Design space of computing metric distribution

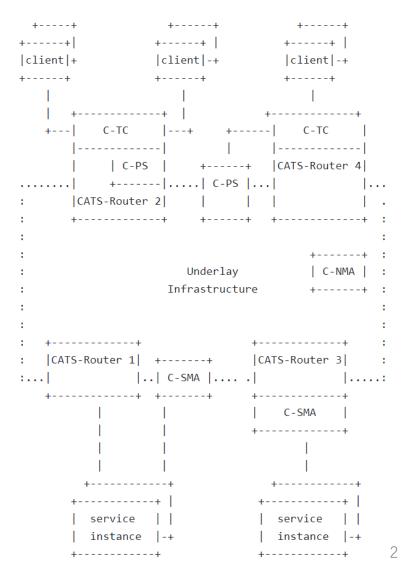
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Recap of the CATS framework

- Core functional components:
 - C-SMA: CATS Service Metric Agent
 - C-PS: CATS Path Selector
- SMA **collect** the computing metric and **distribute** it to PS to make optimal path decision.
- Design choice regarding:
 - How to collect
 - How to distribute



2x2 matrix of the design space

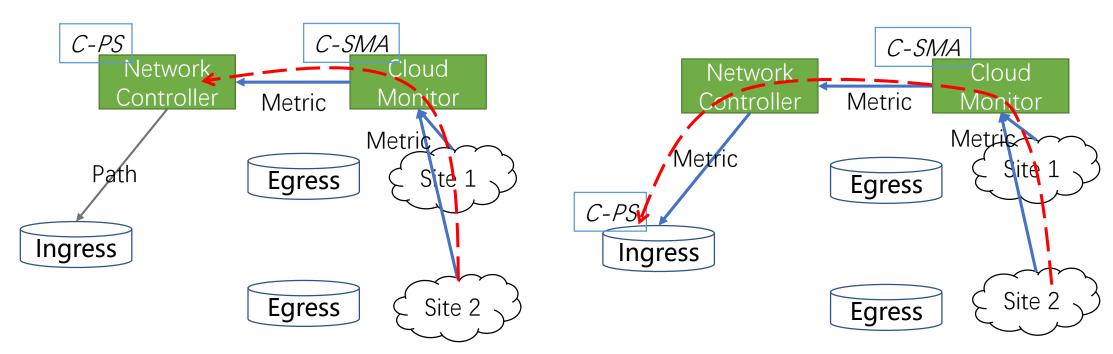
- Two ways of collecting computing metric
 - Centralized: by a cloud monitor
 - Distributed: by CATS egress router
- Two ways of distributing computing metric
 - Centralized: by network controller: calculate the path based on metric and distribute the result to ingress router
 - Distributed: each ingress router receive the computing metric and calculate the path by themselves.

Metric distribution	Centralized C-SMA	Distributed C-SMA	
Centralized C-PS	Cloud monitor -> Controller	Egress -> Controller	
Distributed C-PS	Cloud monitor -> Controller -> Ingress	Egress -> Controller -> Ingress	

Example of centralized C-SMA +

- Option 1: Centralized C-PS
- Network controller calculates the path
- No protocol extension needed

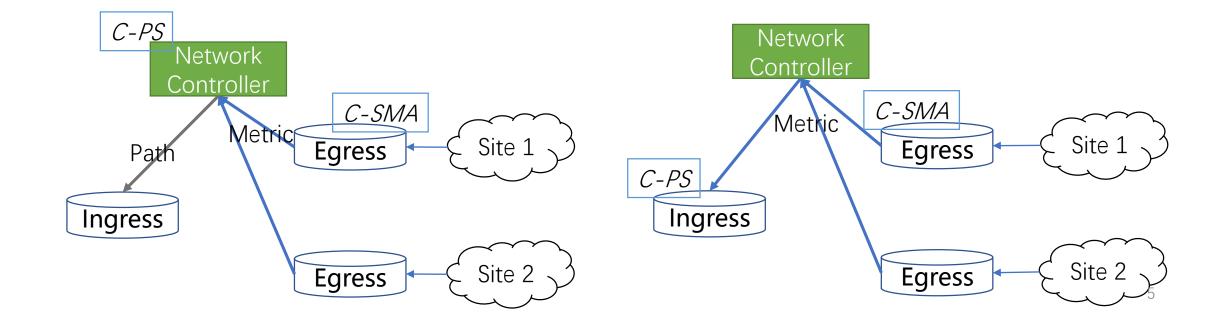
- Option 2: Distributed C-PS
- Network controller only pass the metric to Ingress (may involve pre-process)
- Southbound protocol extension to distribute the metric



Example of distributed C-SMA +

- Option 3: Centralized C-PS
- Network controller calculate the path
- Southbound protocol extension to collect the metric. E.g. BGP-LS

- Option 4: Distributed C-PS
- Network controller only reflect the Metric (may involve pre-processing)
- Southbound protocol extension to distribute the metric. E.g. BGP, BGP-LS, BGP flowspec



Initial Comparation

	Centralized C- SMA + Centralized C-PS	Centralized C- SMA + Distributed C-PS	Distributed C- SMA + Centralized C-PS	Distributed C- SMA + Distributed C-PS
Protocol extension choice	None	BGP flowspec	BGP-LS	BGP/BGP-LS, BGP flowspec
CATS router performance requirement	Low	High	Low	High
Network controller performance requirement	High	Low	High	Low

- Comments and Questions?
- Co-author/collaborator?