

ASH – Active Session History

Feel the Power

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ASH

Whole New Paradigm in Technology

The Power of ASH lies in
Simplifying Performance Tuning

- Totally new and exciting methodology
- Cheaper, Quicker, Richer and better tasting too

Why should you care?

Because ASH can Change your life ...

- 10g immediately Accessible
 - For Geeks: Via scripts in SQL
 - For non-geeks (ie Marketing) :
Graphical EM
- For those of you stuck on 7,8,9 , my apologies because 10g rocks

But no worries, the data is accessible for you too

- via PL/SQL data collection scripts
- Then the power of ASH is accessible via SQL

Here's a piece of Personal history

This is the story of how
ASH
changed my Life

Once upon a time I was stuck
in dull tech support ...

Finally I was promoted to head
DBA, thinking my life was
getting better...

It was then that I learned I needed to
know what the databases were doing
ALL the time

Because lives (and my job) depended on it

What could I do?!

Clearly a job for Stats Pack

Because stats pack showed me every hour

- All the Stats!
- All the top Bottlenecks
- Almost all the top SQL

So why wasn't I feeling better?

Hmmm ... but ... wait

- What if my database hits a bottleneck 15 minutes after my last stats pack?!
- What about that rouge coder who writes bad SQL ... can I find his module gone mad?
- Ok I found the top SQL but ... now what?

If lives (and my job) depended on my databases

- Was once an hour really enough ?
- Could Stats Pack find that rogue coder?
- Could Stats Pack tell me why an SQL bottlenecked?
- Don't tell anyone but ... I couldn't even decipher Stats Pack half the time

Oh no ... it's 3am my manager calls
“why is the database hanging?!”

- Who did it?
- Where did the SQL get blocked?
- What if the bottlenecked started 5 minutes after my last Stats Pack?

In that moment of crises
Stats Pack couldn't tell
me... but ASH can

The crises of my day have
left the “ASHes” of today.

I didn't have ASH but
You do

Introducing ASH

A technology capable of saving lives ...

(And your job)

ASH

A Revolution in Monitoring

Active Session History

- New 10g
- Every Second it collects data
- 1 hour of history in Memory for immediate access at your fingertips

This an hour of data could change your life

It's a Revolution and it's an Evolution

- Oracle 6 ... ie the dark ages ... there was once the Cache Buffer Hit Ratio
- Oracle 7 ... turned the lights on ... Wait Events ... hallelujah I can see the light
- Oracle 10g ... **ASH** has landed

ASH – Intelligence for the new Millennium

- Intelligently Collects Data
 - It self adjusts for your needs
 - More activity, more data collected
 - Less activity, less data collected
- Those old methods collected everything
 - Obfuscated the problem, too many statistics too late
 - Costly
 - Too Granular – once an hour ?! Give me a break

ASH – In Memory

- Collects active session data only
- History v\$sqlsession_wait + v\$sqlsession + extras
- Circular Buffer - 1M to 128M (~2% of SGA)
- Flushed every hour to disk or when buffer 2/3 full (it protects itself so you can relax)

ASH Sizing ...

- Avg row around 150bytes
- 3600 secs in an hour
- ~ 1/2 Meg per Active Session per hour
- That's generally over an hour of ASH

ASH Samples

- What is Sampling?

Sampling Weather

Mon



sunny

Tue



sunny

Wed



variable cloud

Thu



rain

Fri



variable cloud

Sat



sunny

Sun



rain

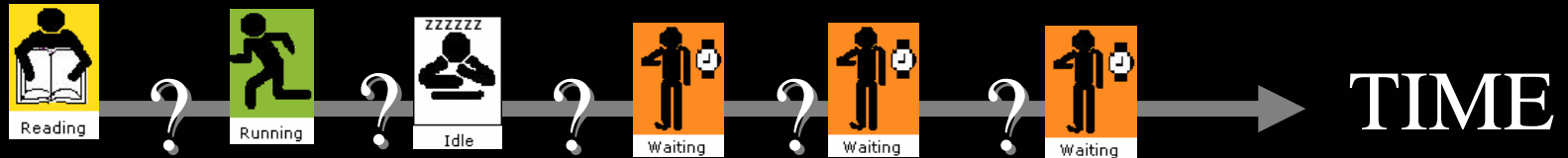
Weather Changes but we want the main picture

ASH Samples Session State



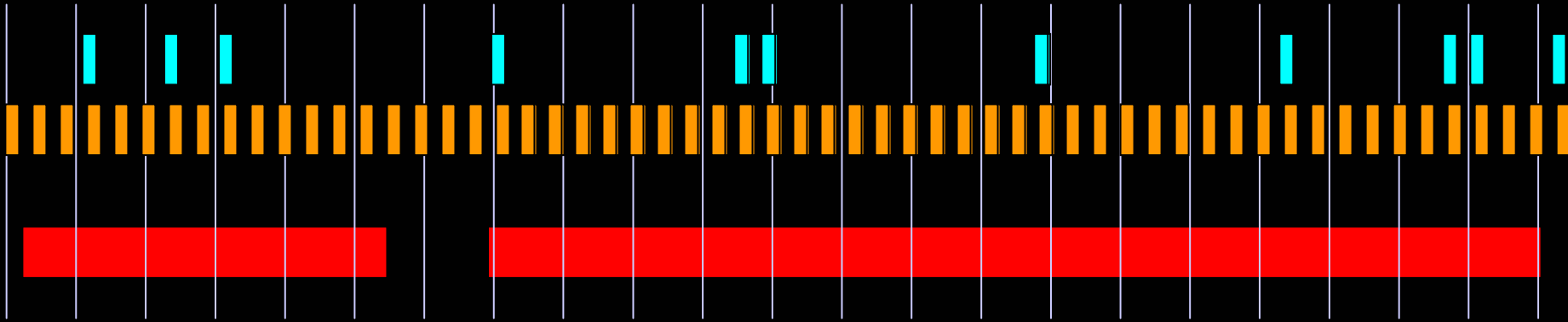
Sessions change but we want the main picture

ASH Samples Session State



Sessions change a lot quicker but can get the main picture via sampling by sampling faster

If happens a lot or for long ...
we'll catch it, guaranteed



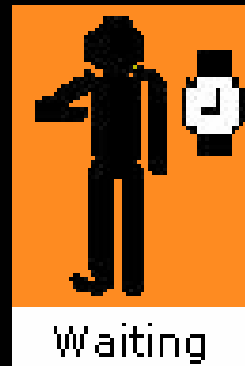
Session States



IO



CPU



Wait



Idle

IDLE

- Ex : SQL*Net Message from Client
- All Idle Events:

```
select name from v$event_name where  
wait_class='Idle';
```

58 Rows



CPU

- **ASH:** SESSION_STATE = “ON CPU”
- **ASH:** wait_time > 0



WAITING

- **ASH:** SESSION_STATE='WAITING'
- **ASH:** WAIT_TIME=0
- WAIT_CLASS
 1. Administrative
 2. Application
 3. Cluster
 4. Commit
 5. Concurrency
 6. Configuration
 7. Network
 8. Other
 9. Scheduler
 10. System I/O
- 800+ WAIT



IO

- ASH:

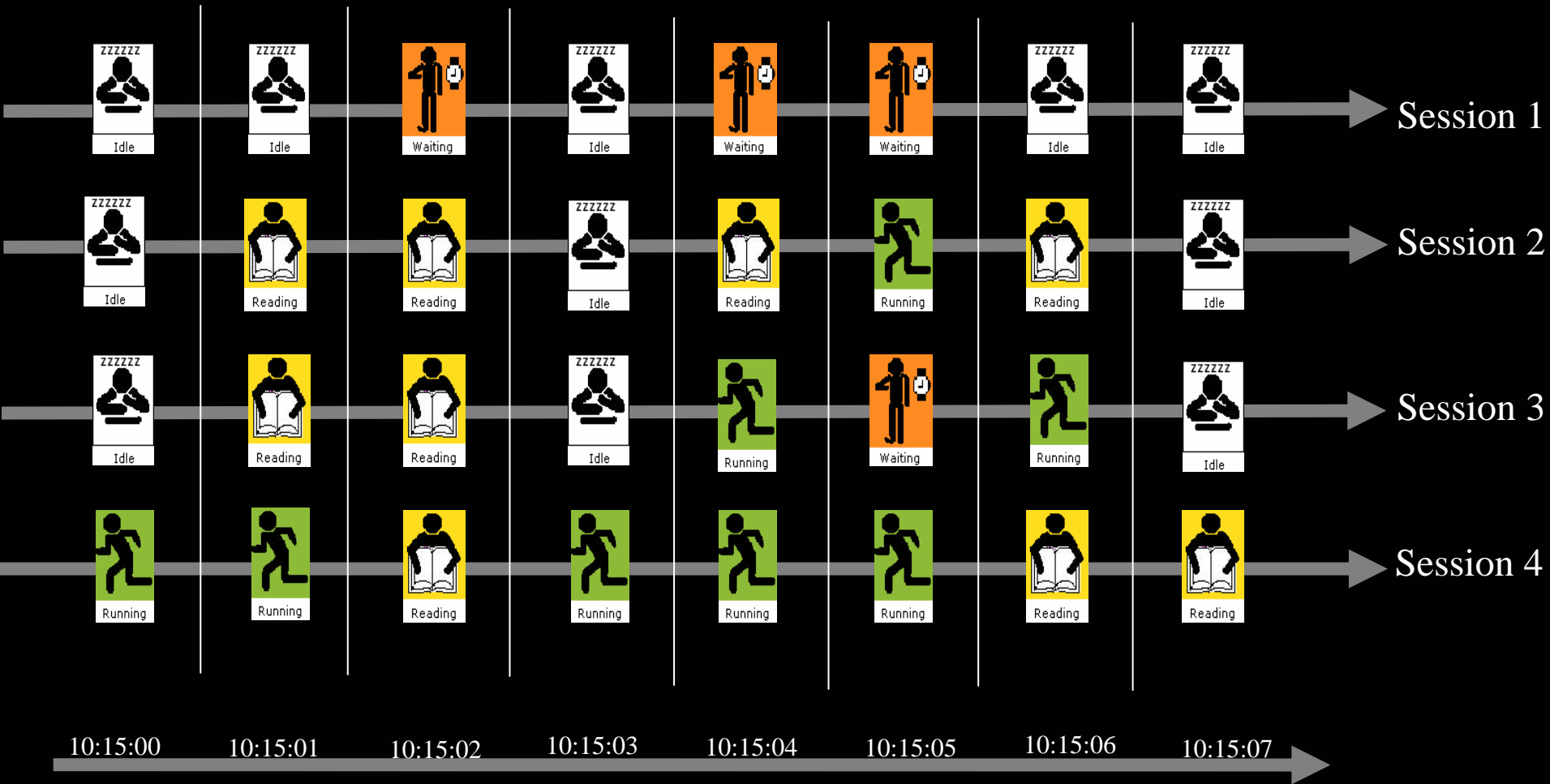
SESSION_STATE='WAITING'

and

WAIT_CLASS='User I/O'



Samples for all users



TIME

ASH Fields

```
SQL> v$active_session_history
```

Name	Null?	Type

SAMPLE_ID		NUMBER
SAMPLE_TIME		TIMESTAMP (3)
SESSION_ID		NUMBER
SESSION_SERIAL#		NUMBER
USER_ID		NUMBER
SQL_ID		VARCHAR2 (13)
SQL_CHILD_NUMBER		NUMBER
SQL_PLAN_HASH_VALUE		NUMBER
SQL_OPCODE		NUMBER
SERVICE_HASH		NUMBER
SESSION_TYPE		VARCHAR2 (10)
SESSION_STATE		VARCHAR2 (7)
QC_SESSION_ID		NUMBER
QC_INSTANCE_ID		NUMBER
EVENT		VARCHAR2 (64)
EVENT_ID		NUMBER
EVENT#		NUMBER
SEQ#		NUMBER
P1		NUMBER
P2		NUMBER
P3		NUMBER
WAIT_TIME		NUMBER
TIME_WAITED		NUMBER
CURRENT_OBJ#		NUMBER
CURRENT_FILE#		NUMBER
CURRENT_BLOCK#		NUMBER
PROGRAM		VARCHAR2 (48)
MODULE		VARCHAR2 (48)
ACTION		VARCHAR2 (32)
CLIENT_ID		VARCHAR2 (64)

v\$active_session_history

SAMPLE_ID	NUMBER	When
SAMPLE_TIME	TIMESTAMP (3)	
SESSION_ID	NUMBER	Session
SESSION_SERIAL#	NUMBER	
USER_ID	NUMBER	
SERVICE_HASH	NUMBER	
SESSION_TYPE	VARCHAR2 (10)	
PROGRAM	VARCHAR2 (64)	
MODULE	VARCHAR2 (48)	
ACTION	VARCHAR2 (32)	
CLIENT_ID	VARCHAR2 (64)	State
SESSION_STATE	VARCHAR2 (7)	
WAIT_TIME	NUMBER	Wait
EVENT	VARCHAR2 (64)	
EVENT_ID	NUMBER	
EVENT#	NUMBER	
SEQ#	NUMBER	
P1	NUMBER	
P2	NUMBER	
P3	NUMBER	
WAIT_TIME	NUMBER	
TIME_WAITED	NUMBER	
CURRENT_OBJ#	NUMBER	
CURRENT_FILE#	NUMBER	
CURRENT_BLOCK#	NUMBER0	
SQL_ID	VARCHAR2 (13)	SQL
SQL_CHILD_NUMBER	NUMBER	
SQL_PLAN_HASH_VALUE	NUMBER	
SQL_OPCODE	NUMBER	
QC_SESSION_ID	NUMBER	
QC_INSTANCE_ID	NUMBER	
TIME_WAITED	NUMBER	Duration

Primary Fields of **ASH**

SAMPLE_TIME

When

SESSION_STATE

State

SESSION_ID

Session

SQL_ID

SQL

EVENT

Wait

TIME_WAITED

Duration

Amazing things YOU can do with
ASH

Resource Consumers

Consumers

- Top Session
- Top User
- Top SQL
- Top Object
- Top Module.Action
- Top Program
- Top Service
- Top Client
- Top Wait

(32 columns in **ASH**)

Resources

- CPU
- Waits
 - Event (800*)
- I/O
 - File
 - Block
- Time

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Consumer Columns

SAMPLE_ID	NUMBER	When
SAMPLE_TIME	TIMESTAMP (3)	
* SESSION_ID	NUMBER	Session
SESSION_SERIAL#	NUMBER	
* USER_ID	NUMBER	
* SERVICE_HASH	NUMBER	
SESSION_TYPE	VARCHAR2 (10)	
* PROGRAM	VARCHAR2 (64)	
* MODULE	VARCHAR2 (48)	
* ACTION	VARCHAR2 (32)	
* CLIENT_ID	VARCHAR2 (64)	State
SESSION_STATE	VARCHAR2 (7)	
WAIT_TIME	NUMBER	Wait
* EVENT	VARCHAR2 (64)	
EVENT_ID	NUMBER	
EVENT#	NUMBER	
SEQ#	NUMBER	
P1	NUMBER	
P2	NUMBER	
P3	NUMBER	
WAIT_TIME	NUMBER	
TIME_WAITED	NUMBER	
CURRENT_OBJ#	NUMBER	
CURRENT_FILE#	NUMBER	
CURRENT_BLOCK#	NUMBER0	
* SQL_ID	VARCHAR2 (13)	SQL
SQL_CHILD_NUMBER	NUMBER	
SQL_PLAN_HASH_VALUE	NUMBER	
SQL_OPCODE	NUMBER	
QC_SESSION_ID	NUMBER	
QC_INSTANCE_ID	NUMBER	
TIME_WAITED	NUMBER	Duration

Groupings – Top Consumer

SESSION_ID

SESSION_SERIAL# (signal SID reuse)

SESSION_TYPE (BACKGROUND, FOREGROUND)

USER_ID (SYS, SYSTEM, SCOTT etc)

SERVICE_HASH (OE, GL, HR)

MODULE.ACTION (PLSQL tagging)

CLIENT_ID (customers connecting via session pool)

PROGRAM (SQL, JDBC, Forms etc)

SQL_ID

QC_SESSION_ID - Query Coordinator

QC_INSTANCE_ID

EVENT + P1, P2, P3

CURRENT_OBJ#

CURRENT_FILE#

CURRENT_BLOCK#

Top CPU Session

Who is the rogue session ?

```
Select
    session_id,
    count(*)
from
    v$active_session_history
where
    session_state= 'ON CPU' and
    SAMPLE_TIME > sysdate - (5/(24*60))
group by
    session_id
order by
    count(*) desc;
```



Results Top CPU Session

SESSION_ID	COUNT (*)
-----	-----
265	256
264	15
257	12
271	12
276	1



CPU with Bars

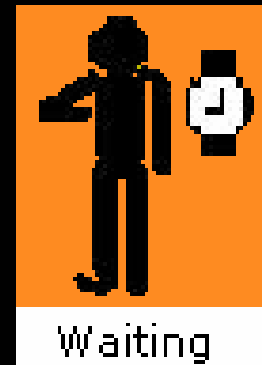
SESSION_ID	COUNT (*)	%	Bar
257	75	25	***
263	62	21	**
256	32	11	*
264	9	3	
277	3	1	
258	1	0	
280	1	0	



Top Waiting Session

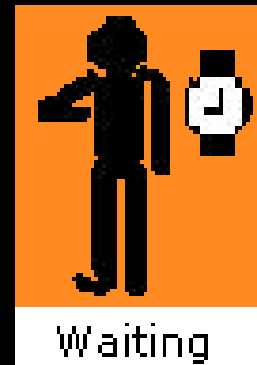
- Top Waiting Session in last 5 minutes

```
select
    session_id,
    count(*)
from
    v$active_session_history
where
    session_state='WAITING' and
    SAMPLE_TIME > SYSDATE - (5/(24*60))
group by
    session_id
order by
    count(*) desc;
```



Top Waiting Session Results

SESSION_ID	COUNT (*)
-----	-----
272	224
254	8
249	5
276	5
277	4
270	1



Top SQL from ASH

Top Categories of Resource usage – IO, CPU, WAIT

```
select
  ash.SQL_ID ,
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'ON CPU',1,0))    "CPU",
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'WAITING',1,0))    -
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'WAITING', decode(en.wait_class, 'User I/O',1,0),0))  "WAIT" ,
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'WAITING', decode(en.wait_class, 'User I/O',1,0),0))  "IO" ,
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'ON CPU',1,1))    "TOTAL"
from v$active_session_history ash,
     v$event_name en
where SQL_ID is not NULL and en.event#=ash.event#
group by sql_id
order by sum(decode(session_state,'ON CPU',1,1))
```



Reading



Running



Waiting

Top SQL from **ASH** Results

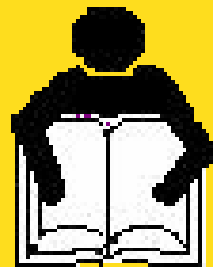
SQL_ID	CPU	WAITING	IO	TOTAL
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
4c1xvq9ufwcjc	23386	0	0	23386
6wjw6rz5uvbp3	99	0	23	122
968dm8hr9qd03	97	0	22	119
938jp5gasmrah	90	0	25	115
cv8xnv81kf582	42	0	9	51
6p9bzu19v965k	21	0	0	21
5zu8pxnun66bu	15	0	0	15
db2jr13nup72v	9	0	0	9
7ks5gnj38hghv	8	0	0	8
38gfa1vpmwvx6	5	0	0	5
6zw21jfbzjsunv	5	0	0	5
78s8yj36j2w1t	4	1	0	5
6769wyy3yfb66f	4	0	0	4
aptc882suuy74	4	0	0	4

Top Session

```
select
  ash.session_id,
  ash.session_serial#,
  ash.user_id,
  ash.program,
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'ON CPU',1,0))    "CPU",
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'WAITING',1,0))  -
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'WAITING',
    decode(en.wait_class,'User I/O',1,0),0))    "WAITING" ,
  sum(decode(ash.session_state,'WAITING',
    decode(en.wait_class,'User I/O',1,0),0))    "IO" ,
  sum(decode(session_state,'ON CPU',1,1))      "TOTAL"
from v$active_session_history ash,
     v$event_name en
where en.event# = ash.event#
group by session_id,user_id,session_serial#,program
order by sum(decode(session_state,'ON CPU',1,1))
```

Top Session Results

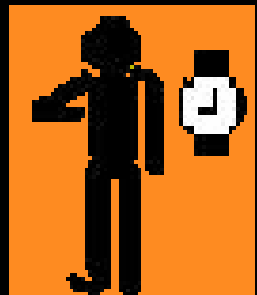
SESSION_ID	SERIAL#	USER_ID	PROGRAM	CPU	WAITING	IO
247	61970	1	sqlplus	11698	0	0
277	1	0	oracle@labsfrh903 (LGWR)	14	21	0
276	1	0	oracle@labsfrh903 (CKPT)	19	10	0
278	1	0	oracle@labsfrh903 (DBW0)	29	0	0
280	1	0	oracle@labsfrh903 (PMON)	19	0	0
254	22617	5	Executor.exe	13	0	3
255	12877	5	Executor.exe	11	0	5
257	33729	5	Executor.exe	15	0	1
255	13417	5	Executor.exe	14	0	2



Reading



Running



Waiting

Top Session w/ Username

select

```
/* if sid not found in v$session then disconnected */
decode(nvl(to_char(s.sid),-1),-1,'DISCONNECTED','CONNECTED')
                                "STATUS",
topsession.session_id          "SESSION_ID",
u.name "NAME",
topsession.program             "PROGRAM",
max(topsession.CPU)            "CPU",
max(topsession.WAITING)        "WAITING",
max(topsession.IO)            "IO",
max(topsession.TOTAL)         "TOTAL"
from ( previous query ) topsession,
      v$session s,
      user$ u
```

where

```
u.user# =topsession.user_id and
/* outer join to v$session because the session might be disconnected */
topsession.session_id      = s.sid      (+) and
topsession.session_serial# = s.serial#  (+)
group by topsession.session_id, topsession.session_serial#, topsession.user_id,
         topsession.program, s.username,s.sid,s.paddr,u.name
order by max(topsession TOTAL) desc
```

Top Session

Finding a Rogue User

STATUS	SESSION_ID	NAME	PROGRAM	CPU	WAITING	IO
CONNECTED	247	CPU_Monger	ChMgr304.exe	11704	0	0
CONNECTED	277	SYS	oracle@labsfrh903 (LGWR)	14	19	0
CONNECTED	278	SYS	oracle@labsfrh903 (DBW0)	29	0	0
CONNECTED	276	SYS	oracle@labsfrh903 (CKPT)	18	9	0
CONNECTED	280	SYS	oracle@labsfrh903 (PMON)	20	0	0
DISCONNECTED	255	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	11	4	5
DISCONNECTED	257	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	13	0	3
DISCONNECTED	255	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	14	0	2
DISCONNECTED	257	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	13	0	3
DISCONNECTED	254	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	12	0	3
DISCONNECTED	254	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	13	0	2
DISCONNECTED	256	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	11	0	4
DISCONNECTED	256	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	12	0	3
DISCONNECTED	256	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	13	0	2
DISCONNECTED	255	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	14	0	1
DISCONNECTED	254	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	11	0	4
DISCONNECTED	246	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	11	0	3
DISCONNECTED	246	SYSTEM	Executor.exe	13	0	1

Top Wait

- How to Attack the problem?
- Top SQL?
 - Top wait for that SQL?
- Top Waiting Session ?
 - Top Waits for that Session
- Top Waits for Database?
 - Top Session waiting for that wait
 - Top SQL for that wait

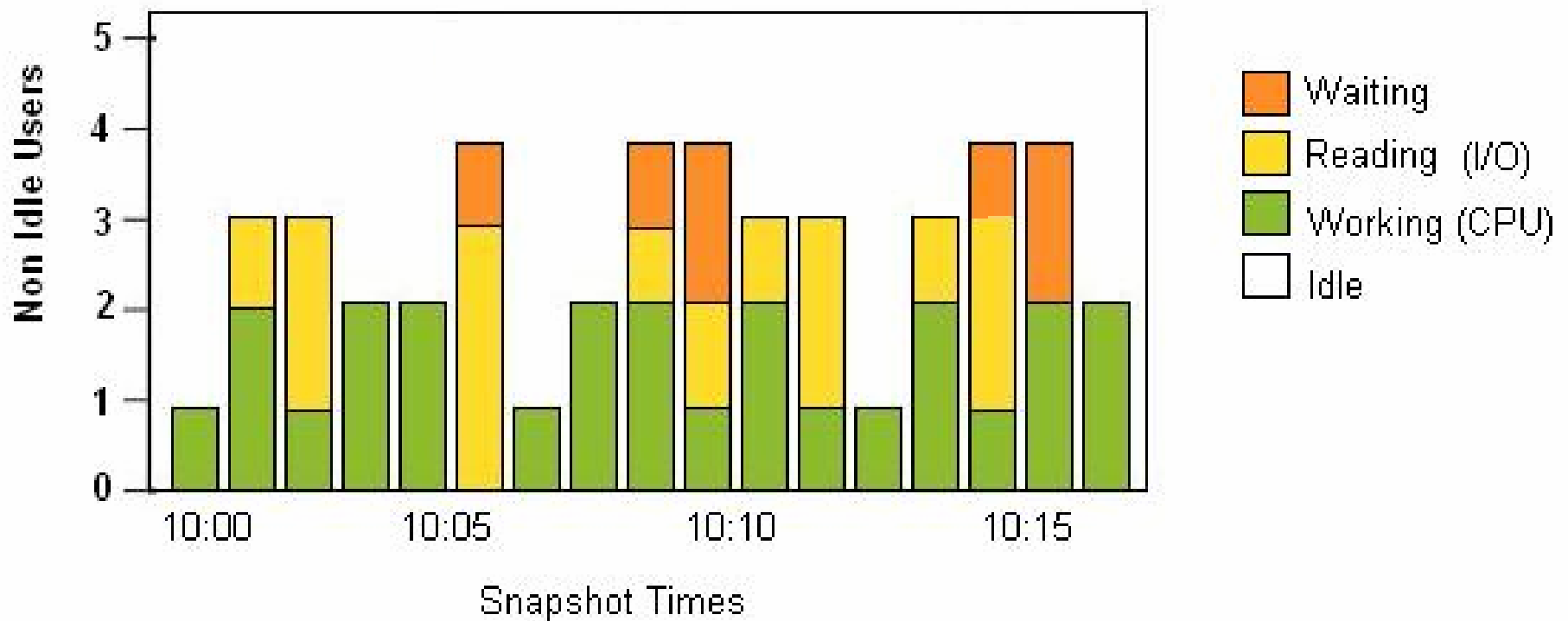
With Ash you can attack the problem all these ways

Graphical ASH



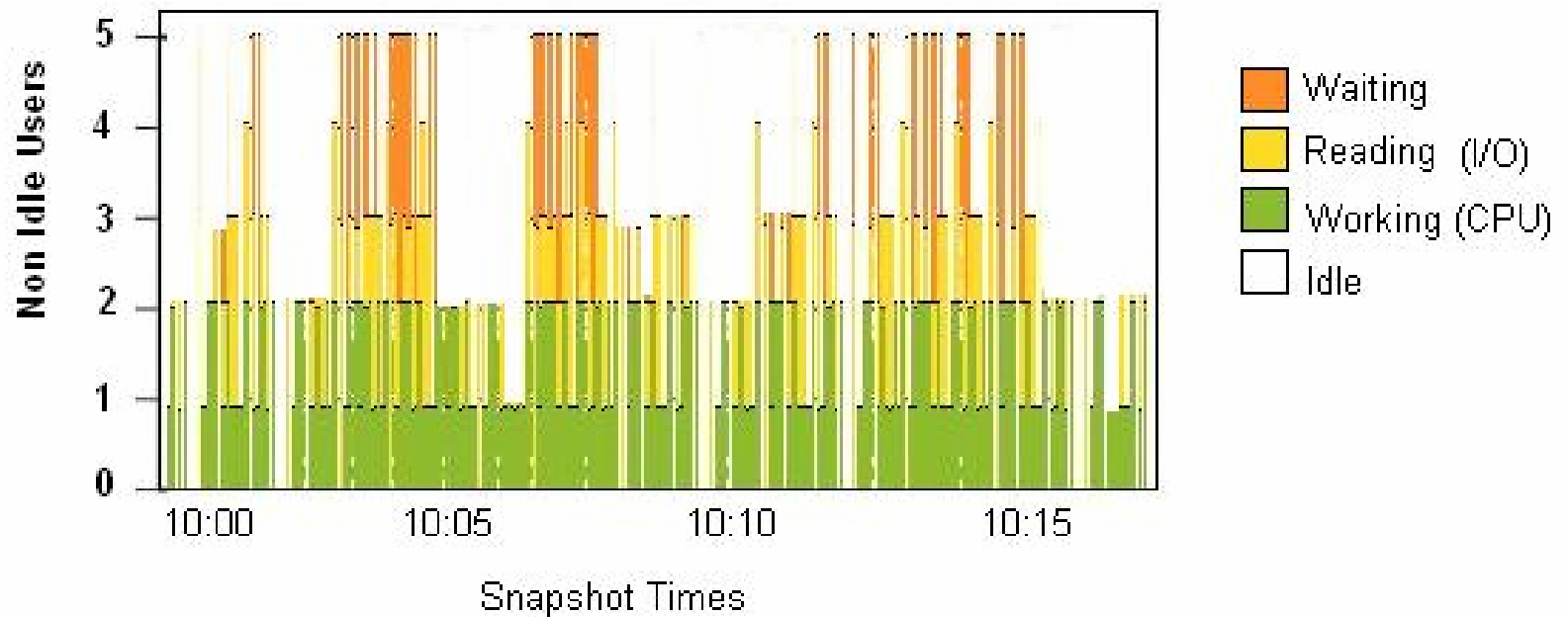
TIME

Graph of User States



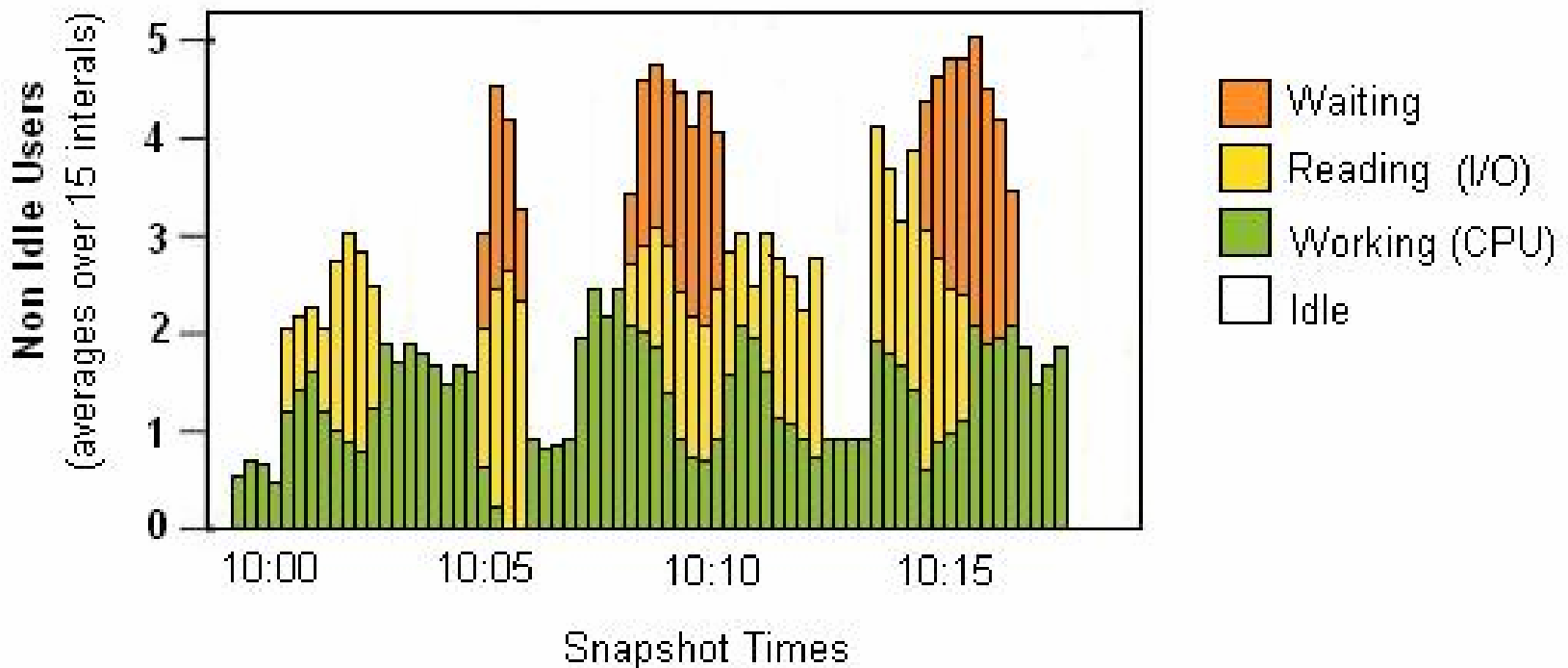
One Second Graph

One Second Snapshots of User States

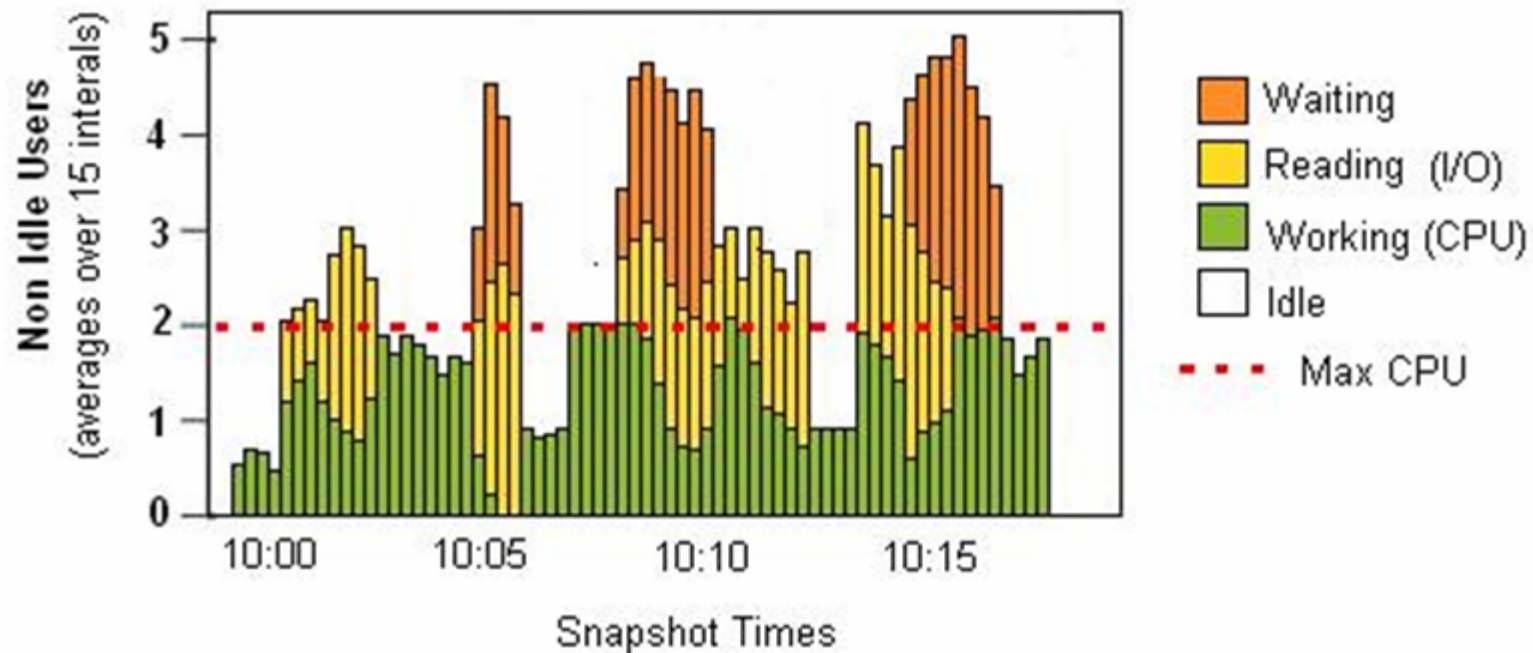


15 Second Averages

Averages over 15 seconds of Users States (sampling at 1 second intervals)

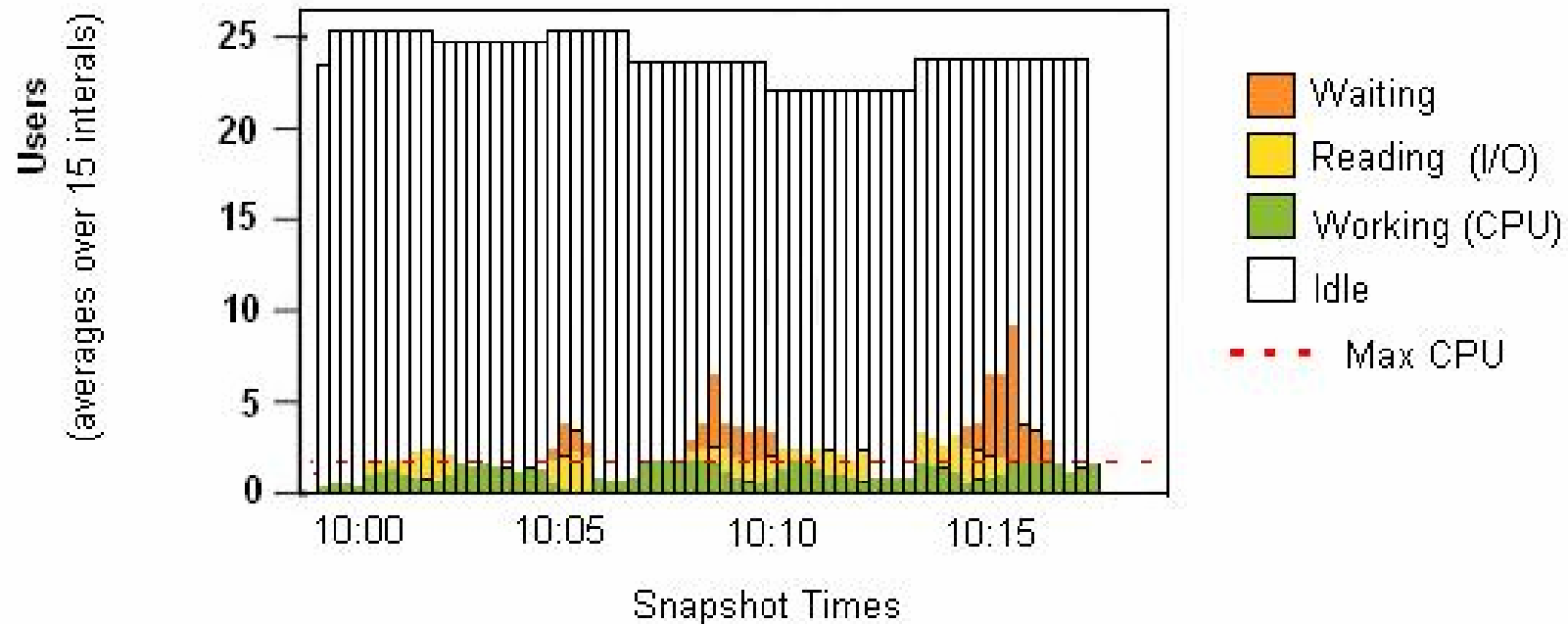


Maximum CPU Line

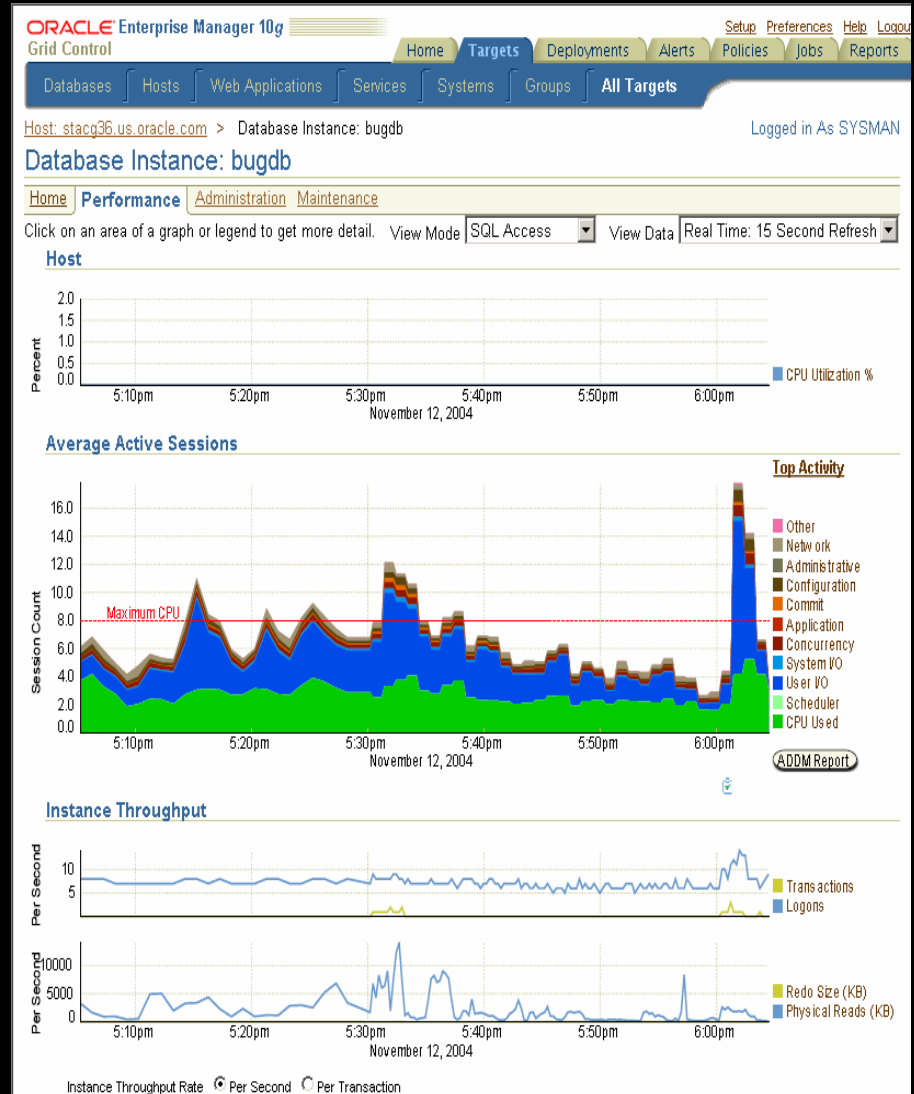


Idle Users

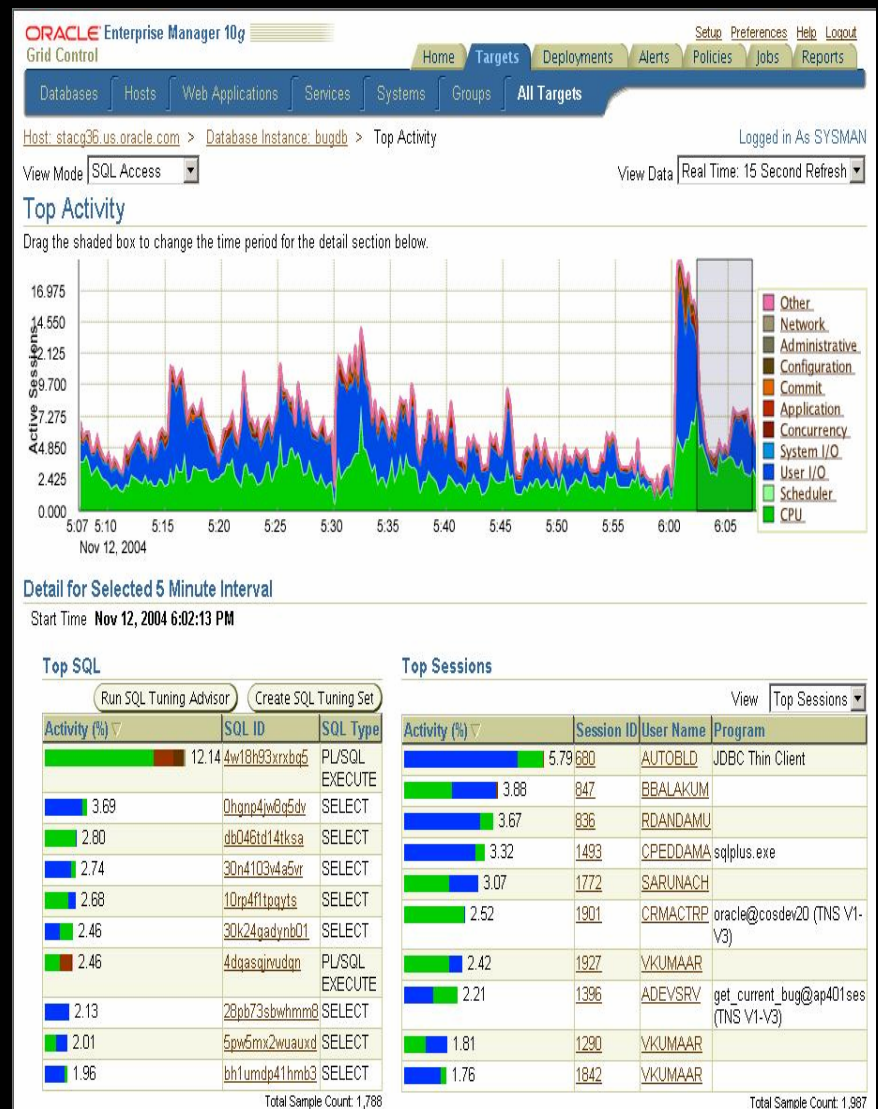
Why Don't We Display Idle Users in the Chart?



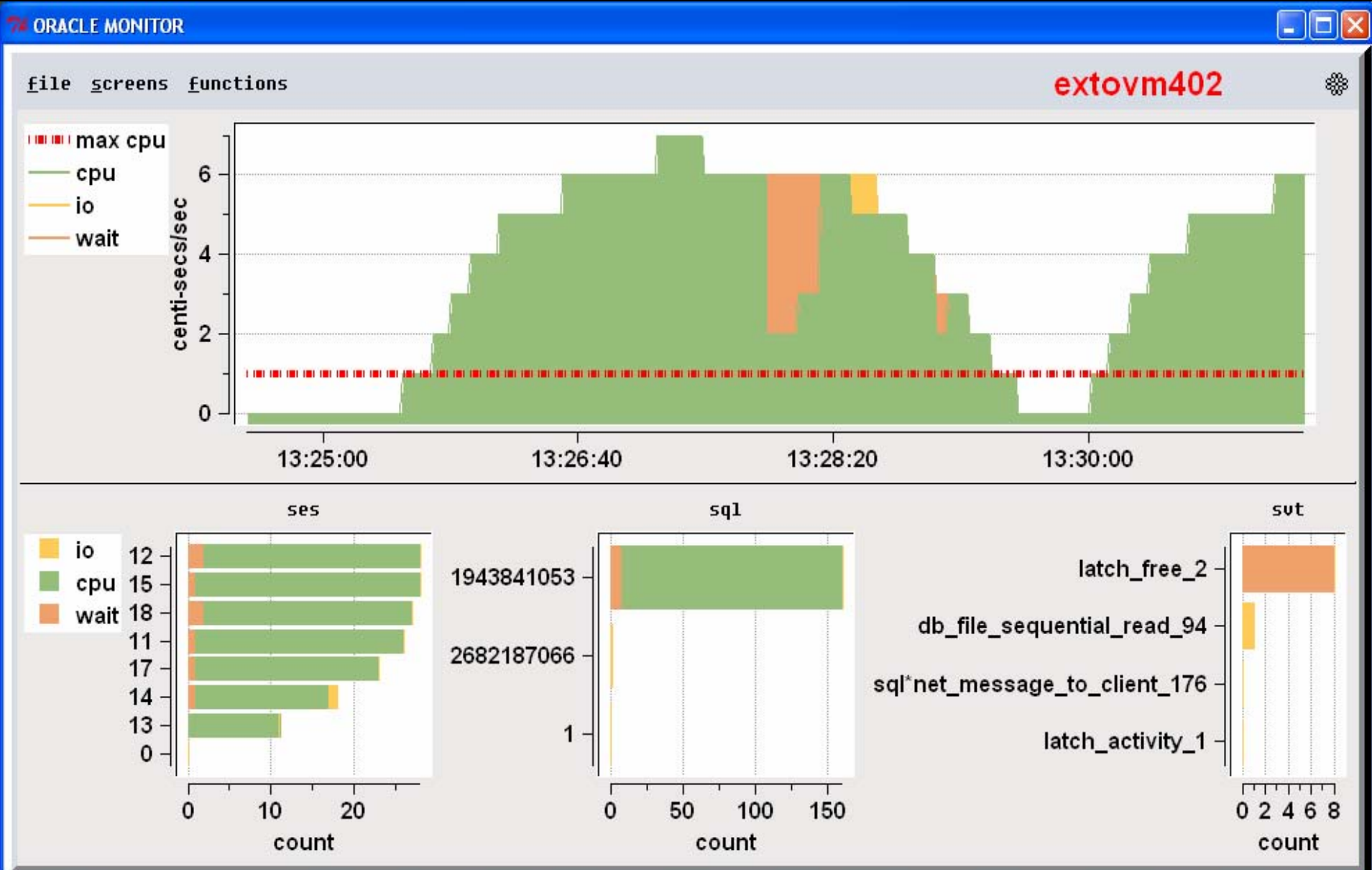
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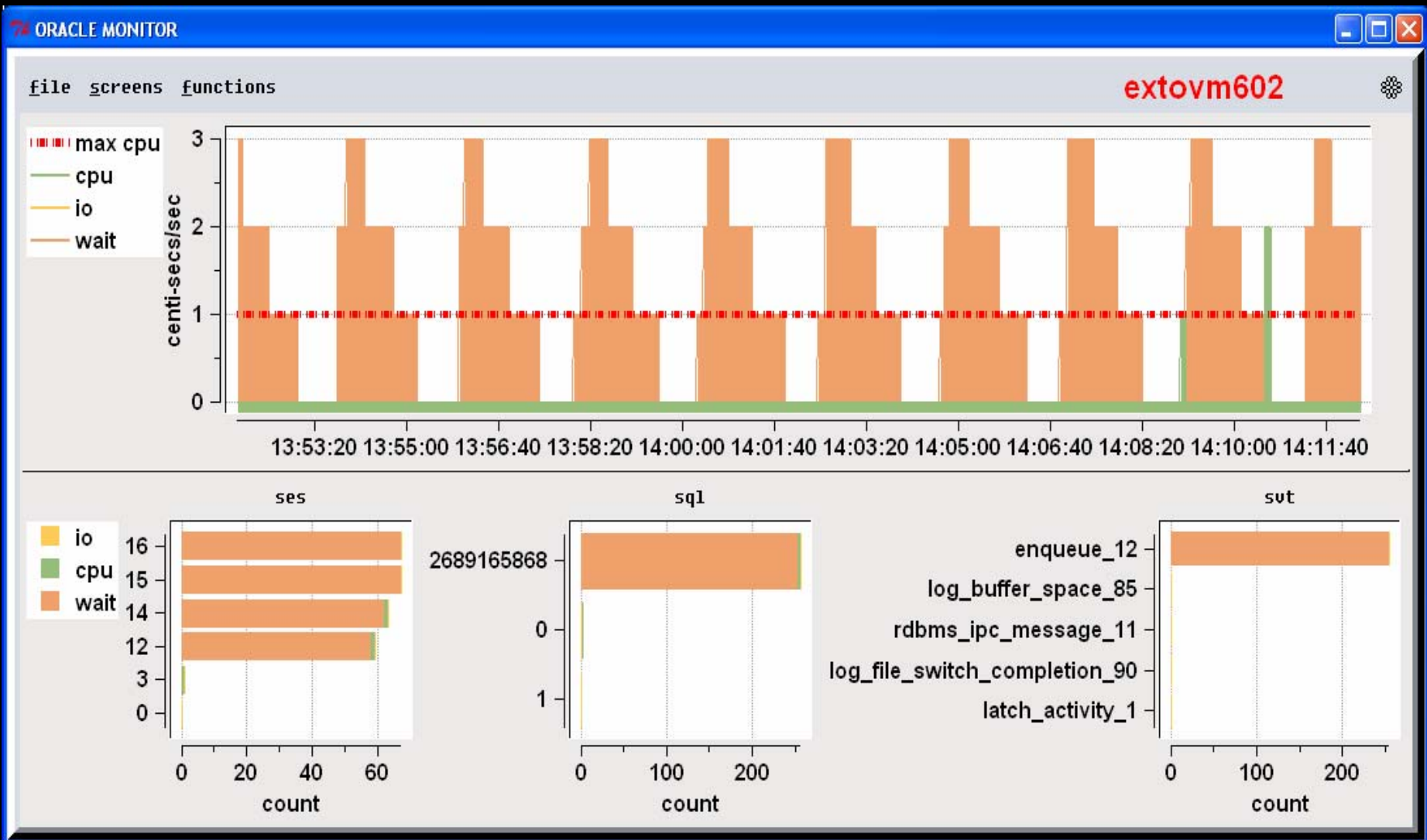
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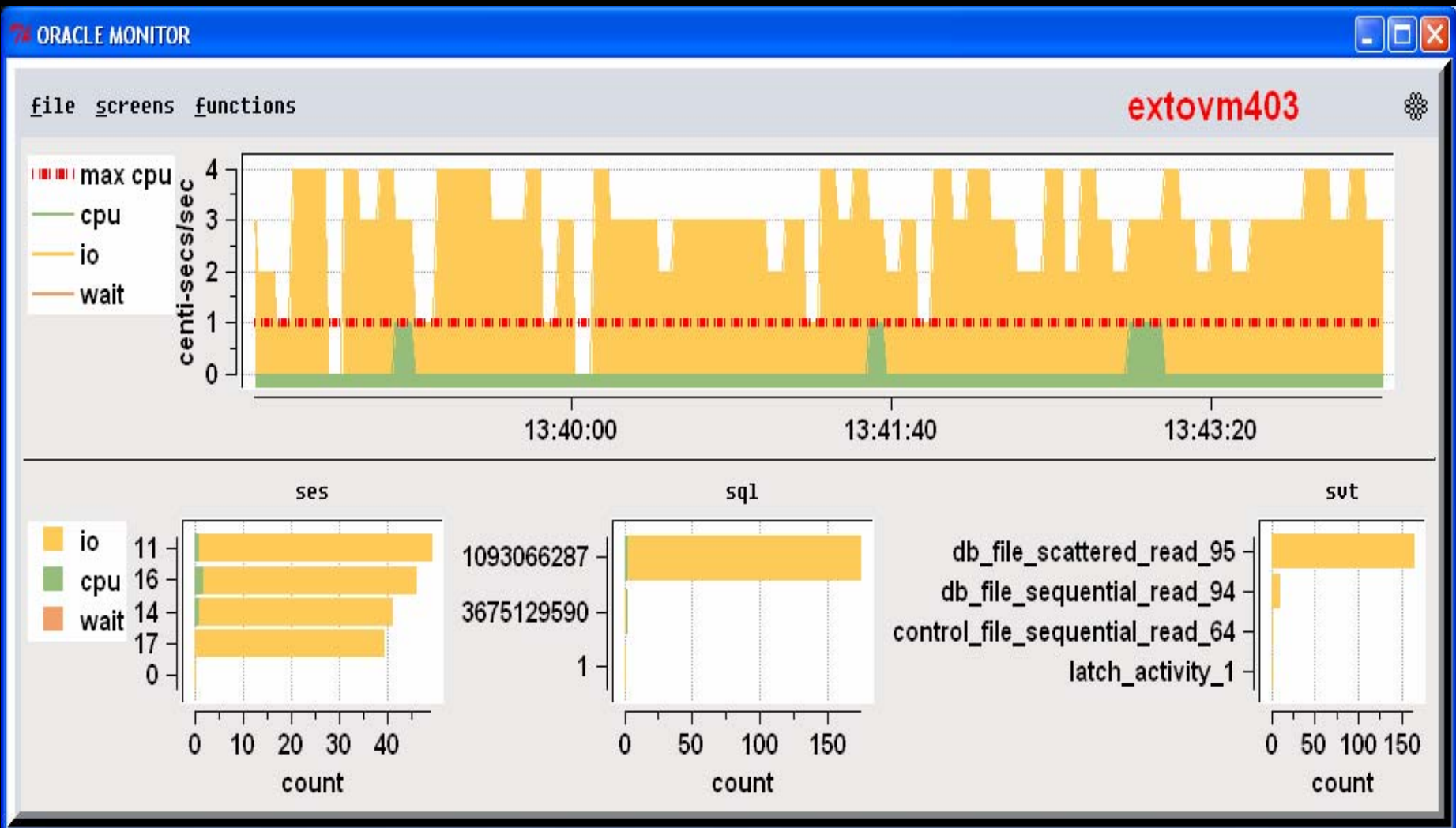
TCL CPU



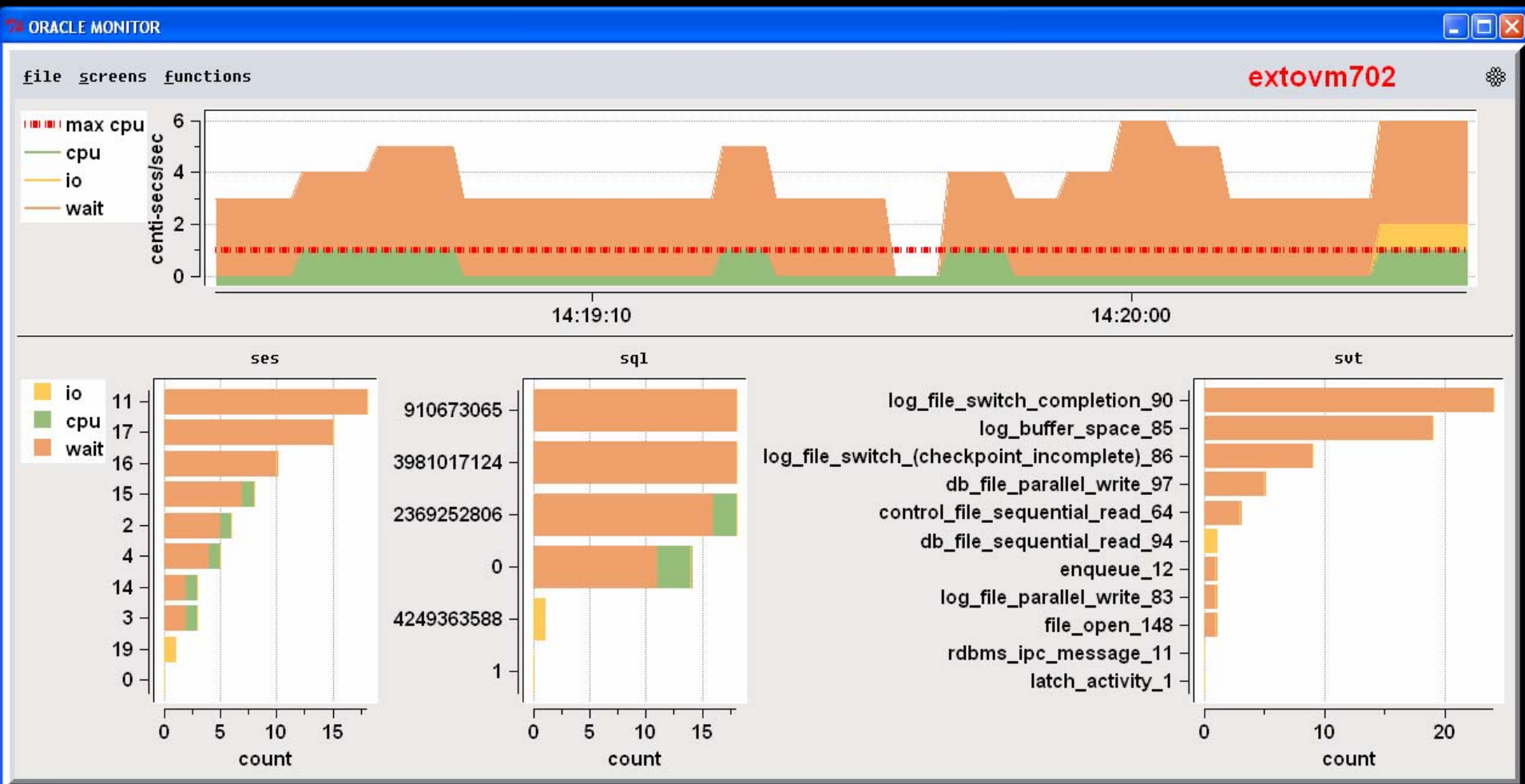
TCL Blocked Users (lock)



IO



Redo Log Problems



Statistics vs Waits

- Cache Buffer Hit vs IO Waits

Why group around in the dark – just turn the lights on

CPU problem

- CPU is only updated at the end of the call.
- Long calls look deceiving like no CPU is being used

CPU in ASH vs Stats



Monitoring Waits can be Expensive

- Rows queried =
of sessions x # of waits

In 10g there are over 800 waits.

For example 100 user x 800 waits = 80,000 rows

Sampling Cheap

- With PL/SQL it's less than 1 % CPU with 10 average active sessions
- ASH in 10g even cheaper
- ASH via Memory Scraping , 200x cheaper

ASH is Rich Data

- On top of being Cheap the data is multi-dimensional – you can cut it up in many different ways
 - Top Session
 - Top SQL
 - Top Module
 - Top Action
 - Top Program
 - Top Client
 - Top Service
- All ranked by CPU, IO, or any of 800 waits or time spent in wait, or by file accessed, or object accessed

Alert on Blocked Sessions

- Any session that is on a wait 15/15 samples can be called blocked whether or not they are on a row lock

ASH easily enables Drilldown Investigation

- See a spike in System Load (avg active sessions)
- Find out which SQL
- Find out what waits that SQL blocked on

Simulating ASH

- ASH is new in 10g
- Need Diagnostic Pack License ☹
- ASH data exist since V7
- Simulate it yourself ☺
 - Join v\$session_wait & v\$session
 - Save in a table

Consumes < 1% CPU for 10 active sessions (a lot)

Description of v\$session_wait

SID	NUMBER	Session
SEQ#	NUMBER	
WAIT_TIME	NUMBER	State
EVENT	VARCHAR2 (64)	Wait
P1TEXT	VARCHAR2 (64)	
P1	NUMBER	
P1RAW	RAW (4)	
P2TEXT	VARCHAR2 (64)	
P2	NUMBER	
P2RAW	RAW (4)	
P3TEXT	VARCHAR2 (64)	
P3	NUMBER	
P3RAW	RAW (4)	
WAIT_TIME	NUMBER	
SECONDS_IN_WAIT	NUMBER	
STATE	VARCHAR2 (19)	

Description of v\$active_session_history

SAMPLE_ID	Calculated	NUMBER	Time
SAMPLE_TIME		TIMESTAMP (3)	
SESSION_ID	v\$session	NUMBER	Session
SESSION_SERIAL#		NUMBER	
USER_ID		NUMBER	
SERVICE_HASH		NUMBER	
SESSION_TYPE		VARCHAR2 (10)	
QC_SESSION_ID		NUMBER	
QC_INSTANCE_ID		NUMBER	
PROGRAM		VARCHAR2 (64)	
MODULE		VARCHAR2 (48)	
ACTION		VARCHAR2 (32)	
CLIENT_ID		VARCHAR2 (64)	
SESSION_STATE		VARCHAR2 (7)	State
EVENT		VARCHAR2 (64)	Wait
EVENT_ID		NUMBER	
EVENT#		NUMBER	
SEQ#		NUMBER	
P1		NUMBER	
P2		NUMBER	
P3		NUMBER	
WAIT_TIME		NUMBER	
TIME_WAITED		NUMBER	
CURRENT_OBJ#		NUMBER	
CURRENT_FILE#		NUMBER	
CURRENT_BLOCK#		NUMBER	
SQL_ID	v\$session	VARCHAR2 (13)	SQL
SQL_CHILD_NUMBER		NUMBER	
SQL_PLAN_HASH_VALUE		NUMBER	
SQL_OPCODE		NUMBER	

Create a Package and Insert

- Create Package
 - Query v\$session & v\$session_wait joined
 - Sample 1 a second
 - Collect into a GTT
 - Insert into local or remote every 15 seconds
 - voila

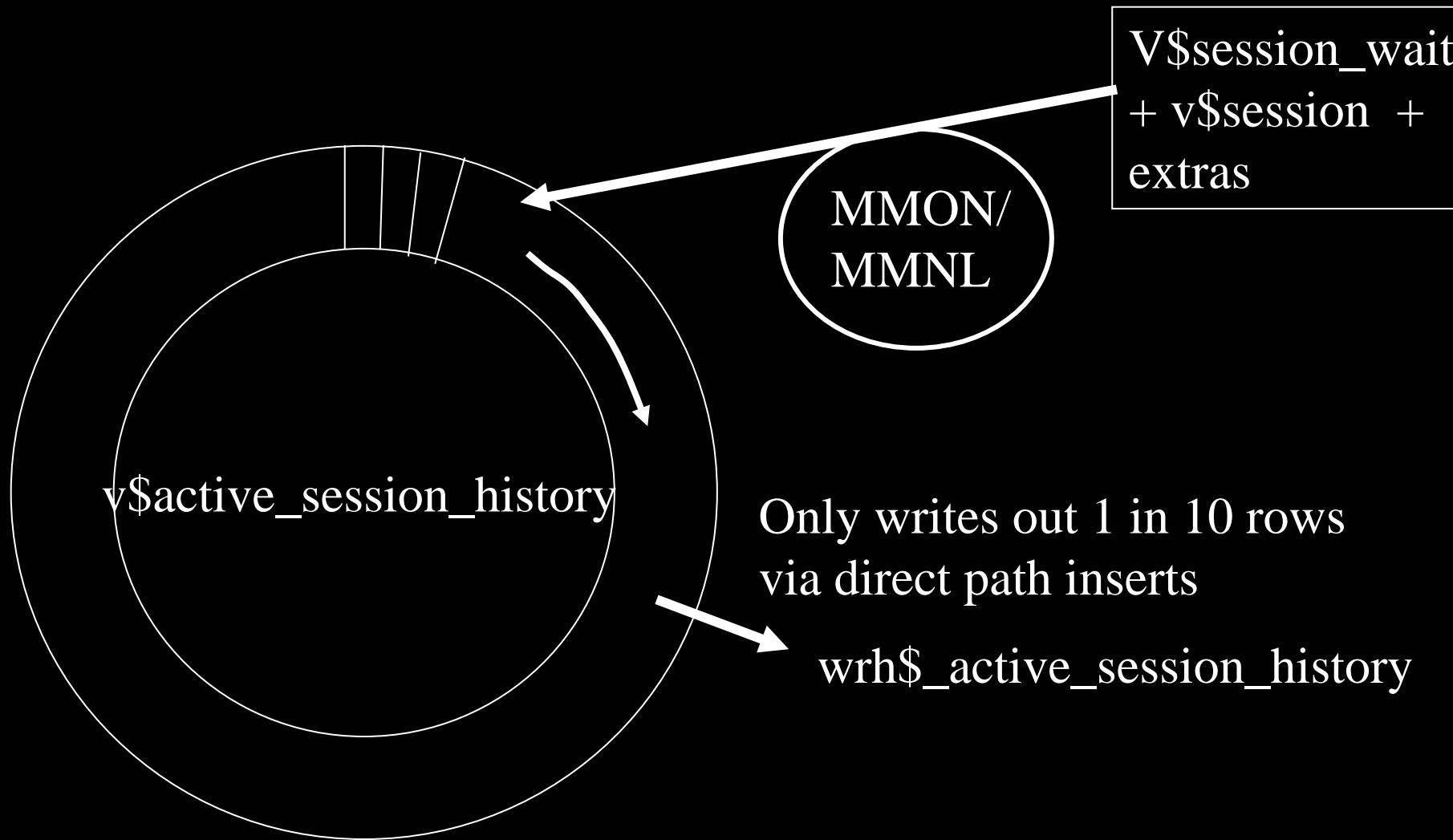
Create ASH Storage Table

```
drop table ash_data;
create table ash_data (
    target_id      number,
    sample_id      number,
    sample_time    date,
    sid            number,
    state          varchar2(20),
    serial#        number,
    user#          number,
    sql_address#   varchar2(20),
    sql_hash       number,
    command        number,
    session_type   number,
    event#         number,
    seq#           number,
    p1             number,
    p2             number,
    p3             number,
    wait_time      number,
    row_wait_obj#  number,
    row_wait_file# number,
    row_wait_block# number,
    program        varchar2(64),
    module_hash    number,
    action_hash    number
);
```

Simulation Optimizations

- Partition ASH_DATA for efficient deletion of old data
- Run compaction routines to save history
 - Load
 - Top Session
 - Top sql
 - Top waits

How ASH works



ASH buffer

Select reads
backwards

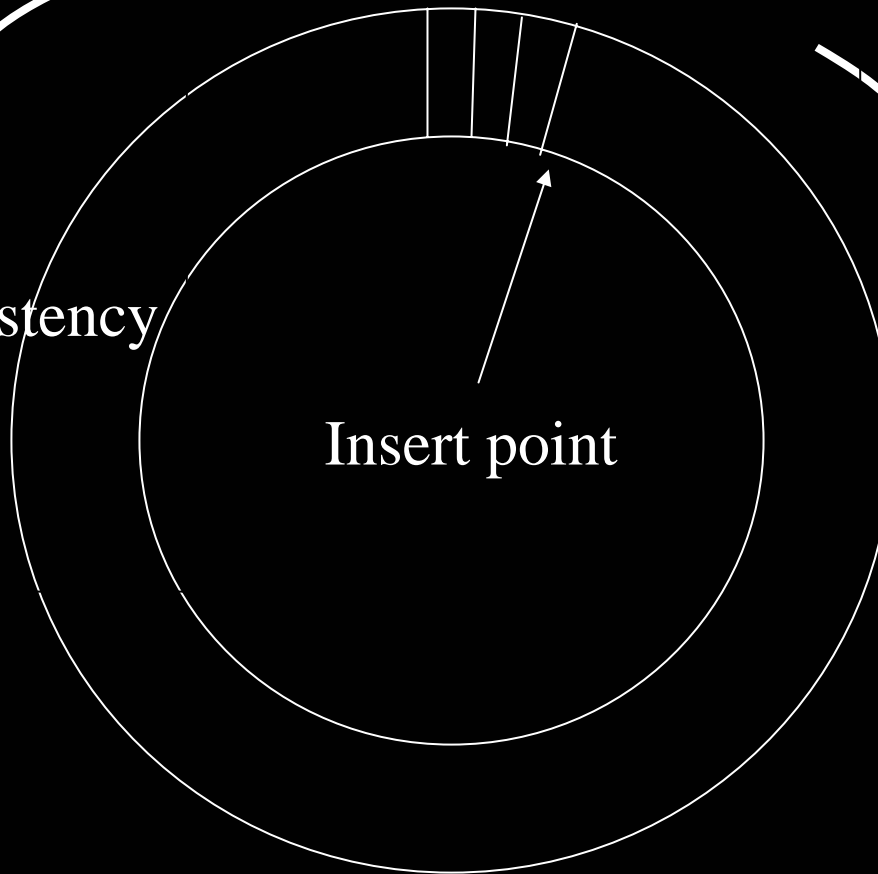
-No latching

-No read consistency

-Index on time

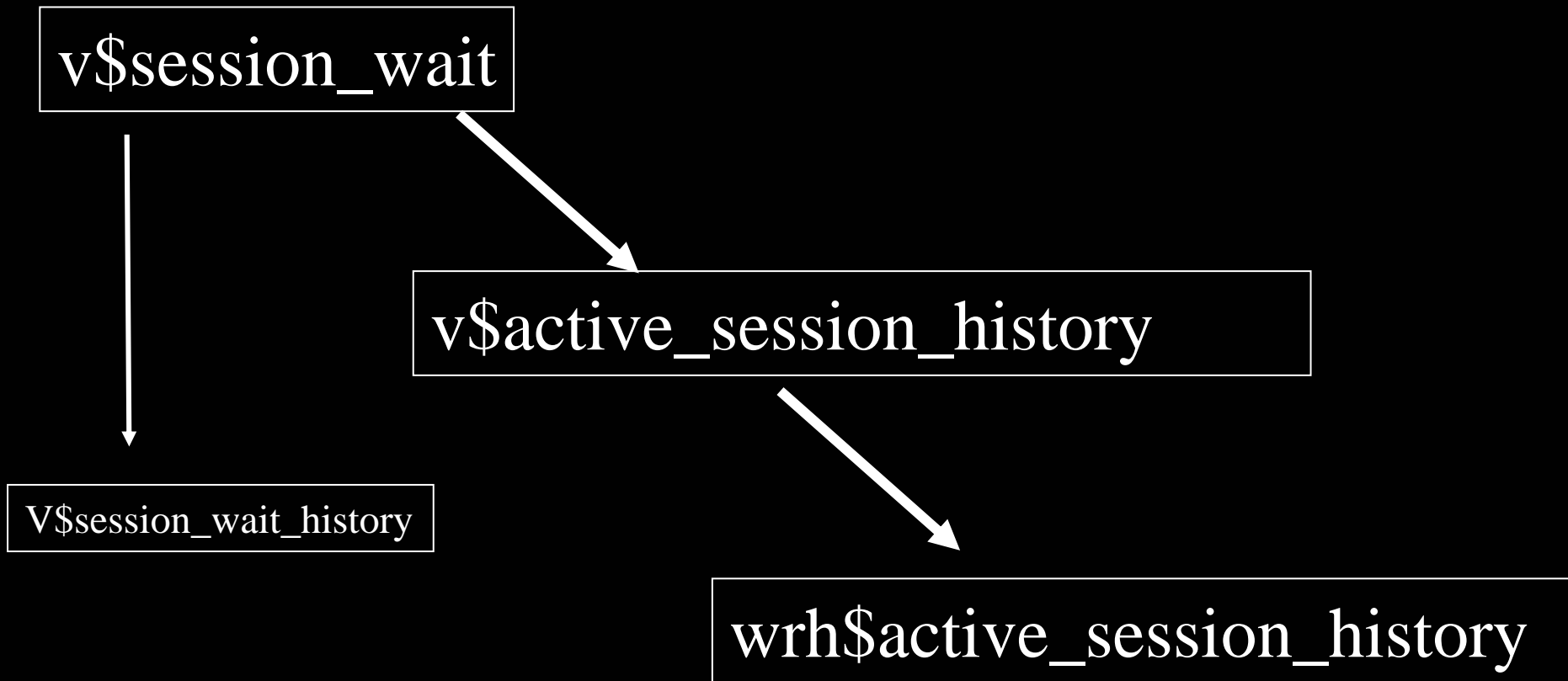
Insert one direction

- Touch up wait times

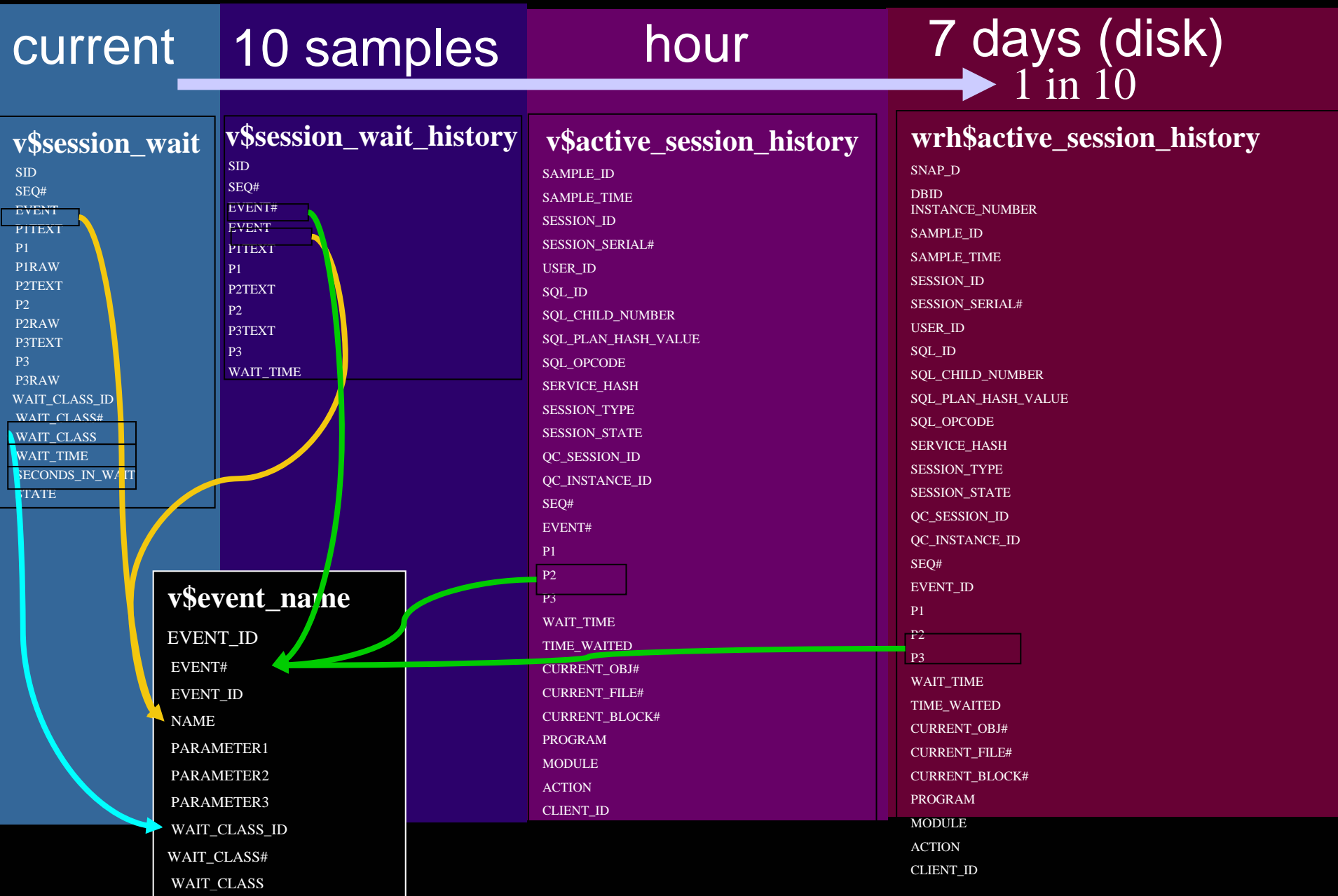


Insert point

Family of ASH Tables



ASH Tables



Wait Time vs Time Waited

- SESSION_STATE
 - Waiting, on CPU
 - Based on WAIT_TIME
- WAIT_TIME
 - 0 => waiting
 - >0 => CPU (value is time of last wait)
- TIME_WAITED
 - Actual time waited for event
 - 0 until wait finishes
 - Fix up values (no one else can do this)

Oradebug

- Dump to trace file

```
SQL> oradebug dump ash 5
```

```
SQL> Alter session set events 'immediate  
      tracename ashdump level 5';
```

level 5 = # of minutes

loader file rdbms/demo/ashldr.ctl

INIT.ORA

ASH

statistics_level = Typical (default)

_active_session_history = TRUE (default)

_ash_sampling_interval = 1000 (default, milliseconds)

_ash_enable = false; (A dynamic parameter will turn off ASH sampling, flushing and the V\$ views on ASH)

Client Id

- Setting Client ID

```
dbms_session.set_identifier  
    (client_id);
```

- Enabling trace for a client ID

```
dbms_monitor.client_id_trace_enable  
    (client_id, TRUE, FALSE);
```

- Enabling statistics aggregation by client id

```
dbms_monitor.client_id_stat_enable  
    (client_id);
```

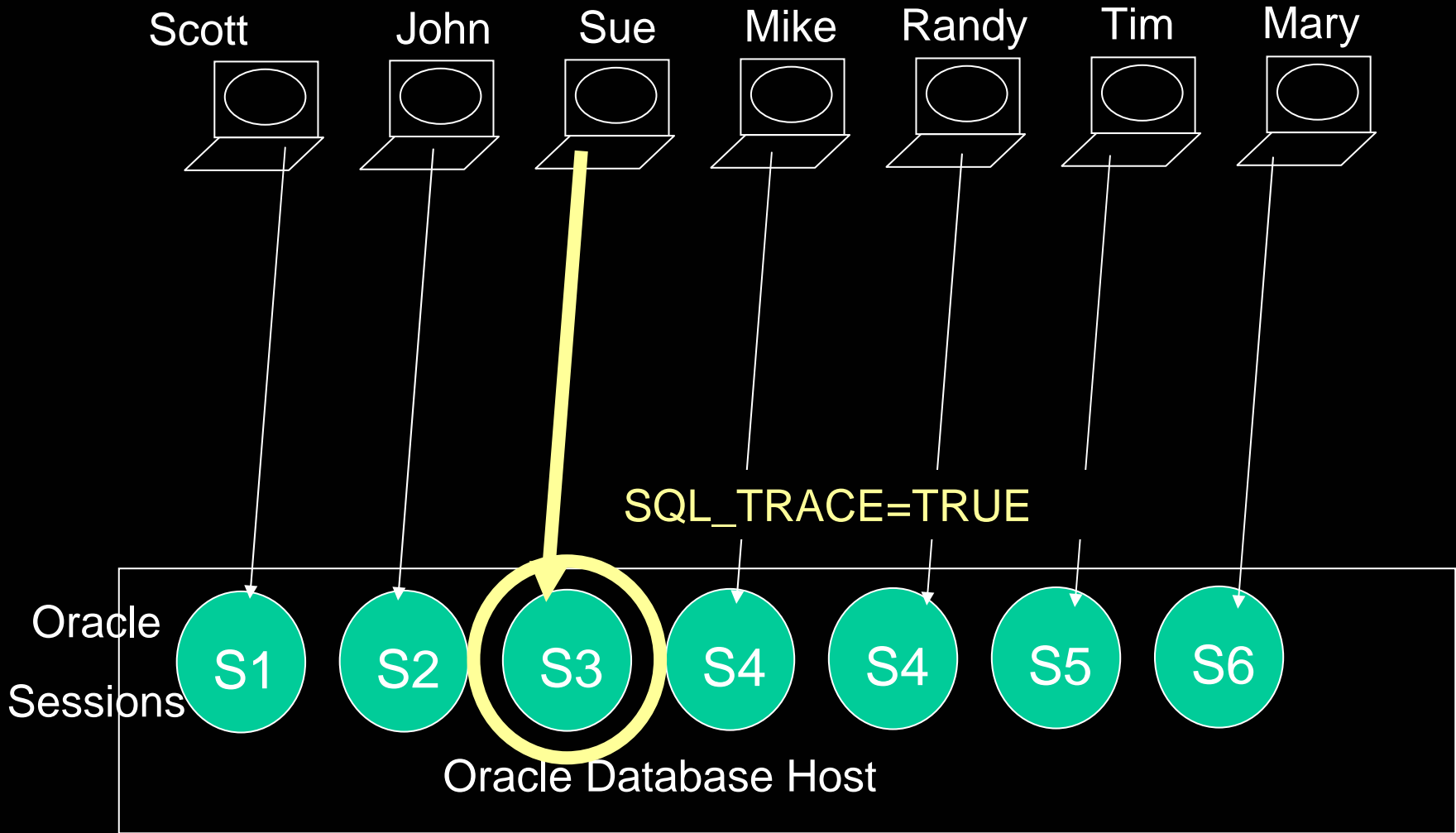
- Script to Extract Client Trace

```
trcssess
```

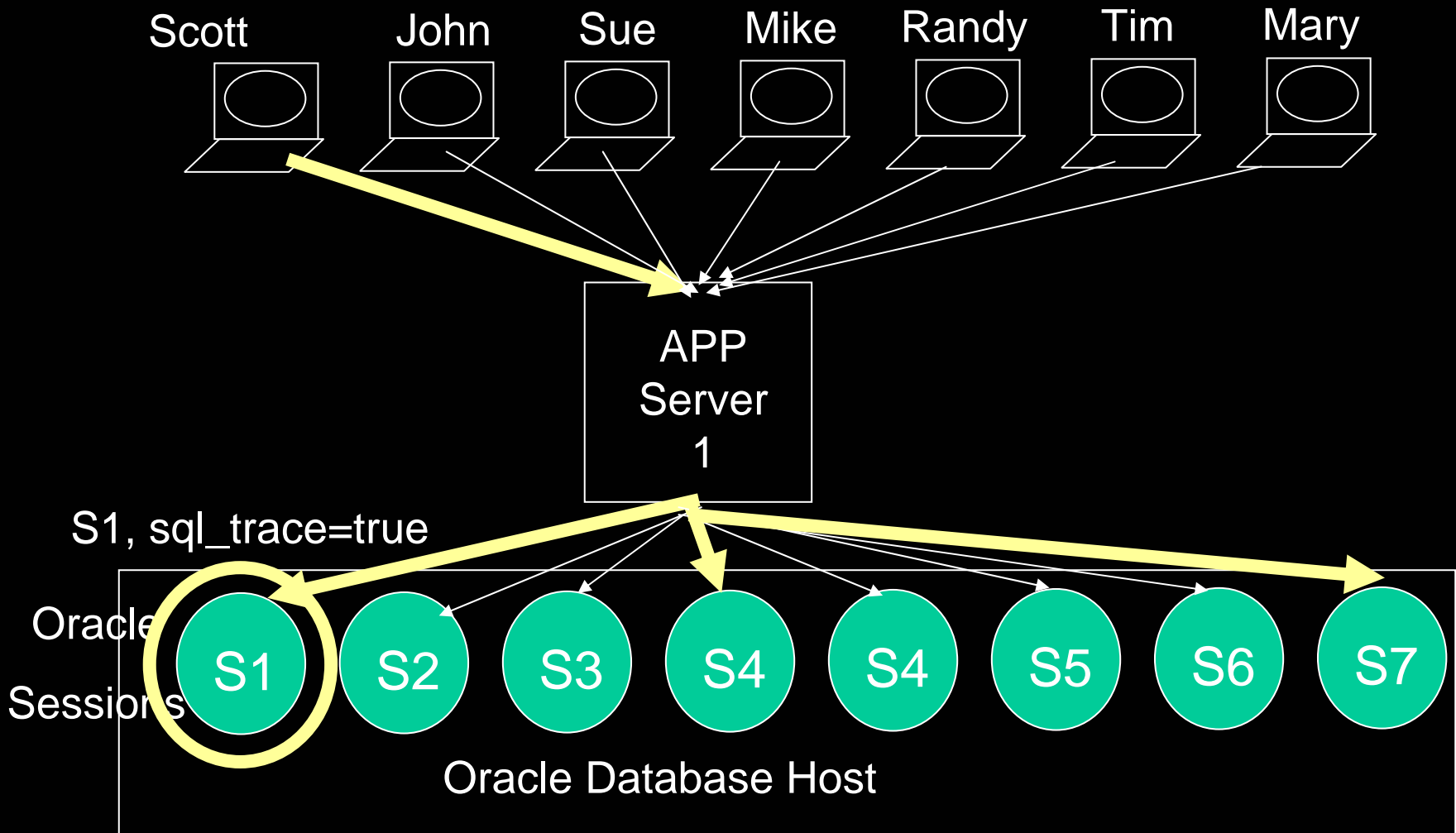
Session Dedicated



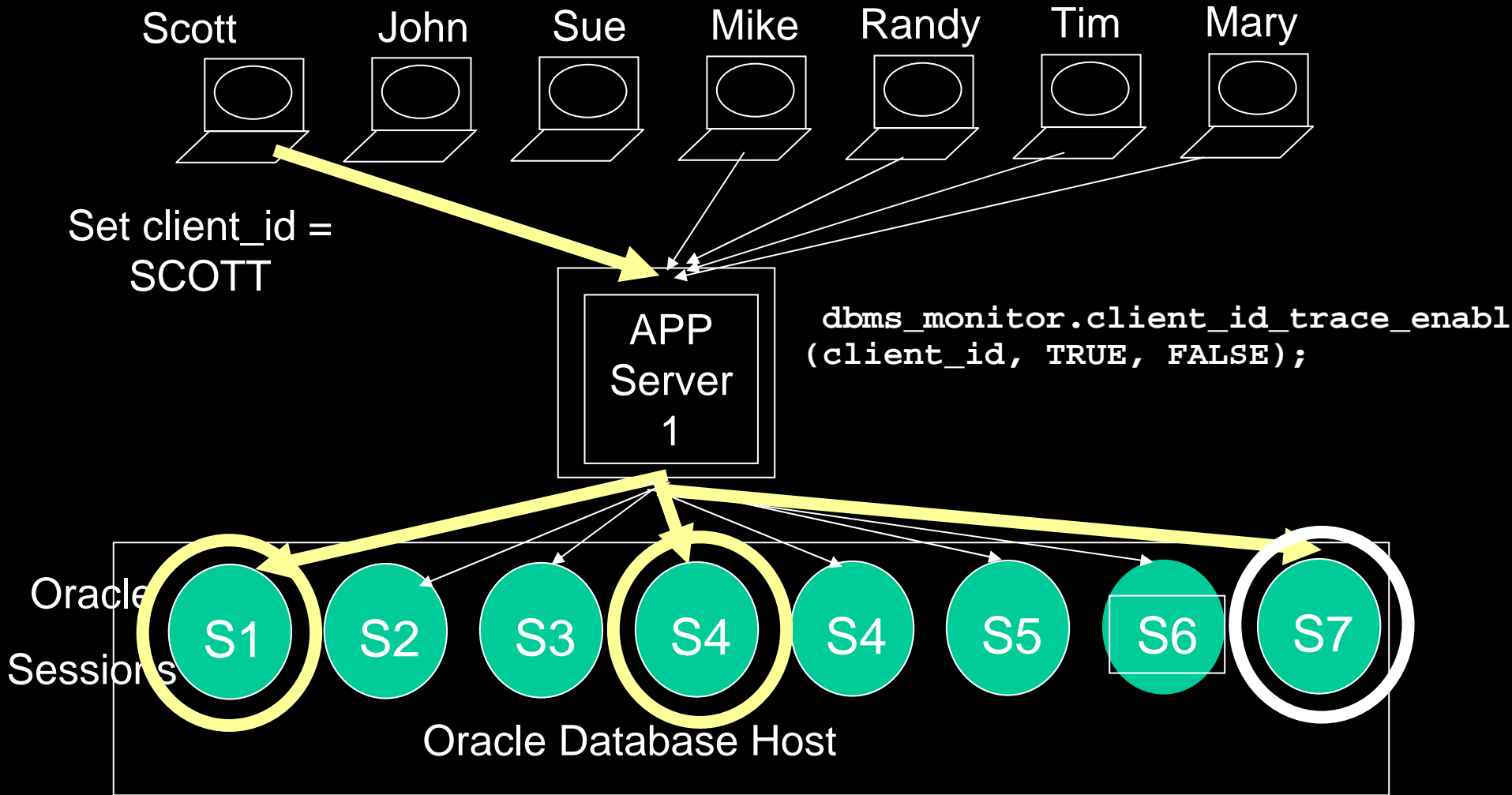
Session Dedicated trace



Session Pooling trace



Session Pooling



Extras

- 10gR2 added fields to **ASH**
 - Blocking Session Id, serial# and state
 - XID, transaction ID
 - RAC event Fixup
 - Plan Hash Fix up
 - 10gR1 - during parsing no plan, good way to find parsing problems
 - 10gR2 – get plan hash fixup – good but lose some ability to find parsing problems
 - Wait Class, needed this for grouping

How Many Active Sessions?

- 1 CPU means max 1 Avg Active Session unless there is a bottleneck

Active Sessions at Big Sites

- Oracle 4 way RAC internal apps
 - 10,000 connected, 200 active
- One Site
 - 3000 connected, 30 Active
- Site
 - 12,000 connected, 100 active

ASH – OS and other DBs

- SQL Server
- Linux
- DB2
- Sybase

The Challenger Incident

Launch: Pressure

Midnight before

January 28, 1986

Lives are on the line



List of Past Problems

HISTORY OF O-RING DAMAGE ON SRM FIELD JOINTS

	SRM No.	Cross Sectional View			Top View		Clocking Location (deg)
		Erosion Depth (in.)	Perimeter Affected (deg)	Nominal Dia. (in.)	Length Of Max Erosion (in.)	Total Heat Affected Length (in.)	
61A LH Center Field**	22A	None	None	0.280	None	None	36°--66°
61A LH CENTER FIELD**	22A	NONE	NONE	0.280	NONE	NONE	338°-18°
51C LH Forward Field**	15A	0.010	154.0	0.280	4.25	5.25	163
51C RH Center Field (prim)***	15B	0.038	130.0	0.280	12.50	58.75	354
51C RH Center Field (sec)***	15B	None	45.0	0.280	None	29.50	354
41D RH Forward Field	13B	0.028	110.0	0.280	3.00	None	275
41C LH Aft Field*	11A	None	None	0.280	None	None	--
41B LH Forward Field	10A	0.040	217.0	0.280	3.00	14.50	351
STS-2 RH Aft Field	2B	0.053	116.0	0.280	--	--	90

*Hot gas path detected in putty. Indication of heat on O-ring, but no damage.

**Soot behind primary O-ring.

***Soot behind primary O-ring, heat affected secondary O-ring.

Clocking location of leak check port - 0 deg.

OTHER SRM-15 FIELD JOINTS HAD NO BLOWHOLES IN PUTTY AND NO SOOT NEAR OR BEYOND THE PRIMARY O-RING.

SRM-22 FORWARD FIELD JOINT HAD PUTTY PATH TO PRIMARY O-RING, BUT NO O-RING EROSION AND NO SOOT BLOWBY. OTHER SRM-22 FIELD JOINTS HAD NO BLOWHOLES IN PUTTY.

Correlated with Temperatures

BLOW BY HISTORY

SRM-15 WORST BLOW-BY

- o 2 CASE JOINTS (80°), (110°) ARC
- o MUCH WORSE VISUALLY THAN SRM-22

SRM 22 BLOW-BY

- o 2 CASE JOINTS (30-40°)

SRM-13A, 15, 16A, 18, 23A 24A

- o NOZZLE BLOW-BY

HISTORY OF O-RING TEMPERATURE (DEGREES - F)

<u>MOTOR</u>	<u>MBT</u>	<u>AMB</u>	<u>O-RING</u>	<u>WIND</u>
DM-4	68	36	47	10 m
DM-2	76	45	52	10 m
QM-3	72.5	40	48	10 m
QM-4	76	48	51	10 m
SRM-15	52	64	53	10 m
SRM-22	77	78	75	10 m
SRM-25	55	26	29	10 m
			27	25 m

Trying to Show data an Analysis

CONCLUSIONS :

- 0 TEMPERATURE OF O-RING IS NOT ONLY PARAMETER CONTROLLING BLOW-BY

SRM 15 WITH BLOW-BY HAD AN O-RING TEMP AT 53°F
SRM 22 WITH BLOW-BY HAD AN O-RING TEMP AT 15°F
FOUR DEVELOPMENT MOTORS WITH NO BLOW-BY WERE TESTED AT O-RING TEMP OF 47° TO 52°F

DEVELOPMENT MOTORS HAD PUTTY PACKING WHICH RESULTED IN BETTER PERFORMANCE
- 0 AT ABOUT 50°F BLOW-BY COULD BE EXPERIENCED IN CASE JOINTS
- 0 TEMP FOR SRM 25 ON 1-28-84 LAUNCH WILL BE 29°F 9 AM
38°F 2 PM
- 0 HAVE NO DATA THAT WOULD INDICATE SRM 25 IS DIFFERENT THAN SRM 15 OTHER THAN TEMP

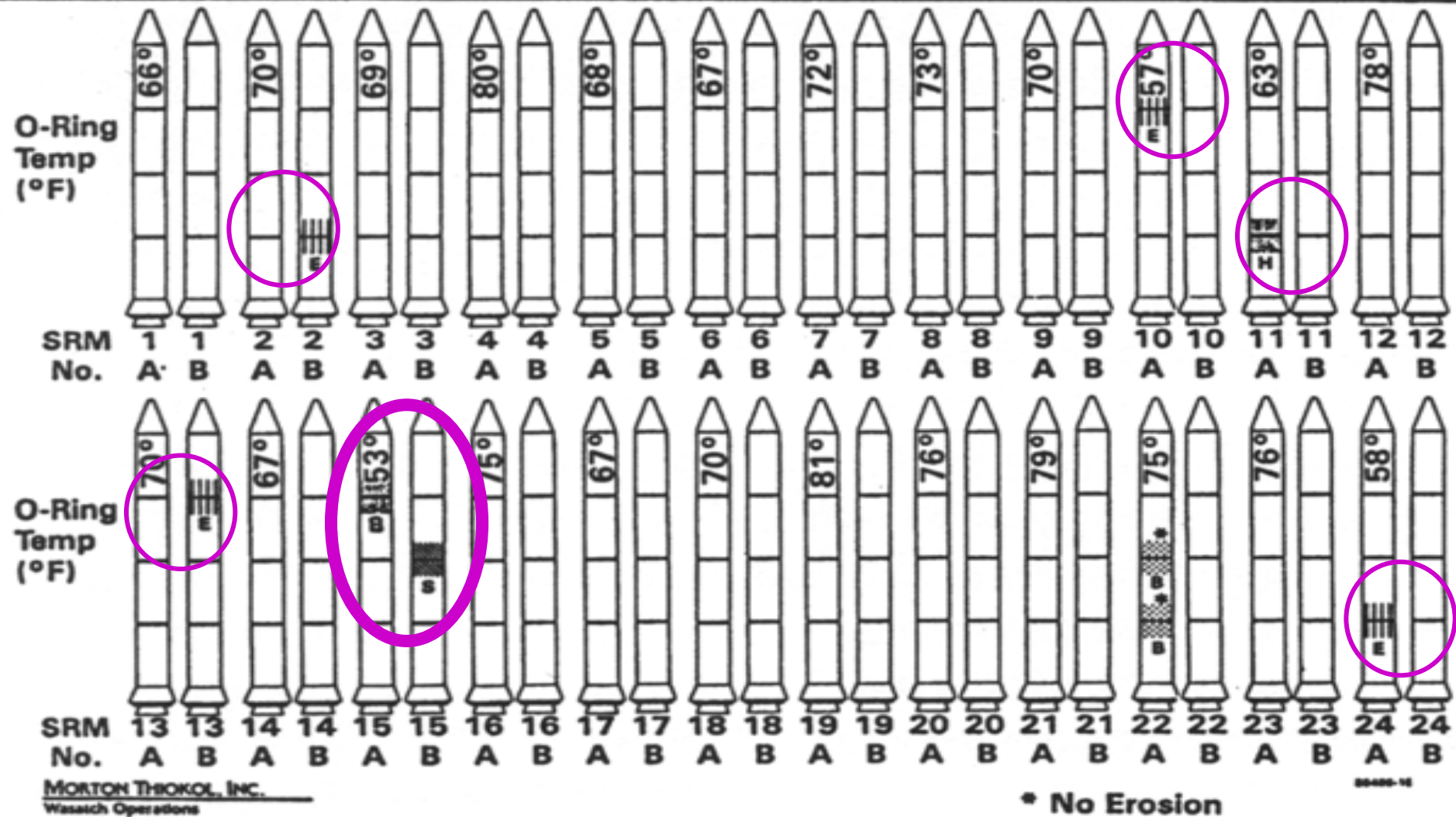
RECOMMENDATIONS :

- 0 O-RING TEMP MUST BE $\geq 53^{\circ}\text{F}$ AT LAUNCH

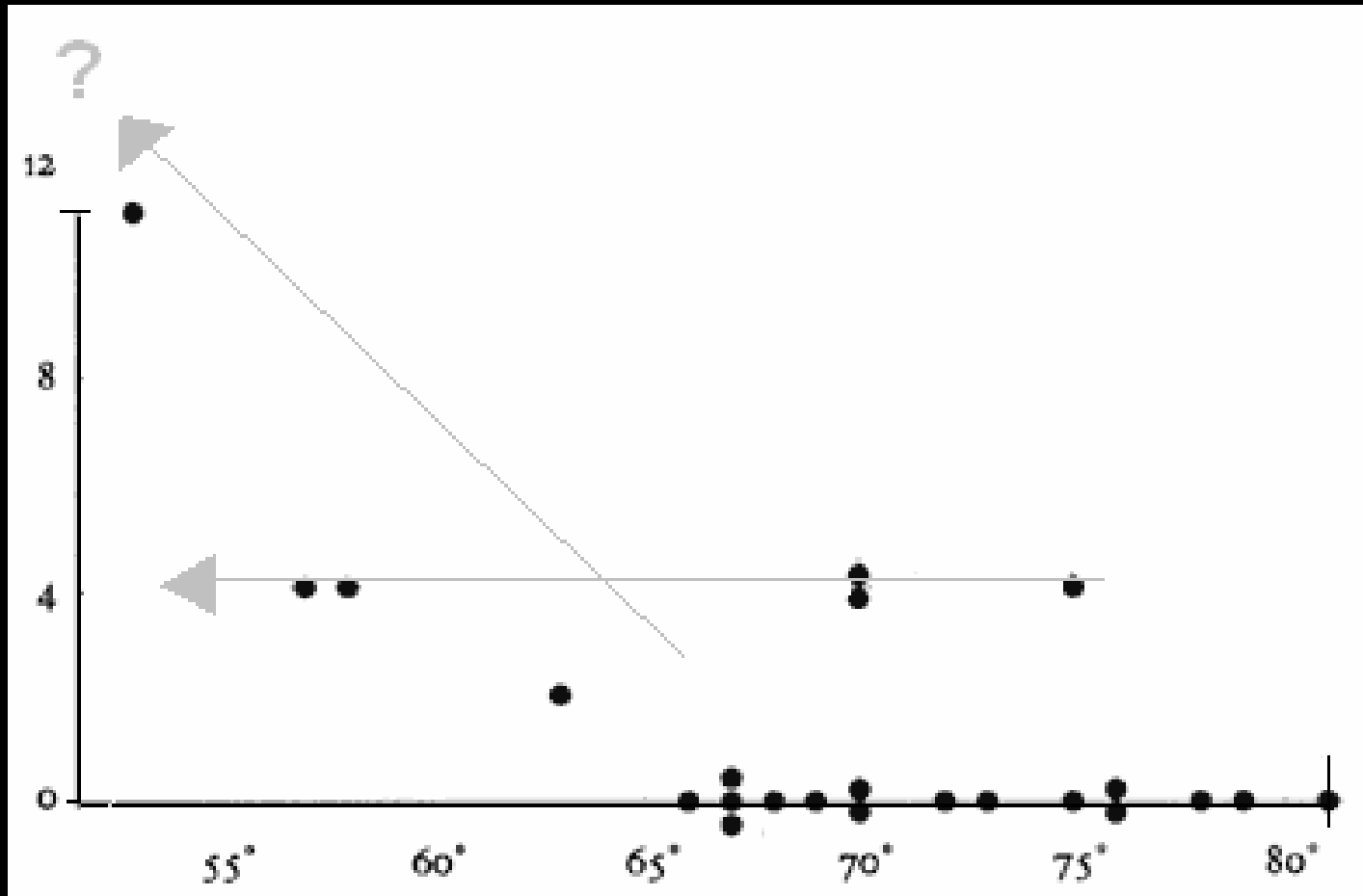
DEVELOPMENT MOTORS AT 47° TO 52°F WITH PUTTY PACKING HAD NO BLOW-BY
SRM 15 (THE BEST SIMULATION) WORKED AT 53°F
- 0 PROJECT AMBIENT CONDITIONS (TEMP & WIND) TO DETERMINE LAUNCH TIME

Congressional Hearings Evidence

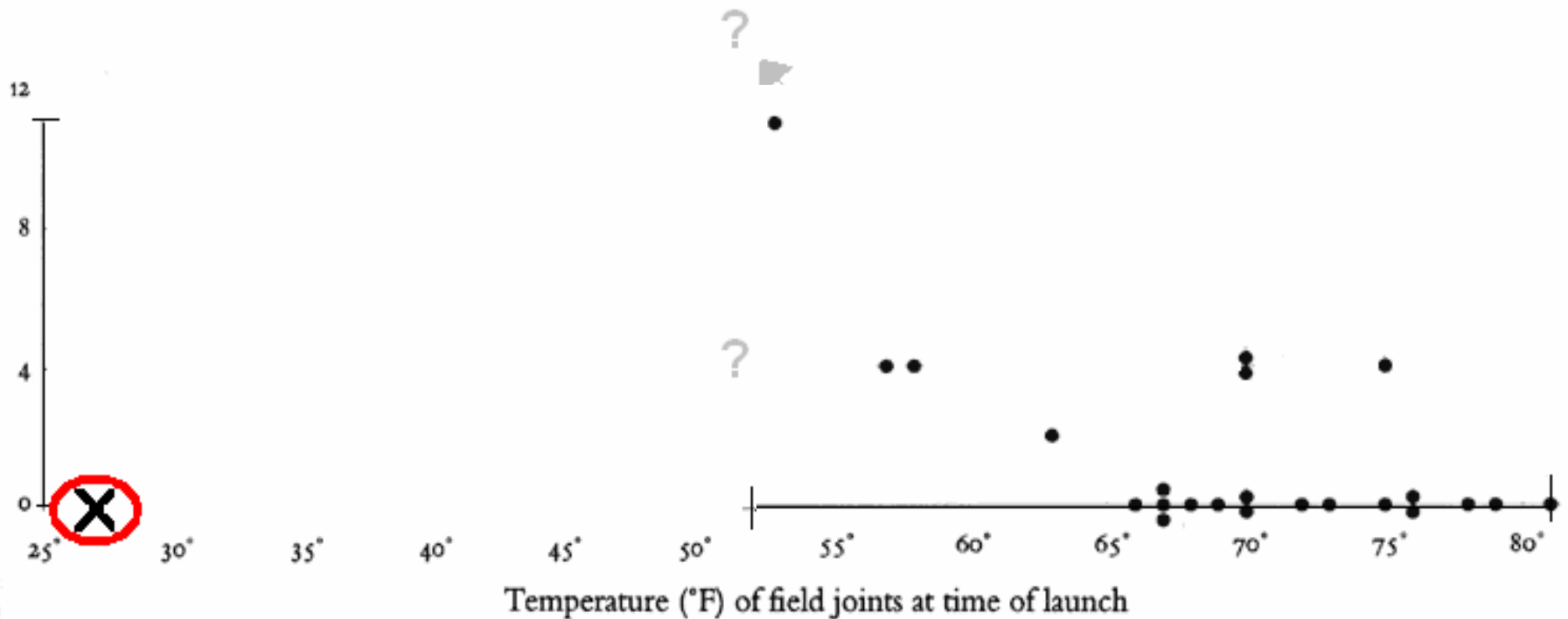
History of O-Ring Damage in Field Joints (Cont)



Engineers Tried to Communicate



Even Clearer



Source: Edward Tufte, *Visual Explanations*

1986 Space Shuttle Challenger -- O-Ring Chart

O-ring damage index, each launch. By Edward Tufte.

Difficult

- NASA Engineers Fail
- Congressional Investigators Fail
- Data is Difficult

But ...

Lack of Clarity can be devastating

Imagine Trying to Drive your Car if you Dashboard looked like:

```
SVRMGR>
SVRMGR> set charwidth 12
Charwidth                12
SVRMGR> set numwidth 10
Numwidth                 10
SVRMGR> Rem Select Library cache statistics.  The pin hit rate shoule be high.
SVRMGR> select namespace library,
2>     gets,
3>     round(decode(gethits,0,1,gethits)/decode(gets,0,1,gets),3)
4>     gethitratio,
5>     pins,
6>     round(decode(pinhits,0,1,pinhits)/decode(pins,0,1,pins),3)
7>     pinhitratio,
8>     reloads, invalidations
9> from stats$lib;
```

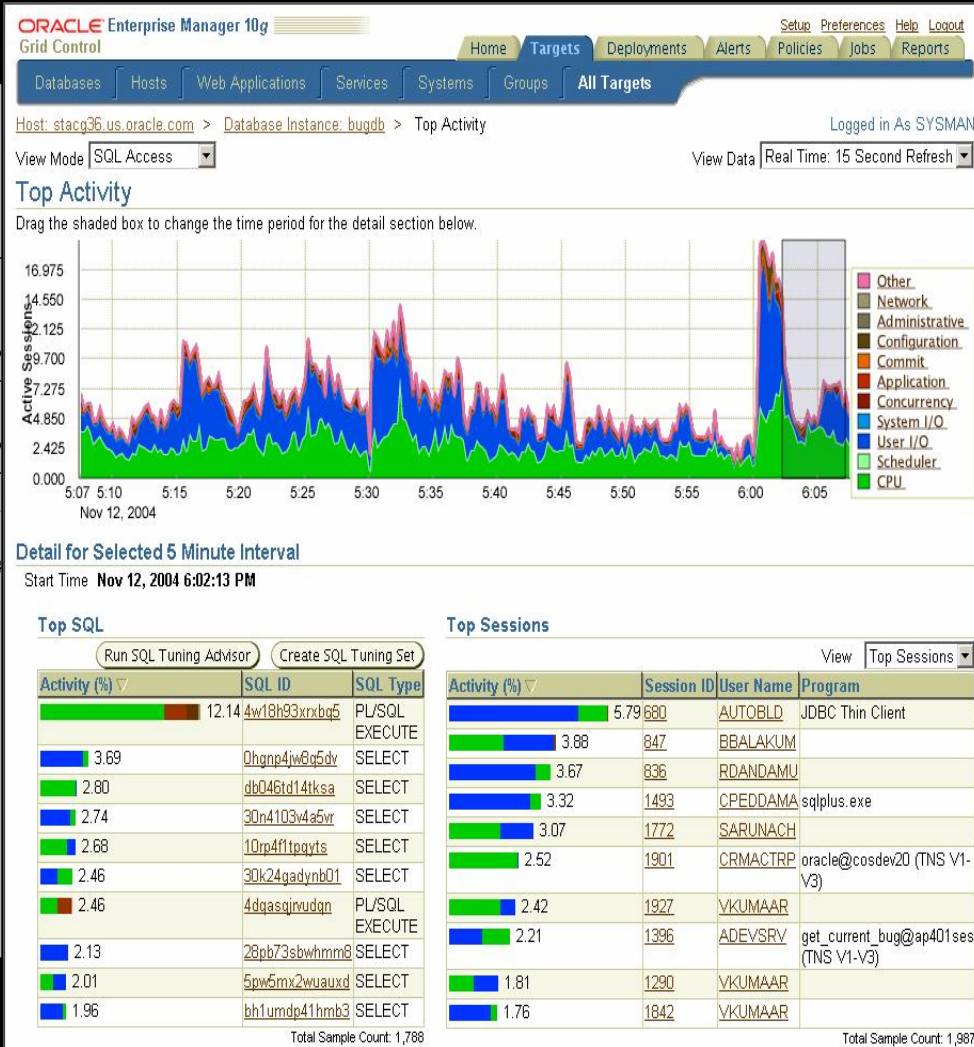
LIBRARY	GETS	GETHISTRATI	PINS	PINHISTRATI	RELOADS	INVALIDATI
BODY	40	.95	40	.4	0	0
CLUSTER	0	1	0	1	0	0
INDEX	0	1	0	1	0	0
OBJECT	0	1	0	1	0	0
PIPE	0	1	0	1	0	0
SQL AREA	835	.938	82110	.999	0	0
TABLE/PROCED	117	.778	485	.94	0	0
TRIGGER	0	1	0	1	0	0

8 rows selected.
SVRMGR>

And is updated once and hour

Or This?

```
SVRMGR>
SVRMGR> set charwidth 12
Charwidth
SVRMGR> set numwidth 10
Numwidth
SVRMGR> Rem Select Librar
SVRMGR> select namespace
2> gets,
3> round(deco
4> gethitr
5> pins,
6> round(deco
7> pinhitr
8> reloads, i
9> from stats$lib;
LIBRARY      GETS      G
-----
BODY          40
CLUSTER       0
INDEX         0
OBJECT        0
PIPE          0
SQL AREA      835
TABLE/PROCED  117
TRIGGER       0
8 rows selected.
SVRMGR>
```



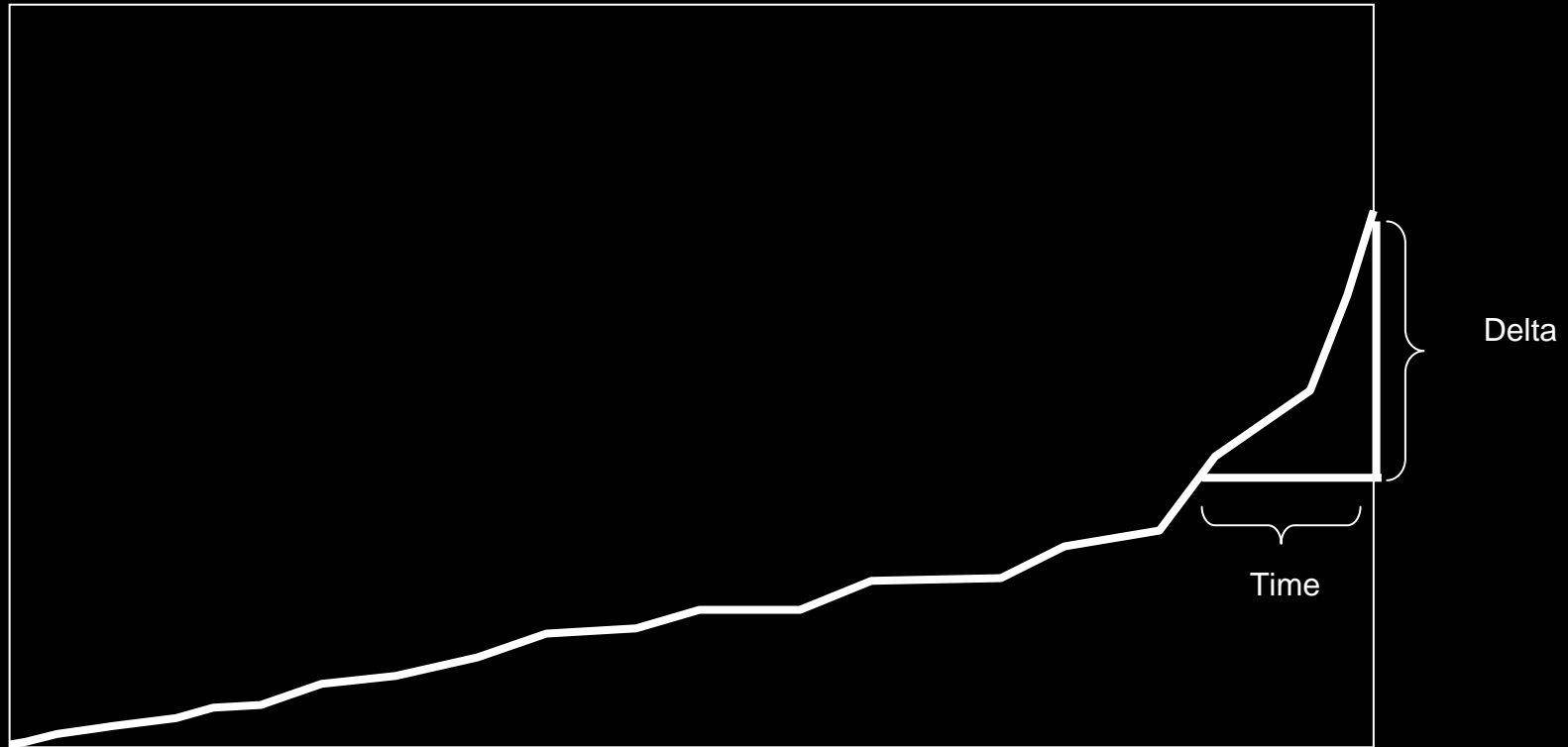
3 Types of Collecting

- Cumulative
- Current
- Sampling Current

Cumulative

- Cumulative Counters
 - v\$sysstat
 - v\$system_event
 - Electric meter

Cumulative Need Deltas



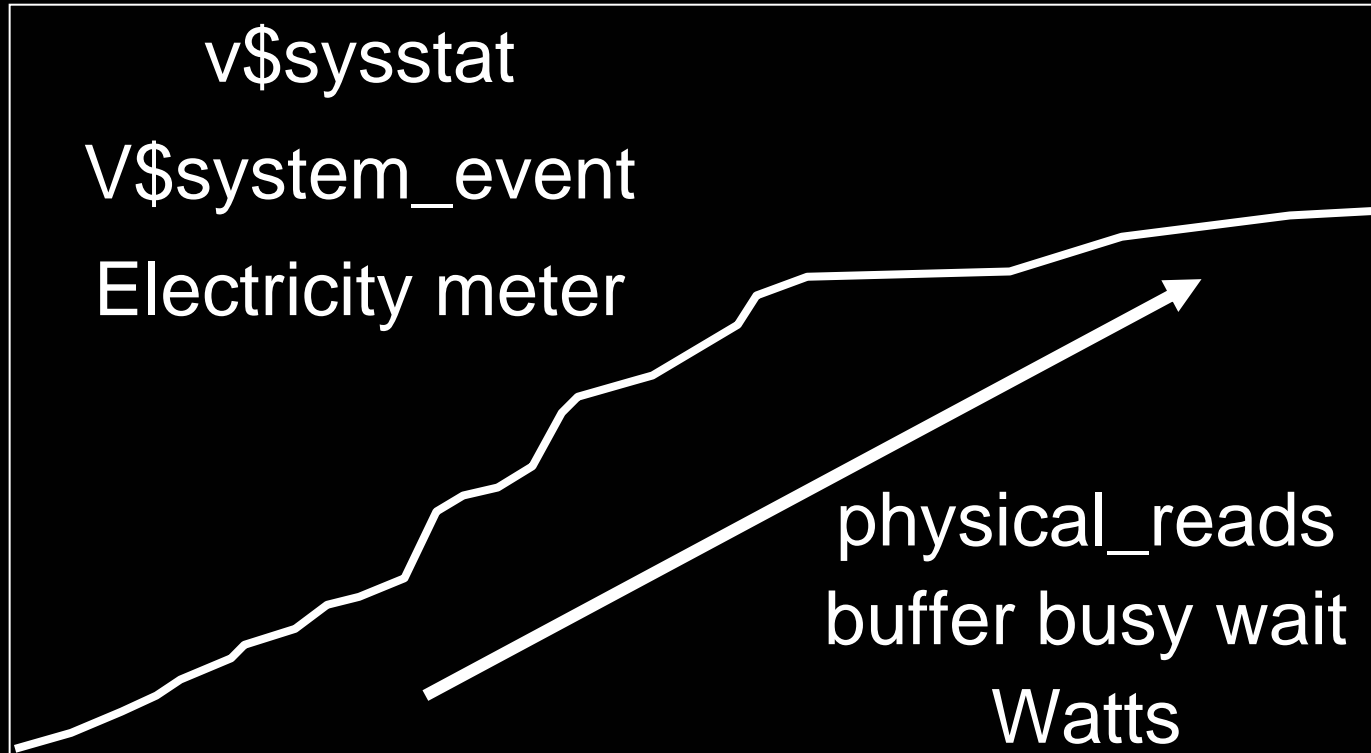
$$\text{Delta} = \text{value_time_B} - \text{value_time_A}$$

$$\text{Rate} = \text{Delta} / \text{time}$$

Counters and Rates

- Statistics - good
 - Transactions/sec
 - Commits/sec
 - Watts/month
- Waits – weird, either
 - Delta = Seconds spend over time period
 - Rate = Centi-secs/sec

Statistics & Waits are Counters



Statistics just keep growing

Current

- Current
 - v\$session_wait
 - Current Stats (logons current,opened cursors current)
 - temperature

Sampling

- Sampling
 - ASH
 - Sunny days a year per city