



Mobility Management in the Next Generation Internet

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- ➔ Key Issues & Approaches
- ➔ Limits of MIPv4

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MIPv6 Released – Mobility on the Rise?



Historic: What we expected

- o Devices using Home Address while away
- o 'Workspaces' roaming between local subnets
- o 3GPP Mobiles operating IPv6 Data Service
 - + Improvements on handover performance
 - + Improved security protocols
 - + Cheap availability of WLAN, Wimax, DVB-IPDC
 - + ...
- o VoIP/VCoIP conferencing: real-time mobility
- o Streaming & group communication by Mobile Multicast



IP Mobility: Challenges & Terms

Objective:

- Application persistence while roaming between IP subnets / providers
- Preserve upper layer (L 4+) communication when changing IP subnets

Key Aspects:

- **Mobile Node** (MN) globally addressable: fixed **Home Address** (HoA)
- **Home Agent** (HA) to permanently represent MN at home network
- Mobile Node locally addressable: changing **Care of Address** (CoA)
- Sustain partner sessions: update **Correspondent Nodes** (CN)
- Enable efficient communication (route optimisation)

Key Mobility Approaches

o Application: SIP Handover

- SIP-server as application specific home agent
- Requires mobility-aware applications
- Works only with SIP

o Mobile IP

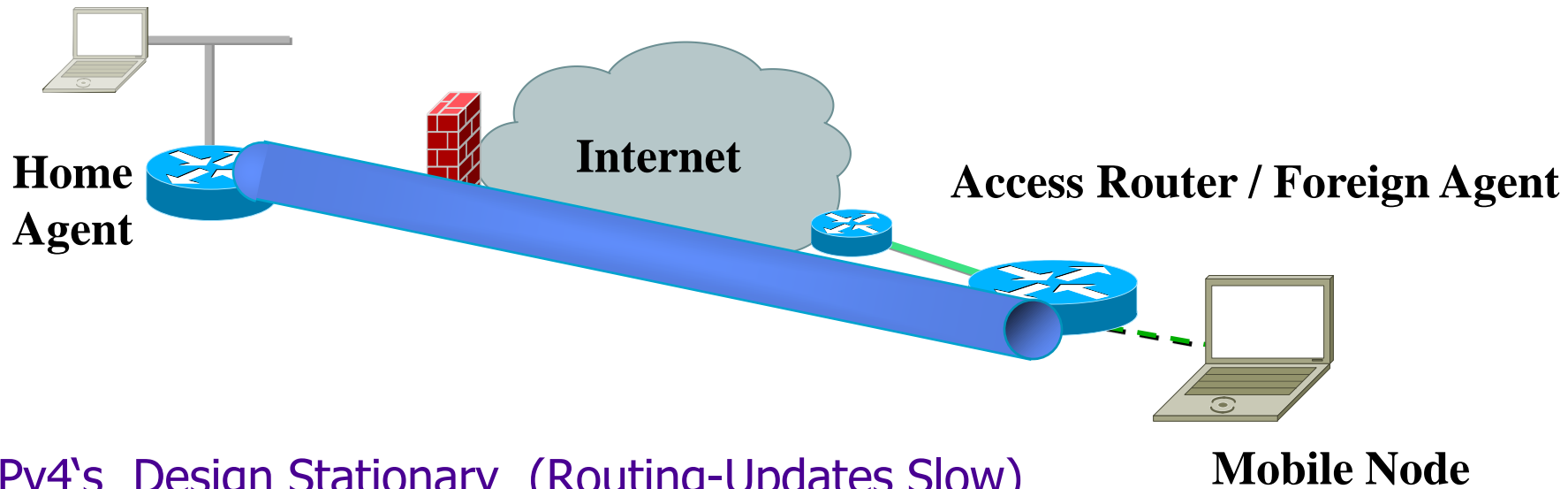
- Stateless, transport transparent handover

Mobile IPv4: IP Mobility Support for IPv4 (RFC 3344)

Mobile IPv6: Mobility Support in IPv6 (RFC 3775, now 6275)



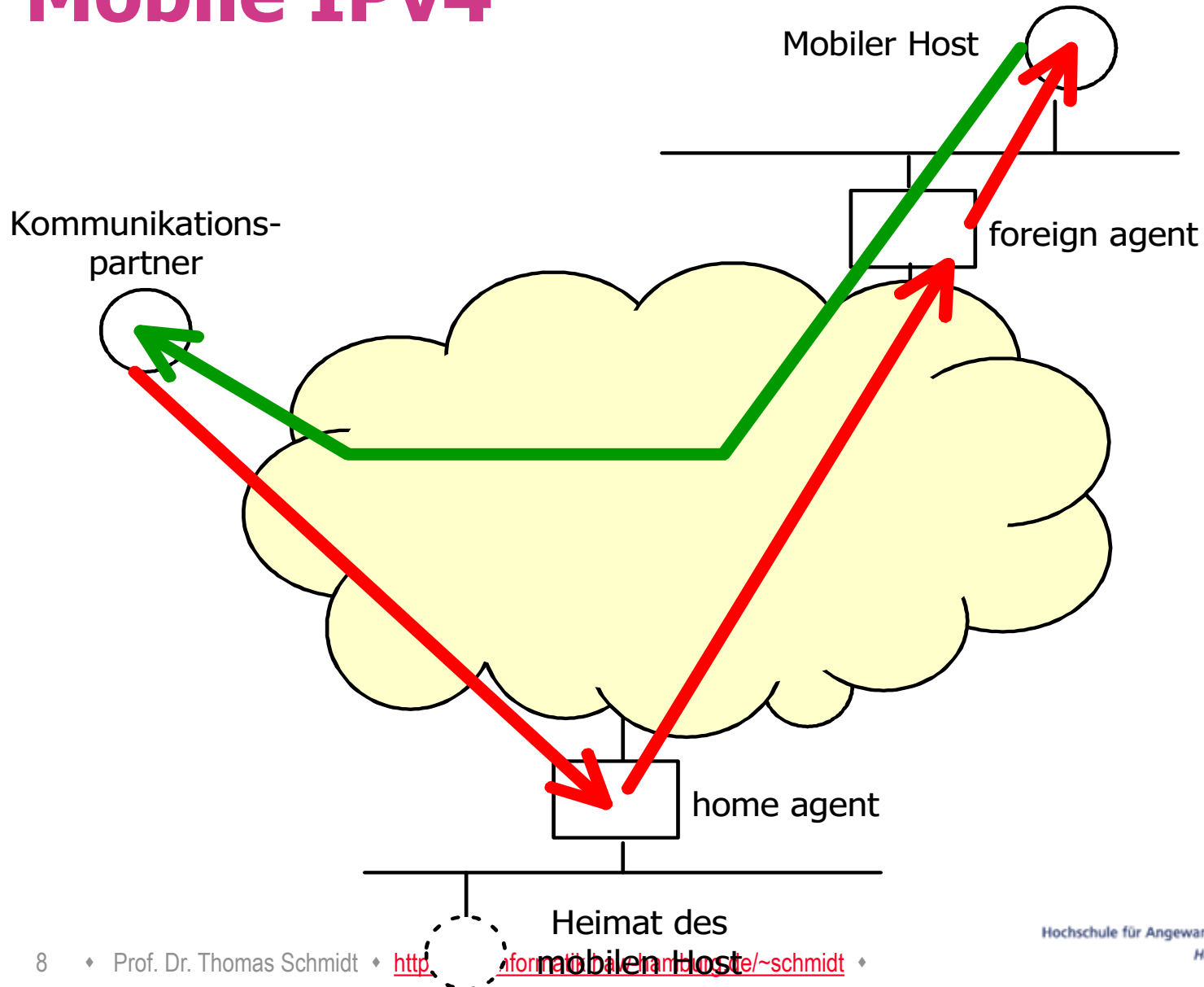
Limits of Mobile IPv4



- o IPv4's Design Stationary (Routing-Updates Slow)
- o Implementation of Mobility Services: Tunnelling via Home Agent
- o IPv6 Potential:
 - Several Addresses (2 for Mobile Node, many for Mobile Networks)
 - Flexible, Extendable Architecture



Mobile IPv4



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➡ Location & Handover Management

➡ Basic Security

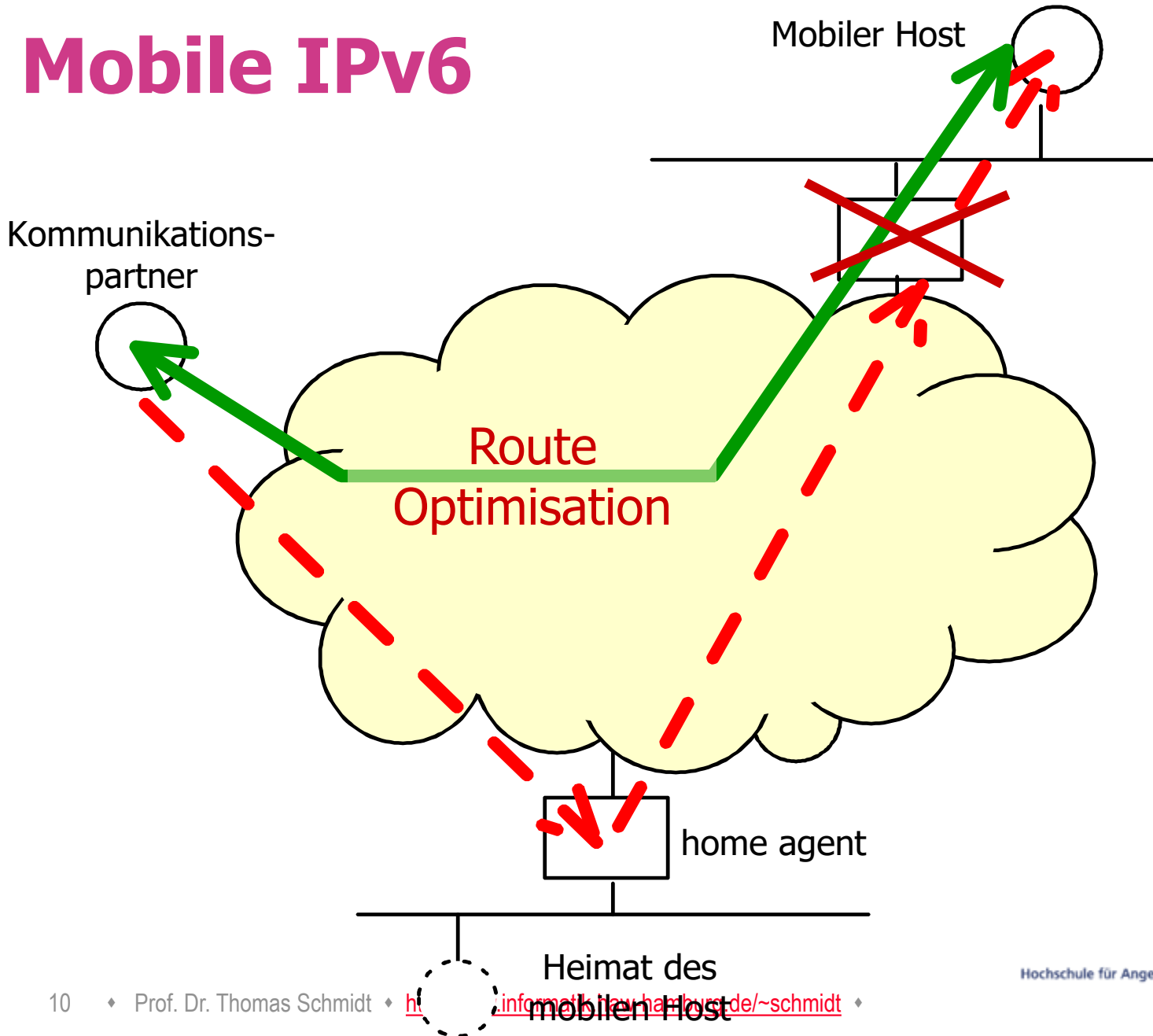
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Mobile IPv6



Basic Mobile IPv6

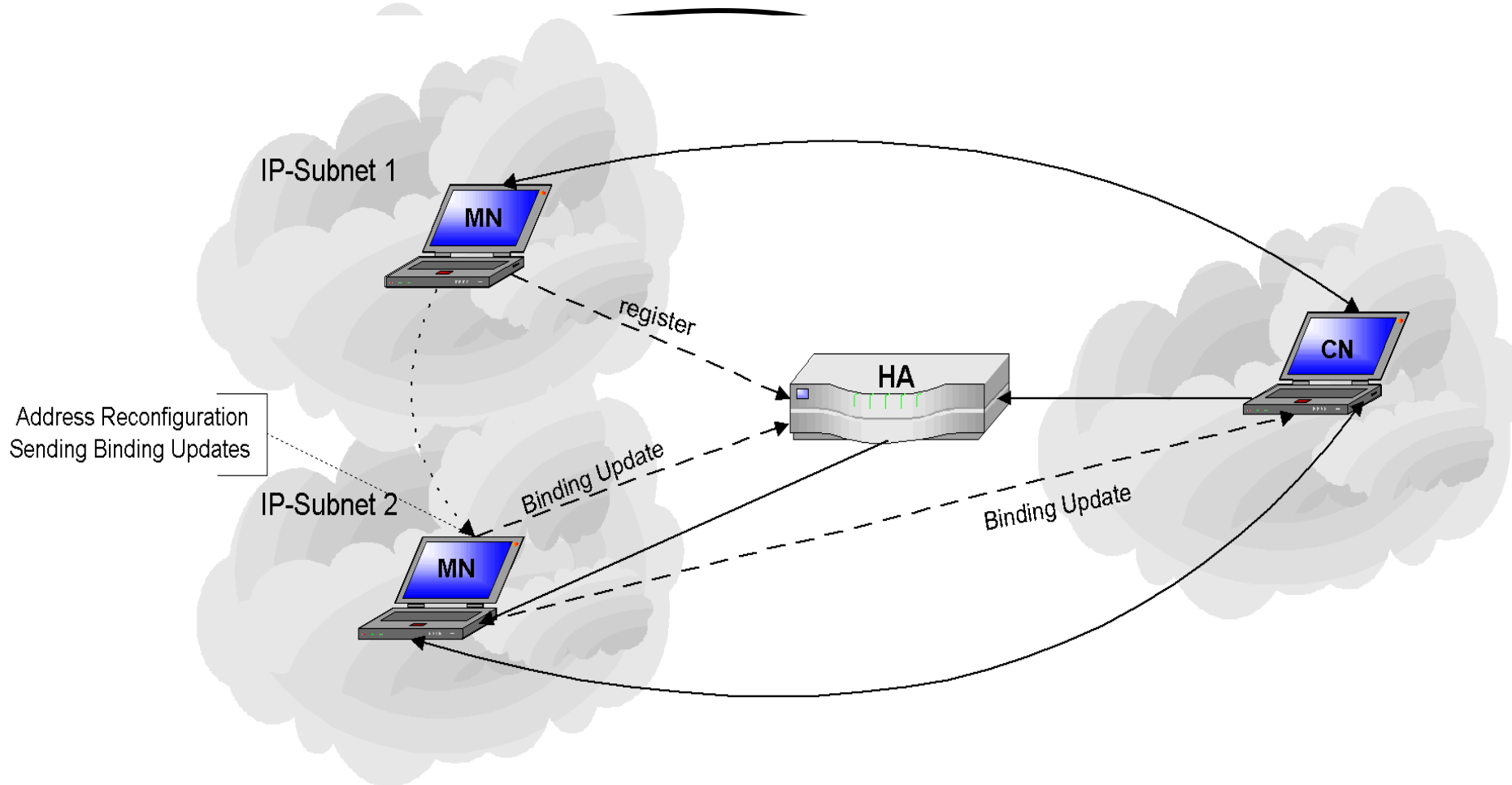
- o MN's stateless configuration of Care of Address in a foreign network and **Binding Updates** (BUs) with Home Agent (HA) and Correspondent (CNs).
- o MN, CN & HA keep **Binding Cache Tables**.
- o Home-Agent needed as Address Dispatcher.

MIPv6 transparently operates address changes on IP layer by:

- o MN continues to use its original Home Address in a **Destination Option Header**, thereby hiding different routes to the socket layer.
- o CNs continues to use Home Address of the MN, placing it in a **Routing Header** (Type 2) as Source Route via the current CoA .

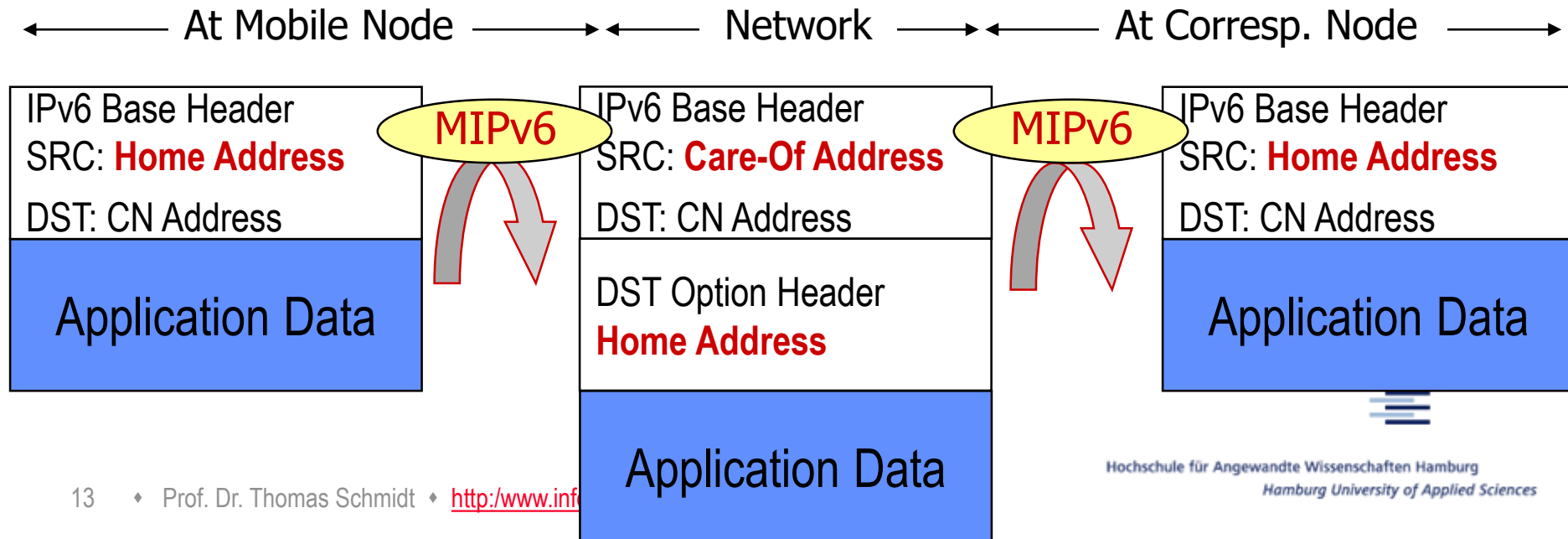


Mobile IPv6 Signaling



MIPv6 Transparent Communication MN → CN

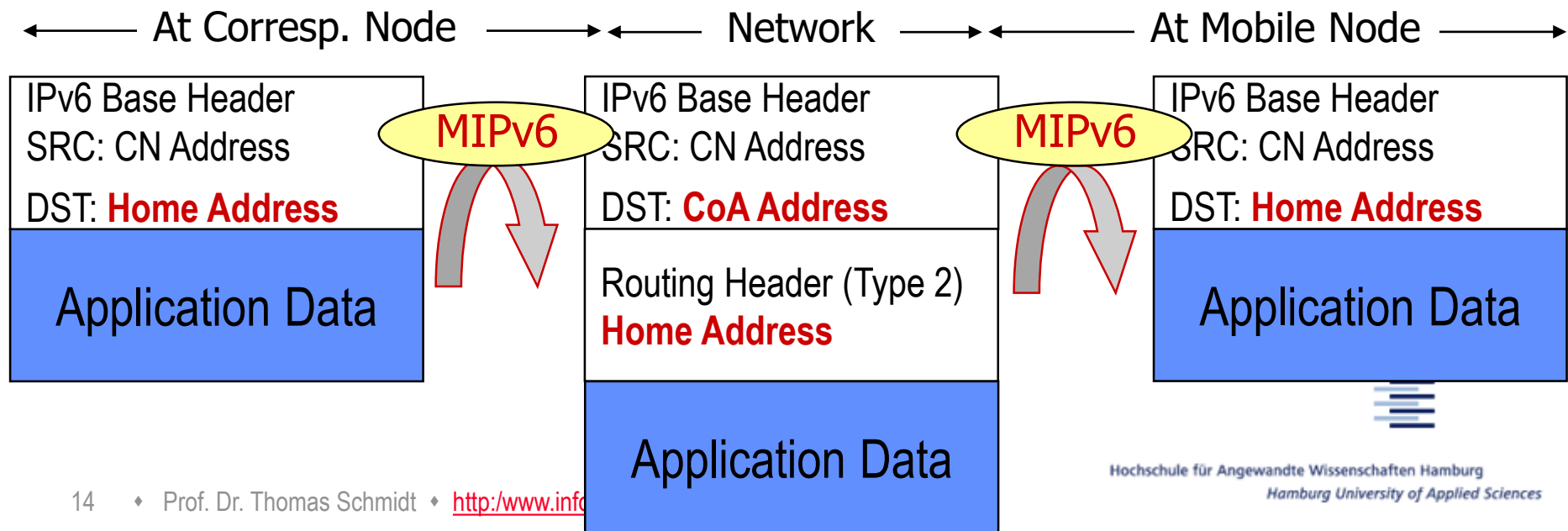
- o Application persistence requires continuous use of HoA
- o Infrastructure requires use of topologically correct source address: CoA
- o MIPv6 stack moves HoA to Destination Option Header



MIPv6 Transparent Communication

CN → MN

- o Application persistence requires continuous use of HoA
- o Route optimisation operates with CoA
- o MIPv6 extracts CoA from Binding Cache and initiates source routing to HoA via CoA



Handover Security

Binding Updates place a severe security challenge:

MN must provide strong authentication

- o BU with HA: IPSec ESP Security Association (strong coupling)
- o BU with CN: Return Routability Procedure (lightweight coupling)

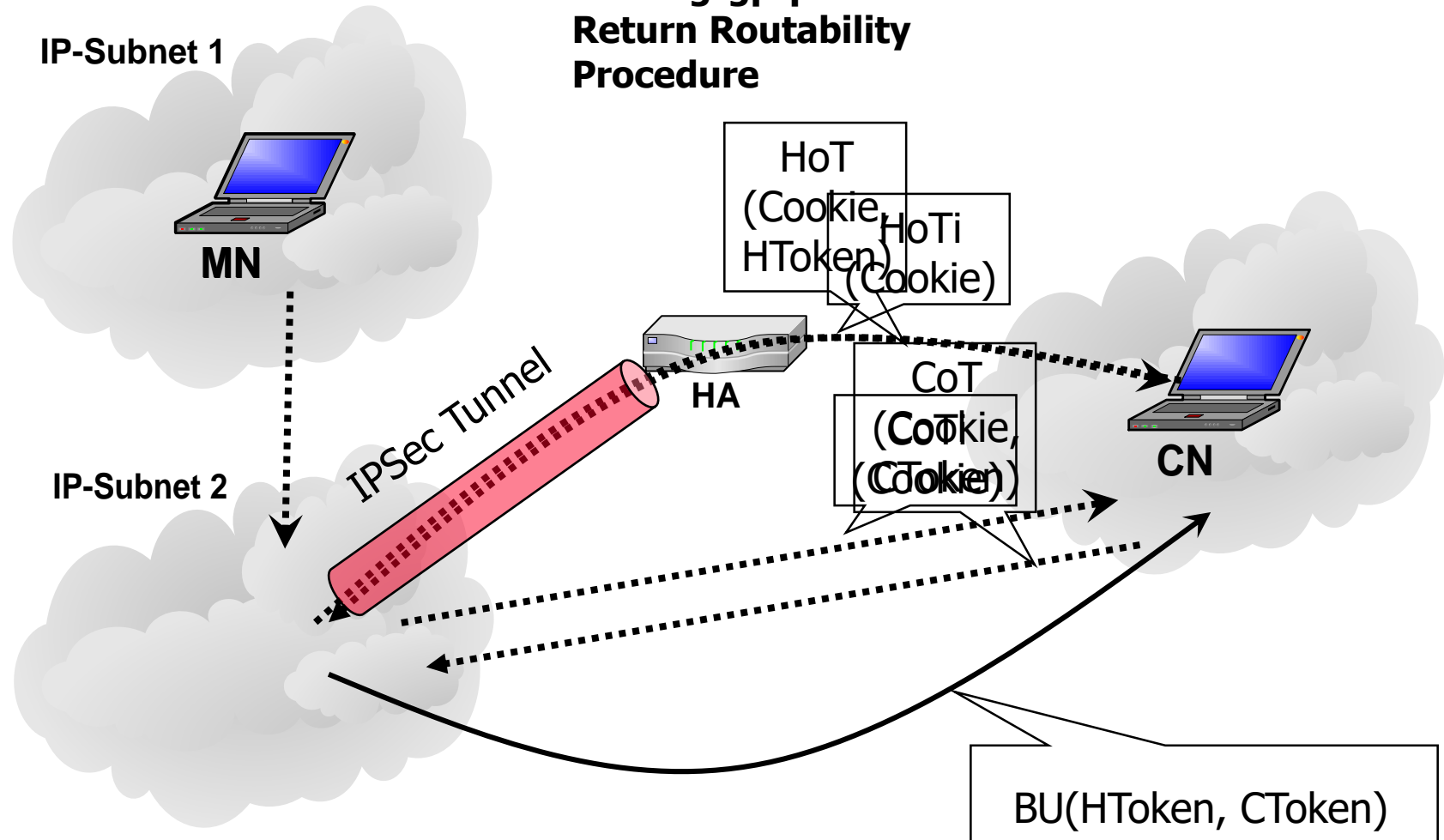
to test correctness of MN's HoA and CoA

- HoTI/HoT: MN(Cookie) → HA → CN (HToken, Cookie) → HA → MN
- CoTI/CoT: MN (Cookie) → CN (CToken, Cookie) → MN
- Finally do BU with Hash(HToken, CToken) invertable by CN



Securing Binding Updates: Return Routability

Binding Update Return Routability Procedure



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➔ Handover Acceleration: HMIPv6 & FMIPv6

➔ Predictive versus Reactive: Analysis of Handover Performance

➔ Secure Enhancement of Route Optimisation

➔ Multicast Mobility Extensions

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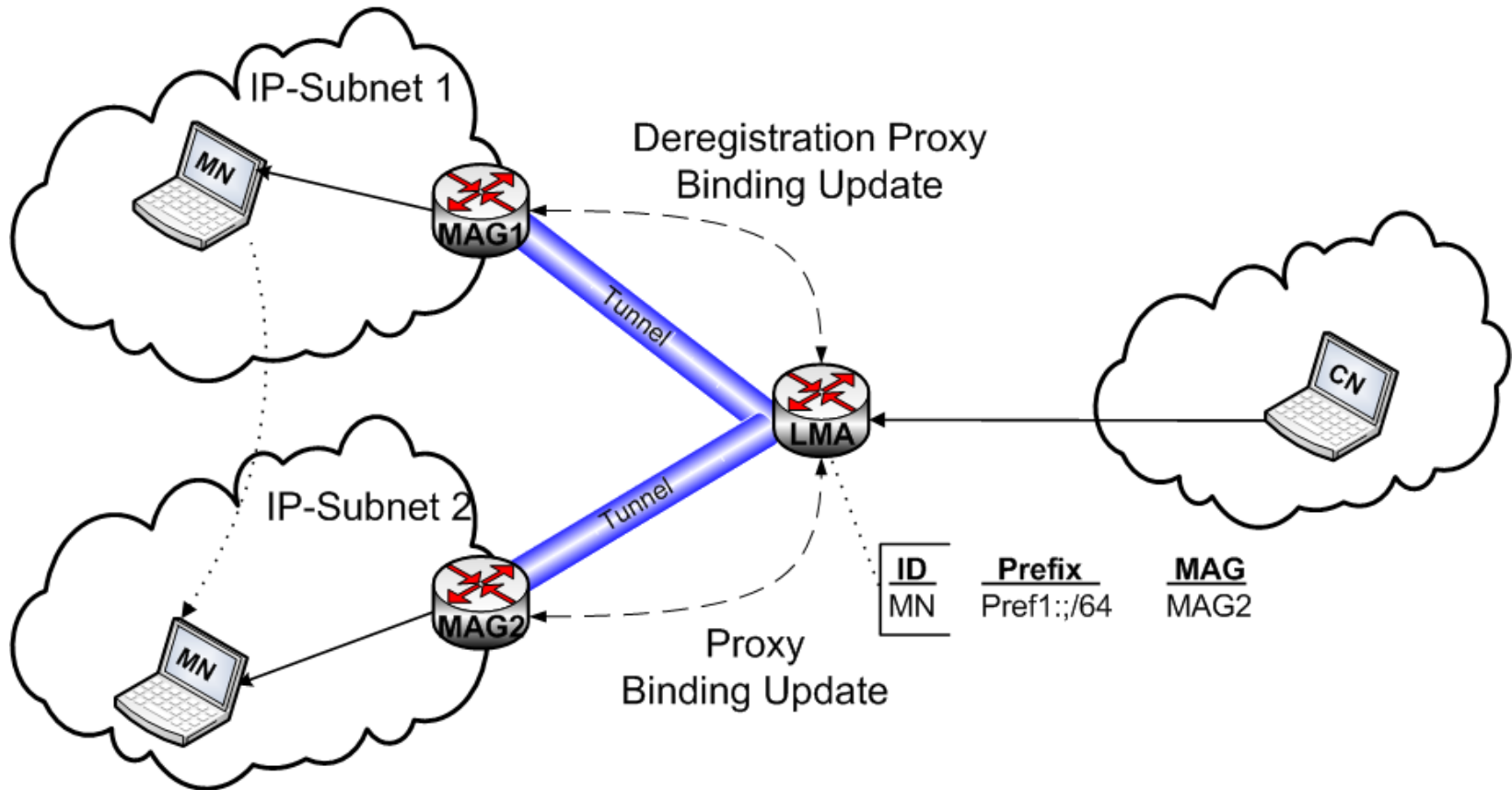
Transparent Mobility: Proxy Mobile IPv6 (RFC 5213)

Objective: Support IPv6 Mobility without Client Support/Implementation

Approach: Network-operated Tunnel Management – PMIPv6

- Local Mobility Anchor (LMA ↔ HA) and Mobile Access Gateway (MAG ↔ AR) make tunnel follow the MN
- IP address of MN remains unchanged at handovers
- Routing twisted: MAG uses policy-routing based on MNs ID
- LMA attains role of regional gateway like in 3/4GPP telco networks

Proxy Mobile IPv6 (RFC 5213)



Performance: Handover Steps

1. Link Layer Handover
2. L3 Movement Discovery
3. Local Addressing: Form a New CoA
4. Duplicate Address Detection
5. Binding Update with Home Agent
6. Binding Update with Correspondent Node



VoIP/VCoIP Real-Time Requirements

! Latency $\approx < 100$ ms

! Jitter $\approx < 50$ ms

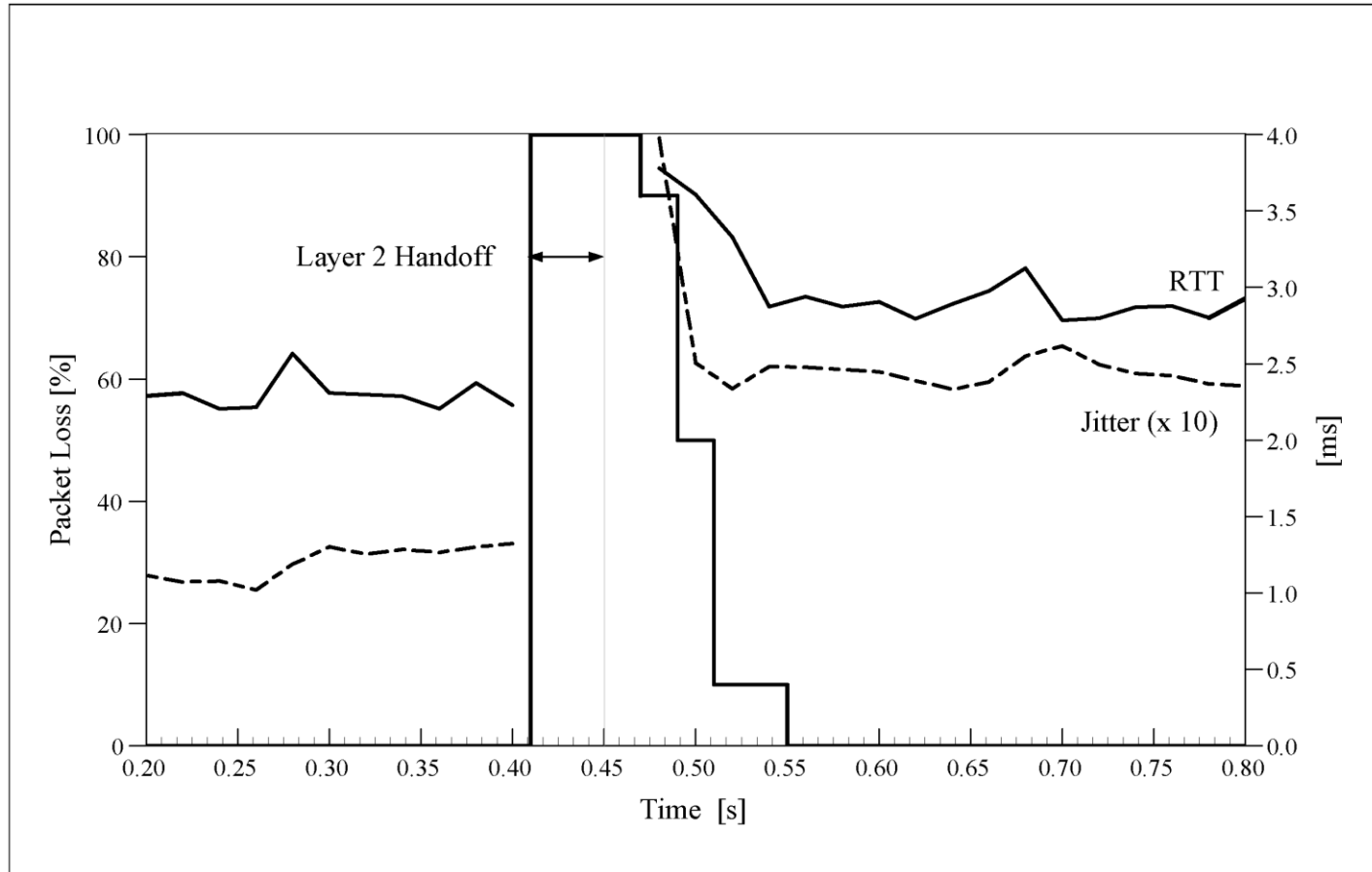
! Packet loss $\approx < 1$ %

! Interruption: 100 ms ≈ 1 spoken syllable

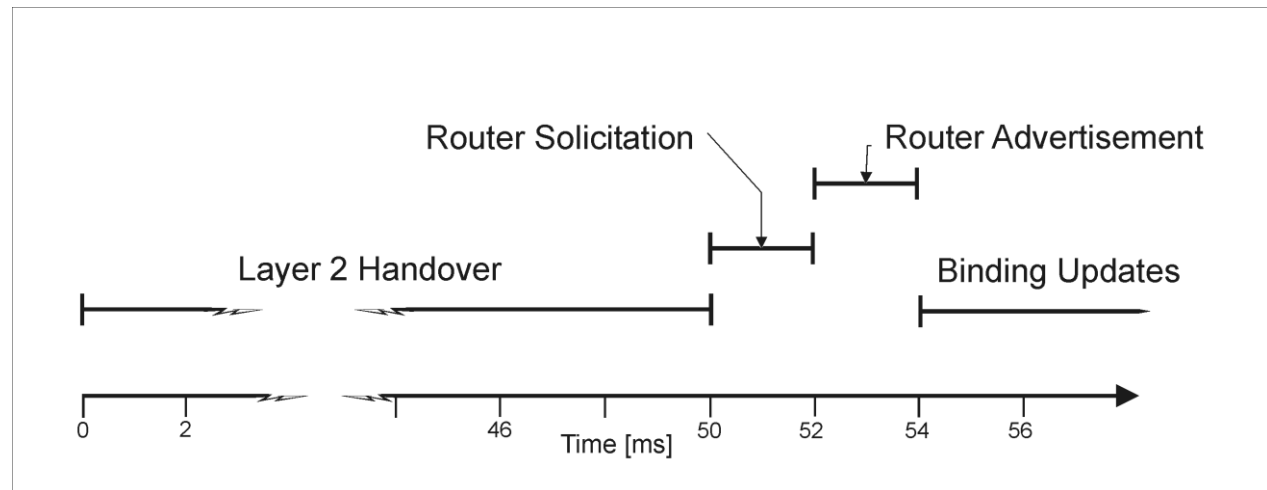
→ 100 ms are critical bound



Local Handover Measurements: Empirical Results on WiFi



Local Handover Acceleration: L2-Trigger & DAD Suppression



IP-Config: Reduce

- MAX_RA_DELAY_TIME $\approx 1 - 5$ ms
- MAX_RTR_SOLICITATION_DELAY $\approx 1 - 5$ ms

Problem:

Binding Updates are strongly topology dependent



MIPv6 Handover: Topology Problem

o Generally HA and CN are at Significant Distance

o Handover Time: (t_x is RTT MN \leftrightarrow X)

$$t_{handoff} = t_{local} + t_{BU-of-HA} + t_{BU-of-CN}$$

$$\approx t_{local} + \frac{3}{2} t_{CN} + 2t_{HA}$$

o Jitter Enhancement: $\frac{Jitter_{handoff}}{Jitter_{stationary}} \approx \frac{t_{HA} + t_{CN}}{t_{CN}}$

o Essential: Eliminate HA/CN RTT Dependence 

Handover Acceleration: HMIPv6 & FMIPv6

Hierarchical Mobile IPv6

- o Mobility Anchor Points (MAPs) as domain wise HA proxies
 - MN communicates via bi-dir tunnel with MAP
 - Intra-domain (micro-)mobility invisible to outside world
- o Inter-domain HO requires regular BUs via MAPs

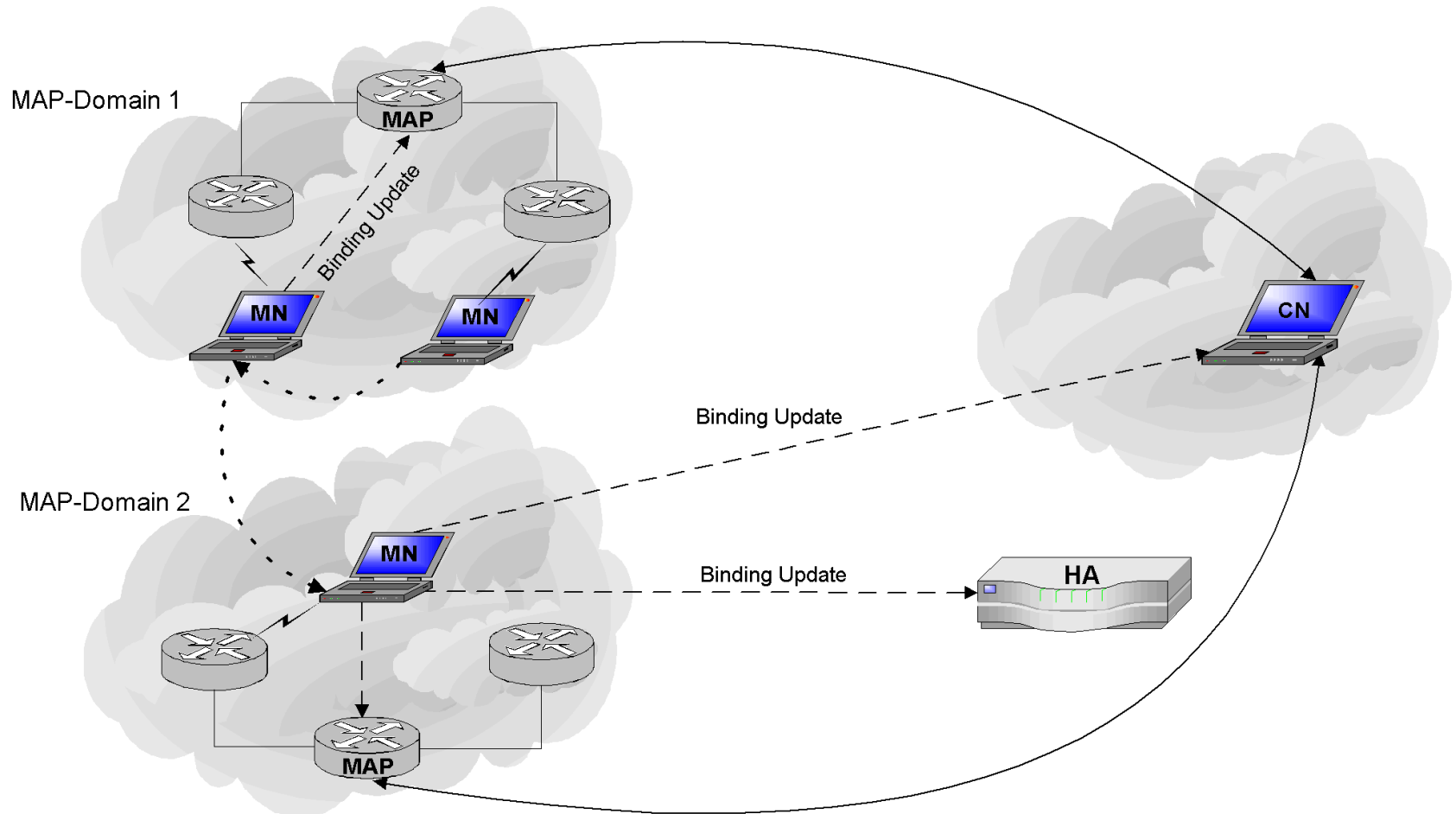
Fast Mobile IPv6

- o Handover Management at Access Routers
 - Predictive HO based on L2:L3 topology map, pre-configures New CoA
 - Reactive HO as fallback
- o BUs operated asynchronously

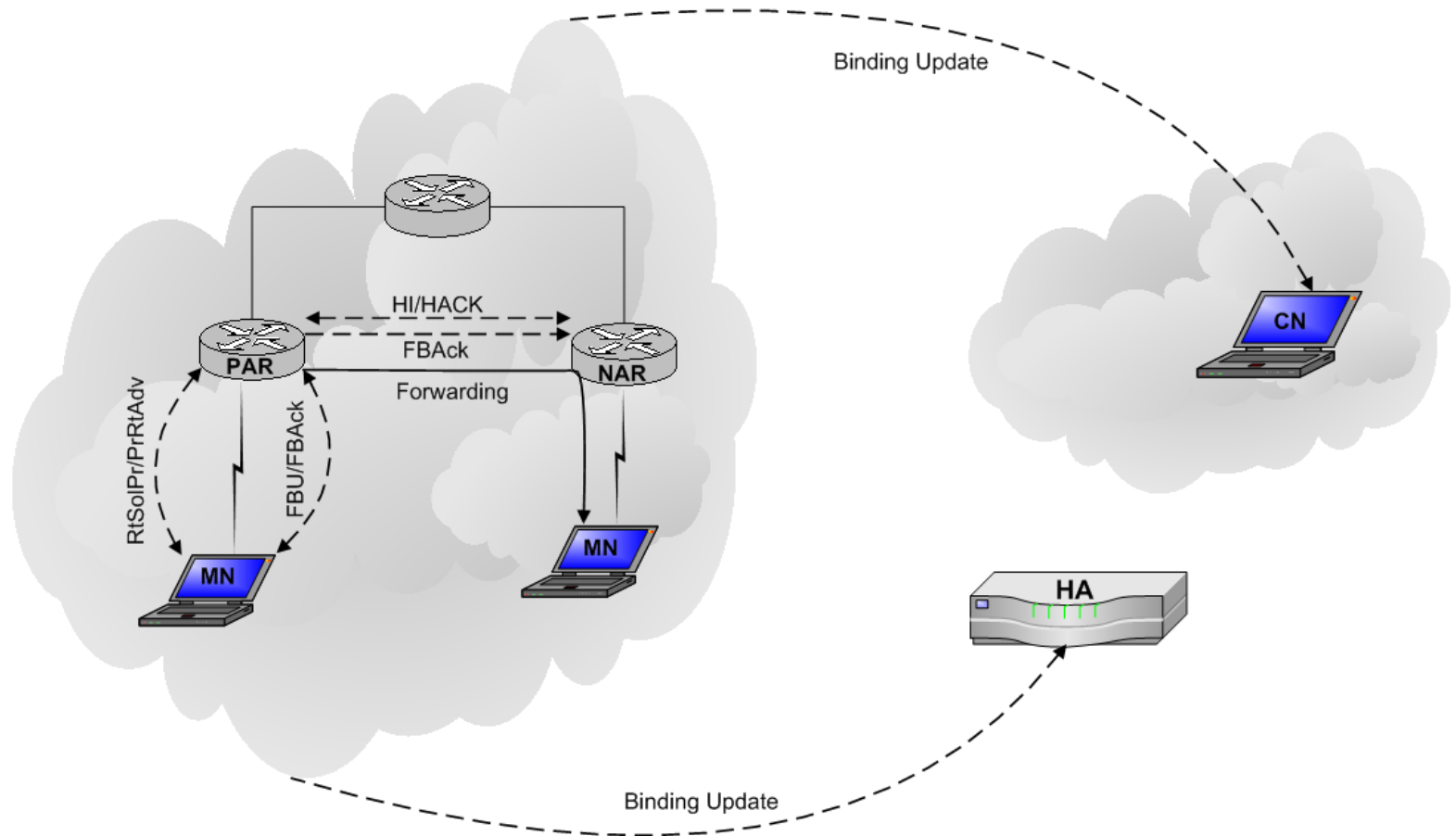
Both approaches resolve topological dependences



Micro-Mobility with HA Proxies: Hierarchical MIPv6 (RFC 5380)



Edge Handover Management: Fast MIPv6 (RFC 5568)



Handover Analysis: Predictive versus Reactive

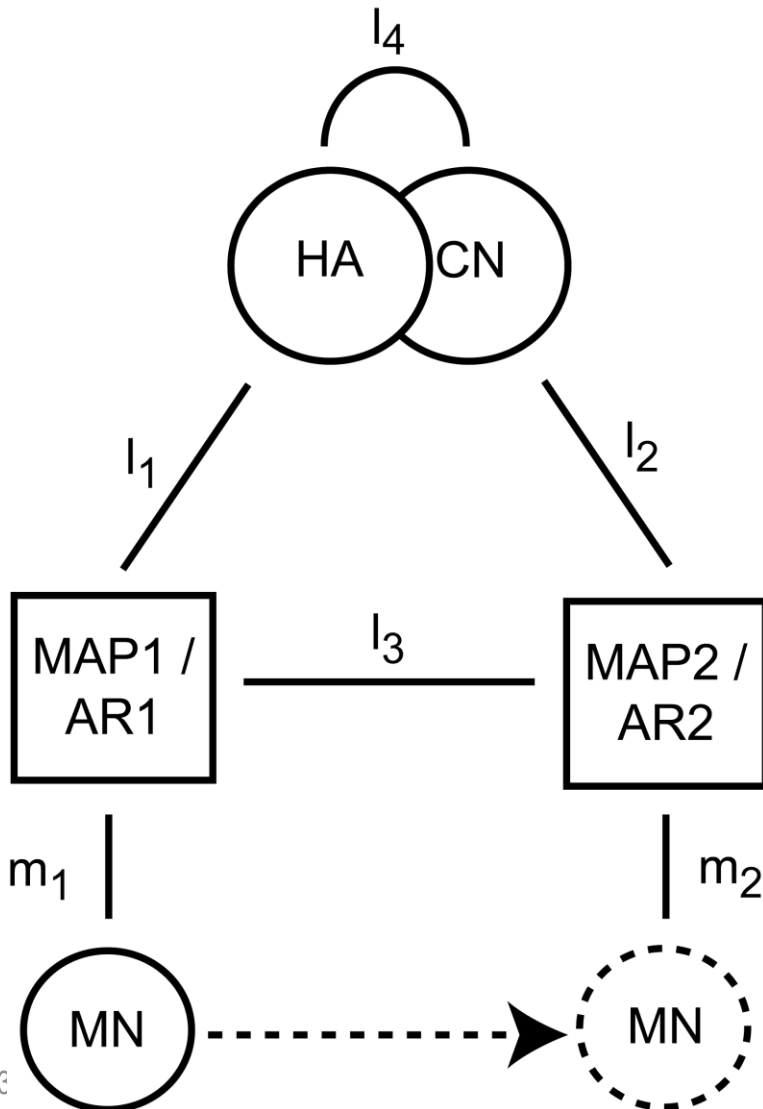
Relevant criteria

- ▶ Handover performance: packet loss, delay + jitter
- ▶ Number of performed handovers
- ▶ Number of processed handovers
- ▶ Robustness
- ▶ Handover Costs



Handover Performance

Simple analytical model:



- o Compare reactive vers. predictive handover
- o Characteristic to problem: Router distance t_{l3}
- o Charac. to predictive HO:

$$(t_{Ant} - 2t_{l3}) + (t_{L2} - t_{l3})$$
- o Charac. to reactive HO:

$$t_{l3} + t_{L2}$$



More detailed ...

o Reactive Handover:

$$\text{Packet loss} \propto t_{L2} + t_{local-IP} + t_{m_2} + t_{l_3}$$

$$\text{Additional arrival delay} = t_{l_3} + t_{m_2} - t_{m_1}$$

o Predictive Handover (successful):

$$\text{Packet loss} \propto \Delta^-t + \max(\Delta t + t_{L2} + t_{m_2} - t_{l_3}, 0)$$

$$\text{Additional arrival delay} = t_{l_3} + t_{m_2} - t_{m_1}$$

where

$$\Delta^\pm t = \max(\pm t_{Ant} \mp 2t_{l_3} \mp t_{m_1}, 0), \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta t = \Delta^+ t - \Delta^- t.$$

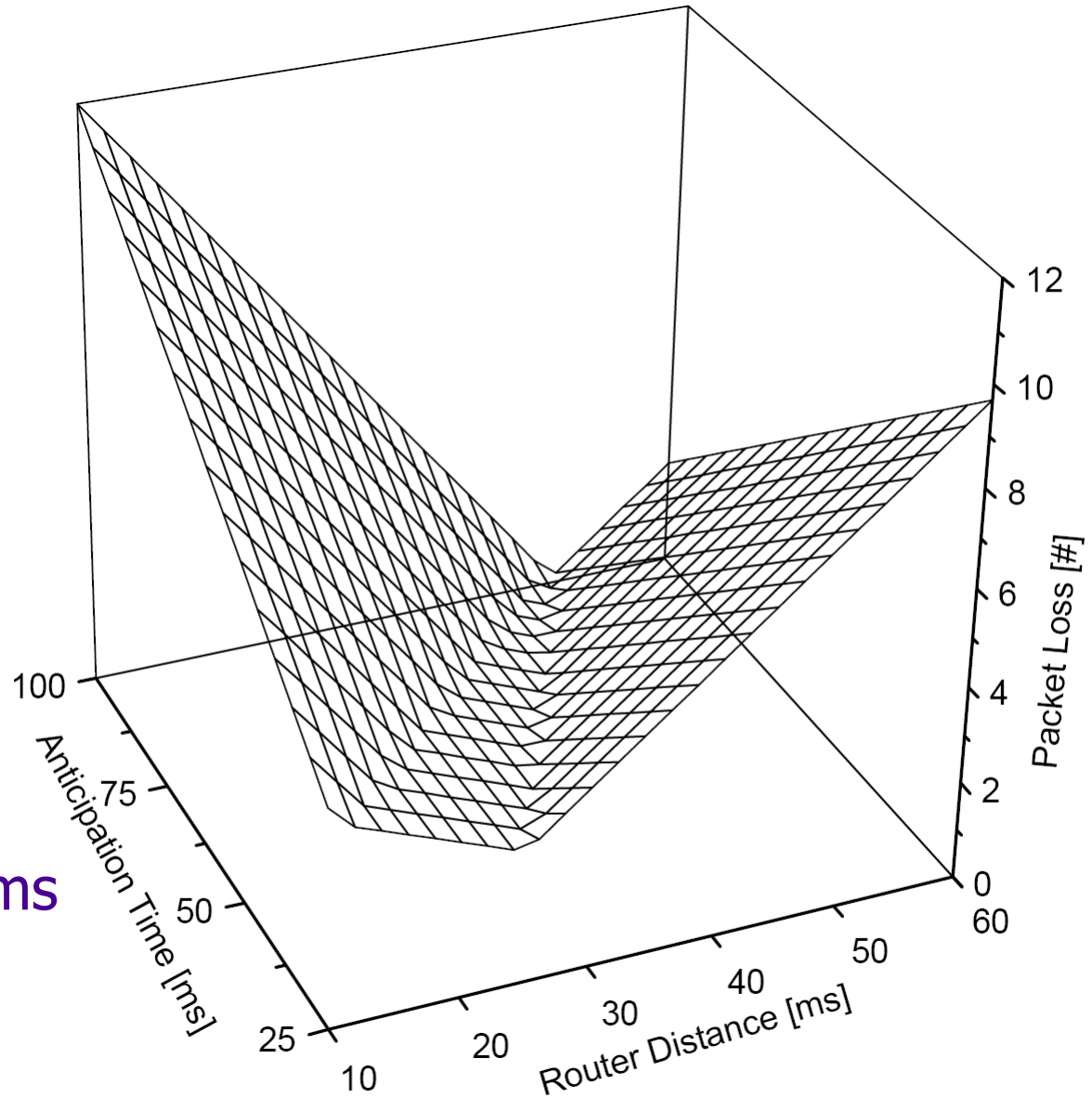


Packet Loss Function

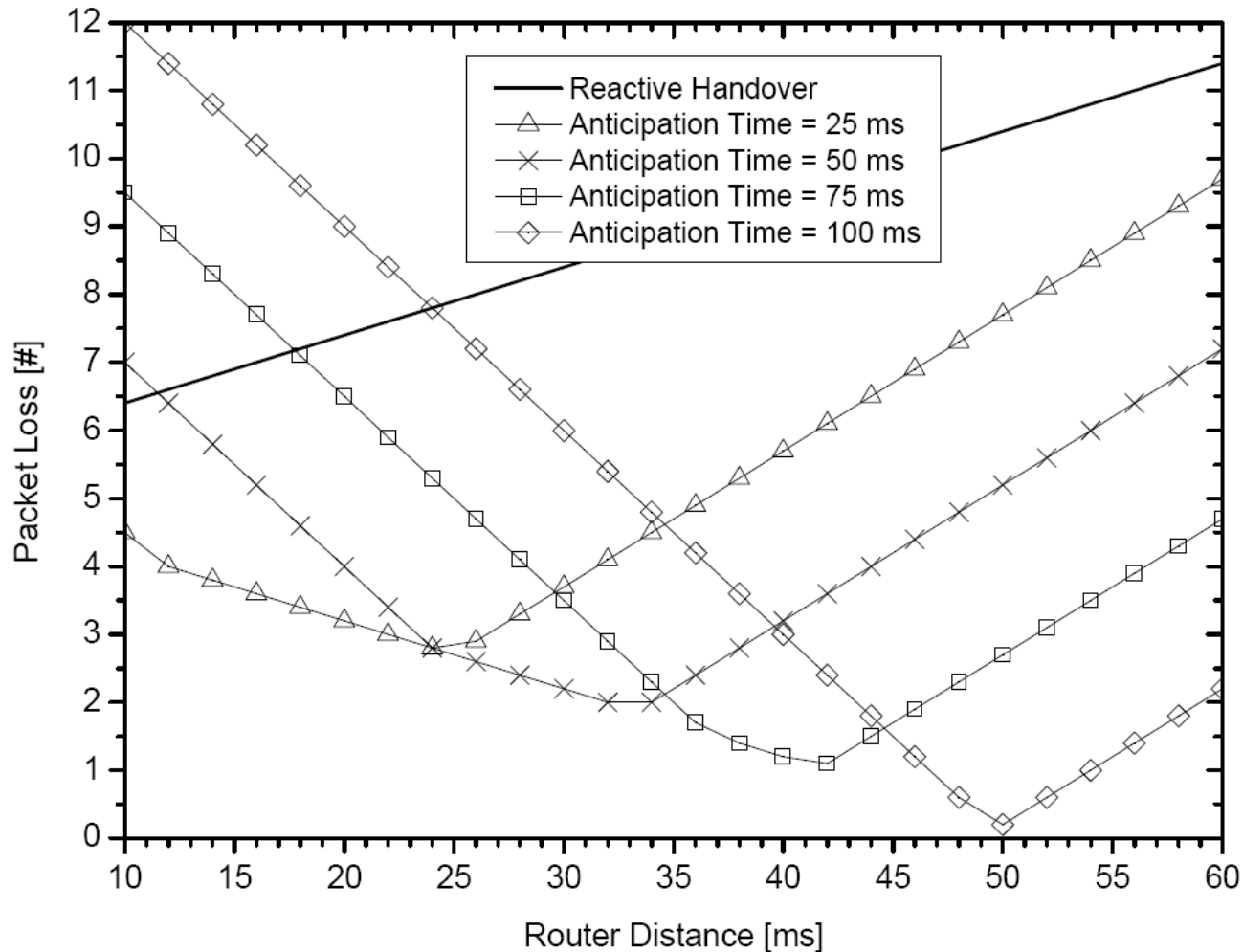
L2 Delay: 50 ms

Traffic:

CBR at 1 Pkt/10 ms



Comparative Samples

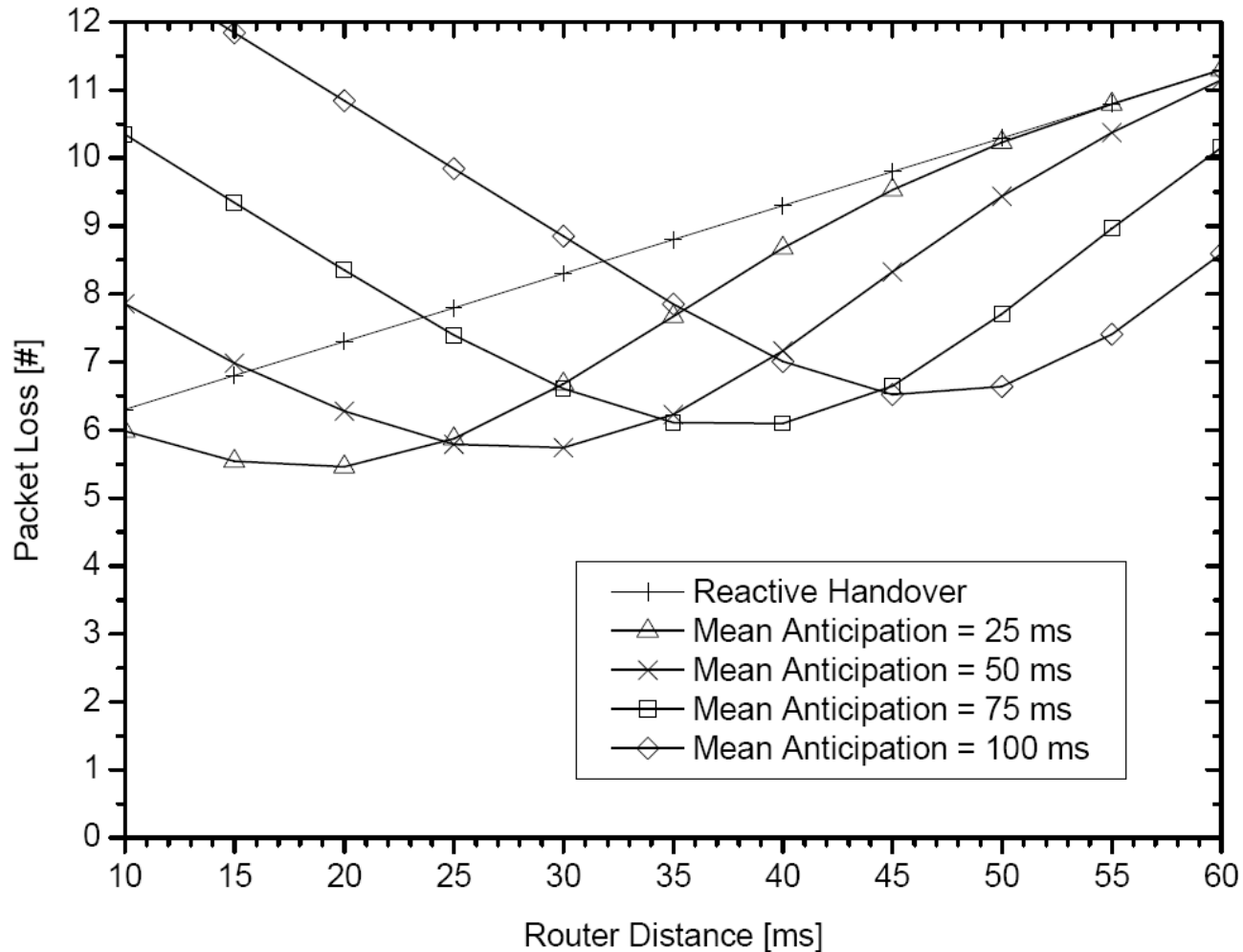


Packet Loss: Stochastic Simulation

- o Constant bit rate traffic from CN/HA (at 10 ms)
- o Random perturbations (ξ) at each link
- o Parameters:
 - Anticipation Time: $\langle x \rangle = * \text{ ms}, \xi = 30 \text{ ms}$
 - L2 Handoff: $\langle x \rangle = 50 \text{ ms}, \xi = 10 \text{ ms}$
 - Local Links: $\langle x \rangle = 2 \text{ ms}, \xi = 1 \text{ ms}$



Packet Loss



Why is Reality Worse?

Analytical Model did not Account for

- o Geometry

- o Link Perturbation

- o Limitations in Completing HO Negotiation



Number of Handovers

Relevant quantities:

- Cell residence time
- Call holding time
- AR-to-MAP ratio

Modelling assumptions:

- Cell residence & call holding time exp. distributed (homogeneous distribution)



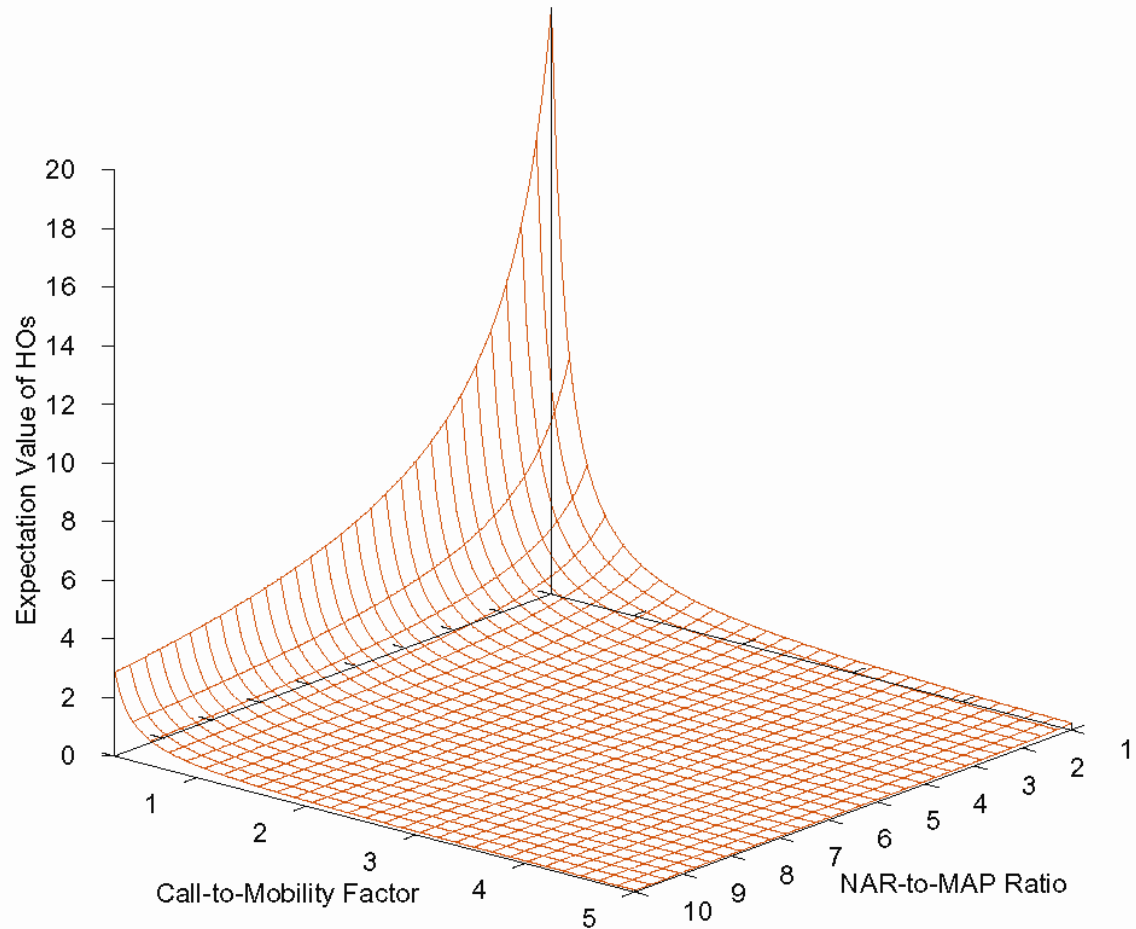
Expected # of Handovers

Analytical result:

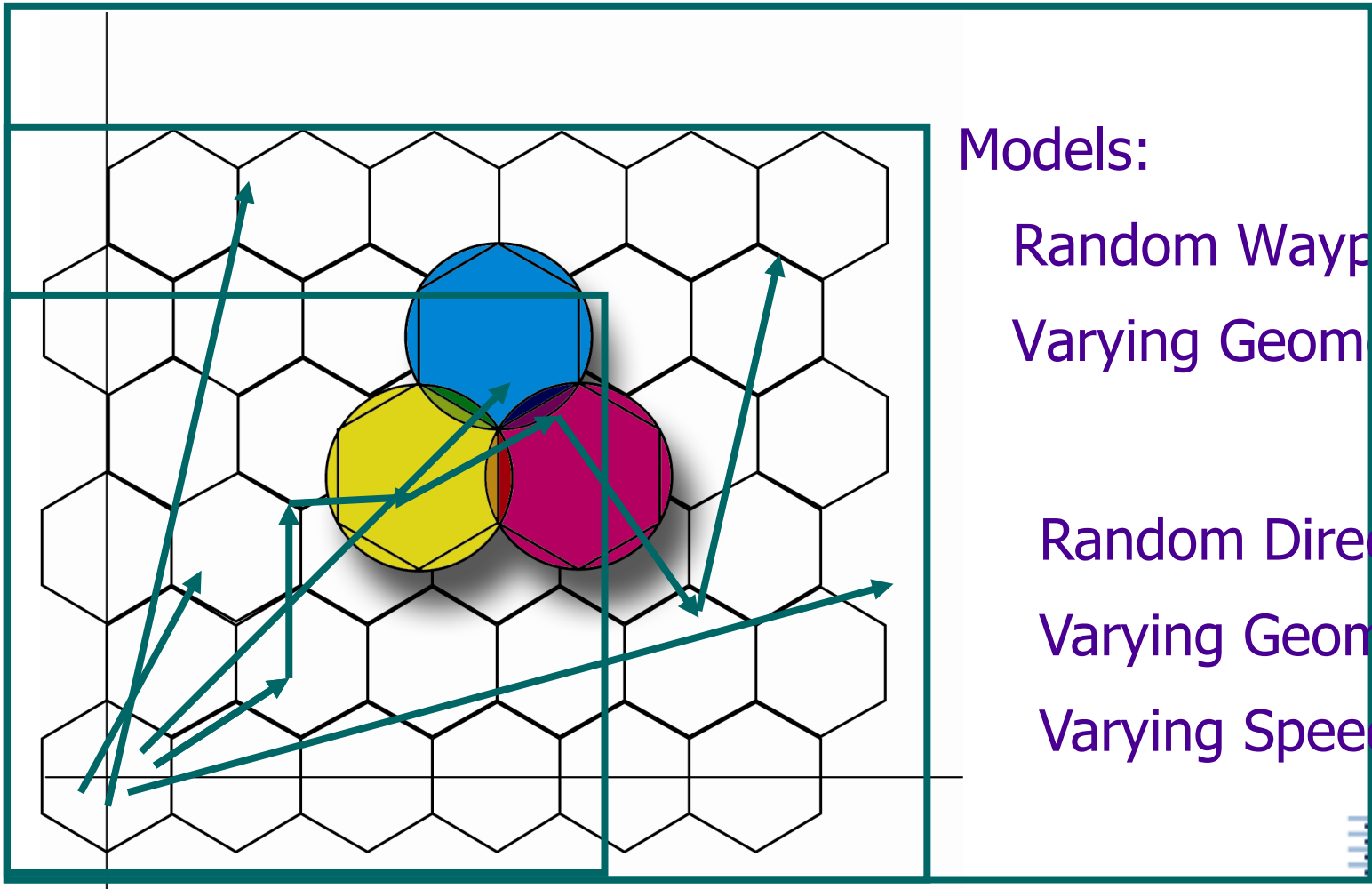
ρ = Call-to-mobility
factor

k = AR-to-MAP ratio

$$E[HO] = \frac{1}{k\rho^2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}\rho}$$



Handover Predictions: Stochastic Simulation

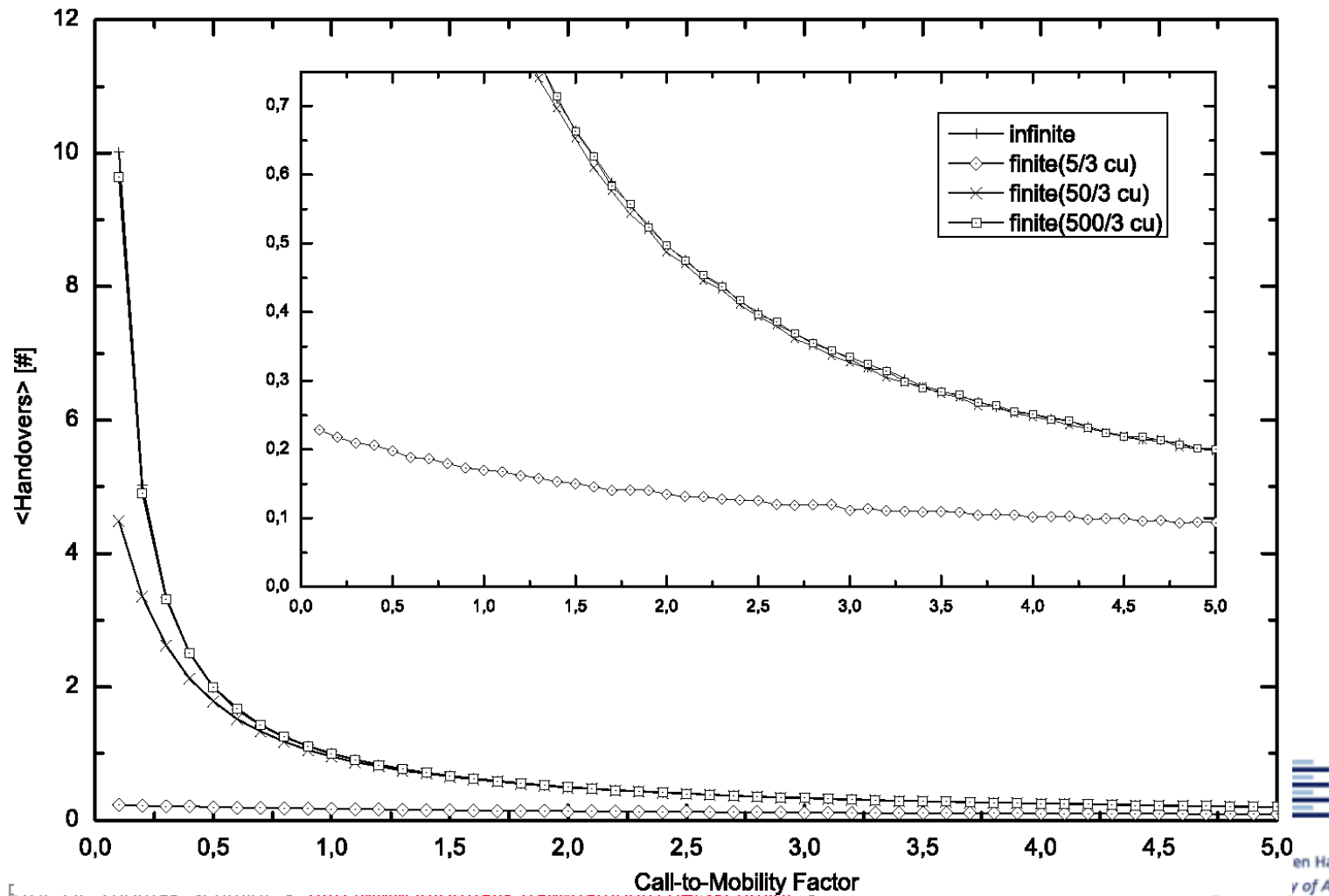


Models:

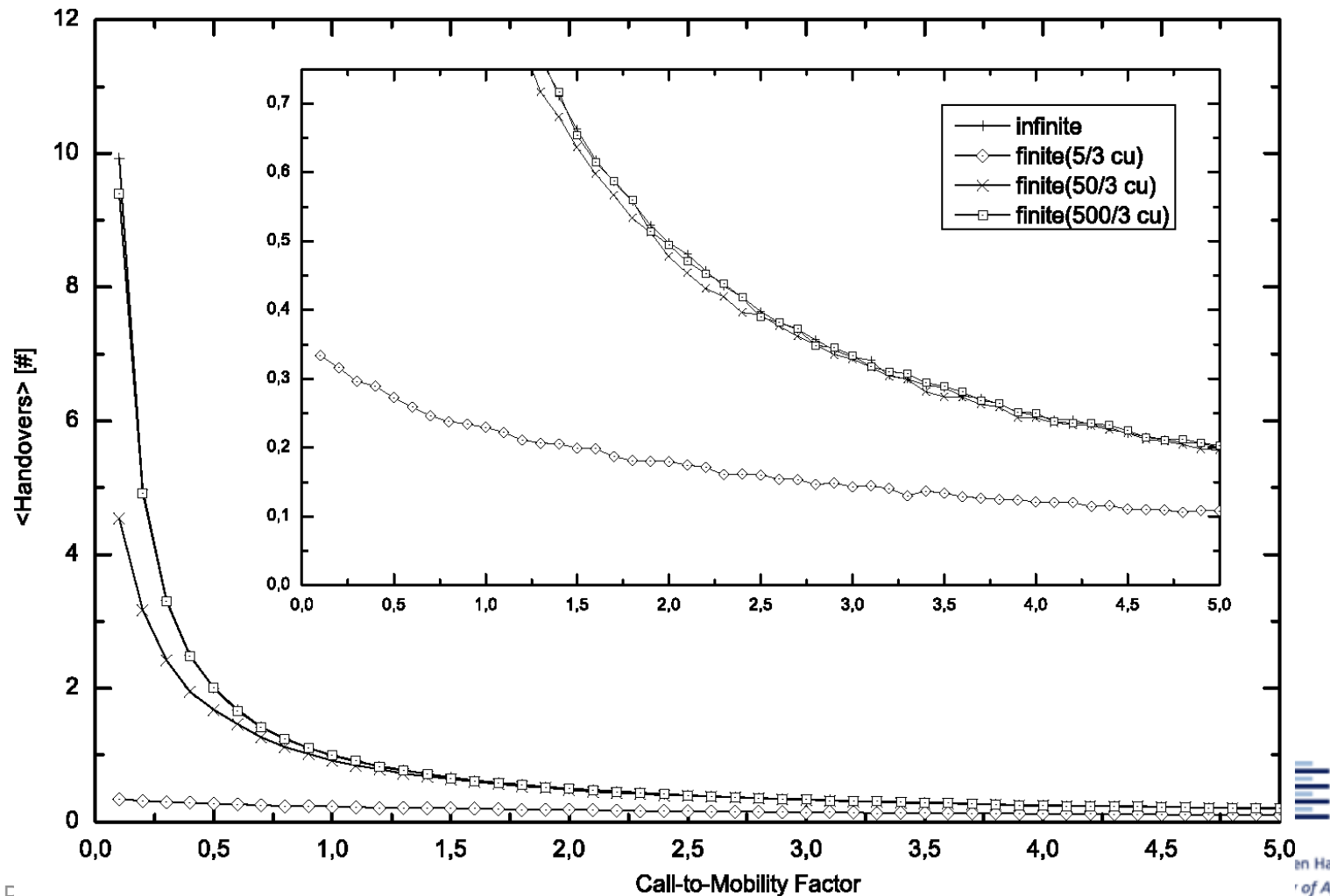
Random Waypoint
Varying Geometry

Random Direction
Varying Geometry
Varying Speeds

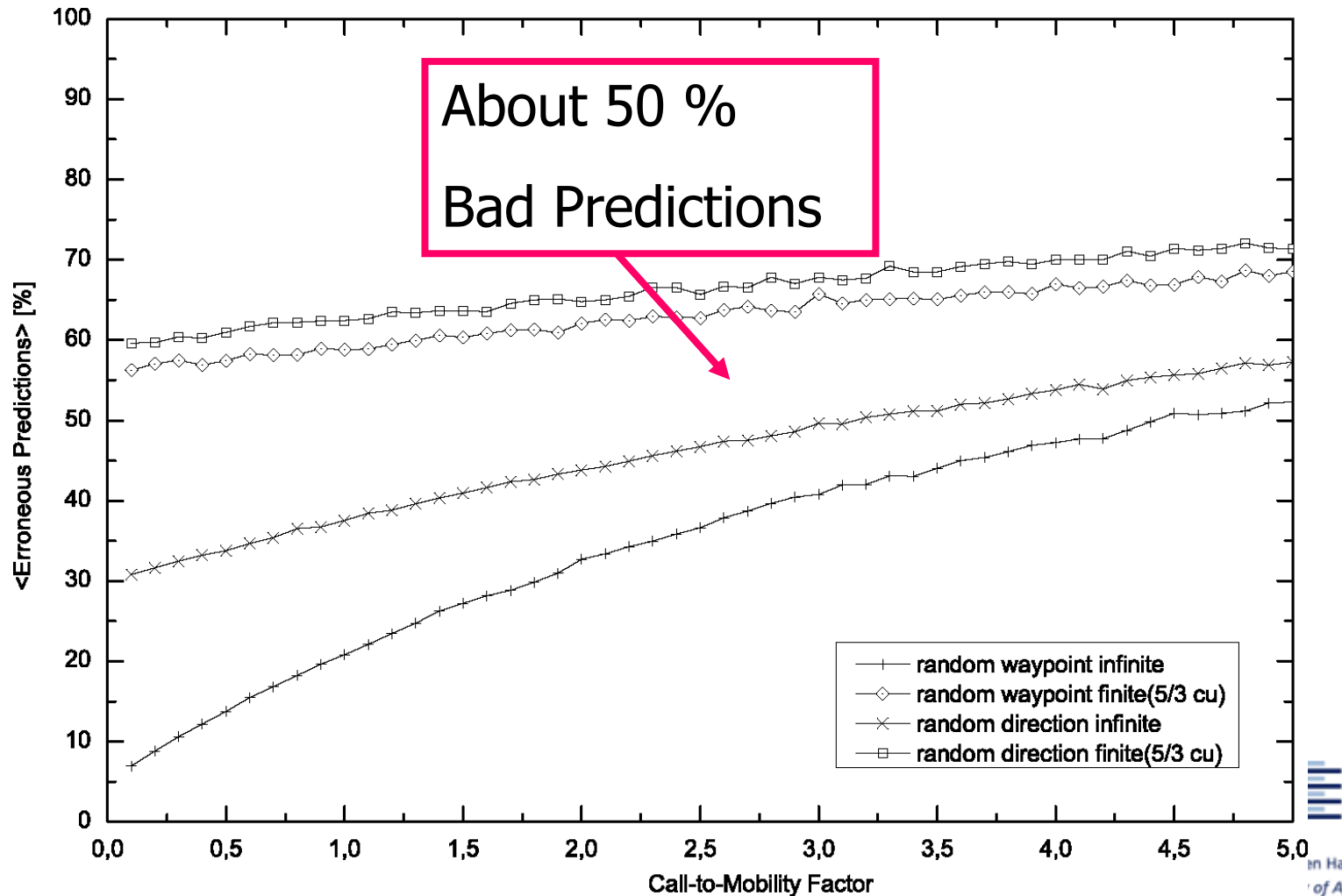
Mean Handover Frequencies: Random Waypoint Model



Mean Handover Frequencies: Random Direction Model



Erroneous Prediction Yields

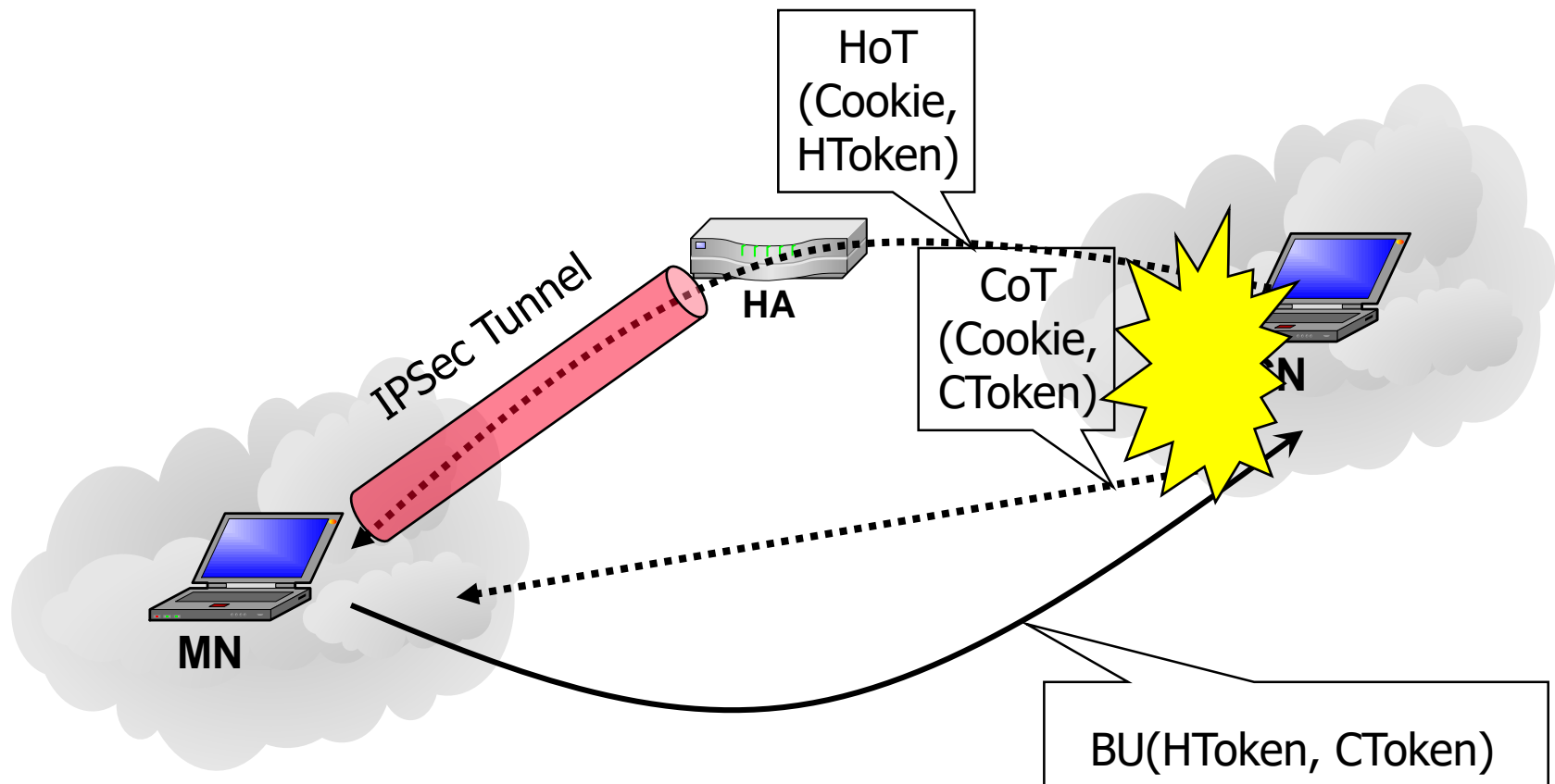


Handover Security Problems

- o RRP vulnerable to Man-in-the-Middle attacks
- o Degrades handover performance
 - RRP tightens topological dependence
- o Agnostic of FMIPv6
- o Incompatible with Multicast



Problem: Man in the Middle



The Core of the Problem?

For Authentication

A Mobile Node must proof ownership of HoA

But: Certification Infrastructure (PKI) is out of scope

Idea in IPv6:

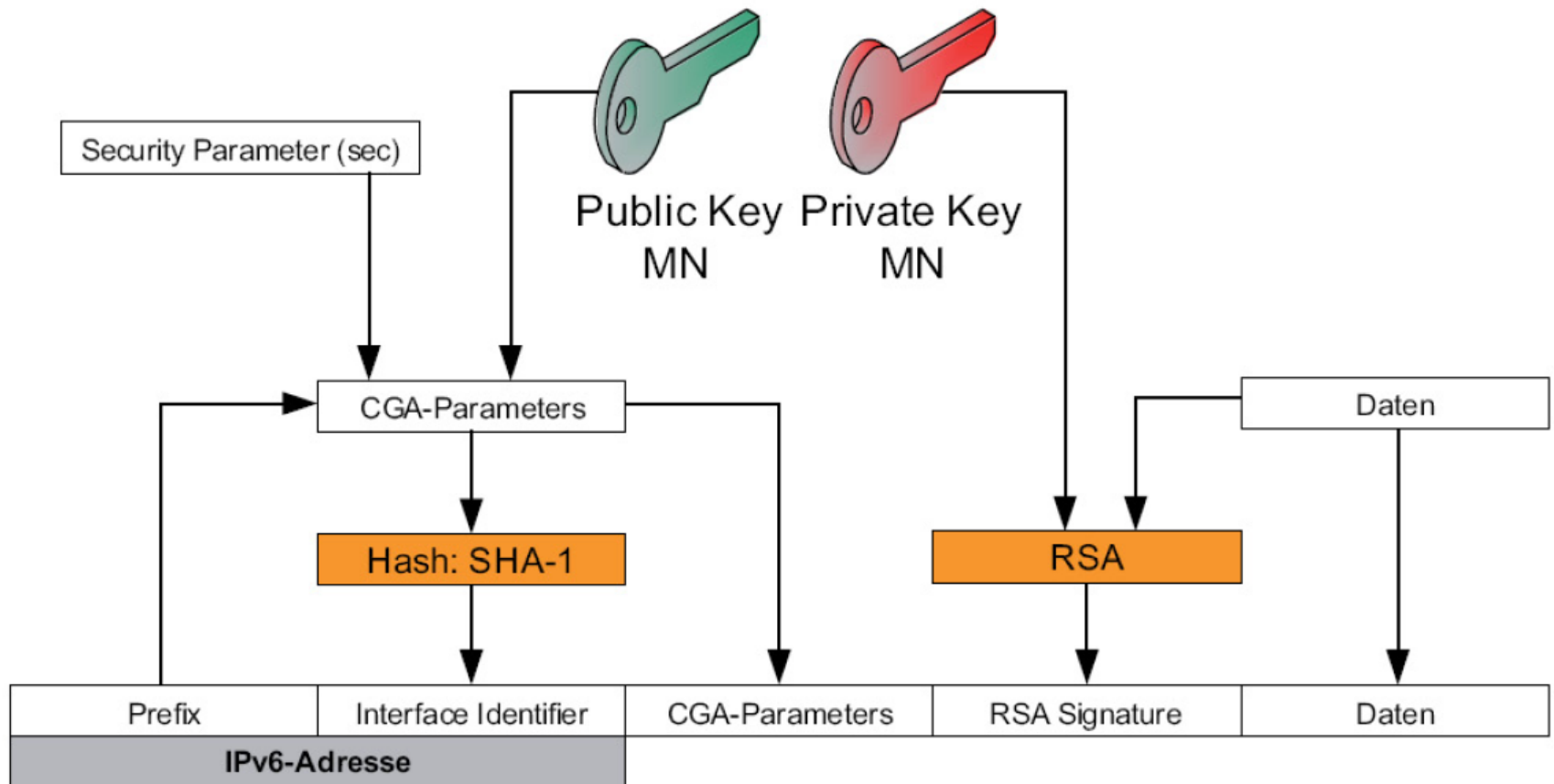
Cryptographically Generated Addresses (Aura, Castellucia, Montenegro & Petander – RFC 3972):

- o Generate public/private key pair: e, d

- o Generate host-ID from public key: 64 sha1(e)

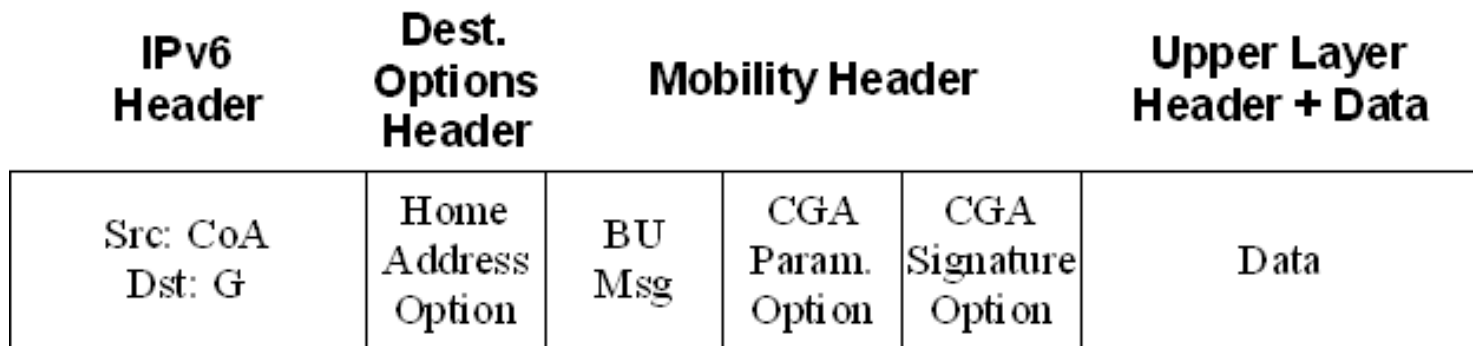
➔ Packets now can authenticate their address (and content) self-consistently!

CGA Packet Authentication



Binding Update

Enhanced Route Optimization for Mobile IPv6 (RFC 4866)

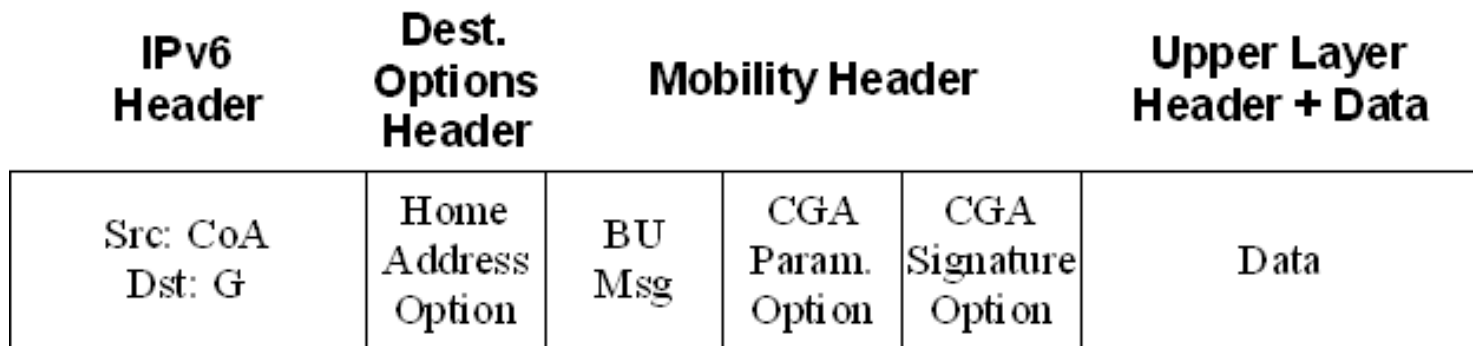


Base header is Home Address unaware.



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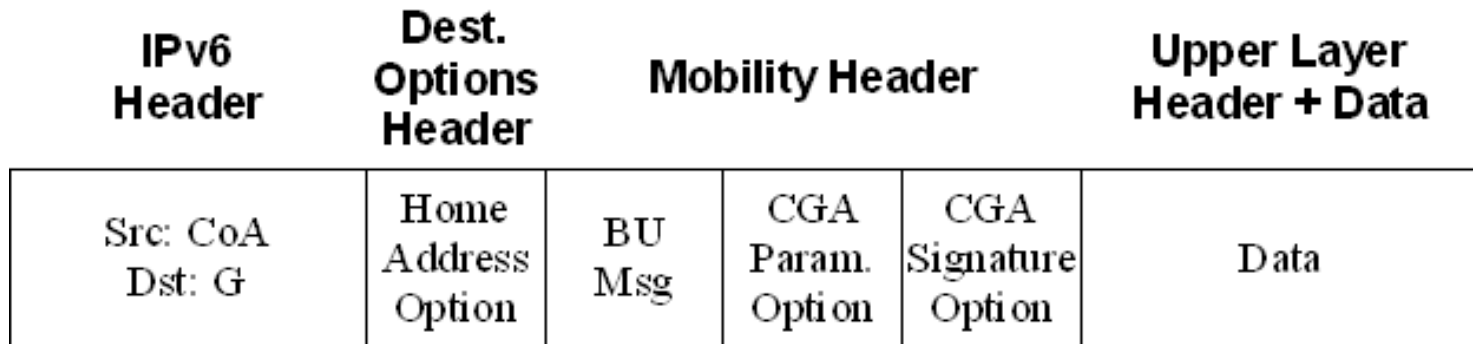


The destination receives the Home Address in the Destination Options Header.



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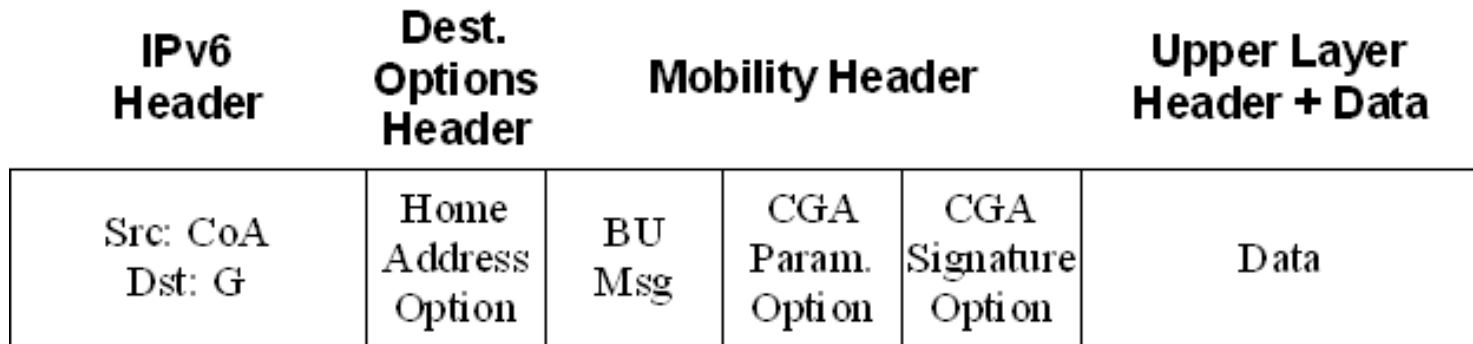


The update itself is stored in the Mobility Header.



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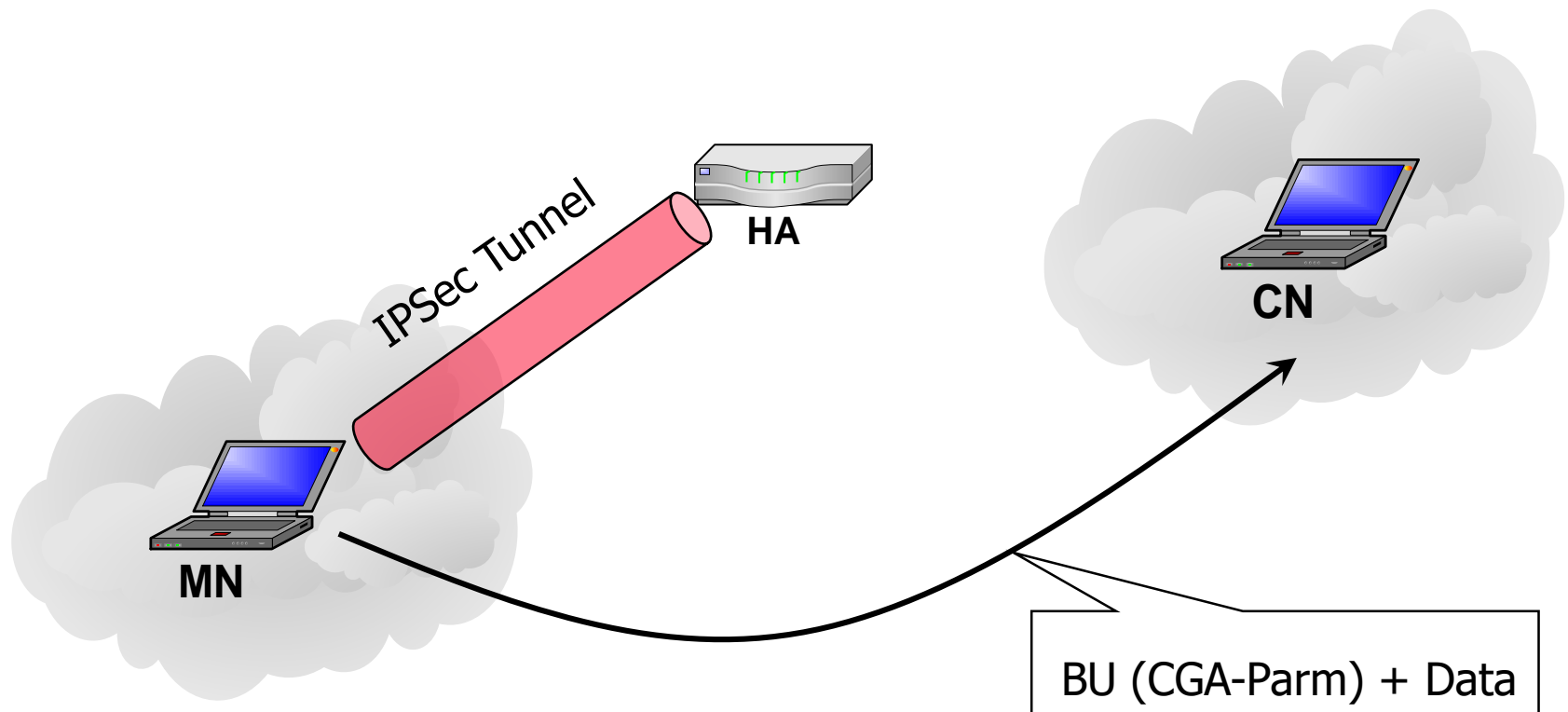


CGA options verify the HA and sign the packet



CGA-Authenticated BU (RFC 4866)

Initial HoA-Reachability Test
Further on per Handover:



Multicast Mobility: Problems & Objectives

Multicast Mobility in MIPv6: Problem Statement

Provide Seamless Multicast Services to and from MNs

- o Approach native multicast forwarding in an infrastructure-compliant manner
- o At Listeners:
 - Ensure multicast reception in visited networks
 - Organize context transfer between mcast-enabled access networks
- o At Sources:
 - Sustain address transparency at end nodes (address duality problem)
 - Ensure persistence of receiver contact (decoupling problem)
 - Bridge tardy tree reconstruction/transformation procedures
- o Focus on deployable solutions, minimize protocol extensions

Multicast Mobility Approaches

o Remote Subscription

- Show all movement by local multicast subscription

o Bi-directional Tunnelling

- Hide all movement by tunnelling via Home Agent

o Agent Based

- Compromise: Intermediate agents shield Mobile
- Approaches: Extend unicast schemes
M-PMIPv6, M-FMIPv6, M-HMIPv6, ...



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Status: Where are we today?

o Internet Mobility

- Mobile IPv6 – Since June 2004 widely implemented, but little deployment

o Real-Time Mobility

- FMIPv6 – RFCs 5268 (June 2008, updated to standard track)
- HMIPv6 – RFC 5380 (Oct. 2008, updated to standard track)
- Enhanced Route Optimisation – RFC 4866 (May 2007)

o Carrier-Operated Mobility for MIPv6-unaware Nodes

- PMIPv6 – RFC 5213 (PtP Links only, distributed PMIPv6)
- Deployment variants in 5G

o Multicast Mobility

- Base RFC 6224 for PMIPv6, several extensions



Conclusions & Future Trends

- o MIPv6 is a beautiful illustration of IPv6's potentials ... but suffers deployment deficits
- o MIPv6 operates in end-to-end paradigm, a conflict with operator concepts
- o PMIPv6 serves as a "mediating protocol", deployment in preparation
- o Key issue of developing the mobile regime: Gain control on end-devices





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