



S10 - Wireshark plus Advanced Analytics...

...better together

The Webex 98% Hang Condition - Part II

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Welcome Back

Thank you for returning for Part II, appreciate your participation

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Agenda - Two Sessions

Part I

- Symptom Description
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- Trimming our PCAP

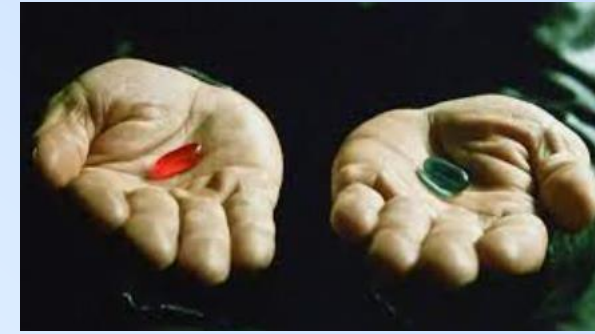
Part II

- Load filtered PCAP into Advanced Analytics
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- More Visualizations
- How to do this in Wireshark?
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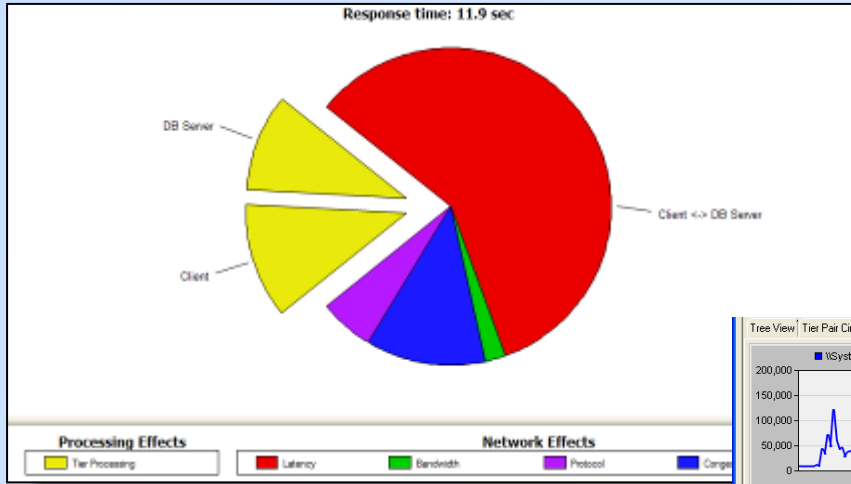


Why Advanced Analytics

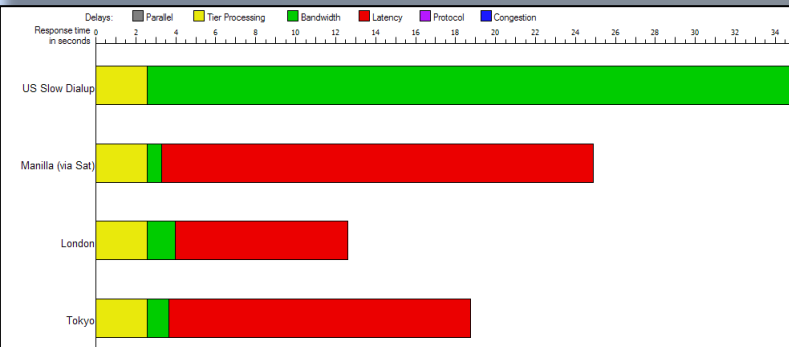
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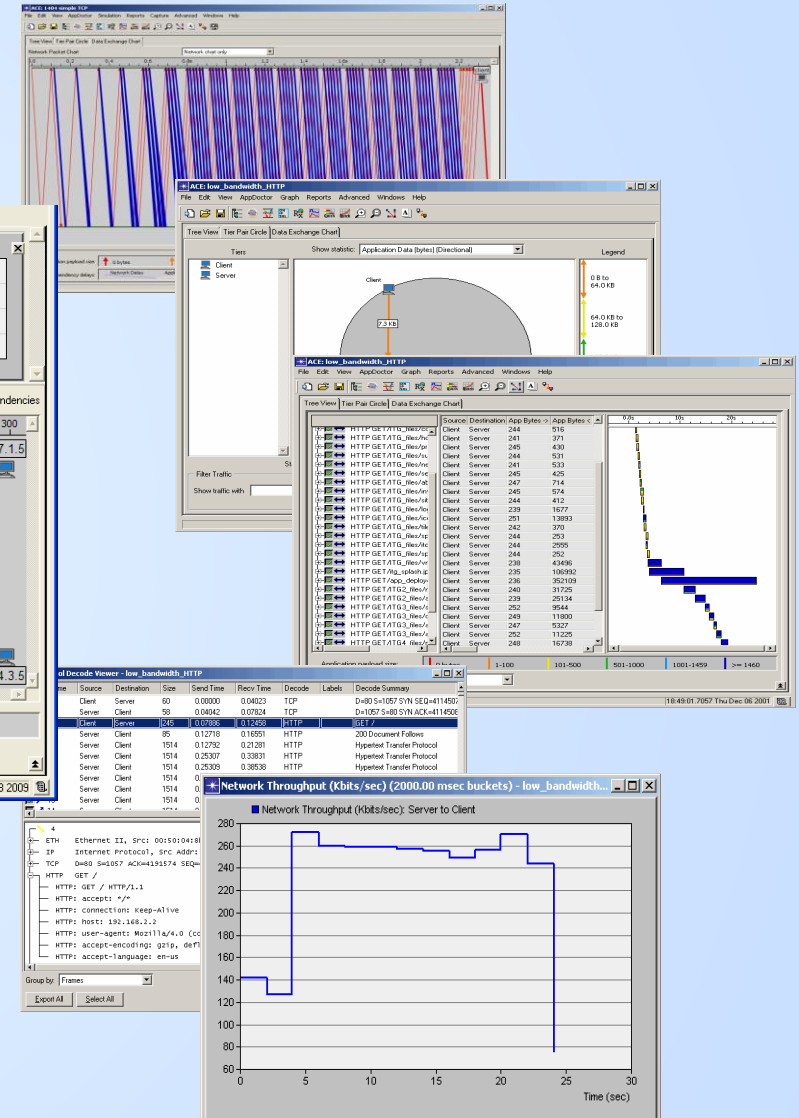
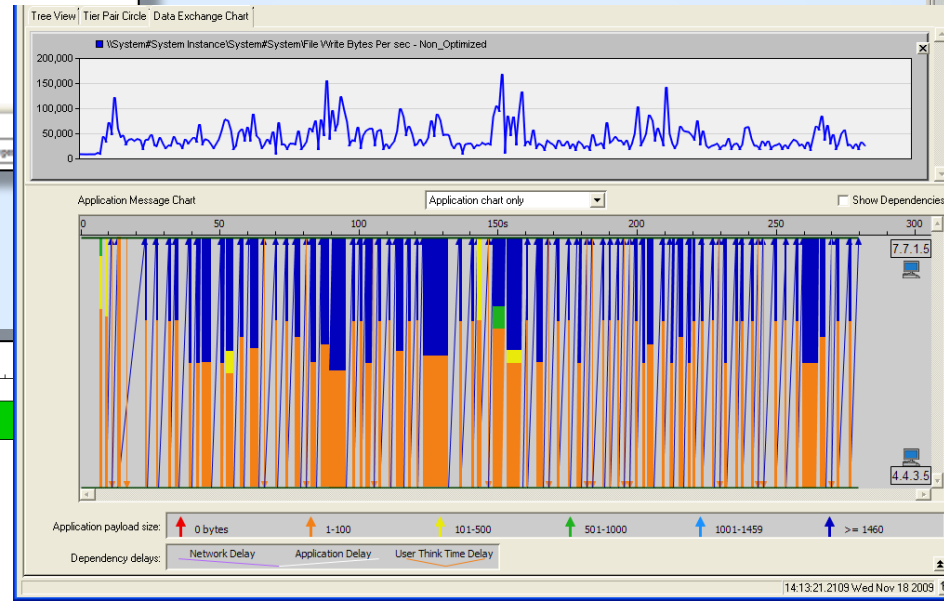
- ⦿ Supplements & Complements Wireshark Capabilities
- ⦿ Investigate based on visual clues
- ⦿ Faster real-time filtering, packets are pre-grouped, easy to navigate
- ⦿ Delay Analytics for Server, Protocol, Congestion, Latency, and BW
- ⦿ Protocol decodes from Wireshark
- ⦿ Screenshots and reports help explain symptom analysis



Summarize components of response-time delay



Predict response times

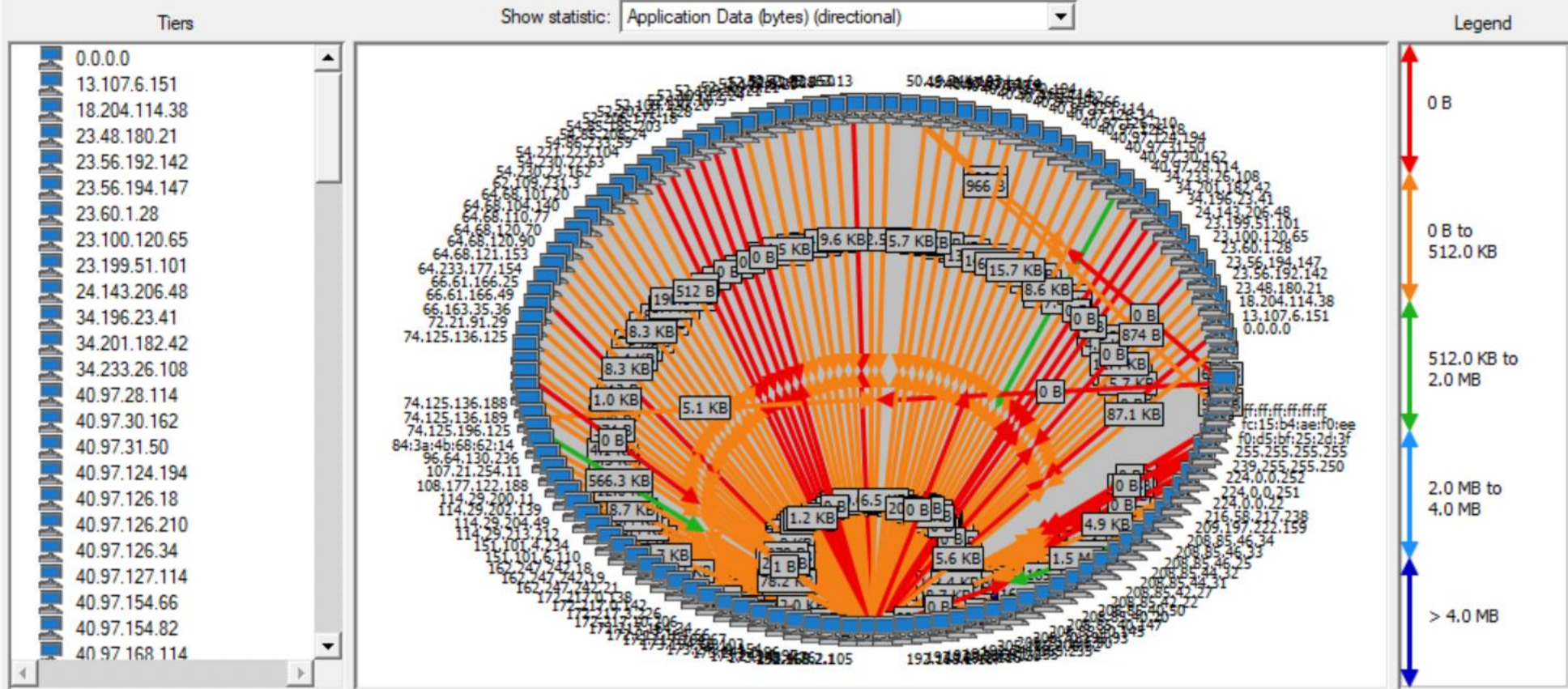




PCAP Before Filtering



Tree View Tier Pair Circle Data Exchange Chart



Filter Traffic
Show traffic with [dropdown]

Find Top Statistics... Run Layout



Filter, Filter, and Filter Again

Be aware: Filtering can be a double-edged sword



- ... take care not to filter too much... you might miss something important...



Wireshark Display Filter

From our work in Part I

A screenshot of a text editor window titled "wireshark display filter.txt". The window has a menu bar with "File", "Edit", and "View" options, and a settings gear icon in the top right corner. The main text area contains a Wireshark display filter expression:

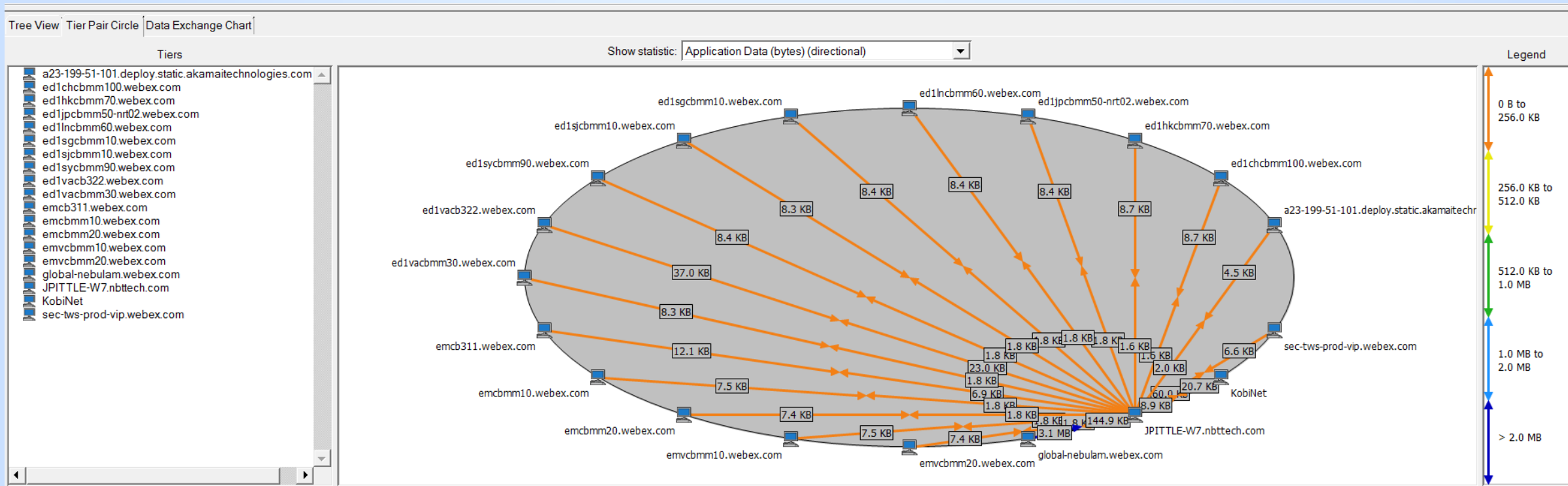
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(ip.addr==173.243.0.154 || ip.addr==23.199.51.101 || ip.addr == 66.163.35.36 ||  
ip.addr==64.68.120.90 || ip.addr==64.68.120.70 || ip.addr== 173.243.0.97 ||  
ip.addr== 173.243.0.96 || ip.addr== 64.68.101.20 || ip.addr== 64.68.104.140 ||  
ip.addr== 64.68.110.77 || ip.addr== 209.107.222.159 || ip.addr== 114.29.202.139 ||  
ip.addr== 64.68.121.153 || ip.addr== 114.29.213.212 || ip.addr== 62.109.231.3 ||  
ip.addr== 114.29.204.49 || ip.addr== 114.29.200.11 || ip.addr== 173.243.4.76 ||  
ip.addr== 23.199.51.101) || dns
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After Filter Applied

Extraneous traffic eliminated...

- Can seldom be 100% certain we haven't deleted something we need...





On to visualizing the traffic and behavior

This is where Transaction Analyzer saves you time...

- ⦿ Now that we've eliminated the extraneous traffic we can leverage TA visualization features to see what application and protocol behaviors may be related to our 98% hang condition
- ⦿ Goal is to identify cause of “98% hang” condition as quickly as possible



1st Visualization: Treeview

Right panel histograms provide visual clues worthy of research

The screenshot shows the Transaction Analyzer interface with three main panels:

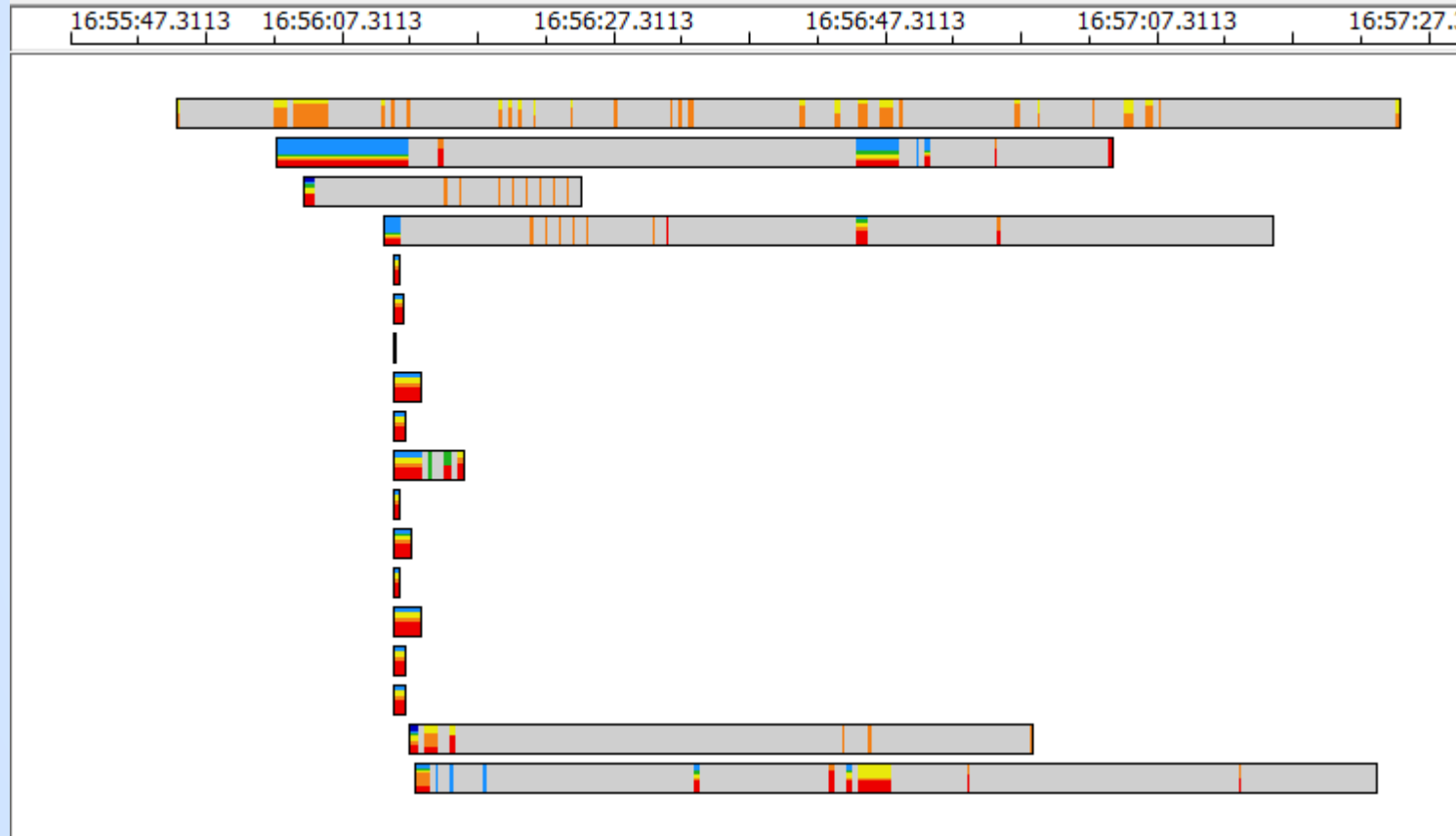
- Tree View (left, red border):** Lists network connections under 'Tier Pairs - Network Packets'. The 'View by' dropdown is set to 'Tier Pairs - Network Packets'. A blue arrow points to the 'View by' dropdown.
- Table (middle, green border):** Displays connection statistics with columns: App Bytes →, App Bytes ←, Start Time, End Time, Duration, Num Turns, and Net. The table contains 20 rows of data.
- Histogram (right, blue border):** Shows a horizontal bar chart representing data exchange over time, with a vertical axis on the left. The x-axis shows time intervals from 16:55:47.3113 to 16:57:07.3113.

App Bytes →	App Bytes ←	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Num Turns	Net
9,089	22,109	16:55:55.0937	16:57:25.2610	90.1673	475	
148,359	3,206,718	16:56:02.4345	16:57:04.0647	61.6303	347	2
2,068	4,623	16:56:04.4756	16:56:24.9864	20.5108	7	
61,402	6,772	16:56:10.2705	16:57:15.9137	65.6432	13	
1,793	7,608	16:56:10.9938	16:56:11.5789	0.5851	13	
1,831	8,504	16:56:10.9942	16:56:11.9426	0.9484	13	
1,831	8,520	16:56:10.9947	16:56:11.3878	0.3931	13	
1,623	8,946	16:56:10.9949	16:56:13.1769	2.1819	13	
1,831	8,598	16:56:10.9953	16:56:12.0044	1.0090	13	
1,815	8,616	16:56:10.9956	16:56:16.4043	5.4087	13	
1,641	8,882	16:56:10.9958	16:56:11.5907	0.5950	13	
1,843	8,600	16:56:10.9959	16:56:12.5444	1.5485	13	
1,793	7,720	16:56:10.9963	16:56:11.5724	0.5762	13	
1,815	8,600	16:56:10.9963	16:56:13.2221	2.2258	13	
1,795	7,592	16:56:10.9966	16:56:11.9910	0.9944	13	
1,795	7,704	16:56:11.0543	16:56:12.0553	1.0010	13	
7,105	12,349	16:56:12.1456	16:56:58.2508	46.1052	14	
23,501	37,911	16:56:12.6373	16:57:23.5480	70.9107	34	



Zoom-in to Right Panel

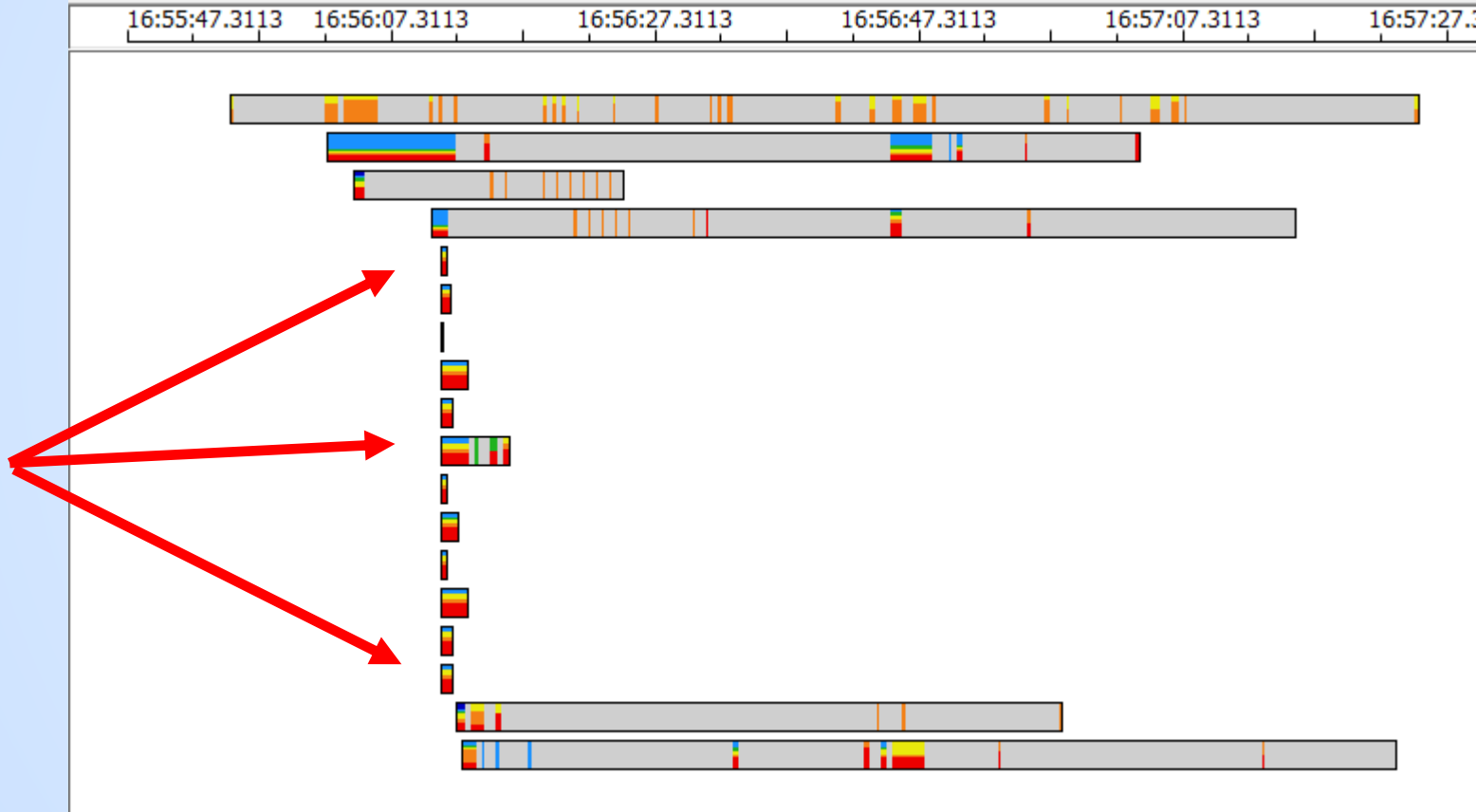
Histograms show aggregated view of traffic over time





Not likely involved in the timeout / hang (Guess)

These connections are short lived, we can (probably) rule them out





Expand into individual connections



Transaction Analyzer: webex filtered

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Tree View Tier Pairs Circle Data Exchange Chart

View by: Tier Pairs - Network Packets

	App Bytes ->	App Bytes <-	Start Time Δ	End Time	Duration	Num Turns	N
Tier Pairs							
192.168.2.105 <-> 192.168.2.1	9,089	21,179	0.0000	90.1673	90.1673	475	
192.168.2.105 <-> dfw02-nebulam.webex.com	148,359	3,206,718	7.3408	68.9711	61.6303	347	
Connections							
TLS: 62037<->443 Client Hello	5,832	12,463	7.3408	8.3651	1.0243	9	
TLS: 62038<->443 Client Hello	11,491	74,055	7.3411	9.0676	1.7265	17	
TLS: 62039<->443 Client Hello	6,213	113,441	7.3413	8.3597	1.0184	11	
TLS: 62043<->443 Client Hello	10,339	144,729	8.3919	9.4884	1.0965	13	
TLS: 62044<->443 Client Hello	5,581	10,807	8.3922	8.8936	0.5013	9	
TLS: 62045<->443 Client Hello	2,227	5,467	8.3954	8.9528	0.5575	5	
TCP: 62048<->443 D=443 S=62048 SYN SEQ=1377699264 LEN=...	0	0	8.9795	9.0350	0.0555	1	
TLS: 62049<->443 Client Hello	2,255	16,107	8.9827	9.3241	0.3414	6	
TLS: 62050<->443 Client Hello	2,436	16,107	8.9873	11.9855	2.9983	6	
TLS: 62051<->443 Client Hello	2,451	7,747	9.0596	11.9865	2.9269	6	

Application payload size: 0 bytes 1-100 101-500 501-1000 1001-1459 >= 1460

Frame Source Destination Size Send Time Recv Time Decode Labels Decode Summary

Group by: Frames 0 packets Summary decode level First

backing up file 'C:\Users\jpittle\op_admin\ta-17-7.prefs' ... done 13:57:31.7216 Tue Jun 05 2018

Finding #1 - Sample Connection Failures - Nebulem



Client does not respond to SYN+ACK

Clue: no payload / minimal duration

The screenshot shows a Wireshark interface with the following components:

- Tree View:** Shows a list of network packets. The selected packet is a TCP SYN+ACK: `TCP: 62071<->443 D=443 S=62071 SYN SEQ=62163391 LEN=0 WIN=8192`.
- Packet List Table:** A table with columns: App Bytes →, App Bytes ←, Start Time, End Time, Duration, Num Turns, Net Bytes →, Net Bytes ←. The selected row shows 0 bytes of application data and a duration of 0.0590 seconds.
- Packet Details:** Shows the selected packet as a TCP segment with source IP 62071 and destination IP 443. The details pane shows the SYN flag set and the sequence number 62163391.
- Application payload size:** A legend at the bottom indicates that 0 bytes of payload is represented by a red square.
- Packet Bytes:** A bar chart on the right shows the structure of the selected packet, with a red arrow pointing to the SYN+ACK segment.



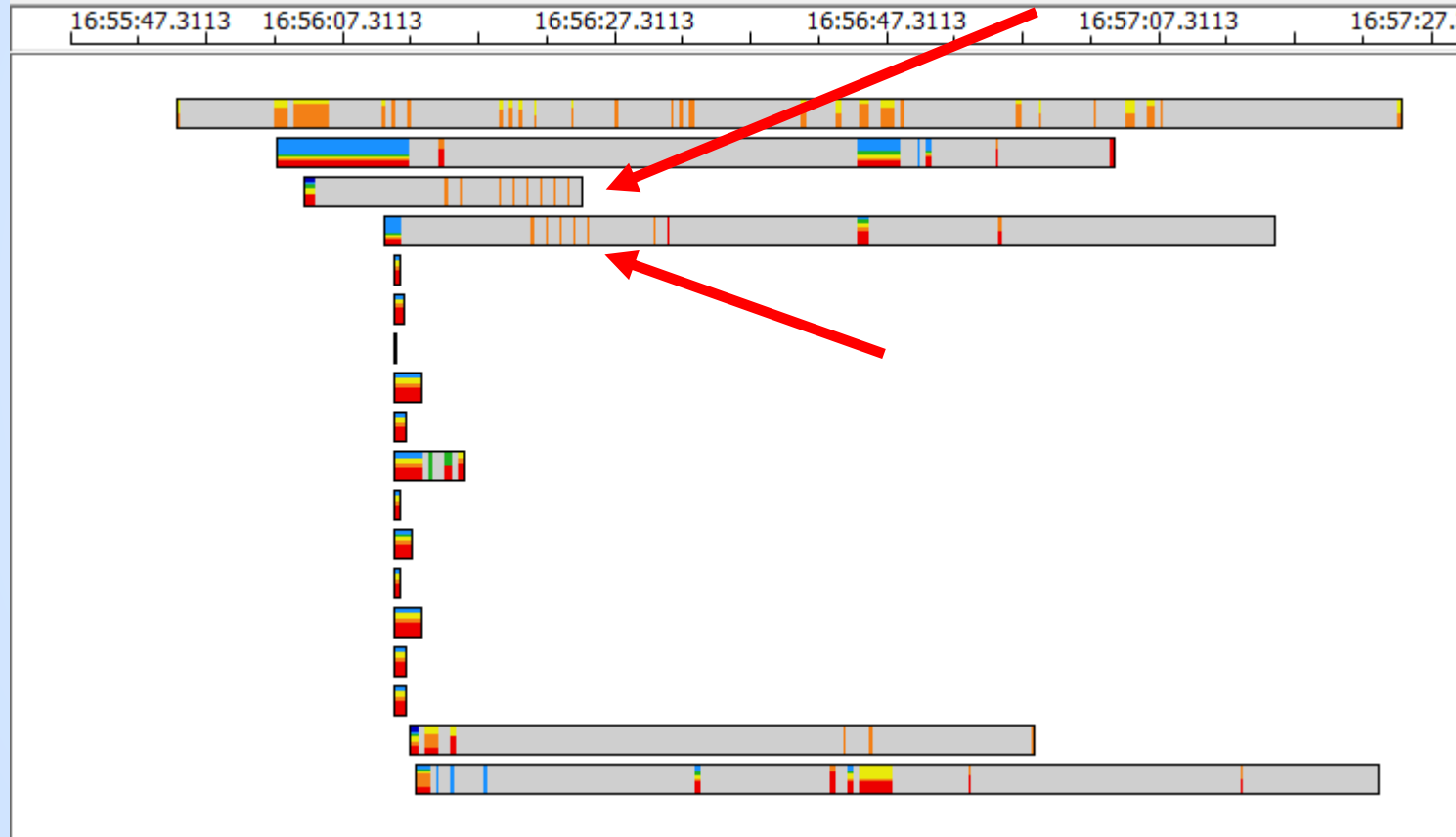
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9							
10							
11							



These patterns look interesting

Shows packet exchanges over time - will deep dive into this next



Finding #2 - Akamai does not ACK the client keepalives on connection 62057



Client sends RST after 10 keepalive requests


Protocol Decode Viewer - webex_98pct_resolved16_56_52edt_startWithDNS_1

Frame	Source	Destination	Size	Send Time	Recv Time	Decode	Labels	Decode Summary
1094	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	180	15:56:04.5513	15:56:04.5654	SSL		Client Key Exchange. Change Cipher Spec. Hello Request. Hello Re
1131	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	312	15:56:04.5679	15:56:04.5819	SSL		New Session Ticket. Change Cipher Spec. Encrypted Handshake M
1163	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:04.7853	15:56:04.7993	TCP		D=443 S=62057 ACK=3772168691 SEQ=1174355168 LEN=0 WIN<<2=
1175	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	1479	15:56:04.8460	15:56:04.8601	SSL		Application Data
1249	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	60	15:56:04.9213	15:56:04.9353	TCP		D=62057 S=443 ACK=1174356593 SEQ=3772168691 LEN=0 WIN<<7=
1274	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	514	15:56:04.9584	15:56:04.9724	SSL		Application Data
1331	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:05.1773	15:56:05.1913	TCP		D=443 S=62057 ACK=3772169151 SEQ=1174356593 LEN=0 WIN<<2=
5861	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:14.9728	15:56:14.9868	SSL		Continuation Data
5884	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:15.9760	15:56:15.9900	SSL		Continuation Data
5900	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:16.9738	15:56:16.9878	SSL		Continuation Data
5924	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:17.9749	15:56:17.9889	SSL		Continuation Data
5966	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:18.9790	15:56:18.9931	SSL		Continuation Data
6010	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:19.9735	15:56:19.9875	SSL		Continuation Data
6041	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:20.9736	15:56:20.9876	SSL		Continuation Data
6196	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:21.9744	15:56:21.9885	SSL		Continuation Data
6216	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:22.9728	15:56:22.9868	SSL		Continuation Data
6233	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:23.9733	15:56:23.9873	SSL		Continuation Data
6243	JPITTL-W7.nbtech.com	a23-199-51-101.deploy.static.akamaitechnologies.com	60	15:56:24.9724	15:56:24.9864	TCP		D=443 S=62057 RST ACK=3772169151 SEQ=1174356593 LEN=0 WIN<

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- ETH Ethernet II, Src: f0:d5:bf:25:2d:3f (f0:d5:bf:25:2d:3f), Dst: 192.168.2.1 (48:f8:b3:91:b1:fe)
- IP Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.2.105 (192.168.2.105), Dst: e5169.d.akamaiedge.net (23.199.51.101) ID=18369
- TCP D=443 S=62057 ACK=3772169151 SEQ=1174356592 LEN=1 WIN<<2=65700
- SSL Continuation Data
- HEX Captured bytes



 Visualization pattern provided the clue that we needed to look closer



Document Findings

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2	Symptoms found in "98% hang" capture						
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5	1	Client does not complete 3-way handshake	nebulam	173.243.0.154	various		
6	2	Server does not ACK keepalive	akamai	23.199.51.101	62057	16:56:14	
7							
8							
9							
10							
11							



Finding #3 - Prod VIP same behavior

Client sends RST after 10 keepalives

Protocol Decode Viewer - webex_98pct_resolved16_56_52edt_startWithDNS_1

Frame	Source	Destination	Size	Send Time	Recv Time	Decode	Labels	Decode Summary
4599	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	60	15:56:11.0362	15:56:11.0846	TCP		D=62092 S=443 ACK=2103631714 SEQ=176782290 LEN=0 WIN<<4=33216
4570	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	1384	15:56:11.0750	15:56:11.1234	SSL		Continuation Data
4571	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	993	15:56:11.0751	15:56:11.1235	SSL		Continuation Data
4677	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	60	15:56:11.1202	15:56:11.1685	TCP		D=62092 S=443 ACK=2103633983 SEQ=176782290 LEN=0 WIN<<4=30960
4678	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	449	15:56:11.1216	15:56:11.1700	SSL		Application Data
5000	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:11.3640	15:56:11.4124	TCP		D=443 S=62092 ACK=176782685 SEQ=2103633983 LEN=0 WIN<<2=65588
6046	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:21.1706	15:56:21.2188	SSL		Continuation Data
6199	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:22.1706	15:56:22.2187	SSL		Continuation Data
6217	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:23.1707	15:56:23.2188	SSL		Continuation Data
6237	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:24.1706	15:56:24.2187	SSL		Continuation Data
6244	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:25.1705	15:56:25.2186	SSL		Continuation Data
6254	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:26.1705	15:56:26.2186	SSL		Continuation Data
6288	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:27.1701	15:56:27.2182	SSL		Continuation Data
6319	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:28.1631	15:56:28.2111	SSL		Continuation Data
6353	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:29.1630	15:56:29.2110	SSL		Continuation Data
6359	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:30.1630	15:56:30.2109	SSL		Continuation Data
6367	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com	60	15:56:31.1629	15:56:31.2108	TCP		D=443 S=62092 RST ACK=176782685 SEQ=2103633983 LEN=0 WIN<<2=0

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- IP Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.2.105 (192.168.2.105), Dst: sec-tws-prod-vip.webex.com (66.163.35.36) ID=18509
- TCP D=443 S=62092 ACK=176782685 SEQ=2103633982 LEN=1 WIN<<2=65588
- SSL Continuation Data
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6	2	Server does not ACK keepalive	akamai	23.199.51.101	62057	16:56:14	
7	3	Server does not ACK keepalive	prod-vip	66.163.35.36	62092	16:56:21	
8							
9							
10							
11							



Discussion: Packets show us App and Protocol Behavior



TreeView - Examine another pattern example

Drill Down into Connections for a different Tier Pair

The screenshot shows a network monitoring interface. On the left, a tree view displays connections between 'JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com' and 'ed1vacb322.webex.com'. The connections are listed as follows:

- SSL: 62131<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62132<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62149<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62155<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62154<->443 Client Hello

In the center, a table displays connection statistics:

...	7,199	7,243	15:56:12.6373	...	23,5480	70,9107	34	43,099	46,548
...	10,478	5,498	15:56:12.6373	...	32,1389	19,5016	6	21,022	6,188
...	954	7,802	15:56:12.6373	...	43,3910	30,7536	7	2,622	9,176
...	2,068	5,498	15:56:33.3297	...	43,4361	10,1063	6	2,944	6,188
...	1,002	13,615	15:56:44.4371	...	23,5480	39,1109	7	4,650	16,828
...	8,999	5,498	15:56:44.4371	...	23,5319	39,0948	6	11,861	8,168

On the right, a horizontal bar chart visualizes the data from the table, with bars of varying lengths and colors (blue, red, yellow) representing different connection metrics.



This screenshot shows a zoomed-in view of the tree view from the top-left screenshot. The connections are listed as follows:

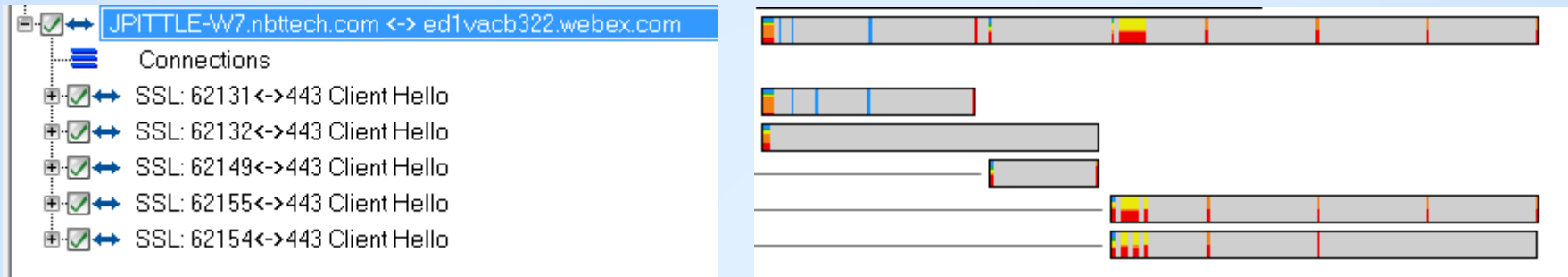
- SSL: 62131<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62132<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62149<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62155<->443 Client Hello
- SSL: 62154<->443 Client Hello

This screenshot shows a zoomed-in view of the horizontal bar chart from the top-right screenshot. The bars represent connection metrics for the same connections listed in the zoomed-in tree view, showing their relative lengths and colors.



Interpretation & Value of the Visualizations

What can we learn before we start to look at decodes?

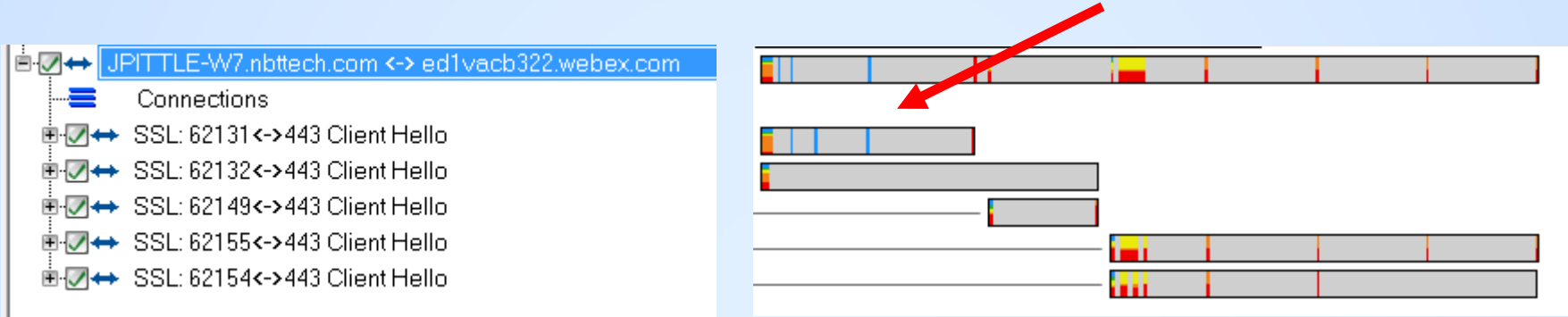


- Conn #1 and #2 opened concurrently
- Conn #3 opened shortly after #1 was reset
- Conn #2 and #3 both closed about the same time
- Conn #4 and #5 opened concurrently after #2 and #3 were closed
- What does this tell us about client thread management?



Interpretation & Value of the Visualizations

What can we learn before we start to look at decodes?



- Sequence and timing progression of blue lines suggest RTO retransmissions

Finding #4: Conn#1 - Unstable connection, five retrans followed by RST (Port 62131)



Protocol Decode Viewer - webex_98pct_resolved16_56_52edt_startWithDNS_1

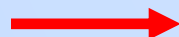
Frame	Source	Destination	Size	Send Time	Recv Time	Decode	Labels	Decode Summary
5785	JPITTTLE-W7.nbttch.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	139	15:56:13.1800	15:56:13.1801	SSL		Application Data
5786	JPITTTLE-W7.nbttch.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	139	15:56:13.1801	15:56:13.1802	SSL		Application Data
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5810	ed1vacb322.webex.com	JPITTTLE-W7.nbttch.com	60	15:56:13.1938	15:56:13.2119	TCP		D=62131 S=443 ACK=775463851 SEQ=2605151963 LEN=0 WIN<<4=38016
5835	JPITTTLE-W7.nbttch.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	1384	15:56:13.5170	15:56:13.5351	SSL	Retransmission of fram...	Application Data (Retransmission of frame 5757)
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Conn #2 - “Companion Connection” flows in the opposite direction, no retrans (port 62132)

Client closes with RST about the same time as the earlier connection

Frame	Source	Destination	Size	Send Time	Recv Time	Decode	Labels	Decode Summary
5750	ed1vacb322.webex.com	JPITTTLE-W7.nbtttech.com	139	15:56:13.1903	15:56:13.1750	SSL		Application Data
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5751	JPITTTLE-W7.nbtttech.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	60	15:56:13.1750	15:56:13.1931	TCP		D=443 S=62132 ACK=5772218 SEQ=506799472 LEN=0 WIN<<2=66500
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5815	ed1vacb322.webex.com	JPITTTLE-W7.nbtttech.com	139	15:56:13.2002	15:56:13.2170	SSL		Application Data
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5809	JPITTTLE-W7.nbtttech.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	60	15:56:13.2094	15:56:13.2275	TCP		D=443 S=62132 ACK=5772388 SEQ=506799472 LEN=0 WIN<<2=66328
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11978	JPITTTLE-W7.nbtttech.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	60	15:56:43.3745	15:56:43.3910	TCP		D=443 S=62132 RST ACK=5773323 SEQ=506799472 LEN=0 WIN<<2=0





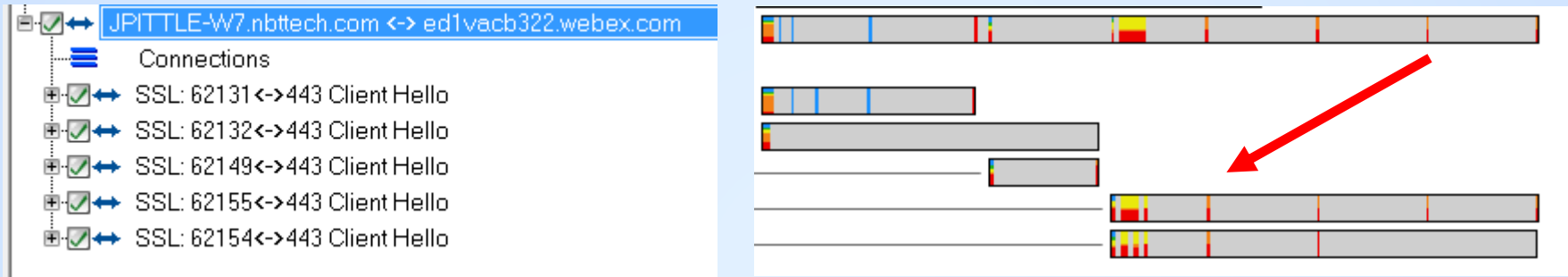
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Interpretation of the Visualizations

What can we learn before we start to look at decodes?



- Concurrent traffic on both connections
- We can't see what is being transferred, but whatever is being transferred, is transferred on both connections 4 and 5 near simultaneously

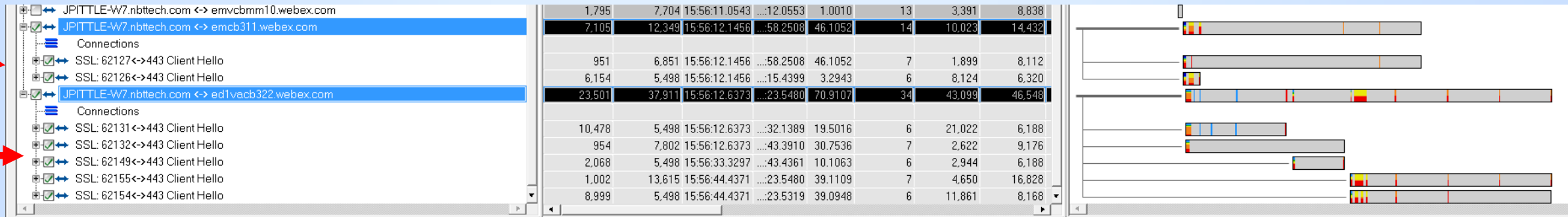


Discuss: App & Protocol Behavior



Zoom in to these six connections

- We'll use a different visualization now to drill deeper into these six connections
- Data Exchange Chart





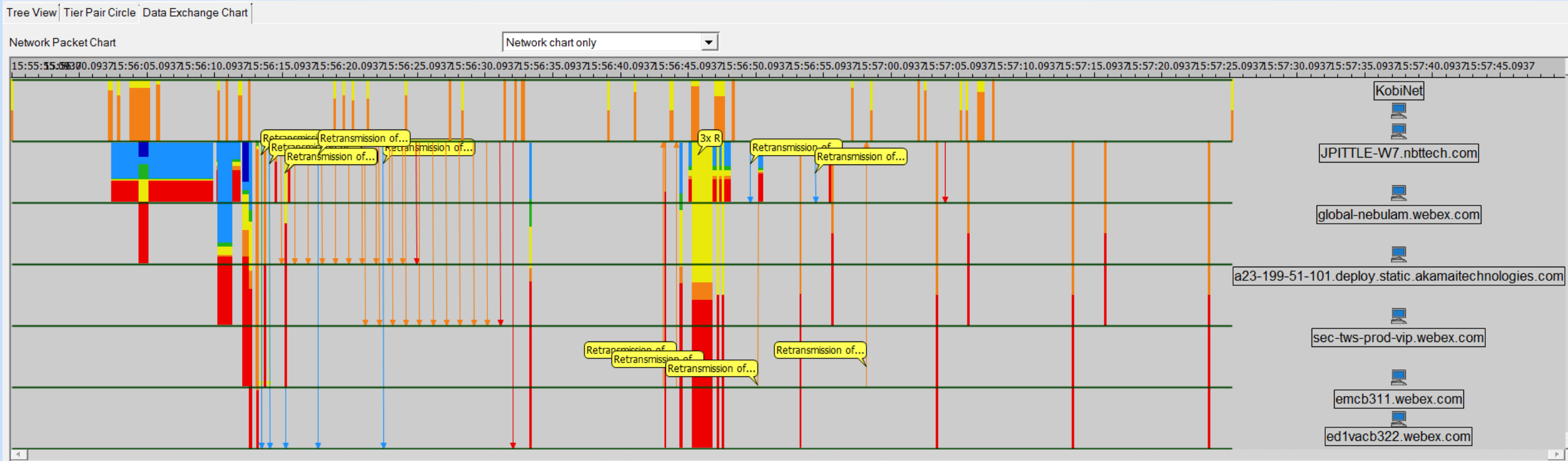
Data Exchange Chart



Data Exchange Chart Orientation

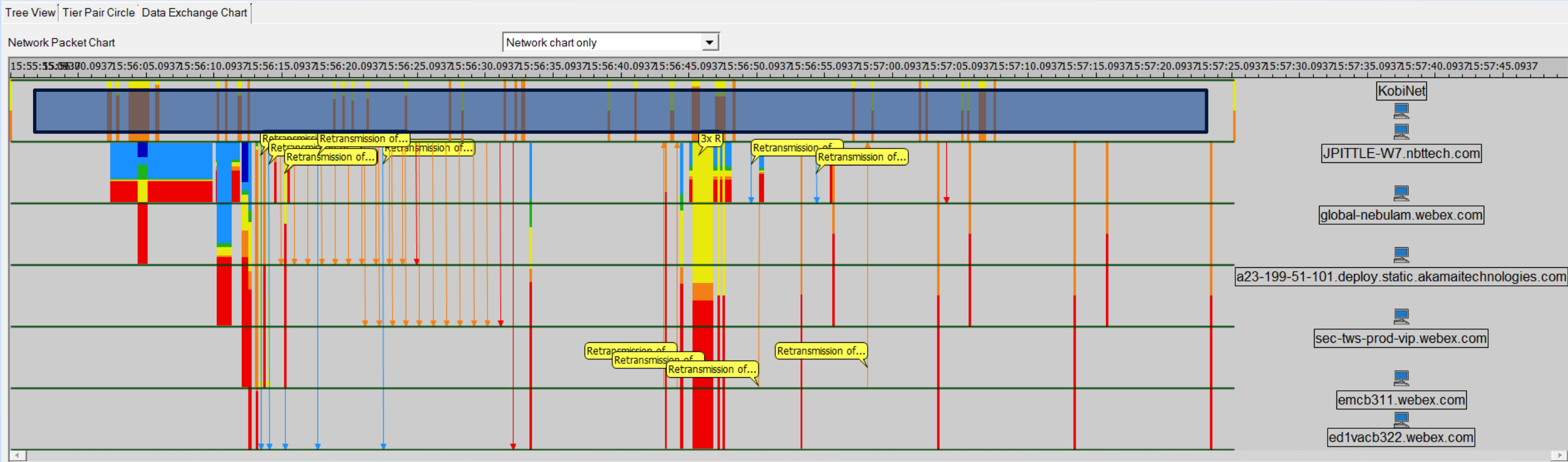
Each swim lane provides insights into “When” and “who” patterns

● Time Period: 16:56:02 – 16:57:25



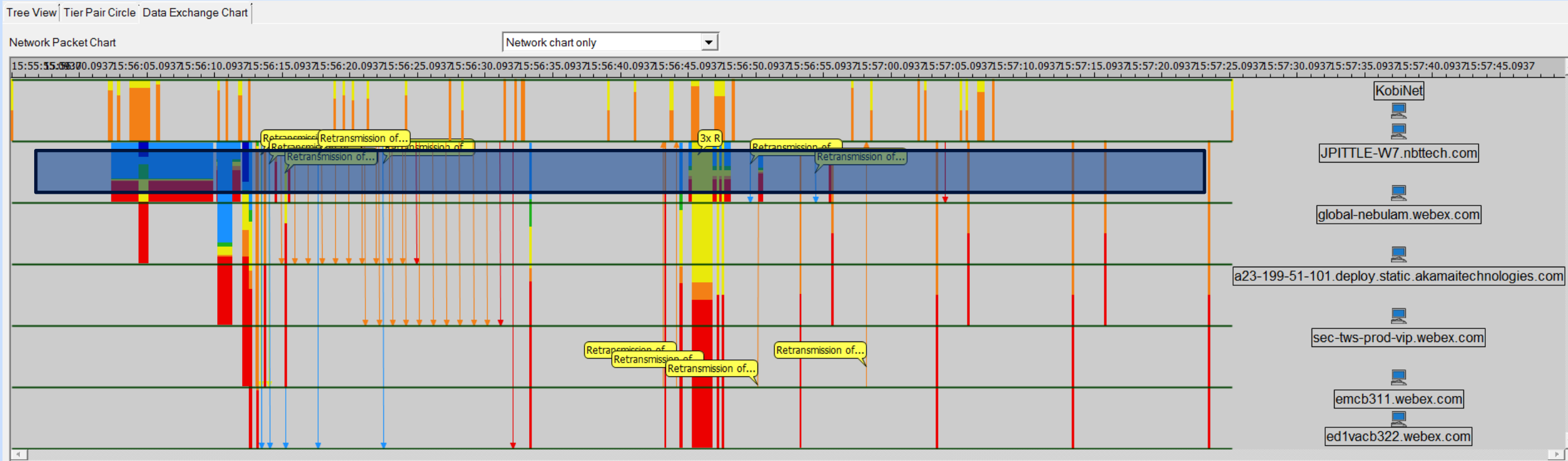


Traffic between client and DNS Server



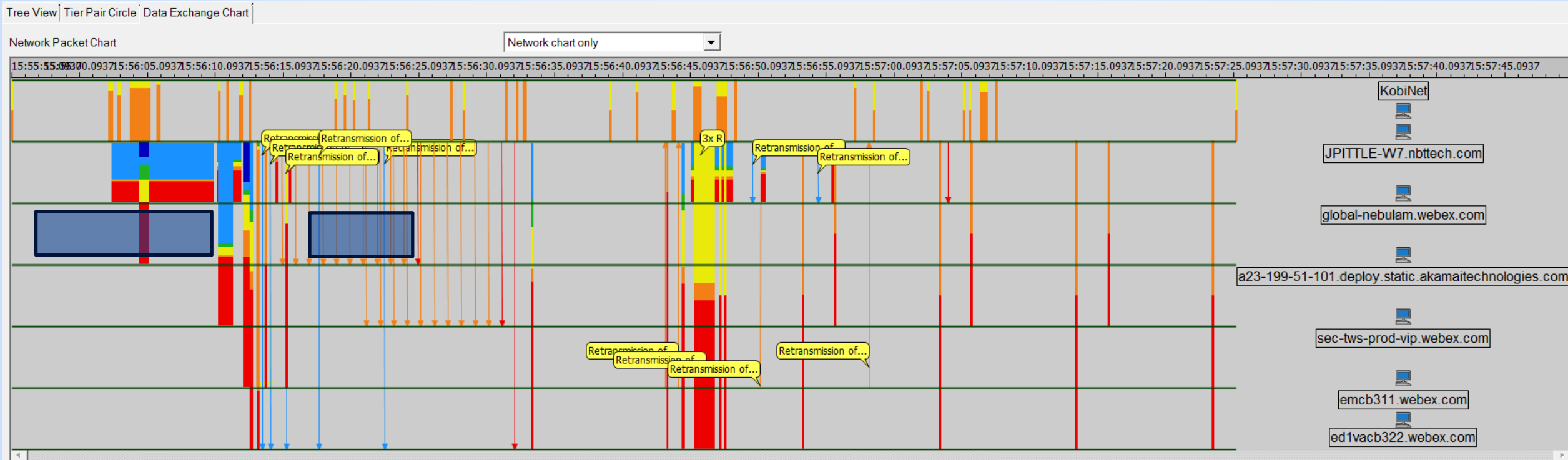


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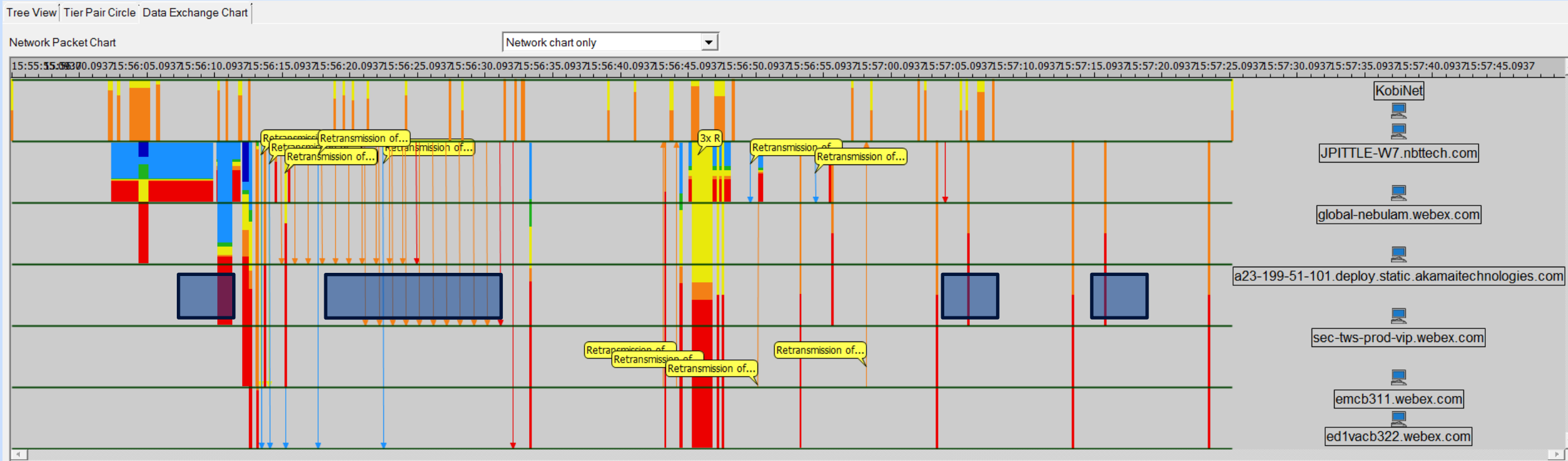


Traffic between client and Akami





Traffic between client and sec-tws-prod-vip





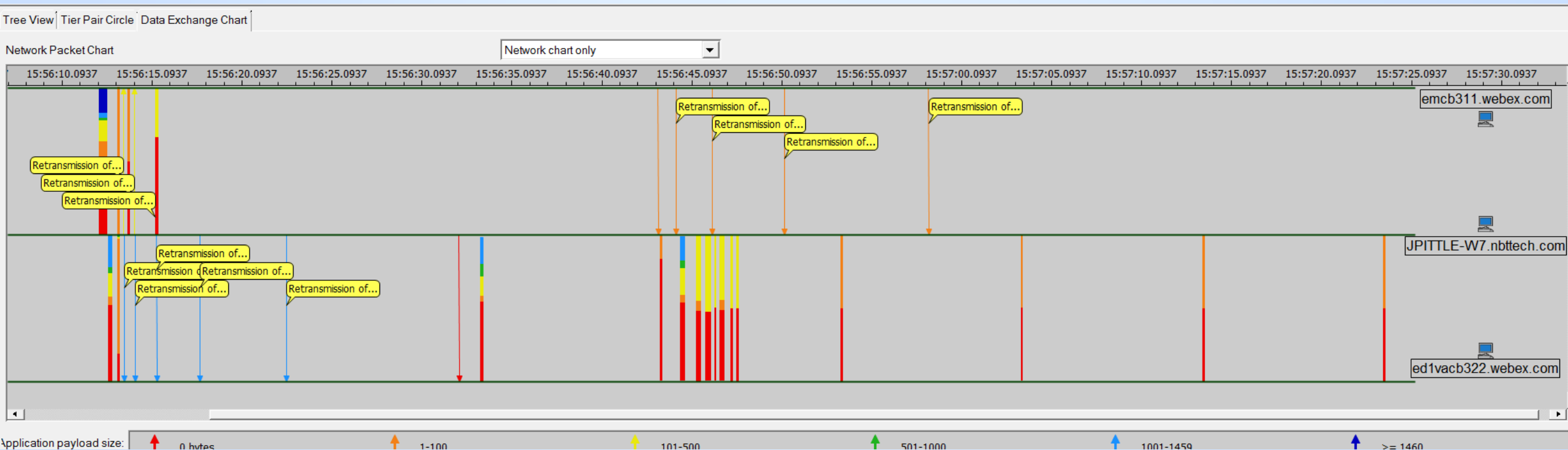
Focus now on two servers

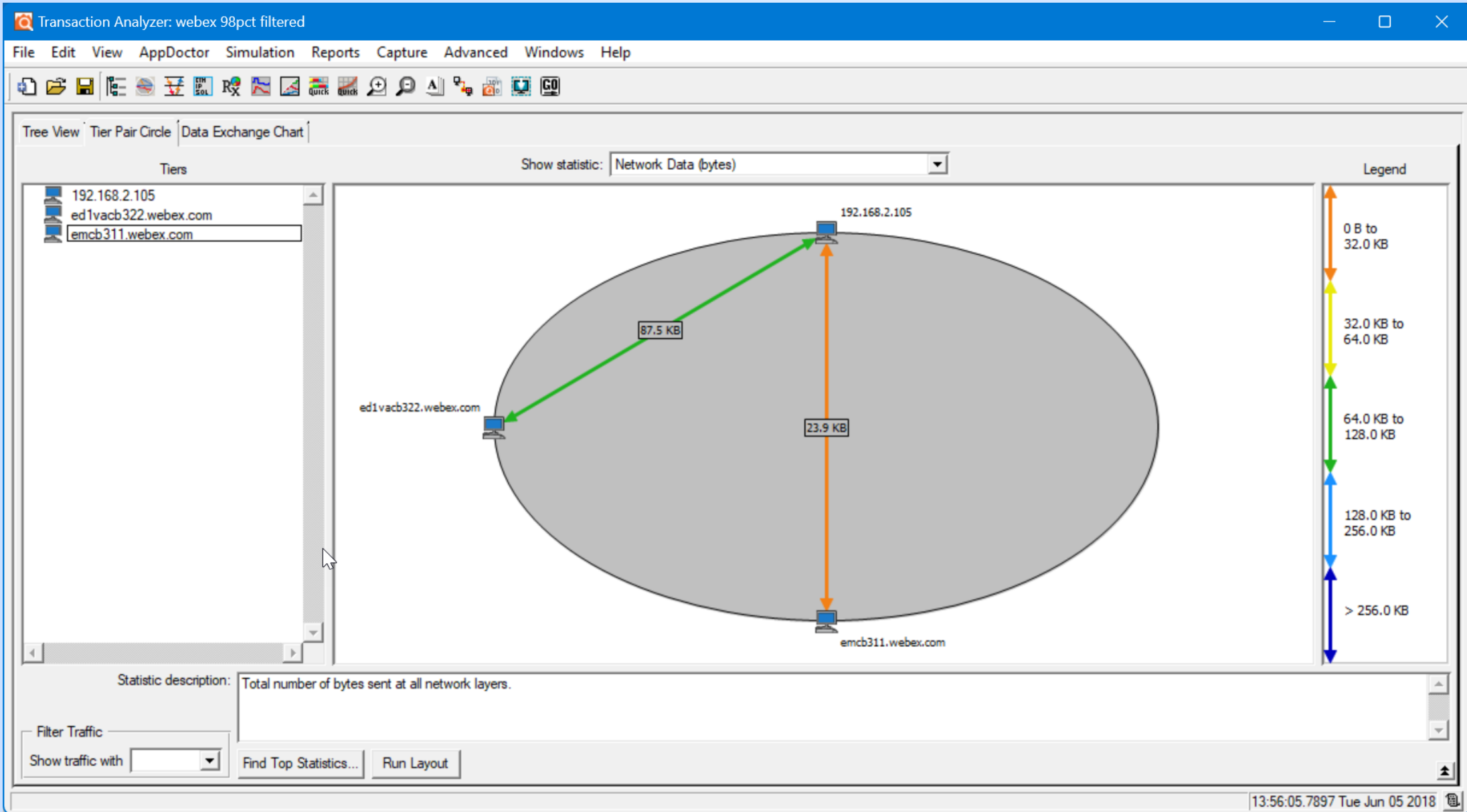


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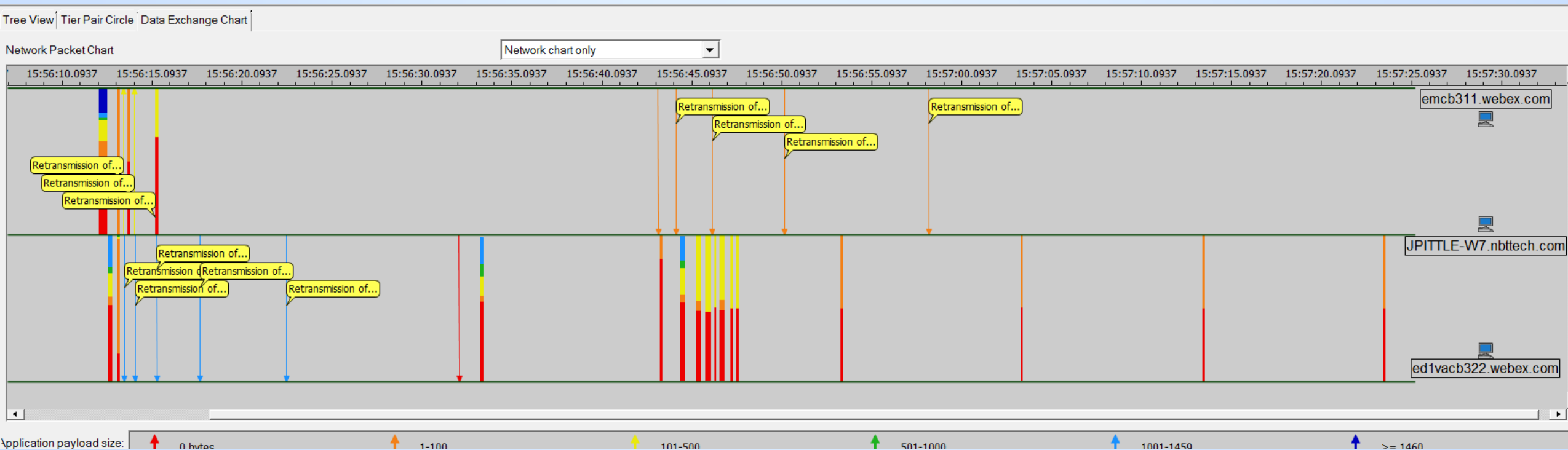




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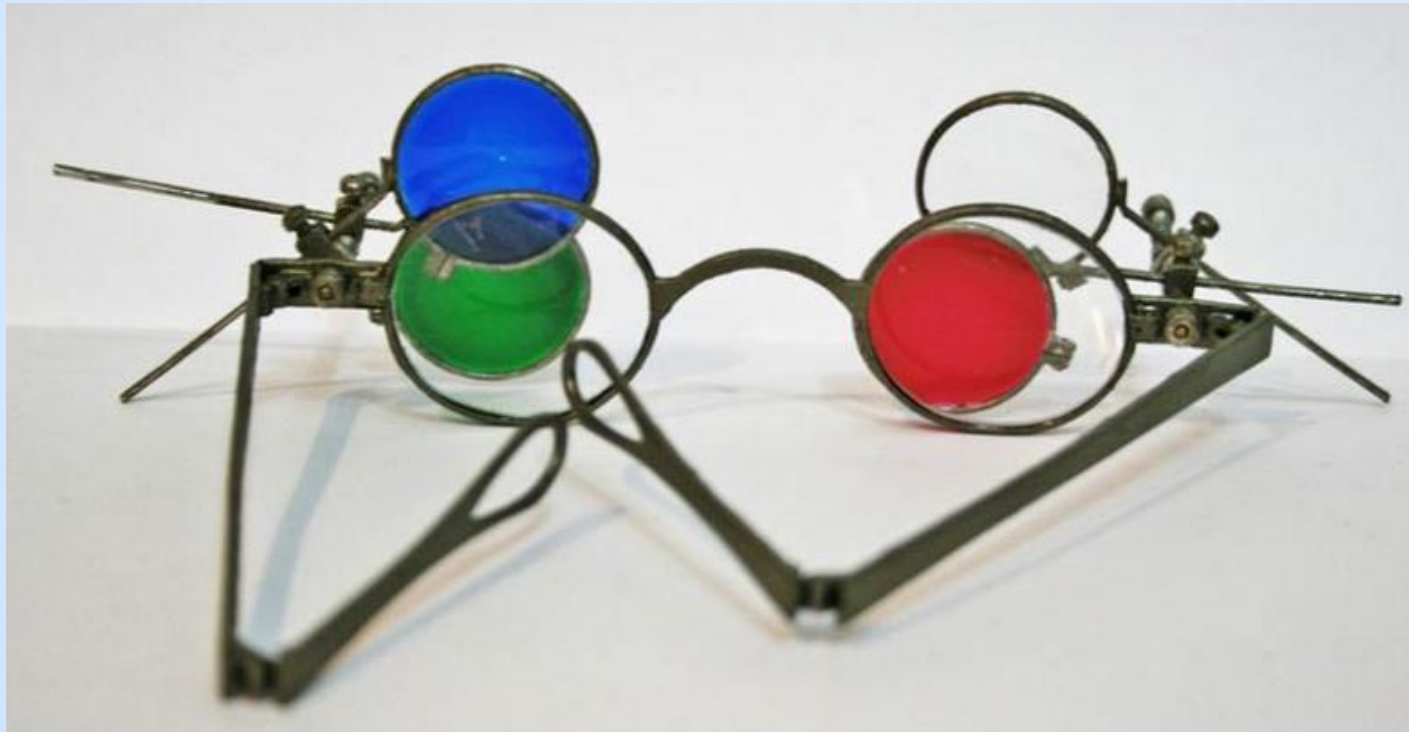
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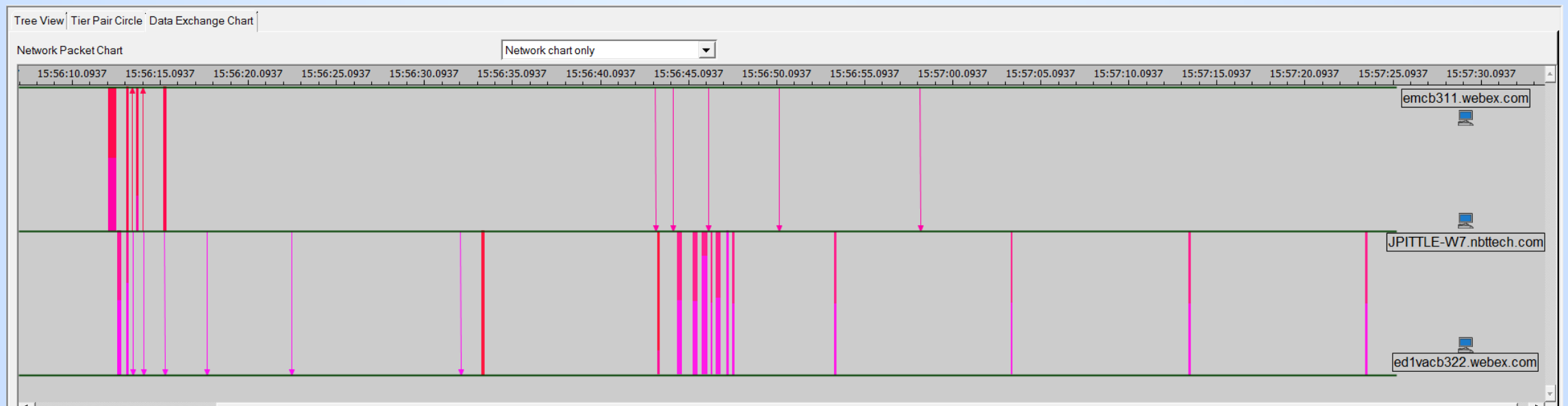




Switch to “colorize connections” visualization

Same traffic with different coloring scheme...

- Now you can see different connections firing at the same time vs. all connections sharing the same histogram
- Select a block or arrow to see summary decodes

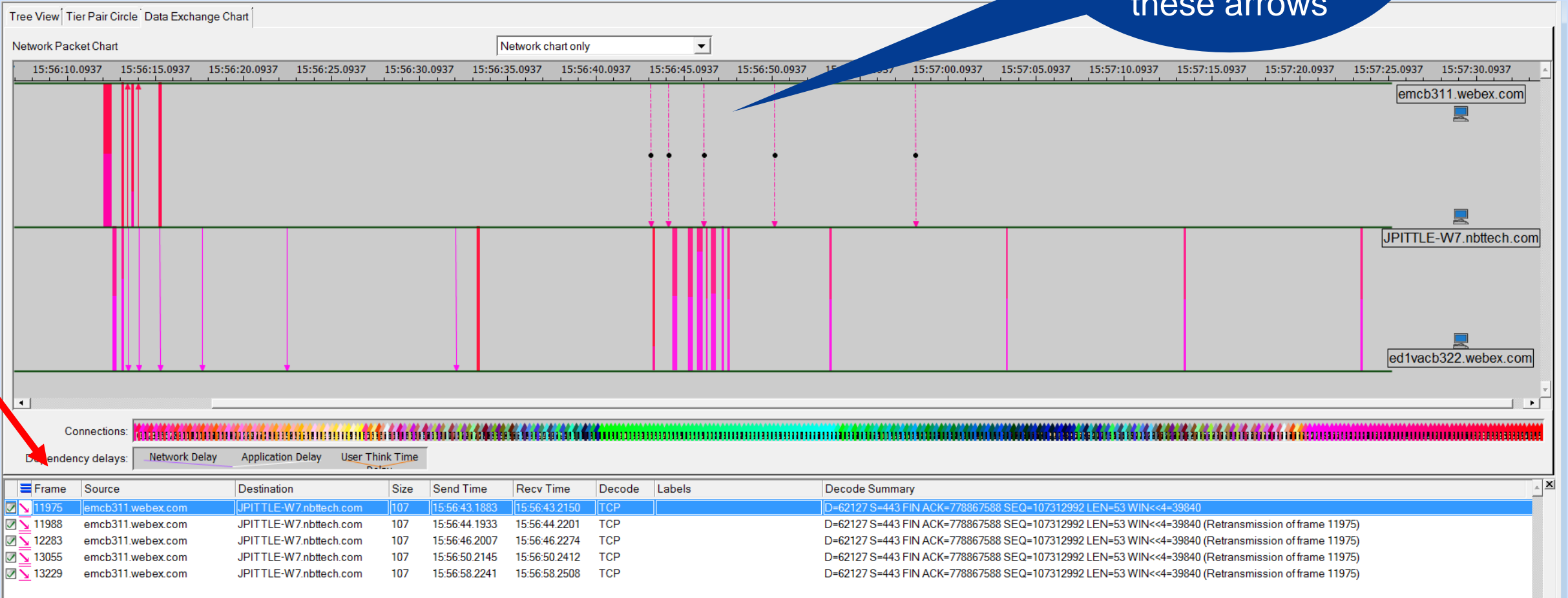




Slide Sequence for Discussion

Click through each slide for commentary

Left Mouse click and drag across to select these arrows





Show summary decodes

Click an arrow / block or “drag” across multiple groups

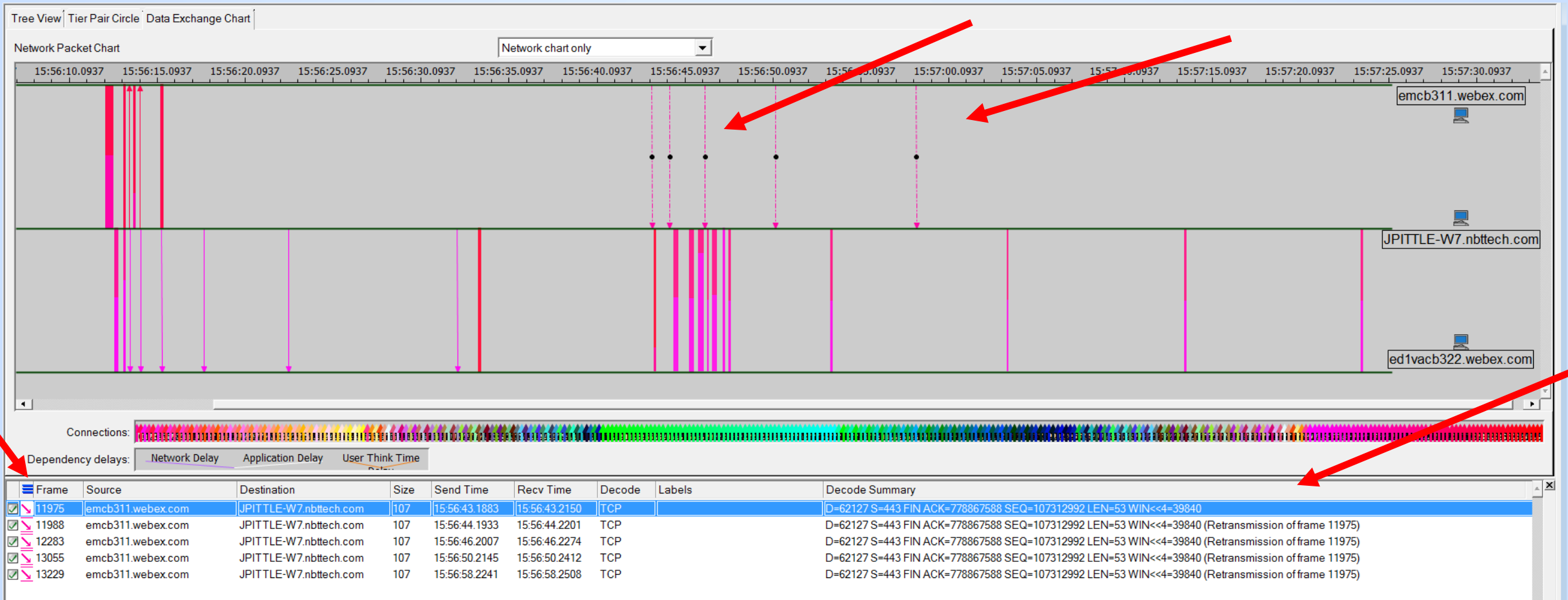
The screenshot displays a network packet chart with three hosts: emcb311.webex.com, JPITTLLE-W7.nbtttech.com, and ed1vacb322.webex.com. The chart shows a sequence of network packets over time. Below the chart is a 'Connections' bar and a 'Dependency delays' section with tabs for Network Delay, Application Delay, and User Think Time. At the bottom, a table lists network frames with their details.

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11975	emcb311.webex.com	JPITTLLE-W7.nbtttech.com	107	15:56:43.1883	15:56:43.2150	TCP		D=62127 S=443 FIN ACK=778867588 SEQ=107312992 LEN=53 WIN<<4=39840
11988	emcb311.webex.com	JPITTLLE-W7.nbtttech.com	107	15:56:44.1933	15:56:44.2201	TCP		D=62127 S=443 FIN ACK=778867588 SEQ=107312992 LEN=53 WIN<<4=39840 (Retransmission of frame 11975)
12283	emcb311.webex.com	JPITTLLE-W7.nbtttech.com	107	15:56:46.2007	15:56:46.2274	TCP		D=62127 S=443 FIN ACK=778867588 SEQ=107312992 LEN=53 WIN<<4=39840 (Retransmission of frame 11975)
13055	emcb311.webex.com	JPITTLLE-W7.nbtttech.com	107	15:56:50.2145	15:56:50.2412	TCP		D=62127 S=443 FIN ACK=778867588 SEQ=107312992 LEN=53 WIN<<4=39840 (Retransmission of frame 11975)
13229	emcb311.webex.com	JPITTLLE-W7.nbtttech.com	107	15:56:58.2241	15:56:58.2508	TCP		D=62127 S=443 FIN ACK=778867588 SEQ=107312992 LEN=53 WIN<<4=39840 (Retransmission of frame 11975)



Server wants to close connection (FIN)

Notice client (webex process) does not respond to FIN, server has to retransmit





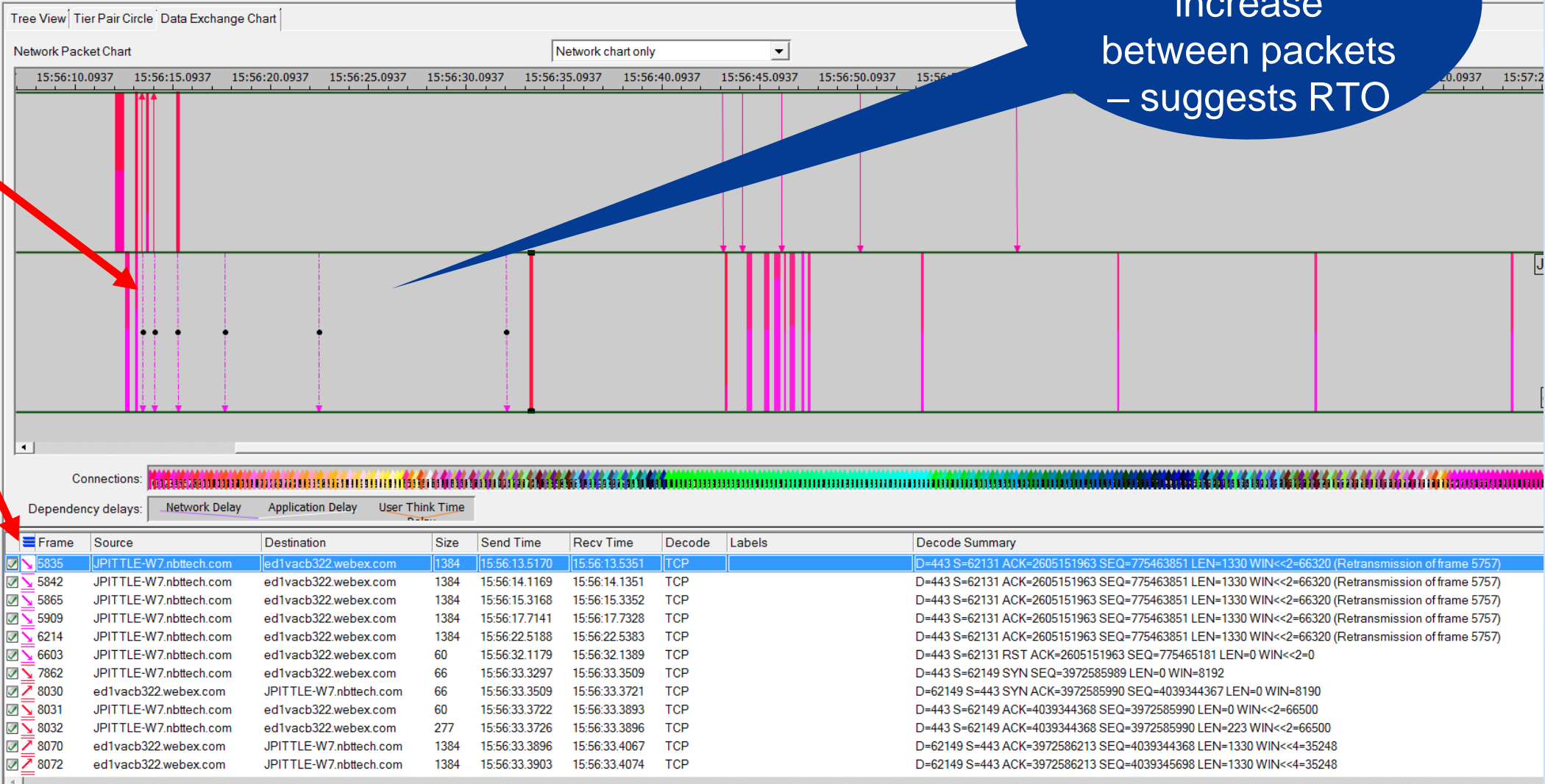
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13	9	Servers sends FIN, but client does not respond. Server retransmits then finally gives up	emcb311		62127	16:56:43



Examine more highlighted traffic

Notice the exponential increase between packets – suggests RTO





Discussion

- ⦿ From the traffic we can see the Webex client process is managing many connections to many servers
- ⦿ Some of the traffic is asynchronous, which suggests a proprietary protocol contract between client and the servers
- ⦿ Client would need to be responsible for some aspects error recovery
- ⦿ Above we can see client is not responding to FIN from server, this is usually the TCP stack's responsibility
 - suspect client thread is interacting with the client OS TCP stack using advanced features / low level interfaces (guessing)

Burst of new DNS queries at 16:56:45

Could this mean client is starting over?

Protocol Decode Viewer - webex_98pct_resolved16_56_52edt_startWithDNS_1

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12060	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	102	15:56:45.3422	15:56:45.3422	DNS		Standard query response 0xd9d5 A 66.163.35.36
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12103	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	100	15:56:45.4382	15:56:45.4382	DNS		Standard query response 0x1ec8 A 173.243.0.154
12125	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	145	15:56:45.5222	15:56:45.5222	DNS		Standard query response 0xf0ce CNAME nebulam.webex.com CNAME global-nebulam.webex.com A 173.243.0.154
12126	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	84	15:56:45.5231	15:56:45.5231	DNS		Standard query 0x0eab AAAA global-nebulam.webex.com
12168	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	84	15:56:45.6321	15:56:45.6321	DNS		Standard query response 0x0eab
12202	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	81	15:56:45.8319	15:56:45.8319	DNS		Standard query 0xae08 A js-agent.newrelic.com
12203	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	81	15:56:45.8319	15:56:45.8319	DNS		Standard query 0x7b40 A js-agent.newrelic.com
12204	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	138	15:56:45.8461	15:56:45.8461	DNS		Standard query response 0xae08 CNAME f4.shared.global.fastly.net A 151.101.6.110
12205	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	138	15:56:45.8462	15:56:45.8462	DNS		Standard query response 0x7b40 CNAME f4.shared.global.fastly.net A 151.101.6.110
12206	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	87	15:56:45.8517	15:56:45.8517	DNS		Standard query 0xdd93 A f4.shared.global.fastly.net
12210	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	81	15:56:45.8539	15:56:45.8539	DNS		Standard query 0x34fa A js-agent.newrelic.com
12211	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	103	15:56:45.8561	15:56:45.8561	DNS		Standard query response 0xdd93 A 151.101.6.110
12212	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	87	15:56:45.8566	15:56:45.8566	DNS		Standard query 0xad69 AAAA f4.shared.global.fastly.net
12213	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	138	15:56:45.8590	15:56:45.8590	DNS		Standard query response 0x34fa CNAME f4.shared.global.fastly.net A 151.101.6.110
12218	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	148	15:56:45.8724	15:56:45.8724	DNS		Standard query response 0xad69
12229	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	75	15:56:45.9050	15:56:45.9050	DNS		Standard query 0x329c A bam.nr-data.net
12230	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	KobiNet	75	15:56:45.9050	15:56:45.9050	DNS		Standard query 0x76dc A bam.nr-data.net
12236	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	139	15:56:45.9093	15:56:45.9093	DNS		Standard query response 0x329c A 162.247.242.18 A 162.247.242.21 A 162.247.242.19 A 162.247.242.20
12237	KobiNet	JPITTLE-W7.nbtech.com	139	15:56:45.9093	15:56:45.9093	DNS		Standard query response 0x76dc A 162.247.242.20 A 162.247.242.18 A 162.247.242.21 A 162.247.242.19



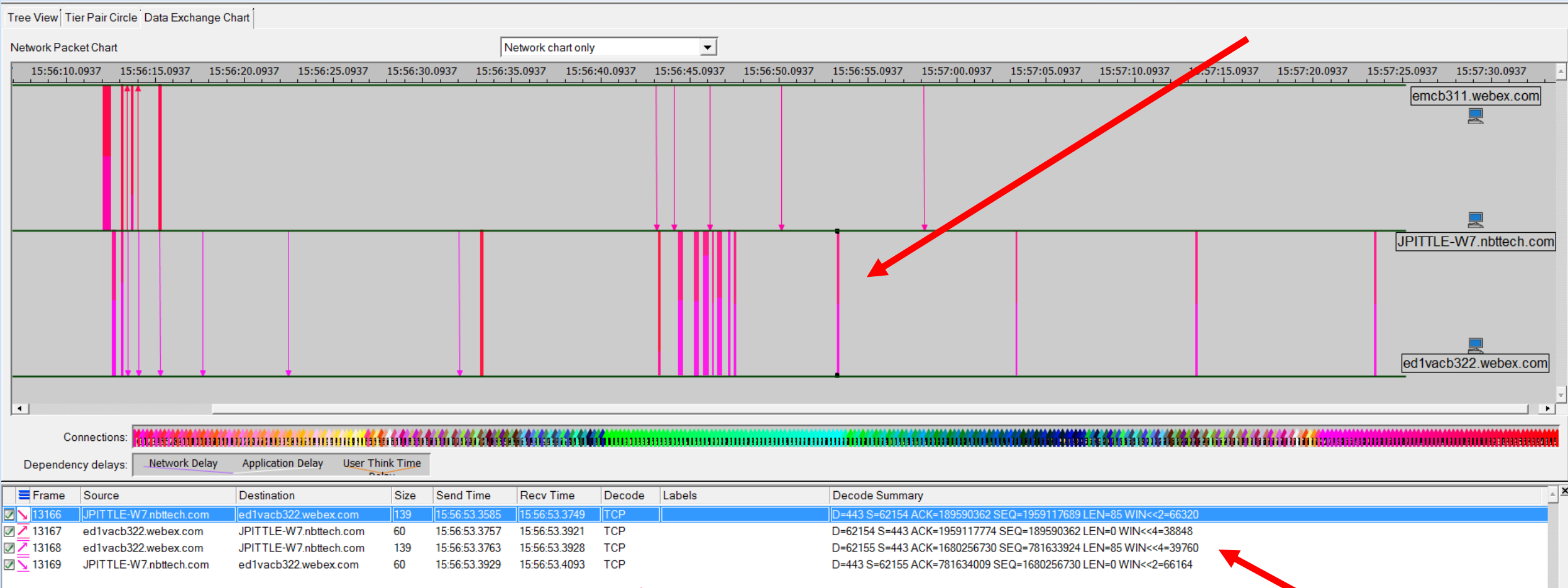
Document Findings

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4	Finding #	Symptom	Server	IP	Conn Port#	Start Time
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6	2	Server does not ACK keepalive	akamai	23.199.51.101	62057	16:56:14
7	3	Server does not ACK keepalive	prod-vip	66.163.35.36	62092	16:56:21
8	4	burst of payload sizes of 85 bytes, followed by retrans of full mss	ed1vab322	64.68.110.77	62131	16:56:13
9	5	Unidirectional payload - client to server	ed1vab322	64.68.110.77	62131	16:56:13
10	6	Unidirectional payload - server to client	ed1vab322	64.68.110.77	62132	16:56:13
11	7	Server stops ACK payload packets, client eventually RST connection	ed1vab322		62131	16:56:13
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14	10	Client seems to start over again with basic DNS	192.168.2.1			16:56:45



Sample (Apparent) Healthy Keepalive Mechanism

Notice two “one-way” connections are involved





Possibly Normal Behavior

After 2nd round of DNS queries and new connections

- Some sort of payload based keepalive pattern every 10 seconds
- Hypothesis - this is what normal looks like

Frame	Source	Destination	Size	Send Time	Recv Time	Decode	Labels	Decode Summary
13166	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	139	15:56:53.3585	15:56:53.3749	TCP		D=443 S=62154 ACK=189590362 SEQ=1959117689 LEN=85 WIN<<2=66320
13168	ed1vacb322.webex.com	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	139	15:56:53.3763	15:56:53.3928	TCP		D=62155 S=443 ACK=1680256730 SEQ=781633924 LEN=85 WIN<<4=39760
13326	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	139	15:57:03.4051	15:57:03.4215	TCP		D=443 S=62154 ACK=189590362 SEQ=1959117774 LEN=85 WIN<<2=66320
13328	ed1vacb322.webex.com	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	139	15:57:03.4322	15:57:03.4487	TCP		D=62155 S=443 ACK=1680256730 SEQ=781634009 LEN=85 WIN<<4=39760
13734	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	139	15:57:13.4505	15:57:13.4669	TCP		D=443 S=62154 ACK=189590362 SEQ=1959117859 LEN=85 WIN<<2=66320
13736	ed1vacb322.webex.com	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	139	15:57:13.4693	15:57:13.4858	TCP		D=62155 S=443 ACK=1680256730 SEQ=781634094 LEN=85 WIN<<4=39760
15295	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	ed1vacb322.webex.com	139	15:57:23.4973	15:57:23.5137	TCP		D=443 S=62154 ACK=189590362 SEQ=1959117944 LEN=85 WIN<<2=66320
15296	ed1vacb322.webex.com	JPIT TLE-W7.nbtech.com	139	15:57:23.5149	15:57:23.5315	TCP		D=62155 S=443 ACK=1680256730 SEQ=781634179 LEN=85 WIN<<4=39760



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15	11	Evidence of healthy keep alive traffic	ed1vab322		62154, 62155	15:56:53



Quick Overview - Analysis Findings

Variety of connection synchronization issues

- ⦿ For many connections, WebEx client will open the connection, but not respond to SYN-ACK from server
- ⦿ For two servers in particular the server side does not ACK keepalive packets (having payload LEN=1)
 - Either the host is overloaded or keepalive packets are getting dropped
 - Servers with this behavior: Akamai and prod-VIP
- ⦿ For some connections, the client sends FIN, but server then sends more payload, client then sends RST
 - This suggests the client and server are not in synch



● How would you do this analysis in Wireshark?



Lab #2

- ⦿ Open the pcap
- ⦿ Open the display filter text file you downloaded from packet-foo
- ⦿ Apply the display filter and create a new pcap with only the packets that match the display filter
- ⦿ Close the big pcap and open the one you just created
- ⦿ Open Expert Info



Expert Info Provided Some Basic Info

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Severity	Summary	Group	Protocol	Count
> Error	New fragment overlaps old data (retransmission?)	Malformed	TCP	13
> Warning	Previous segment(s) not captured (common at capture start)	Sequence	TCP	1
> Warning	D-SACK Sequence	Sequence	TCP	2
> Warning	Connection reset (RST)	Sequence	TCP	60
> Note	ACK to a TCP keep-alive segment	Sequence	TCP	2
> Note	TCP keep-alive segment	Sequence	TCP	23
> Note	This frame is a (suspected) retransmission	Sequence	TCP	21
> Note	Duplicate ACK (#1)	Sequence	TCP	1
> Note	This frame undergoes the connection closing	Sequence	TCP	42
> Note	This session reuses previously negotiated keys (Session res...	Sequence	TLS	43
> Note	This frame initiates the connection closing	Sequence	TCP	67
> Chat	Connection finish (FIN)	Sequence	TCP	109
> Chat	TCP window update	Sequence	TCP	10
> Chat	Connection establish acknowledge (SYN+ACK): server port...	Sequence	TCP	91
> Chat	Connection establish request (SYN): server port 443	Sequence	TCP	91

No display filter set.

Limit to Display Filter Group by summary Search:



Packet Lists have value, but getting context is hard

The screenshot shows the Wireshark interface with a packet list table and a detailed view of a selected packet (No. 22).

No.	Time	Delta Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	16:55:55.093712	0.000000000	192.168.2.105	192.168.2.1	DNS	83	Standard query 0xd054 A pollserver.lastpass.com
2	16:55:55.114689	0.020977000	192.168.2.1	192.168.2.105	DNS	171	Standard query response 0xd054 A pollserver.lastpass.com CNAME lastpass.com.edgek...
3	16:56:02.228188	7.113499000	192.168.2.105	192.168.2.1	DNS	78	Standard query 0xa512 A riverbed.webex.com
4	16:56:02.433818	0.205630000	192.168.2.1	192.168.2.105	DNS	145	Standard query response 0xa512 A riverbed.webex.com CNAME nebulam.webex.com CNAME...
5	16:56:02.434520	0.000702000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	66	62037 → 443 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=8192 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=4 SACK_PERM=1
6	16:56:02.434772	0.000252000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	66	62038 → 443 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=8192 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=4 SACK_PERM=1
7	16:56:02.435025	0.000253000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	66	62039 → 443 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=8192 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=4 SACK_PERM=1
8	16:56:02.435714	0.000689000	192.168.2.105	192.168.2.1	DNS	84	Standard query 0xee05 A global-nebulam.webex.com
9	16:56:02.441098	0.005384000	192.168.2.1	192.168.2.105	DNS	100	Standard query response 0xee05 A global-nebulam.webex.com A 173.243.0.154
10	16:56:02.441653	0.000555000	192.168.2.105	192.168.2.1	DNS	84	Standard query 0xa856 AAAA global-nebulam.webex.com
11	16:56:02.490796	0.049143000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	66	443 → 62037 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=8190 Len=0 MSS=1330 WS=16 SACK_PERM=1
12	16:56:02.490895	0.000099000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	60	62037 → 443 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=66500 Len=0
13	16:56:02.491487	0.000592000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	66	443 → 62038 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=8190 Len=0 MSS=1330 WS=16 SACK_PERM=1
14	16:56:02.491552	0.000065000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	60	62038 → 443 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=66500 Len=0
15	16:56:02.493633	0.002081000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TLSv1.2	571	Client Hello
16	16:56:02.496467	0.002834000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TLSv1.2	571	Client Hello
17	16:56:02.497880	0.001413000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	66	443 → 62039 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=8190 Len=0 MSS=1330 WS=16 SACK_PERM=1
18	16:56:02.497956	0.000076000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	60	62039 → 443 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=66500 Len=0
19	16:56:02.500821	0.002865000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TLSv1.2	571	Client Hello
20	16:56:02.547367	0.046546000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	1384	443 → 62037 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=518 Win=34656 Len=1330 [TCP segment of a reasem...
21	16:56:02.549489	0.002122000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	1384	443 → 62037 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1331 Ack=518 Win=34656 Len=1330 [TCP segment of a reas...
22	16:56:02.549576	0.000087000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	60	62037 → 443 [ACK] Seq=518 Ack=2661 Win=66500 Len=0
23	16:56:02.549638	0.000062000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	1384	443 → 62037 [PSH, ACK] Seq=2661 Ack=518 Win=34656 Len=1330 [TCP segment of a reas...

Packet 22 details:

- > Frame 6181: 149 bytes on wire (1192 bits), 149 bytes captured (1192 bits)
- > Ethernet II, Src: Cisco-Li_91:b1:fe (48:f8:b3:91:b1:fe), Dst: IntelCor_25:2d:3f (f0:d5:bf:25:2d:3f)
- > Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.2.1, Dst: 192.168.2.105
- > User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, Dst Port: 61491
- > Domain Name System (response)

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No.	Time	Delta Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
5068	16:56:13.217242	0.000011000	192.168.2.105	64.68.110.77	TCP	60	62132 → 443 [ACK] Seq=955 Ack=7718 Win=65480 Len=0
5069	16:56:13.217257	0.000015000	64.68.110.77	192.168.2.105	TLSv1.2	139	Application Data
5070	16:56:13.217268	0.000011000	192.168.2.105	64.68.110.77	TCP	60	62132 → 443 [ACK] Seq=955 Ack=7803 Win=65392 Len=0
5071	16:56:13.477308	0.260040000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	208	[TCP Retransmission] 62126 → 443 [PSH, ACK] Seq=5895 Ack=5499 Win=64580 ...
5072	16:56:13.517045	0.039737000	192.168.2.105	64.68.110.77	TCP	1384	[TCP Retransmission] 62131 → 443 [PSH, ACK] Seq=6026 Ack=5499 Win=66320 ...
5073	16:56:13.676985	0.159940000	192.168.2.105	114.29.202.1...	TCP	614	[TCP Retransmission] 62130 → 443 [PSH, ACK] Seq=223 Ack=171 Win=66328 Le...
5074	16:56:13.736104	0.059119000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TLSv1.2	107	Application Data
5075	16:56:13.736346	0.000242000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TLSv1.2	107	Application Data
5076	16:56:13.736587	0.000241000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	60	62126 → 443 [FIN, ACK] Seq=6155 Ack=5499 Win=64580 Len=0
5077	16:56:13.736613	0.000026000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	60	62127 → 443 [RST, ACK] Seq=952 Ack=6852 Win=0 Len=0
5078	16:56:14.076936	0.340323000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	314	[TCP Retransmission] 62126 → 443 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=5895 Ack=5499 Win=6...
5079	16:56:14.116949	0.040013000	192.168.2.105	64.68.110.77	TCP	1384	[TCP Retransmission] 62131 → 443 [PSH, ACK] Seq=6026 Ack=5499 Win=66320 ...
5080	16:56:14.498285	0.381336000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TLSv1.2	85	Encrypted Alert
5081	16:56:14.498361	0.000076000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	60	62058 → 443 [FIN, ACK] Seq=4943 Ack=2147776 Win=262008 Len=0
5082	16:56:14.552994	0.054633000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	60	443 → 62058 [ACK] Seq=2147776 Ack=4943 Win=40928 Len=0
5083	16:56:14.553035	0.000041000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TLSv1.2	85	Encrypted Alert
5084	16:56:14.553095	0.000060000	192.168.2.105	173.243.0.154	TCP	60	62058 → 443 [RST, ACK] Seq=4944 Ack=2147807 Win=0 Len=0
5085	16:56:14.557857	0.004762000	173.243.0.154	192.168.2.105	TCP	60	443 → 62058 [ACK] Seq=2147808 Ack=4944 Win=40928 Len=0
5086	16:56:14.972851	0.414994000	192.168.2.105	23.199.51.101	TCP	60	[TCP Keep-Alive] 62057 → 443 [ACK] Seq=2068 Ack=4624 Win=65700 Len=1
5087	16:56:15.076841	0.103990000	192.168.2.105	114.29.202.1...	TCP	614	[TCP Retransmission] 62130 → 443 [PSH, ACK] Seq=223 Ack=171 Win=66328 Le...
5088	16:56:15.277931	0.201090000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	314	[TCP Retransmission] 62126 → 443 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=5895 Ack=5499 Win=6...
5089	16:56:15.316863	0.038932000	192.168.2.105	64.68.110.77	TCP	1384	[TCP Retransmission] 62131 → 443 [PSH, ACK] Seq=6026 Ack=5499 Win=66320 ...

[Bytes sent since last PSH flag: 154]

- ▼ [TCP Analysis Flags]
 - ▼ [Expert Info (Note/Sequence): This frame is a (suspected) retransmission]
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 - [Severity level: Note]

0000 48 f8 b3 91 b1 fe f0 d5 bf 25 2d 3f 08 00 45 00 H.....-%-?..E.

This frame is a (suspected) retransmission (tcp.analysis.retransmission) | Packets: 6246 · Displayed: 6246 (100.0%) | Profile: Default





Filtering and Colorization is Helpful to a Point

The image shows a Wireshark interface with a filter applied: `ip.addr eq 192.168.2.105 and ip.addr eq 64.68.101.20`. The packet list pane shows several packets, with packet 5077 highlighted in red, indicating a suspected retransmission. The packet details pane shows the TCP flags as `[RST, ACK]` and the expert info pane notes: `[This frame is a (suspected) retransmission]`.

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4888	16:56:12.541165	0.006086000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TLSv1.2	139	Application Data
4893	16:56:12.593702	0.052537000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TCP	60	443 → 62126 [ACK] Seq=5499 Ack=5895 Win=38384 Len=0
4894	16:56:12.594311	0.000609000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TLSv1.2	139	Application Data
4895	16:56:12.594387	0.000760000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	60	62127 → 443 [ACK] Seq=952 Ack=6852 Win=64724 Len=0
4995	16:56:13.177288	0.582901000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TLSv1.2	139	Application Data
4996	16:56:13.177423	0.000135000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TLSv1.2	123	Application Data
5071	16:56:13.477308	0.299885000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	208	[TCP Retransmission] 62126 → 443 [PSH, ACK] Seq=5895 Ack=5499 Win=64580 Len=154
5074	16:56:13.736104	0.258796000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TLSv1.2	107	Application Data
5075	16:56:13.736346	0.000242000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TLSv1.2	107	Application Data
5076	16:56:13.736587	0.000241000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	60	62126 → 443 [FIN, ACK] Seq=6155 Ack=5499 Win=64580 Len=0
5077	16:56:13.736613	0.000026000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	60	62127 → 443 [RST, ACK] Seq=952 Ack=6852 Win=0 Len=0
5078	16:56:14.076936	0.340323000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	314	[TCP Retransmission] 62126 → 443 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=5895 Ack=5499 Win=64580 Len=...
5088	16:56:15.277931	1.200995000	192.168.2.105	64.68.101.20	TCP	314	[TCP Retransmission] 62126 → 443 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=5895 Ack=5499 Win=64580 Len=...
5090	16:56:15.439332	0.161401000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TCP	66	443 → 62126 [ACK] Seq=5499 Ack=6156 Win=38144 Len=0 SLE=5895 SRE=6049
5091	16:56:15.439958	0.000626000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TCP	60	443 → 62126 [RST, ACK] Seq=5499 Ack=6156 Win=155216 Len=0
5233	16:56:43.215068	27.775110000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TLSv1.2	107	Encrypted Alert
5244	16:56:44.220103	1.005035000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TCP	107	[TCP Retransmission] 443 → 62127 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=6852 Ack=952 Win=39840 Len=53
5522	16:56:46.227498	2.007395000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TCP	107	[TCP Retransmission] 443 → 62127 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=6852 Ack=952 Win=39840 Len=53
6035	16:56:50.241266	4.013768000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TCP	107	[TCP Retransmission] 443 → 62127 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=6852 Ack=952 Win=39840 Len=53
6173	16:56:58.250858	8.009592000	64.68.101.20	192.168.2.105	TCP	107	[TCP Retransmission] 443 → 62127 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=6852 Ack=952 Win=39840 Len=53

[Bytes sent since last PSH flag: 154]
[TCP Analysis Flags]
[Expert Info (Note/Sequence): This frame is a (suspected) retransmission]
[This frame is a (suspected) retransmission]

0000 48 f8 b3 91 b1 fe f0 d5 bf 25 2d 3f 08 00 45 00 H..... %-?.E.
This frame is a (suspected) retransmission (tcp.analysis.retransmission) | Packets: 6246 · Displayed: 71 (1.1%) | Profile: Default



Wireshark + Advanced Analytics

Better Together

- We used Wireshark extensive filtering to identify and isolate servers of interest
- We created a filtered version of the pcap and opened in Transaction Analyzer
- We gathered our findings mostly by following the patterns shown in the various visualizations
- We can deduce certain application error recovery / synchronization capabilities (or deficiencies)
- Update: After many months, the Webex 98% hung issue simply went away
- Clearly, someone “fixed” something
- A reasonable person would ask, “why did it take so long for the fix?”



Final Discussion

Thank you for helping to test drive this session.

Please provide your feedback on the survey to help me improve the session



