# Mobile Performance in Dane County – "Big4"

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## Overview

#### Motivation

Market Intelligence

We're analyzing crowd-sourced data

• What is speedtest.net and why do we care?

#### Devices

• iOS, Android, Windows Phone, & Web Browser

# What is Speedtest.net?

#### A fine contrivance of Flash and JS

- Measures "http" RTT (L7 ping-ish)
- Measures usable upstream bandwidth
- Measures usable downstream bandwidth
  - This is \*NOT\* the actual network bandwidth, and is stomped on by many things in carrier networks
  - This runs inside browser plugin containers (ewwww), uses get/post API through that

#### Provides server operators statistical data

- This is the only reward an ISP gets
- "Gets" to donate tons of bits/transit, too

#### Science + Cats = Speedtest.net

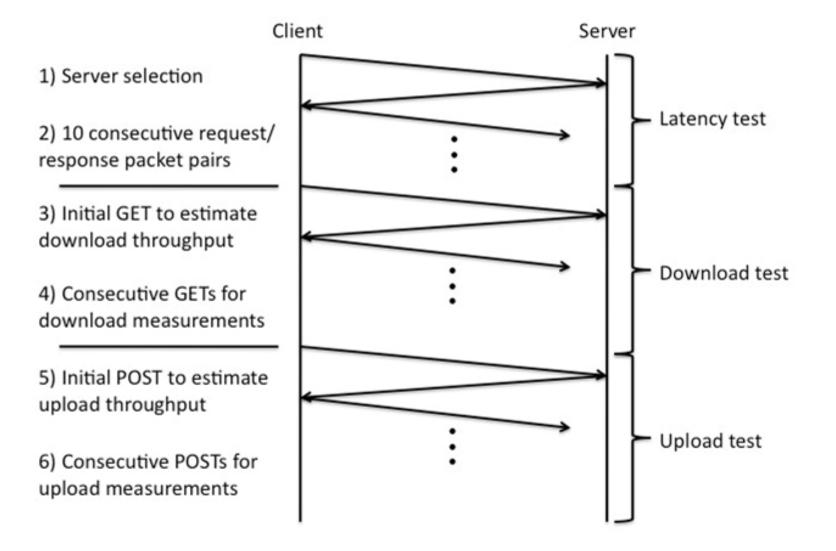
iOS easter egg







# Speedtest.net Methodology



#### Speedtest.net Web UI





#### **5NINES Madison Speed Test Host**

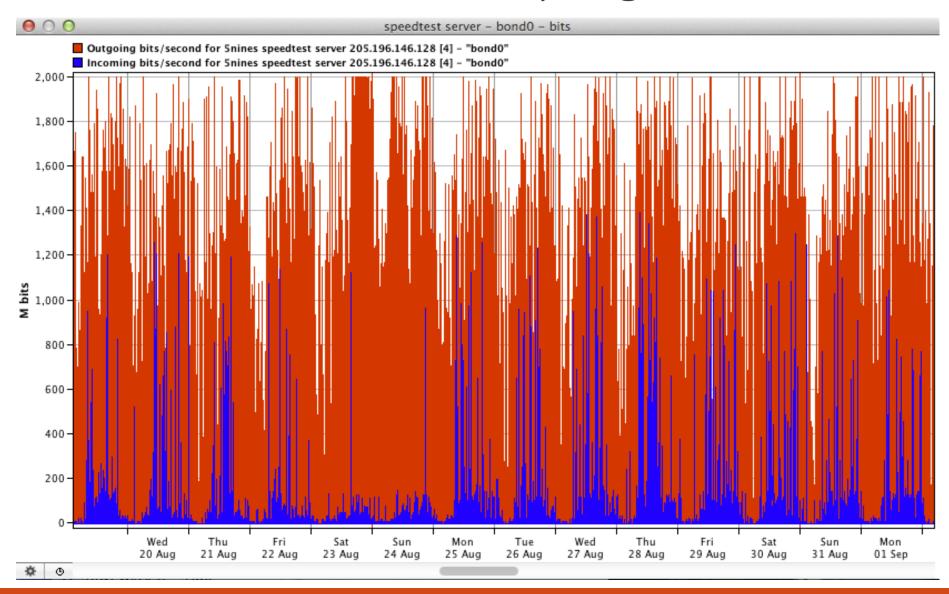
#### Low Spec Sever is all we need!

- ~10 year old Dell PE750, no joke
  - Turns out DMA and MSI to Gige chips isn't any faster on newer boxes
- No Storage i/o involved (use SSD's anyway)
- Dual gige in LACP bundle, L3+4 TX hash
  - Supported in 5NINES sandbox, direct access to transit border routers & peering
- Speedtest native POSIX binary + apache&php handles all test traffic
- Haven't observed system load >0.1, ever



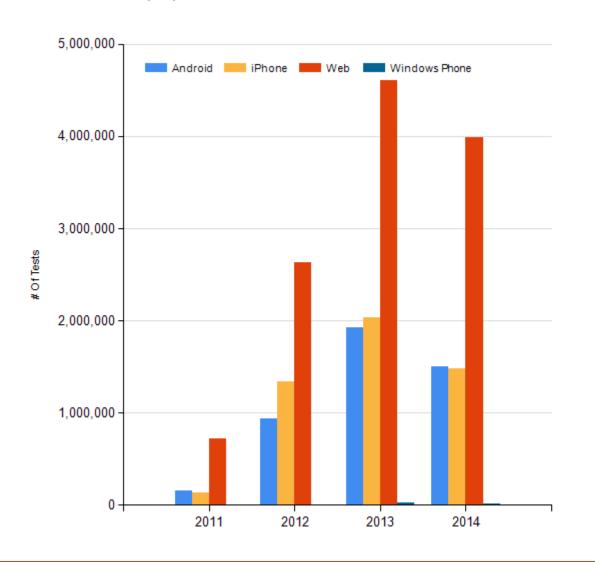
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Host Resources General Information
  System Uptime: 6 days, 0 hrs, 38 mins, 29 secs
 System Date: 2014-11-18, 15:40:37.00, -6:00
 Number of User Sessions: 0
  Number of Processes Loaded/Running: 77
  Installed Memory: 4024980 KB
  Description: Linux speedtest-msn 3.2.0-4-686-pae #1 SMP Debian 3.2.63-2+deb7u1 i686
Host Resources Storage Table Information
  Index
              Used (MB)
                              Size (MB)
                                  3,930
                                                         Physical memory
                    483
                                                        Virtual memory
                                  7,067
                    483
                                                         Memory buffers
                                  3,930
                                    394
                                                        Cached memory
                                                         Shared memory
                                  3,136
                                                         Swap space
                                                         /dev
                                     10
                  1,265
  Index Load
  768
UCD-SNMP Load Table Information
  Index Type
                  Load
       Load-1
                0.00
                 0.01
      Load-5
UCD-SNMP System Stats CPU Information
  CPU Utilization: 0%
UCD-SNMP Memory Information
  Swap (KB): Total:
                        3,212,284 Used:
  Real (KB): Total:
                        4,024,980 Used:
                                                 90,900 (2%)
  Total Shared :
  Total Buffered:
  Total Cached :
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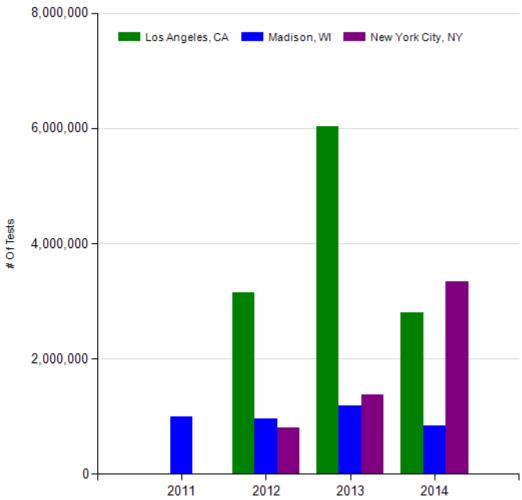
#### Transit is cheap, right?



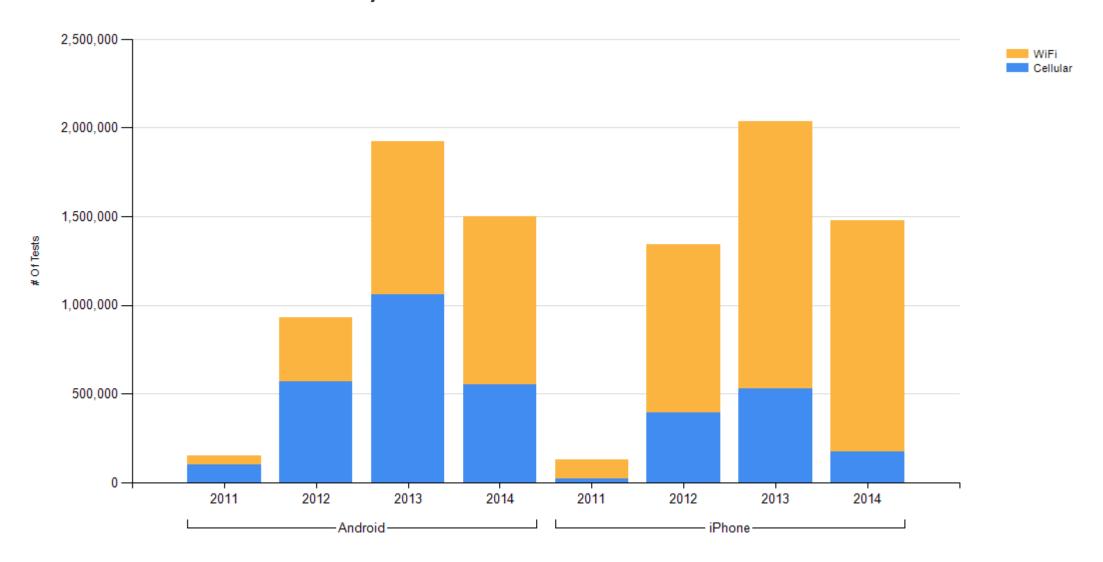
#### **Total Test Counts**

Total # Of Tests: 21,455,027

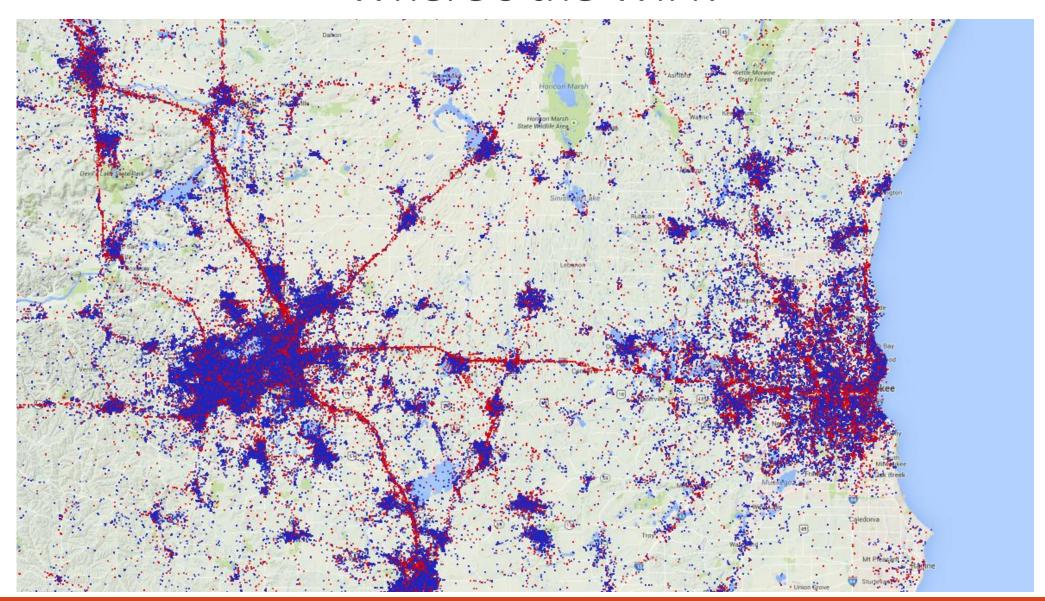




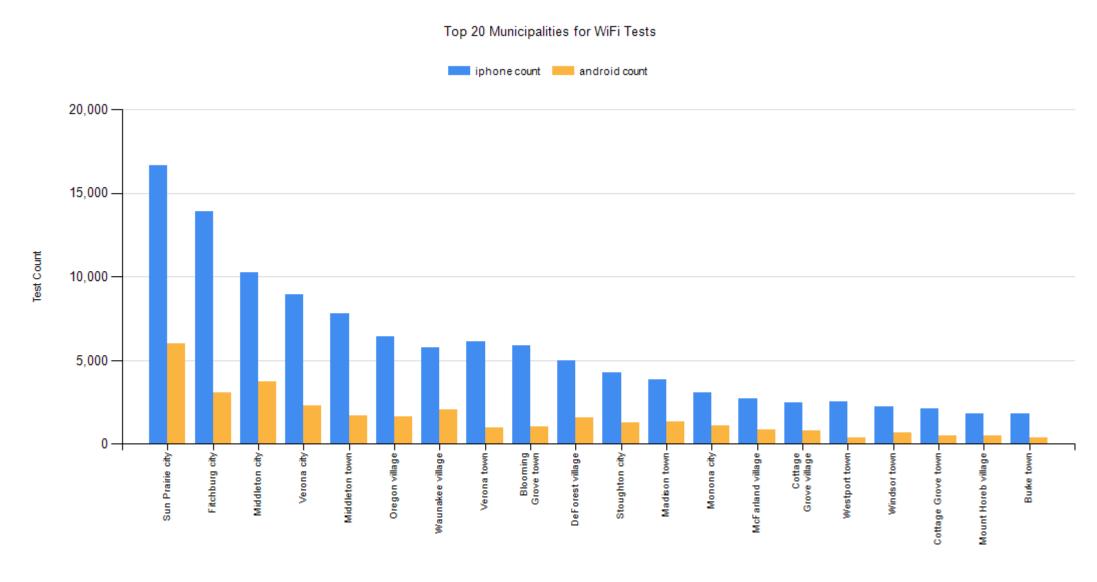
#### Goodbye Web+Windows Phone



## Where's the WiFi?

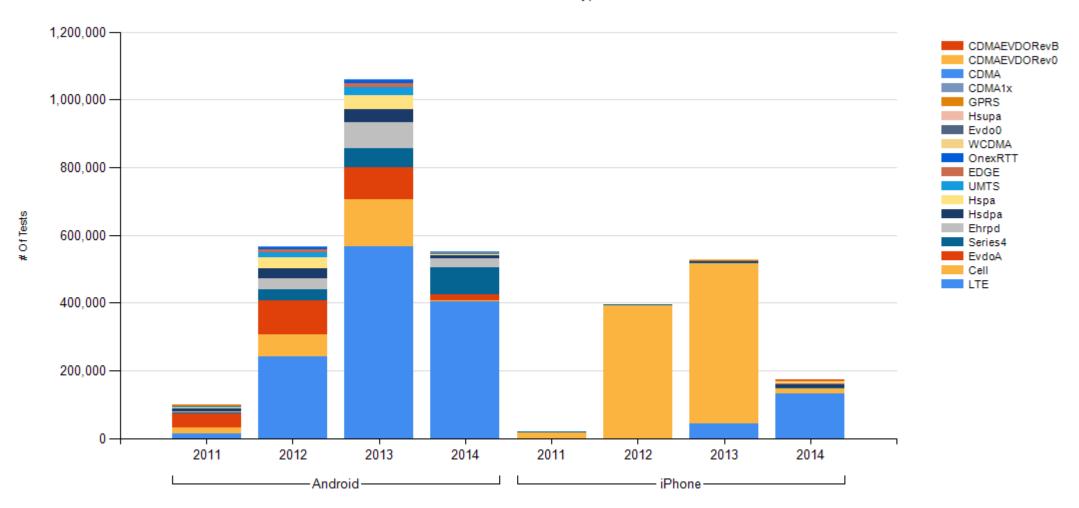


#### http://myjimmycloud.com/qgiswebclient.html?map=/home/jimmy/qgis/projects/towns2.qgs



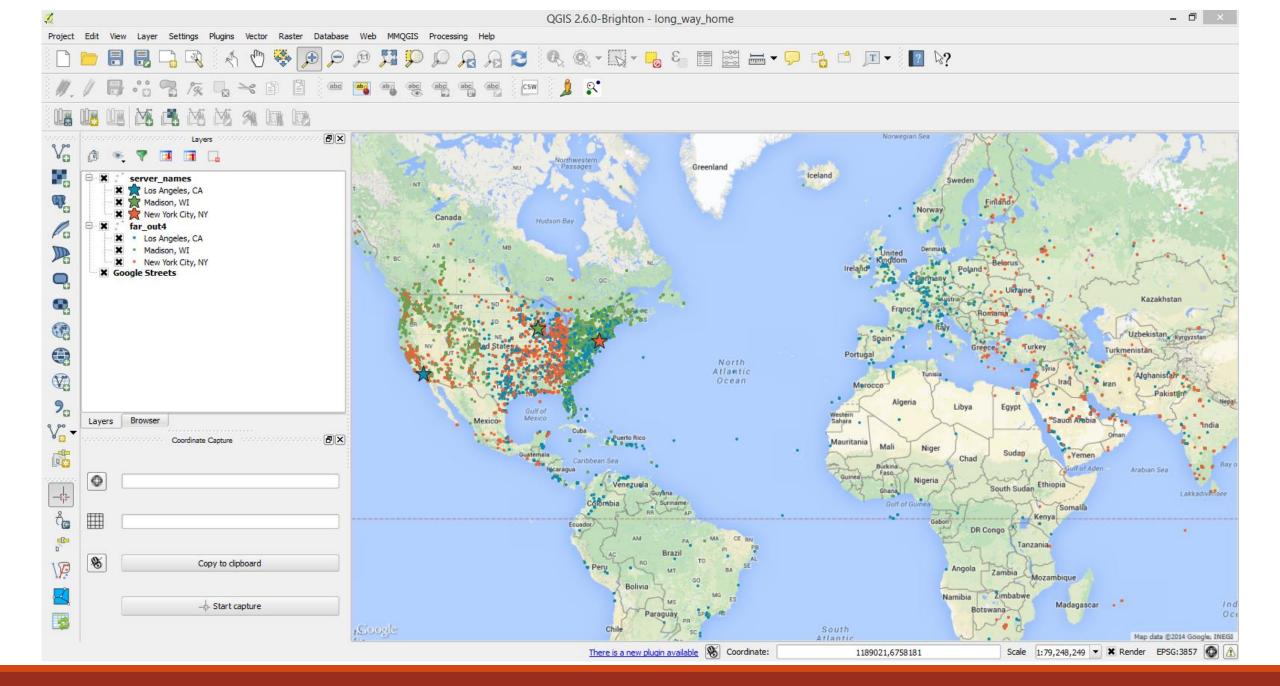
## Goodbye WiFi

#### Cellular Conection Types



# Take the long way home...

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#### Cleanup + Dane County + "Big 4"

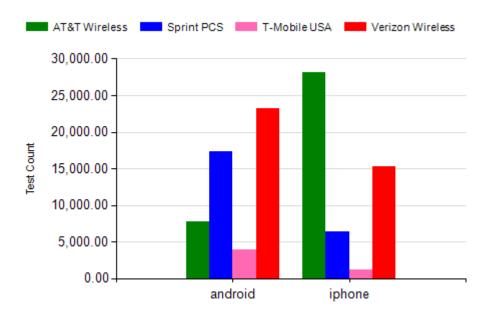
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WHERE connection_type NOT LIKE 'WiFi'
AND connection_type IS NOT NULL
AND download_kbps > 0
AND upload_kbps > 0
AND latency > 0
```

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        Device
        Dirty
        Clean
        %Error

        iPhone
        1116912
        1106573
        0.934326068

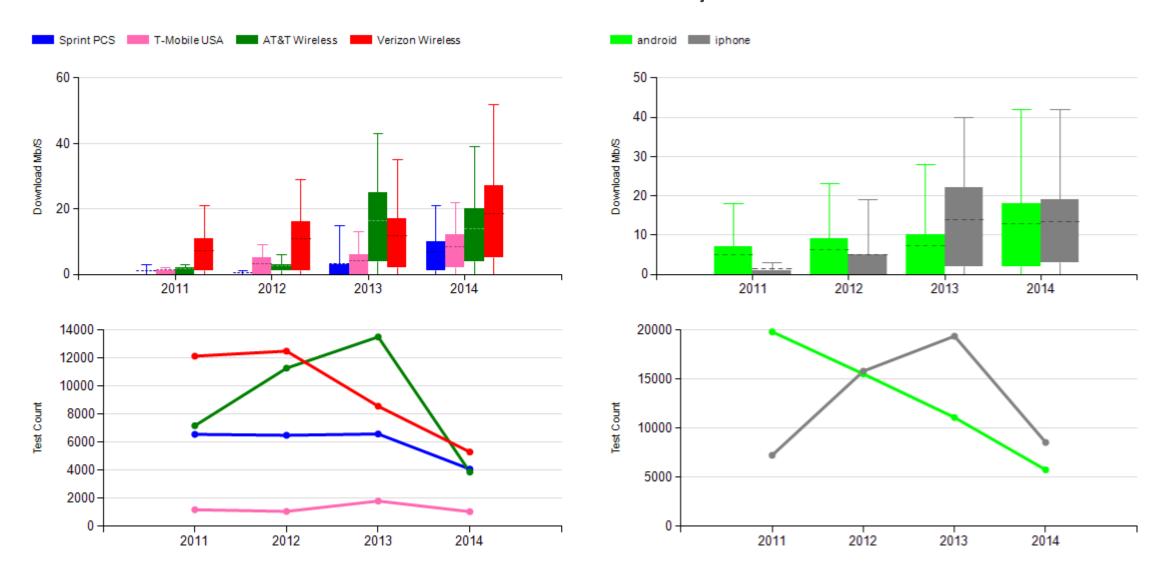
        Android
        2107640
        2106552
        0.051648381
```

```
SELECT
    client ip, isp, server name, connection type,
   download kbps, upload kbps, latency,
   test date AT TIME ZONE 'UTC' AS test date,
    geom, 'iphone' AS device, latitude, longitude
    FROM geo iphone
    WHERE
    test date AT TIME ZONE 'UTC' BETWEEN '2011-03-01' AND '2014-11-01'
AND longitude BETWEEN -89.85 AND -89.00
AND latitude BETWEEN 42.85 AND 43.3
AND connection type NOT LIKE 'WiFi'
AND connection type IS NOT NULL
AND download kbps > 0
AND upload kbps > 0
AND latency > 0
  AND (
  isp LIKE 'AT&T Wireless' OR
  isp LIKE 'Verizon Wireless' OR
  isp LIKE 'T-Mobile USA' OR
  isp LIKE 'Sprint PCS')
```



Total Tests: 103,183

#### Dane County



#### VIDEOS!

#### Stats

- 33,480 tests
- 5/4/2011 10/31/2014 = 3.5 Years

#### Times

- AT&T @ 1/20/2013 ~ 11s
- Sprint @ 7/14/2013 ~ 14s
- iPhone @ 9/29/2013 ~ 15s
- T-Mobile @ 10/6/2014 ~ 16s

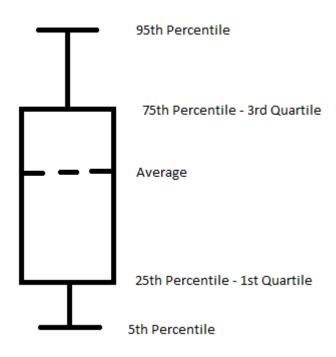
#### LTE Colors

- Attempt at density decay
- 1 Week step interval

#### Big4 2x2 LTE

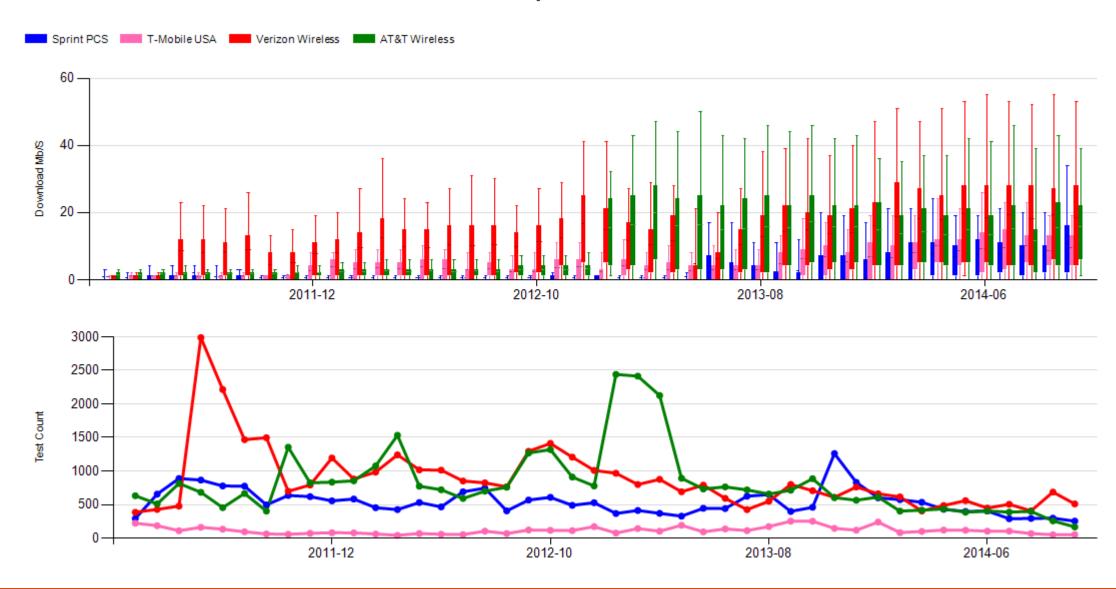
- No decay
- %90 Transparent dots

#### Box and Whisker Explanation

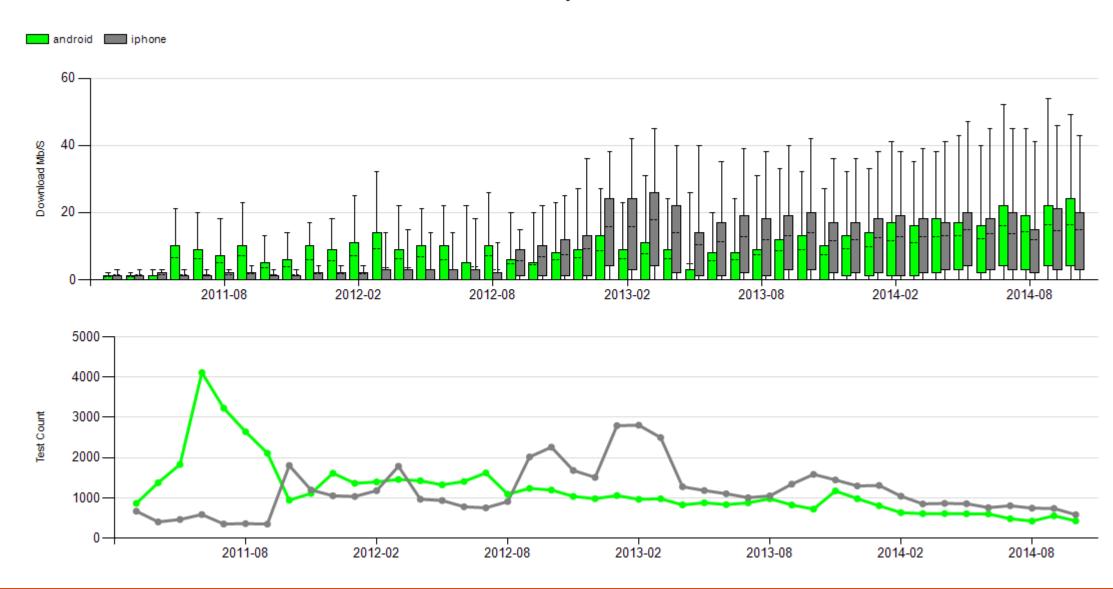


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WITH percentiles AS
     SELECT
     isp, connection type,
     to char(test date, 'YYYY-mm') AS test time,
     download kbps, upload kbps, latency,
     test date, device,
     ntile(20) over (partition by isp, to char(test date, 'YYYY-mm') order by download kbps) AS percentile
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     FROM dane mobile6
     WHERE
      test date BETWEEN ? AND ?
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     SELECT
     isp, test time,
     AVG(download_kbps)/1024 AS avg_dl,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=1 THEN download kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS min dl,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=5 THEN download kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS low dl,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=15 THEN download kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS high dl,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=19 THEN download kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS max_dl,
21
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=1 THEN upload kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS min ul,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=5 THEN upload kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS low ul,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=15 THEN upload kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS high ul,
25
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=19 THEN upload kbps ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS max ul,
26
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=1 THEN latency ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS min_lat,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=5 THEN latency ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS low_lat,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=15 THEN latency ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS high lat,
     MAX(CASE WHEN percentile=19 THEN latency ELSE NULL END)/1024 AS max lat,
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     count(*) AS count
      FROM
     percentiles
     GROUP BY isp, test time
     ORDER BY test_time
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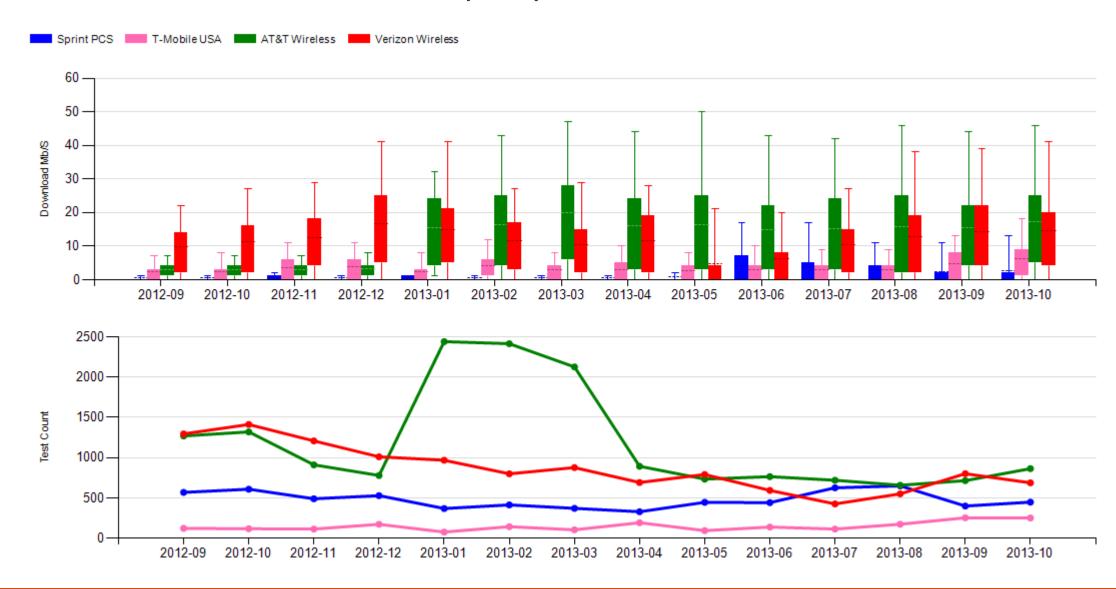
## ISPs by Month



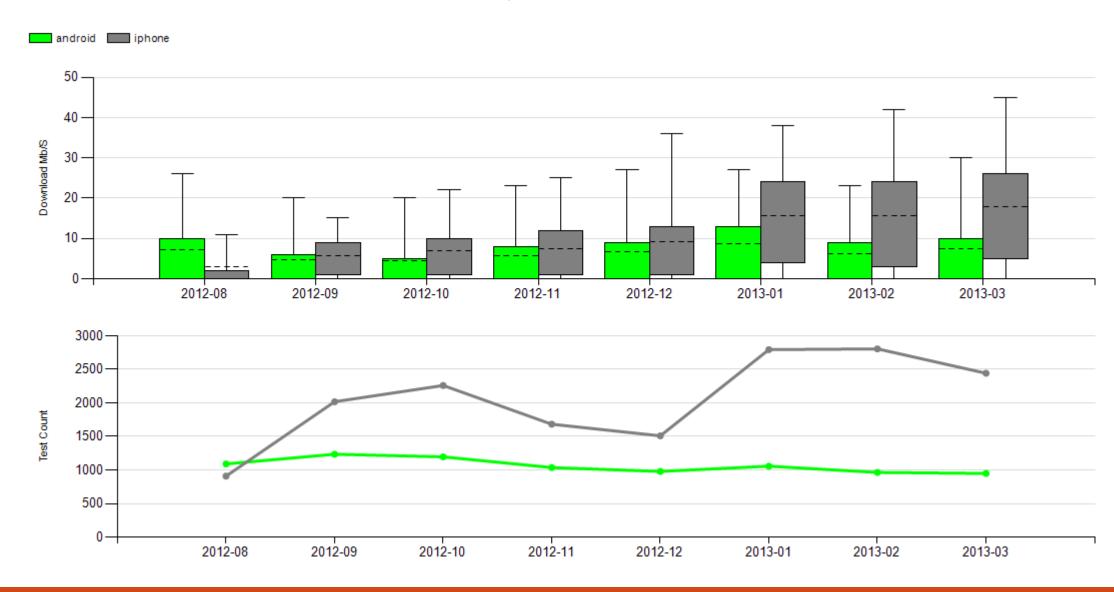
# Device by Month



## AT&T LTE Deployment or iPhone5?

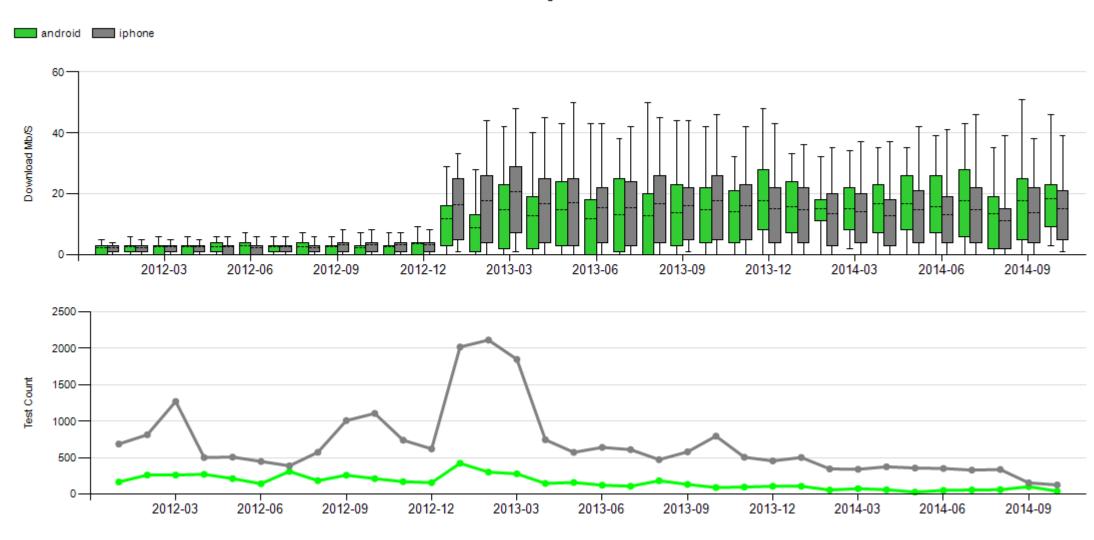


#### iPhone5? (September 21, 2012)

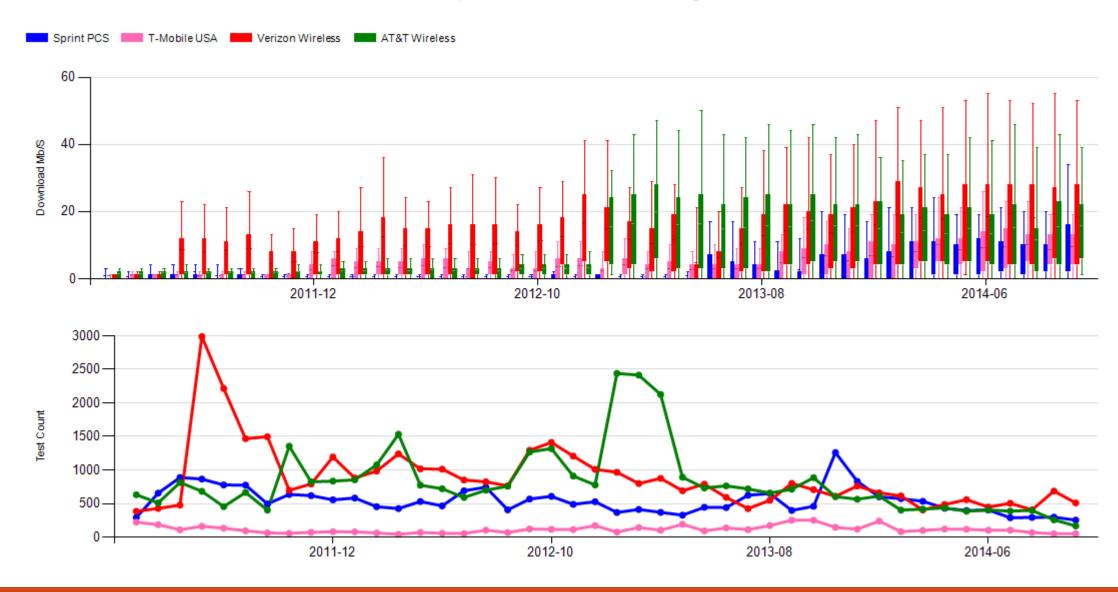


#### iPhone5 + AT&T LTE Deployment (AT&T Only)

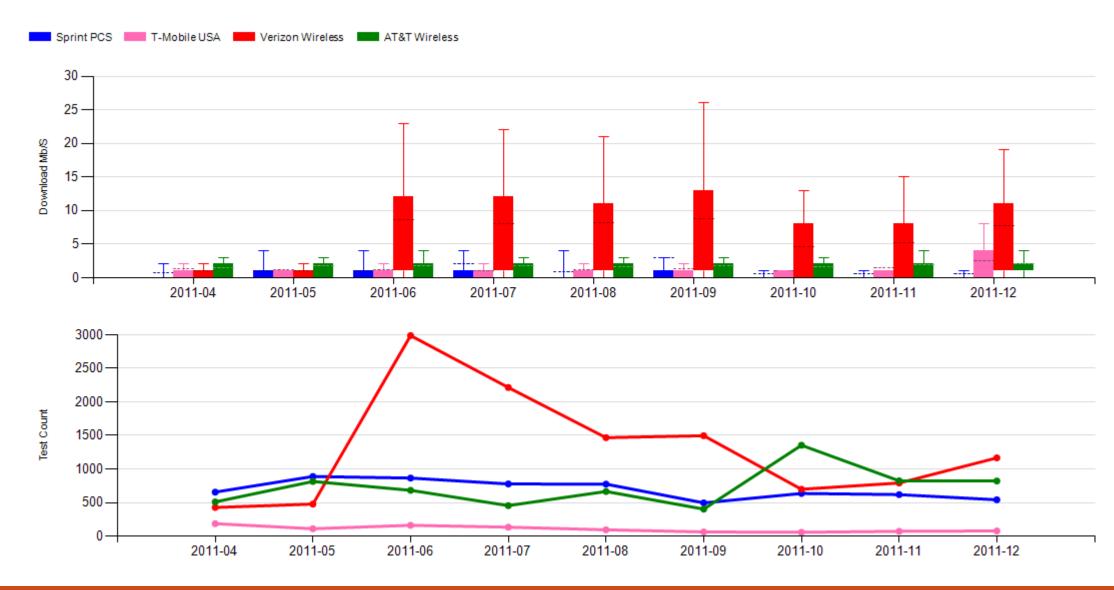
1/1/2012 through 10/31/2014



## ISPs by Month (Again)



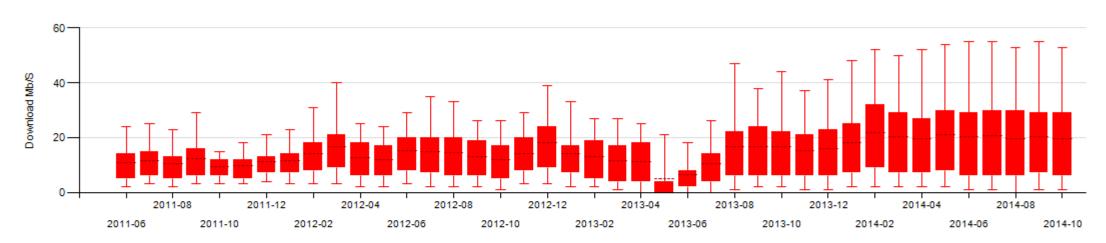
#### LTE Deployment or HTC Thunderbolt? (March 15, 2012)

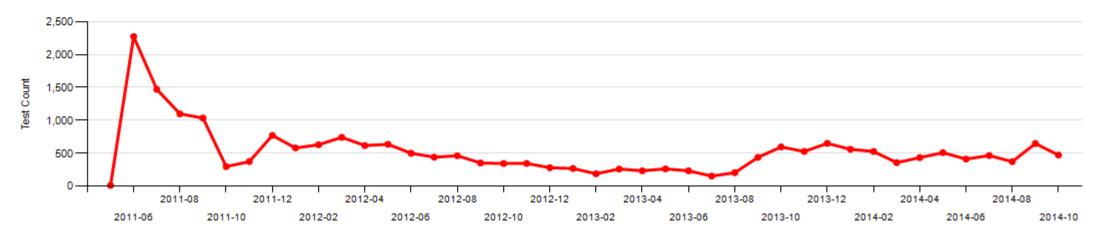


#### Verizon LTE Only

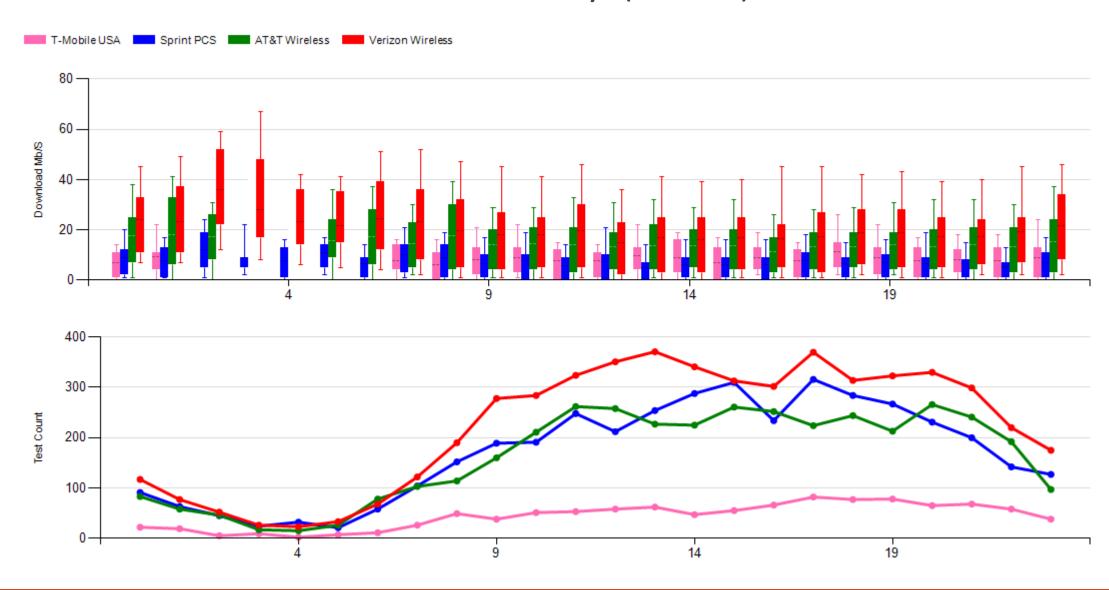
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#### Verizon Wireless

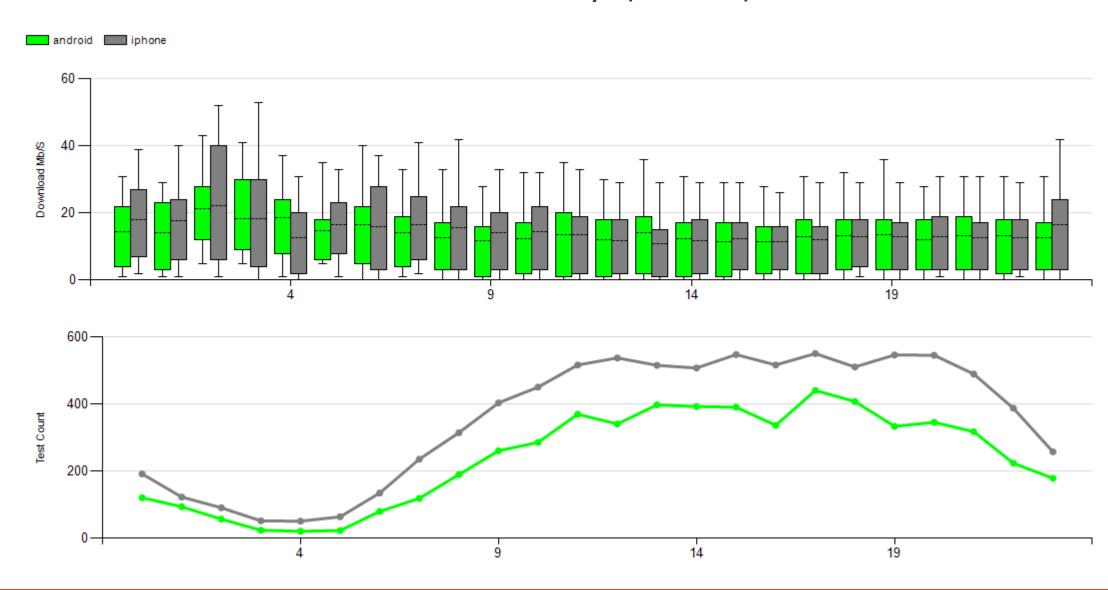




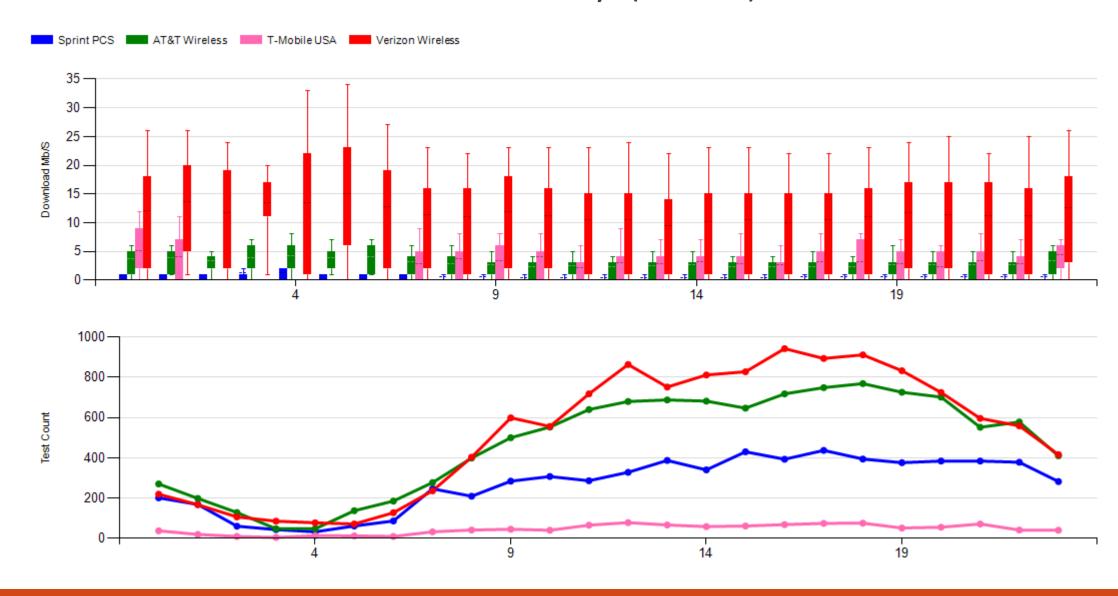
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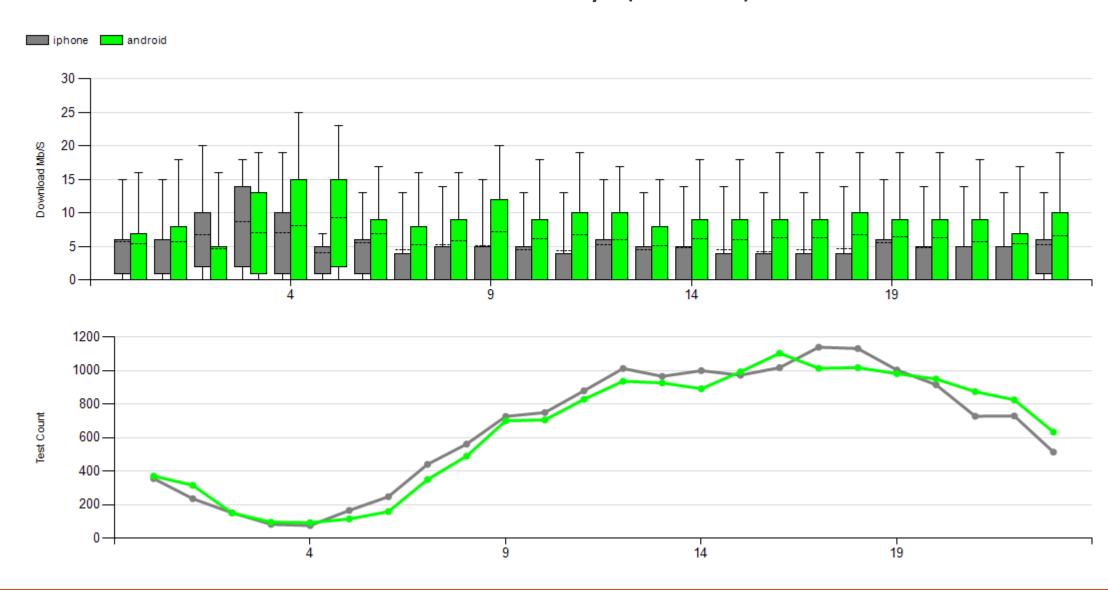
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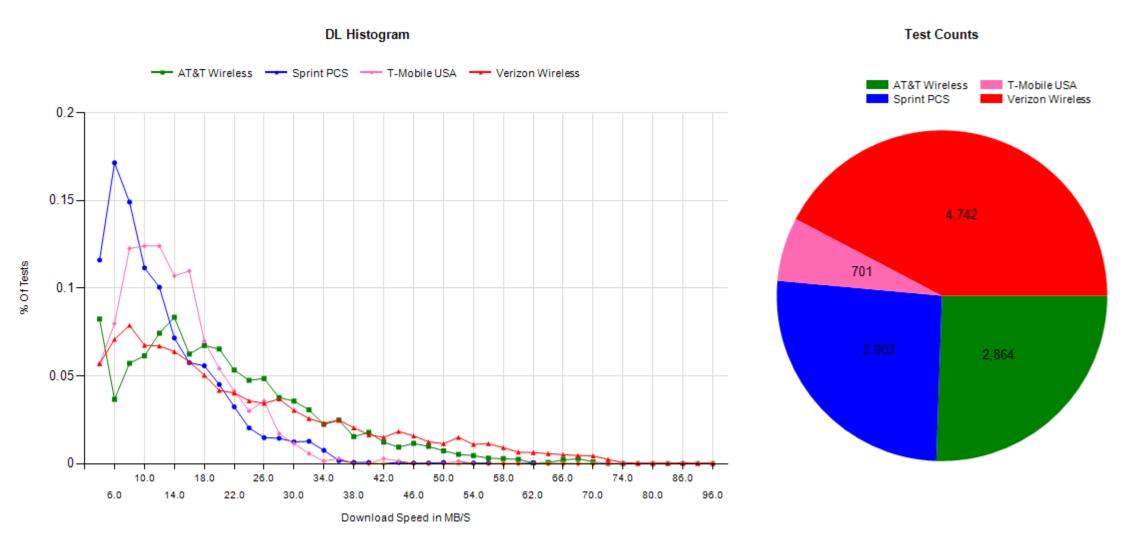
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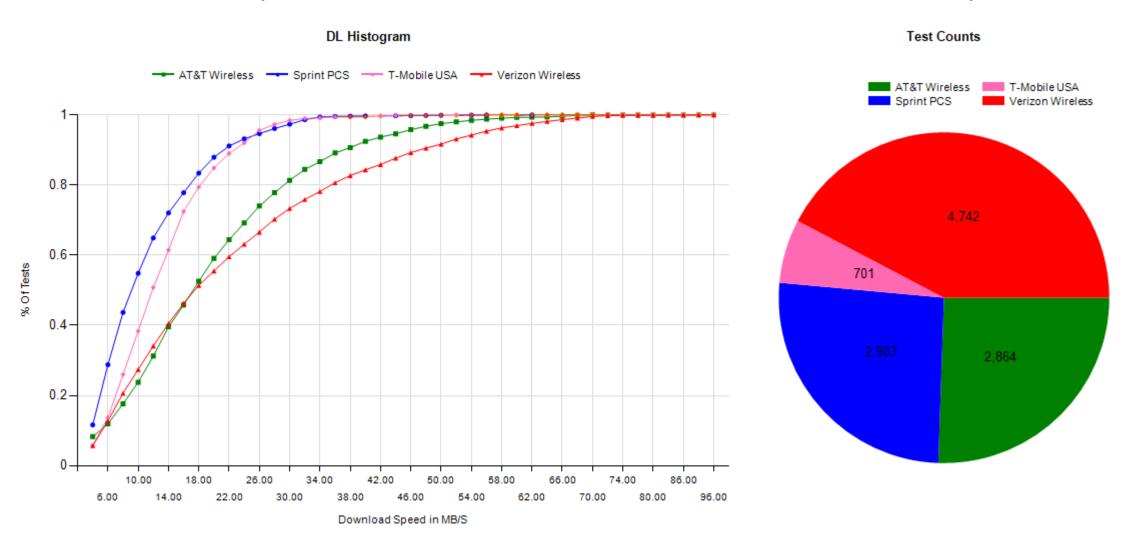
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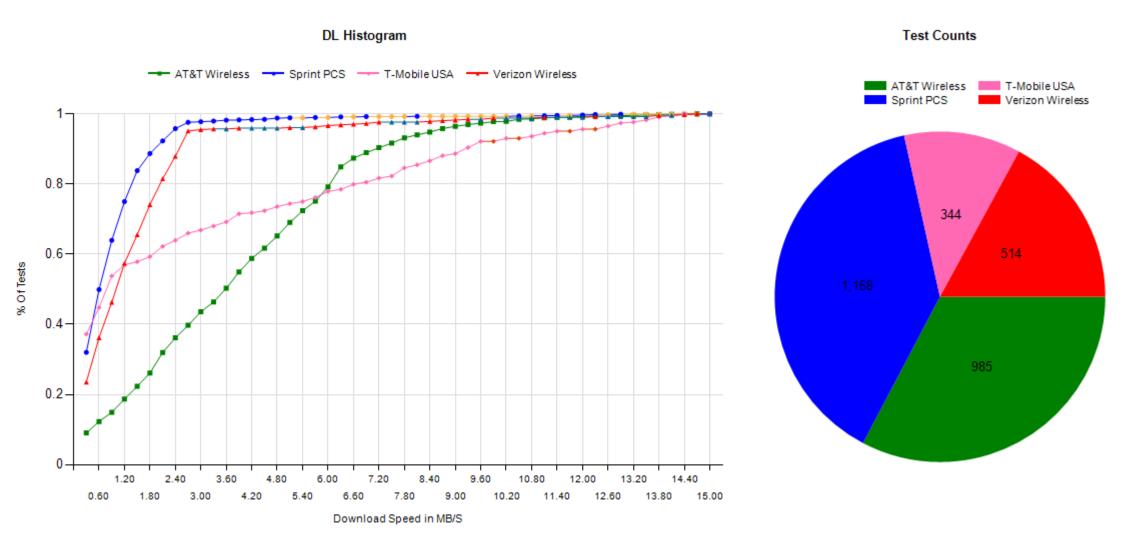
# Histogram (LTE, 50 Buckets, 0-100Mb/s, 2014)



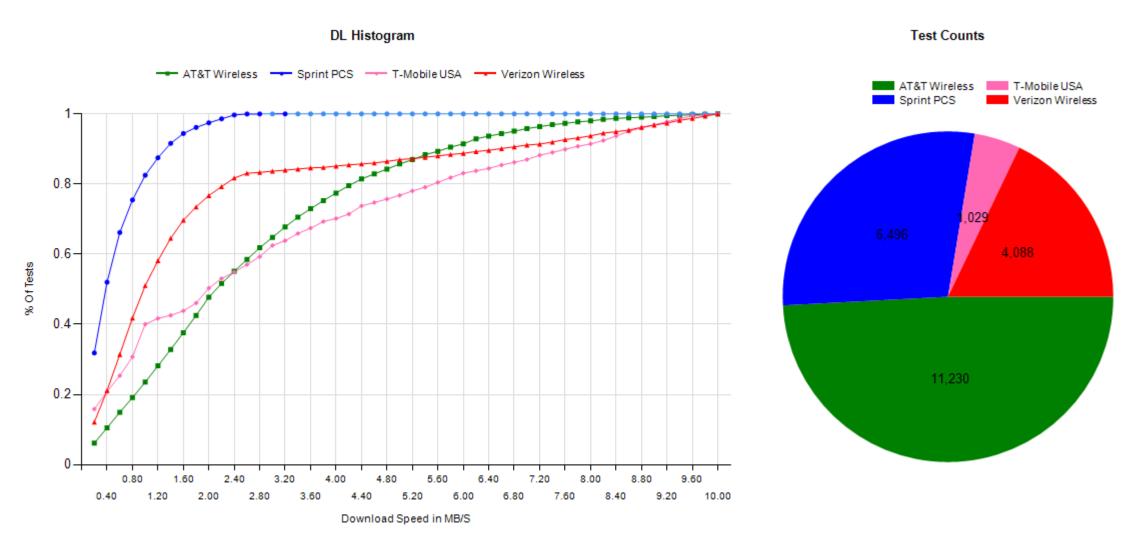
#### CDF! (LTE, 50 Buckets, 0-100Mb/s, 2014)



## CDF! (NON-LTE, 50 Buckets, 0-15Mb/s, 2014)



## CDF! (NON-LTE, 50 Buckets, 0-10Mb/s, 2012)



#### Conclusions

#### Verizon > AT&T > Sprint & T-Mobile

- Verizon = First with LTE
- LTE, %Chance of > 38Mb/s
  - Verizon ~%18
  - AT&T ~10%

#### iPhone vs Android Usage

More iPhone tests on WiFi

#### Additional Questions

#### How to find tower locations?

- Max speed by location
- Isthmus cause issues with density?
- Try LA or New York (more spread out?)

#### **Chronic Testers?**

- Same IP, close in location and time
- K-Means clustering?