

Supporting Mobile Streaming Services in Future Publish/Subscribe Networks

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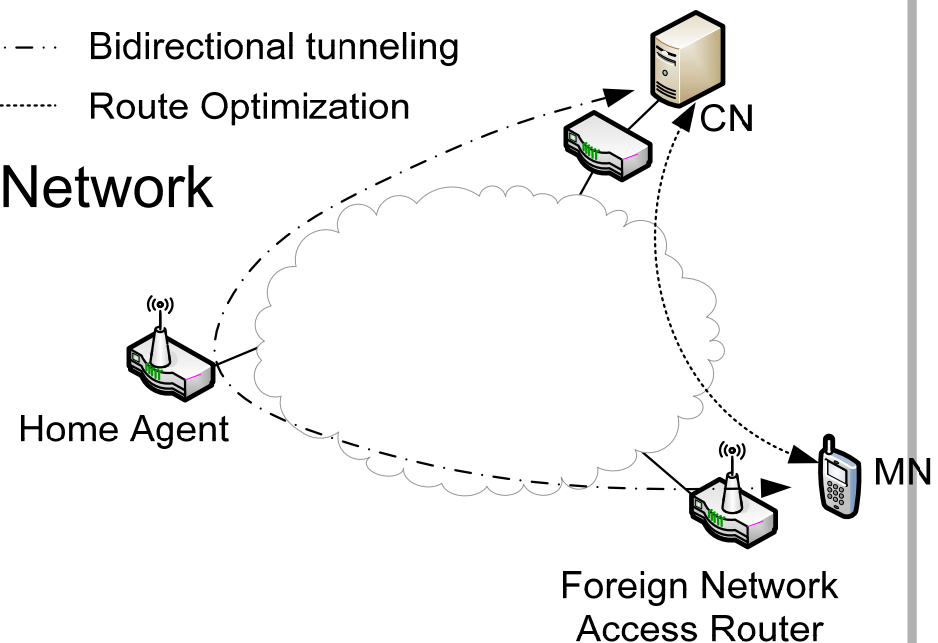
Internet and mobility

- Internet not designed with mobility in mind
 - No distinction between Location & End-point identifiers
- “Add-on” solutions
 - Mobile IP and optimizations
 - Micro-mobility protocols e.g. Cellular IP
 - Signaling delays, inefficient routing
- IP Multicast assisted mobility
 - Localize route changes
 - IP multicast failed to gain momentum!



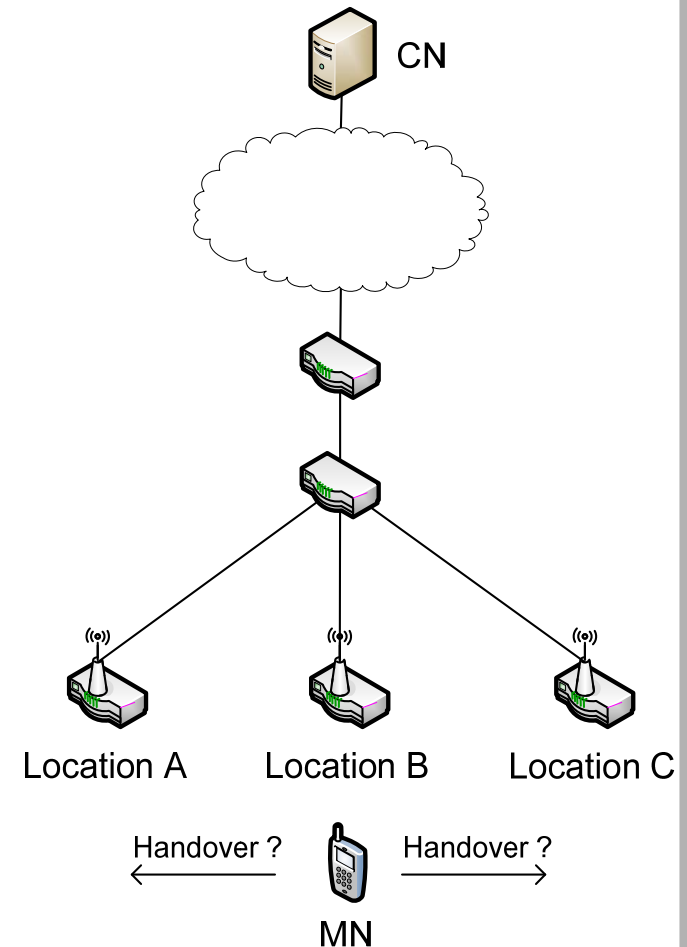
Mobile IP

- Updates routing information so that the MN can be reached
 - at 1 node (HA, every move),
or 2 nodes (& CN, every move if active connection)
 - Updates not local to the move
 - Binding Updates
- Bidirectional tunneling
 - All traffic passing through Home Network
 - Sub-optimal routing
- Route optimization
 - Binding update towards CN
 - Return Routability procedure
 - Excessive signaling



Multicast assisted mobility

- ➔ Localize routing updates
 - ➔ Not necessary to inform the source (CN)
- ➔ Multicast tree per user
 - ➔ Multiple users may share a single tree
- ➔ Proactive
 - ➔ Data can delivered to multiple locations
 - All locations around the current location
 - Predicted locations
 - ➔ Resource consumption
- ➔ Reactive
 - ➔ Data redirection upon handoff
- ➔ Application dependent



Are Internet Fundamentals Still Valid?

Fundamentals of the Internet

- Collaboration
 - Reflected in forwarding and routing
- Cooperation
 - Reflected in trust among participants
- Endpoint-centric services
 - (mail, FTP, even web)
 - Reflected in E2E principle
- ⇒ IP, full end-to-end reachability

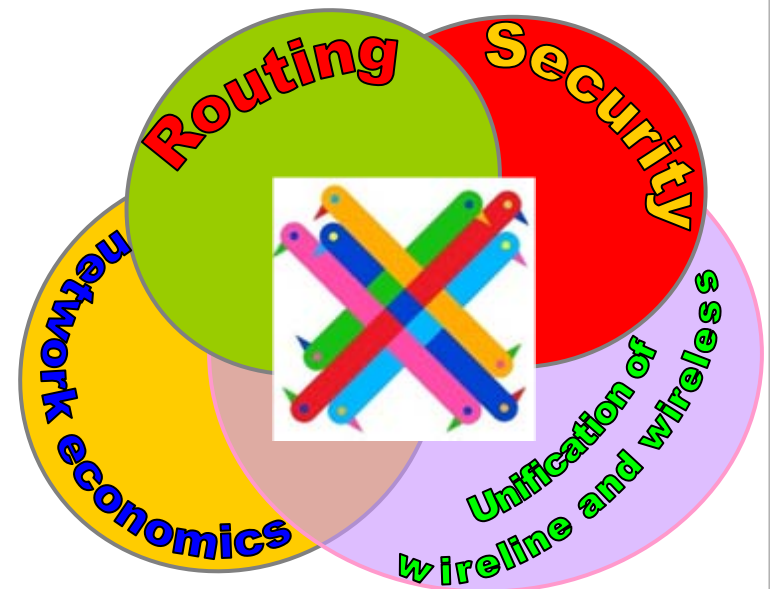
Reality in the Internet Today

- Phishing, spam, viruses
 - There is no trust any more!
 - Current economics favor senders
 - Receivers are forced to carry the cost of unwanted traffic
 - Information-centric services
 - Do endpoints really matter?
 - Endpoint-centric services move towards information retrieval through, e.g., CDNs
- ⇒ IP with middleboxes & significant decline in trust in the Internet

Vision

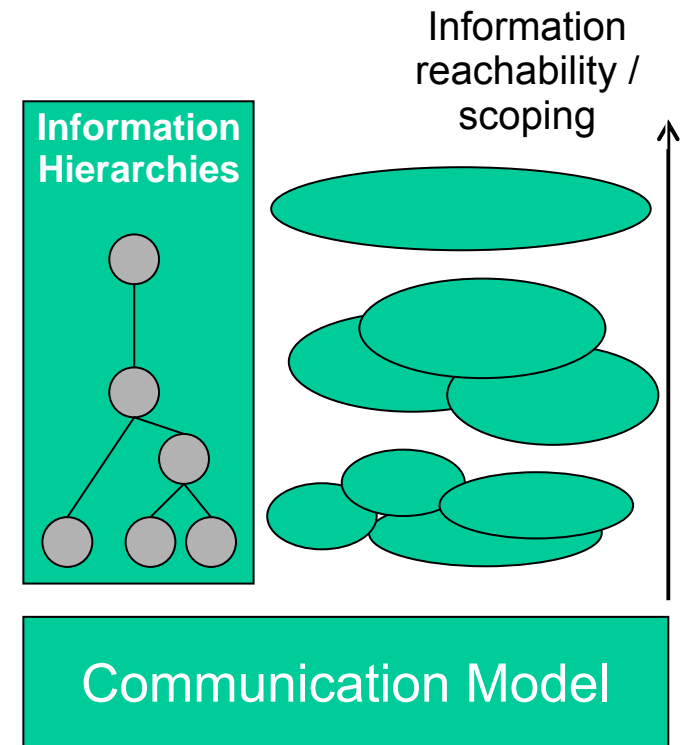
- Envision a system that dynamically adapts to evolving concerns and needs of its participating users
- Publish–subscribe based internetworking architecture restores the balance of network economics **incentives between the sender and the receiver**
- Recursive use of publish-subscribe paradigm enables dynamic change of roles between actors

Information-centric Network



Main PSIRP design principles

- Information is multi-hierarchically organised
 - Higher-level information semantics are constructed in the form of directed acyclic graphs (DAGs), starting with meaningless forwarding labels towards higher level concepts (e.g., ontologies).
- Information scoping
 - Mechanisms are provided that allow for limiting the reachability of information to the parties having access to the particular mechanism that implements the scoping.
- Scoped information neutrality
 - Within each scope of information, data is only forwarded based on the given (scoped) identifier.
- The architecture is receiver-driven
 - No entity shall be delivered data unless it has agreed to receive those beforehand, through appropriate signalling methods.



Overlay multicast architecture

- Considering an overlay publish/subscribe architecture
 - Access routers participate in a DHT (Pastry)
 - Also providing multicast routing (Scribe)
 - (Mobile) end-nodes directly connected to an overlay access router (OAR)
 - Neither participate Pastry, nor carry an IP address
- Easier to deploy
 - Incremental/partial deployment
- At the cost of *signaling* and *stretch*
- Special care must be taken for inter-domain routing
 - Hierarchical DHTs (e.g. Canon)



Pastry overview

- DHT based, overlay routing infrastructure
- Nodes have unique 128-bit IDs
- Nodes are responsible for the keys (numerically) closer to their ID
- Proximity awareness (e.g. RTT)
- Routing of incoming message with key K :
 - Send to the (physically) closest of nodes that share one more digit with K
 - Increasing length of overlay (hops)
- Logarithmic number of overlay hops to any destination



Scribe overview

➤ Fully distributed pub/sub multicast infrastructure

➤ Topic-based

—RV point = Pastry owner of Overlay Key(topic)

➤ Subscribers send JOIN messages towards RV

—Each node forwards the message in the overlay
UNLESS it has already subscribed to the group

➤ Any node can send data to the RV point.

➤ Route convergence

- “Group members that are close in the network tend to be children of the same parent in the multicast tree that is also close to them.”
- Simulations have demonstrated that the distance between the parent and every child is approximately equal to the distance between the children (in the proximity space).



Overlay multicast assisted mobility (OMAM)

- ➔ Whenever a MN wishes to receive a publication and/or upon handoff it sends a subscribe(RId) message to its OAR (Reactive)
- ➔ The OAR issues a Scribe JOIN message towards the RV
- ➔ OARs schedule a LEAVE Scribe message for a specific group when the last (mobile) member of that group has disassociated from the AP
+ *delay*
 - *delay*: else the tree may have collapsed before handoff
 - A mobile node may return to its original OAR
- ➔ In addition to multicast in general:
 - ➔ Route convergence: neighboring access points expected to have a close by common ancestor (CA)
- ➔ No end-to-end signaling: fast re-routing
- ➔ At the cost of path stretch!



OMAM vs. MIPv6: case study

- ➡ Packet flow considered already established
- ➡ MN initially attached to its Home Network
- ➡ What happens upon handoff?
 - ➡ MIPv6: Route Optimization (RO)
 - Return Routability procedure
 - ➡ OMAM: newly visited OAR joins the tree
 - Single JOIN message to OAR
 - Propagates until lowest common ancestor of current and previous OAR
- ➡ Pastry signaling omitted
 - ➡ DHT assumed already available



OMAM vs. MIPv6: signalling

Required for Step 5 or No Route Optimization

➔ MIPv6: Return Routability procedure overhead

	1.	Binding Update (BU),	MN→HA	$(d_{MN→HA})$
In parallel	2.	Binding Acknowledgement (BA),	HA→MN	$(d_{MN→HA})$
	3.	Home Test init (HoTi),	MN → HA→CN	$(d_{MN→HA} + d_{HA→CN})$
In parallel	4.	Care-of-Test init (CoTi),	MN → CN	$(d_{MN→CN})$
	5.	Home Test (HT),	CN → HA → MN	$(d_{MN→HA} + d_{HA→CN})$
	6.	Care-of Test (CT),	CN → MN	$(d_{MN→CN})$
	7.	Binding Update (BU),	MN → CN	$(d_{MN→CN})$
	8.	Binding Acknowledgement (BA),	CN → MN	$(d_{MN→CN})$

➔ OMAM: newly visited OAR_k joins the tree

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| 1. | Scribe JOIN msg, | MN → OAR_k → CA |
| 2. | Scribe LEAVE msg, | OAR_{k-1} → CA |



OMAM vs. MIPv6 with RO

– Resume Time ($RT \sim$ handoff)

➤ MIPv6:

$$RT_{MIPv6} = 4d_{MN \rightarrow HA} + 2d_{MN \rightarrow CN} + 2d_{HA \rightarrow CN}$$

➤ OMAM:

$$RT_{OMAM} = d_{MN \rightarrow OAR_k} + d_{OAR_k \rightarrow CA}$$

➤ Route Convergence:

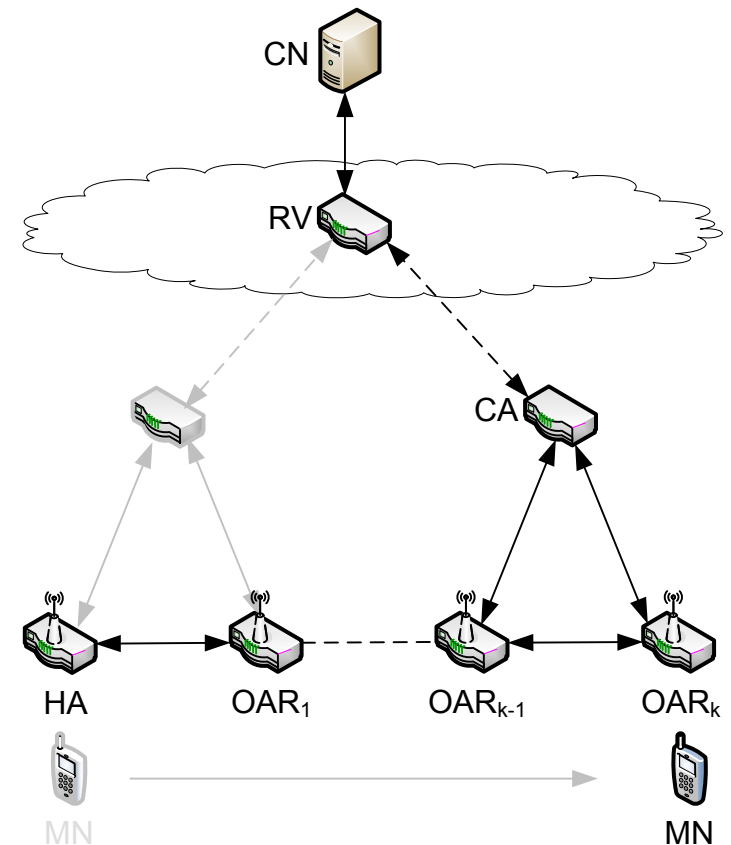
$$d_{OAR_k \rightarrow CA} = \alpha \times d_{OAR_k \rightarrow OAR_{k-1}}, \alpha \rightarrow 1$$

– OMAM faster when: $RT_{MIPv6} > RT_{OMAM}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha < 4 + 2 \frac{2d_{OAR_{k-1} \rightarrow HA} + d_{OAR_k \rightarrow CN} + d_{HA \rightarrow CN}}{d_{OAR_{k-1} \rightarrow OAR_k}}$$

But, according to route convergence property:

$$\alpha \rightarrow 1$$



OMAM vs. MIPv6 simple BU

– MN simply sends a BU message to HA

➡ MIPv6:

$$RT'_{MIPv6} = d_{MN \rightarrow OAR_k} + d_{OAR_k \rightarrow HA}$$

➡ OMAM:

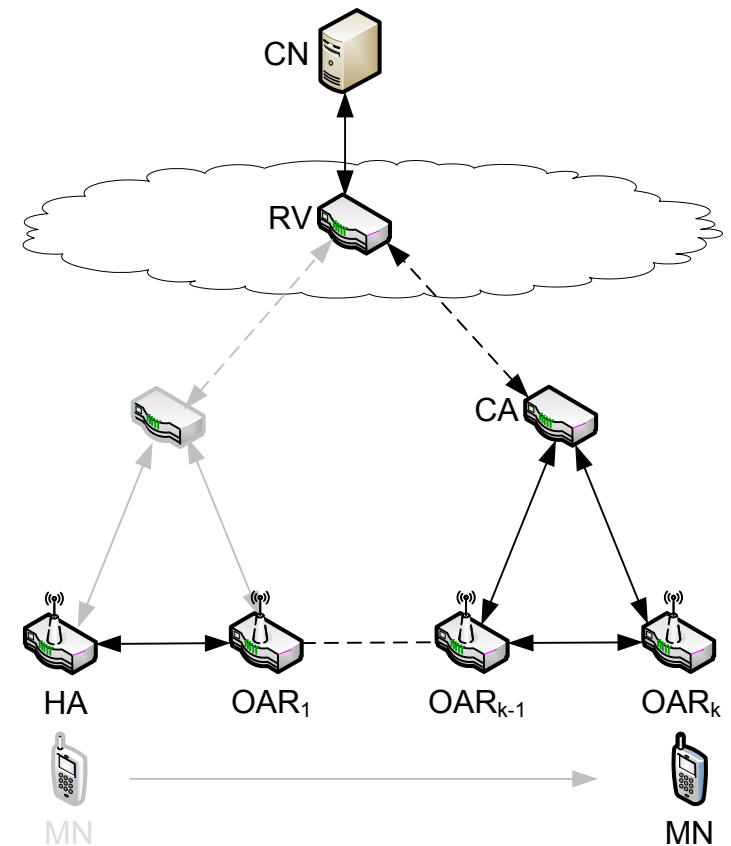
$$RT_{OMAM} = d_{MN \rightarrow OAR_k} + d_{OAR_k \rightarrow CA}$$

– OMAM faster when: $RT_{MIPv6} > RT_{OMAM}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha < \frac{d_{OAR_k \rightarrow HA}}{d_{OAR_{k-1} \rightarrow OAR_k}}$$

But, usually: $d_{OAR_k \rightarrow HA} > d_{OAR_{k-1} \rightarrow OAR_k}$

and $\alpha \rightarrow 1$



Performance Evaluation

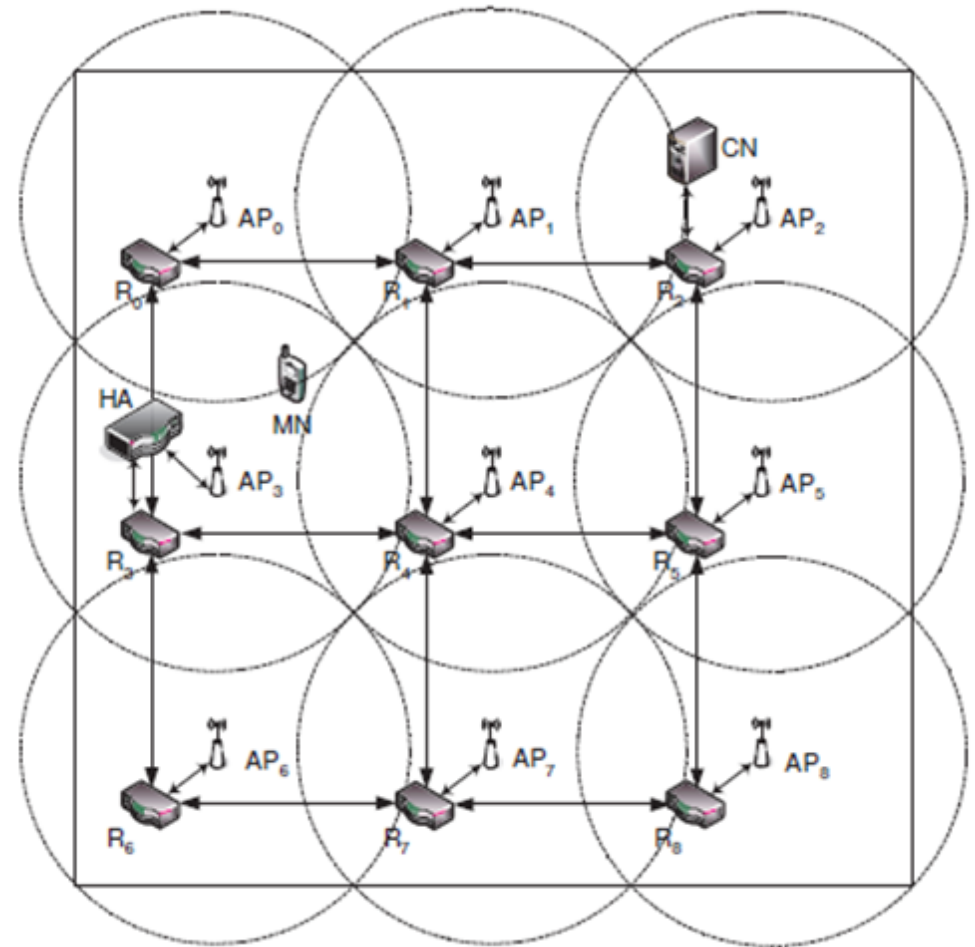
- ➊ Performance metrics
 - ➋ Packet loss
 - Lost connectivity + signaling delay
 - Depicts handover speed (depends on acceptable delay)
 - ➌ End-to-end packet delay
 - Time required for a packet to reach its destination
 - Depicts overlay stretch!
 - ➍ Resume time
 - Time required for the first packet to be received after a handoff
 - Depicts handover speed
- ➋ One-way communication, e.g. video streaming
- ➋ Simulation environment
 - ➌ OMNeT++, xMIPv6, OverSim



Topology

- Grid topology
- IEEE 802.11b APs
- Full coverage
- Focus on signaling-based disruption
- UDP stream: H.264, Level 1
SQCIF video stream, 30.9 fps

Parameter	Value
Grid size	30 x 30
Number of MNs	1
Number of CNs	1
Wired connections type	100Mps Ethernet
Propagation delay (ms)	0.5
Data rate (Kbps)	64
Packet size (bytes)	26
Total number of packets sent	556200



Preliminary results

- Significant gains in signaling overhead
 - Service disruption greatly improved
- At the cost of increased end-to-end delay
 - Impact of overlay routing i.e. *stretch*
 - Acceptable for non-interactive streaming application

	MIPv6	Mobile Scribe
Packet loss	2.002%	1.059%
End-to-end delay	12ms	17ms
Resume time	1.208 sec	0.007 sec



Conclusions & Future work

- Multicast presents significant advantages in supporting mobility
 - Enabled/revisited in an overlay context
- DHT substrate properties further enhance multicast tree properties
- Promising preliminary results,
 - Especially for streaming applications

- Comparison with micro-mobility protocols
 - Hierarchical Mobile IPv6
- Measure/quantify *route convergence* property!
- Simplistic topology & mobility model
 - Incorporate campus-wide wireless traces, e.g. Dartmouth campus traces
- Two-way, reliable communication
 - *Lag-behind/get-ahead*, reverse path vs. distinct trees, etc.





Thanks!

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