Required path properties for applying path aware networking in integrated space-terrestrial networks

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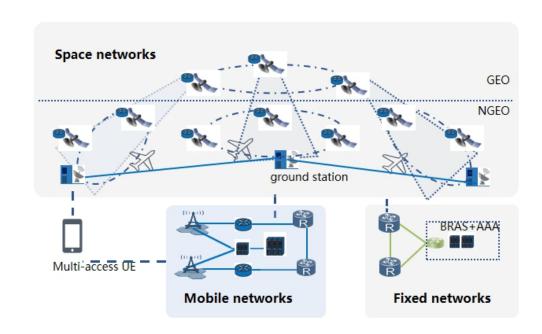
Relationship between ISTN(integrated space-terrestrial networks) and PAN

ISTN characteristics

- Limited resource (space)
- Cross administrative domain
- Cross layer
- Multipath with various link characteristics
- Mobility which is predictable and periodic(space)

PAN characteristics.

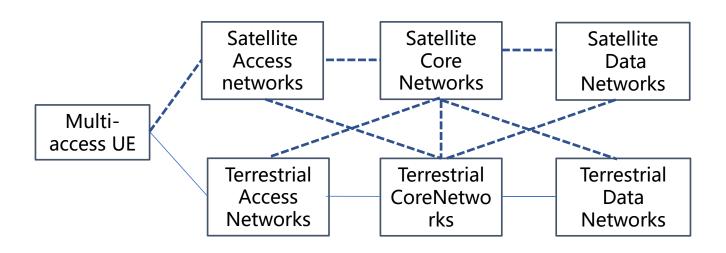
- endpoints have the ability to select or influence the path through the network used by any given packet or flow
- suitable for cross administrative domain
- can leverage multipath connectivity across disjoint paths through the Internet, even over a single physical interface.



The Path-Aware Network is suitable for ISTN, and may help to cope with the challenges of ISTN.

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Use cases & Challenges



Satellite can be integrated as router or server in access networks, core networks, and/or data networks

Challenges

- mobility
 - deal with satellites mobility to guarantee the Reliability and robustness
- resource limitation
 - adapt to limited resource including power and computing resource and storage resource
- Various link characteristics
 - adapt to various link characteristics especially the space link which may have unpredictable link failure due to complicated space environment

Addressing, authentication, advertising and routing mechanisms need to be enhanced; Predictability can be used to help solve the above problems

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Requirements on path properties

Path properties

Available time(space only)

Fine granular properties

- Node properties
 - Node computing resources
 - Node storage resources
 - Node power(space only)
 - Available interfaces of the node(space only)
 - Future available interfaces of the node(space only)

Link properties

- Delay
- Link media
- Quality of link
- Available time(space only)
- Link status(space only)

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Summary

- Integrated space-terrestrial Networks can take advantage of the PAN and thereby can be seen as a typical use cases.
- When PAN is introduced into ISTN, additional path properties may be required.

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