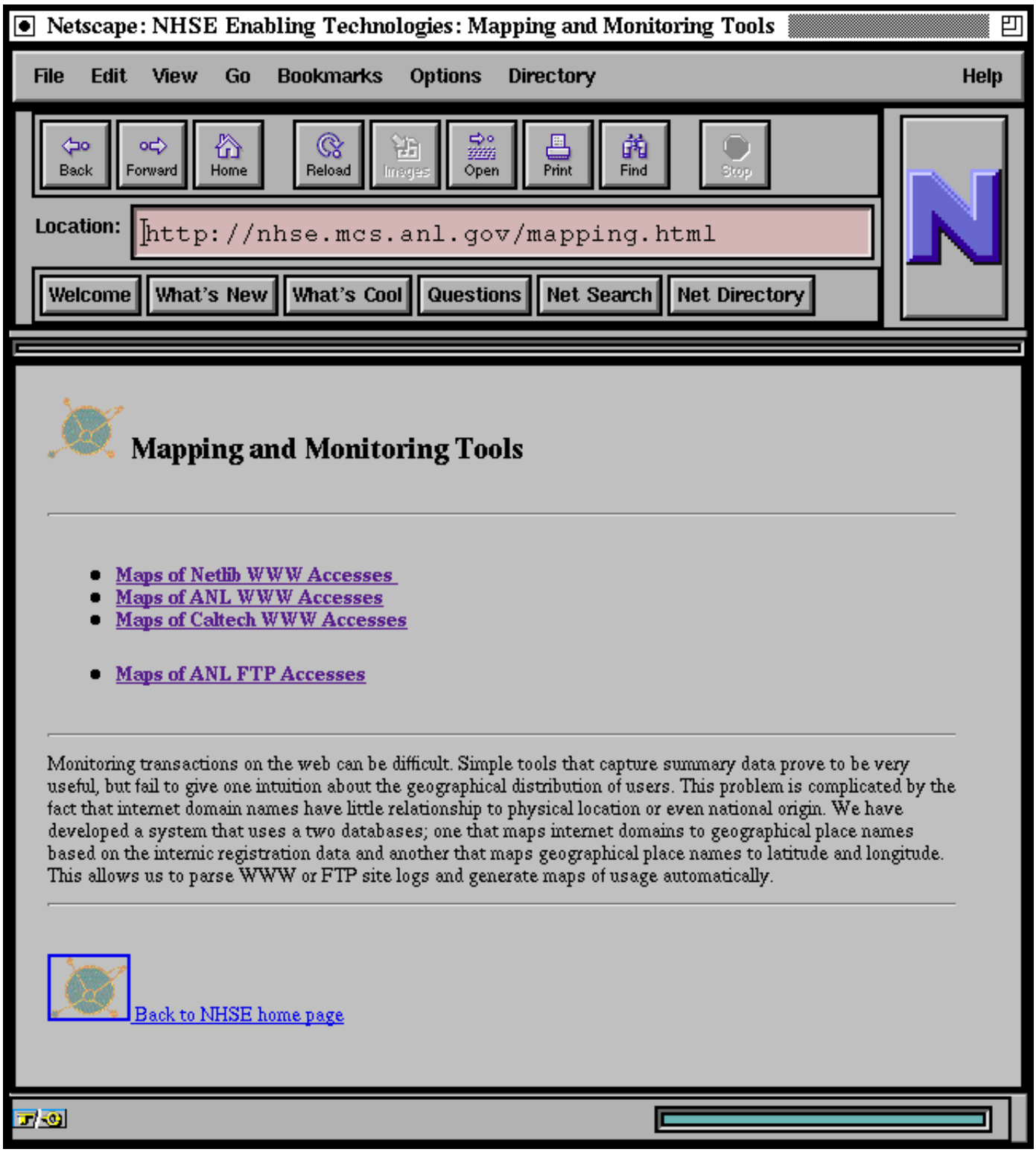
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Monitoring transactions on the web can be difficult. Simple tools that capture summary data prove to be very useful, but fail to give one intuition about the geographical distribution of users. This problem is complicated by the fact that internet domain names have little relationship to physical location or even national origin. We have developed a system that uses a two databases; one that maps internet domains to geographical place names based on the internic registration data and another that maps geographical place names to latitude and longitude. This allows us to parse WWW or FTP site logs and generate maps of usage automatically.
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