Satellite / Terrestrial Multipath Communication

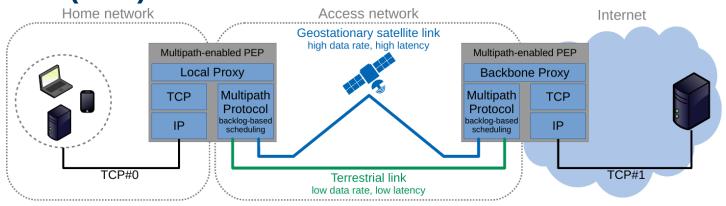




Motivation

- combine two sub-optimal access links to provide a good one
 - compensate high latency of geostationary satellite links
 - vice versa: boost data rate of slow terrestrial links
- especially for (rural) areas with poor Internet connectivity

Current (TCP) architecture



- scheduling: switch frequently among heterogeneous links
 - connection setup / requests → terrestrial link; large chunks of data → satellite link; small data → terrestrial link, etc.
 - requires availability and knowledge of both paths at the same time

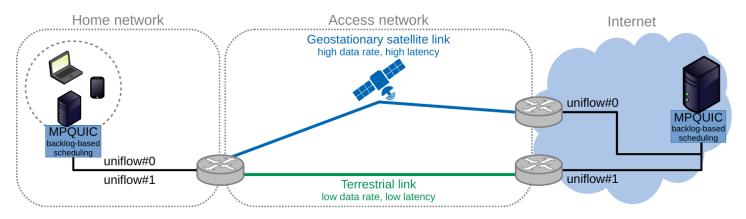
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QUIC → no PEPs → end-to-end multipath → MPQUIC

- good (single-path) QUIC performance over satellite link
- fine-grained scheduling and frequently switching among heterogeneous paths realizable with connection migration?
- quick (0-RTT) connection setup for both links?
- implementation and performance tests work in progress
- Future (MPQUIC) architecture without PEPs?



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- Variety of Internet access links a motivation for multipath?
 - DOCSIS, DSL, cellular, satellite (LEO, MEO, GEO), ...

More information

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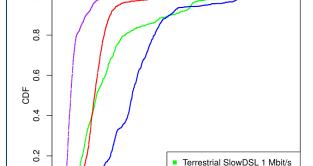
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Performance results with current (TCP) architecture

Linux-based prototype implementation (preliminary!)
 Browsertime v10.1.0



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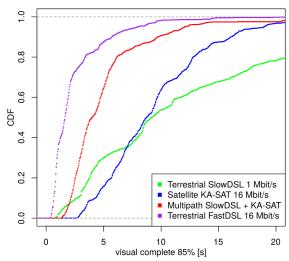
Satellite KA-SAT 16 Mbit/s

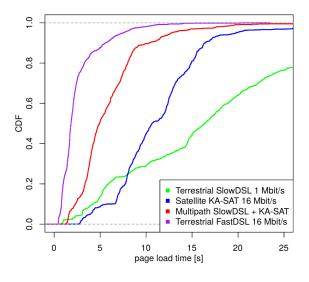
Multipath SlowDSL + KA-SAT

Terrestrial FastDSL 16 Mbit/s

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