Advanced Multipath Use Cases

Advanced Multipath Use Cases and Design Considerations

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Status of Advanced Multipath Use Cases

 Terminology changes: Composite Link to Advanced Multipath

• Pending: update to references (draft rev numbers)

• Pending: some spelling errors

What is in it and why do we care

- Two foundation use cases:
 - 1. Load balance of local links direct to adjacent host
 - 2. Load balance of multiple paths to a distant host
- Use case assumptions regarding services carried
- Background information on "classic multipath"
- Specific uses or problems addressed:
 - 1. Delay sensitive applications
 - 2. Large volume of IP and LDP traffic
 - 3. Multipath and packet ordering
- Appendices containing background information
 - 1. An operators perspective on relevant practices
 - 2. Existing multipath techniques

So again - why do we care?

- Purely informational
- Useful to know providers intended use
- Background information on existing techniques is helpful
- Implied gap analysis from discussion of existing techniques
- Use cases and background information does not belong in requirements or framework but should not be lost