLS)

- Intel neither specified **protocol** nor **properties**
- RATS WG is **too vague** and **incomplete** about security considerations
  - RATS Architecture<sup>2</sup>, e.g., **errata**<sup>3</sup>
  - Interaction models<sup>4</sup>, e.g., **issue**<sup>5</sup>
- Tool: **ProVerif**

Property	Without privEK leak	With privEK leak
Freshness of evidence	× (1.7 s)	× (6 min 56 s)
Server authentication	✓ (4.6 s)	× (2 min 08 s)

**Table:** Verification results and times for RA-TLS protocol

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<sup>2</sup><https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc9334>

<sup>3</sup>[https://www.rfc-editor.org/errata\\_search.php?rfc=9334](https://www.rfc-editor.org/errata_search.php?rfc=9334)

<sup>4</sup><https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-ietf-rats-reference-interaction-models/11/>

<sup>5</sup><https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/draft-ietf-rats-reference-interaction-models/issues/58>

# What we are looking for?

- Seek **collaborators** knowledgeable in at least one of:
  - TLS
  - Remote attestation
  - Formal methods (Symbolic security analysis)
  - Confidential computing

and interested in precisely specifying **further properties** of attested TLS

- **Side meetings**
  - **Basic** attested TLS tutorial: **Tuesday 9:30-11:30**, Wicklow Hall 2A
  - **Advanced** attested TLS tutorial: **Wednesday 9:30-11:30**, Wicklow Hall 2A

# Pointers to resources

- Pre-handshake attestation<sup>6</sup>
- Intra-handshake attestation<sup>7</sup>
- Post-handshake attestation: Sec. 4 in this paper<sup>8</sup>
- Remote Attestation for Confidential Computing<sup>9</sup>
- Repo for attestation<sup>10</sup>
- Some recent slides and videos<sup>11</sup>
- Slides from side-meeting at IETF 120<sup>12</sup>
- #attested-tls on IETF slack

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<sup>6</sup>[https://www.researchgate.net/publication/385384309\\_Towards\\_Validation\\_of\\_TLS\\_13\\_Forma1\\_Model\\_and\\_Vulnerabilities\\_in\\_Intel's\\_RA-TLS\\_Protocol](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/385384309_Towards_Validation_of_TLS_13_Forma1_Model_and_Vulnerabilities_in_Intel's_RA-TLS_Protocol)

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<sup>10</sup><https://github.com/CCC-Attestation/formal-spec-TEE>

<sup>11</sup><https://github.com/CCC-Attestation/formal-spec-KBS>

<sup>12</sup>[https://www.researchgate.net/publication/382489639\\_Presentation\\_Interactive\\_Tutorial\\_Attested\\_TLS\\_and\\_Formalization](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/382489639_Presentation_Interactive_Tutorial_Attested_TLS_and_Formalization)

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*Invitation to:*

# Side Meeting on Introduction to Originator Profile Technology

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Originator Profile Collaborative Innovation Partnership (OP CIP)  
(Also: Keio University / WIDE Project)

<https://originator-profile.org/en-US/>



# What is OP

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- Enables end users to identify the originator/publisher of information (content) on the internet, rather than certifying whether content is correct or constitutes mis/disinformation
- What OP provides for the media outlets on the Web
  - Content fragment origin authenticity verification by **Content Attestation**
  - The origin identity — **Originator Profile (OP)** — includes proof of existence, info on multiple third party certification, etc.

# OP implementation example on Yomiuri Shimbun Online

**Yomiuri Online (News Media)**

大谷翔平、2打席連続で適時二塁打...「50-50」まであと3本塁打・2盗塁のまま

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説明  
【アトランタ（米ジョージア州）＝帯津智昭】米大リーグ・ドジャースの大谷翔平は15日（日本時間16日）、敵地アトランタでのプレーブス戦に1番指名打者で出場し、五、七回に2打席連続で右翼線への適時二塁打を放った。4打数2安打2打点で、今季106打点と...

故意四球だった。

大谷翔平、1番DHで出場も2試合連続ノーヒット...ドジャースも大敗

WI-Fi導入まるわかりガイド無料  
資料申し込み(無料)。WI-Fiで課題解決・導入のステップ・導入規模別見積例 バッファロー

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# Components

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- Common Technology (Generic)
  - Identity
  - Data Model
  - Presentation
- Baseline Governance Model
- Application Specific Implementation
  - Web Contents Authenticity

# Originator Profile Collaborative Innovation Partnership (OP CIP)

- OP CIP conducts the development and demonstration experiments of OP technology with the participation of major Japanese media including NHK, IT companies, media platforms, advertising companies as part of this project, currently 48 members
- **Members:** Akita Sakigake Shimpō, The Asahi Shimbun Company, WebDINO Japan, ADK Marketing Solutions Inc., The Ehime Shimbun, The Kahoku Shimpō Publishing, Kyodo News, The Kyoto Shimbun, The Kochi Shimbun, The Kobe Shimbun, The Saga Shimbun, SEARCHLIGHT, Sankei Shimbun, The Sanyo Shimbun, Jiji Press, The Shizuoka Shimbun, The Shinano Mainichi Shimbun, The Japan Times, Shogakukan, SmartNews Inc., Dai Nippon Printing, The Chugoku Shimbun, The Chunichi Shimbun, Tokyo Broadcasting System Television, Dentsu Inc., Dentsu Soken, The Niigata Nippo, Nikkei, Nippon Television Network Corporation, Nippon Telegraph and Telephone, Japan Broadcasting Corporation, News Corp, Hakuodo DY Media Partners Inc., Video Research, The Fukushima Minyu Shimbun, Fuji Television Network, fluct, The Hokkaido Shimbun Press, THE HOKKOKU SHIMBUN, The Mainichi Newspapers, magaport, The Miyazaki Nichi Nichi Shimbun, Momentum, The Yomiuri Shimbun, LY Corporation
- **Individual Members:** Jun Murai (Professor of Keio university, Co-Chairs, Cyber Civilization Research Center), Shigeya Suzuki (Project Professor, Graduate School of Media & Governance, Keio University), Tatsuya Kurosaka (Project Associate Professor, Graduate School of Media & Governance, Keio University), Tatsuhiko Yamamoto (Professor, Keio University Law School)

## Participating Companies



# For more information:

## Public Side Meeting on Monday Lunchtime

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- Date/Time: Monday, November 4th 12:30-13:30
- Location: Wicklow Hall 2A
- Intentionally overlap 30min into lunch time
  - 25 min for presentation (with Video), followed by Q&A + Discussions
- Or find and ask me during IETF 121
- Or visit web site:
  - <https://originator-profile.org/en-US/>
  - FAQ is available: <https://originator-profile.org/en-US/faq/>

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# Preventing denial of service attacks on TLS handshakes

Client puzzle and exploration of other approaches



# Problem

- TLS handshakes are fundamentally asymmetric in computational effort
- Seems to be actually exploited in practice

source on active attacks: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pBNMWvfl05g>

# Client puzzles

- Direct throttling of client request by requiring them to do calculations
- Nygren draft:  
<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/draft-nygren-tls-client-puzzles-02>
- Revival: <https://github.com/tweedegolf/draft-TLS-client-puzzles>  
(submitted as I-D under draft-venhoek-tls-client-puzzles-00)

# Alternate solutions

- Faster signatures (batching)
- Optimizing handshakes/packet handling
- Other suggestions?

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# TCP\_REPLENISH\_TIME

HotRFC, IETF 121 Dublin, November 2024

Stuart Cheshire, Apple

# Source-Device Bufferbloat

April 2011

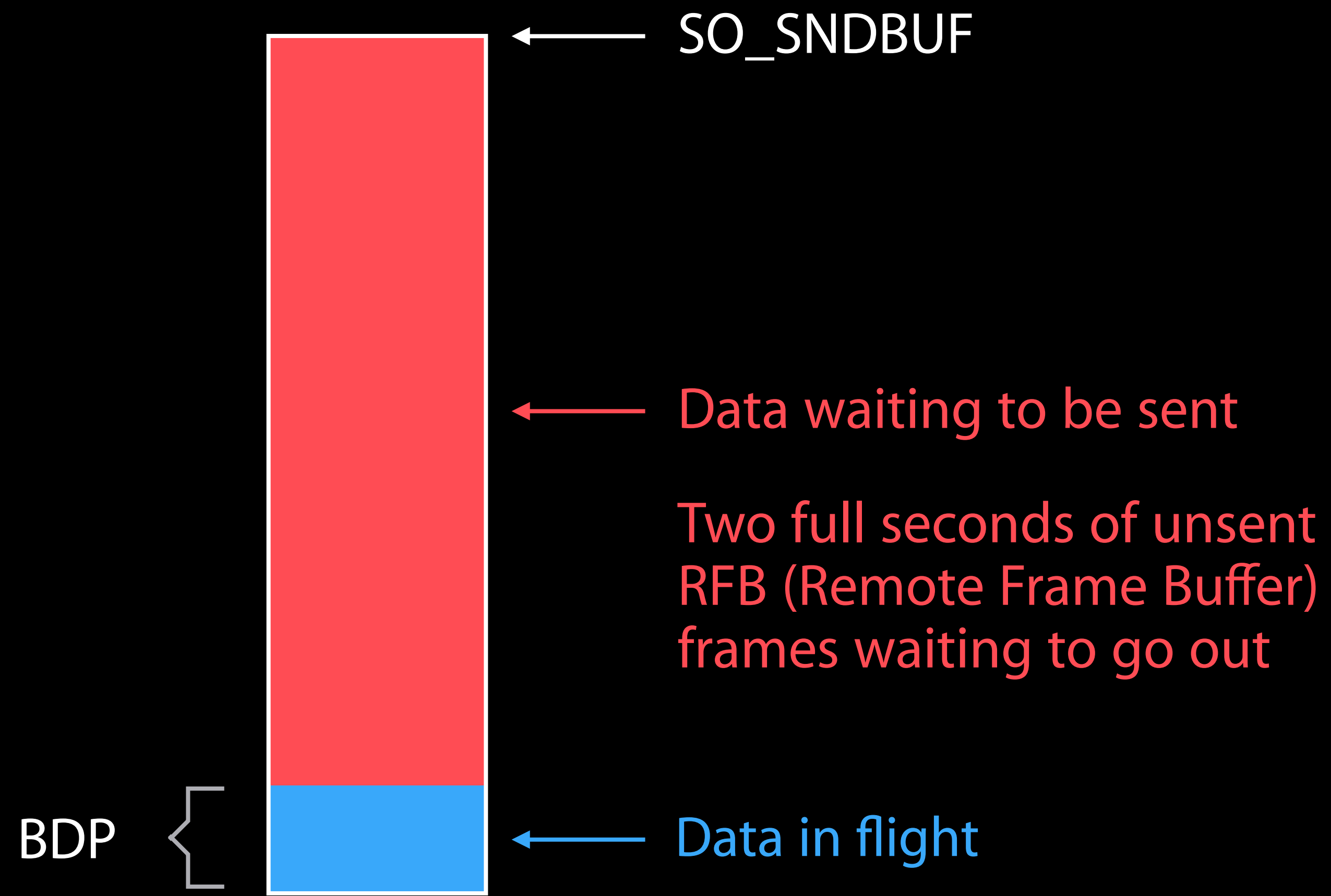
Mac OS Screen Sharing sluggish on slow networks

Network Bufferbloat suspected

Real cause was excessive buffering by the sender

# Sluggish Screen Sharing

## Source-device Bufferbloat



# TCP\_NOTSENT\_LOWAT

## TCP Not-Sent Low-Water Mark

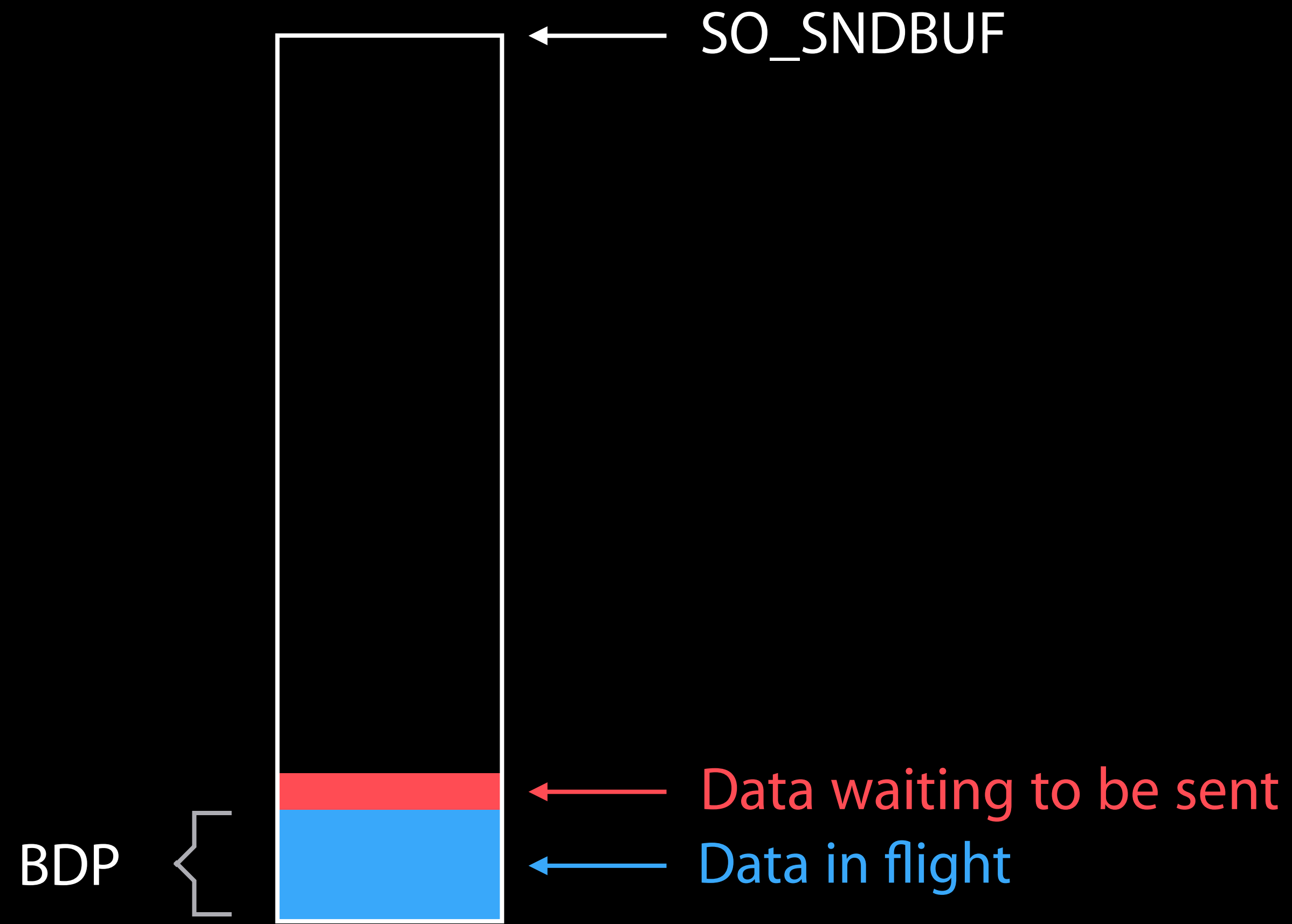
kevent() doesn't signal application to generate a new compressed frame until TCP is almost ready to need more data

Fixes excessive sender-side buffering for real-time delay-sensitive applications

See Apple WWDC 2015 video "Your App and Next Generation Networks"

# Snappy Screen Sharing

## Using TCP\_NOTSENT\_LOWAT



# TCP\_NOTSENT\_LOWAT problems

## Low-Water Mark specified in bytes

16 kilobytes (about ten Ethernet frames) works pretty well, but...

- Can be too much on low-rate networks (e.g., 250 kb/s and less)
- Can be too little on high-rate networks (e.g., Gb/s and above)
- Would be better if specified in time (milliseconds, or microseconds) indicating how much notice the application needs to generate next chunk of data

# TCP\_NOTSENT\_LOWAT problems

## Inconsistent across different platforms

On Mac OS and iOS, socket option determines low-water mark

- When unsent backlog falls below low-water mark, application is *signaled* (e.g., via kqueue) to generate more data
- Application can then atomically write as much as makes sense for that application, up to SO\_SNDBUF

On Linux, socket option determines high-water mark

- Application is *prevented* from writing more than high-water mark
- Can severely reduce throughput if TCP\_NOTSENT\_LOWAT set to 16 kB

# TCP\_REPLENISH\_TIME

## Opportunity to fix this

New mechanism specified in terms of how much *time* an application needs to generate its next chunk of real-time delay-sensitive data

Make it work the same for all transport protocols, on all platforms

- TCP, QUIC, etc.
- Linux, FreeBSD, Windows, MacOS, iOS, etc.

Side Meeting, 19:00-20:00 Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November, Wicklow Meeting Room 4

- If interested, email Stuart Cheshire <cheshire@apple.com> with TCP\_REPLENISH\_TIME in subject line by noon on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November

May look to form IETF Working Group if people feel that is appropriate next step

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*Proposal for a new RG*

# SUSTAIN

## Sustainability and the Internet



Ali Rezaki, Eve Schooler, Michael Welzl

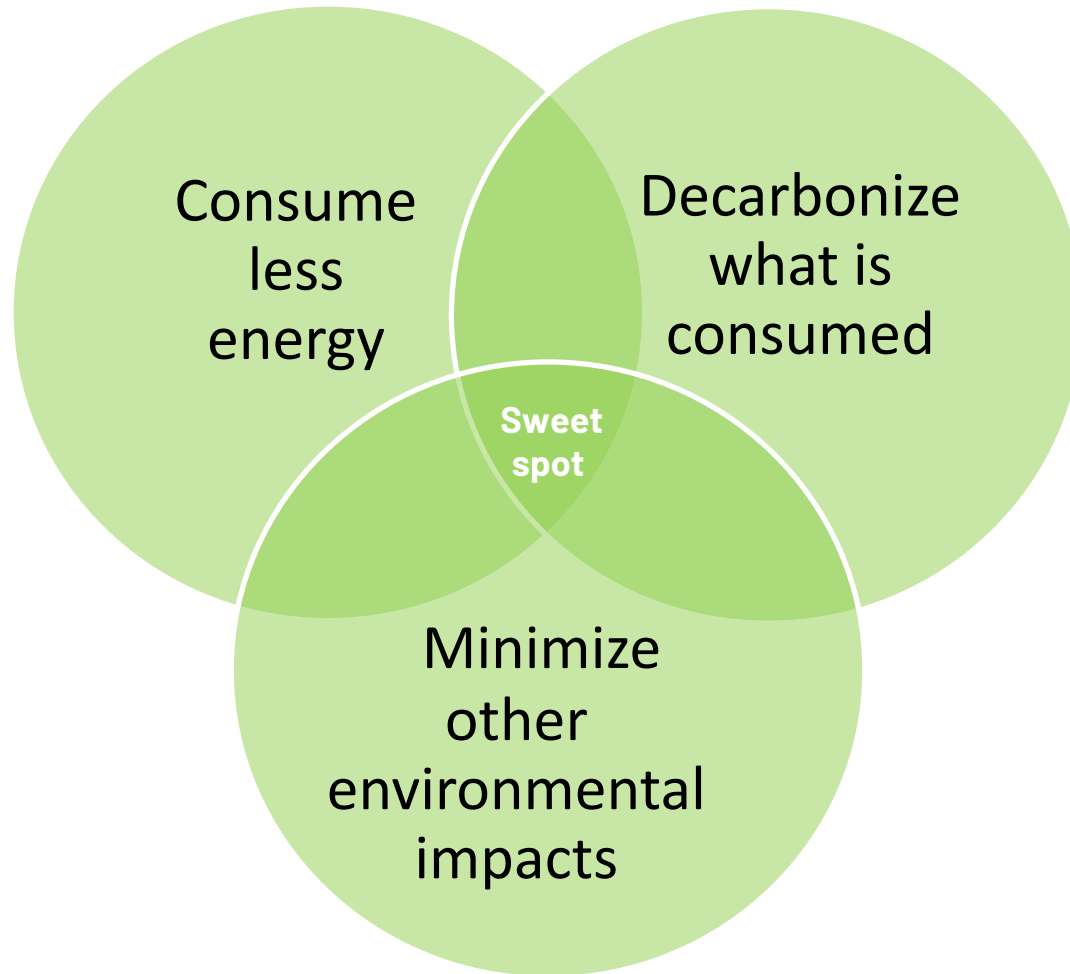
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Sunday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

# Backdrop

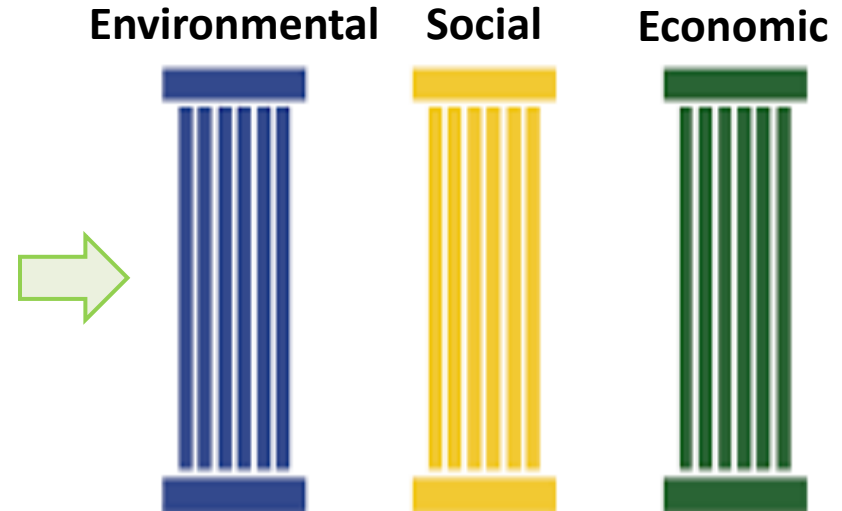
- Urgency to address UN IPCC recommendations
  - 1.5C degree threshold - minimize climate change impact
- Timeline to reduce GHG emissions
  - 50 % by 2030
  - 100 % by 2050
- ICT contribution to GHG emissions sizeable and growing
  - Network impact rivals Data Center
- Exacerbated by growth of AI

# Traditional Sustainability Goals?



# Broader Sustainability Pillars

“Meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.”



# Vision

Contribute to the advancement of the Internet as a fundamental part of a sustainable and resilient society and planet, through conceptual and evidence-based research collaboration

# Scope: From a **Networking Design Perspective...**

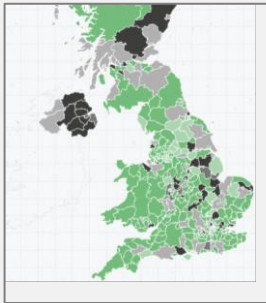
- Explore research challenges developing and operating a sustainable Internet
  - examine **longer-term research**
  - and its **trustworthy dissemination**
- Investigate **architectural and policy implications**
  - without going into advocacy actions
- Consider **footprint & handprint**, *i.e.*,
  - Sustainability of the Internet
  - Internet for Sustainability

# Beyond the Technical

## Country-Scale Electricity Usage

- Internet networking is on par with many developed nations

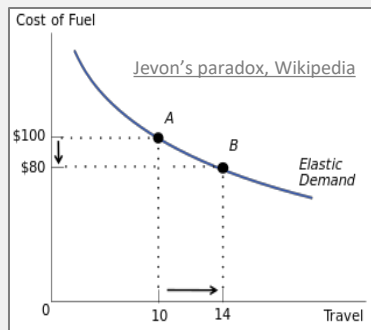
<https://carboncopy.eco/local-climate-action>



**Who/How to effectively, responsibly manage?**

## Tackling Jevon's Paradox

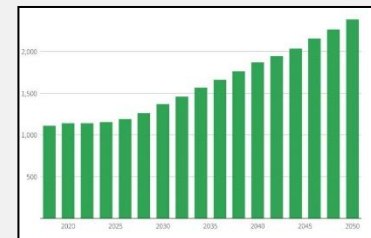
- Increased efficiency →  
Reduced cost →  
Greater usage



**How to make efficiency gains stick?**

## Huge eGrid Growth & Transition

- 2x-4x electricity needed to electrify transportation
- Edge-ification and Renewables
- ICT as a virtual battery



**Disruption = Opportunity!**

# More Internet Sustainability Concerns

## Financial Incentive: Tax Credits

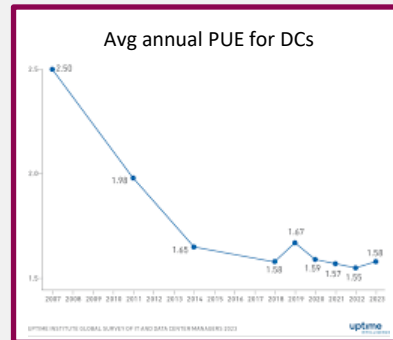
- A huge lever to incent the (US) infrastructure to transition to renewables



**Accelerate the uptake of  
renewable energy!**

## Policy: DC Standards

- Server power efficiency timelines
- Unintended consequences



**Voluntary → Mandated**

## Ethics

- ***“If country X wants to be a world leader in AI”***
  - **Q:** should they support AI’s unbounded use of electricity?
- ***“If AI holds the promise to accelerate innovation”***
  - **Q:** should AI receive special compensation re emissions goals?

# Solicit Research Contributions



## Investigation

- **Footprint reductions** of Internet networking (environmental, social, financial), with awareness of lifecycles and supply chains
- Environmental **limits & boundaries**, e.g., for safety
- Relationship between **sustainability and architecture**, differing approaches to network design, tradeoffs
- Novel steps toward energy efficiency, energy savings and **energy proportionality**; progress towards overall GHG emissions reductions, like **carbon-aware** routing, carbon-aware traffic steering and carbon-aware data transmission
- The **interplay between energy-networking infrastructures**, e.g., role of renewables to power Internet and on-demand Internet to consume excess renewables

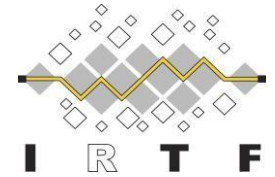
## Understanding

- Role of **policy and regulation**
- Potential for **rebound effects**
- **Incentivization** of sustainability
- New methodologies, architectures and strategies to ensure Internet **resilience**

# Mode of Operation

- Invite participation from industry, academia, govt
  - Meet regularly, encouraging hybrid participation
- Coordinate with others
  - RGs (ICN, DIN, GAIA, HRPC)
  - WGs (GREEN, TVR, OPSWG)
  - E-impact, ISOC, other SDOs, consortia
- Produce Informational RFCs on SoTA, gaps, etc
  - Defer standardization to the IETF

# Come to the Side Meeting!

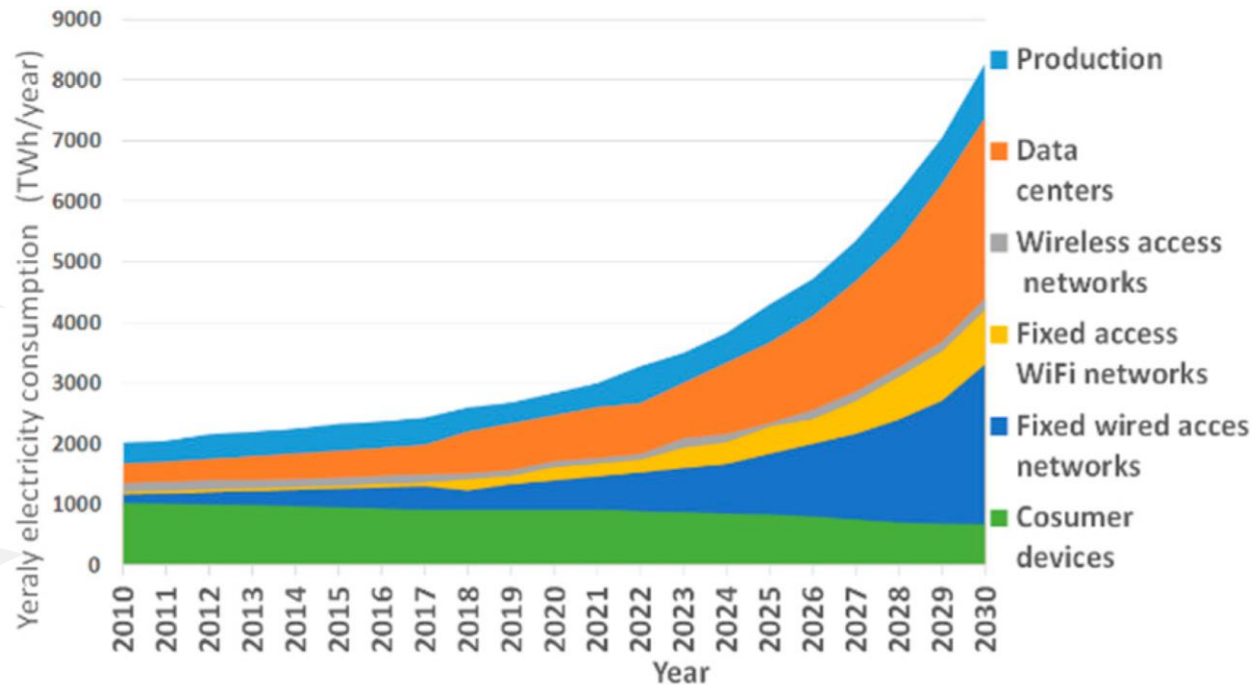


- **What:** Discuss proposed SUSTAIN RG charter
- **When:** Weds, Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 14:30 (UTC+0)
- **Where:** Wicklow Hall 2A
  
- **Who:**  
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Eve Schooler <[eve.schooler@gmail.com](mailto:eve.schooler@gmail.com)>  
Michael Welzl [michawe@ifi.uio.no](mailto:michawe@ifi.uio.no)
  
- **GitHub repository:**  
[https://github.com/rezaki-ali/IRTF\\_SUSTAIN\\_RG](https://github.com/rezaki-ali/IRTF_SUSTAIN_RG)

**BACKUP**

# ICT Electricity Usage...Growing Significantly

*Q: Measured vs Projected?*



**Information Communication Technology (ICT)**

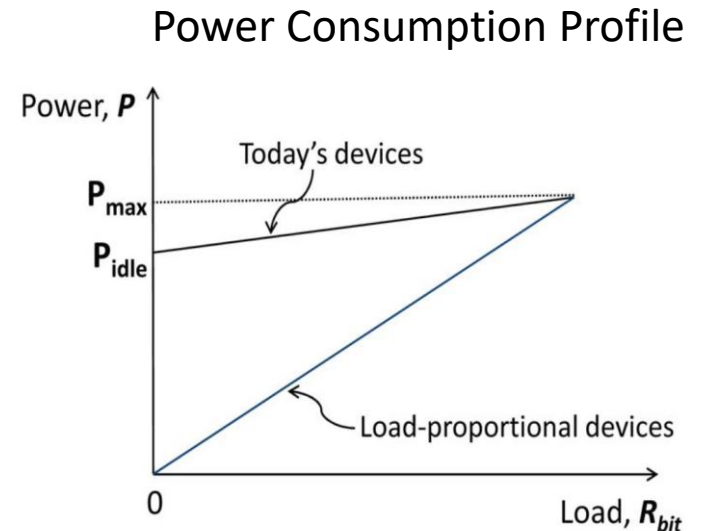
projected energy usage as a percentage of total electricity **is notable!**

*(2%-24% forecasts)*

Source: Lorincz, Josip, Antonio Capone, and Jinsong Wu. "Greener, energy-efficient and sustainable networks: state-of-the-art and new trends" Sensors, (2019): 4864.

# Sustainable Network Challenges

- **Many Networks are NOT *power-proportional***
  - Same energy expended irrespective of traffic load
- **Network *idle power* is significant**
  - Often very close to max power
- **Networks are vastly *overprovisioned***
  - Few network elements support *sleep states*
- **Networks are not *carbon-aware***



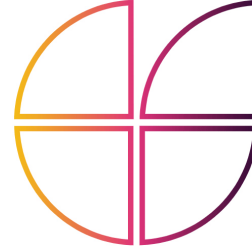
Source: "Modeling Energy Consumption in High-Capacity Routers and Switches", A. Vishwanath et al, IEEE JSAC, Vol.32, No.8, Aug 2014

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# **Real-Time Telemetry for Carbon-Aware Networking: Measuring and Reducing Environmental Impact**

**Presenter: Dr Omid Tavallaie**  
**Postdoctoral Researcher**  
**University of Oxford**

**IETF 121 Dublin**  
**November 2024**

# Growing Environmental Impact of Networking

- ❑ The Information and Communications Technology (ICT) sector, which includes data networks, currently consumes approximately **2-3% of the world's electricity**.
- ❑ By **2030**, this could grow to **8-21%** if left unchecked due to rapid global internet expansion and increased device usage.
- ❑ Unlike data centers, which have seen improvements in efficiency, networks have lagged behind
  - **complexities** in measurement
- ❑ Data transmission has become a significant, yet often overlooked, source of carbon emissions.

# Challenges in Measuring Network Power Consumption

- ❑ Quantifying and subsequently reducing the consumption of electricity is no easy task:
  - Many contributors (client device, infrastructure, communication links)
  - Lack of awareness of the problem
  - Lack of **standards**
  - Lack of **tools for collecting data**
  
- ❑ Current network monitoring tools **collect traditional metrics** (latency, throughput, and packet loss).
  - Related to **performance or security**, rather than power consumption and its link to carbon impact
  
- ❑ Much of the work on power consumption has focused on **data centers**, rather than end-to-end networked systems.

# Carbon Intensity as a Key to Network Emissions

- ❑ Knowing the total electricity usage is not enough.
- ❑ The **carbon-intensity** of that electricity must be derived to determine **the carbon footprint** of network elements.
- ❑ **Carbon intensity** is defined as the amount of carbon by weight emitted **per unit of energy** consumed.
- ❑ The data that we do have suggests that networks are a **dominant component** in the carbon footprint of digital infrastructure.

# Enabling Real-Time Carbon Efficiency in Networking

- To properly account for the **carbon efficiency** of networking, we argue for an **end-to-end approach**, specifically:
  - Devices should be able to report their **real-time or near real-time** electricity consumption.
  - Devices should be able to report the **carbon-intensity** or quality of consumed electricity.
  - Applications and services should **react in (near) real-time** to carbon-related information collected from the network.

# Challenges in Network Telemetry for Carbon Reporting

- ❑ Network equipment manufacturers tend to report **the maximum power consumption** of a platform.
  - The difference between **average and maximum** may be large (or small).
  - This may not accurately represent the actual platform carbon emissions.
  
- ❑ The absence of **hardware support** within the platform does not mean that we need to wait for new devices to come to the market.
  - It is possible to leverage **proxy data** that will indicate usage.
  
- ❑ To make use of the real-time information, there is a need for an **end-to-end reporting mechanism**.
  - Similar to in-network telemetry used for end-to-end network performance

# Challenges in Network Telemetry for Carbon Reporting

- ❑ Electricity consumption **is not an indication** of carbon emissions.
  - The carbon intensity of the energy source must be factored in.
  
- ❑ A distinction could be made between elements consuming electricity from **renewable energy sources** versus **fossil fuel**.
  
- ❑ The availability of carbon intensity data is not without its challenges:
  - While many regions globally are making carbon intensity data available publicly, **coverage is incomplete**.
  - The **frequency of the data updates** varies considerably across regions.
  - The measurement data must also be **verifiable**.

# Challenges in Network Telemetry for Carbon Reporting

- ❑ Both the **energy provider**, and **the network operator**, would need to add new support.
- ❑ The energy provider should send **electricity-quality information** (periodically or through dedicated API).
- ❑ The network operator should **process and propagate** this information as part of in-network telemetry (INT) updates.

# Conclusion

- ❑ Networking needs to be **carbon-efficient**, like any other part of digital infrastructure.
- ❑ To achieve real progress, **standard metrics** need to be supported and reported by network devices.
- ❑ We call on the IETF community to join the effort to **define these metrics**. Together, we can make networking truly **green**.

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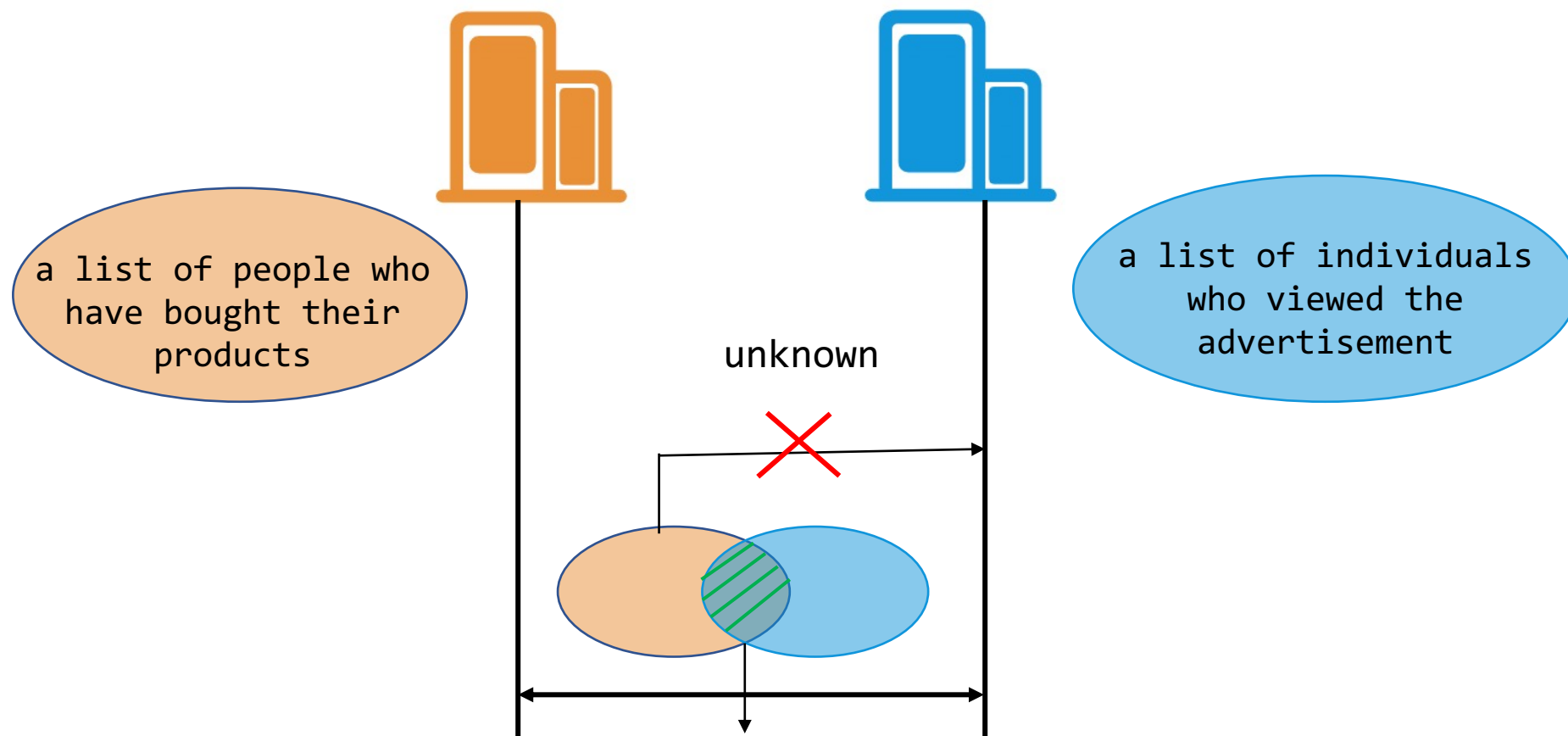


# PSI based on ECDH

Presenter: Wenting Chang from Alipay

## Use case 1: Joint marketing

Company A and Company B have their own customer lists and want to work together on a joint marketing campaign to target customers who may be interested in both companies. Using PSI technology, two companies can identify the intersecting customer base.



Using ECDH-PSI, the effect of an advertisement can be accurately calculated, without revealing any extra information about the users.

## Use case 2: Promotion of bank card user activation

Banks implement various initiatives to attract new users to open bank cards and make their first transactions. For inactive bank card users, banks will focus on popular payment scenarios such as grocery and dining expenditures, offering payment discounts to encourage users to transition to bank cards for transactions.



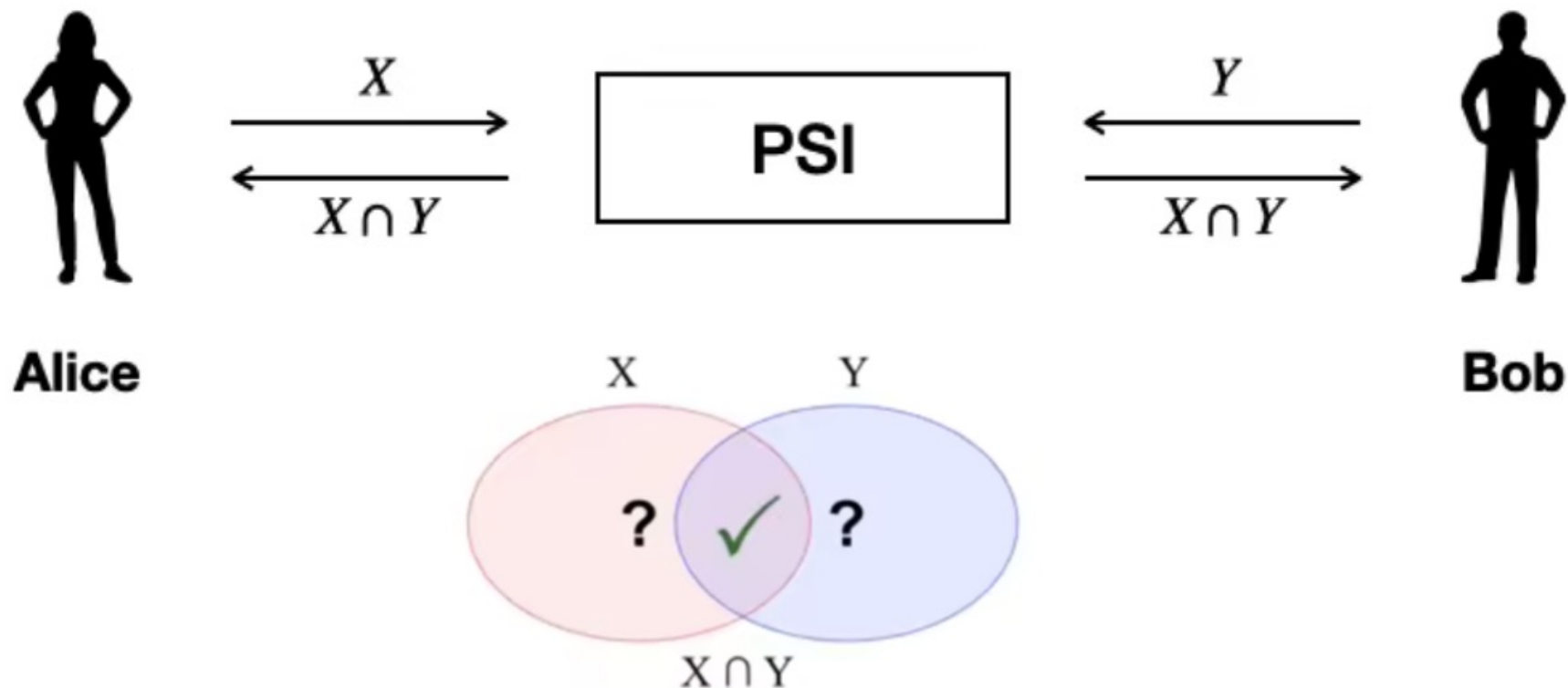
Reach out online shopping customers to use bank card



offer discounts to encourage users to pay money with bank card

Banks perform PSI with e-commerce and other platforms to identify potential targets for user activation.

Private Set Intersection (PSI) enables between two or more parties to **identify overlapping data elements while preserving the confidentiality of each party's complete dataset.**



- **A protocol** to negotiate required parameters and exchange data
- The negotiation and data **message structure** to realize grammar and semantic consistency

## PSI algorithm comparison

PSI algorithm	Characteristic
HASH-based PSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• higher performance</li> <li>• lower security, e.g. unilateral exhaustive attack</li> </ul>
Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman (ECDH) based PSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• limited communication bandwidth</li> <li>• moderate computation requirement</li> <li>• be capable for handling data at the scale of billions</li> </ul>
Garbled Circuit based PSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• higher communication bandwidth</li> <li>• higher computation requirement</li> <li>• Higher design complexity</li> </ul>
oblivious transfer (OT) based PSI <sup>1)</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• higher communication bandwidth</li> <li>• lower computation requirement</li> </ul>
Vole based PSI <sup>2)</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• algorithm is continuously iterative</li> <li>• lower communication bandwidth</li> <li>• easily construct malicious security PSI</li> </ul>
Fully Homomorphic Encryption based PSI <sup>3)</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• higher computation requirement</li> <li>• lower communication bandwidth</li> <li>• fully homomorphic algorithm is still evolving</li> </ul>

This contribution focus on ECDH-PSI algorithm, since it's readily deployable with limited bandwidth demands and strong security, and the performance can be improved by **multithreading and distributed optimization**

1) Vladimir Kolesnikov, Ranjit Kumaresan, Mike Rosulek, Ni Trieu. Efficient Batched Oblivious PRF with Applications to Private Set Intersection

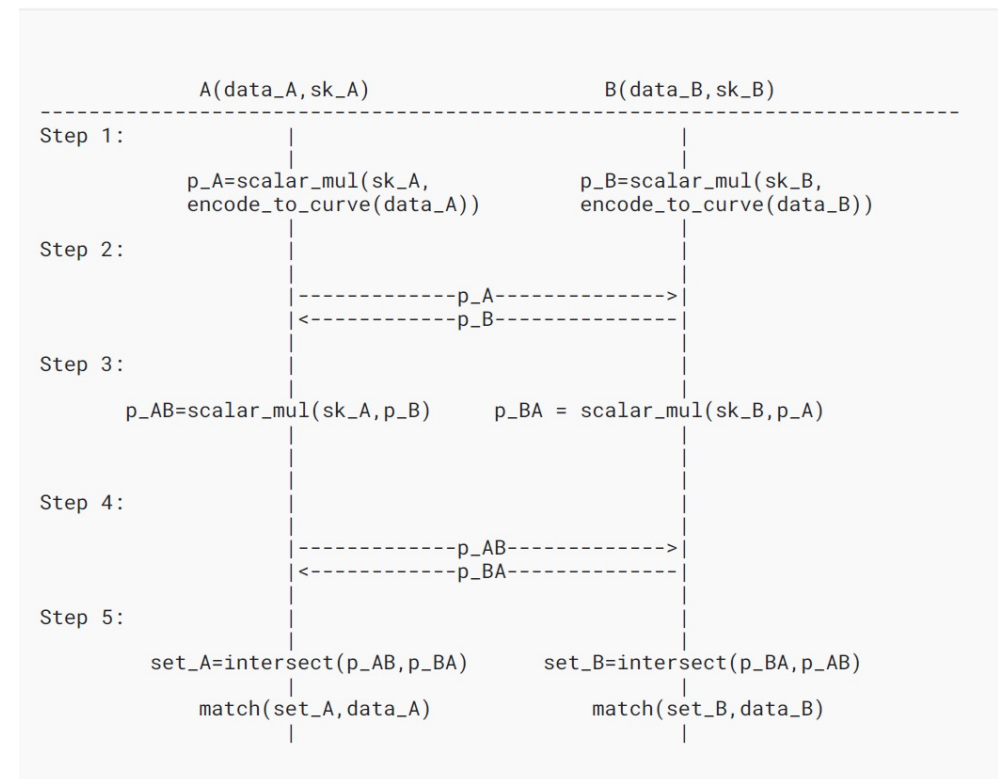
2) S.Raghuraman, P. Rindal. Blazing Fast PSI from Improved OKVS and Subfield VOLE

3) Hao Chen, Zhicong Huang, Kim Laine, Peter Rindal. Labeled PSI from Fully Homomorphic Encryption with Malicious Security,

## Overview of ECDH-PSI algorithm

In ECDH-PSI, both participants agree on a Elliptic Curve group parameter  $G$  and generate ECDH key pairs over  $G$ . The keys are then used to mask the original data with scalar multiplications.

- Step1: A participant maps its data items to points over an elliptic curve with `encode_to_curve`, and mask the points locally with its own private key by `scalar_mul`.
- Step2: A and B exchange their locally masked data as EC points.
- Step3: Upon receiving the masked data from its partner, a participant doubly masked the received points with its private key.
- Step4: A participant sends the doubly-masked points back to its partner.
- Step5: The participant calculates intersection of the set calculated in Step 3 and the set received in Step 4, and finally outputs the original data corresponding to the intersection.



Overview of ECDH-PSI

- **Proposal:** <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-ecdh-psi/>
- **Code:** <https://github.com/secretflow/interconnection>

# Thanks!

## Q&A

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