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## A Distributed, Asynchronous Algorithm for Large-Scale Internet Network Topology Analysis

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**Network Management** 

Security

#### Fault Tolerance and Resilience

#### Network Stability and Performance





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as a result of **performance bottlenecks**, **component failures**, or **security breaches** can have dire consequences

















#### Fault tolerance and security















This paper studies the scalability of our novel algorithm to overcome the inherent challenges of internet provision by performing large-scale network topology analysis!



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#### CHALLENGE

Makes it difficult to process the expansive and intricate dynamic web of interconnected devices constituting the modern internet



#### **Backend Actor-based Scalable Architecture**

Sample Graph

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**Execution Model** 



- Presents a lightweight, asynchronous computation model
- Utilizes fine-grained asynchronous actor messages to express point-to-point remote operations
- Treats actors as primitives of computation, where actors are inherently isolated and share no mutable state
- Actors process messages sequentially within its mailbox, thereby avoiding data races and synchronization

NOTE: "Actor" and "Selector" will be used interchangeably



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Notation: Let  $r_p$  be the local rank,  $\hat{L}$  be the local rows of L owned by  $r_p$ , c be the local counter owned by  $r_p$ ,  $Actor_p$  denote the actor instance that is running on  $r_p$ ,  $N_{\Delta}$  be the local array of lists holding set of neighbors in triangles with local rows owned by  $r_p$ , TC be the local rows of the triangle centrality matrix owned by  $r_p$ ,  $\Delta(G)$  be the global triangle count. send **Semantics:** Actor.send(proc handler, rank, packet)















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## **Experimental Setup and Architecture**

- Experiments conducted on the CPU nodes of
  - The **Perlmutter Supercomputer** at the National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center (NERSC)
    - Each CPU node: 2x AMD EPYC 7763 (Milan) CPUs, 64 physical cores per CPU, 512 GB memory
  - The HPC PACE Cluster at Georgia Tech
    - Each CPU node: Dual Intel Xeon Gold 6226 CPUs, 24 total physical cores, 192 GB memory
- We present results using speedup of execution time compared to single core
- We use four large-scale internet network datasets:
  - A Routers Network Dataset (|V| = 191K, |E| = 608K)
  - An IP Addresses Network Dataset
  - An Autonomous Systems Network Dataset (|V| = 1.7M, |E| = 11.1M)

(|V| = 2.3M, |E| = 21.6M)

• A Synthetic Network Dataset (100 K rows/core for weak scaling, |V| = 205 M,

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|E| = 13.9B at largest scale)
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Results for different dimensions of scalability are presented



## **Dimensions of Scalability**



#### DATASET SCALABILITY

#### (1) WEAK SCALING



increasing graph size (synthetic dataset, 100K vertices per core)

#### (2) STRONG SCALING



constant graph size (Routers dataset, IP dataset, ASes dataset)





#### **Performance Results:** Scalability for SCALE-OUT **Routers Dataset IPs Da** Strong Scaling Strong 90.4% parallel 10000 10000 → Selector (PACE) → Selector (Perlmutter) → IDEAL 1 Core → Selector (PACE) → Selector (Perlmutter) → IDEAL Speedup Compared to 1 Core efficiency on Perlmutter 1000 1000 Speedup Compared to 91.7% parallel efficiency on PACE 100 100 10 10 #CORES: 2048x, SPEEDUP: 1852-1877x 256 512 1K 2K 32 64 128 32 64 128 256 512 1K 2K 16 16 Number of Cores Number of Cores **Synthetic Dataset** Weak Scaling 10000 2 Speedup Compared to 1 Core Selector (PACE) Selector (Perlmutter) Selector (PACE) Selector (Perlmutter) Speedup Compared to 1 Core - IDEAL 1000 100 10 Georgia 0 1 Tech 2K 32 64 128 256 512 1K 2K 128 256 512 16 16 32 64 1K

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