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# IP Mobility Protocols and Architectures

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### Agenda

- What is Session Persistency. Why Session Persistency?
- Session Persistency facts
- Applications and user expectation
- What is available for Session Persistency?
- Some Protocols and Architectures in detail
- Conclusion
- Q&A

# Why Session Persistency



#### Global Mobile Data Traffic Growth / Top-Line Global Mobile Data Traffic will Increase 18X from 2011 to 2016



Source: Cisco Visual Networking Index (VNI) Global Mobile Data Traffic Forecast, 2011–2016

#### Global Mobile Data Traffic Growth / Apps Video to Exceed 70 Percent of Mobile Data Traffic in 2016



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#### Scaling the Mobile Internet Delivering 39 fold increase in Supply



## Media Rich Mobile Tablets and Devices

#### Devices—Everyone's Got One

Platform	July 2010	July 2011
iPhone	5,895	17,337
	22%	40%
iPad	677	5,933
	2%	14%
BlackBerry	14,910	13,917
	55%	32%
Android	209	3,822
	1%	9%
Others	5,433	2,049
	20%	5%
Total	27,124	43,058

Smartphones and Tablets at Cisco, July 2011



#### Cisco's total mobile device count grew 59% in 12 months.

## **Virtual Machine Mobility**

#### Session Persistency relevance to Data Centre



### **Session Persistency Relevance**

• At home (~35%)

Mobile operator:: Nice add-on for WiFi offload, but not needed User:: Not a really problem as I'm always within reach of my WiFi AP

• In the office (~25%)

Mobile operator:: Nice add-on for WiFi offload, but not needed Enterprise:: Need for roaming between WiFi Access Points, VM Mobility.

• On the Go (~40%)

User:: I like it. This is what makes mobile Internet mobile.

Mobile operator:: I can extend my coverage. I can benefit also from WiFi offload.

# **Session Persistency Facts**



# User experience is what defines session persistency

- Quality of persistence is what is the key :
  - · No perception of any change by user
  - Application stalls and resumes
  - Application stalls and can not recover
- Some applications may be more sensitive than others in the sense that the use experience is more degraded.
- Main question : what is a session ?
  - An IP transport/session flow identified by some ID
  - An application flow identified by some application ID (HTTP cookie, Video ID, Application state maintained on both sides )
  - Other ...

# User experience is what defines session persistency

Differtent applications, different user experience

- Web browsing
- Email
- IM
- VPN
  - AnyConnect
- Video Streaming Netflix SlingBox VOD
  - Youtube

- Business & productivity tools
   SAP
   Business Object
- Real Time Conferencing Voice (looking at VOIP)
   Video
   WebEx
   Skype
   Fring

#### Network Anchor in the Cellular Architectures Cellular Architectures are Converging



#### Network Anchor in the 802.11 environment

 LWAPP/CAPWAP Infrastructure bring an anchor point for the 802.11 networks



#### **Mobility / Session Persistence Mechanisms**

- Layer 2 solutions : the link layer remains unchanged
  - Ethernet STP
  - •Ethernet over IP encap / CAPWAPP
  - •PPP / GTP
- · Layer 3 solutions : the « IP address » remains unchanged
  - •Host routing / Cisco LAM : only scales in a limited domain
  - •MIPv4/v6, DSMIP, PMIP
  - MobIKE
  - •Any VPN solution with auto-reconnect
  - •LISP
  - •HIP
- Layer 4 solutions : the transport layer allows layer 3 changes & multihoming
  - •SCTP multihoming
  - •Multipath TCP
  - •ILNP
- Application-Layer solutions : persistency is handled at application layer
  - •SIP mechanisms using SIP Re-Invites
  - •TCP Migrate
  - •SSL reconnect (WebEx)
  - •Application reconnect (L7 Mobility)

#### Adaptive Video

### Mobility & the OSI Layers

- L2 is fast, but not scalable
- L3 scales well, support multiple L2 links and is application independent
- L4/5 session management provides end to end session identification, path optimization
- Application layers provide application recovery when all else has failed. Can be very application specific

# Some Protocols in Detail







### **GPRS System Logical Architecture**



## **GTP-C/GTP-U** Planes

- GTP-C: Control Plane signaling facilitates *Creation, Modification* and *Deletion* of GTP tunnels.
- Path Protocol UDP port, registered port 2123



Signalling Plane - Protocol Stack

GTP-U: User Plane tunneling mechanism to service user *data traffic* transmission

• Path Protocol UDP, registered port: 2152



ck GTP-U - Protocol Stack (GTP-U over the lu in brackets)



#### **GTP Message Types**

1	Echo Request (GTP-C, GTP-U, GTP') – Path management
2	Echo Response (GTP-C, GTP-U, GTP') – Path management
3	Version Not Supported (GTP-C) – Path management
4	Node Alive Request (GTP')
5	Node Alive Response (GTP')
6	Redirection Request (GTP')
7	Redirection Response (GTP')
8-15	For future use. Shall not be sent. If received, shall be treated as an Unknown message.
16	Create PDP Context Request (GTP-C) – Tunnel mgmt.
17	Create PDP Context Response (GTP-C) - Tunnel mgmt
18	Update PDP Context Request (GTP-C) - Tunnel mgmt
19	Update PDP Context Response (GTP-C) - Tunnel mgmt
20	Delete PDP Context Request (GTP-C) - Tunnel mgmt
21 © 20	Delete BDP Context Response (GTP-C) - Tunnel mgmt

### **PDP Context activation procedure**



### **Mobility Example**

3GPP TS 23.060 6.9.2.2.3

- 1) When MN moves to new SGSN, context transfer happens between old and new SGSNs
- New SGSN sends GTP-C message to GGSN, identifies IMSI that arrived and provides GTP-U tunnel endpoint and session identifier(s), as well as QoS profile
- GGSN sends GTP-C message for acknowledgement



#### **GTP Summary**

- Protocol includes mobility management function
- Identifiers for subscriber (IMSI), phone number (MSISDN), IP Address, Access Point Name, PDP context (NSAPI)
- Independent Tunnel Endpoints for Control and Data Plane
- QoS Profile
- Optional user authentication
- No authentication for GTP messages in trusted GPRS network

# MIP/PMIP/DSMIP



### Mobile IP Concepts



## Mobile IP Overview

- Mobile IP concepts
- Mobile IPv4
- Mobile IPv6
- Dual Stack Mobile IPv6
- Proxy Mobile IPv6

## What is Mobile IP ?

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"Mobile IP provides an IP node the ability to retain the same IP address and maintain uninterrupted network and application connectivity while traveling across networks "

An "always on" IP service availability independent of location, movement, or infrastructure

## Mobile IP in a nutshell

#### Solicitation (224.0.0.2)

MN optionally might solicit for an Agent (FA or HA) Solicitation prompts FA or HA to send an advertisement

#### Advertisement (224.0.0.1)

FA/HA advertise their presence via IRDP MN detects movement by network prefix MN obtains CoA from advertisement

#### **Registration Request Sequence (UDP port 434)**

FA

MN sends unicast registration request to FA (UDP Destination Port=434) Request includes Type of "MN's Address, HA, CoA, authenticator, Tunnel type, Lifetime, Broadcast..." FA inspects the request. If no objections, FA "relays" the request to the defined HA

#### **Registration Reply Sequence (UDP port 434)**

 HA Inspects the request (can it fulfill options requested, performs authorization check) If okay, HA adds a Mobility Binding that associates the MN home IP Address with the CoA HA then builds a Layer 3 tunnel to the CoA (FA or direct to MN), if one doesn't already exist Sends Registration Reply (UDP DestPort=UDP SrcPort from request) to the CoA (FA or direct to MN)
 FA Inspects the reply, if no objections "relays" the reply to the MN

Adds MN to list of visitors

Acts as default router for MN packets

- HA Sends out a Gratuitous ARP associating MN Home IP address with the HA's MAC address Responds to ARP requests for MN Home IP address with HA's MAC address
  - Keeps an eye out for packets routed to the MN's IP address and redirects them to the current CoA
- MN If authorized, MN is now set to maintain active or future application traffic
  - If rejected the MN can inspect the return code and attempt to re-register

#### **De-registration Request (UDP port 434)**

MN Detects it's on home subnet Sends Registration Request with a lifetime of 0

MN

1.1.1.7

HA

### **Tunnel mode**

#### • CoA mode :

FA shares same IP address with multiple MN's. Tunnel terminates at FA. During early days, because of IPv4 address scarcity and not so powerful MN (FA detunnels pkts, less processing requirement at MN), bandwidth limitation on air (less traffic on air between FA and MN)



CCoA mode :

Each MN has different IP address. Tunnel terminates between MN and HA. No need of FA.



### **Reverse Tunneling**



- Traffic is sent from the MN to the HA via the tunnel, then delivered via routing
- Solves the problem when packets from MN to CN get dropped due to ingress filtering, which, if enabled on a router, will cause the router to drop packets that have topologically incorrect source address

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### Mobile IPv6 Protocol

- RFC 3775
- Similar to the Mobile IPv4 concept

A home agent keeps track of the mobile node's location

Including location discovery, movement detection, registration, and topology establishment

Different from the Mobile IPv4

No Foreign Agent

Traffic can be sent directly between two communicating nodes

### Mobile IPv6 – Key components



An IP host that maintains network connectivity

using its "home" IP address, regardless of which link (or network) it is connected to

MN

### Mobile IPv6 Operations Overview

- MN acquires a new IPv6 address on visited networks (typically using auto-configuration) as its Care-of-Address (CoA)
  - MN obtains its home address (HoA) and home agent address statically or acquires them dynamically
  - MN informs its home agent (HA) about its CoA
    - The HA intercepts traffic and tunnels to the MN
  - MN can inform correspondent node (CN) about its CoA. CN and MN can communicate directly, bypassing the HA

#### **Movement detected**

#### Route Optimization (RO) in Mobile IPv6 Node

- Allows communication traffic to be sent directly without going through a home agent
- Advantages with RO Reduce link bandwidth consumption Decrease round trip time Avoid a potential point of failure
- Disadvantages with RO
  CN needs to be Mobile IP aware
  Loose policy control


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## Dual Stack Mobile IP (DSMIPv6)

- RFC 5555
- Extension of Mobile IPv6 to support IPv4 care-of address to carry IPv4 traffic via bi-directional tunnels between mobile nodes and their home agents.
- DSMIPv5 allows mobile nodes to manage mobility while moving within both IPv4 and IPv6 Internet
- When in IPv4 network, MN gets IPv4 CoA and registers it on HA.
- Both IPv4 and IPv6 home addresses are bound to the address.
- IPv4 traffic goes through IPv4-in-IPv4 tunnel between MN and HA.
- IPv6 traffic goes through IPv6-in-IPv4 tunnel between MN and HA.
- Similar as above when MN uses IPv6 CoA.

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### WHAT is Proxy Mobile IPv6?

- This is network based mobility solution
- Mobile node is not aware when it moves to a new access "link"/ access router (i.e. home network emulation)
- Re-use of Mobile IPv6 protocol, though signaling and tunneling between access router and anchor router
- Enhancements for signaling between access router and anchor router to support many mobile nodes
- Enhancements for signaling for access routers to support mobile node moving between them (e.g. message sequencing)

## **Proxy Mobility Domain**

#### Mobility Entities:

–LMA: local mobility anchor–MAG: Mobile Access gateway

#### MN Addressing

–IPv4 or IPv6

-No CoA on MN like in MIP

#### Tunneling mode

–IPV4/IPV6 over IPV6 –IPV4/IPv6 over GRE-IPV4/IPv6 –IPV4/IPV6 over IPv4



## PMIP signaling call flow







#### SCTP

- RFC 4960 : Stream Control Transmission Protocol
- RFC 5061 : Stream Control Transmission Protocol (SCTP) Dynamic Address Reconfiguration

SCIP User				SCIP User
Application	-1			Applicatio
SCTP				SCTP
Transport	1			Transport
Service	1			Service
	-1			
	One or more		One or mor	e
IP Network	IP address	\/	IP addres	s  IP Network
Service	appearances		appearance	s  Service
	1			1

Diagram showing the concept of an SCTP association

### **SCTP Call Flow**

- The association establishment in SCTP, uses the four-way handshake.
- During association startup, a list of transport addresses (i.e. IP addressport -pairs) is provided between the communicating entities.
- The ADDIP extension used in mSCTP supports dynamic address



#### Summary

- SCTP has many tempting performance characteristics regardless of whether it is used for mobility. It's worth enabling.
- SCTP can run over any underlying mobility mechanism.
- Can be used in many scenarios with backward compatibility for evolution from TCP/UDP.
- Since you have SCTP anyway, the thought of using it for mobility arises naturally.
- The more knowledge that is exposed to SCTP, the better it does with both transport performance and mobility.
- Evolutionary migration is possible.





#### LISP - A level of indirection for IP addressing

#### Main attributes of LISP

- EID (Endpoint Identifier) is the IP address of a host – just as it is today
- RLOC (Routing Locator) is the IP address of the LISP router for the host
- EID-to-RLOC mapping is the distributed architecture that maps EIDs to RLOCs



- Network-based solution
- No host changes
- Minimal configuration
- No DNS changes

- Address Family agnostic
- Incrementally deployable (support LISP and non-LISP)
- Support for mobility

#### LISP – Data Plane Session Persistency

- LISP nodes advertize locator policies through mapping system to adjacent nodes
- Session Persistency (beneficial for LISP Mobile nodes, VM Mobility, etc.)
- Optimized routing avoids triangular routing



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## CAPWAPP



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#### **Division of Labor—Split MAC**



## **Division of Labor—Split MAC Illustrated**



### **Intra-Controller Roaming**

- Intra-Controller roam happens when an AP moves association between APs joined to the same controller
- Client must be reauthenticated and new security session established
- Controller updates client database entry with new AP and appropriate security context
- No IP address refresh needed Pre-Roam Data Path



## Layer-2 Roaming—Inter-Controller



L2 Inter-Controller roam happens when an AP moves association between APs joined to the different controllers but client traffic bridged onto the same subnet

- Client must be reauthenticated and new security session
- Client database entry moved to new controller
- No IP address refresh needed

## Layer-3 Roaming—Inter-controller



 L3 Inter-Controller roam happens when an AP moves association between APs joined to the different controllers but client traffic bridged onto different subnet

- Client must be reauthenticated and new security session established
- Client database entry copied to new controller
- Original controller tagged as the "Anchor"
- New controller tagged as the "Foreign"
- No IP address refresh needed
- Asymmetric traffic path established

# Layer-3 Roaming—Symmetric Mobility



- be the foreign controller's management IP address
- Upstream routers that have Reverse Path Forwarding (RPF) will forward on packets
- Configurable option in software release 4.1

## Mobike



#### Maintaining VPN Session with MOBIKE



#### **MOBIKE Call Flow**



## **Application Layer**



#### Webex SSL reconnect



#### **Video Solutions**



#### MS Silverlight

•MediaElement.BufferingTime defaults to 5 seconds

•smooth HD

Adobe Flash

## Other considerations



#### Handover Packet Loss vs Multiple Bearers

- The two causes for packet loss are:
  - A physical layer change disrupting layer 1 communication
    - change of a radio frequency
  - A logical mismatch between a MN and a CN
    - time to acquire a new IP address, if no other available
    - •change of a tunnel endpoint IP address and duration to logically rebuild the tunnel
    - propagation time for the update message to reach the other side



- Single versus multiple bearers
  - •Packet loss is unavoidable when using a single bearer due to physics change
    - Buffering and forwarding buffered packets is the only choice
  - •Using multiple bearers can allow zero packet loss if anticipating layer 2 disruptions

#### **Client Based Mobility – Impact on Clients**



#### End2End Mobility vs Secure Handover

- End2End mobility requires both MN & CN to support a security association for IP address change in order to protect against Man-in-the-Middle attacks. Not all the End2End mobility protocols are secure in that sense.
- Register a new IP address
  - GTP
  - MIPv4: RRQ
  - MIPv6: BU
  - SCTP: Add address
  - •Multipath TCP: Add address

#### Secure the registration of a new IP address

- MIPv4: weak authentication (based on HMAC-MD5 hash)
- MIPv6: based on IPSEC/IKEv2
- DSMIPv6: based on IPSec/IKEv2
- SCTP: requires security, RFC negates shared key and negotiated key. Private/Public key best.
- Multipath TCP: requires some security, mechanisms open

## Mobility & Location privacy

- End2End mobility allows a CN to know of any IP address change from the MN.
- IP addresses can be used to know your location:
- <u>http://whatismyipaddress.com/</u>



- In some cases, users do not want to allow a third party to track a user's location without their permission
- A change in IP address which is visible to a correspondent node can be used to infer a change in location



## Closing



#### Maintaining session persistency WiFi – 3G/4G (example of architecture)




## Thank you.

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