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Mobile video delivery using ICN

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Information Centric Networking Providing a New Foundation



Transform the Overlaid IP Transport Network To an Integrated Mobile, Secured, Distributed Storage Network Deliver services using a new communication model that addresses modern Internet usage & Exploits latest *Future Internet Architecture* research

- Mobility eliminate need for special mobility overlays
- Security guarantee the integrity of every data object
- Storage dynamic placement of information anywhere in the network

What Information Centric Networking brings

THREE MAJOR COMPONENTS





- Improved object-based security
- Secure in-path caching
- Supports multipath / multicast capabilities
- Enables dynamic content-based routing
- Network based "DNS equivalent"
- User / Application identity no longer tied to IP
 address supporting mobility, multipath / multicast
- Pull-based at network layer (not HTTP)
- Connectionless (robust to mobility)
- Exploits local cache for reuse or error recovery
- Unified unicast/multicast model

ICN advantages for 5G

- Simplified core network architecture through built-in L2-agnostic anchorless mobility support
- Seamless communication over an heterogenous and mobile access through connectionless receiver-driven natively multipath transport
- Latency-reduction via in-network control and hop-by-hop dynamic forwarding
- Better user experience with transport cost reduction via edge caching/processing
- Unified unicast/multicast communication
- Improved security/confidentiality, flexibility to support different models
- Richer network-aware content analytics

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Mobility management approaches

- Consumer mobility is natively supported, in virtue of the **connectionless** and **pull-based** communication model.
- Producer mobility is more challenging. Different categories of approaches: Global Routing (GR) requiring all routers to be updated, or







Resolution-based (DNS-like)

Anchor-Based or Trace-based in ICN Anchor-Less

Our contribution: an anchorless solution

MAP-Me, an anchorless mobility management protocol for data delivery in ICN that:

- is access-agnostic, in order to cope with highly heterogeneous wireless access and multi-homed/mobile users
- works at network layer and at forwarding timescale to be reactive enough to support real-time applications between mobile consumers/producers
- leverages core ICN features like distributed hop-by-hop stateful forwarding, connectionless communications, object-based security
- doesn't require any control/management plane operations
- has low overhead in terms of signaling, additional state at routers and computational complexity in order to scale with large network size



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p26GODPxG GE Cisco Mobility demo @ MWC'16

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Video PoC architecture and components



PoC components



ICN-enabled DASH video client





Hetnet Access (WiFi, LTE)





ICN DASH Video client architecture

- DASH video is partitioned into 2s segments that the player may ask at different encoding bitrates depending of network conditions
- The birate adaptation logic can be
 - Rate-based
 - Buffer-based
 - Mixed Rate and Buffer based

ICN advantages:

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- Receiver-based transport model, with less throughput oscillations and smaller retx delays via in-network retransmission (WLDR)
- Fine granular per-packet network view to feed rate adaptation logic
- Multipath-capable transport layer that does not require a-priori knowledge of sources/paths



Heterogeneous access

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Virtualized ICN architecture (vICN)



VICN: CONTROL, MANAGEMENT & MONITORING PLANE

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ICN DASH Video server architecture



In-network loss detection and recovery

A result of connectionless request-reply ICN transport model

- Why a powerful feature:
 - Standard TCP/IP congestion control poorly performs in presence of wireless losses and does not handle mobile
 - End-to-end control even loop is slow (at least 1 RTT)
- ICN enables sub-RTT loss detection and recovery by delegation at key network nodes (consumer/producer/access points) of



• WLDR, MLDR (Wireless, Mobility Loss Detection and Recovery) mechanisms, the latter generalized to congestion case.

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Wireless Loss Detection and Recovery (WLDR)

Key design ideas

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WLDR is implemented at face level and introduces a per-face sequencing on packets to detect losses.

- Base station or Wireless node when receiving Interests or Data packets
 - Uses the sequence number in the packets to reconstruct the sequence and detect potential losses
 - If received seq differs from expected seq, sends notification to the wireless node/base station
- Base station or Wireless node when sending Interests or Data packets
 - maintains a counter per-face indicating the sequence number for the next Interest to be sent
 - Writes such sequencing when sending the packets





Dynamic load-balancing over hetnet access

Key features and advantages

- ICN enables per-packet load-balancing (LB) over dynamically discovered paths
- Packet vs segment granularity in LB permits to exploit all available bandwidth in parallel while avoiding Head of Line blocking
- Forwarding strategies can be video-specific and quality-aware (e.g. in case of SVC for smart quality layers to faces mapping)
- Forwarding strategies can be coupled to caching policies to minimize overall latency



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Live DEMO

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Conclusions

Demonstrated ICN advantages:

- Joint user and network-aware video rate adaptation at the client
 - User QoE combined with per-content network monitoring (congestion, cache proximity) to drive DASH rate adaptation over hetnet → QoE optimization
- Access-agnostic in-network Wireless Loss Detection & Recovery
 - ICN enables in-network rather than e2e control → latency reduction
- Mobility-robust and congestion-aware dynamic multipath
 - Seamless load-balancing over multiple available interfaces in parallel
 - Fine-granular per-packet (not per segment) load-balancing →better performance
- Unified unicast/multicast communication model

Communication becomes multicast as soon as more than one user request
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 No need for syncronisation of different flows/users ->simpler configuration

Future challenges to address

Network-assisted video delivery

- Network-assistance to drive rate adaptation at the client
- Video/quality-aware forwarding/caching strategies at network nodes
- SVC-enabled load-balancing in the network
- Unified unicast/multicast communication model

Unified single access control framework for

- unicast/multicast
- access-agnostic (for the consumer)
- multi-source (for the producer)



ICN deployment path & network slicing



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