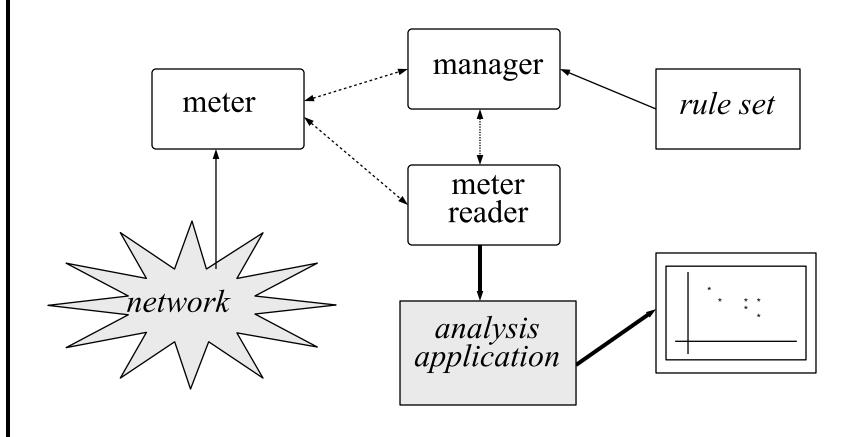
RTFM Meter Overview

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RTFM Architecture



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Rule Sets

- Flows are streams of packets from one end point to another. End points specified as (Adjacent, Peer, Transport) values
- Flows are *bi-directional*, with packet and byte counters for each direction
- Rule sets specify which flows are of interest, and which attribute values are to be saved in the flow
- This allows a meter to select very specific flows from a busy link

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Packet Matching

- For each flow, meter maintains separate packet and byte counters for Source-to-Dest packets and Dest-to-Source packets
- Meter first attempts to match the packet using address values in 'on the wire' order
- If that fails, it tries again with Source and Dest addresses swapped
- A rule set can use this to specify which end-point is wants as Source for a flow

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Flow Attributes

- Address info: Adjacent / Peer / Transport
 Type, Source and Dest Addresses
 Forward / Backward Packet / Byte counts
 Times First and Last packet seen for flows
 Computed attributes, set by meter as
- What other attributes would be useful?

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specified by rule set

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