Networking Research

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Internet Protocols

- TCP/IP protocols designed 20 years ago
 - unicast of individual packets
- Current and emerging Internet applications
 - flows
 - multicasts

Flows

- Packet filtering to detect flows
- Quality of service for flows
 - Intserv vs. Diffserv
 - support in routers and end systems
- Exploiting the presence of flows
 - efficient routing using labels (IP switching, tag switching)
 - efficient encryption and signing of flows

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Multicasts

- Current MBone based upon tunneling
- Scalable deployment issues
 - address allocation
 - heterogeneity of intradomain routing
- Flow and congestion control
 - impact on TCP traffic
- Reliable multicast delivery
 - ack implosion, delay, scalability
- Secure multicast delivery
 - group key management, scalability

Other Internet Topics

- Active networks
 - programmable routers
 - security, efficiency
- Measuring the global Internet
 - for example, distance between two hosts

• Internet telephony, television