



***Multi-user Data Sharing System in  
Radar Sensor Networks***

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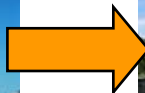
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# Emerging Rich Sensor Networks



**Radar Sensor Network**



**Camera Sensor Network**

- Richer energy
  - Tethered power
- High data rate
  - Many MB/second
- Diverse users/applications needs
  - E.g. First responders, Commuters, Insurance, for traffic monitoring



# CASA Radar Sensor Networks

Emergency Personnel



Tornado Detection

Meteorologist

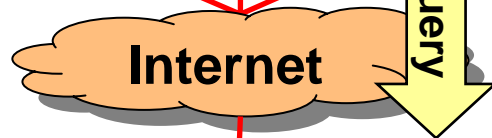


Reflectivity Overview

Normal User



Precipitation

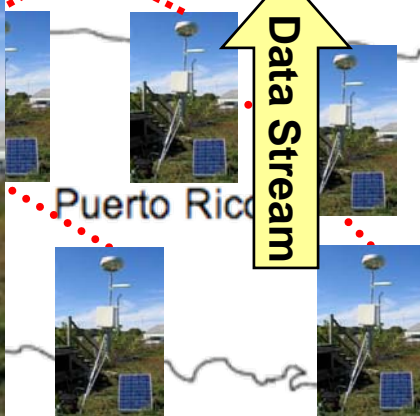


Query



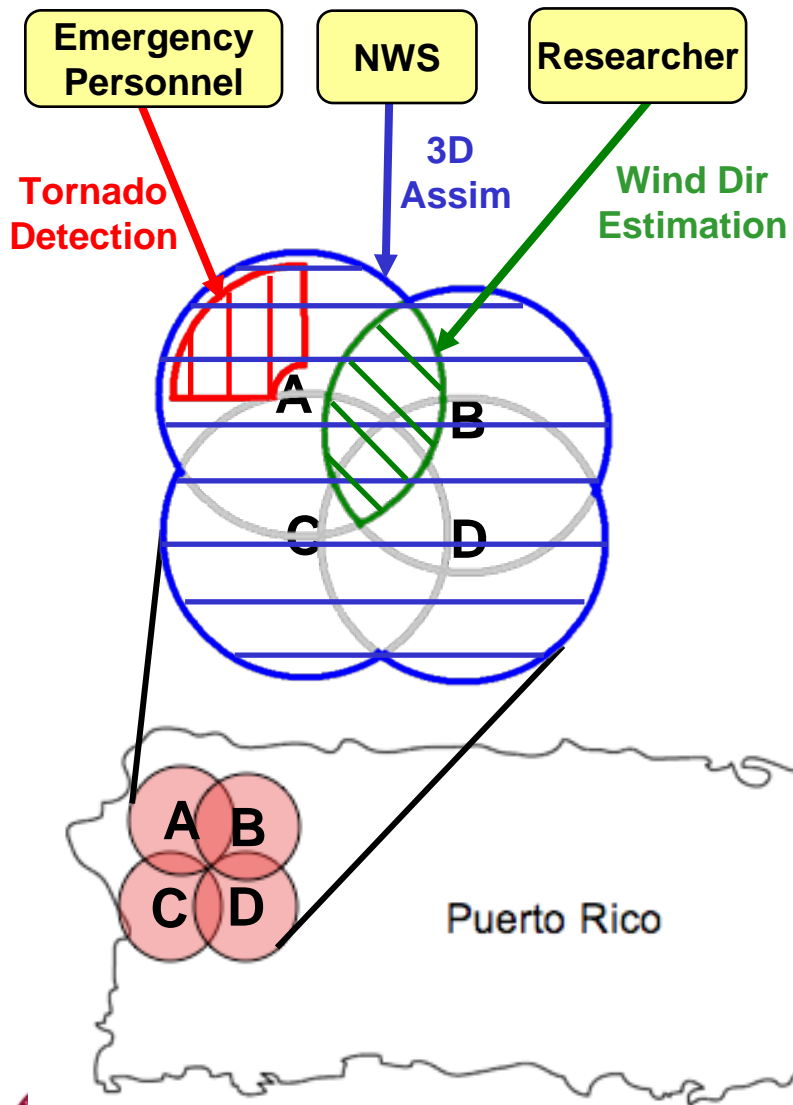
Data Processing

Data Stream



- Densely monitoring the lower troposphere
  - Tornado, storm, flood, ...
- High rate sensor streams
  - 300MB per radar scan every 30 seconds
- Stream-based system
  - Data processing is done on proxy
- Wide-area wireless mesh network
- Multiple, diverse user needs
  - Emergency personnel, meteorologist, other...

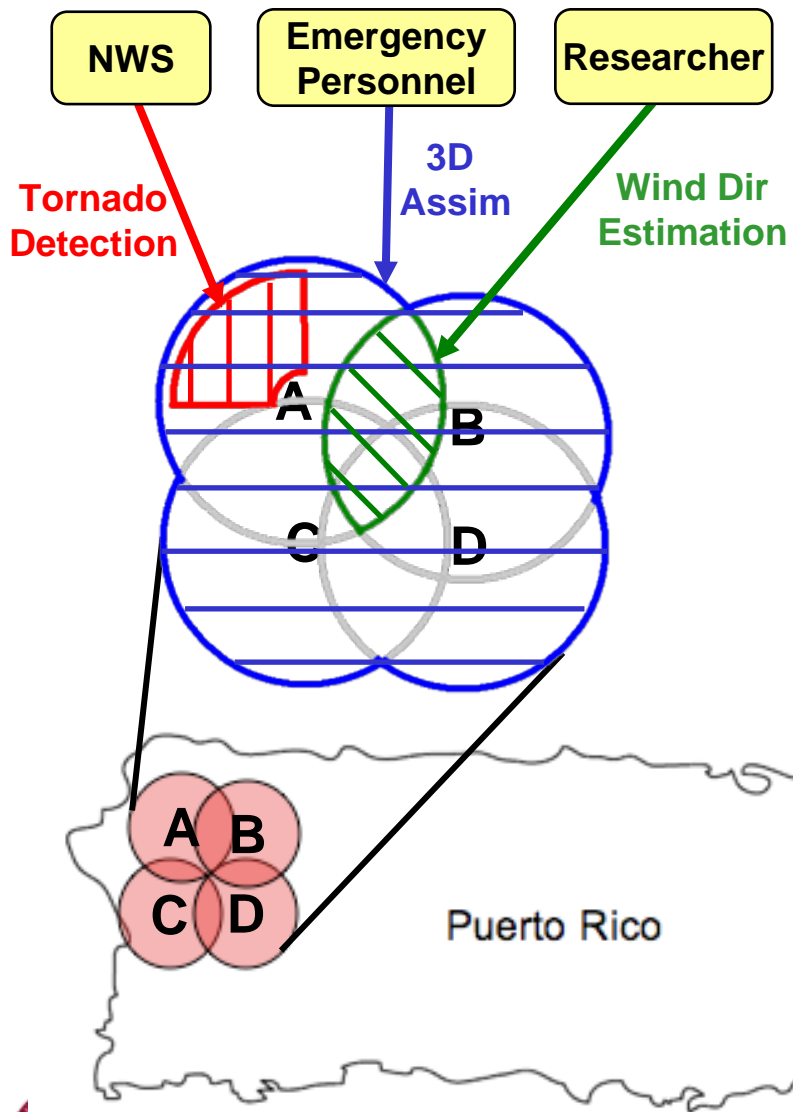
# Challenges in Multi-user WSNs



- Limited network resources
  - Bandwidth  $\ll$  Data needs
- Diverse end user query needs
  - Diverse **data quality metrics**
    - Tornado: location error.
    - Wind direction: direction error
  - Different **spatial areas of interest**
    - Wind direction: overlapping area between radars
  - Different **data fidelity needs**
    - Tornado detection  $>$  3D assimilation
  - Different **priorities and deadlines**
    - Priority: NWS  $>$  Em. Mgr
    - Deadline: Em. Mgr  $<$  NWS



# Problem Statement



- How to design next generation wireless radar sensor networks to:
  - **Jointly optimize** for different data quality metrics and different priorities and deadlines of different users
  - **Share bandwidth** and data across different users
  - **Adapt gracefully** to bandwidth dynamics
  - **Prioritize** important data during critical weather events.



# Key Ideas in Multi-User Data Sharing

- **Utility-driven transmission scheduling** to prioritize data transmission and maximize overall utility
- **Progressive compression** to minimize bandwidth usage and adapt to bandwidth fluctuation
- **Global transmission control** to prioritize data transmission among radars

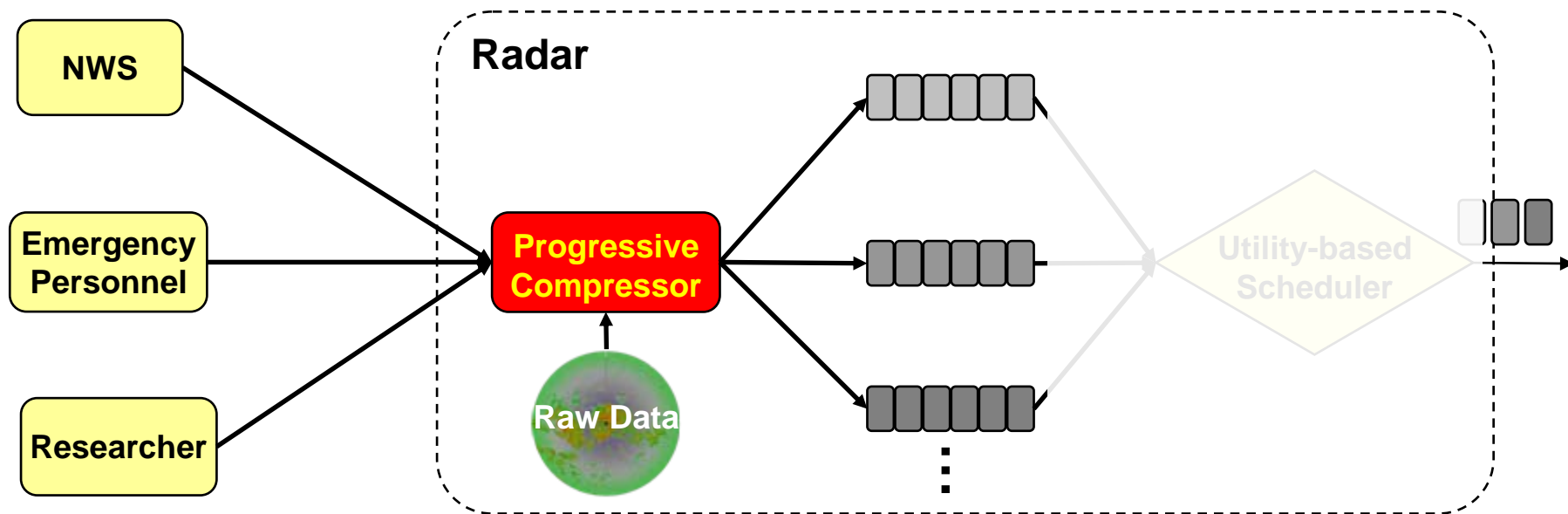


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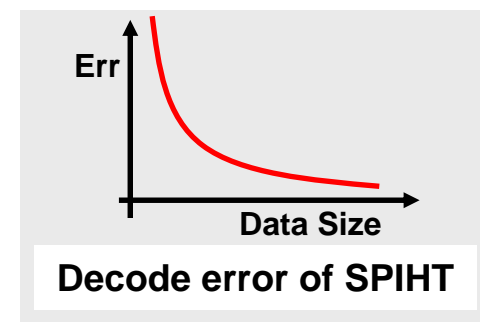
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- **Evaluation**
- **Summary**



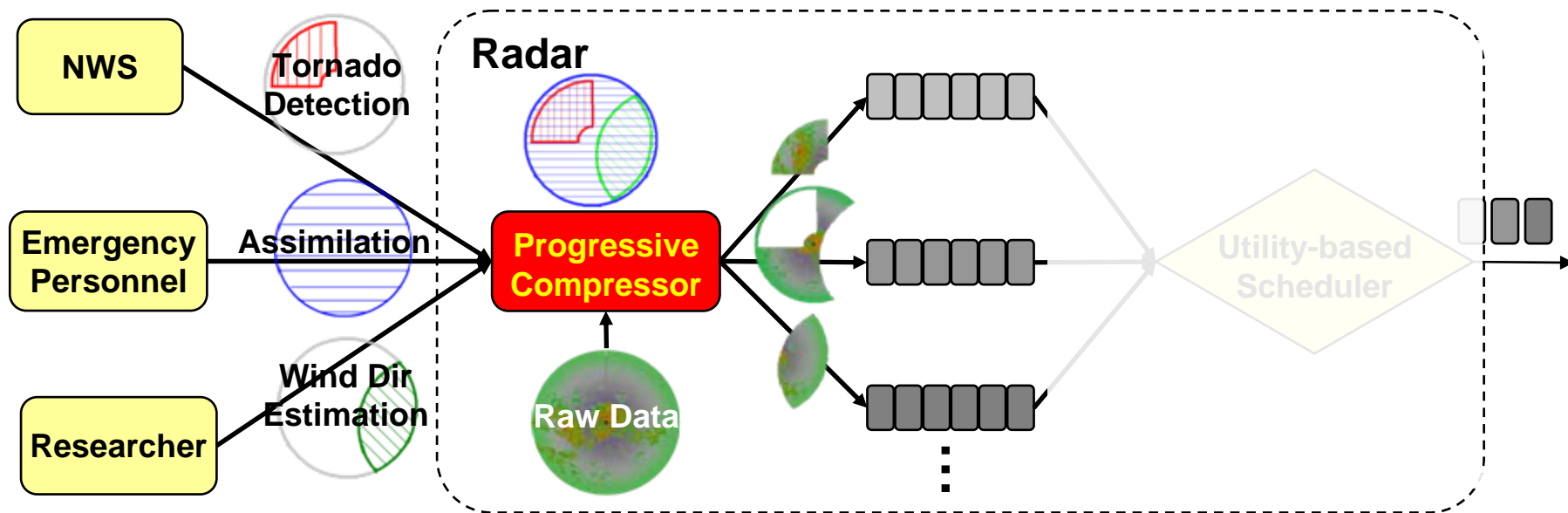
# Progressive Compressor



- **SPIHT algorithm [*set partition in hierarchical trees*]**
  - Wavelet-based encoder, preserves important features of interest for meteorologist
  - Adapts to bandwidth fluctuation
  - Most important data is transmitted first



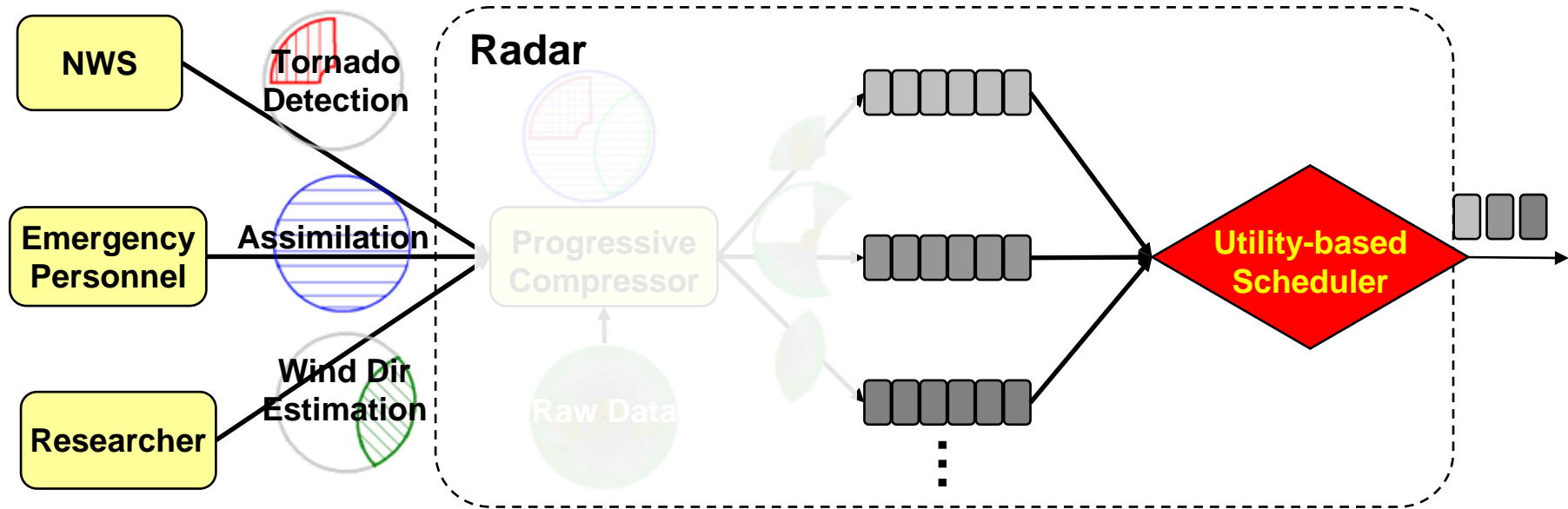
# Progressive Compressor



- **Operation of Progressive compressor:**
  - **Split scan into spatial regions, each with a set of queries associated with it.**
  - **Generate a separate stream for each spatial region.**



# Utility-based Scheduler



- **Utility-based Scheduler**

- Decides which packet offers greatest improvement to overall utility

- **Key questions**

- How to **determine utility** of packet to a query?
- How to **aggregate utilities** across diverse queries?
- How to **schedule packets** based on their utilities?



# Utility of a Packet to a Query

- What does scheduler have

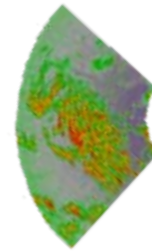
- Marginal Data MSE

- What does scheduler need

- Marginal query quality

- How to map data MSE to query quality

- Train a mapping function a priori using sample data sets



Distance between detected tornado and the actual one

$$E_{tornado} = \begin{cases} |I_{raw} - I_{dec}| \frac{d}{300} & d \leq 300 \text{meter} \\ I_{dec} & \text{false positive} \\ I_{raw} & \text{false negative} \end{cases}$$

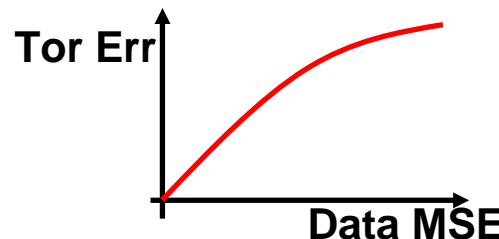
Intensity of actual tornado

Intensity of detected tornado

Application level

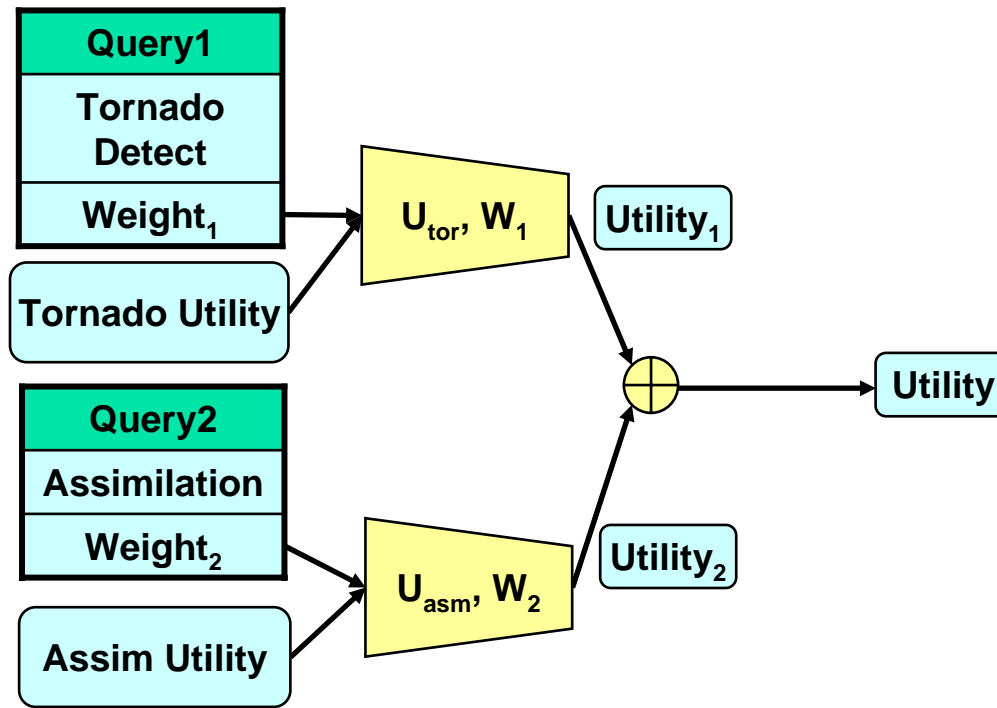
Training

Networking level



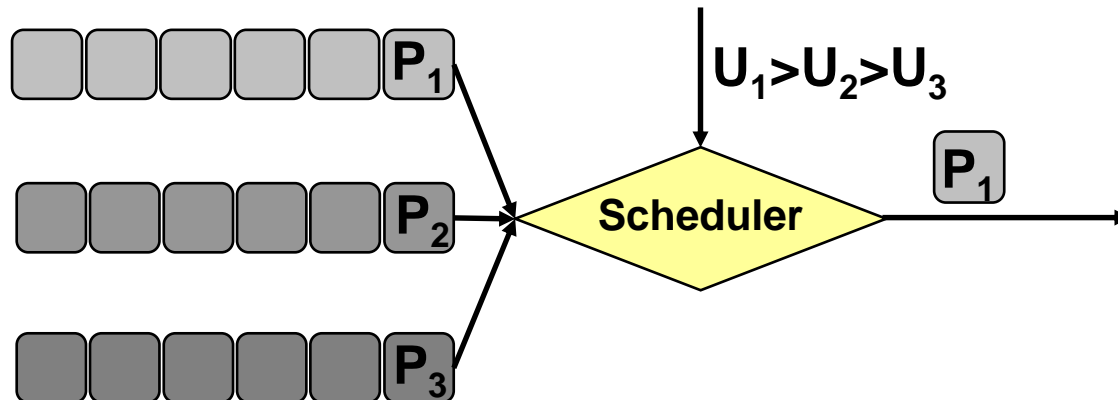
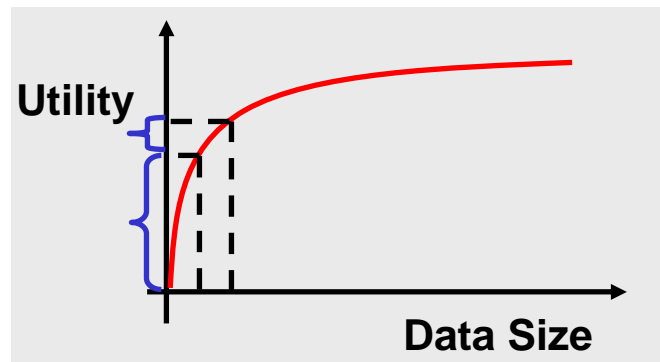
# Aggregate Utility across Diverse Queries

- Aggregated utility is a weighted combination of utilities for each query
  - $Weight_{query} = f(query\_priority, query\_deadline)$
  - $Util_{Agg} = \sum(Weight_{query} * Util_{query})$



# Schedule Packets based on Utility

- Schedules packet with the highest utility
- Optimal if utility function as a function of data size is concave



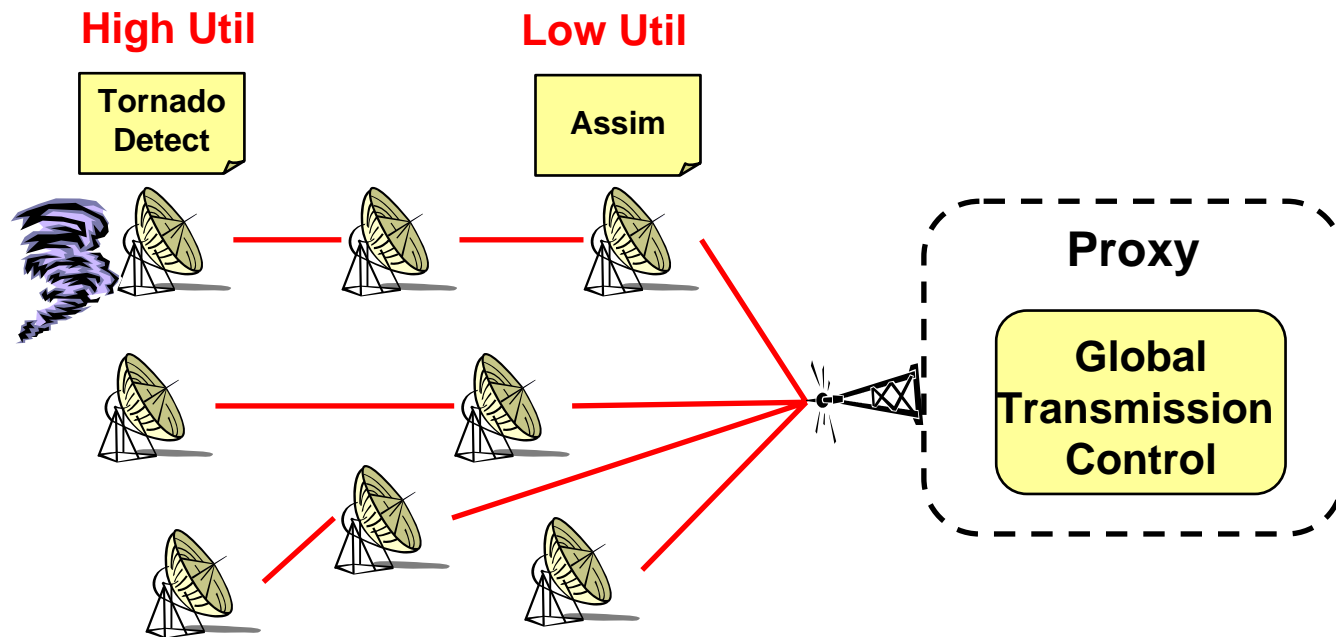
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# Global Transmission Control

- **Problem:**
  - Radar with critical data may not get sufficient bandwidth
- **Solution:**
  - Proxy pauses streams that are achieving low/no utility gain

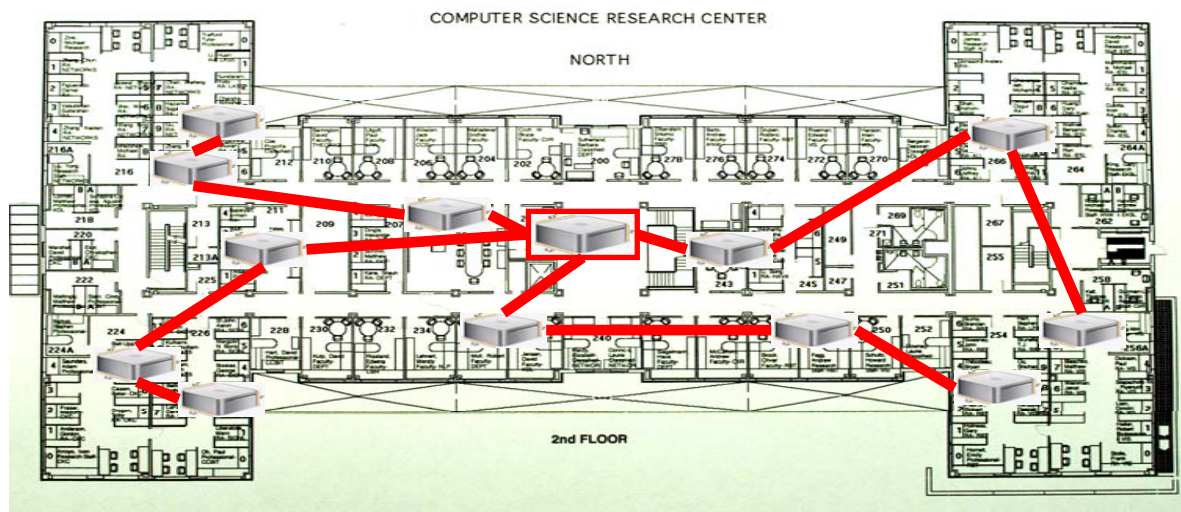


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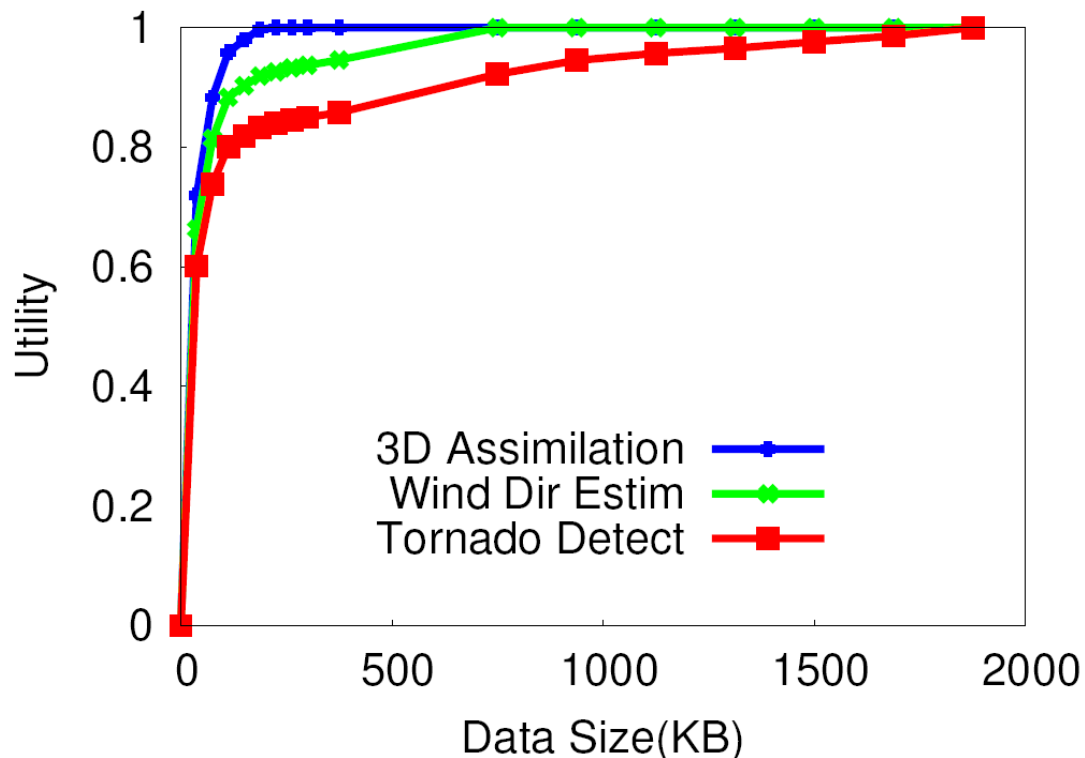
# Evaluation



- **Testbed**
  - 13 MacMini as adhoc mesh nodes
  - 3-hop topology
- **Data Sets**
  - Real data traces from Oklahoma radar testbed
  - Simulated data by ARPS(Advanced Regional Prediction of Storms)
- **Query Pattern**
  - Tornado Detection, 3D assimilation and Wind Direction assimilation queries arrive in a round robin manner. Deadlines are chosen from a Poisson distribution with mean at 30 seconds.



# Determining the Utility Function

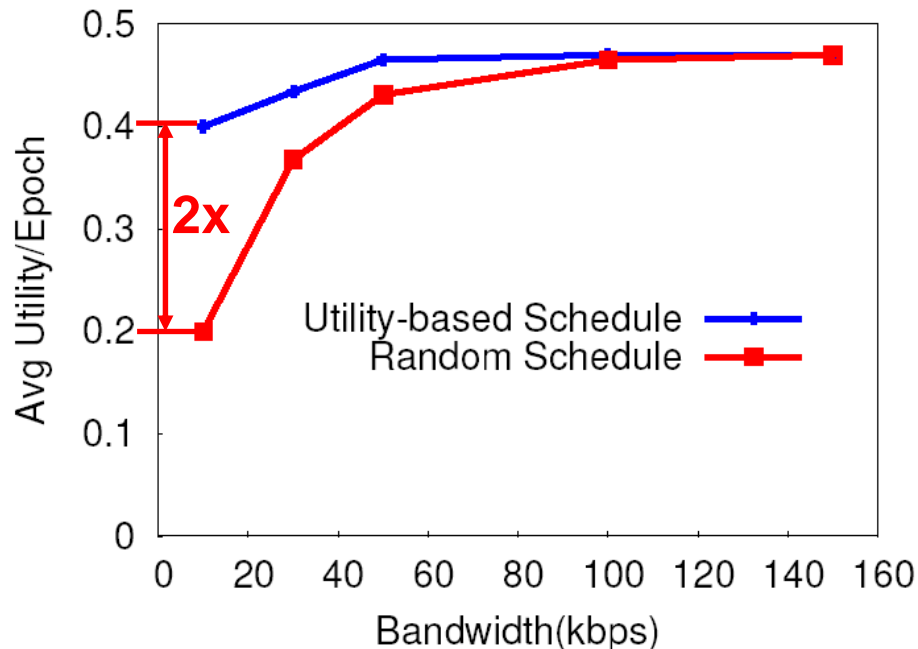


**Tornado detection needs more accurate data than 3D assimilation.**



# Performance of Utility-driven Scheduler

- Compare utility-driven scheduler to random scheduler

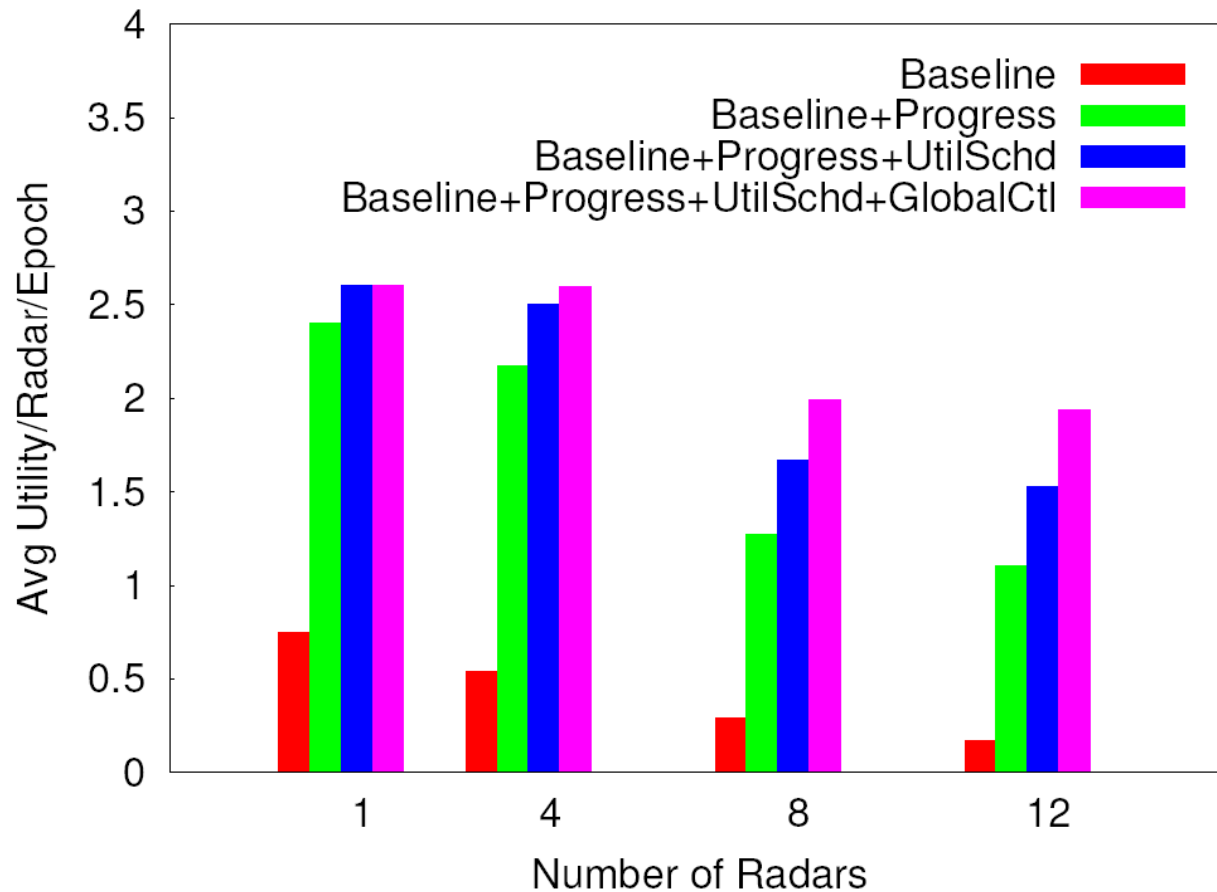


The utility-based scheduler achieves **2 times** higher utility than the random scheduler



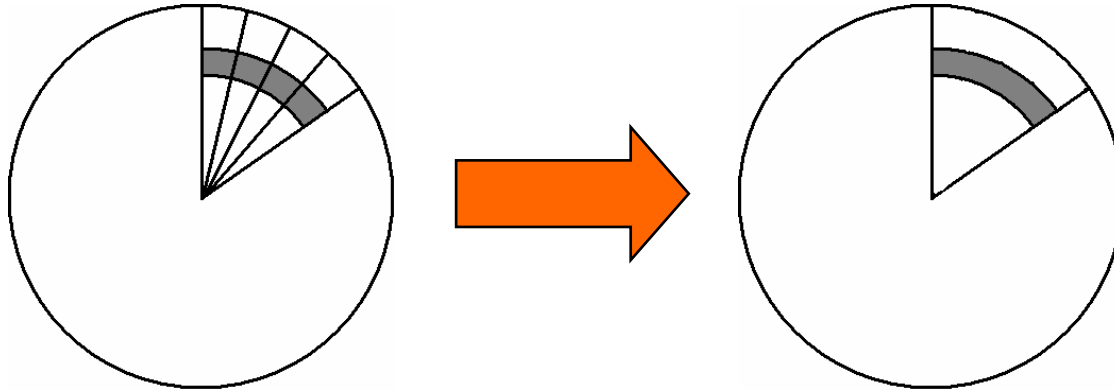
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- **Baseline System**
  - **Averaging compression**

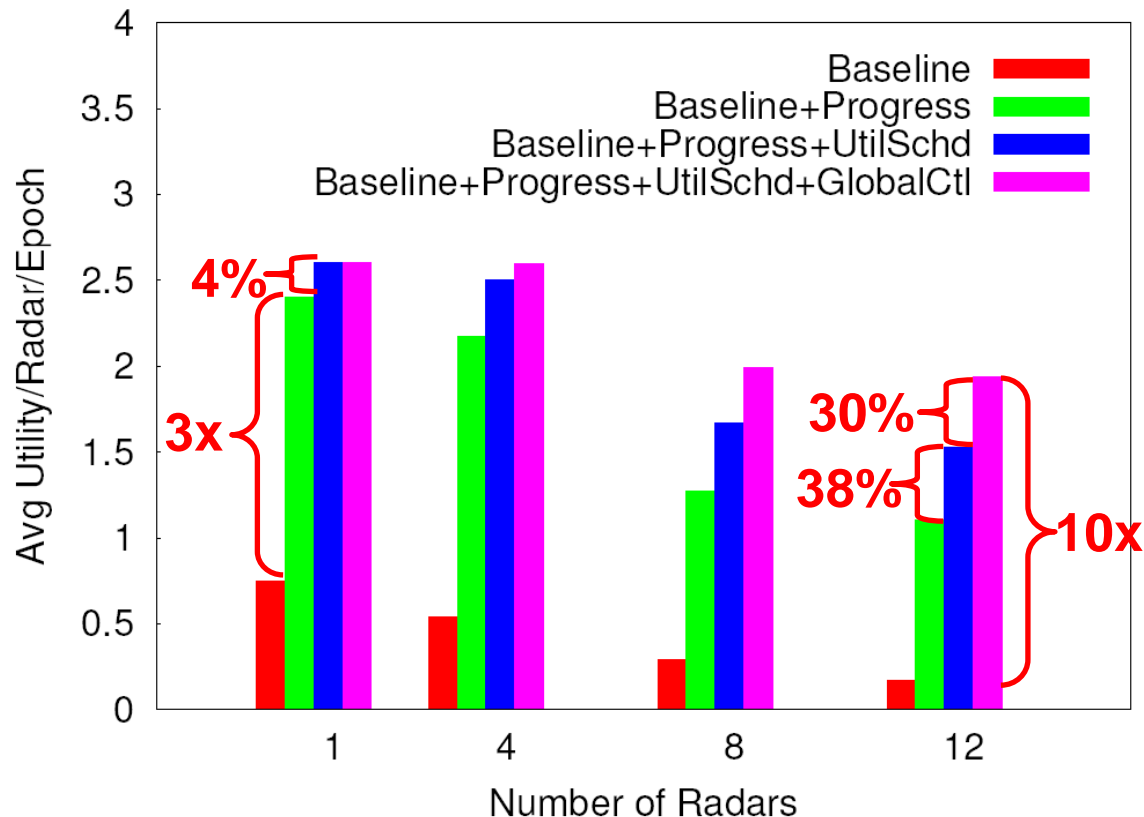


- **Bandwidth estimation**
  - **Estimate bandwidth for next epoch (30 secs) based on history of bandwidth from previous epochs.**
  - **Conservative estimate to ensure that compressed scan can be transmitted in the 30 seconds.**



# Scalability

- Demonstrates that our system as a whole scales well with network size



Our system achieves more than **10 times** higher utility than the baseline system



# Related Work

- **Multi-query optimization in sensor network**
  - SQL Queries and simple aggregates: Trigoni, et. al [DCOSS 2005]
  - We have more complex data processing requirements.
- **Utility-driven network design in sensor networks and Internet**
  - SORA [NSDI05], Kelly et al [JORS98]
  - Does not address application-level data quality metrics and data sharing between users
- **Global transmission control**
  - Conflict Graph – Jain et al [Wireless Network 05], Rate control – Rangwala et al [Sigcomm06]
  - We use application level utility of data to control transmissions.
- **Radar sensor networks**
  - Schedules radar scanning strategy to satisfy end-user needs Zink et al [EESR05].



# Summary

- Illustrates new challenges in next-gen radar sensor networks
- Design and implementation of a multi-user data sharing system that:
  - Gracefully degrades utility under bandwidth fluctuations by using **progressive compression**
  - **Utility-driven packet scheduling** based on end-user data quality metrics, priorities, and deadlines.
  - **Globally prioritizes** data transmission across radars.
- Results show **one order of magnitude** improvement in application utility over existing radar data transmission system.





***The End***

**Questions?**

