



Path Energy Traffic Ratio API (PETRA)

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Motivation

- Provide visibility about energy consumption in a path
 - Metrics such as current power consumption between source and destination, potentially related with current throughput
- Define an API that can provide such information
 - Using well-known architectures (e.g. REST) and schemas (e.g. OpenAPI)
- This information can be consumed externally (e.g., SD-WAN customers) or internally (e.g., for operator optimization purposes)

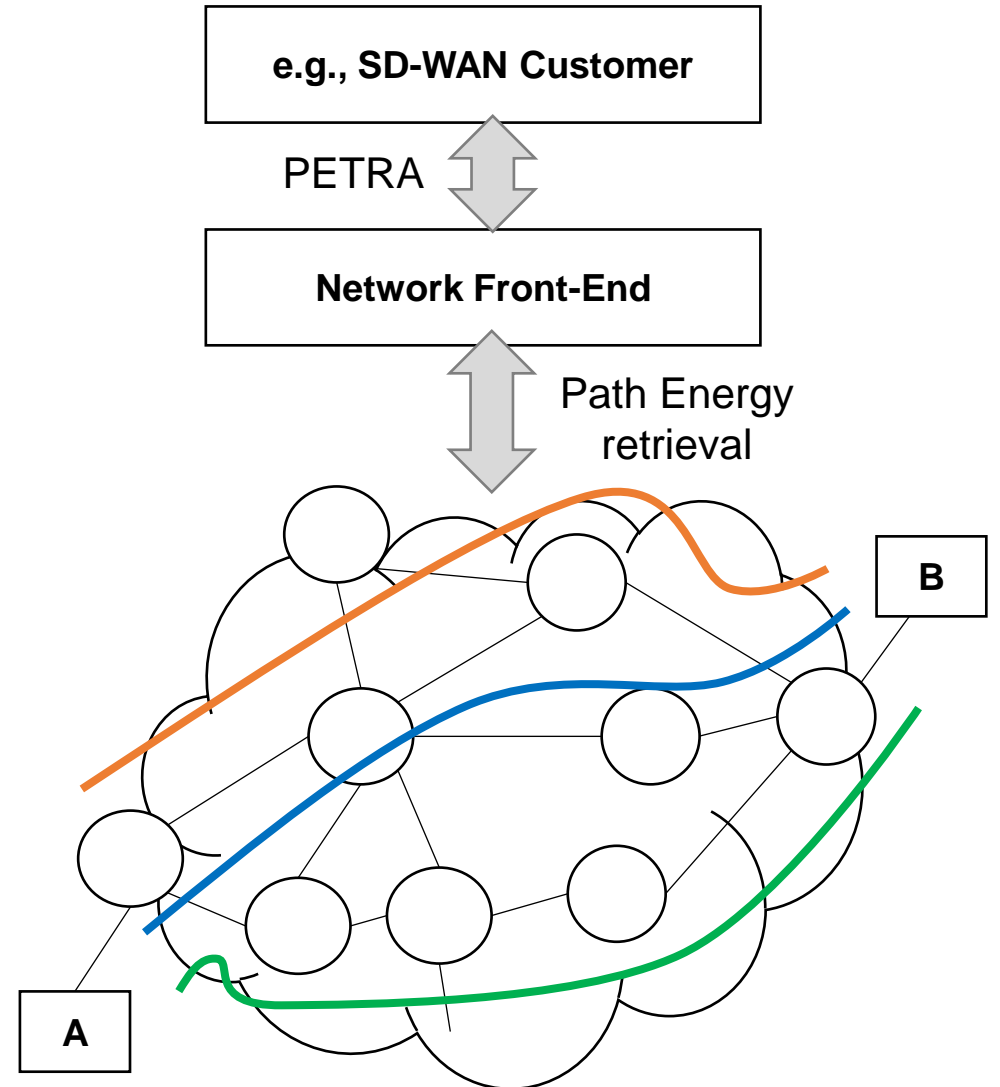
Rationale

- Assumption-1: energy consumption in devices has a baseline component independent of traffic plus another one dependent of traffic [1].
 - E.g., in an IP device, baseline component is due to processors, fans, cards, etc, while the component due to traffic volume follows some function (lineal, exponential, etc)
- Assumption-2: while in short term actions could maybe affect the component dependent of traffic volume, in the future it might be possible to influence also the baseline component.
 - E.g., by switching-off or moving to sleep mode some of the components such as cards

[1] A. Vishwanath, K. Hinton, R. W. A. Ayre and R. S. Tucker, "Modeling Energy Consumption in High-Capacity Routers and Switches," in IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications, vol. 32, no. 8, pp. 1524-1532, Aug. 2014, doi: 10.1109/JSAC.2014.2335312.

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- There can be multiple paths between origin and destination
- Energy consumption dependent on device characteristics and architecture, transceiver bit rate, number of hops, etc
- REST API using OpenAPI 3.0
 - Query: <src-IP, dst-IP, throughput>
 - Response: <watts-per-gigabit>



Next steps

- Initial work for collecting feedback and checking interest
- Prepare new version for IETF 119