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NDN 网络架构的演进 Evolution of NDN Architecture

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□ Why NSF start FIA research 10 years before ?

"As our reliance on a secure and highly dependable information technology infrastructure continues to increase, **it is no longer clear that emerging and future needs of our society can be met by the current trajectory of incremental changes to the current Internet.**"

"Thus our call to the research community to **propose new Internet architectures** that hold promise for the future."

---- Ty Znati, director of the Computer and Network Systems Division, NSF

NDN, MobilityFirst, Nebula, and XIA were awarded.

NSF Announces Future Internet Architecture Awards, NSF News Release 10-156, August 27, 2010

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□ Named Data Networking (NDN)

- Born from Content Centric Networking (CCN)
- Vision:
 - ◆ **Information-intensive business** (travel, banks, etc.) moved onto the Internet.
 - ◆ an ever-increasing range of content can be distributed digitally.
 - ◆ The **Web** makes it easy for anyone to create, discover and consume content
 - ◆ **hardware advances** makes it feasible to connect everything to the Internet
 - ◆ the **most predominant use of the Internet** is centered on ***content creation, dissemination and delivery***, and this trend will continue into the foreseeable future.
- Core ideas:
 - ◆ Focus changed from “**where**” (address) to “**what**” (content)
 - ◆ **Named data** as the first-class entity/citizen



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Van Jacobson
(1950-)

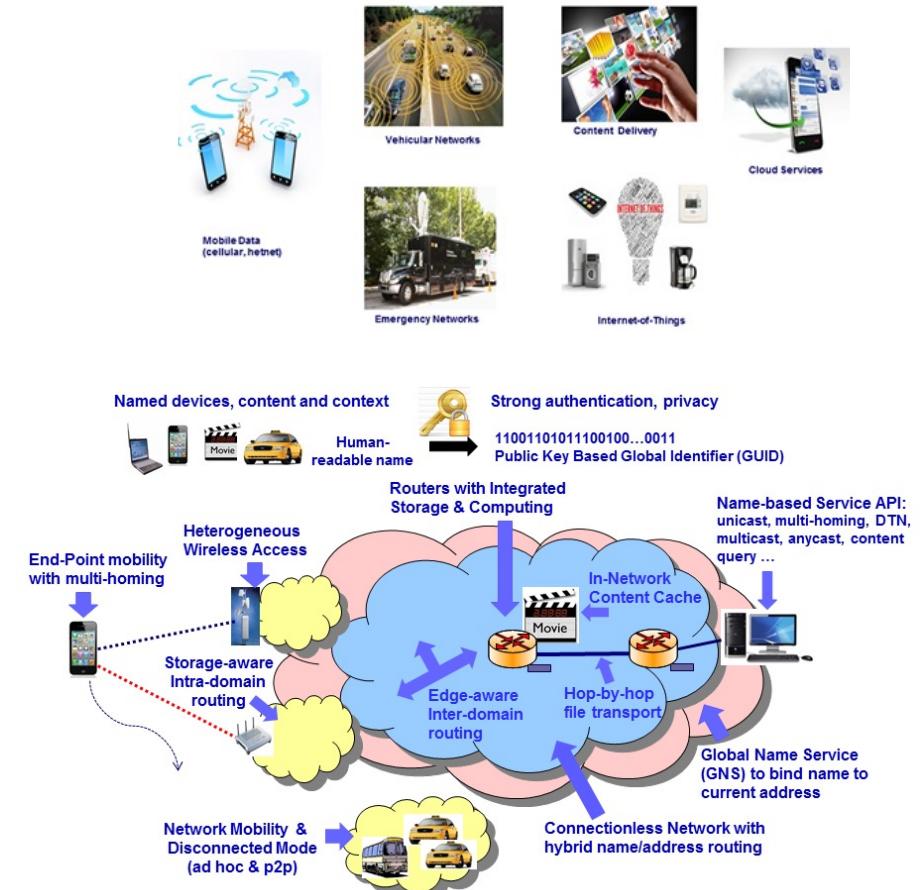


Lixia Zhang
(1951-)

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□ MobilityFirst (MF)

- Vision
 - ◆ **Mobility** as the Key driver for the future Internet
 - ◆ Internet → **mobile Internet** (cell phones, embedding devices, vehicular networks, ...)
 - ◆ **Mobility as norm**
- Core features
 - ◆ **Named objects** are assigned a secure public key **GUID**
 - ◆ **Global Name Resolution & Routing Services**
 - ◆ Storage-aware routing
 - ◆ Hop-by-hop (segmented) transport
 - ◆ Separate mgmt. plane

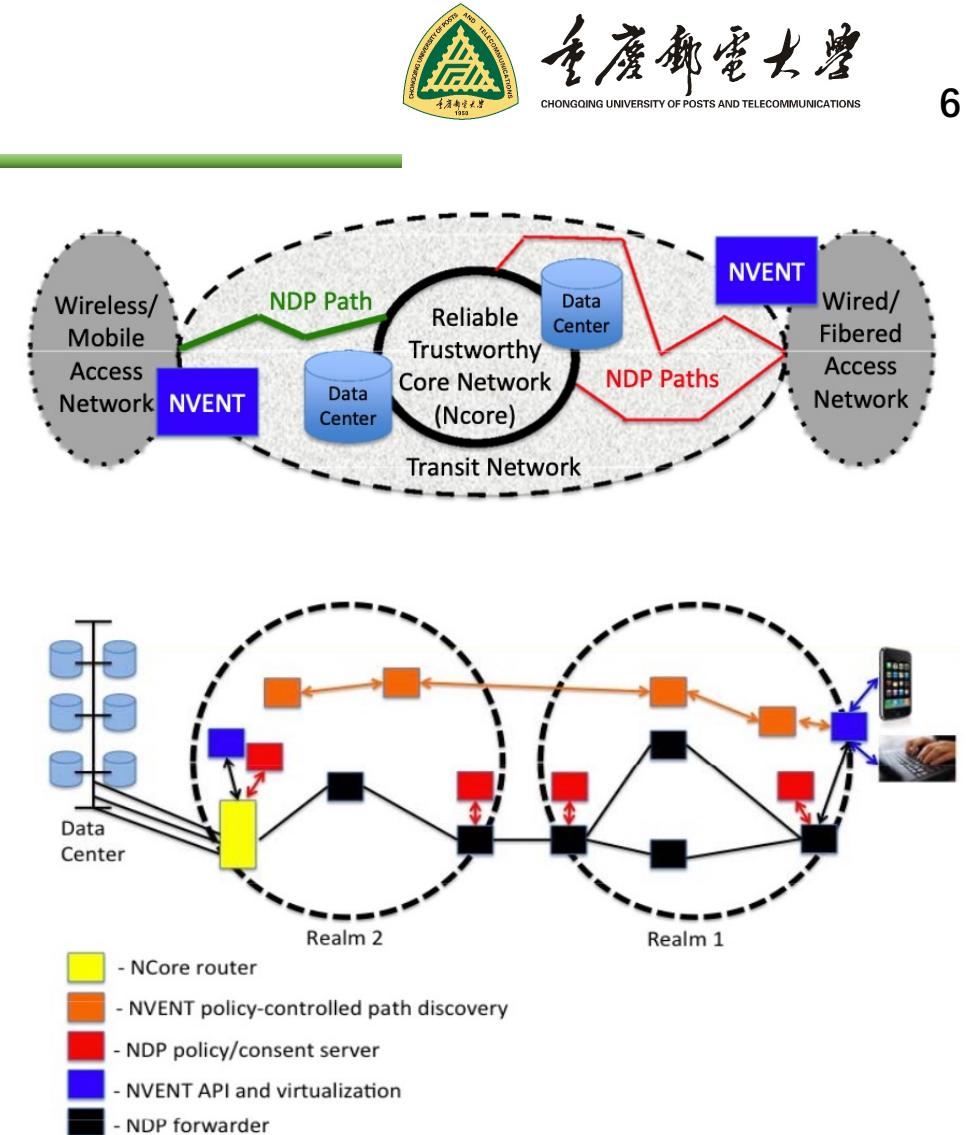


<http://mobilityfirst.winlab.rutgers.edu/Index.html>

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❑ NEBULA

- Nebula is Latin for cloud.
- Vision
 - ◆ **cloud computing** will comprise an increasing fraction of the application workload offered to an Internet.
 - ◆ **access to cloud computing resources** will demand new architectural features from a network.
- Core features
 - ◆ NEBULA Core Architecture (NCore): high performance, ultra-reliable router
 - ◆ NEBULA Data Plane (NDP)
 - ◆ NEBULA extensible control plane (NVENT)

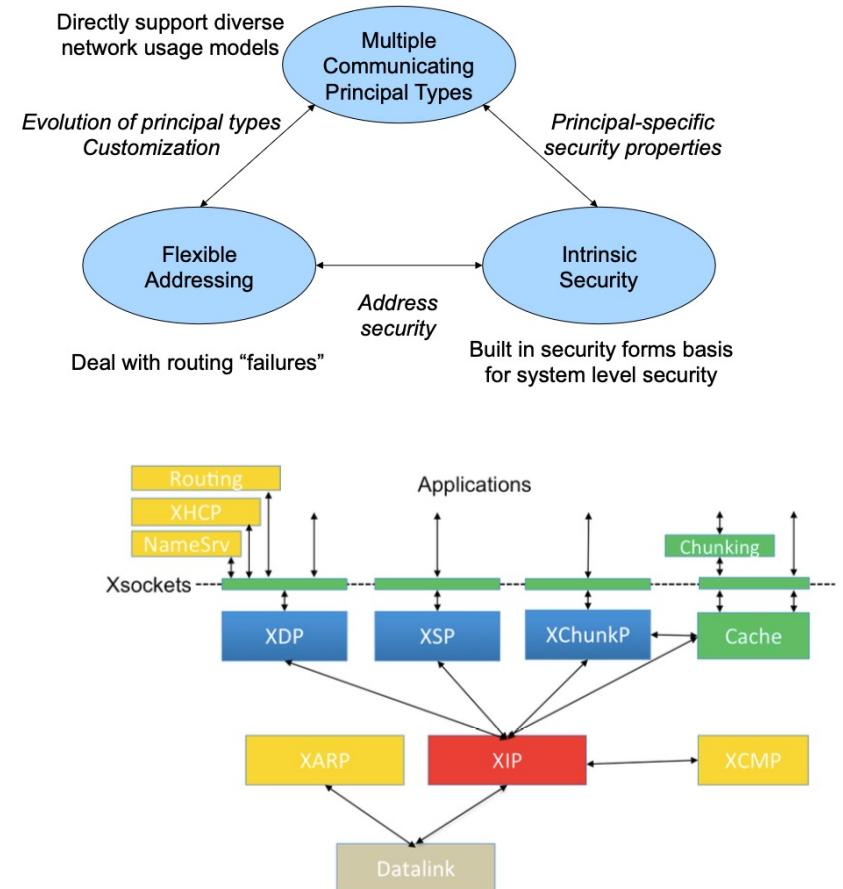


A brief overview of the NEBULA future Internet Architecture, ACM SIGCOMM CCR, 2014

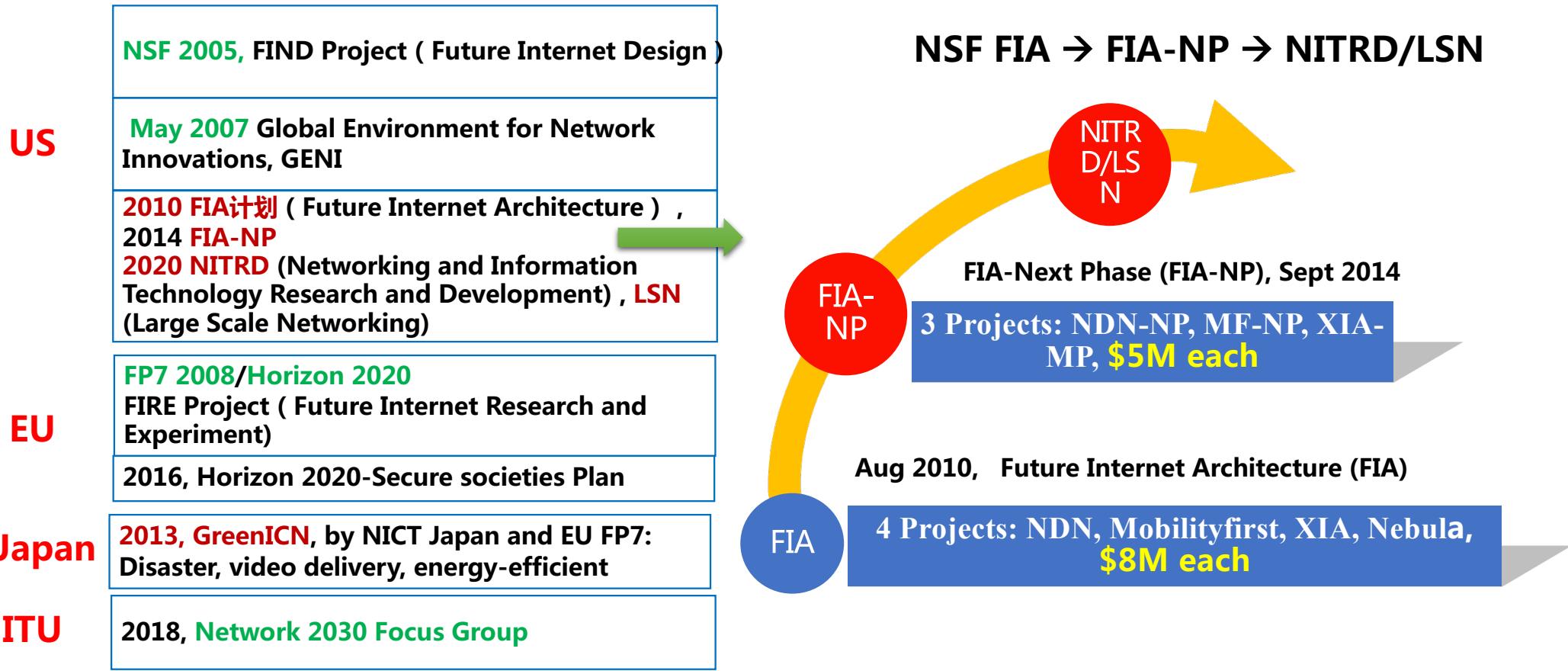
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□ eXpressive Internet Architecture (XIA)

- Vision
 - ◆ Growing **diversity** of network use models
 - ◆ Need of trustworthy communication
 - ◆ Growing set of stakeholders
- Key features
 - ◆ explicitly support communication between **diverse entities**, i.e., principal (hosts, services, content, future additional entities), identified by different kinds of **XIDs**
 - ◆ **Intrinsic security**
 - ◆ **Flexible addressing**, using Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs) of XIDs



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Research Projects abroad on Future Networks

《全球未来网络发展白皮书》2020

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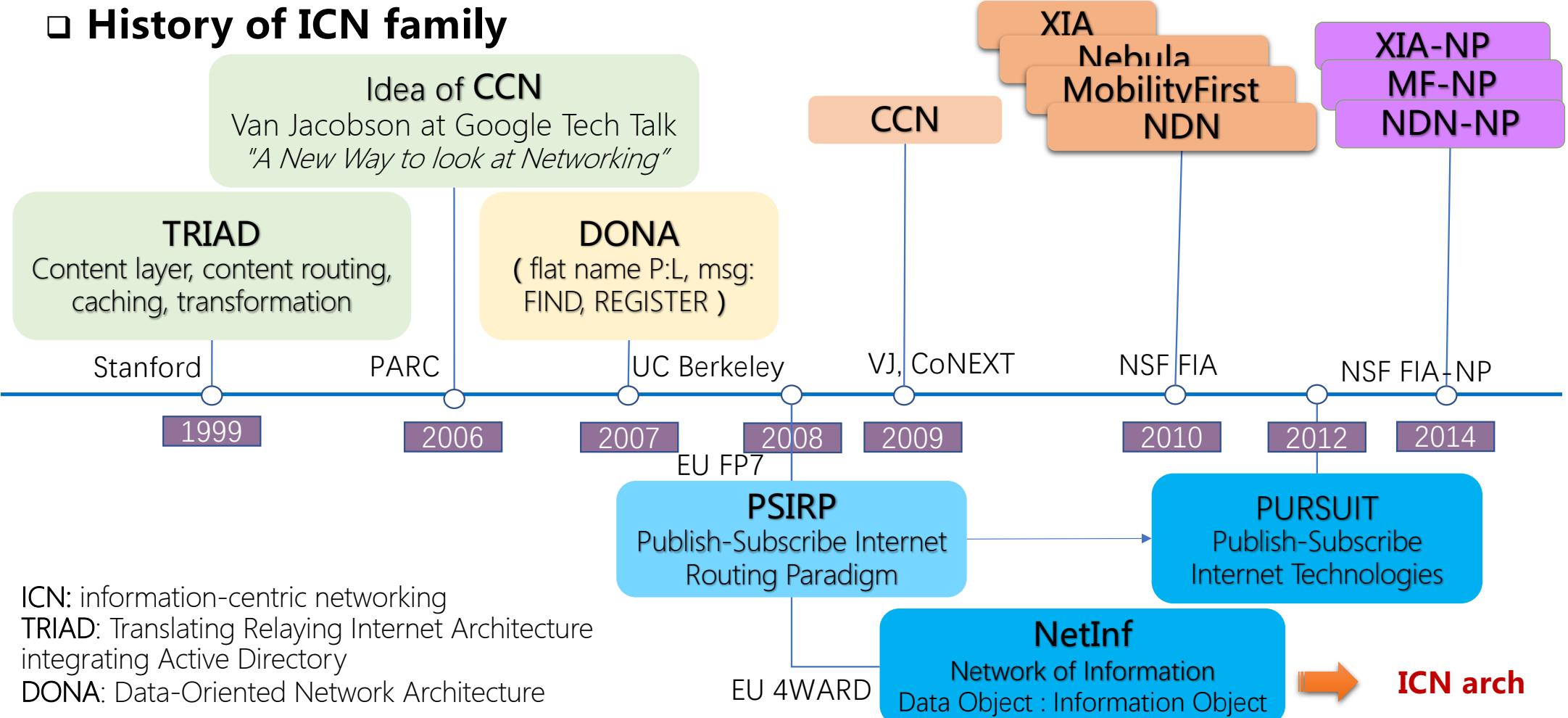


Representative architectures Proposal of
Future Network in China
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□ History of ICN family

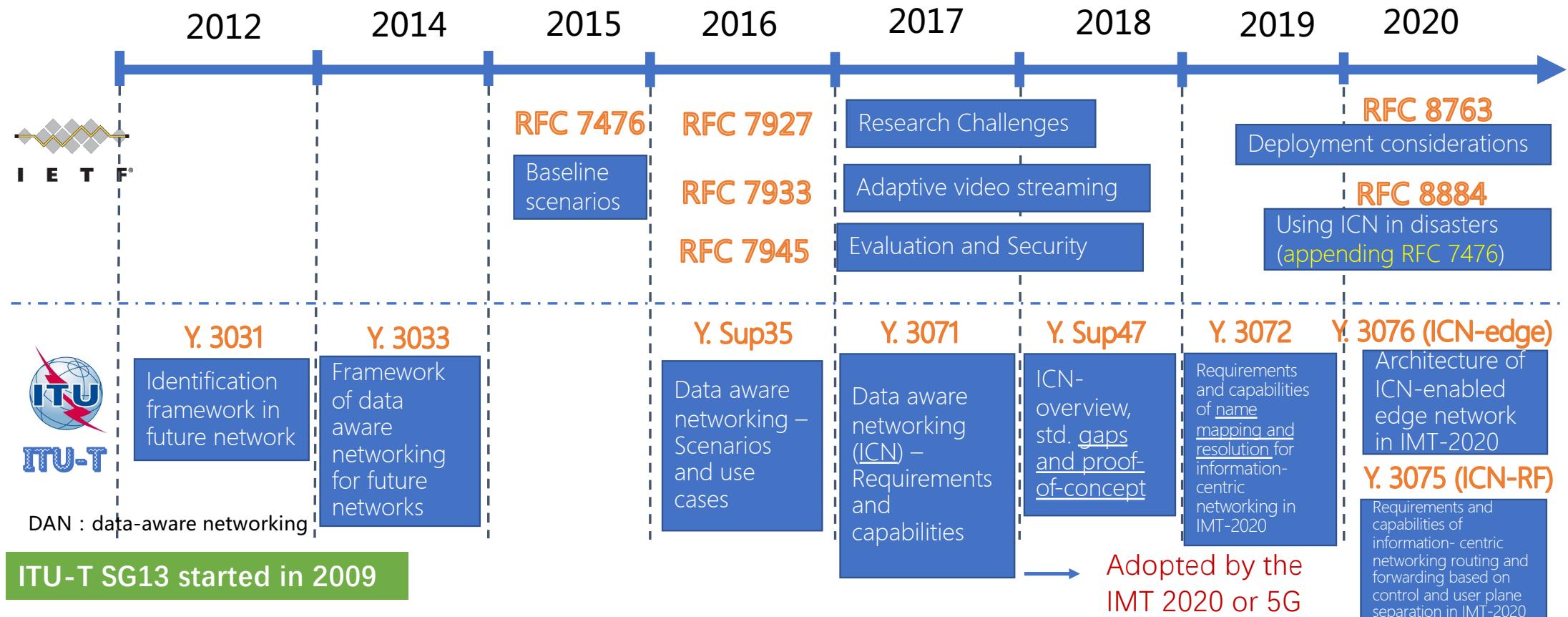


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□ Standardization of ICN/NDN

ICNRG founded in IRTF in August 2012





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2. NDN architecture overview

❑ Named Data is the '*first-class citizen*'

- Each piece of Data has a unique name, **independent of location**.
- Named data oriented

❑ Name-based addressing & routing

- Decoupling of Named Data and its location

❑ In-network storage/caching

❑ Data-centric security

- Each Data packet is **signed by its producer**

❑ *Consumer-driven Pull*

- A consumer sends an Interest packet to request a named Data packet.
- Without notification mechanism
- Push not allowed

❑ *Symmetric Interest/Data path*

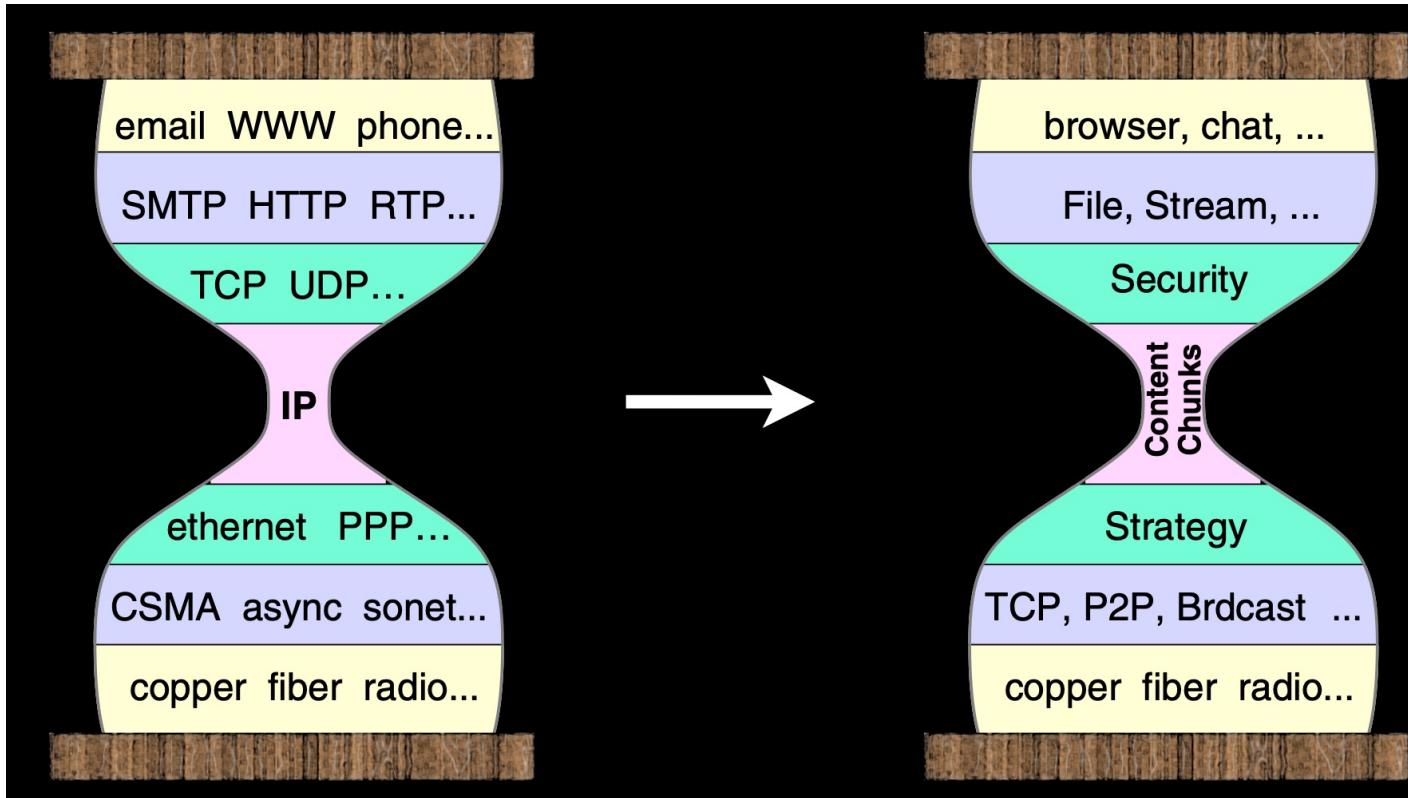
- The matching Data packet goes back on the **reverse path** of its corresponding Interest packet.

❑ *Stateful forwarding*

- Recording sources of requests

Core features of NDN design

2. NDN architecture overview



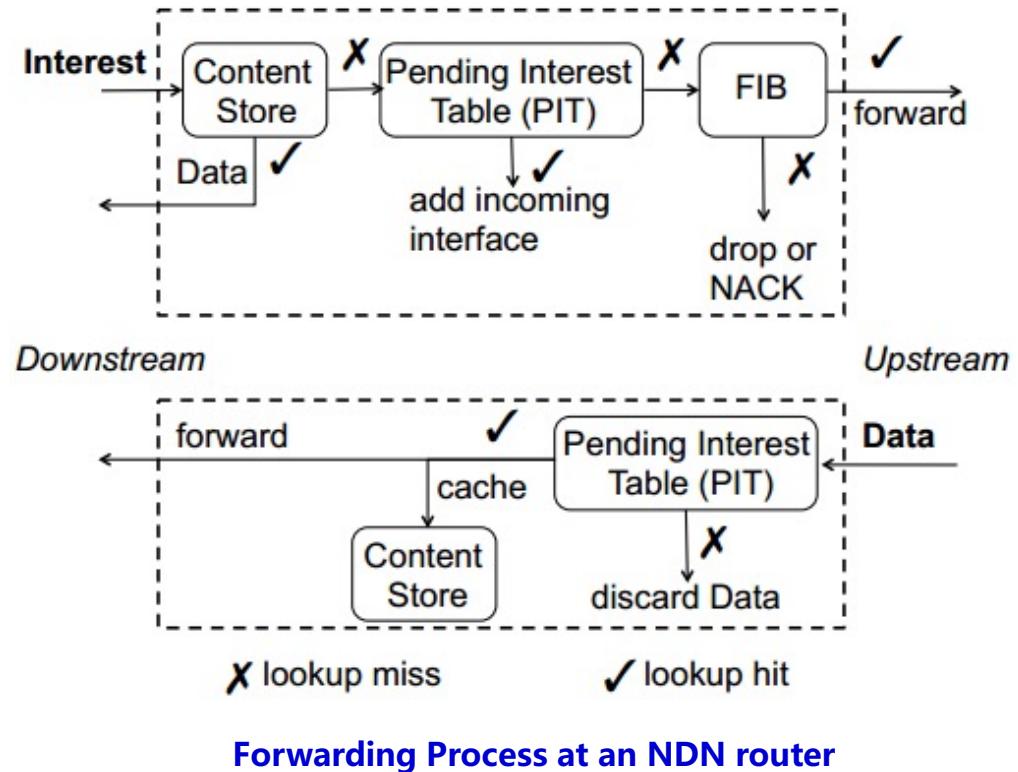
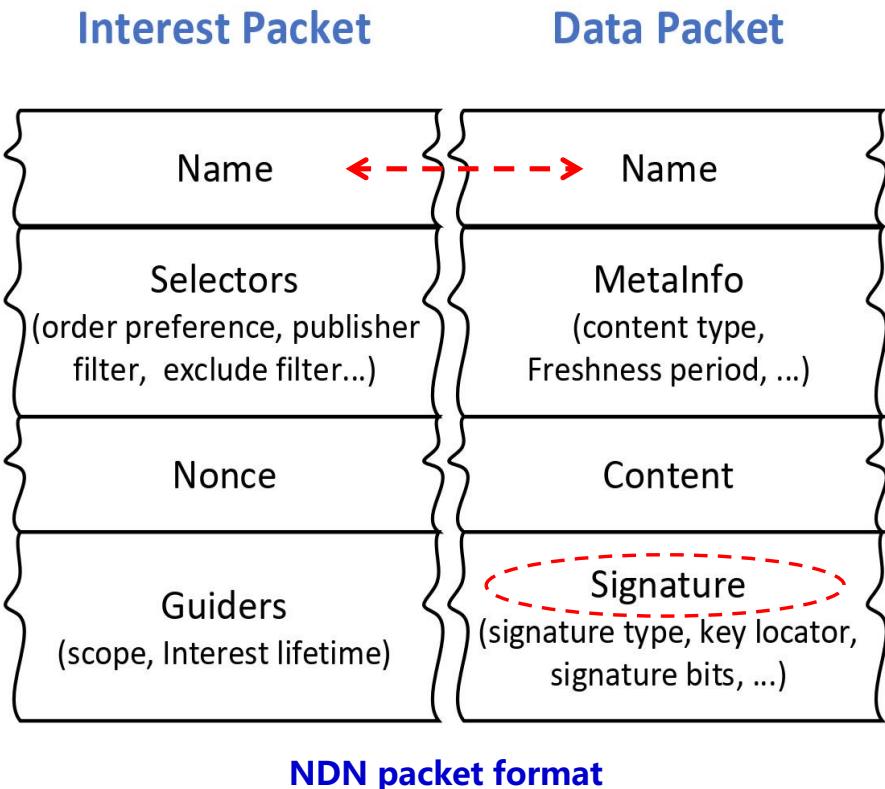
The new '**hourglass**' model

Content Chunks, or named Data Chunks as the narrow waist of NDN/CCN

Down HTTP to the network layer (only '**GET**' method)

Van Jacobson, Introduction to Content Centric Networking, June 2009.

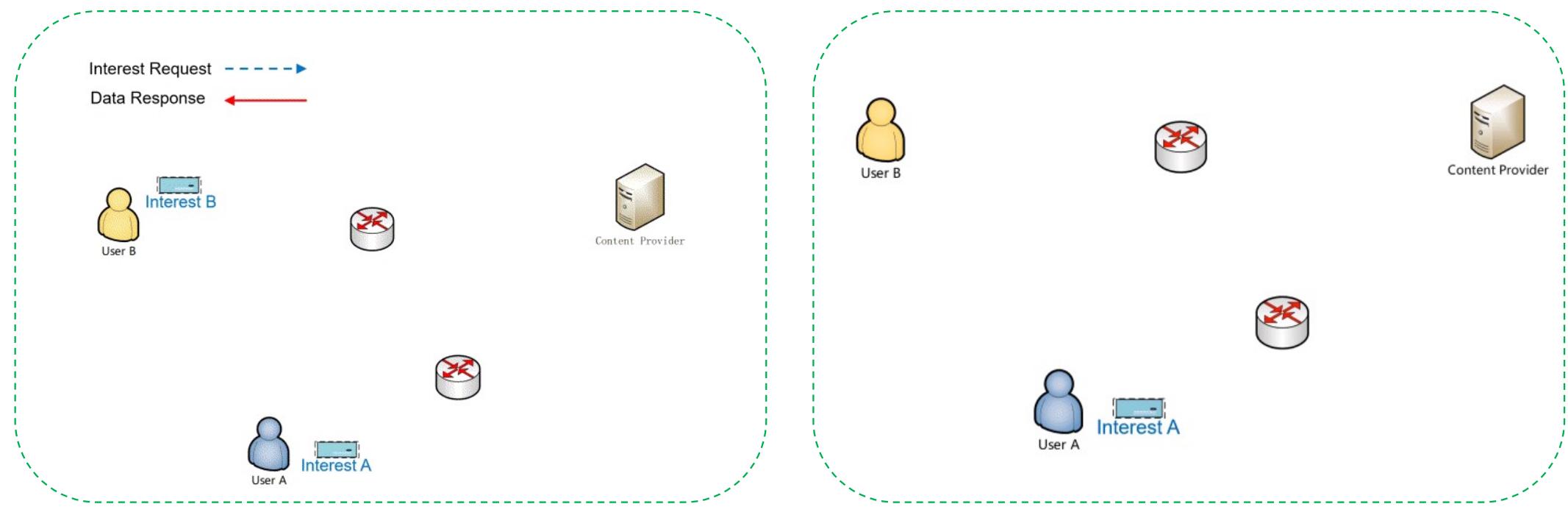
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Packet format and forwarding process

Lixia Zhang, Named Data Networking, ACM SIGCOMM CCR, 2004.

Advantages of NDN architecture

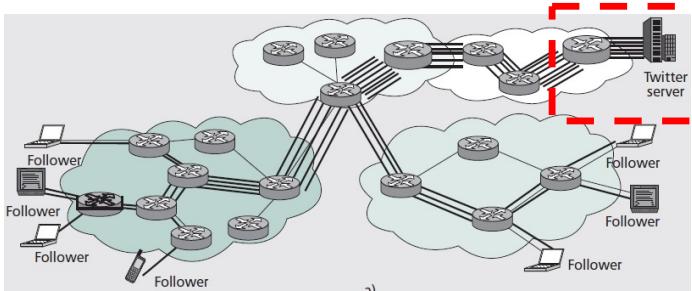


(a) Multicast data delivery via PIT aggregation

(b) In-network caching

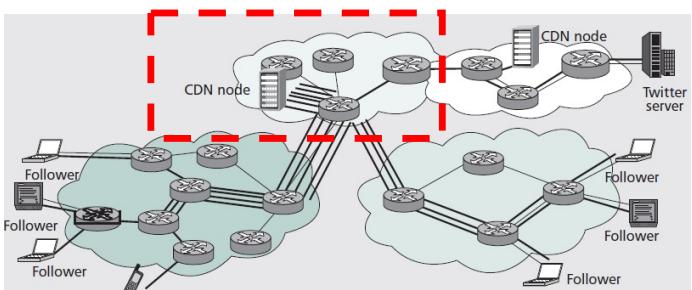
- **Natural multicast:** Interest aggregation at PIT reduces duplicate Interest packets ; stateful forwarding enables multicast naturally.
- **Bandwidth efficiency:** In-network caching reduces backbone bandwidth utilization.

Advantages of NDN architecture



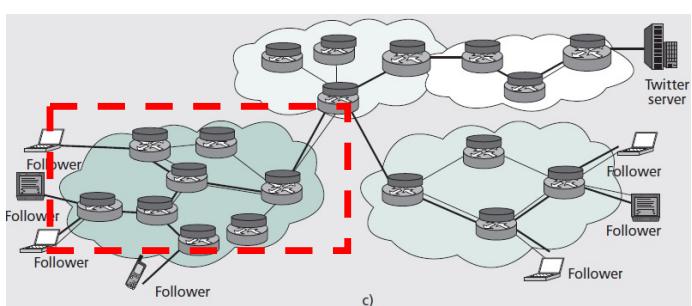
(a) **IP network** : consumers get content from servers directly

- There are a large number of repeated (redundant) transmissions in network leading to serious waste of resources.



(b) **CDN** (Content Distribution Network) : consumers get content from CDN nodes

- Many caching servers are distributed in the areas where the request is intensive. When users visit the website, they will be redirected to the nearest server.

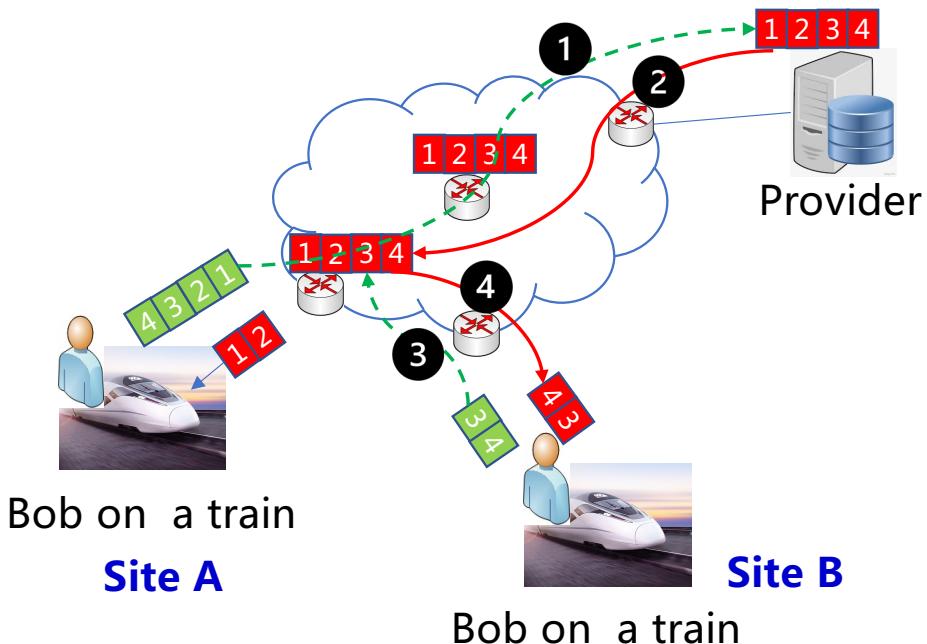


(c) **ICN** (Information-Centric Network) : consumers get content from ICN nodes

- In-network caching: Every node in ICN can cache data. Every node can provide content for other nodes if it has cached the content others need.

The bandwidth consumption for ICN is the lowest.

Advantages of NDN architecture



Bob on a train

Site A

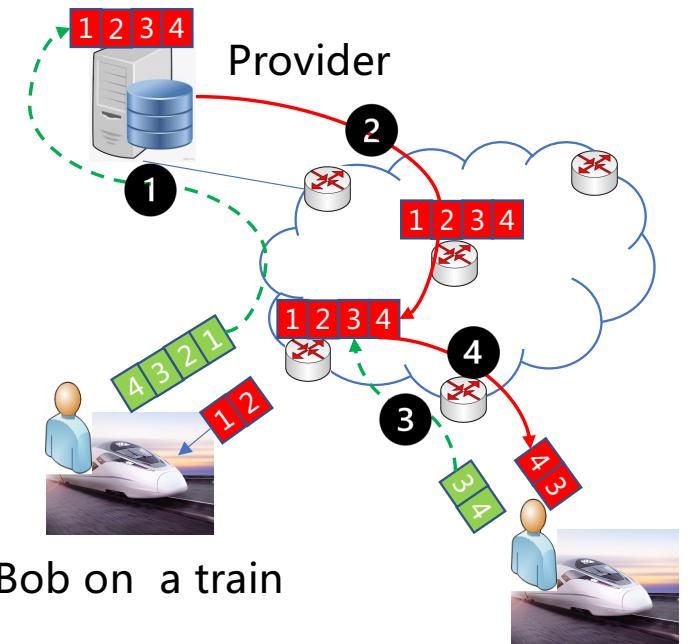
Bob on a train

Site B

Just re-issue requests for those unreacheds
Data packets to the nearby routers.

- **In-network caching**

Consumer mobility, content mobility



Bob on a train

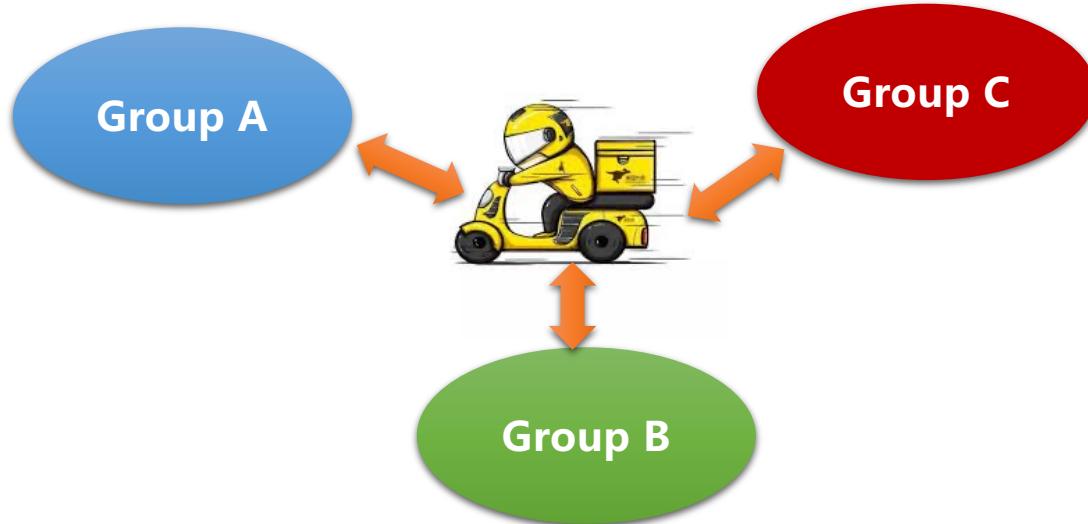
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Just re-route the requests.

- **Data names independent of location**
- **Producer/provider mobility**

Advantages of NDN architecture

Data mule / Network mobility



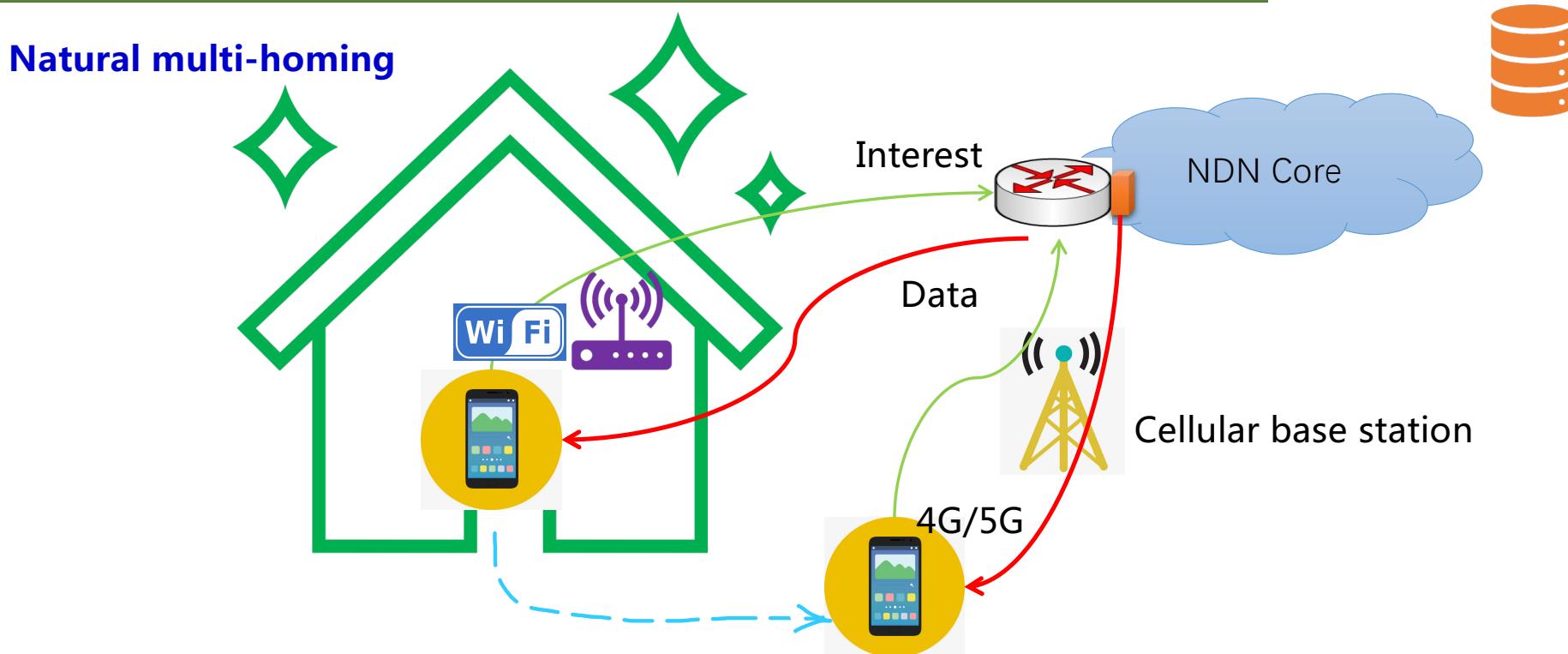
Opportunistic routing for
intermittent links



Connecting isolating islands
Under unstable power, network,

- Connectionless data delivery
- In-network storage

Advantages of NDN architecture



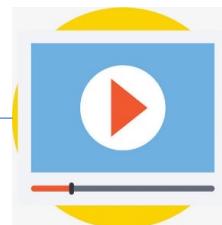
- Each phone has multiple network interface; each has an IP address. Handover in TCP/IP between them results in **connection failure**.
- **Connectionless data fetching in NDN** is independent on interfaces.

NDN-enabled application scenarios



Content dissemination

- Content based addressing
- Traffic aggregation
- In-network caching



NDN typical applications



Vehicular Networks

- connectionless data delivery
- In-network caching
- Data mule



Internet of Things

- connectionless = unlimited connections



Delay/Disruption Tolerance Network

- Emergency supporting & disaster recovery
 - Infrastructure free communications
- Opportunistic routing



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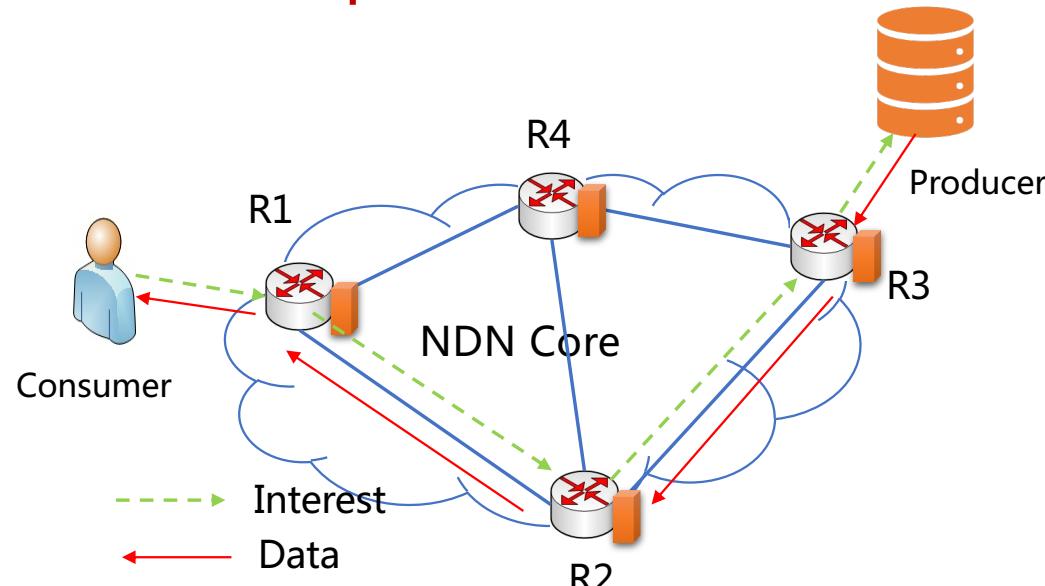
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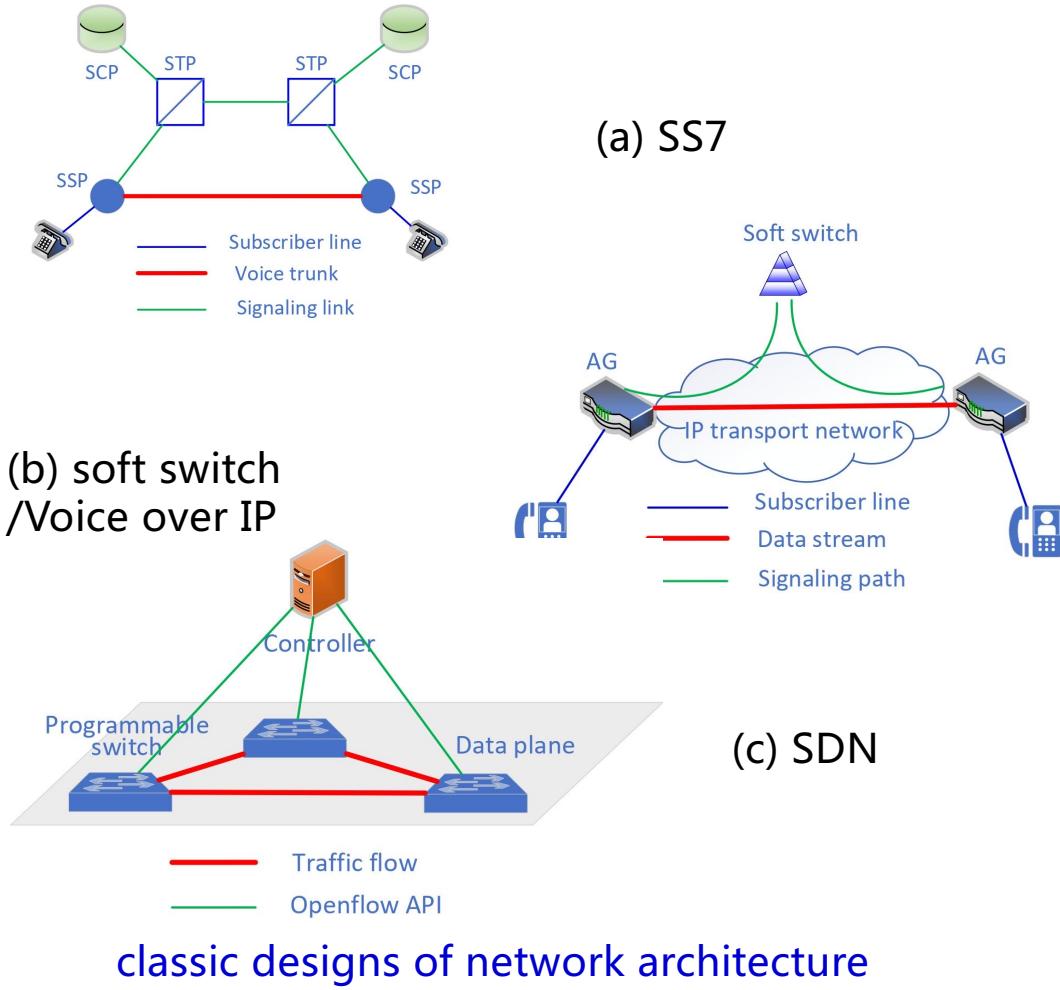
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Two Issues Considered

(1) Symmetric path of Interest and Data packets

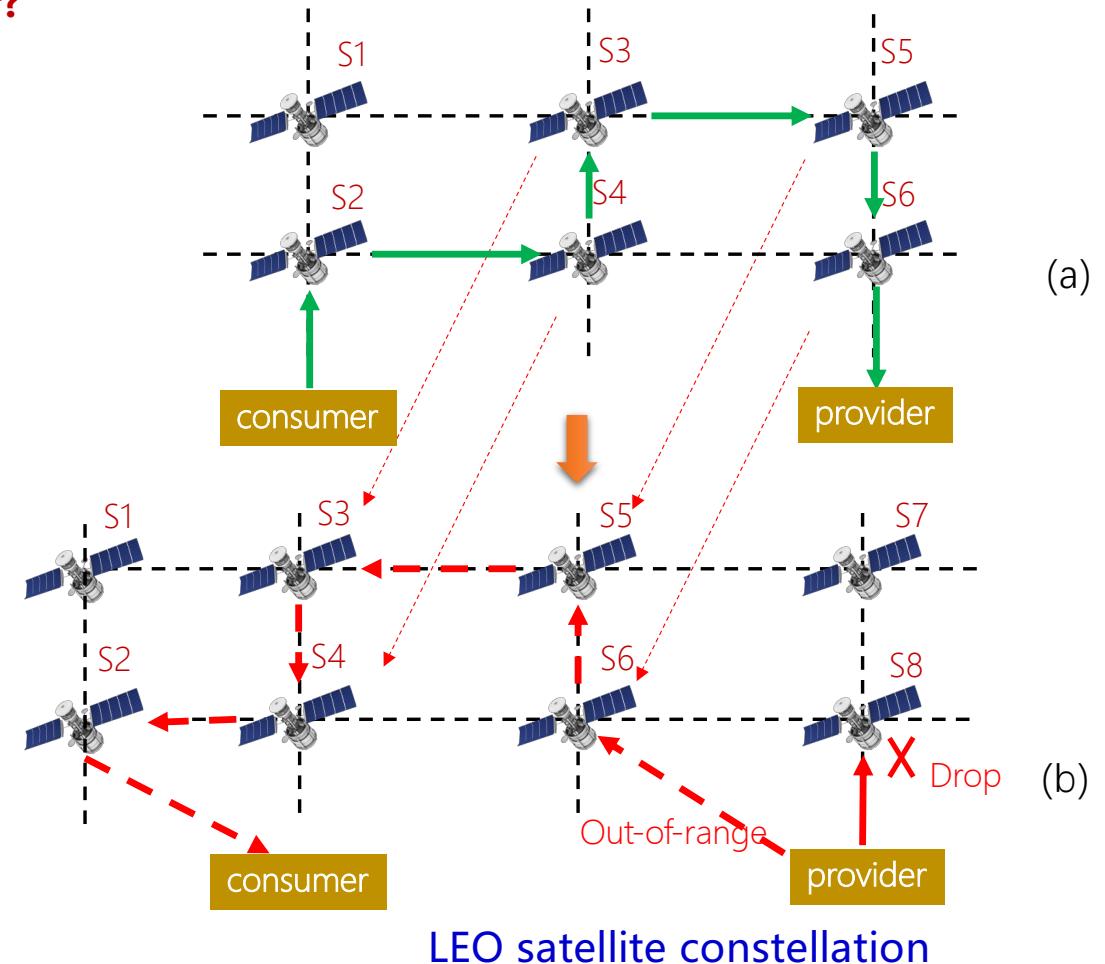
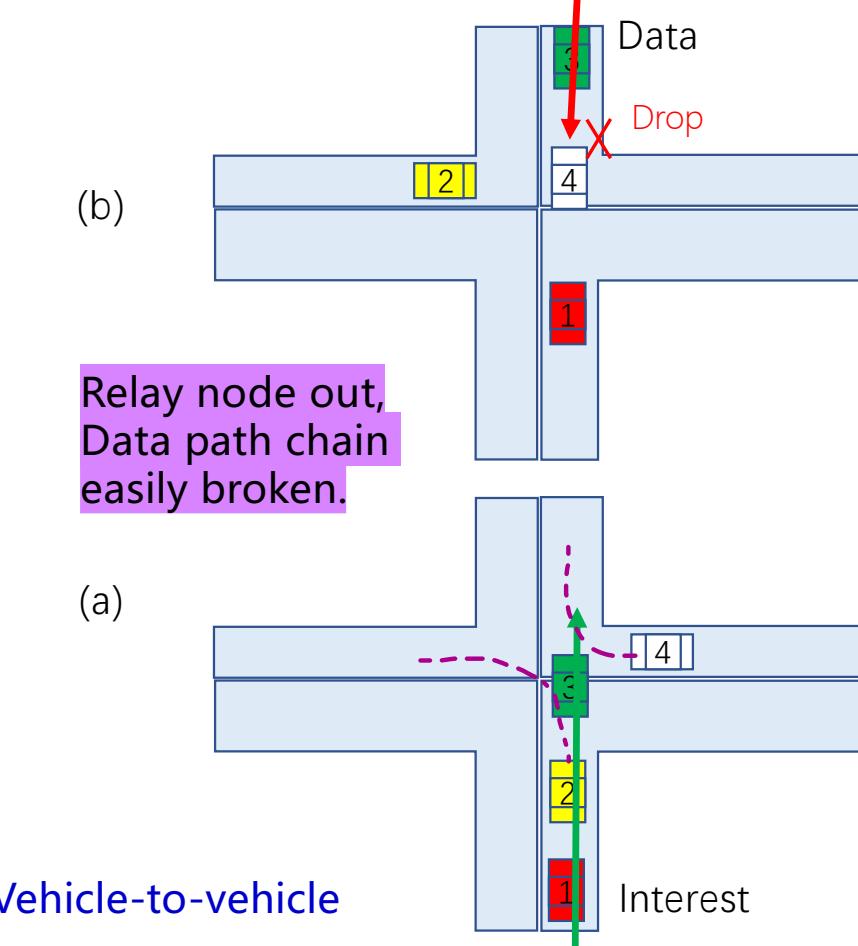


Native NDN: Data packets go on the reverse path of Interest packets.



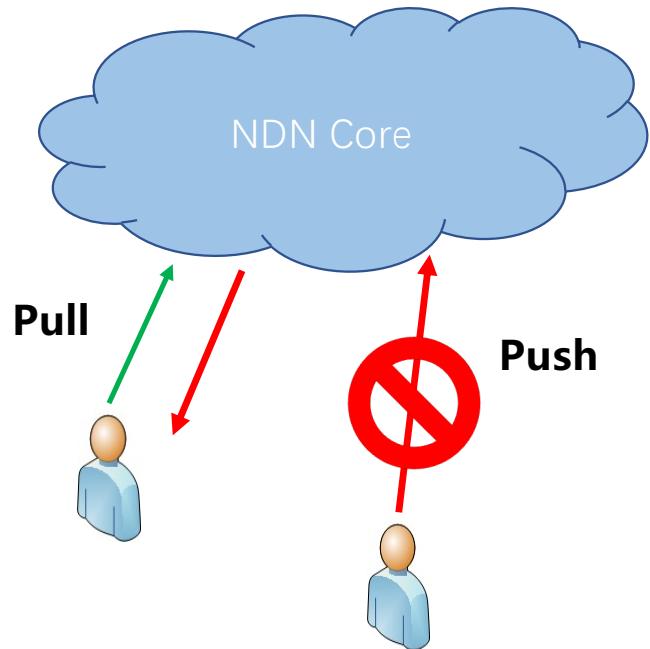
Disadvantage: symmetric paths

What happen if intermediate nodes disappear?

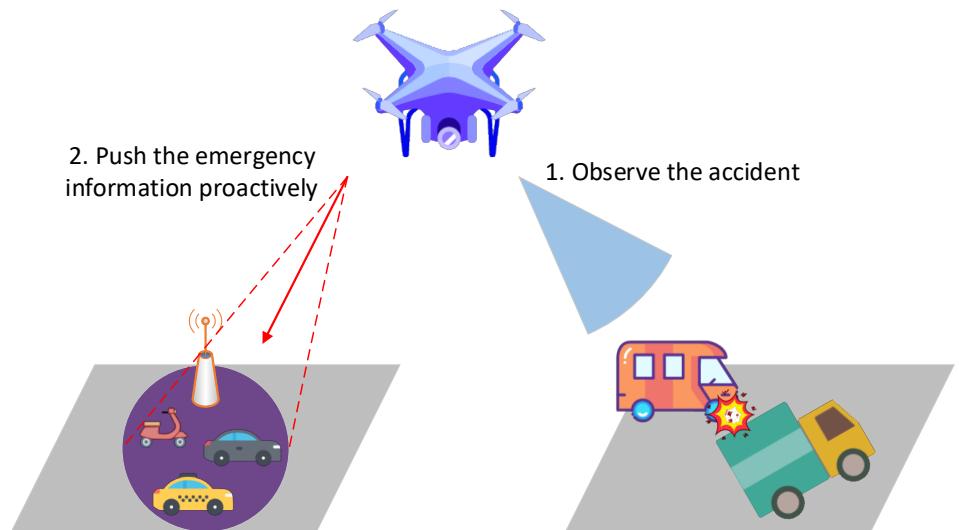


Two issues considered

(2) Only Pull, no Push



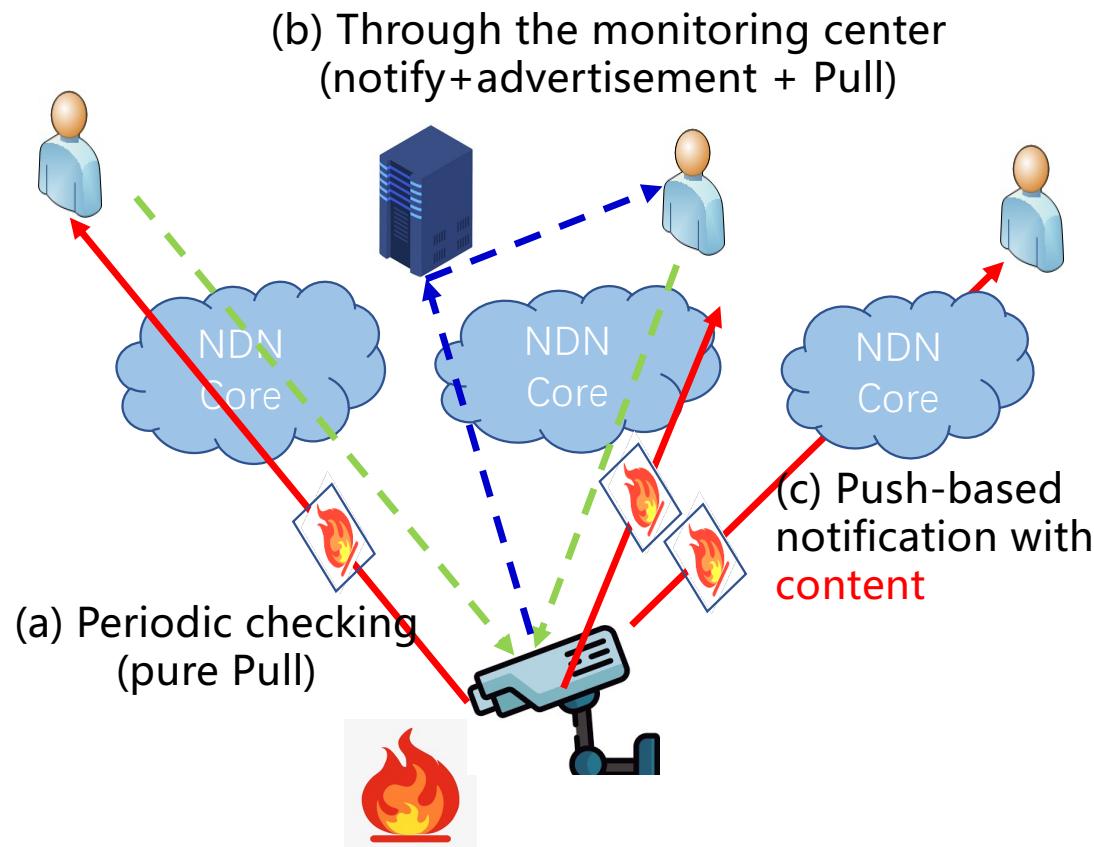
Borrow 'GET' from HTTP, ignoring 'POST'



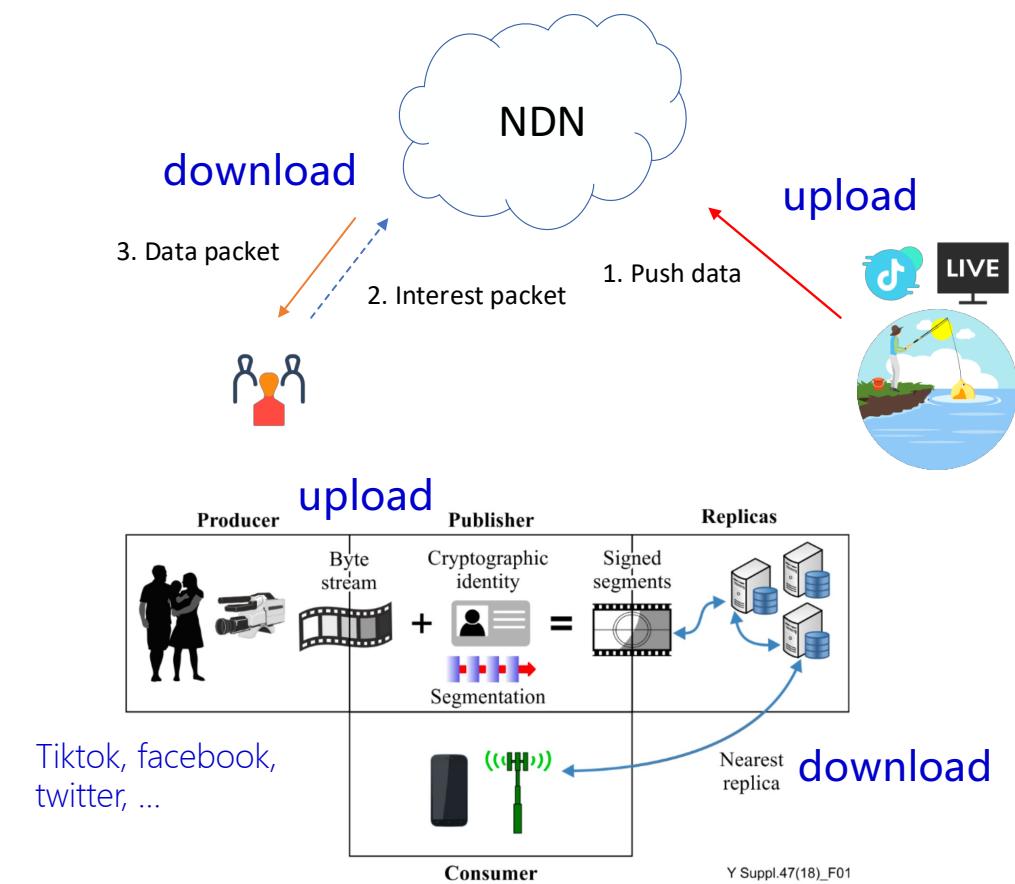
In emergency message dissemination, pull is inefficient, whereas push is more efficient.

Critical message dissemination

Disadvantage: lack PUSH mechanism



Emergence sensing

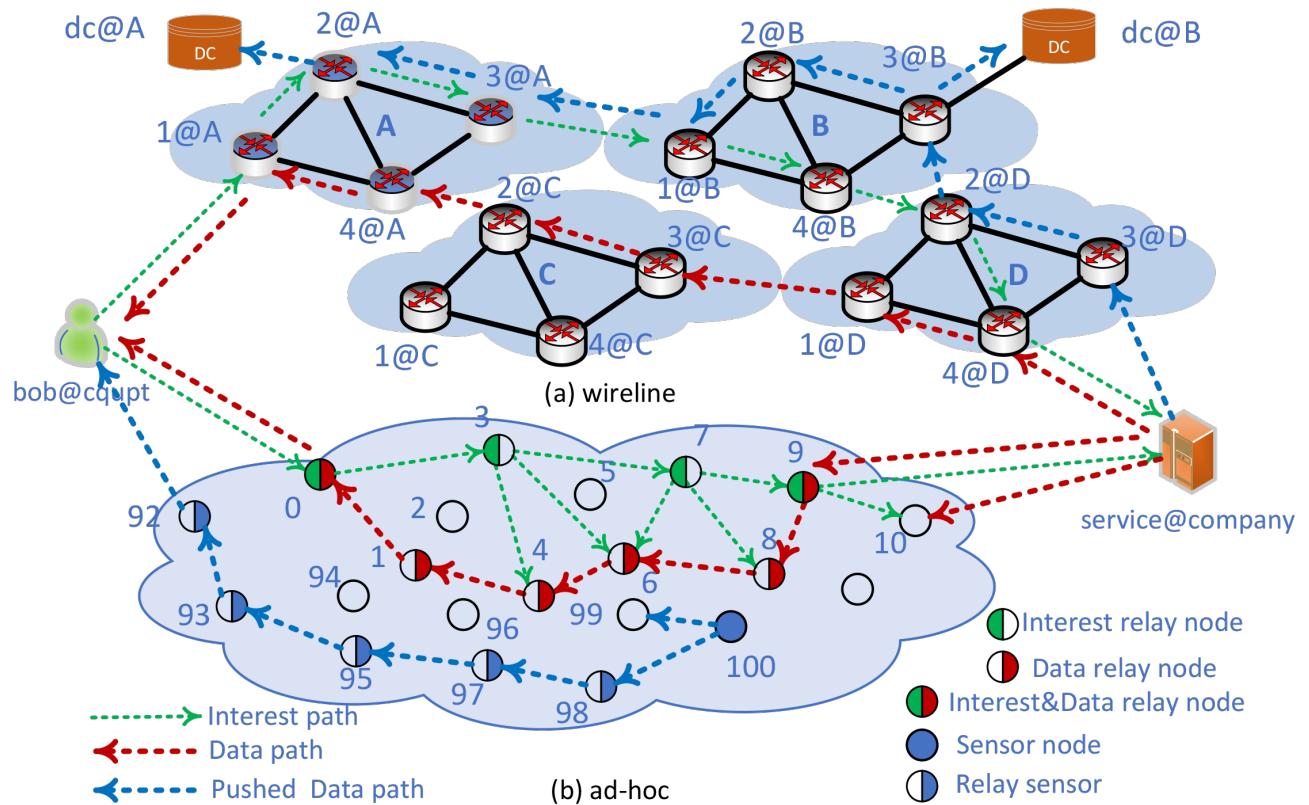


UGC sharing
UGC: user generated content

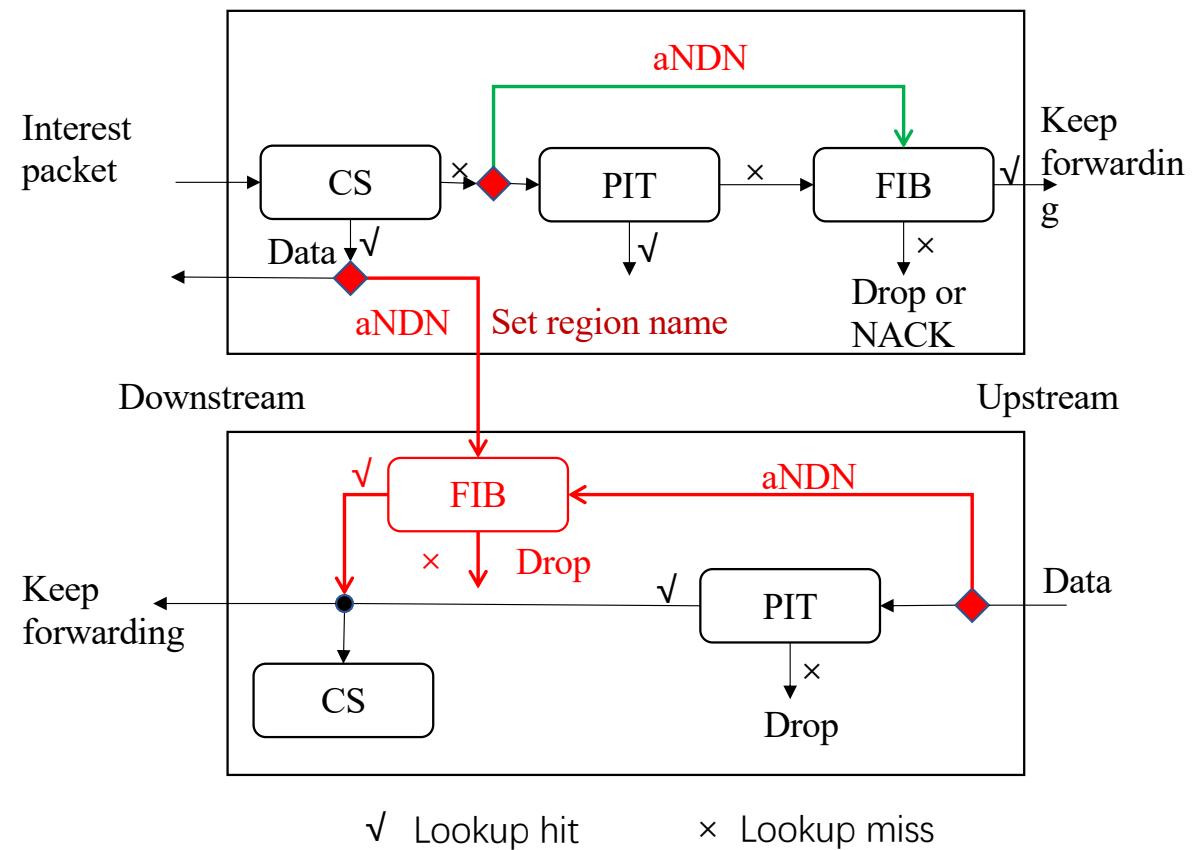
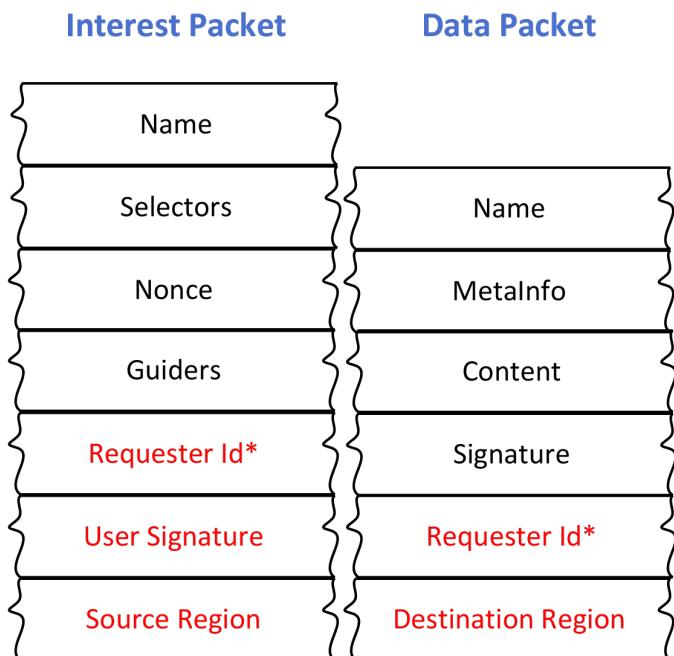
Approaches: Asymmetric NDN (aNDN)

□ Ideas of aNDN (initial NDN 2.0)

- **Asymmetric paths**
 - ◆ Decoupling paths of Interest and Data packets
- **Supporting Pull and Push**
 - ◆ Request-response
 - ◆ IoT sensing
 - ◆ Data-center updating
- **Naming everything**
 - ◆ Data, consumer, producer, host, region, ...
- **Optional stateful forwarding**



aNDN -Packet and Forwarding



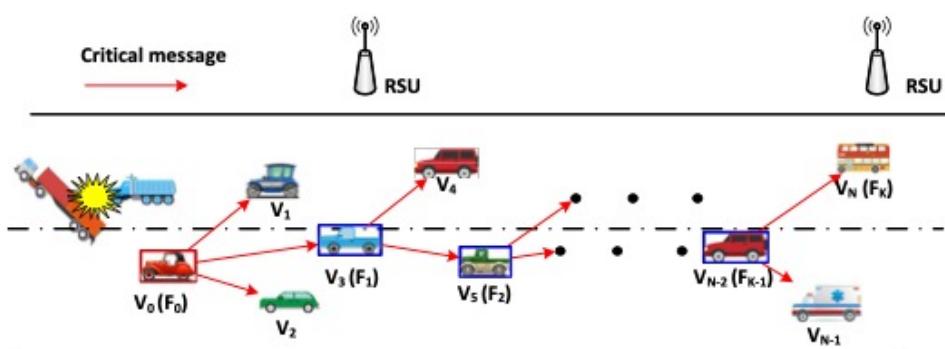
aNDN Packet format

aNDN forwarding process

Benefits of aNDN: Push vs. Pull

□ Critical message dissemination in V-NDN

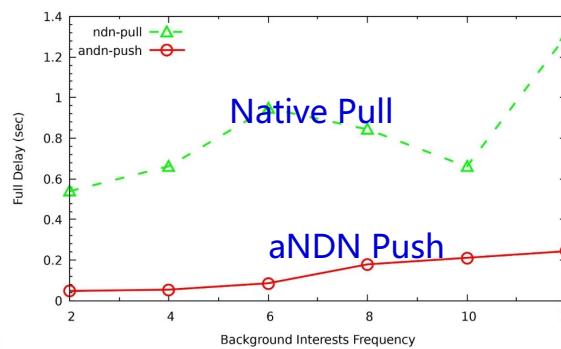
- Native NDN: Pull contents
- aNDN: Push contents



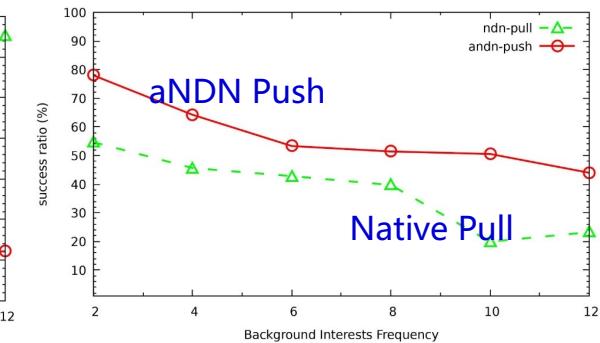
Configurations:

- Both multicast strategy
- Success ratio(SR): $\frac{N_{\text{receive}}}{N_{\text{transmitted}}}$, N: the number of data pkts

X axis: Background Interests Frequency (Int./sec)
Y axis: Full delay(sec)



(a) Average full delay



(b) Success ratio of Data delivery

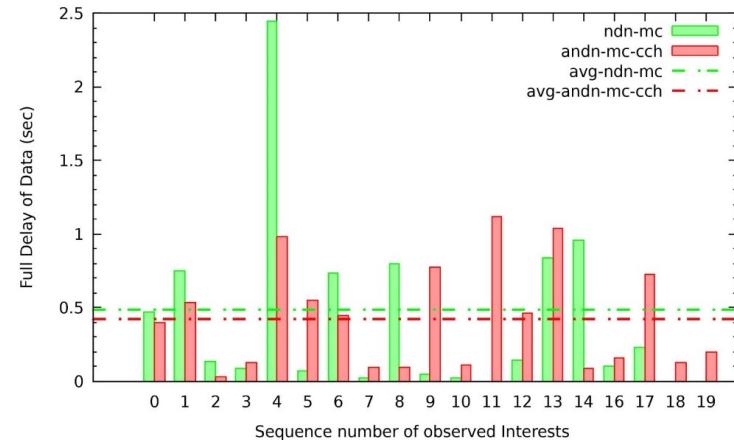
Push outperforms pull completely: almost half latency, higher delivery success ratio, under different background load.

Benefits of aNDN: asymmetric vs. symmetric

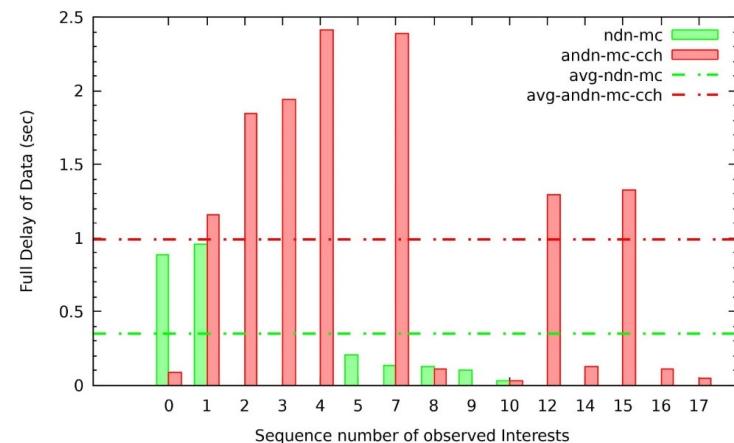
- Content dissemination in V-NDN by pull
 - Native NDN: Data/Interest on WAVE SCHs; Data on reverse path of Interest
 - aNDN: Interest on WAVE CCH, Data on SCHs; independent forwarding (both multicast)

- Conclusions
 - Asymmetric scheme outperforms native symmetric one.
 - Pull more packets (13:7) under heavy load

WAVE: Wireless Access in Vehicular Environment



(a) background: 4 interests/second.



(b) background: 8 interests/second.

(1) IoT requirements and NDN extension

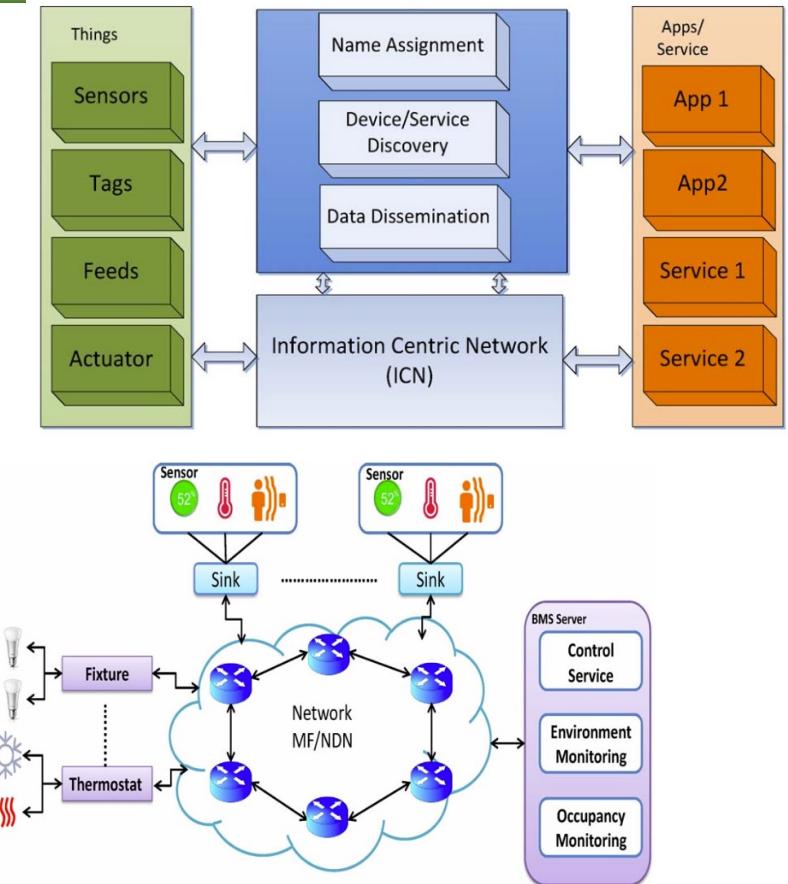
❑ IoT requirements

- Naming devices
 - ◆ sensors, tags, feeds, actuators, ...
- Device/Service Discovery
- Data Dissemination
 - ◆ Sensing/collecting
 - ◆ Commanding

❑ Two communication modes

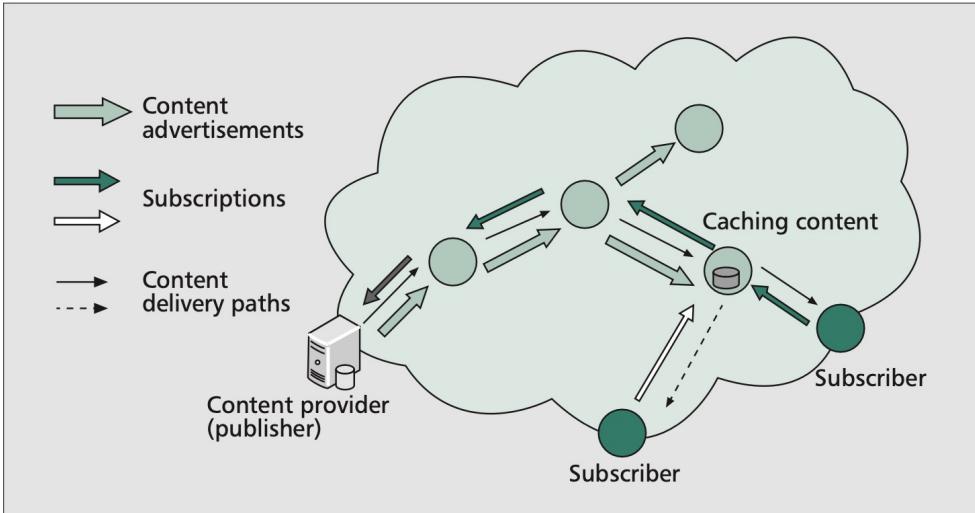
- Push: mission critical, control, sensing (**critical-mission**)
- Pull: sensing, query, ...

❑ NDN not support Push naturally



Suguang Li, Yanyong Zhang, et al. A comparative study of MobilityFirst and NDN based ICN-IoT architectures, 2014

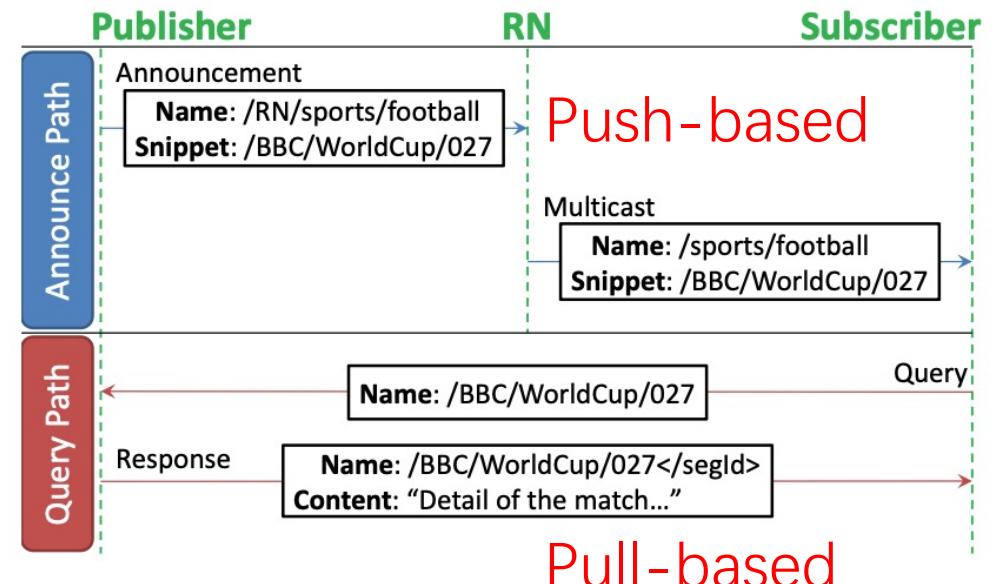
(2) Social Network



Publish/Subscribe System (pull-based)

On the advertisement from the Publisher

B Mathieu et al., Information-Centric Networking: A Natural Design for Social Network Applications. IEEE Comm. Mag., 2012



COPSS: hybrid pull-/push-based

Being strictly, the announcement is a Push.

Snippet: small sample or preview

Jiachen Chen, ···, Xiaoming Fu, et al. COPSS: An Efficient Content Oriented Publish/Subscribe System, 2015

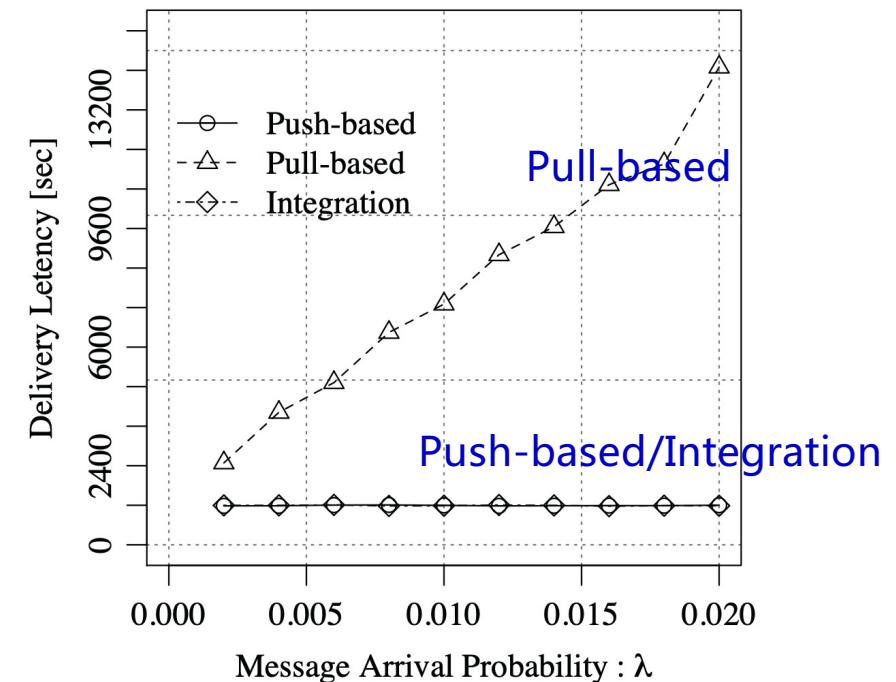
(3) Push/Pull in disaster recovery

□ Disaster situation

- many people want the **same information**, e.g., current status, safety of family members, ...
- Networks in this area are **damaged** and **fragmented**.
- Power supply is **not guaranteed**, easy to interrupt

□ Approach

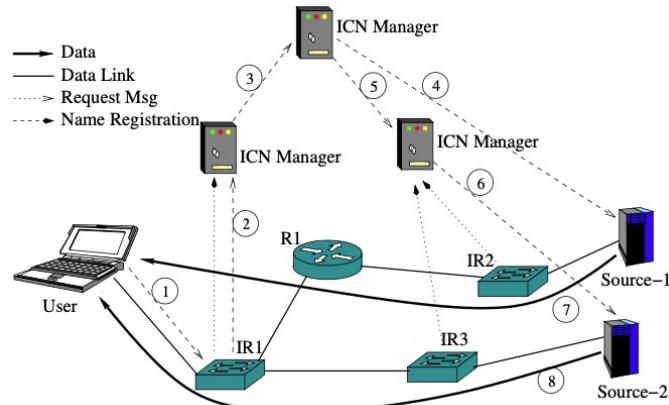
- A disaster message board
- Publish/Subscribe system **integrating Push/Pull**
- Data mule: ambulance, ...



Tagami, Atsushi et al. Name-based push/pull message dissemination for disaster message board, 2016 IEEE LANMAN 2016 Research Directions for Using Information-Centric Networking (ICN) **in Disaster Scenarios**. RFC 8884, Oct 2020

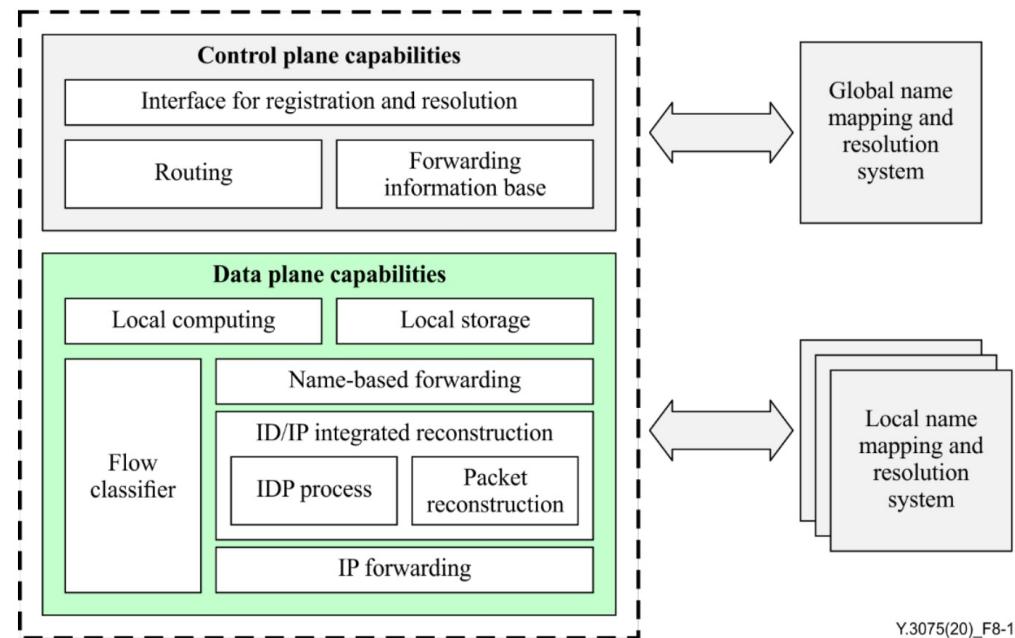
(4) Control-Data Separation

- Overlay ICN architecture (O-ICN)
 - Add an entity: **ICN Manager**
 - C-plane: naming, routing (decision)
 - D-plane: caching, forwarding
- Data runs different path from request messages
- Easy to implement using SDN, supporting non-SDN.



Samar Shailendra, A novel overlay architecture for Information Centric Networking, NCC 2015

- **C/D separation is required by IMT-2020 (5G)**

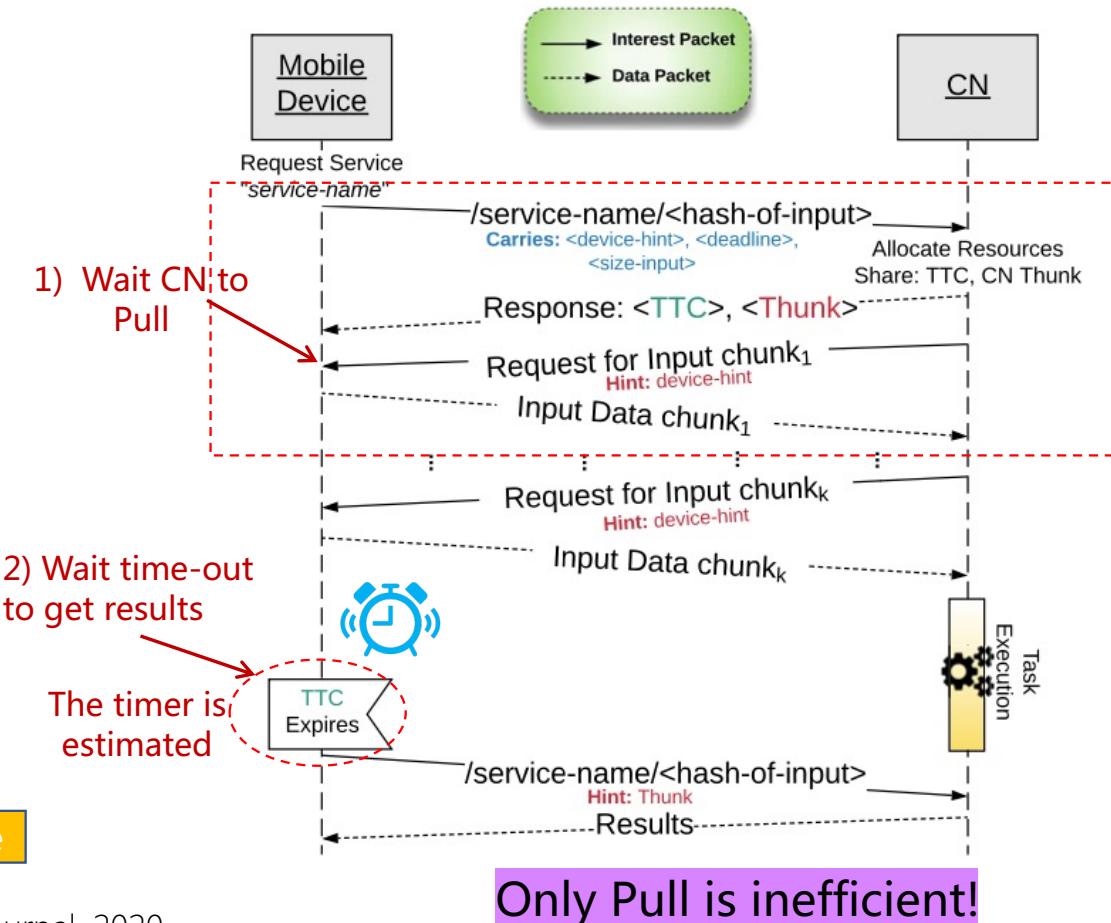
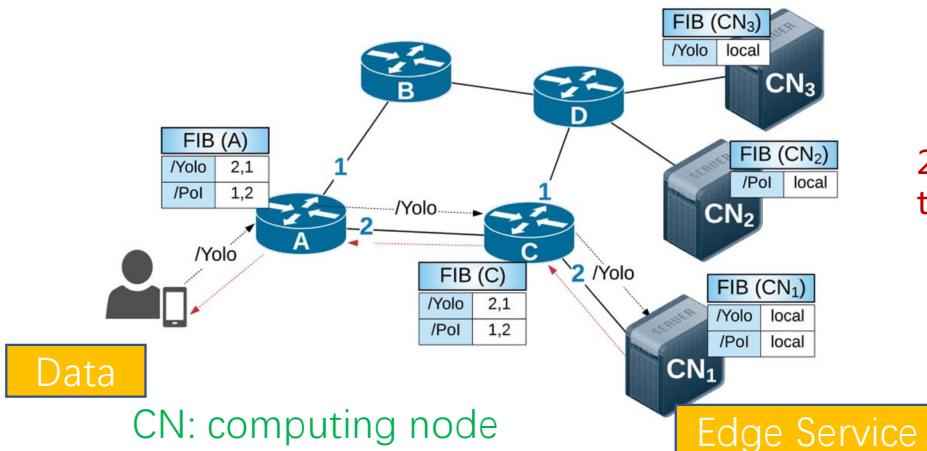


ITU-T Y.3075 (ICN-RF), Sept 2020

(5) Computing support

□ Edge computing

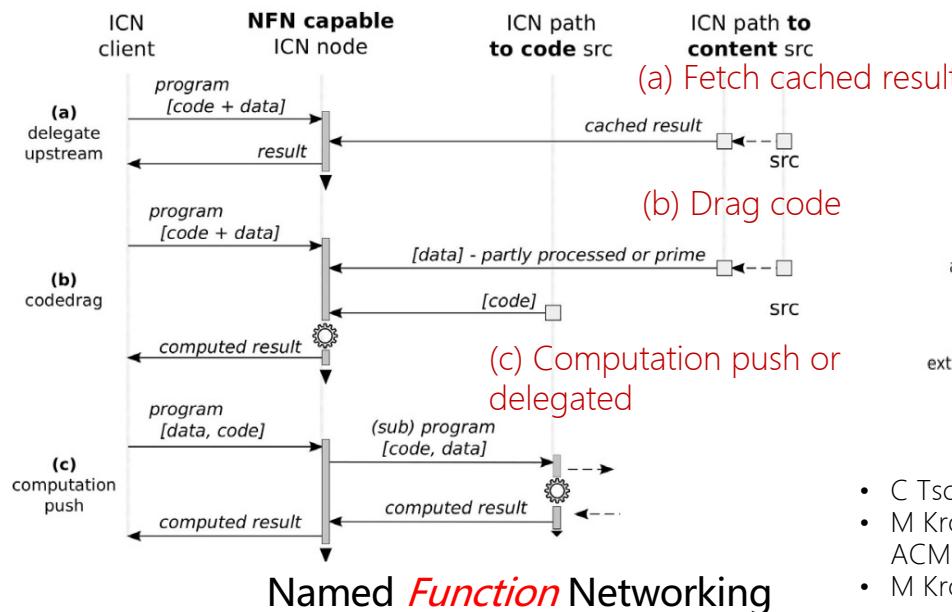
- Naming extension (not just Data) :
 - ◆ computing **task**, or AI algorithms
- ICedge:
 - ◆ Move Data to the Edge Service
 - ◆ On the service discovery path



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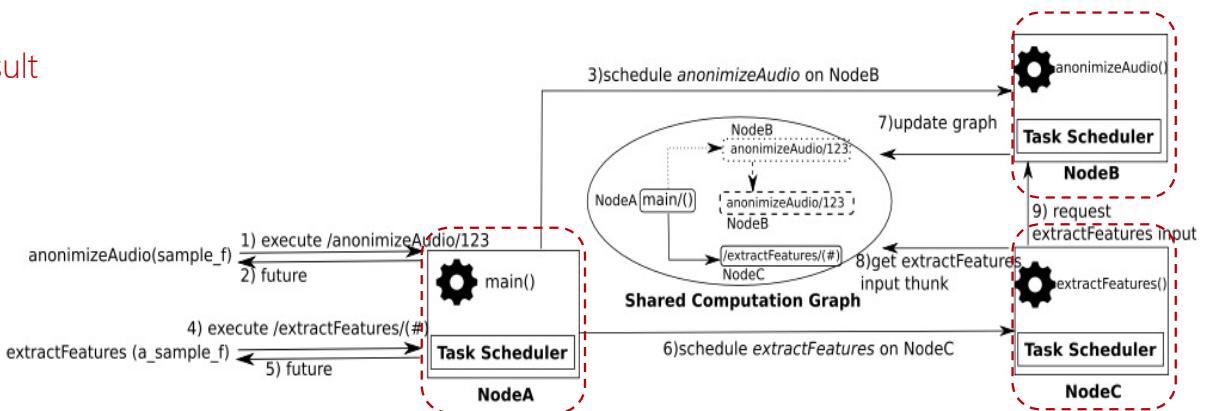
□ In-network computing

- Named **Function** Networking (NFN) by Univ. Basel
 - ◆ Name: Data → **function** (λ -expression)
 - ◆ **Caching function, half results**



• Compute First Networking (CFN)

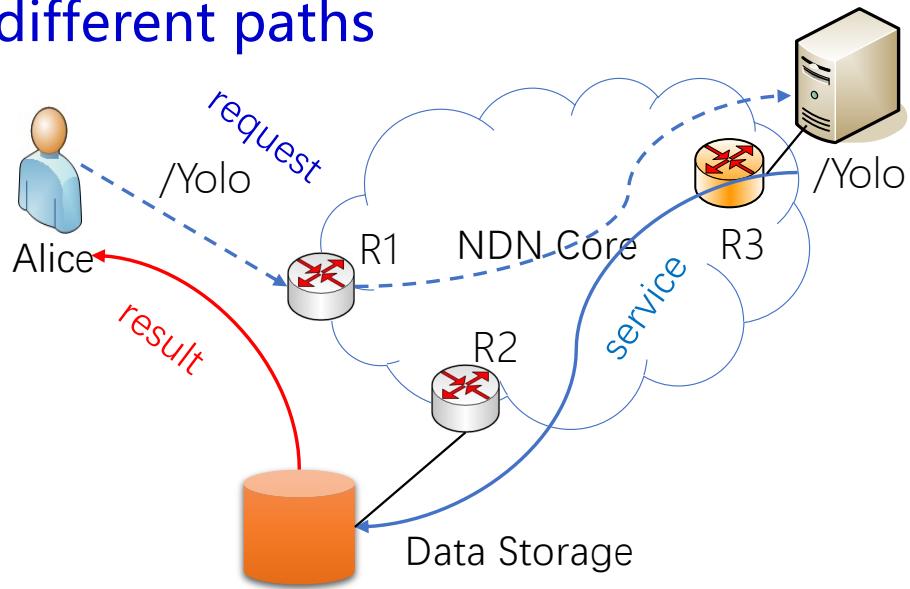
- ◆ Combining distributed computing framework with **RICE** (remote method invocation in ICN)
- ◆ **Inputs, state, outputs as named objects**



- C Tschudin (U Basel), et al, Named Functions and Cached Computations. IEEE CCNC 2014
- M Król (UCL), ... Dirk Kutscher, et al., Compute First Networking: Distributed Computing meets ICN, ACM ICN 2019
- M Król (UCL), ... Dirk Kutscher, et al., RICE: Remote Method Invocation in ICN, ACM ICN 2018

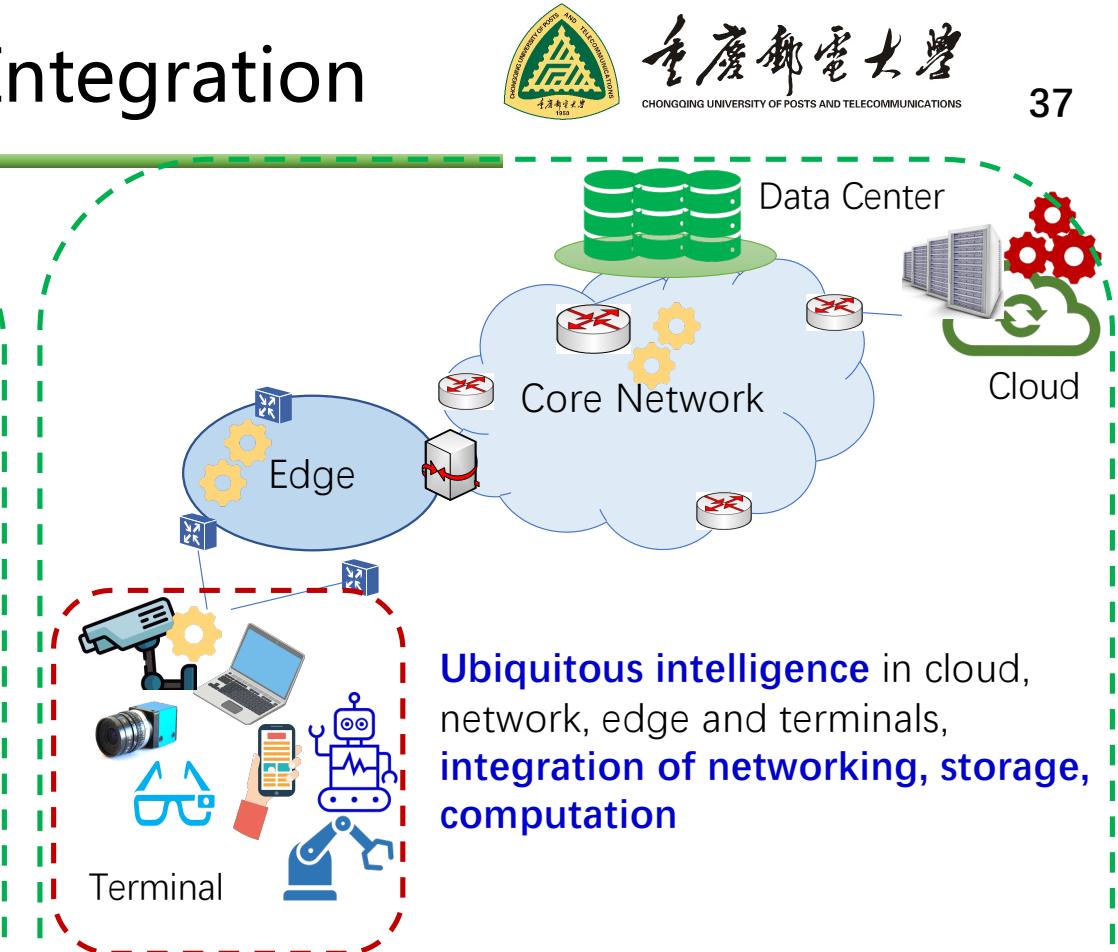
(6) Computing/Networking Integration

- Request, service, and Result on different paths



Alice asks for a Yolo service to detect her video files in the Data set in another place.

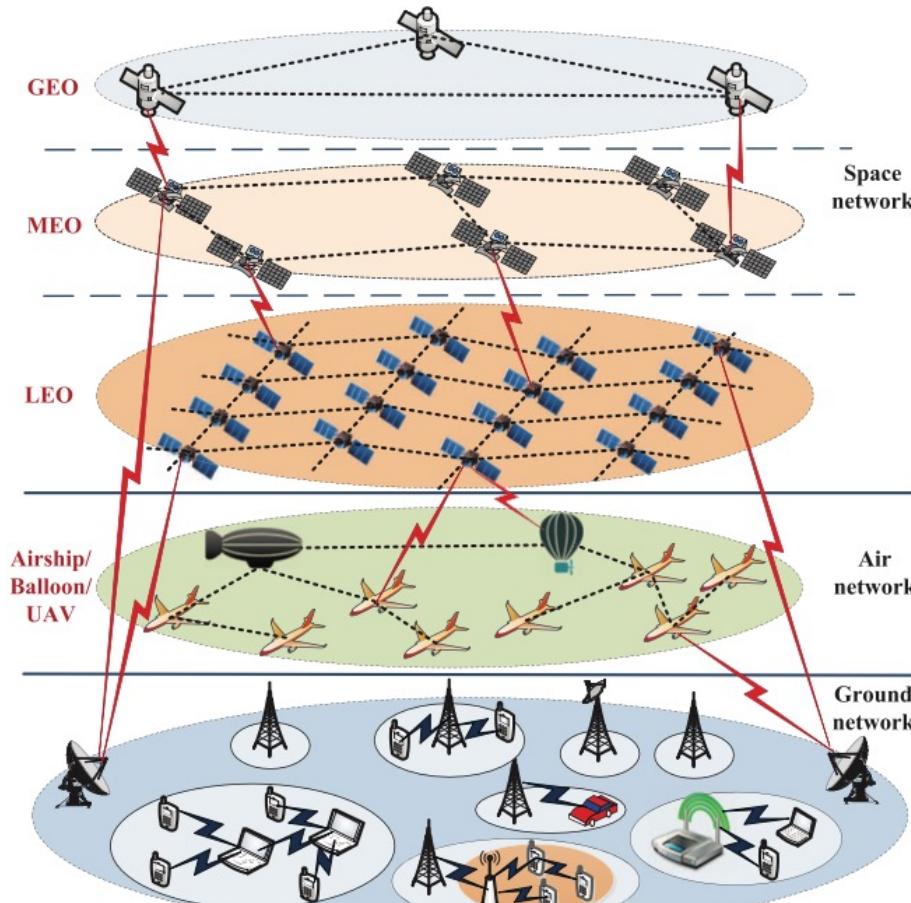
Service request and discovery, data storage, and computing are on different sites.



Ubiquitous intelligence in cloud, network, edge and terminals,
integration of networking, storage, computation

NDN needs to evolve to be more **flexible** and **compatible**.

(7) Space-Air-Ground Integration (SAGIN)



J Liu et al, Space-Air-Ground Integrated Network: A Survey.
IEEE Comm. Surveys & Tutorials, 2018

□ Wealth of features, scenarios, research topics

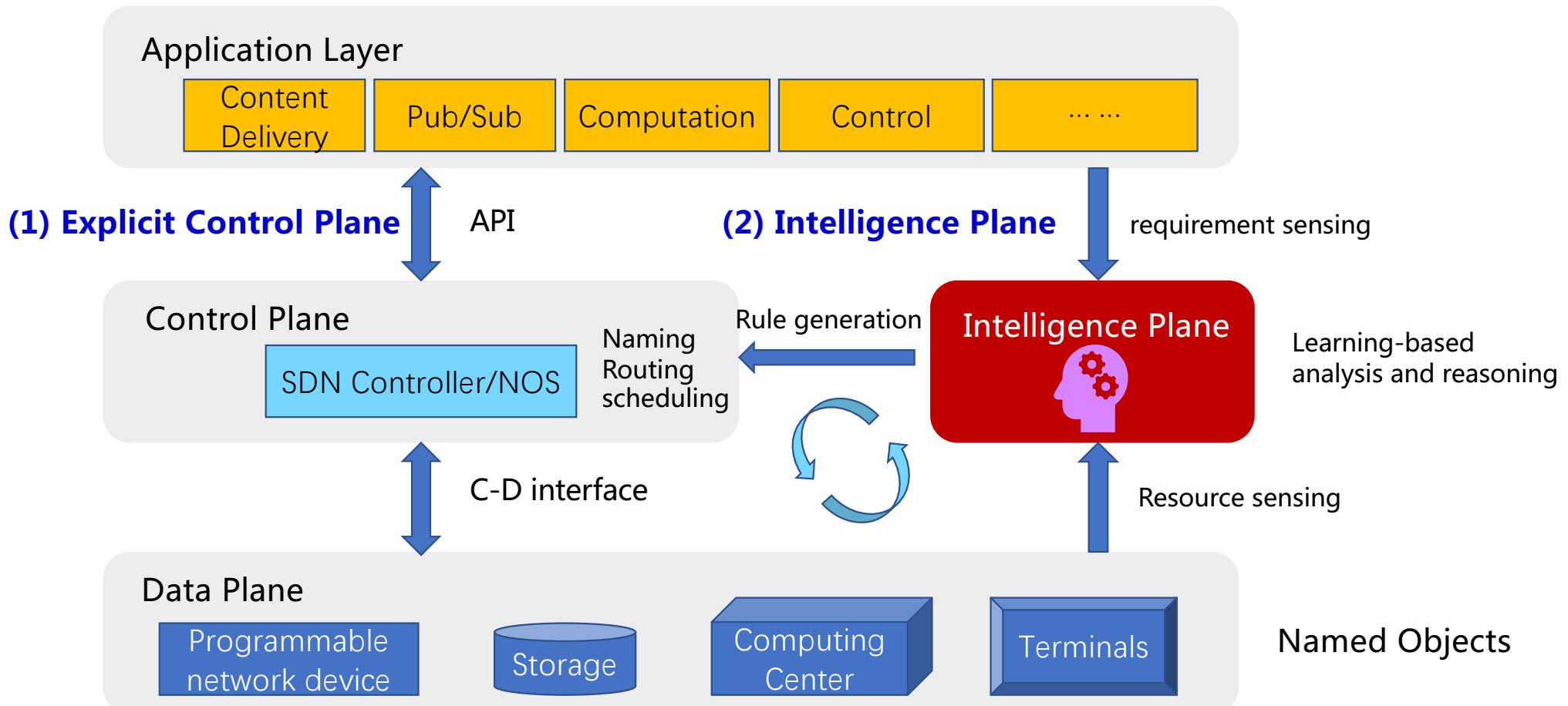
- Heterogenous
- Delay/disruption tolerance
- Intermittent links, dynamic topology
- Consumer/content/network/producer mobility
- Coordinated/integrated scheduling
- intelligent forwarding
- Edge offloading
- Caches placement, prefetch/proactively push
- ...

As a promising architecture for the future Internet, NDN needs to evolve!

Evolution hints

item	NDN 1.0	NDN 2.0
services	content dissemination	content-dissemination (with QoS), notification, command, computation,
named objects	data/content	data/content, ID of service, host, user, domain, region,
commun. model	Pull	Pull, Push (notification, command,)
routing	Interest: named-based Data: reverse path of Interest (symmetric path)	symmetric; asymmetric (decoupling Data and Interest); data/storage aware; name lookup and resolution
in-network caching	caching data replica	data, code, computing result,
forwarding	stateful forwarding	stateful, stateless, programmable
data delivery model	connectionless	connectionless, virtual connection, deterministic,
Control plane	coupled with Data/Forwarding plane	C/D plane separation (explicit Control Plane), SDN controller, NOS
AI-enabled	N.A.	Intelligence plane

Architecture Profile





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Future research

□ ICN/NDN enabled 6G-oriented SAGIN

- Naming and resolution: not only for Data, content, information, but else devices, network entities, network domain/region, identity, even service functions,
- Various mobility
- standardization

□ ICN/NDN enabled Industrial Internet

- How to provide name-based connection-oriented, deterministic service?
- Reliable commanding
- Enable integration of sensing, networking, computing and control

□ Intelligence Plane design

- Model abstract; APIs for AI algorithms, distributed computing, cognitive
- API interfacing the control plane

□ Military Applications

- Secure, timely, information sharing between various roles on the battle



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