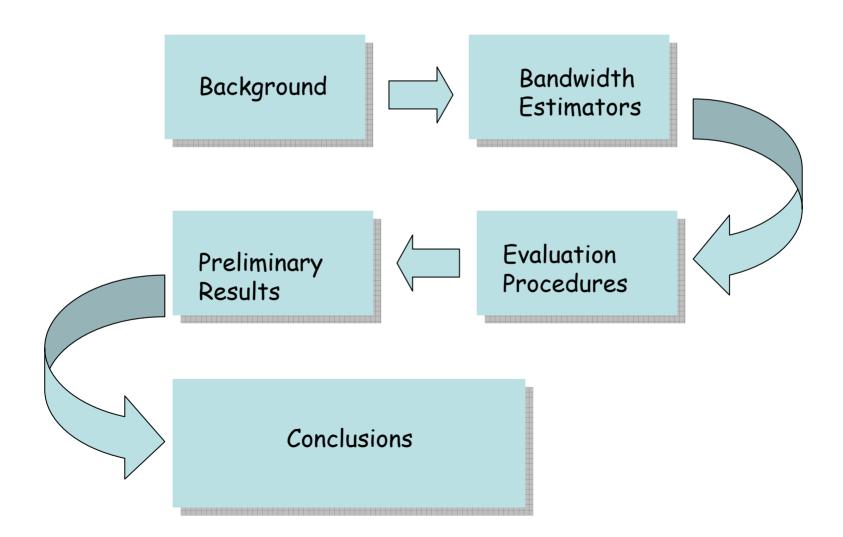
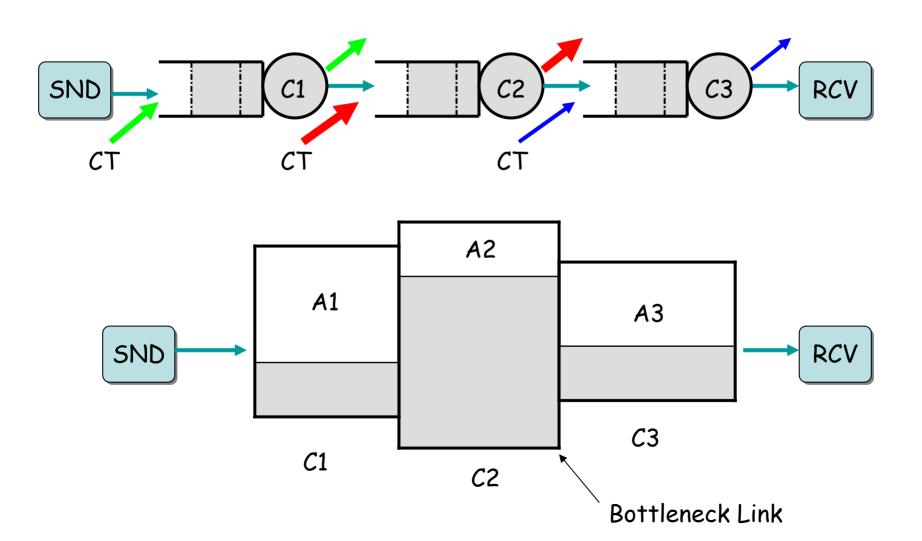
Evaluating the Potential of Bandwidth Estimators

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Overview

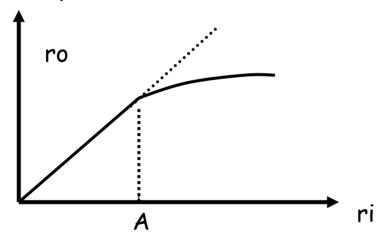


Network Model in Bandwidth Estimation



Existing Techniques

- Design justification
 - Use single-hop path with constant rate fluid CT to identify measurement rationale



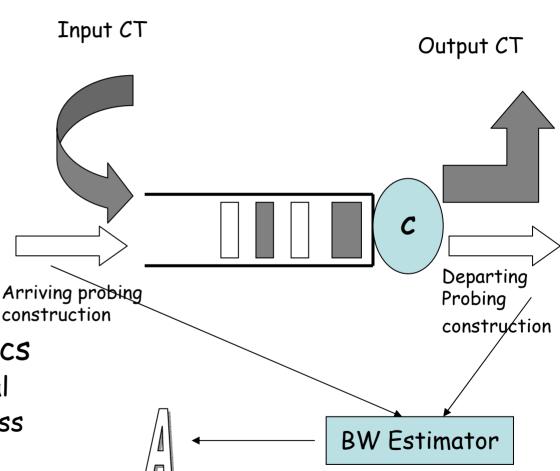
- Performance evaluation
 - Compare to Router MRTG report

Problems

- A lot of factors can affect the measurement accuracy
 - Practical issues
 - Algorithmic problems
- · Current performance evaluation is monolithic
 - Can not identify the source of measurement errors
 - Less reproducible and even can be conflicting

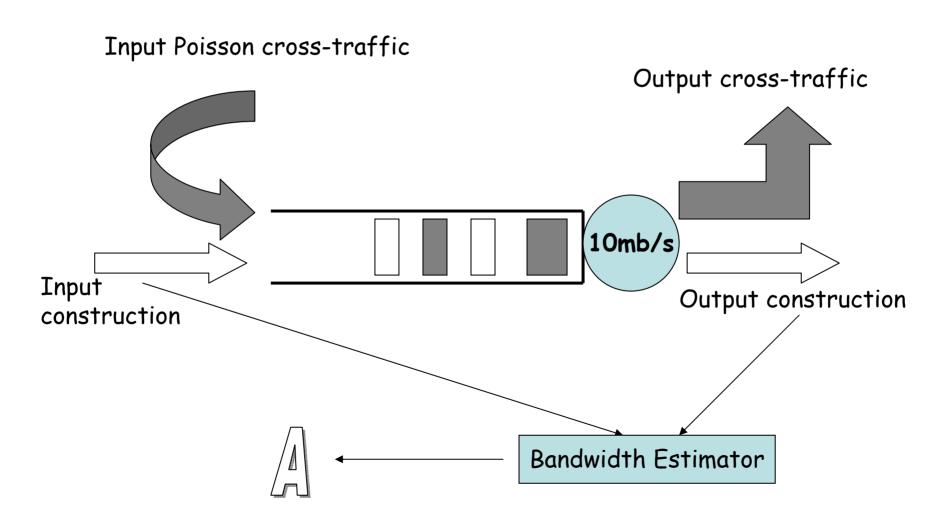
Bandwidth Estimators and performance metric

- Avail-bw inference algorithm
 - Input: the probing input and output
 - Output: Avail-bw estimation result



- · Performance metrics
 - Single-hop potential
 - Multi-hop robustness

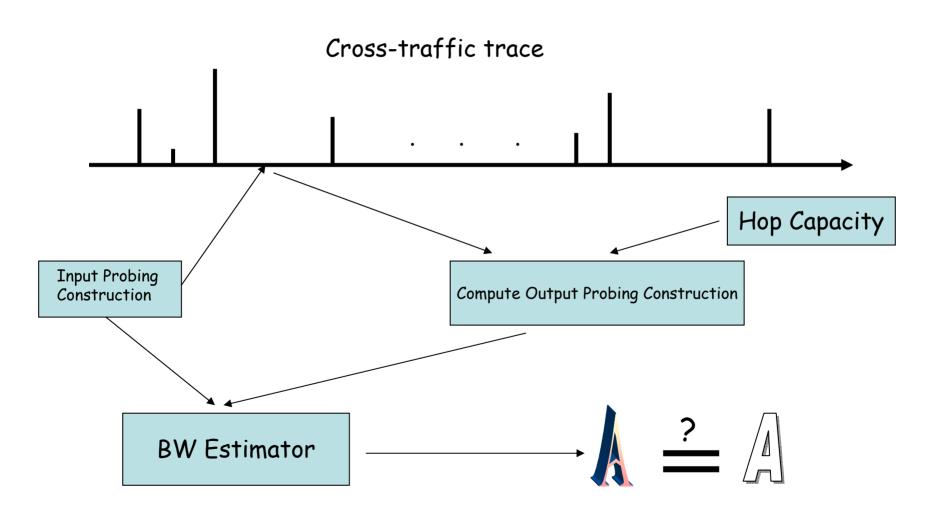
Measurement targets of Bandwidth Estimators



Classification of Bandwidth Estimators

- Non-iterative estimators
 - Fixed probing input
 - Every probing produces an estimation
 - Delphi, Spruce, Pathchirp
- Iterative estimators
 - Adapt probing input to find the construction that bring out AW.
 - Pathload, IGI/PTR, TOPP

Trace-driven testing

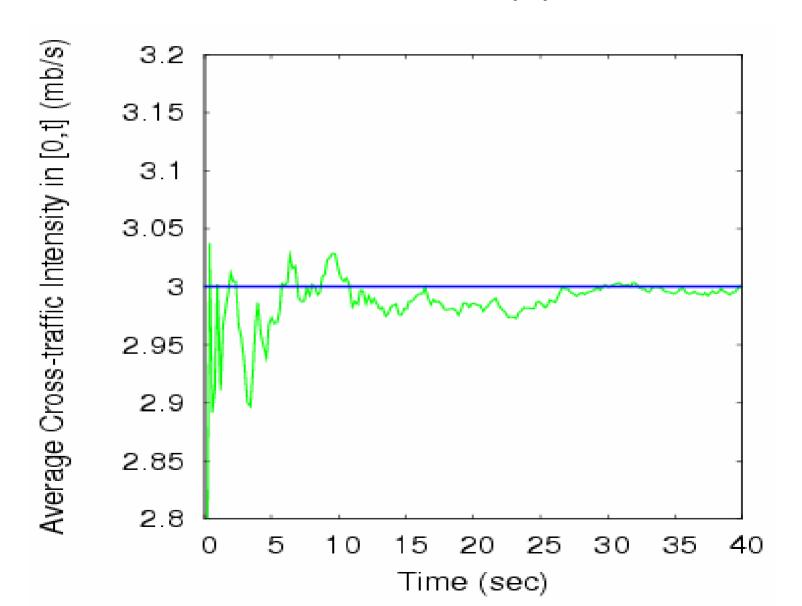


Why not just do NS2 simulation.

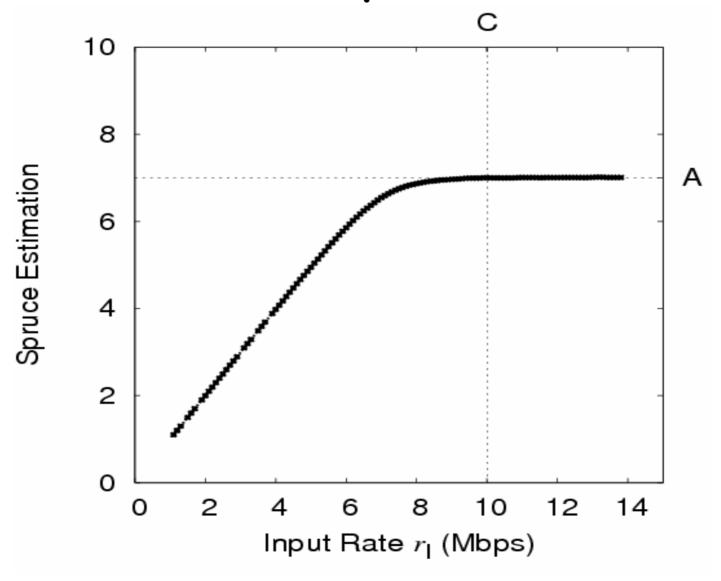
· Need much longer trace and time

Inter Probing pattern introduces ASTA bias

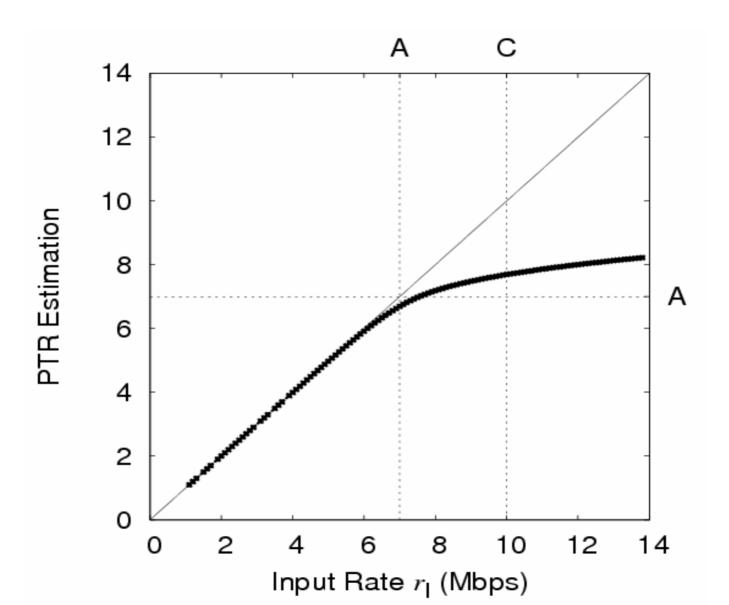
Results: Cross-traffic trace



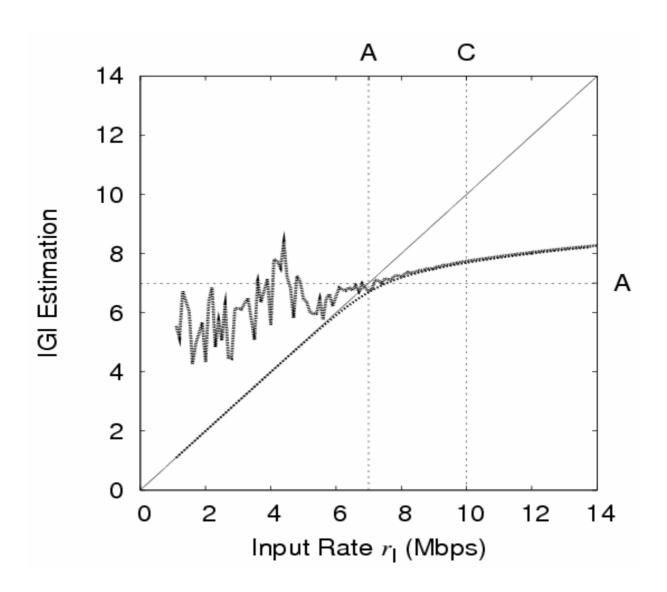
Results for Spruce Estimator



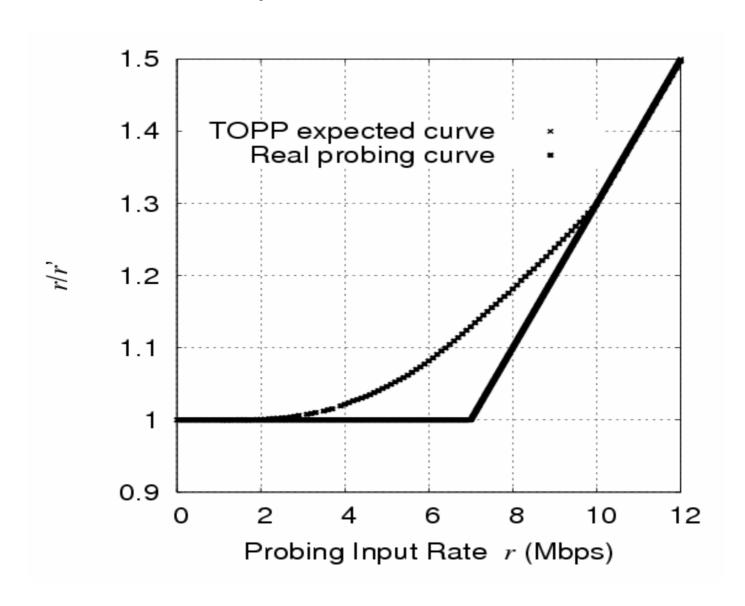
Results for PTR Estimator



Results for IGI Estimator



Results for TOPP Estimator



Conclusion and Future Work

- · Our testing procedure
 - Quickly and easily evaluate one performance aspect of BW estimators
 - Provide guidance to choose better tunable parameters.
- Ongoing work
 - Evaluating pathload and pathChirp
 - Understanding the phenomenon observed