

Mobility Management in Future Wireless Networks: Past, Present, and Future

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Outline of the Tutorial

- ❖ **IP Mobility Management - Past**
 - ❖ Mobility Problem and Requirement in the Internet
 - ❖ Existing Mobility Support Protocols
 - ❖ Applicability of Mobility Support Protocols
- ❖ **Distributed Mobility Management - Present**
 - ❖ Motivations
 - ❖ IETF Activities
 - ❖ Possible Approaches of Distributed Mobility Management
 - ❖ Comparisons and Challenges
- ❖ **Mobility Management in ICNs - Future**
 - ❖ Motivations and Overview of ICNs
 - ❖ Advantages and Challenges of Mobile ICNs
 - ❖ Survey on MM for ICNs

IP Mobility Management

- ❖ Technology enabling IP session continuity
 - ❖ Standardized at the IETF

Distributed Mobility Management (DMM)

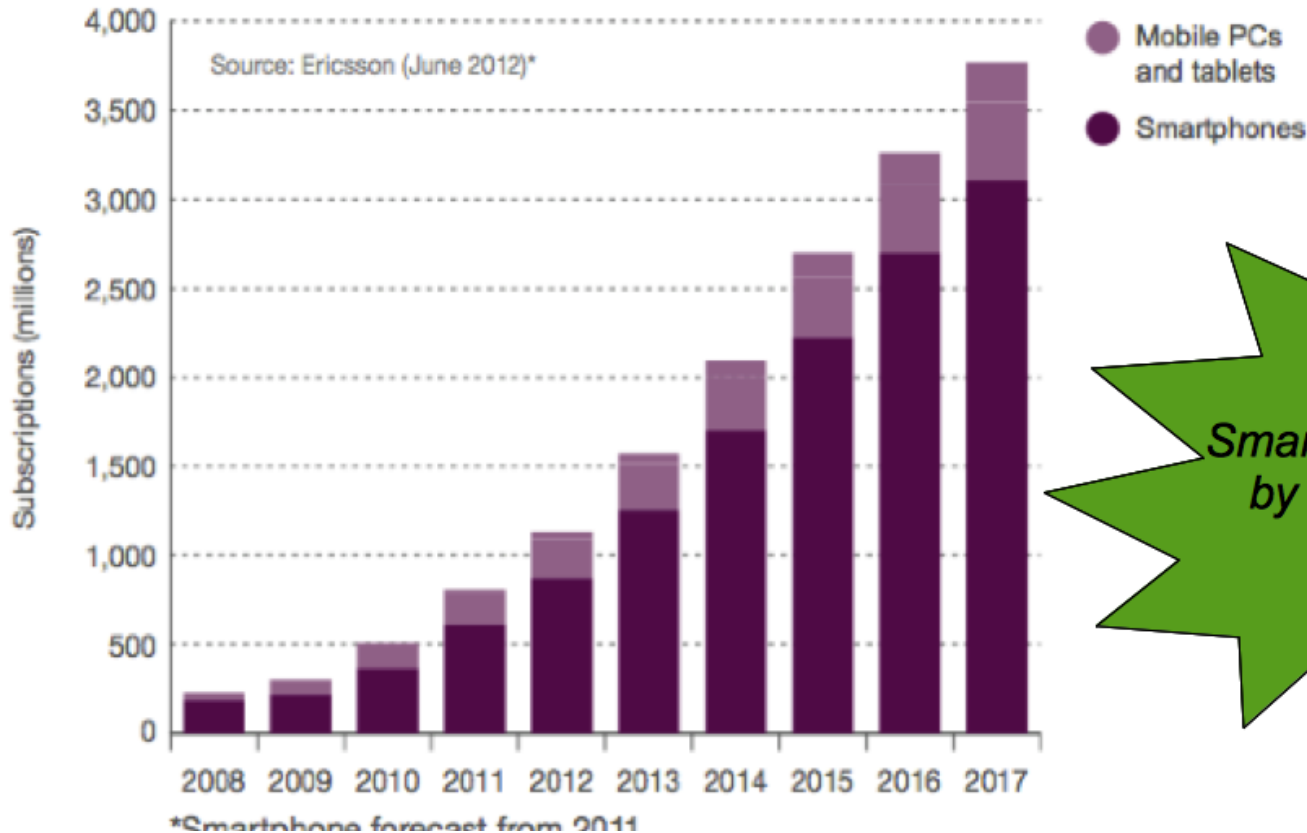
- ❖ New approach for enabling IP mobility in an explosion of mobile Internet traffic
 - ❖ Being standardized at the IETF

Outline

- ❖ Motivations of Distributed Mobility Management
 - ❖ Explosion of mobile Internet traffic
 - ❖ Evolution from "hierarchical" to "flat" architecture
 - ❖ Centralized Mobility Management (CMM) is suffering
- ❖ Distributed Mobility Management (DMM)
 - ❖ IETF activities
 - ❖ Possible approaches of DMM
- ❖ Comparisons
- ❖ Challenges
- ❖ Conclusion remarks

Motivations: Explosion of mobile Internet traffic (1/3)

- ❖ We are experiencing the explosion of mobile Internet traffic
 - ❖ Sparked by a wave of innovation in mobile devices

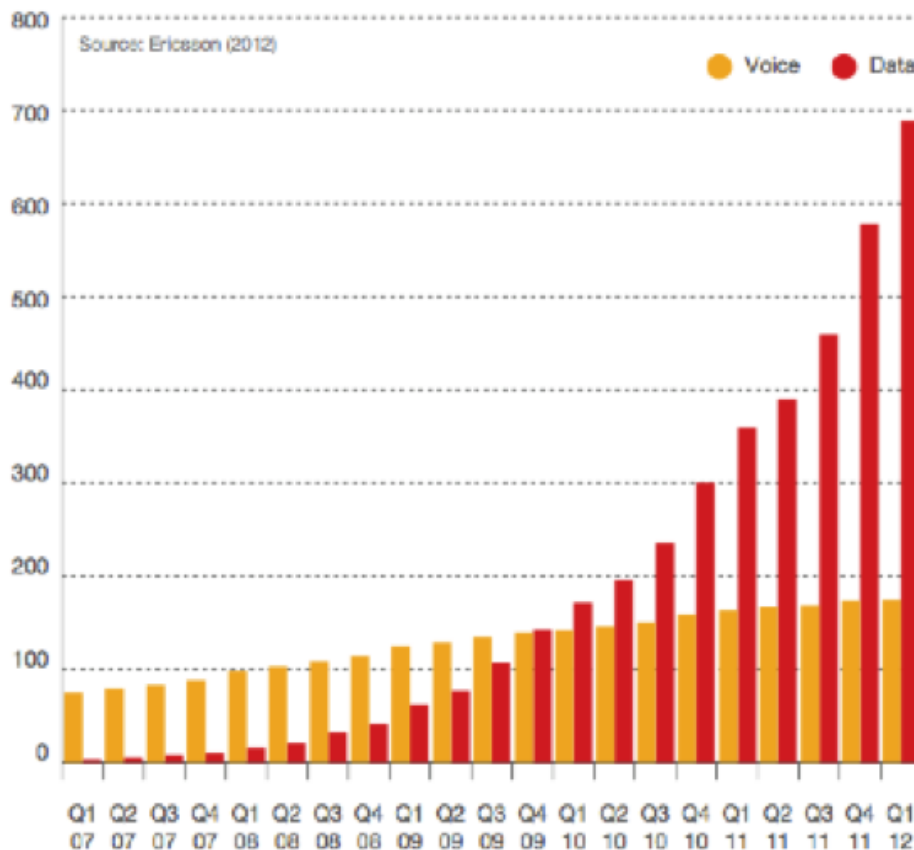


3 Billion
Smartphone subscriptions
by the end of 2017

Motivations: Explosion of mobile Internet traffic (2/3)

❖ We are experiencing the explosion of mobile Internet traffic

❖ Changed by digital content consumption habits



*IP data traffic
already
overwhelms voice traffic*

Data hungry mobile applications

- Mobile video streaming
- Mobile social networking

Motivations: Explosion of mobile Internet traffic (3/3)

- ❖ Mobile network operators are struggling with rapidly increasing mobile Internet traffic

Demand for
better reliable connection
and speed up



Expanding networks
- installing extra routers

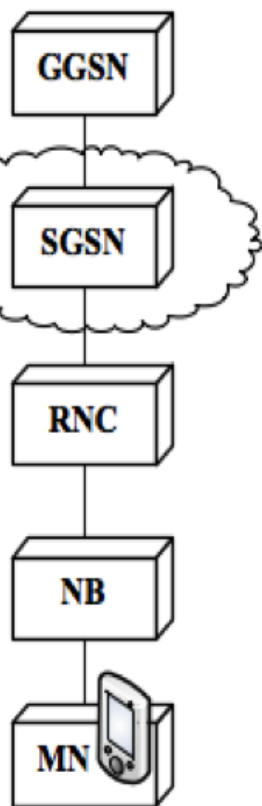
Providing new wireless tech.
- deployment of LTE

*Increased Internet traffic
into mobile network architecture*

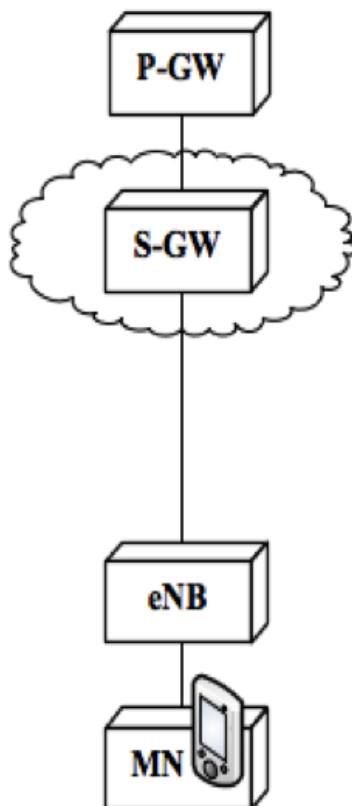
Motivations: "hierarchical" to "flat" architecture

❖ Evolving mobile network architecture

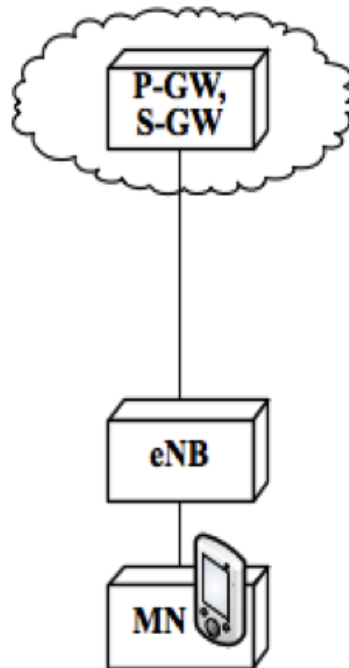
GPRS/UMTS: WCDMA



EPC: LTE



EPC: LTE
(P-GW and S-GW co-location)



*Flatter structure
can lead to better
efficiency and
cost reduction*

*- e.g., 3GPP EPC
architecture*

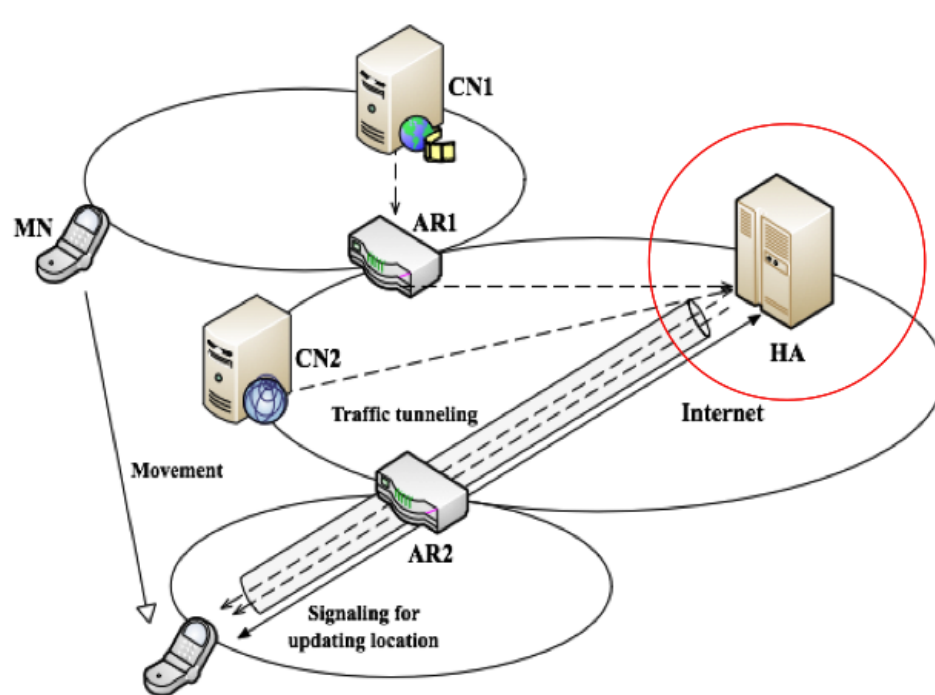
Motivations: CMM is suffering (1/3)

- ❖ How about IP mobility management?
 - ❖ Centralized Mobility Management (CMM) is suffering
 - ❖ Mobile IPv6 (MIPv6)
 - ❖ Proxy Mobile IPv6 (PMIPv6)
 - ❖ Developed for hierarchical mobile architecture
- ❖ Centralized mobility anchor
 - ❖ Home Agent (HA) of MIPv6
 - ❖ Local Mobility Anchor (LMA) of PMIPv6
 - ❖ Maintains mobility signaling and data traffic as well
 - ❖ Traffic concentration on a centralized mobility anchor

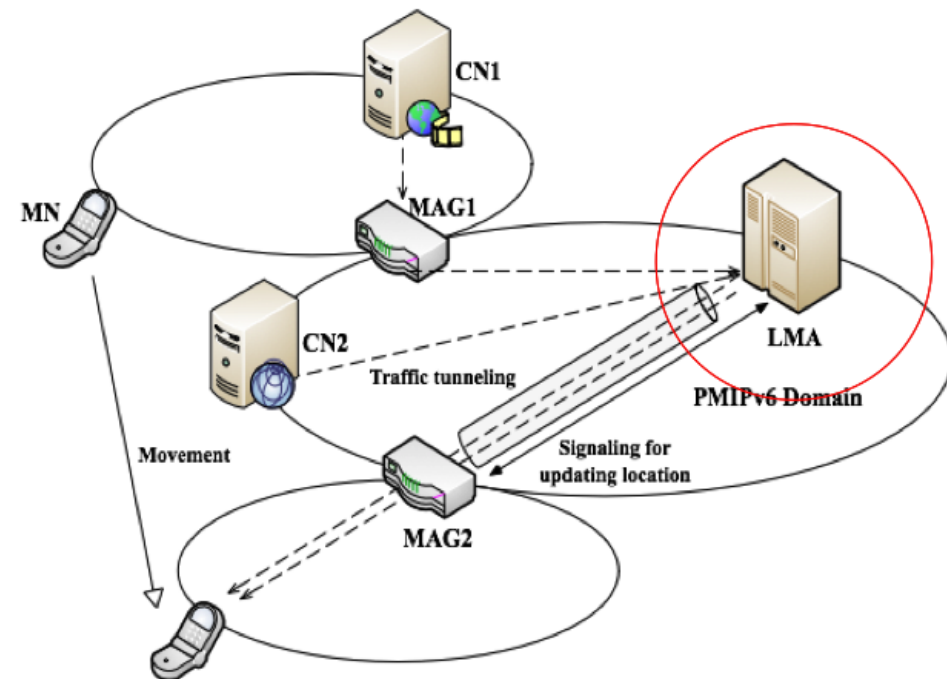
Motivations: CMM is suffering (2/3)

❖ Centralized Mobility Management (CMM)

❖ Centralized mobility anchor



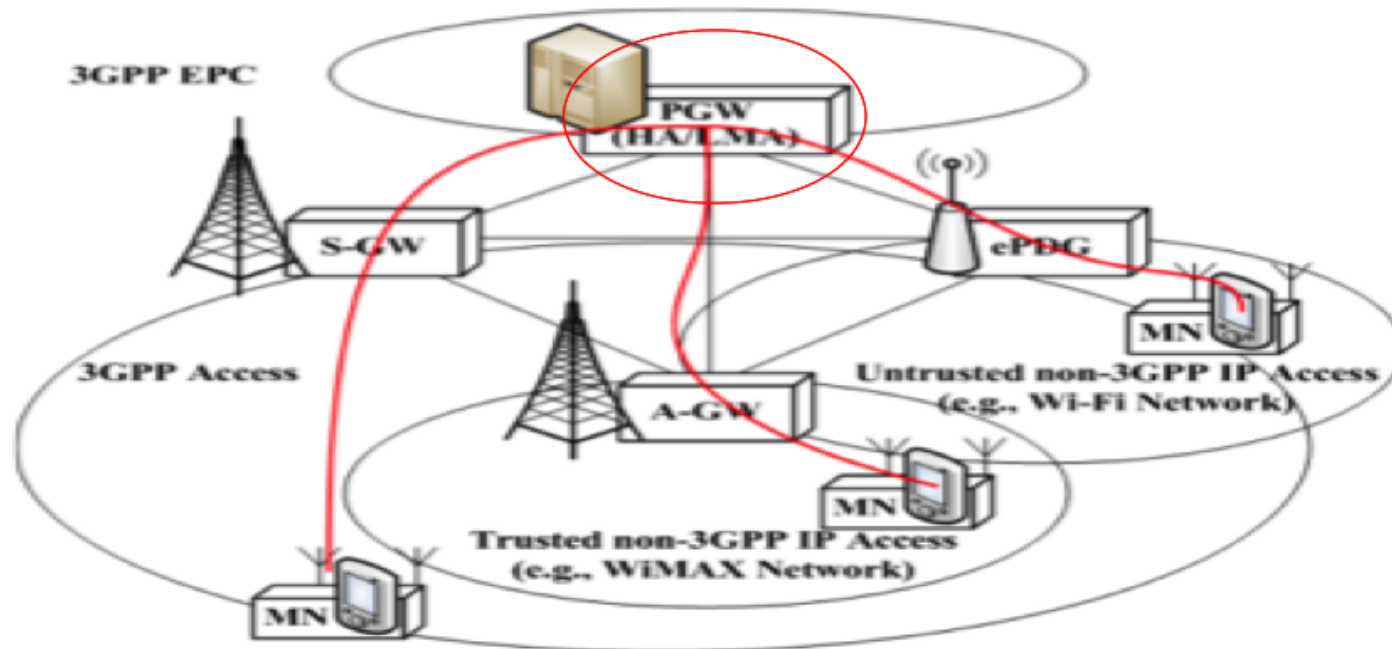
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<Handover within PMIPv6>

Motivations: CMM is suffering (3/3)

❖ Deployment example of CMM in 3GPP EPC (LTE)



Centralized mobility anchor (HA/LMA)

- *causes a long handover delay*
- *causes low end-to-end transmission performance*
 - *becomes a traffic bottleneck*
 - *becomes a single point of failure*

DMM: IETF started off

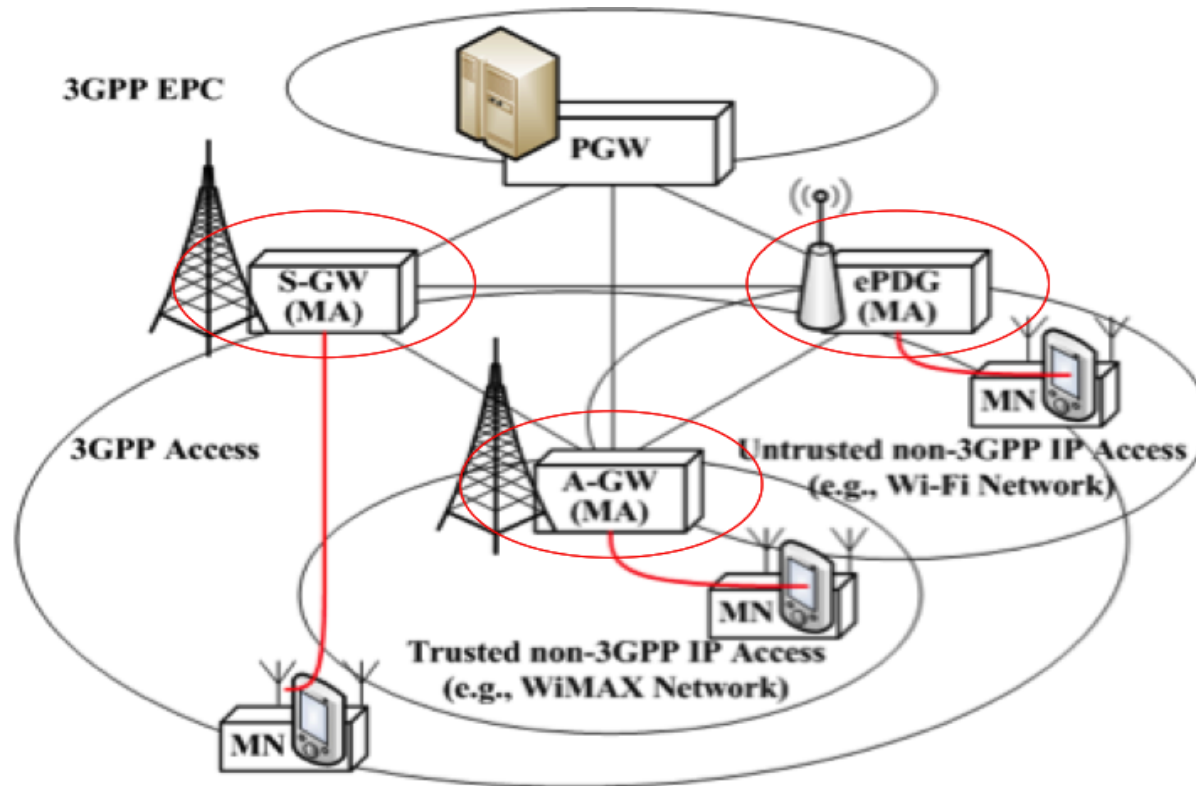
- ❖ IETF DMM working group creation
 - ❖ DMM protocol aims at distributing traffic in an optimal way and not rely on centrally deployed mobility anchors to manage IP mobility sessions
- ❖ Work schedules
 - ❖ DMM solution requirement [chan2012]
 - ❖ draft-ietf-dmm-requirements-03
 - ❖ DMM practices and gap analysis
 - ❖ draft-ietf-dmm-best-practices-gap-analysis-00
 - ❖ DMM solution
 - ❖ Not yet started, but several proposals are available

DMM: Possible approaches

- ❖ Consensus for development of DMM protocol is to utilize existing IETF IP mobility protocols
 - ❖ MIPv6 (host-based IP mobility protocol)
 - ❖ PMIPv6 (network-based IP mobility protocol)
- ❖ Distributing mobility anchors at access networks
 - ❖ For better performance
 - ❖ in terms of routing and scalability
 - ❖ For minimizing a single point of failure

DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Deployment example of DMM in 3GPP EPC (LTE)



Mobility Anchors (MAs) are distributed at the access network level, e.g., at S-GW, A-GW, and ePDG

DMM: Possible approaches

- ❖ Host-based DMM [Lee2012]
 - ❖ Reuse and extend functionalities of MIPv6
 - ❖ Mobility signaling, i.e., binding update/ack.
 - ❖ Between a mobile node (MN) and a mobility anchor (MA)
 - ❖ Binding cache at the MA
 - ❖ Binding update list at the MN

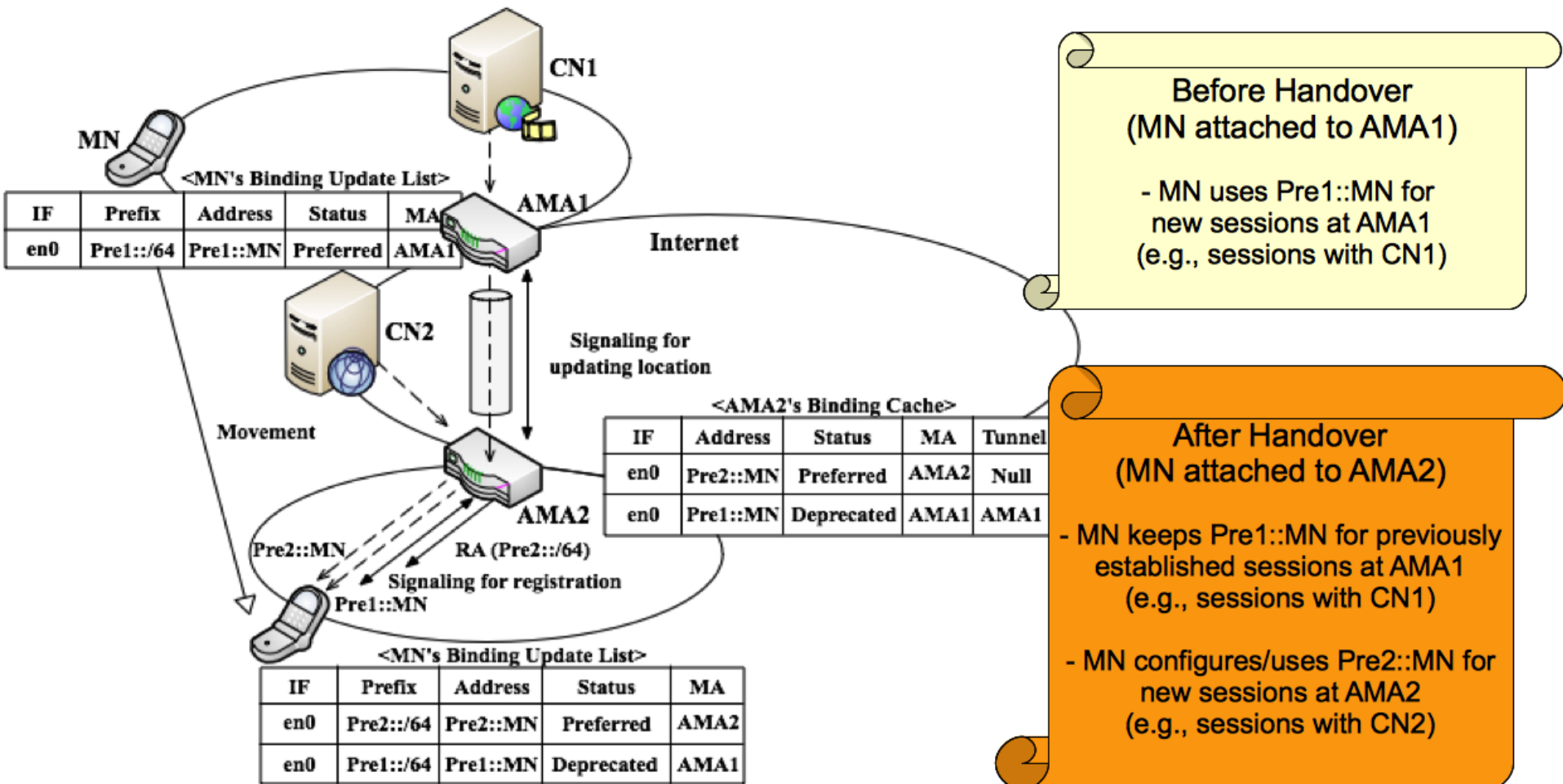
DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Host-based DMM

- ❖ Introduction of a new mobility anchor
 - ❖ Access Mobility Anchor (AMA)
 - ❖ Extension of MIPv6's HA
 - ❖ Being distributed at the access network level
- ❖ Introduction of new mobility signaling between AMAs
 - ❖ Access binding update (ABU) / Ack. (ABA)
 - ❖ To update mobility status of a given MN
 - ❖ To establish a bi-direction tunnel between AMAs for the MN

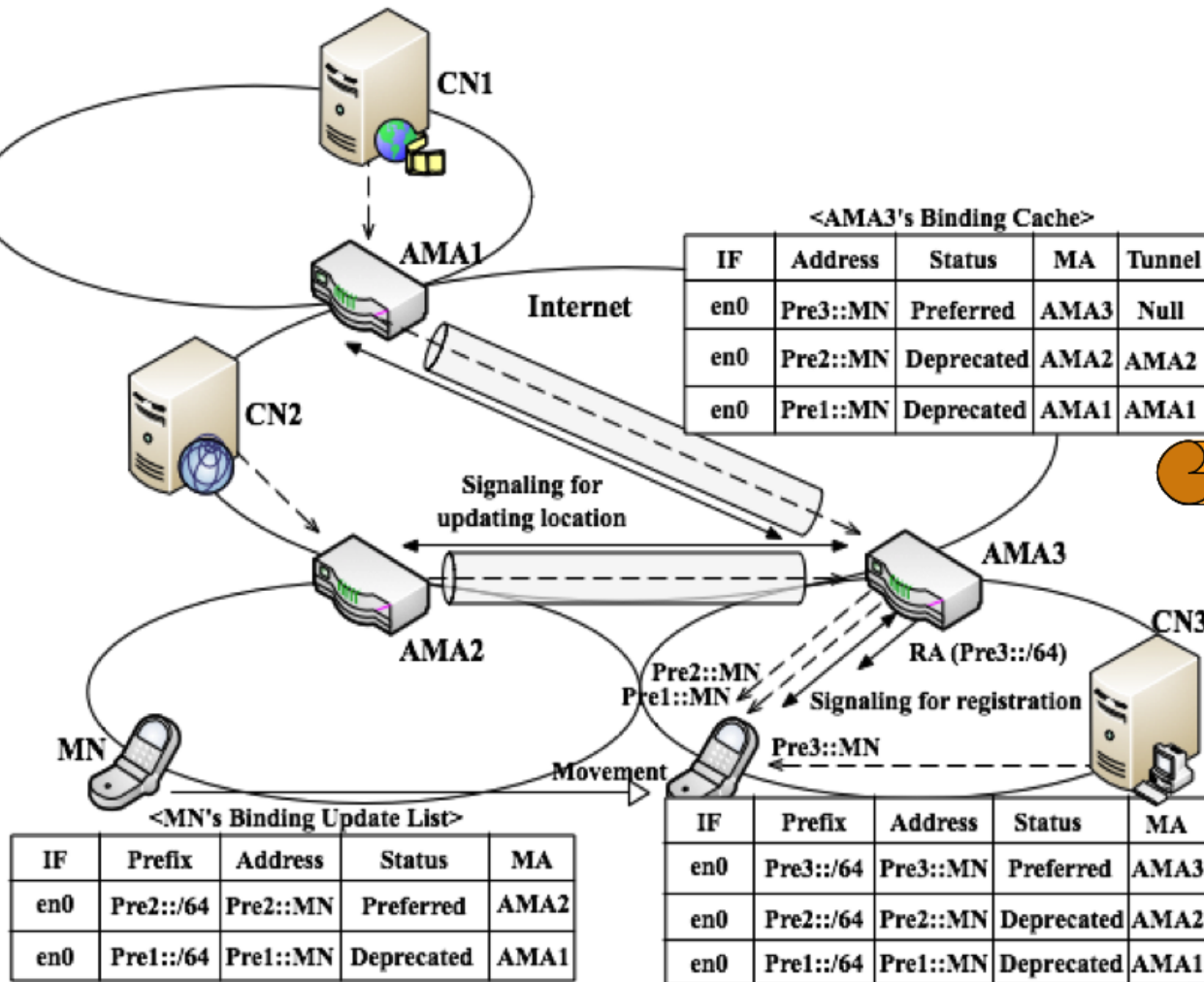
DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Host-based DMM: Handover from AMA1 to AMA2



DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Host-based DMM: Handover from AMA2 to AMA3



Before Handover
(MN attached to AMA2)

- MN keeps Pre1::MN for previously established sessions at AMA1 (e.g., sessions with CN1)
- MN uses Pre2::MN for new sessions at AMA2 (e.g., sessions with CN2)

After Handover
(MN attached to AMA3)

- MN keeps Pre1::MN and Pre2::MN for previously established sessions (e.g., sessions with CN1 and CN2)
- MN configures/uses Pre3::MN for new sessions at AMA3 (e.g., sessions with CN3)

DMM: Possible approaches

- ❖ Network-based DMM [Seite2013]
 - ❖ Reuse and extend functionalities of PMIPv6
 - ❖ Mobility signaling, i.e., proxy binding update/ack.
 - ❖ Between mobility anchors (MAs)
 - ❖ Binding cache at the MA

DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Network-based DMM

- ❖ Introduction of a new mobility anchor
 - ❖ Mobility capable Access Router (MAR)
 - ❖ Extension of PMIPv6's LMA
 - ❖ Being distributed at the access network level
- ❖ Introduction of a centralized mobility context database
 - ❖ Mobility context for all MNs is maintained
 - ❖ Only mobility context; not involved in routing
 - ❖ Decoupling mobility signaling and data traffic
 - ❖ Semi-distributed mobility management
 - ❖ Taking advantages of the centralized access and control

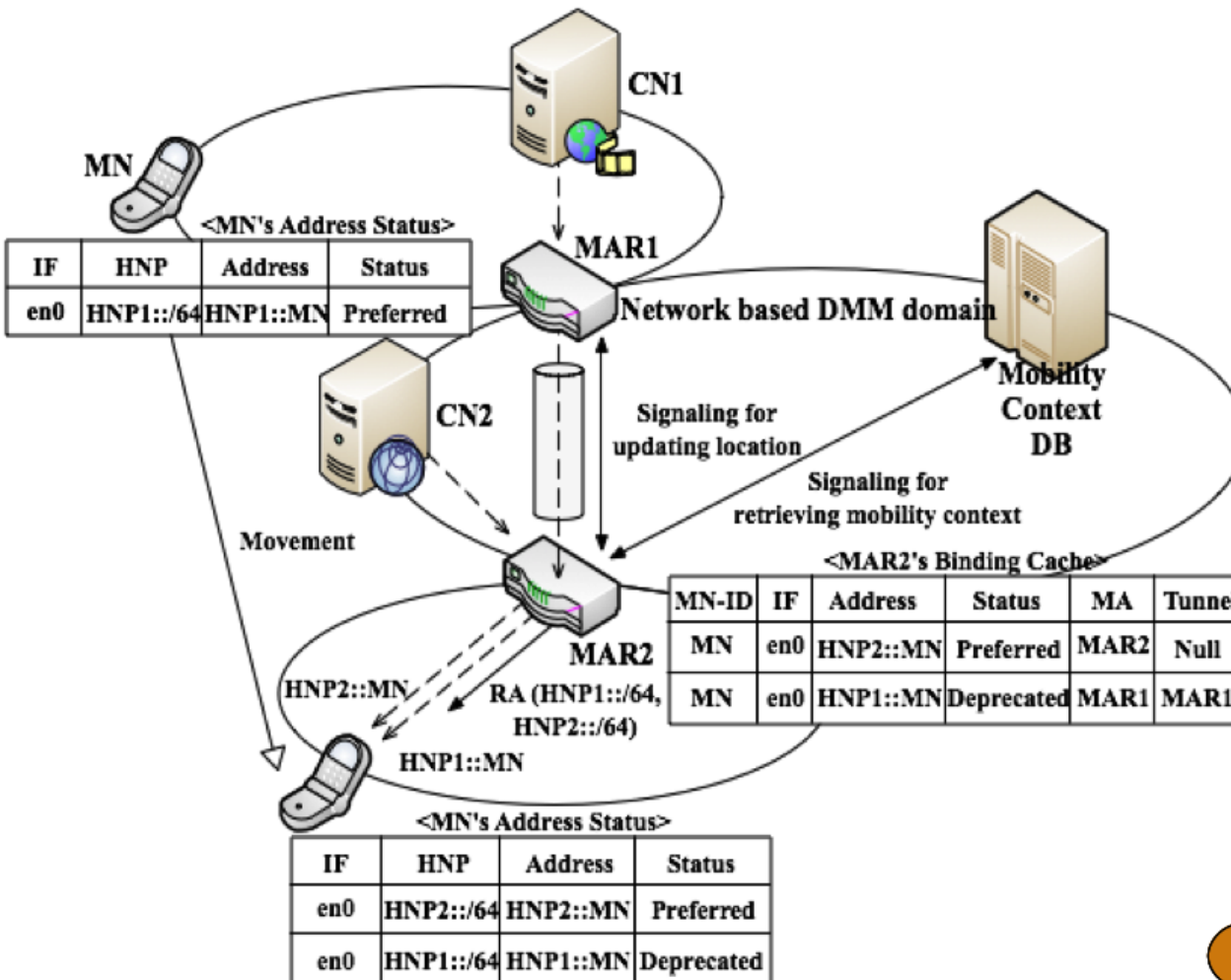
DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Network-based DMM

- ❖ Introduction of new mobility signaling between MARs
 - ❖ MAR binding update (MBU) / Ack. (MBA)
 - ❖ To update mobility status of a given MN
 - ❖ To establish a bi-directional tunnel between MARs for the MN
- ❖ Introduction of new mobility signaling between MAR and centralized DB
 - ❖ Mobility Context Request (MCReq) / Response (MCRes)
 - ❖ To obtain mobility context for a given MN

DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Network-based DMM: Handover from MAR1 to MAR2



Before Handover
(MN attached to MAR1)

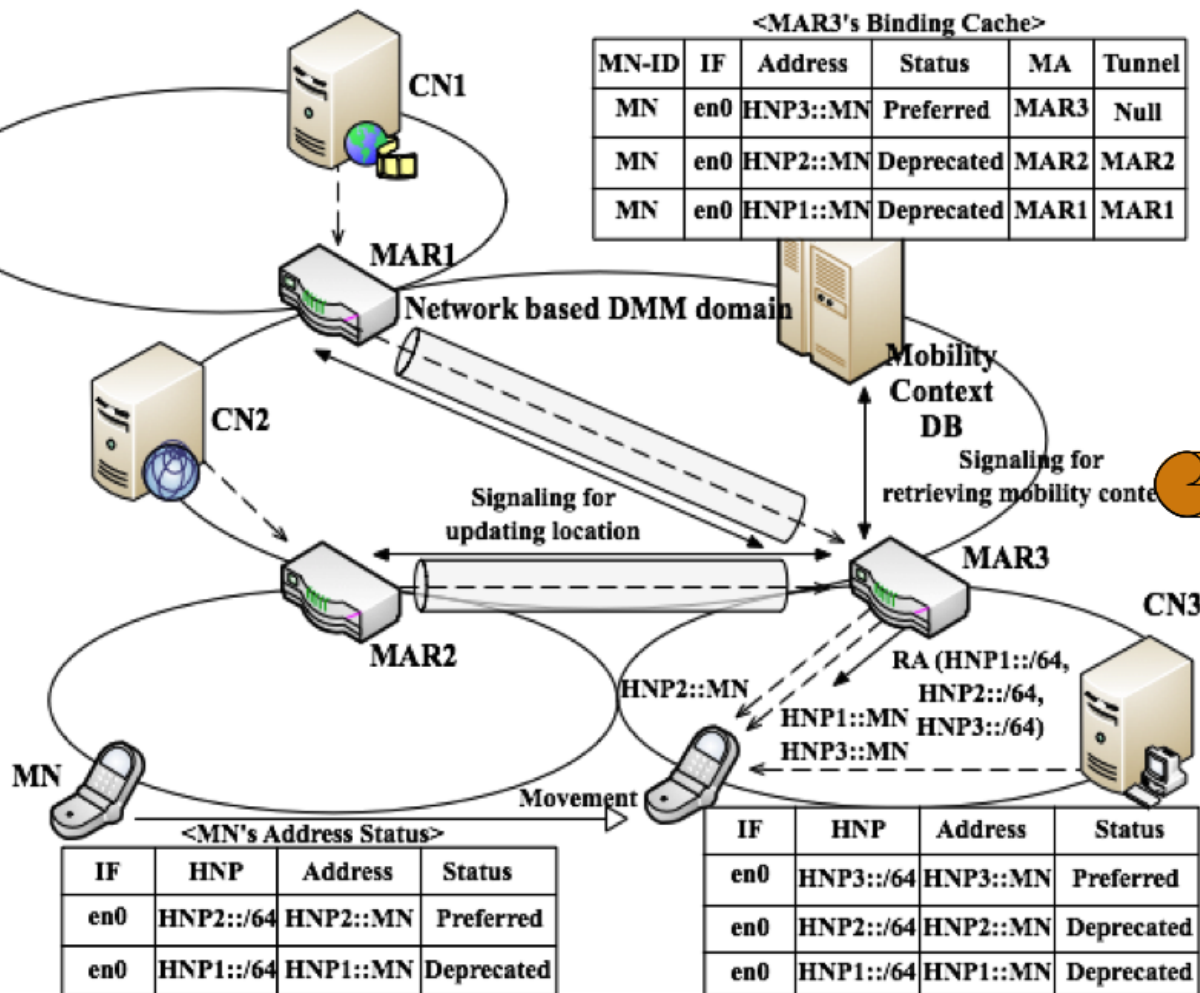
- MN uses HNP1::MN for new sessions at MAR1 (e.g., sessions with CN1)

After Handover
(MN attached to MAR2)

- MN keeps HNP1::MN for previously established sessions at MAR1 (e.g., sessions with CN1)
- MN configures/uses HNP2::MN for new sessions at MAR2 (e.g., sessions with CN2)

DMM: Possible approaches

❖ Network-based DMM: Handover from MAR2 to MAR3



Before Handover
(MN attached to MAR2)

- MN keeps HNP1::MN for previously established sessions at MAR1 (e.g., sessions with CN1)
- MN uses HNP2::MN for new sessions at MAR2 (e.g., sessions with CN2)

After Handover
(MN attached to MAR3)

- MN keeps HNP1::MN and HNP2::MN for previously established sessions (e.g., sessions with CN1 and CN2)
- MN configures/uses HNP3::MN for new sessions at MAR3 (e.g., sessions with CN3)

Comparisons: Qualitative analysis (1/2)

	MIPv6	FMIPv6	HMIPv6	PMIPv6	FPMIPv6	Host-based DMM	Network-based DMM
Mobility management type	Host-based	Host-based	Host-based	Network-based	Network-based	Host-based	Network-based
Mobility scope	Global	Local	Local	Local	Local	Global	Local
Required infrastructure	HA	HA, enhanced AR	HA, Mobility Anchor Point (MAP)	LMA, MAG	LMA, enhanced MAG	AMA	MAR, Mobility DB
MN modification	Required	Required	Required	Not required	Not required	Required	Not required
Addressing model	Shared-prefix model	Shared-prefix model	Shared-prefix model	Per-MN-prefix model	Per-MN-prefix model	Shared-prefix model	Per-MN-prefix model
MN address	Home address (HoA), Care-of address (CoA)	HoA, CoA	HoA, Regional CoA, On-link CoA	HoA	HoA	IP address(es) configured at the access network(s)	IP address(es) configured at the access network(s)
# of MN addresses associated	2	2	3	1	1	<i>n</i>	<i>n</i>

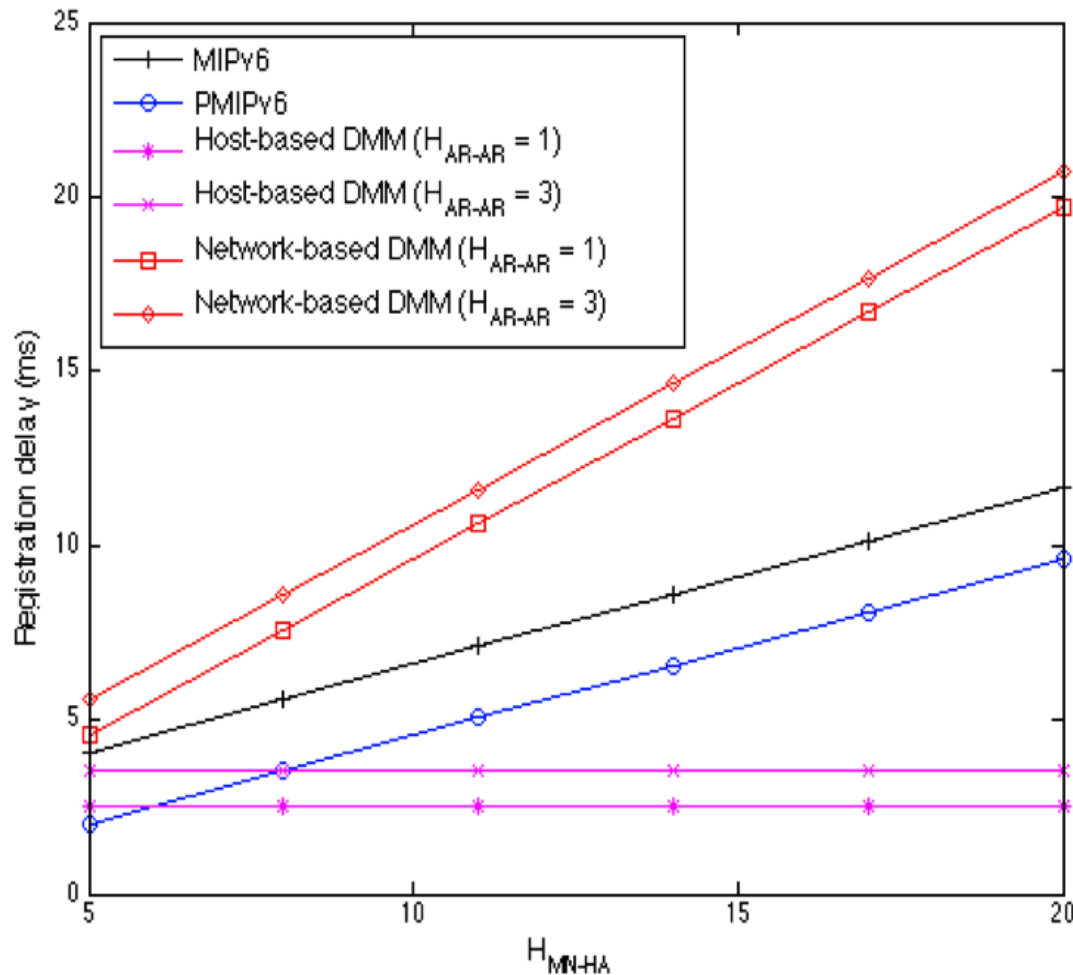
Comparisons: Qualitative analysis (2/2)

	MIPv6	FMIPv6	HMIPv6	PMIPv6	FPMIPv6	Host-based DMM	Network-based DMM
Signaling message over wireless link	BU/BA between MN and HA	BU/BA between MN and HA, <u>RtSolPr/PrRtAdv/FBU/FBack</u> between MN and <u>nAR</u> , UNA between MN and <u>nAR</u>	BU/BA between MN and HA, Local BU/BA between MN and MAP	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required
Required tunneling	HA-MN tunnel	HA-MN tunnel, <u>nAR-nAR</u> tunnel	HA-MN tunnel, MAP-MN tunnel	LMA-MAG tunnel	LMA-MAG tunnel, <u>pMAG-nMAG</u> tunnel	<u>Origin</u> AMA(s)- <u>Serving</u> AMA tunnel	<u>Origin</u> MAR(s)- <u>Serving</u> MAR tunnel
# of tunneling per MN	1	2	2	1 (<u>shared with other MNs</u>)	2 (<u>shared with other MNs</u>)	$n-1$ (<u>shared with other MNs</u>)	$n-1$ (<u>shared with other MNs</u>)
Tunneling over wireless link	Required	Required	Required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required
Supported link type	Any type of link	Any type of link	Any type of link	Point-to-point link	Point-to-point link	Any type of link	Point-to-point link

Comparisons: Quantitative analysis (1/4)

- ❖ Comparison of the proposed DMM protocols with MIPv6 and PMIPv6 in terms of
 - ❖ Registration delay
 - ❖ Required time to register mobility context of an MN
 - ❖ Signaling overhead
 - ❖ Registration overhead in units of bytes * hops per second
 - ❖ Traffic intensity
 - ❖ Amount of ongoing communication sessions concentrated on a mobility anchor

Comparisons: Quantitative analysis (2/4)

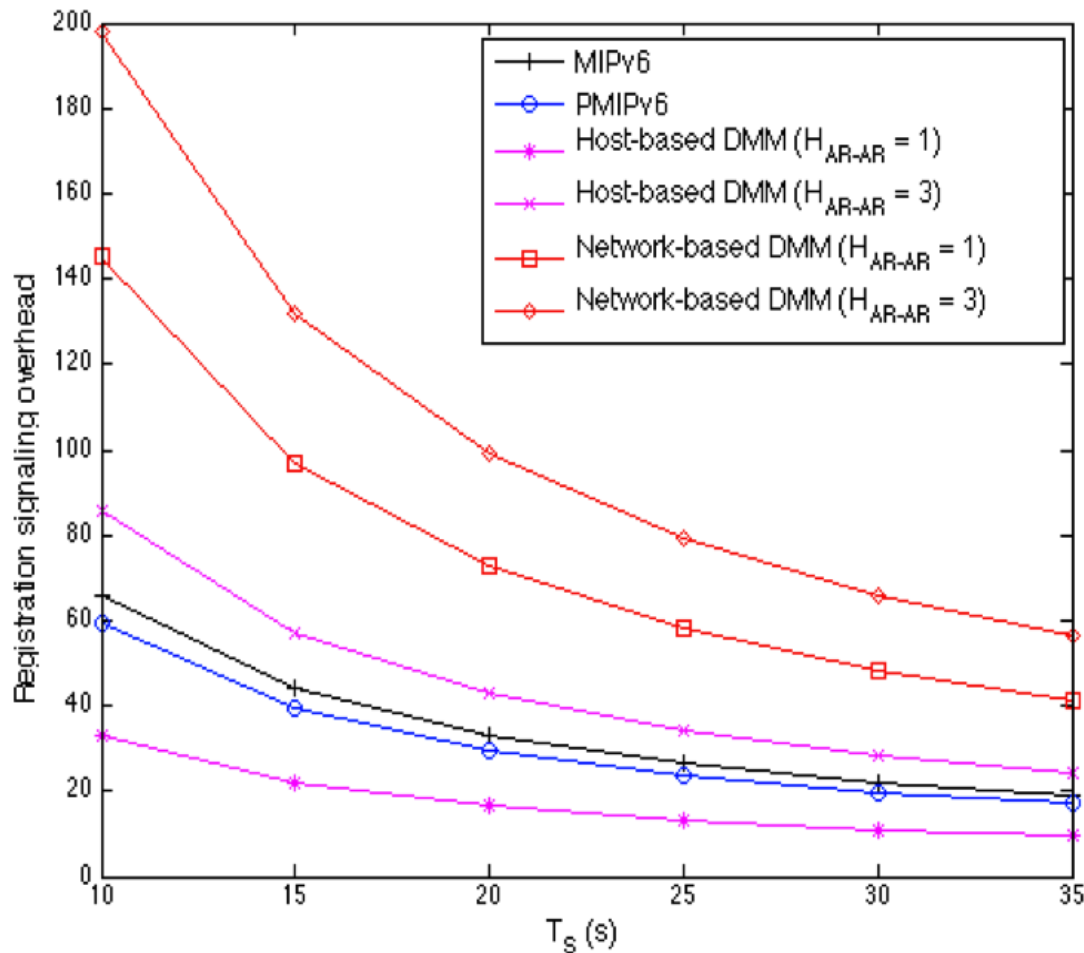


Registration delay as the function of number of hops between the MN and the HA (i.e., mobility anchor/mobility context DB)

In this result, we confirm:

- 1. The DMM protocols require an additional registration delay to origin mobility anchors that depends on the number of hops between neighbor ARs**
- 2. The network-based DMM requires the largest registration delay due to the involvement of mobility context DB**

Comparisons: Quantitative analysis (3/4)

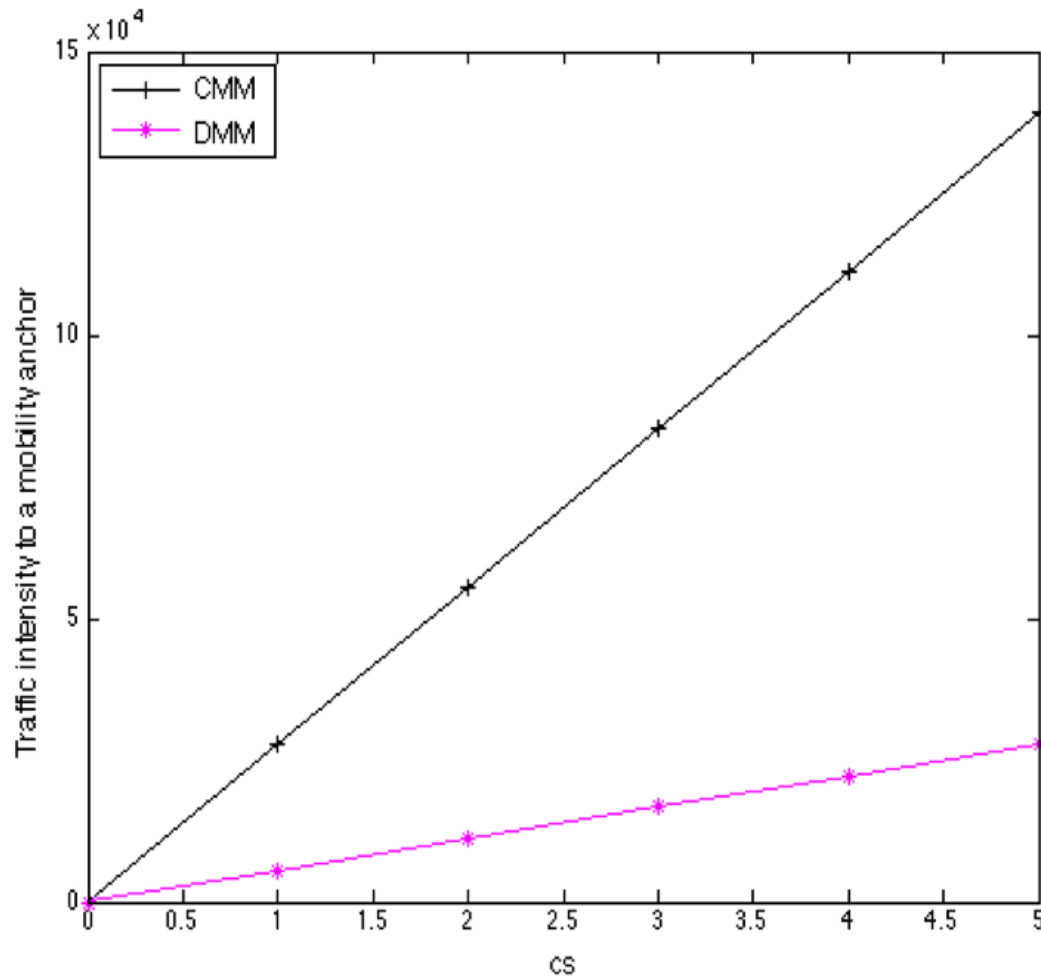


Registration signaling overhead as the function of resident time in a subnet

In this result, we confirm:

- 1. As the resident time increases, the signaling overhead of all protocols decreases and converges to the same level**
- 2. The network-based DMM has the largest signaling overhead due to extra signaling involvements to the mobility context DB**
- 3. When the number of hops between the neighbor ARs is small, the host-based DMM has the smaller signaling overhead than others. It means that the network topology configuration largely affects to the signaling overhead**

Comparisons: Quantitative analysis (4/4)



Traffic intensity as the function of number of MN's communication sessions

In this result, we confirm:

- 1. As the number of ongoing communication sessions increase, the traffic intensity of CMM (i.e., MIPv6, PMIPv6) dramatically increase due to the deployment of centralized mobility anchor such as HA/LMA***
- 2. On the other hand, DMM mitigates the traffic intensity as it employs the distributed mobility anchors that avoid the user traffic's concentration to a single point***

Challenges in DMM development (1/4)

❖ Address and tunneling management

- ❖ As an MN may configure a new address while keeping its previous addresses, the number of addresses (n) and the number of bidirectional tunnels ($n - 1$) associated to the MN increases
- ❖ A design of efficient address and tunneling management scheme is thus required
- ❖ One can be expected: a session activity for each address is checked periodically (by the MN or serving mobility anchor) and a given address is concluded as an address not being used if no session activity for the given address has taken place for a predefined period time.

Challenges in DMM development (2/4)

❖ Registration delay and signaling overhead

- ❖ As the number of bidirectional tunnels associated to MNs is increased, signaling messages to establish and manage the tunnels between the serving mobility anchor and origin mobility anchors are required.
- ❖ Even if the mobility anchors manage those signaling messages, it causes additional registration delay and signaling overhead compared to CMM.
- ❖ In addition, if a semi-DMM approach (i.e., the introduced network-based DMM) is deployed, extra delay and overhead are required between mobility anchors and a centralized agent managing mobility context of registered MNs

Challenges in DMM development (3/4)

- ❖ Network configuration and resource management
 - ❖ Unlike CMM in which a centralized control is possible, network configuration and resource management such as self-configuration, self-optimization, and QoS provision are required in a distributed way.
 - ❖ This challenge comes with the DMM's benefits such as scalability and may influence a design choice between semi-DMM and fully-DMM

Challenges in DMM development (4/4)

❖ Security consideration

- ❖ Access network security and end-to-end security are required to protect DMM services. For access network security, EAP based authentication can be used, while IPsec can be used for end-to-end security
- ❖ However, unlike CMM, frequent tunnel establishments at the access network level are required for session continuity and efficient security associations between mobility anchors thus are required

DMM: Conclusion Remarks

- ❖ We have been experiencing
 - ❖ Ever-increasing mobile Internet traffic over mobile networks
 - ❖ Evolution of mobile network architectures
 - ❖ From "hierarchical" to "flat"
 - ❖ Current IP mobility protocols are suffering
 - ❖ Centralized Mobility Management
- ❖ In order to cope with such challenges
 - ❖ Research on Distributed Mobility Management has been started recently

DMM: References

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Mobility Management in ICNs

- ❖ Revolutionary network architecture for information/content/data-centric networking
- ❖ Hottest research area in Future Internet
 - ❖ New challenges in mobile ICNs

Outline

- ❖ Information Centric Networks (ICNs)
 - ❖ Motivation and overview
 - ❖ Two representative ICNs: DONA and CCN
- ❖ Advantages of Mobile ICNs
- ❖ Challenges of Mobile ICNs
- ❖ Survey on Provider/Consumer Mobility
- ❖ Conclusion remarks

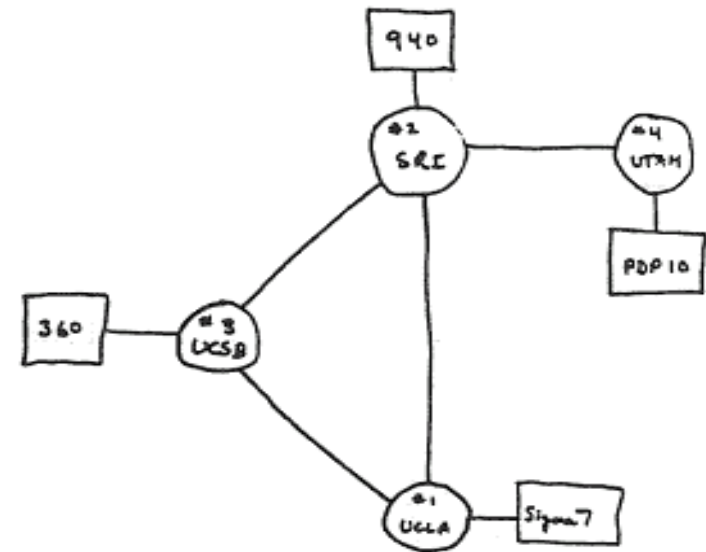
Introduction (1/2)

❖ (Origin) Internet

- ❖ Internet **was** designed for host-to-host communications

 - ❖ Remote login, file transfer, ...

- ❖ Internet (TCP/IP) architecture is well-suited for **communications** between two **stationary** hosts



THE ARPA NETWORK

DEC 1969

4 NODES

Conceptual Sketch of Original Internet

Introduction (2/2)

❖ (Today) Internet

❖ Majority of Internet usage is **data retrieval and service access**

❖ Users care about the **contents** and are **oblivious to location**

❖ This usage pattern does not fit comfortably within the host-to-host communication model

❖ **A new paradigm for contents/information-centric from host-centric architecture!**



WIKIPEDIA
The Free Encyclopedia



You Tube

IEEE Xplore®
DIGITAL LIBRARY

ICN: Motivation

❖ Information Centric Network (ICN)

- ❖ Let's build a new network architecture suited for Internet usage!
- ❖ One of hottest research topics in Future Internet



The 3rd ACM SIGCOMM Workshop on Information-Centric Networking (ICN 2013)

To be held in Hong Kong, China



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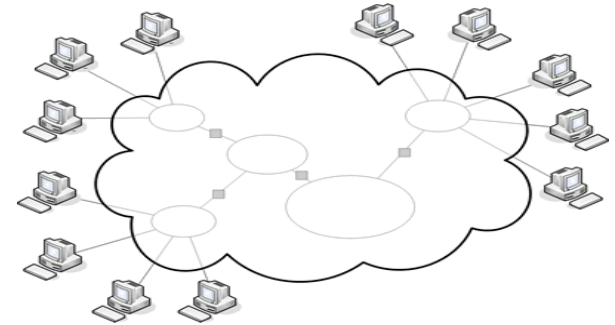
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ICN: Brief Idea

❖ Current Internet

- ❖ Host-to-host communications
- ❖ Node-centric design



❖ ICN

- ❖ Contents access/retrieval and Data-centric design
- ❖ Don't worry about location (or address)!



Different ICN Architectures

- ❖ Data oriented network architecture (DONA)
 - ❖ <http://radlab.cs.berkeley.edu/wiki/DONA>
- ❖ Content centric networking (CCN)
 - ❖ <http://www.ccnx.org/> (<http://www.named-data.org/>)
- ❖ Publish-subscribe Internet routing paradigm (PS IRP)
 - ❖ <http://www.psirp.org/>
- ❖ Network of Information (NetInf)
 - ❖ <http://www.netinf.org/>
- ❖ See [AHL12] for survey

DONA vs. CCN

- ❖ **Data-Oriented Network Architecture (DONA)**
 - ❖ The first ICN approach by UC Berkeley
 - ❖ Flat naming and (logically) hierarchical network architecture
- ❖ **Contents-Centric Networking (CCN) (or Named Data Network (NDN))**
 - ❖ By Xerox PARC (Dr. V. Jacobson) and UCLA (Prof. L. Zhang)
 - ❖ Hierarchical naming and flat network architecture

DONA: Overview

❖ Key idea

- ❖ Replace contents names with **flat, self-certifying names!**
- ❖ Replace contents/data name resolution with a **name-based anycast primitive!**

❖ Features

- ❖ Flat and invariant names
- ❖ Route-by-name paradigm
- ❖ Self-certifying names: easy authentication

DONA: Naming

- ❖ Each datum or any other named entity is associated with a **principal**; each principal is associated with a **public-private key pair**
 - ❖ Can verify the data by checking the public key hashes into principal and validating the signature corresponds to the public key
- ❖ Challenge is **how to resolve the flat name into the appropriate location**

DONA: Name Resolution

- ❖ **Route-by-name paradigm** for name resolution
 - ❖ Resolution infrastructure consists of **resolution handlers (RH)**
 - ❖ each domain will have one logical RH
- ❖ Name resolution is accomplished through the use of two basic primitives:
 - ❖ **FIND(P:L)**: data request
 - ❖ **REGISTER(name)**: set up the state for the RHs to route FINDs effectively

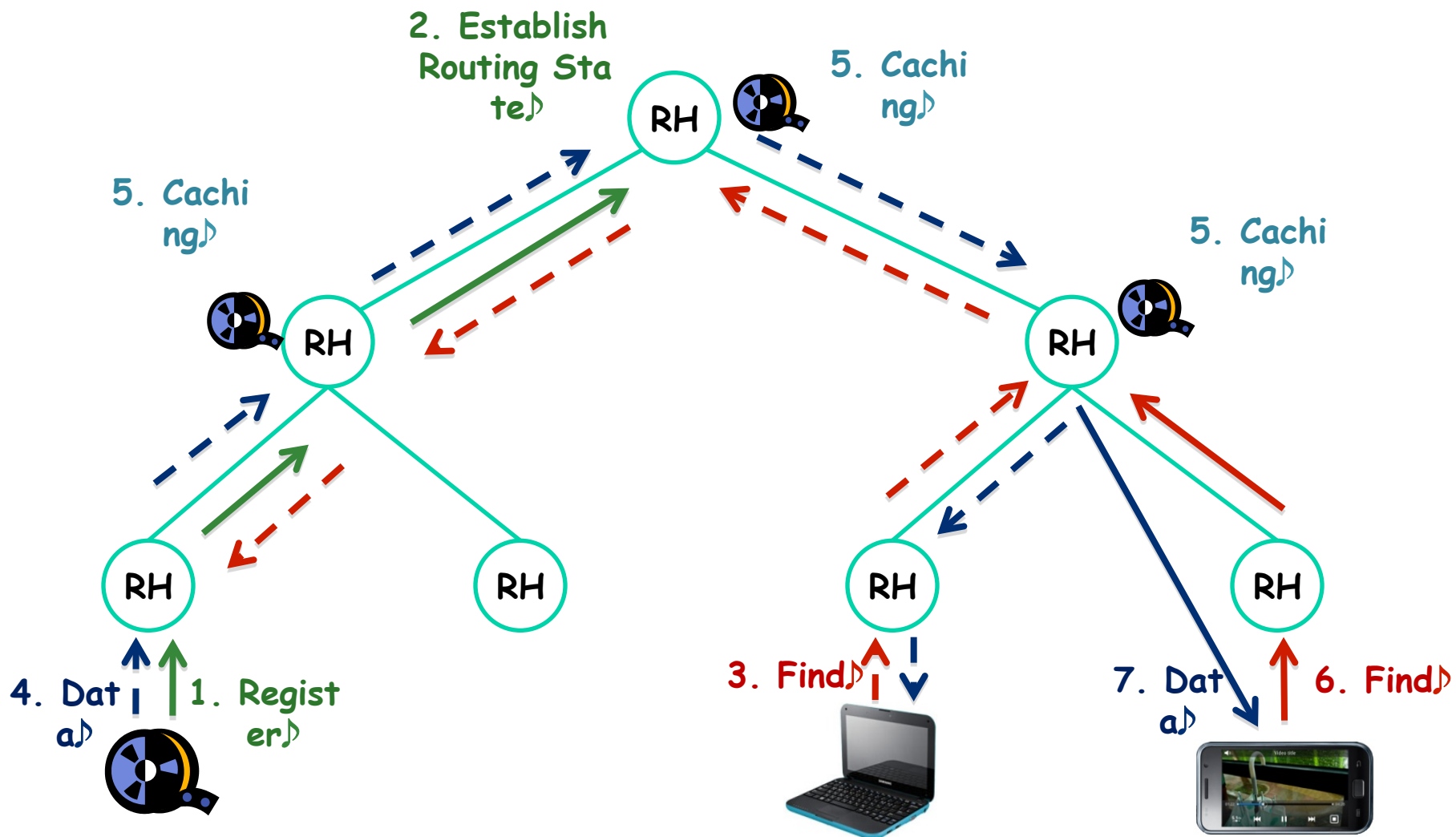
DONA Operation: REGISTER

- ❖ A node to serve P:L sends a REGISTER(P:L) to its first-hop RH
- ❖ RH maintains a registration table that maps a name to both a new-hop RH and the distance to the copy
 - ❖ REGISTERs from child to both peers and parents
 - ❖ REGISTERs from peers optionally to parents/peers

DONA Operation: FIND

- ❖ When FIND(P:L) arrives at a RH
 - ❖ use RH hierarchy to guide routing
 - ❖ if there is an entry in the registration table
 - ❖ FIND to nearest data by sending to the next-hop RH
 - ❖ RHs respond to FIND if data is in cache
 - ❖ if there is no entry
 - ❖ RH forwards the FIND towards to its parent

DONA: Example



CCN: Overview

❖ Key idea

- ❖ Send a query with contents name and receive the corresponding contents from nearby nodes

- ❖ Similar to Directed Diffusion in wireless sensor networks

❖ Features

- ❖ Hierarchical name (cf. URL): name aggregation
- ❖ In-network caching
- ❖ External trust source is needed for integrity

❖ Hierarchical name

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 A([parc.com]) --- B([videos])
 B --- C([WidgetA.mpg])
 C --- D([_v1])
 C --- E([_v2])
 E --- F([_s0])
 E --- G([_s1])
 E --- H([_s2])
 F --- I[]
 G --- J[]
 H --- K[]
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# CCN: Interest and Data Packets

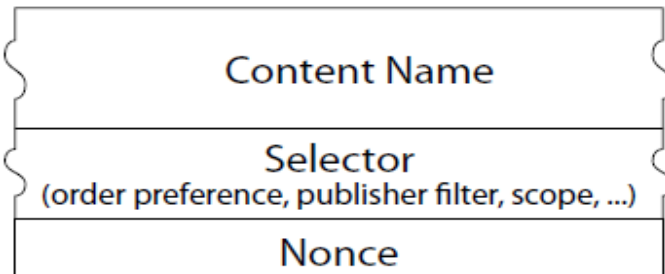
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- ❖ Similar to http "get"

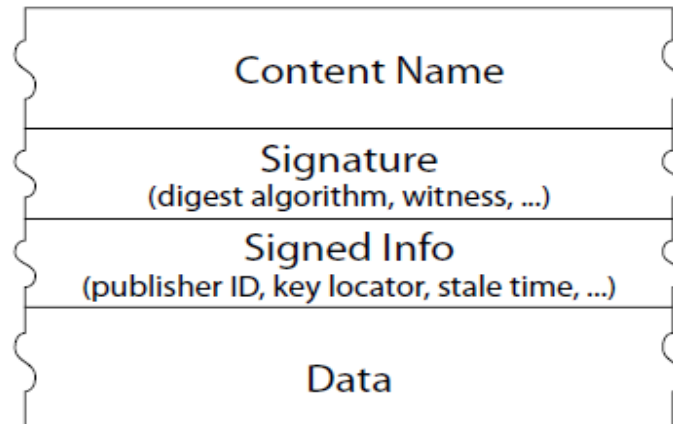
## ❖ Data packet

- ❖ Similar to http "response"

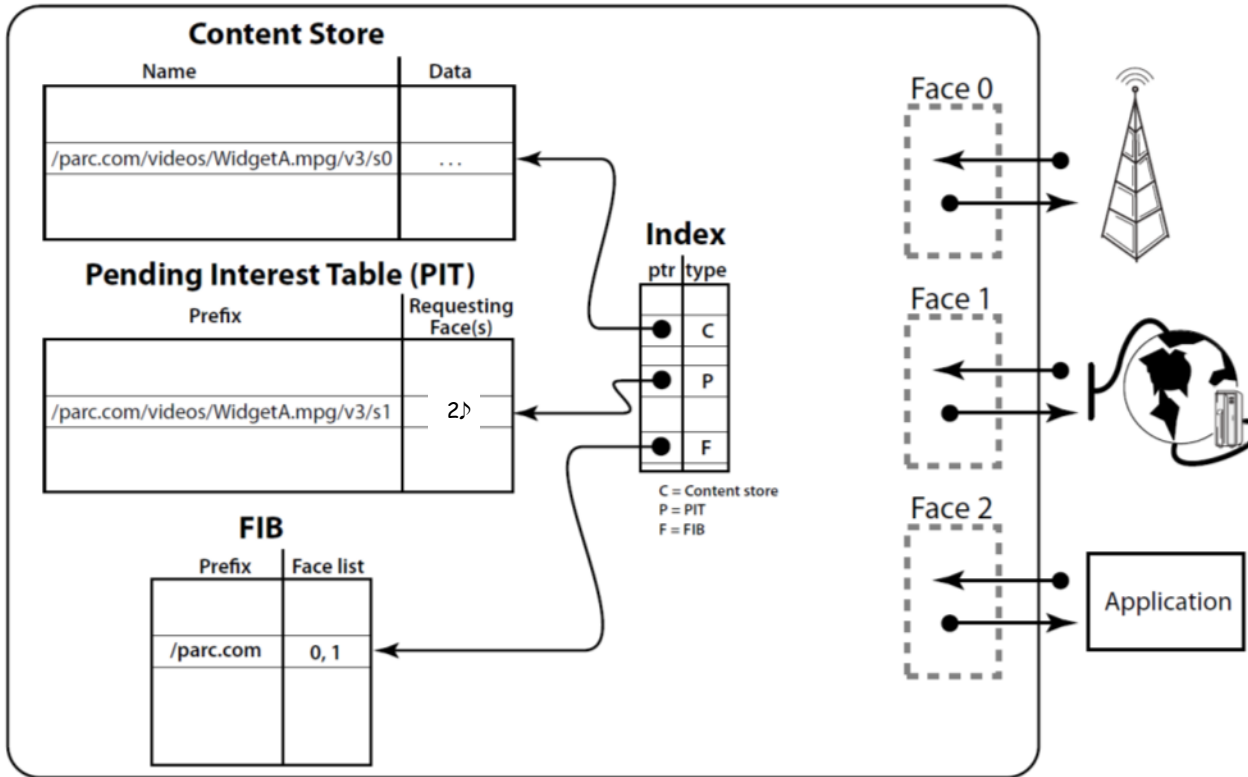
### Interest packet



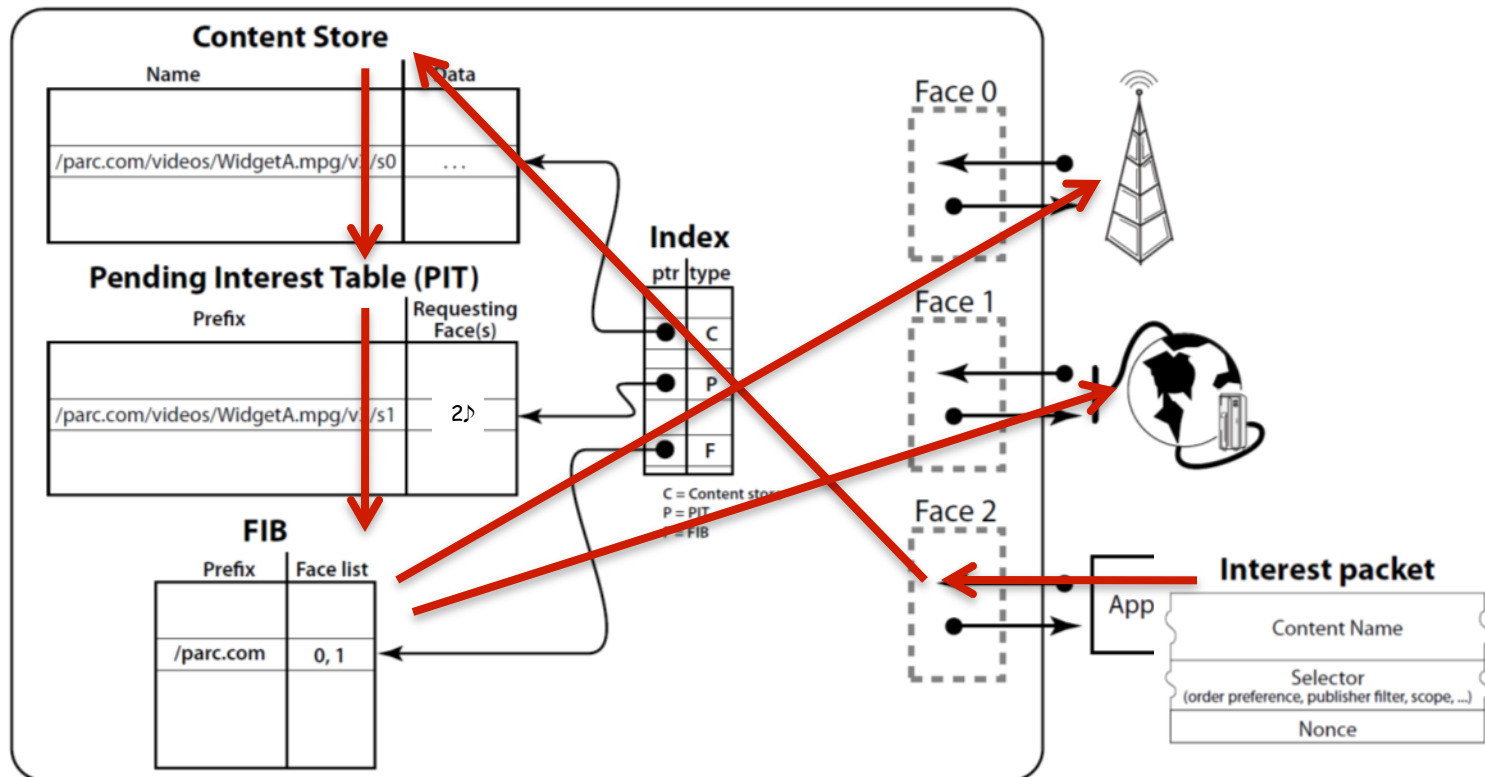
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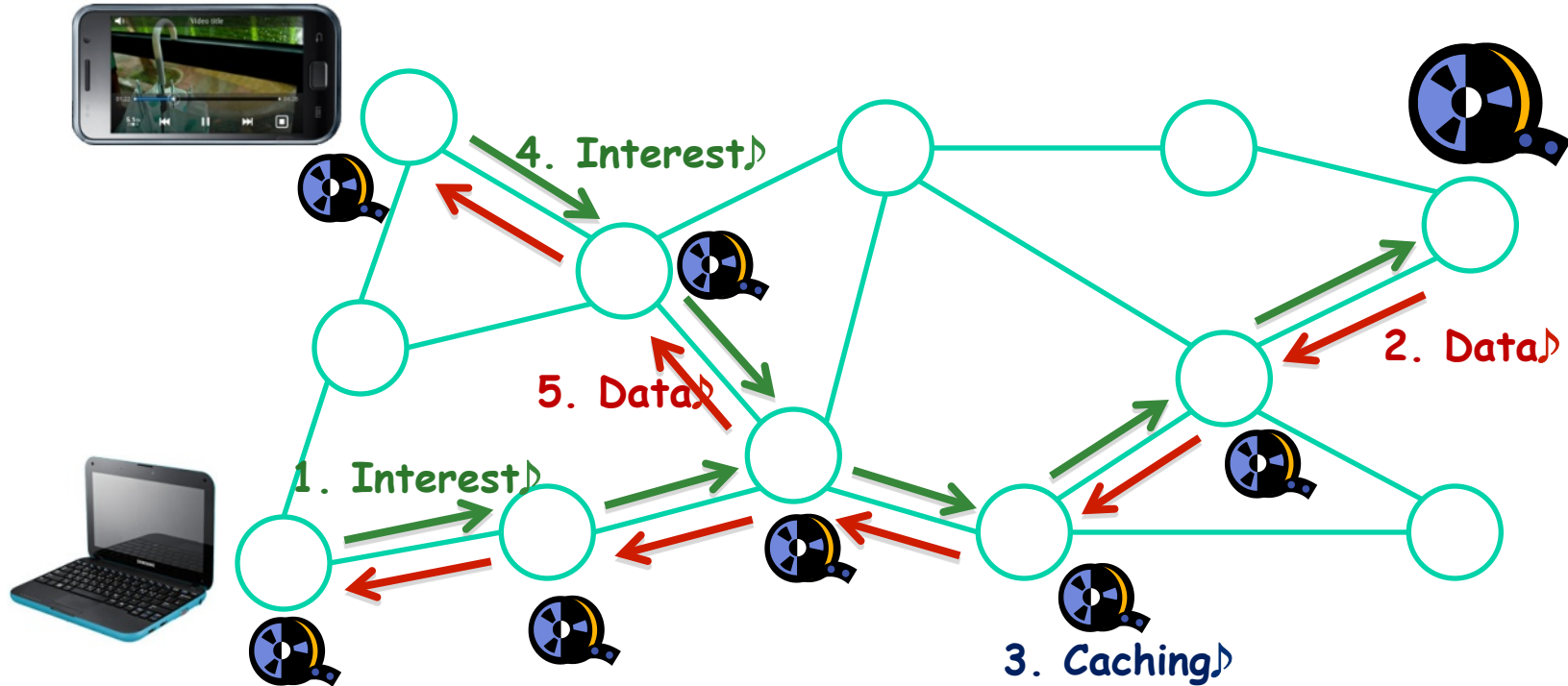
# CCN Router



# CCN Forwarding Example



# CCN Routing Example

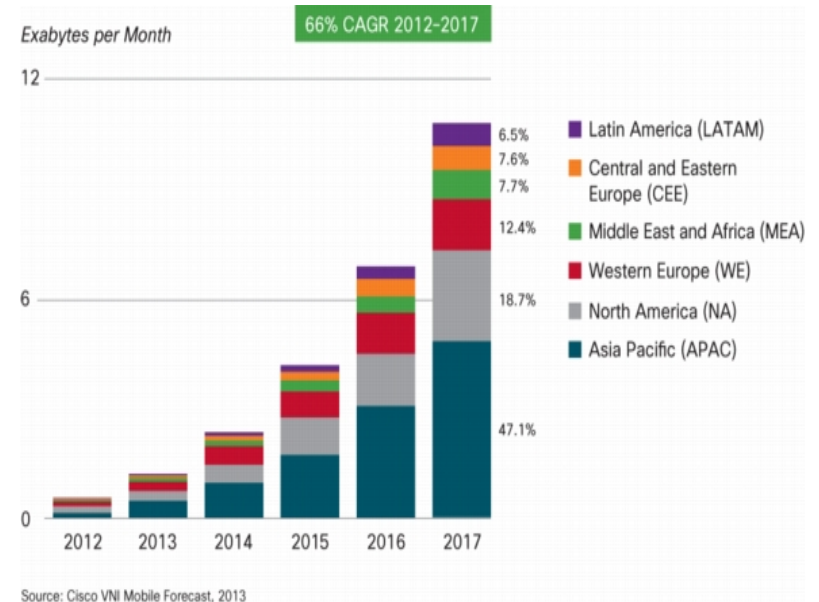
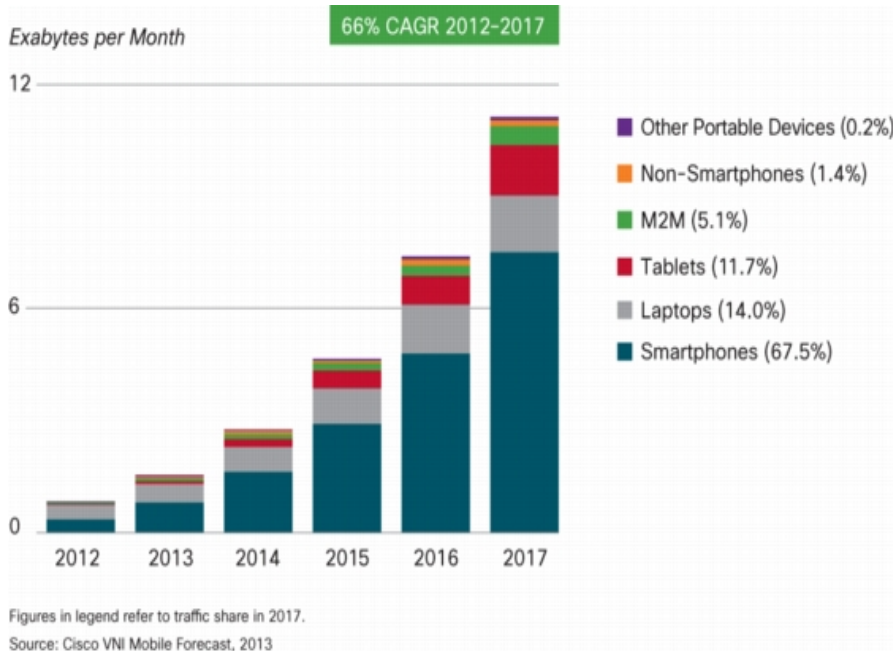




# In-Network Caching (1/3)

## ❖ Observation #1

- ❖ IP traffic explosion (especially in mobile networks)
- ❖ [CISCO Visual Networking Index 2012]



# In-Network Caching (2/3)

## ❖ Observation #2

- ❖ Many redundant traffic

## ❖ Observation #3

- ❖ Storage is too cheap
- ❖ But, communication fee is still expensive (at least in Korea)

## ❖ Observation #4

- ❖ Access latency is heavily affected by RTT
  - ❖ So, CDN is very popular



# In-Network Caching (3/3)

- ❖ Hence, in-network caching is the most effective ways to reduce the contents access delay and the traffic!
- ❖ All of ICNs adopt in-network caching
- ❖ In-network caching can be benefit in terms of mobility support

**Now, let's move to mobile ICNs**

# Advantage of ICN

## ❖ Faster contents access

- ❖ In-network caching (multi-path or anycast)

## ❖ Security

- ❖ Integrated with the content itself
- ❖ Spam protection by receiver-driven model

## ❖ Mobility

- ❖ Contents are not bound to location
- ❖ But, for nomadic not seamless

# Advantage of Mobile ICN (1/4)

## ❖ Host Multihoming (vs. Uni-homed)

- ❖ No binding between a flow with a specific interface
  - ❖ Application concerns only data item of its interest
  - ❖ A request can be multiplexed over different interfaces (e.g., 3G and WiFi)
- ❖ Multihomed ICN node can seamlessly exploit different interfaces without any knowledge of active interface
  - ❖ Seamless handover, bandwidth aggregation, etc.



# Advantage of Mobile ICN (2/4)

## ❖ Connectionless operation (vs. TCP)

- ❖ ICN is based on network (or packet)-level contents delivery
- ❖ No need to maintain persistent session information at contents provider/consumer
- ❖ Relocation of a host does not require the re-establishment of a connection
  - ❖ But, ASAP attachment to PoA is needed
  - ❖ Retransmission of request may be also needed

# Advantage of Mobile ICN (3/4)

## ❖ In-network caching (vs. conventional router)

- ❖ No binding between contents and location; contents can be retrieved **any** nodes (e.g., nearby router with in-network cache)
- ❖ Replication of local copies can improve resilience in contents access
  - ❖ More powerful in dynamic mobile environments (e.g., delay/disruption tolerant networks (DTN))





# Advantage of Mobile ICN (4/4)

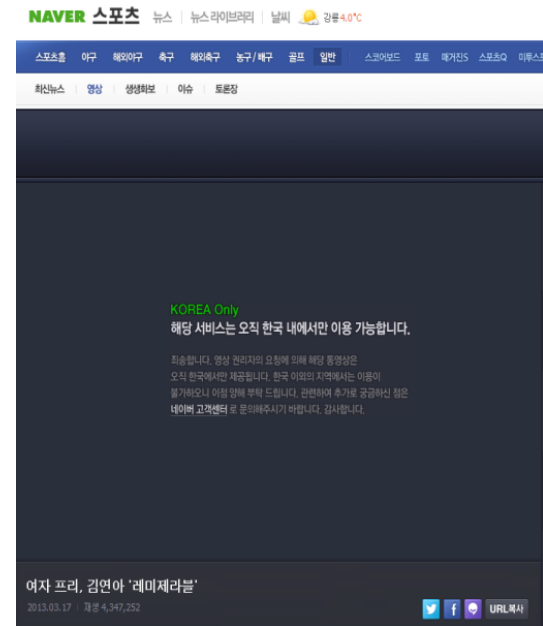
## ❖ ID and locator separation (vs. IP)

❖ Application can *abstractly* publish or consume the contents without concern of location (or network address)

❖ Can solve access control problem and non-optimal path problem in CDN

❖ CDN typically select nearby replica based on **IP**

❖ Some contents at [www.naver.com](http://www.naver.com) cannot be access in foreign countries due to access control using **IP**



# Challenges in Mobile ICN (1/5)

## ❖ Provider Mobility (vs. Consumer Mobility)

- ❖ Consumer mobility can be (relatively) easily handled due to consumer (receiver)-driven nature
- ❖ However, for provider (contents source) mobility
  - ❖ To route a request to contents provider properly, routing consistency even during/after provider mobility should be satisfied
- ❖ More serious for unpopular contents
  - ❖ Popular ones can exploit the benefits of caching or replication

# Challenges in Mobile ICN (2/5)

## ❖ Request Staleness

- ❖ During mobility, the previously requested data can be routed to old PoA not new PoA
- ❖ Hence, we need
  - ❖ To forward the buffered data from old PoA to new PoA
    - ❖ Similar to FMIP
    - ❖ The forwarding requires knowledge of locations and topology, which can violate the philosophy of ICN
  - ❖ To retransmit request at new PoA
    - ❖ What is the optimal retransmission timer?

# Challenges in Mobile ICN (3/5)

## ❖ Scalability

❖ Flat names are not fundamentally scalable

❖ Consider hierarchical contents name in CCN

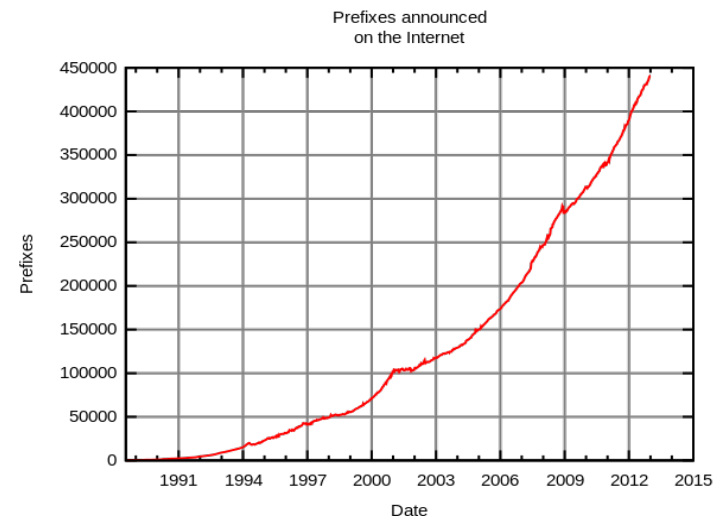
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❖ Same problem in BGP router



# Challenges in Mobile ICN(4/5)

## ❖ Asymmetric wireless link

- ❖ In most ICNs, it is assumed that the requested data can follow the reverse path that the request follows (e. g., PIT in CCN)
- ❖ However, this assumption may not be valid in dynamic mobile environments
  - ❖ Same problem in MANET routing

# Challenges in Mobile ICN (5/5)

## ❖ Security and Privacy

- ❖ Dynamic association in mobile environments leads to new security problems
- ❖ In mobile ICNs, a malicious node can publish incorrect contents information, which can pollute forwarding entries
  - ❖ Authentication for forwarding entries is strongly needed

# Survey on Consumer and Provider Mobility

# Contents Consumer Mobility

## ❖ Approach I

- ❖ Complete handover ASAP and resend request
- ❖ Cross-layer optimization for handover (e.g., FMIP) and optimal timer setting for request retransmission

## ❖ Approach II

- ❖ Exploit local cached content
- ❖ Cross-over or adjacent routers



# Proactive Selective Neighbor Caching [VAS 12] (1/2)

- ❖ The original idea was reported in
  - ❖ S. Pack, H. Jung, T. Kwon, and Y. Choi. "SNC: A Selective Neighbor Caching Scheme for Fast Handoff in IEEE 802.11 Wireless Networks," *ACM Mobile Computing and Communications Review*, 9(4):39-49, October 2005.
- ❖ *Select an appropriate subset of neighbor proxies that minimize the mobility costs in terms of expected average delay and caching costs*

# Proactive Selective Neighbor Caching [VAS 12] (2/2)

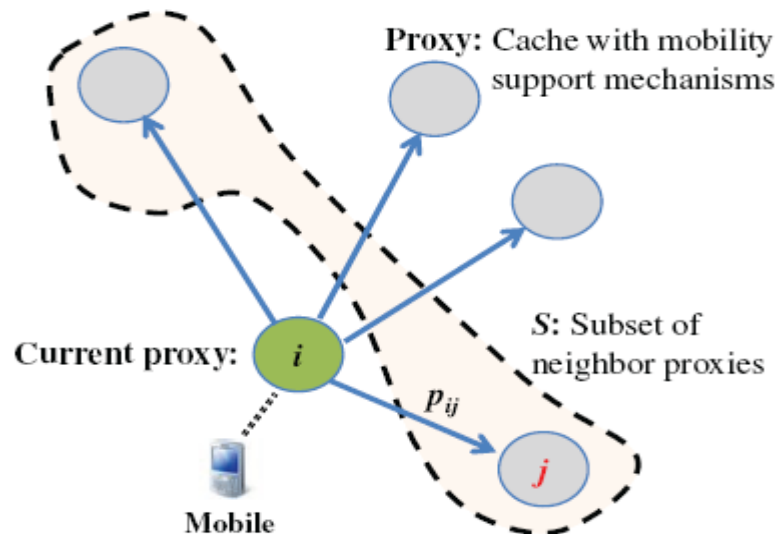
## ❖ Target cost function

$$❖ P_{hit}(S) \cdot C_{hit} + (1 - P_{hit}(S)) \cdot C_{miss} + N(S) \cdot C_{cache}$$

❖  $P_{hit}(S)$ : the probability to move a proxy in  $S$

❖  $N(S)$ : number of proxies in  $S$

❖  $C_{hit}$ ,  $C_{miss}$ ,  $C_{cache}$ : the delay cost for each case



# Contents Provider Mobility (1/2)

- ❖ Not easy!
- ❖ *How to maintain routing consistency during contents provider's movement*
- ❖ Indirection point (permanent anchor)
  - ❖ Approaches I, II, and III (+V)
- ❖ Forwarding table change
  - ❖ Approaches IV and V

# Contents Provider Mobility (2/2)

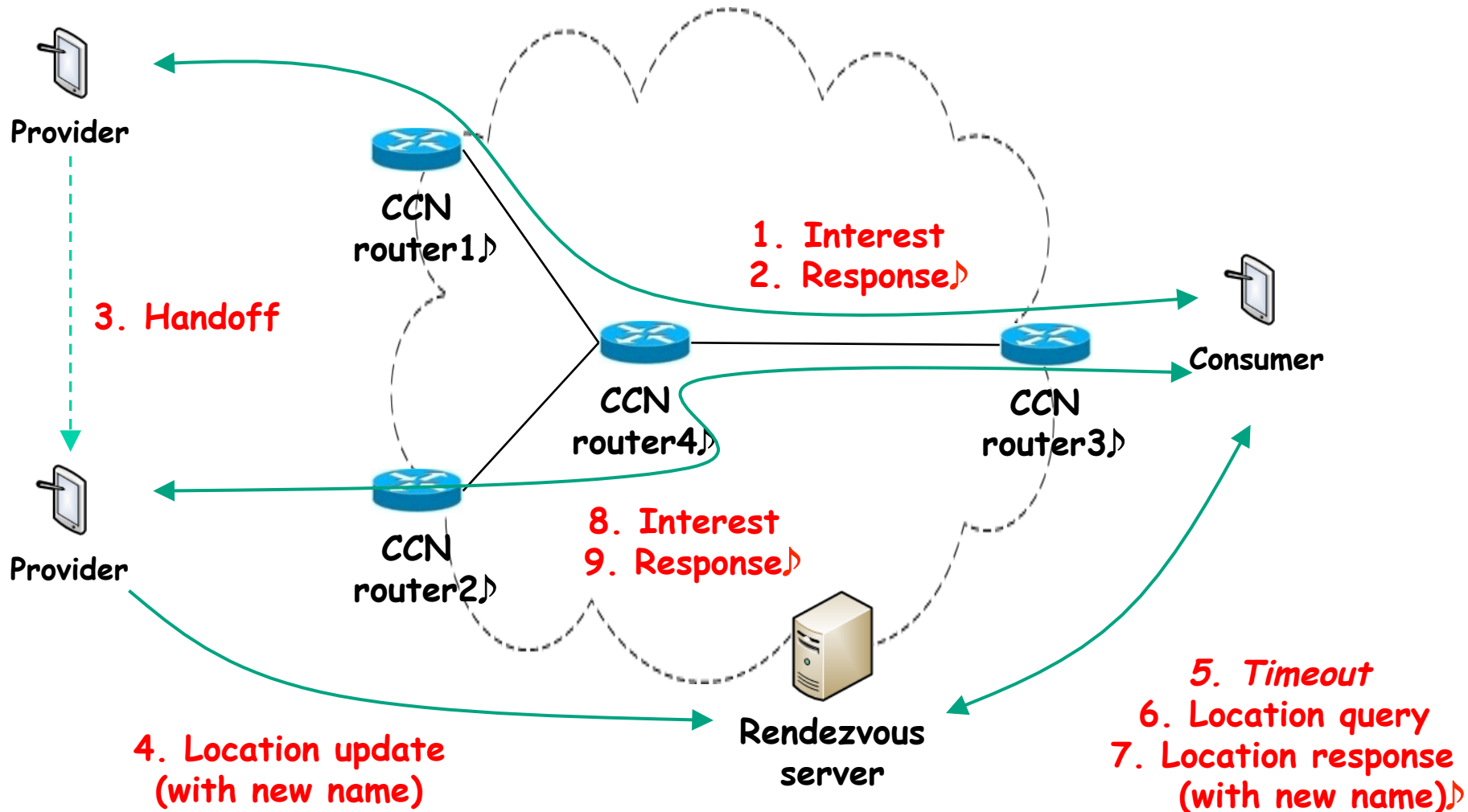
- ❖ Approach I: Rendezvous Point [KIM12]
- ❖ Approach II: Indirection Point [HER11]
- ❖ Approach III: Tunnel-based redirection [LEE12]
- ❖ Approach IV: Interest Forwarding [KIM12]
- ❖ Approach V: Interest Forwarding + Indirection Point [HAN12]

# Rendezvous Point [KIM12] (1/2)

## ❖ Rendezvous Point

- ❖ A location management server for ICN mobility
- ❖ Naming resolution service between contents name and locator
- ❖ Higher latency for new name update/query and FIB establishment
- ❖ Not well-matched with the philosophy of ICN
  - ❖ Just a reference model

# Rendezvous Point [KIM12] (2/2)

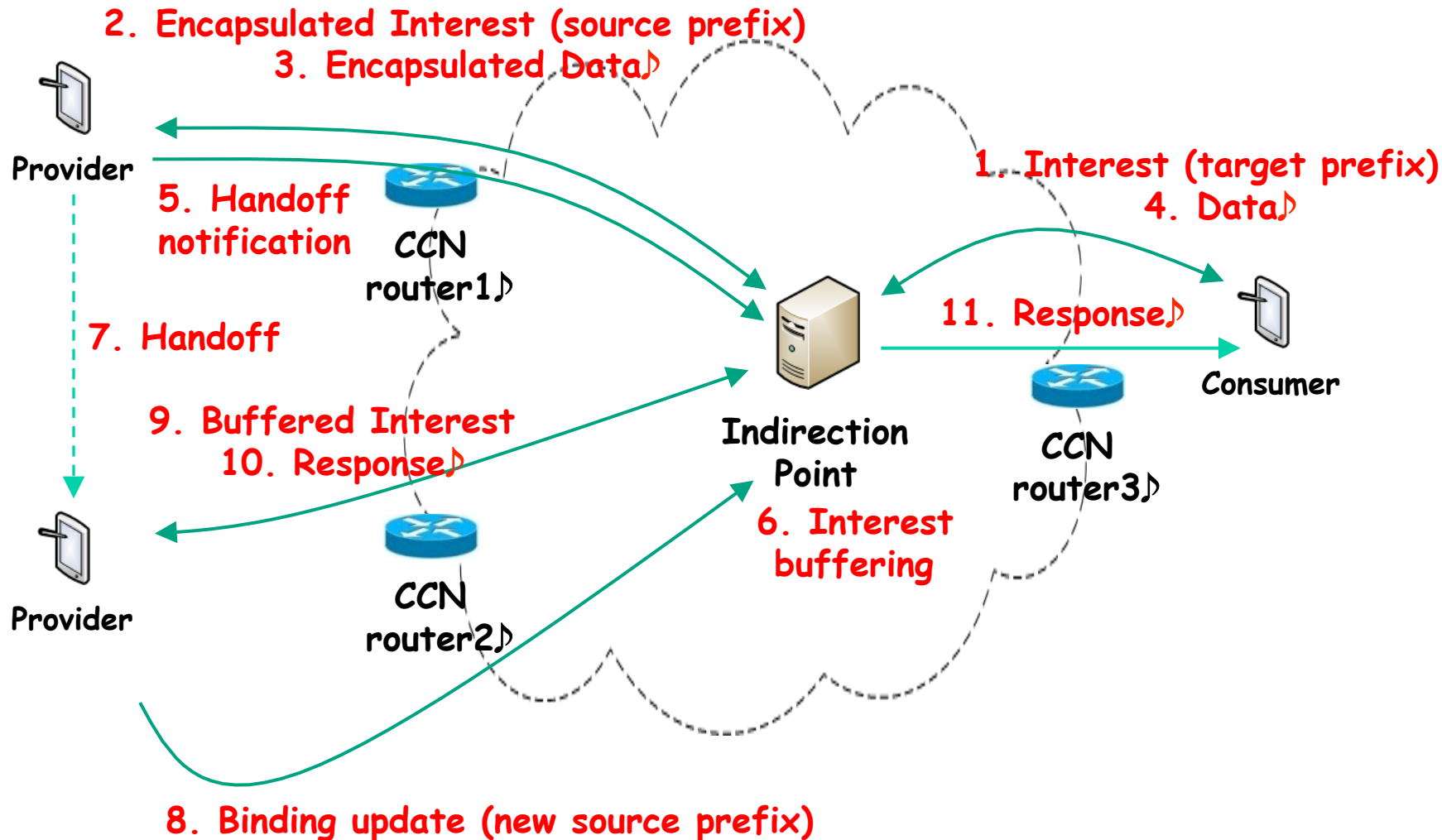


# Indirection Point [HER11] (1/2)

## ❖ Indirection point

- ❖ A permanent server that maintains a set of bindings between target prefix (name) and source prefix (name)
  - ❖ Target prefix: a prefix that a provider wants to serve data (i.e., persistent name or HoA)
  - ❖ Source prefix: a prefix that a provider can currently receive interests (i.e., temporary name or CoA)
- ❖ All interests for contents provider first arrive at the permanent server, which encapsulates the original interest with the temporary name and tunnels it to the new location (similar to MIP)
- ❖ How to implement interest encapsulation in CCN?
- ❖ Indirection point can be a single point of bottleneck

# Indirection Point [HER11] (2/2)

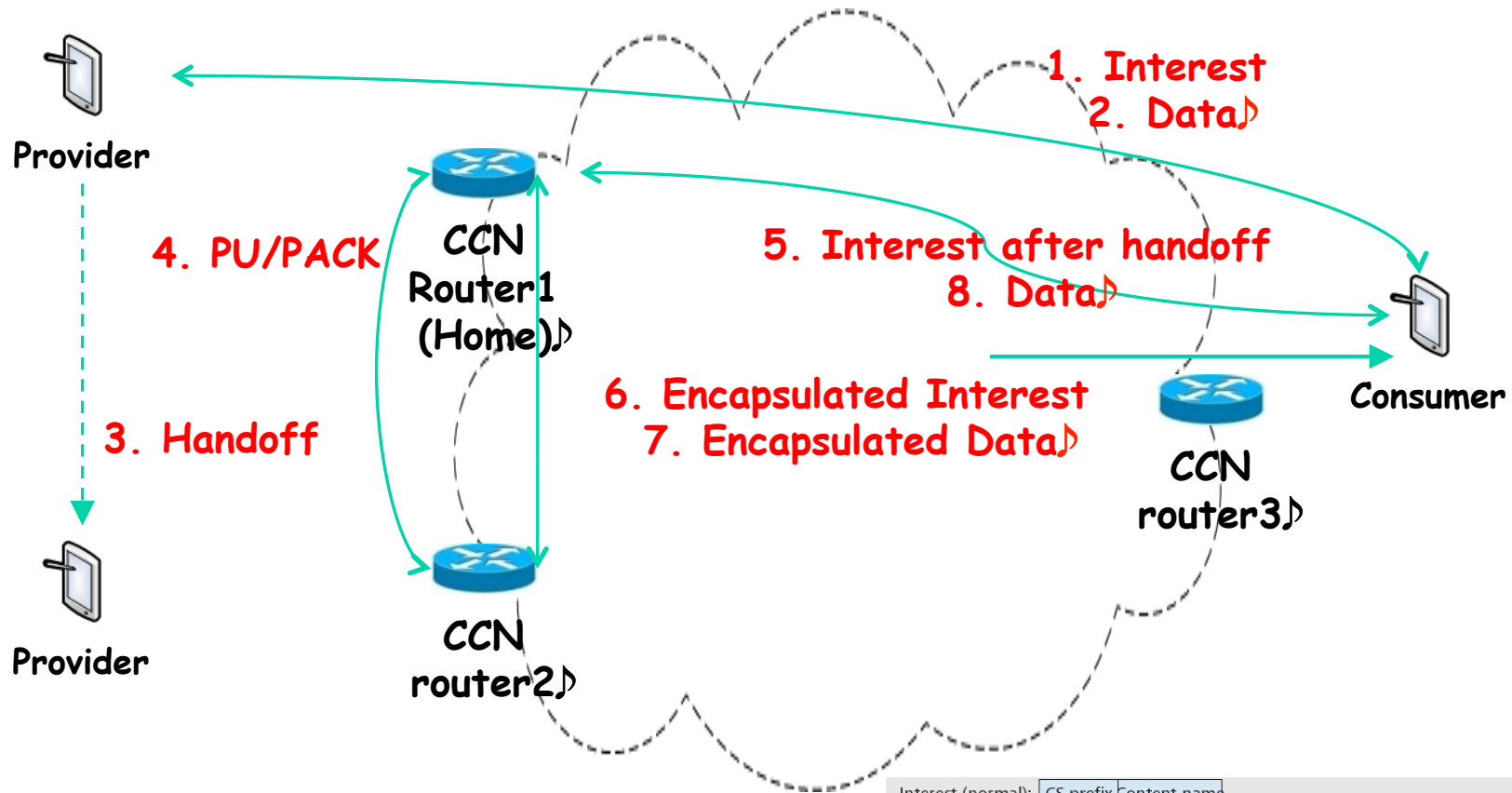




# Tunnel-Based Redirection [Lee12] (1/2)

- ❖ Similar to indirection point
  - ❖ Home router (instead of indirection server)
  - ❖ Two messages and encapsulation formats
    - ❖ Prefix update (PU): from new PoA to home router
    - ❖ Prefix update acknowledgement (PACK): from home router to new PoA
- ❖ Contents provider updates sends a PU message after handoff. Then home router encapsulates and forwards incoming interests, and decapsulates tunneled data and forward data to consumer

# Tunnel-Based Redirection [Lee12] (2/2)



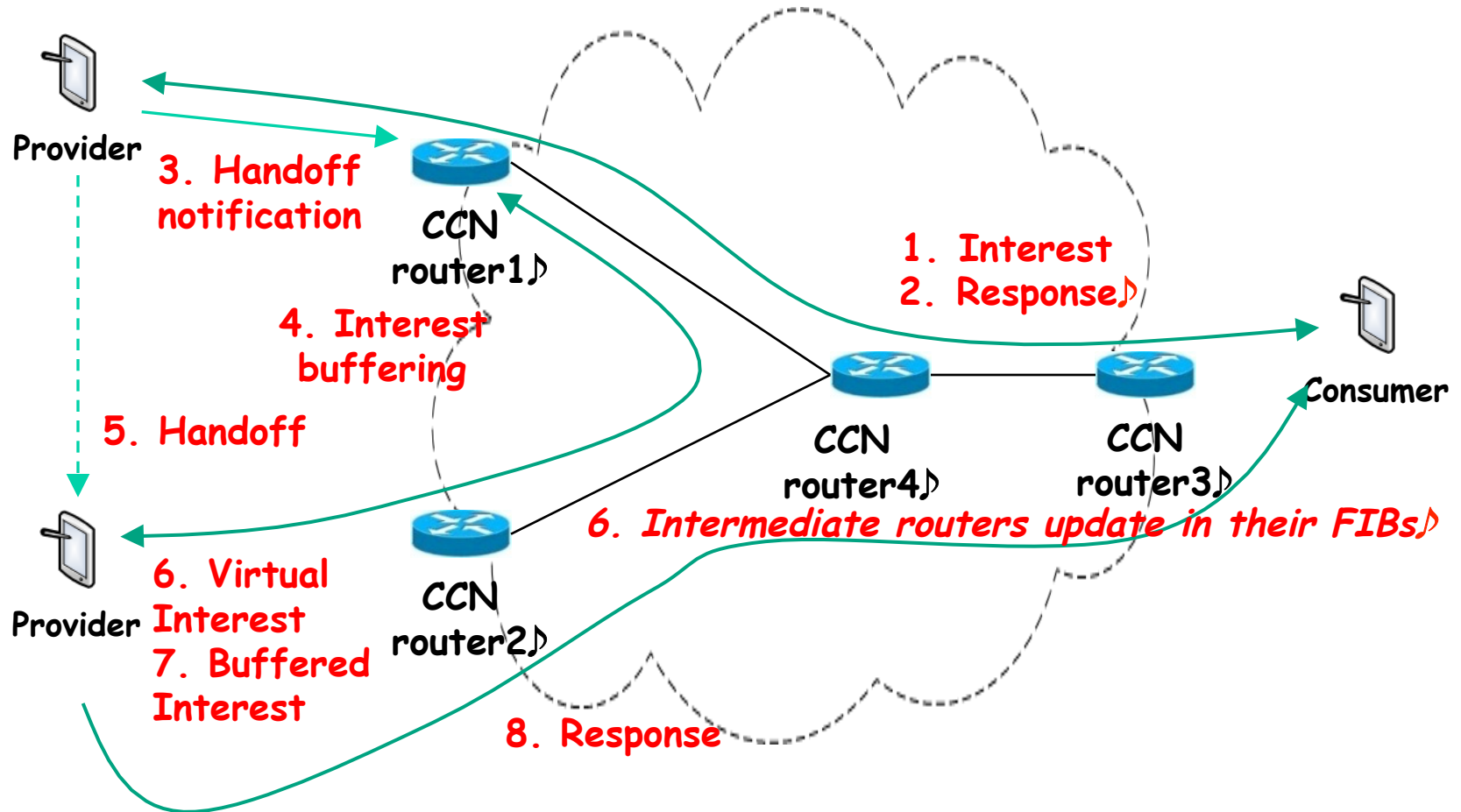
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|--------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Interest (normal): | CS prefix        | Content name |              |              |              |              |
| Interest (tunnel): | Tentative prefix | Tunnel       | CS prefix    | Content name |              |              |
| Data (tunnel):     | Tentative prefix | CS prefix    | Content name | Data         | CS signature | CS signature |
| Data (normal):     | CS prefix        | Content name | Data         | CS signature |              |              |

# Interest Forwarding [KIM12] (1/2)

## ❖ Interest Forwarding

- ❖ No need of a new hierarchical name
- ❖ A **virtual interest** with the original contents name is transmitted to the previous router
  - ❖ **Intermediate routers** receiving the virtual interest update their forwarding entries in order to forward packets to a new location
  - ❖ **For the buffered interests**, a flag is set to indicate retransmission to avoid interest discard
  - ❖ A forwarding entry created by virtual interest has a lifetime to prevent radical increment

# Interest Forwarding [KIM12] (2/2)



# Interest Forwarding + Indirection Point [HAN12] (1/3)

## ❖ Interest Forwarding + Indirection Point

### ❖ Two reserved names

#### ❖ *Provider's URL/mobilityReport/Home*

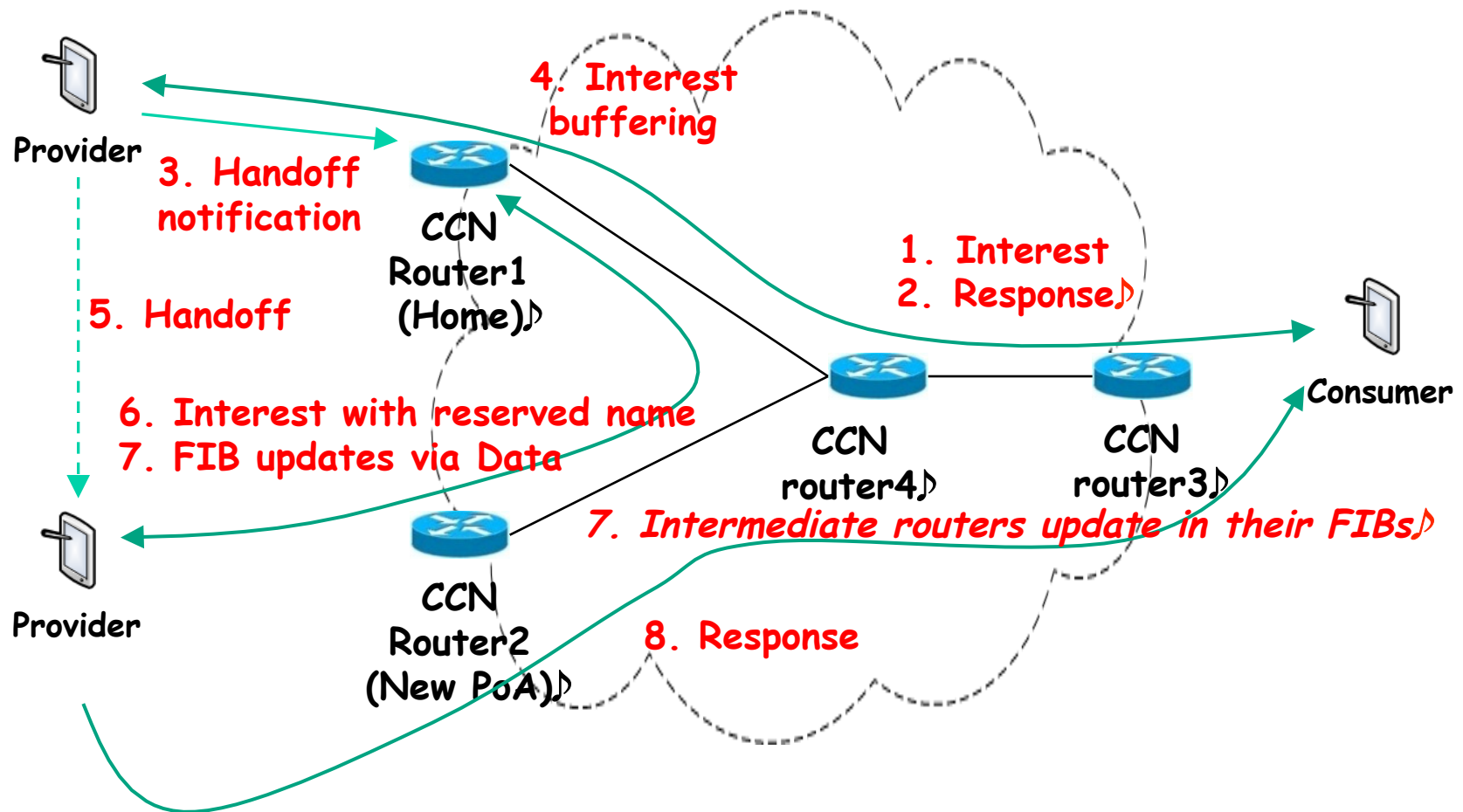
- ❖ To keep the home updated with the path information to the provider

#### ❖ *Provider's URL/mobilityReport/PrevPoA*

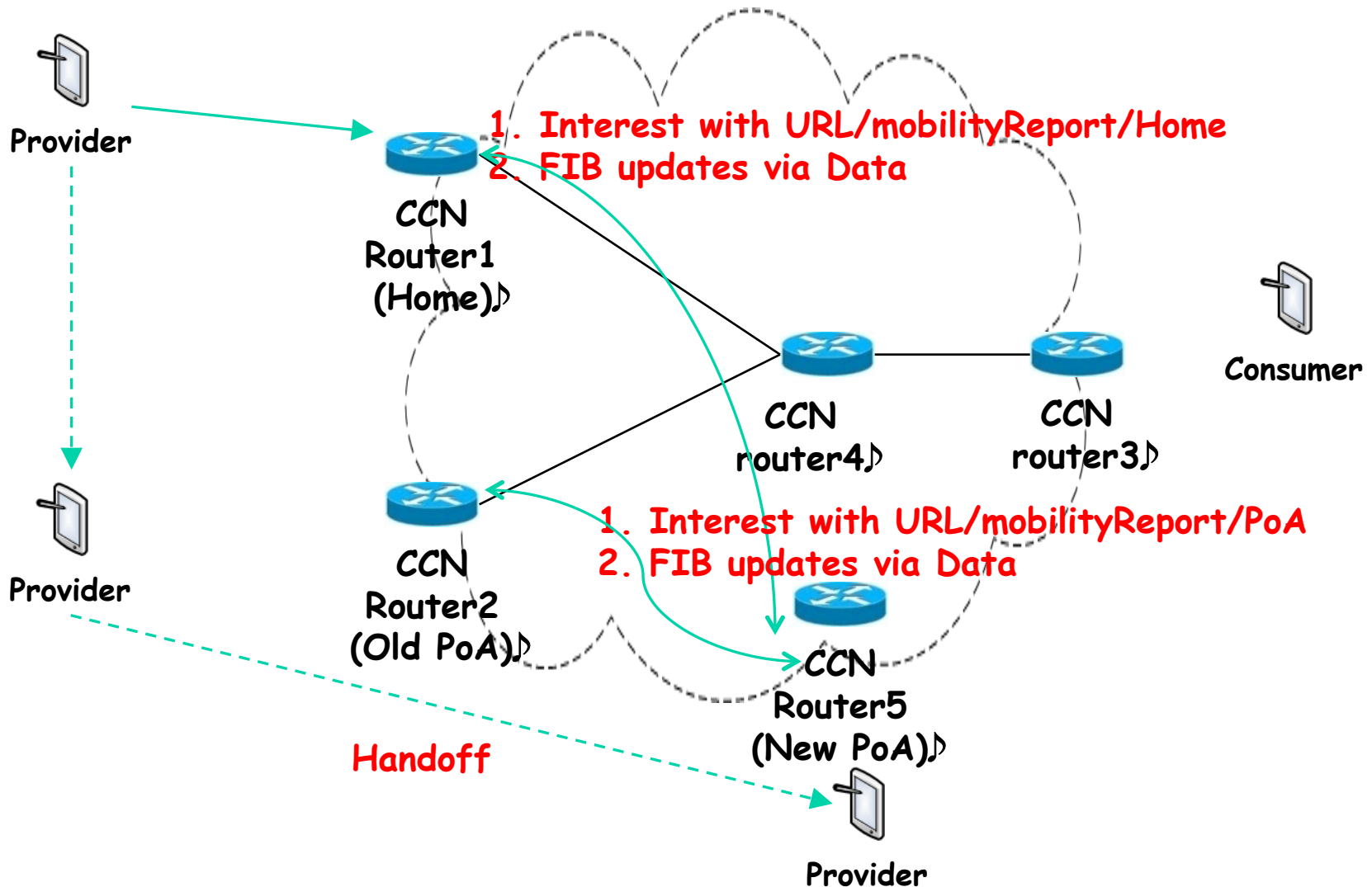
- ❖ To make a path from the previous PoA to the new PoA and to receive the missing interest packets arrived at the previous PoA while the provider is moving

## ❖ Why home updates?

# Interest Forwarding + Indirection Point [HAN12] (2/3)



# Interest Forwarding + Indirection Point [HAN12] (3/3)



# Comparison

|                             | Rendezvous Point | Indirection Point | Tunnel-based redirection | Interest Forwarding | Interest Forwarding + Indirection Point |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Handoff latency             | High             | High              | Medium                   | Low                 | Medium                                  |
| Routing path                | Optimal          | Triangular path   | Triangular path          | Near optimal        | Near optimal                            |
| Additional entity           | Yes              | Yes               | Partially                | No                  | Partially                               |
| Modification of CCN routing | No               | No                | Partially                | Yes                 | Yes                                     |



# MM for ICNs: Concluding Remarks

- ❖ Mobile ICNs introduce new research challenges
  - ❖ In particular, mobility management in ICNs is at initial stage and more researches are strongly needed!
- ❖ No analytical and experimental studies
- ❖ No unified framework for mobility management
- ❖ No standard yet; you can contribute more!

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