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Connecting Space Assets to the Internet: Challenges and Solutions

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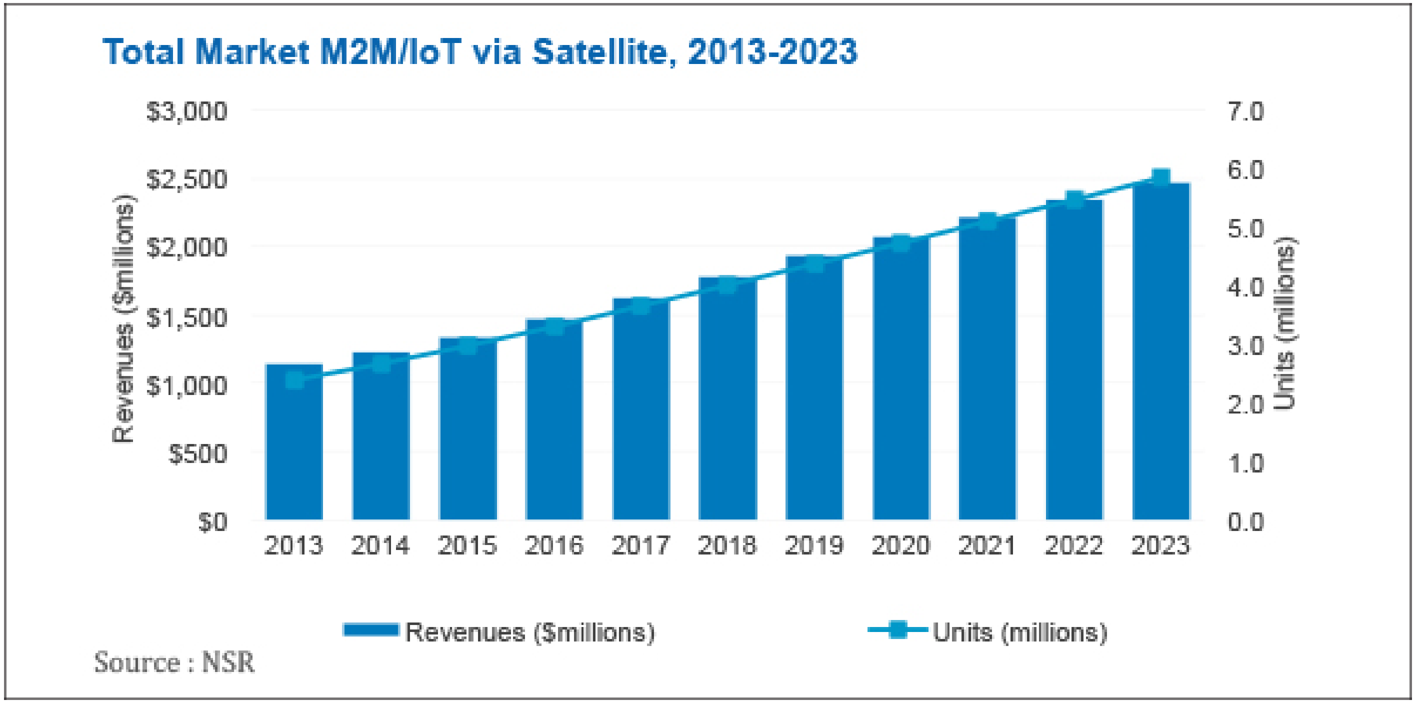
Advantages of Satellites over Terrestrial Networks

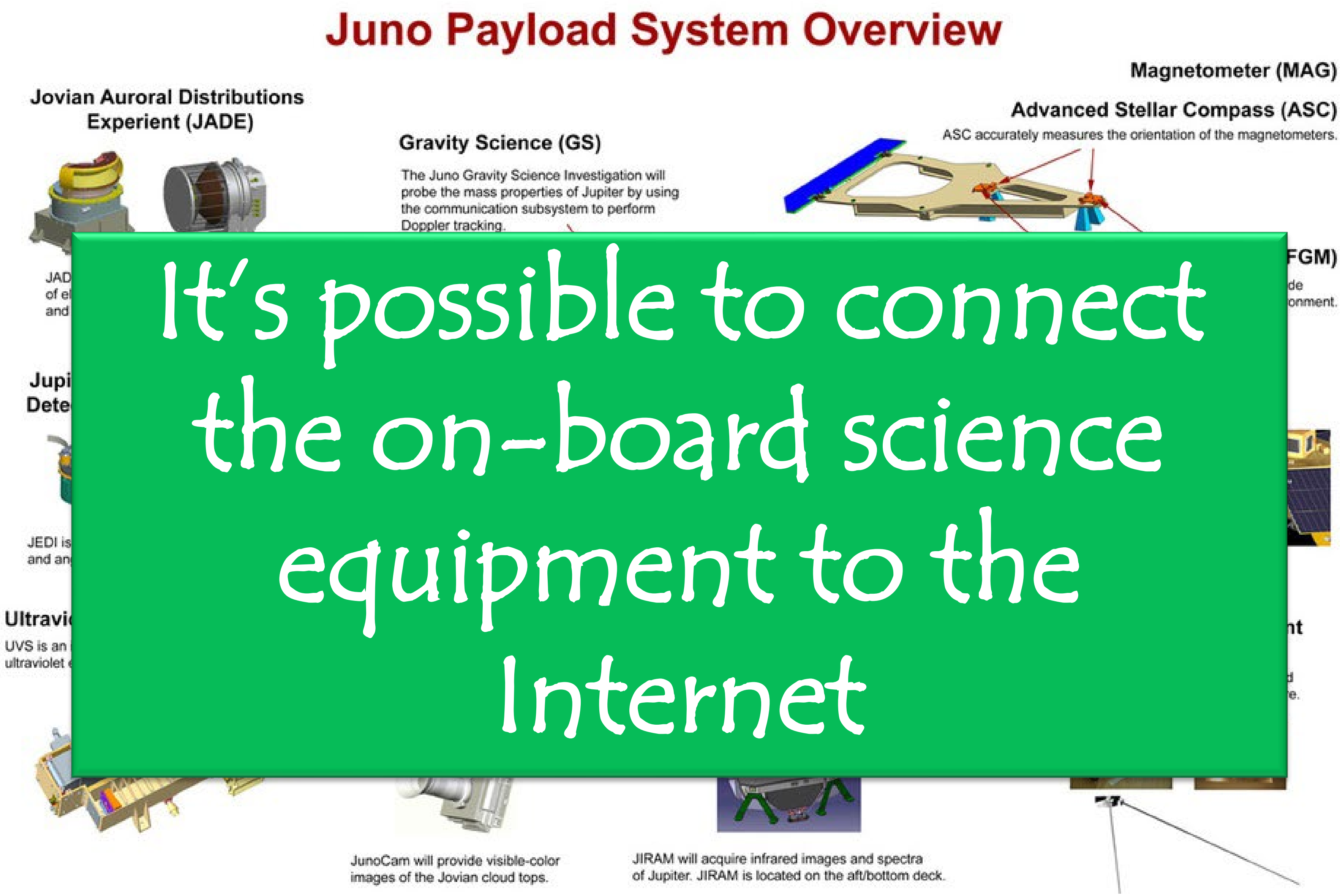
- Ubiquitous coverage and is usually more reliable, especially in remote and underserved regions.
  - Communicating enitites/IoT/Smart objects are often
    - remote
    - dispersed over a wide geographical area
    - inaccessible
- Satellite-based applications for global coverage.

- Satellite permits the use of a single platform, as compared to a patchwork of terrestrial networks.

- Cisco expects more than 50 billion connected devices by 2020
- Higher numbers of sensors being implemented and monitored, with each requiring their own IoT connection.



- Terrestrial networks currently dominate, but IoT via satellite will experience strong growth over the next decade.



It's possible to connect the on-board science equipment to the Internet

- Spacecrafts can have IP-addressable payload/devices/'things'
  - Sensor
  - Radars
  - Telescopes
  - spacecraft
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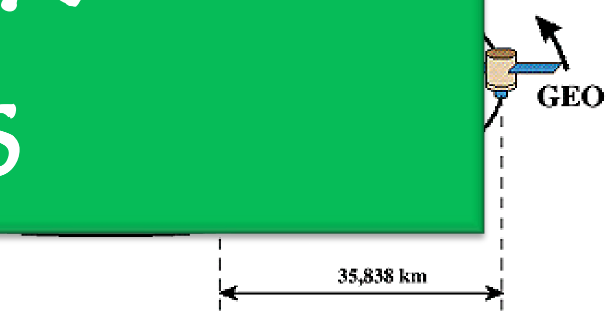
- Connecting mobile space devices to the Internet requires mobility management.

We consider Low Earth Orbiting

Mobility Management In Satellites



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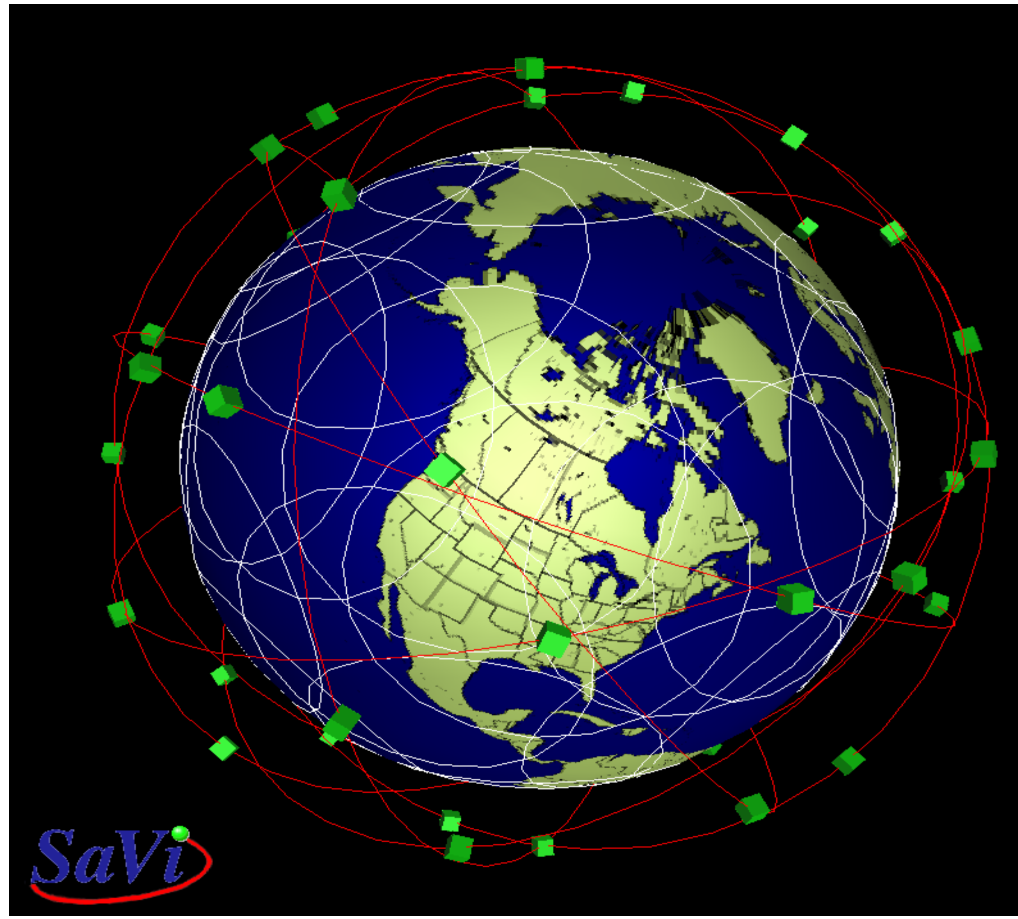
- Link Layer Handoff
  - Inter-satellite handoff
  - Link handoff
  - Spotbeam handoff

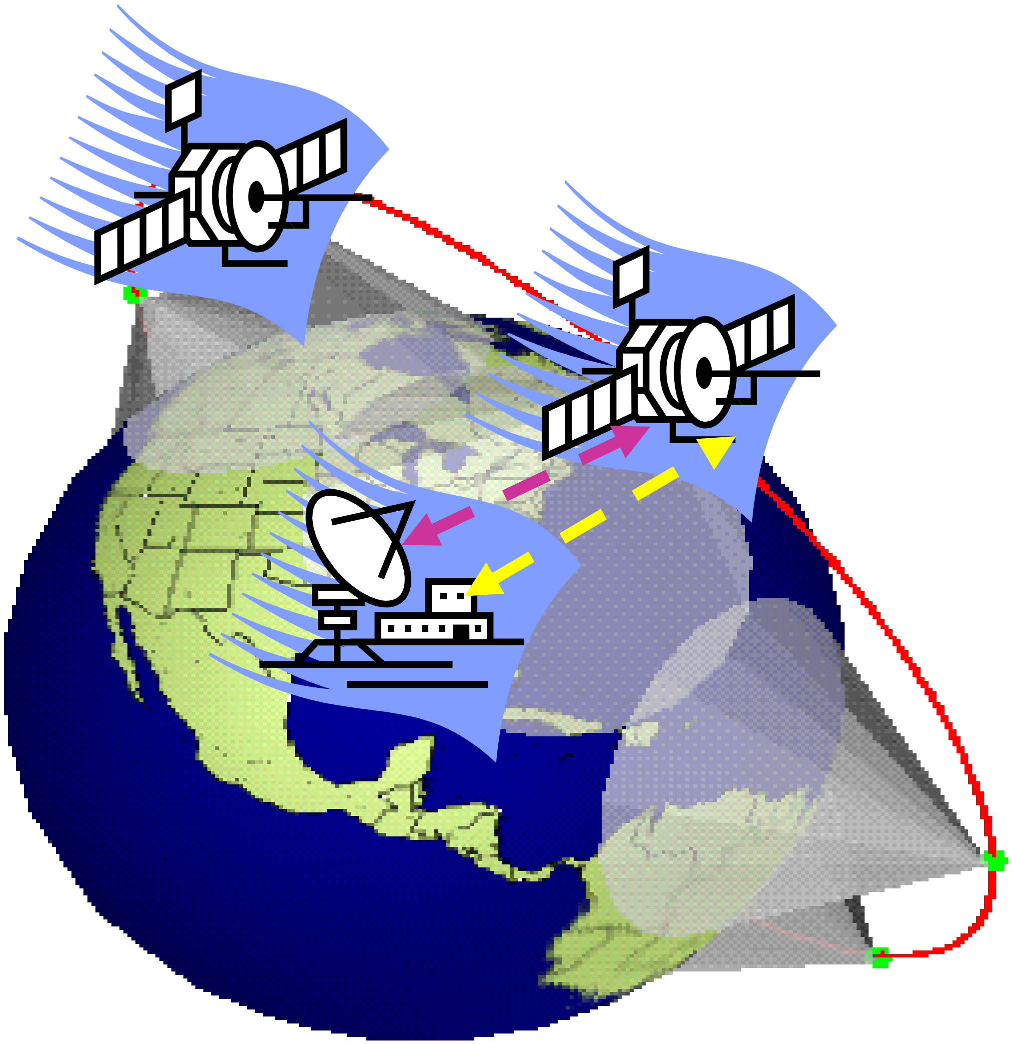
- Network Layer Handoff
  - Satellite as a router
  - Satellite as a mobile host



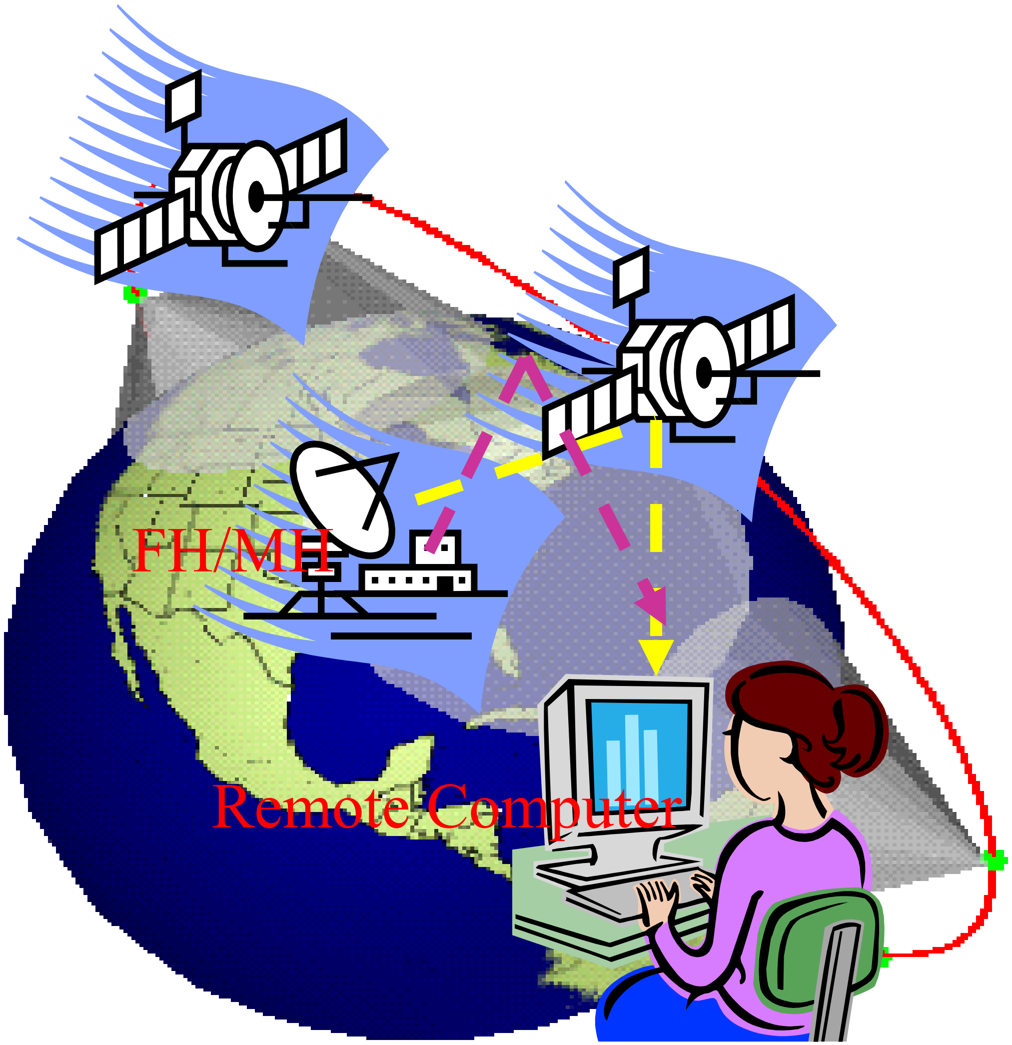
A Globalstar design, with 48 active satellites in 8 planes of 6.

- Satellite movement causes handoff between ground stations.

- Similar to inter-switch handoff in the case of terrestrial mobile network.



- Satellites act as IP routing devices.
  - No on-board device is generating or consuming data
- Satellites are allocated different IP prefix.
- Host need to maintain continuous connection with Remote Computer.



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- Onboard equipment generate data and act as the endpoint of the communication.
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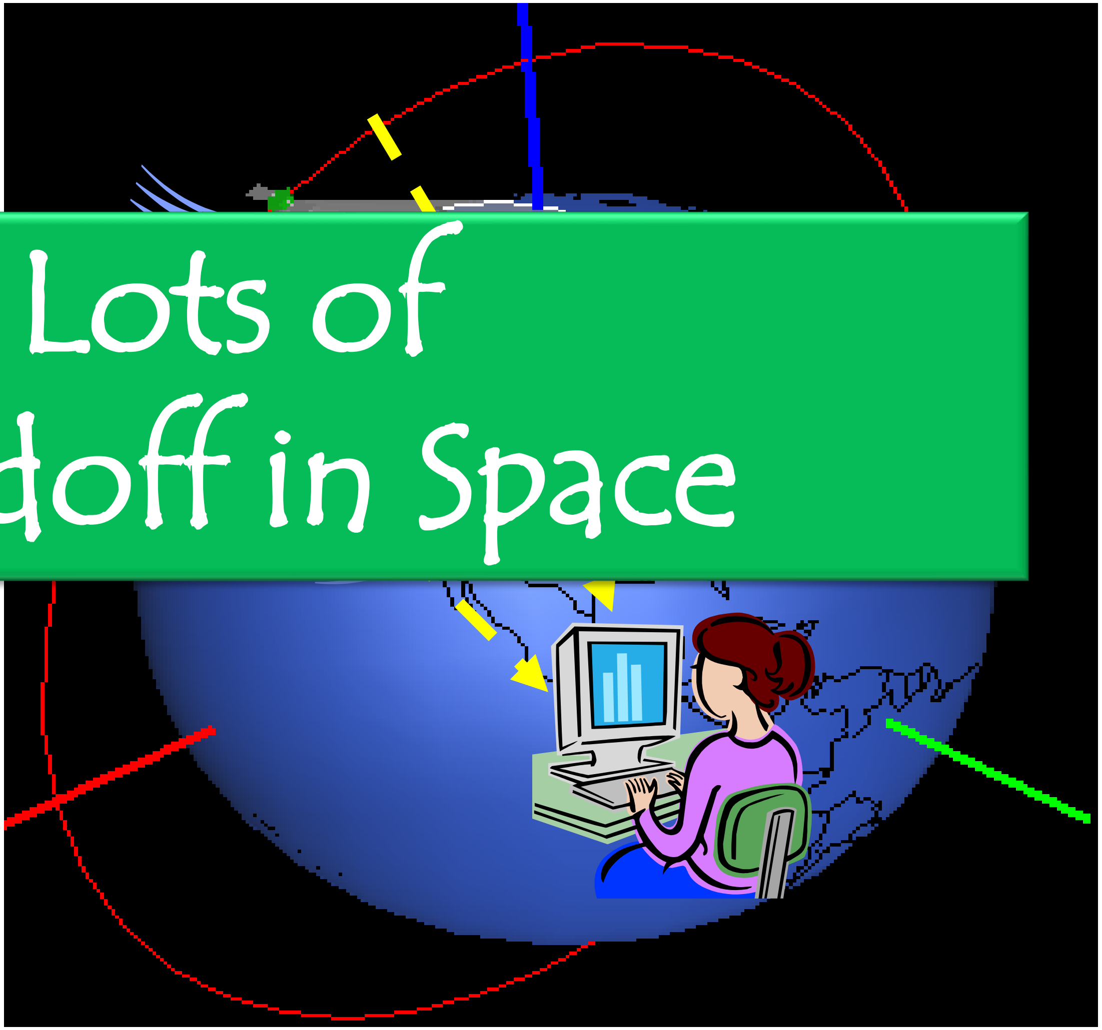
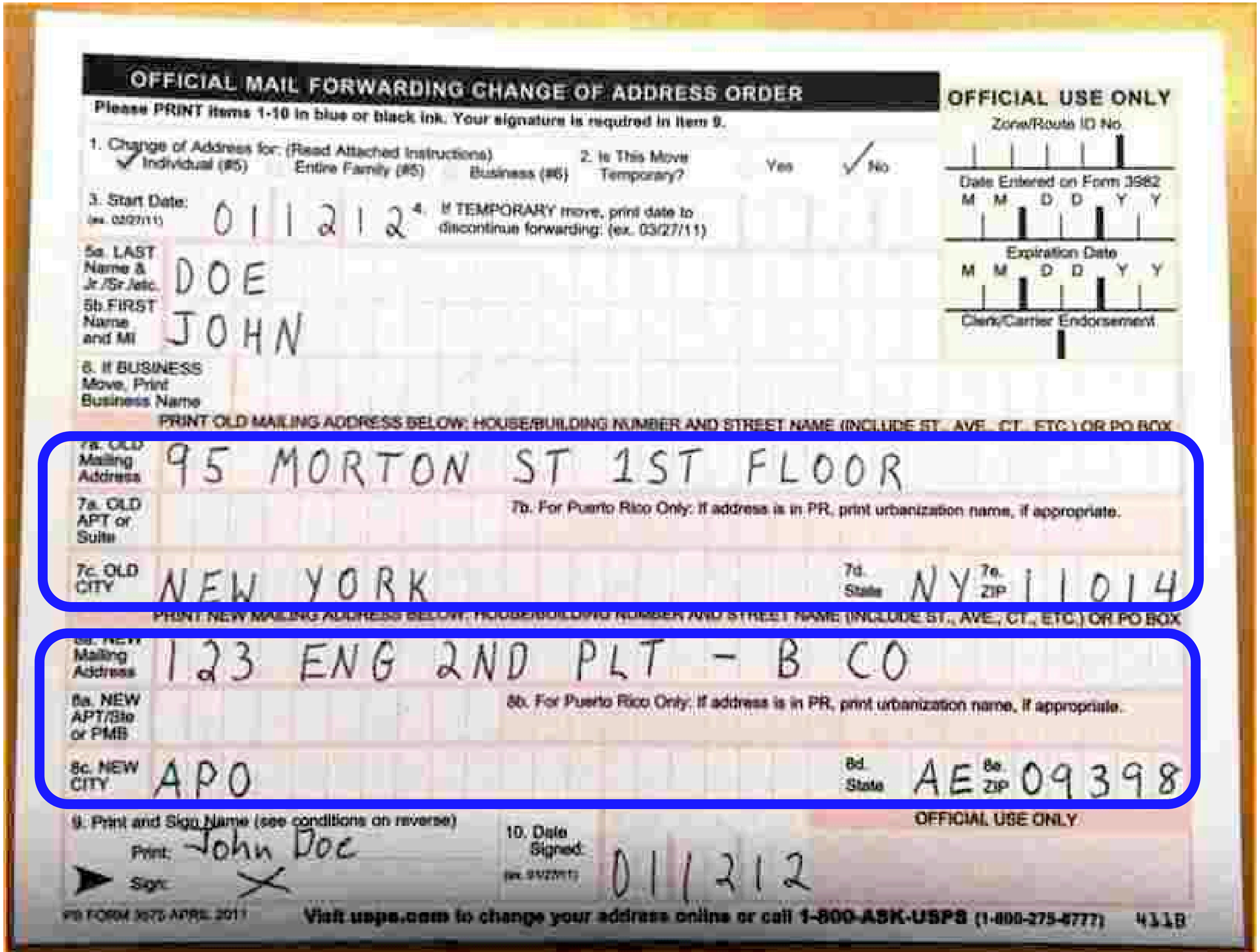


Lots of
Handoff in Space

Mobility Management

US Postal System Mail Forwarding



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2. Is This Move Temporary? Yes ✓ No

3. Start Date: (ex. 03/27/11) 01 12 12

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8b. For Puerto Rico Only: If address is in PR, print urbanization name, if appropriate.

8c. NEW CITY APO 8d. State AE 8e. ZIP 09398

9. Print and Sign Name (see conditions on reverse) Print: John Doe Sign: X

10. Date Signed: (ex. 01/28/11) 01 12 12

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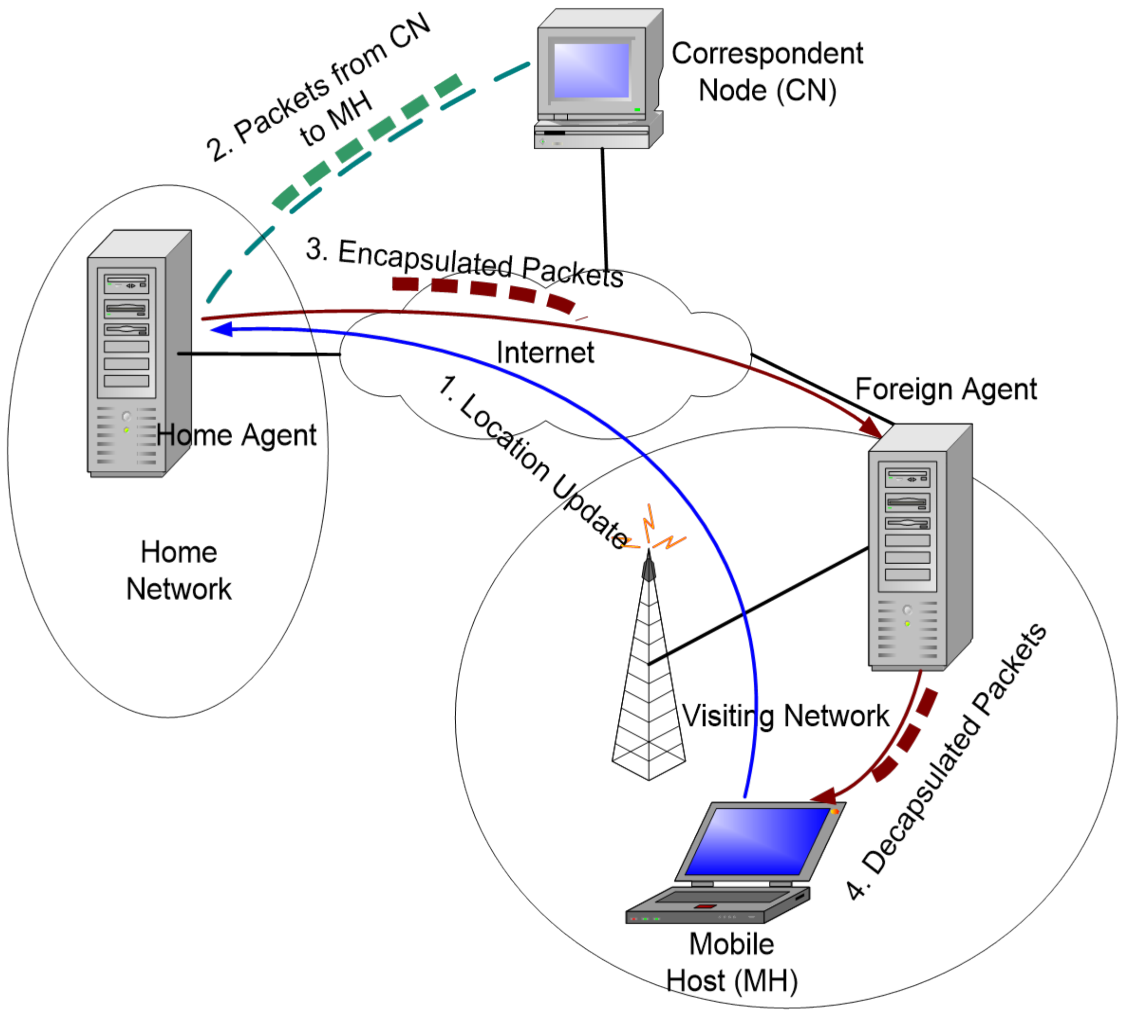
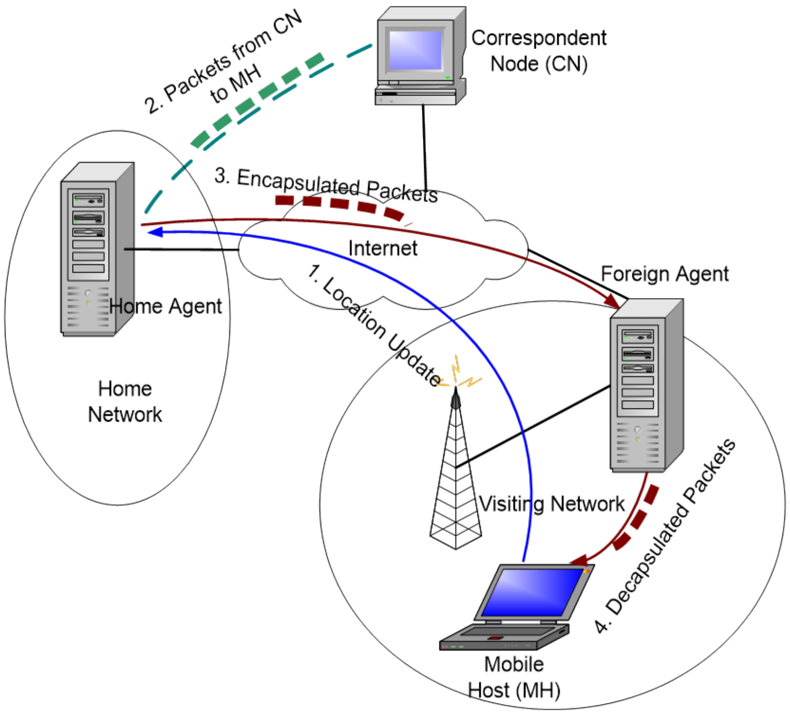
1. When Mobile Host moves to a new domain, a location update is sent to Home Agent.

2 & 3. Packets from CN to Mobile Host are encapsulated and forwarded to MH's current care-of address.

4. Packets are decapsulated and delivered to upper layer protocol.

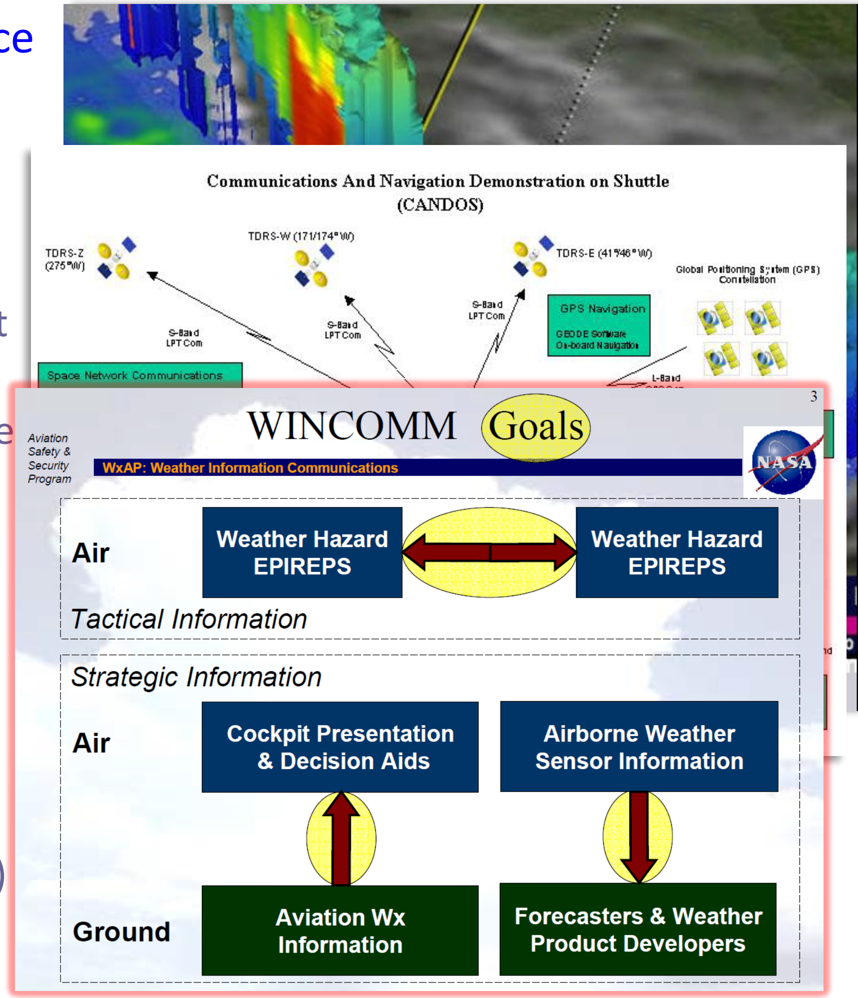


- Need modification to Internet infrastructure.
- High handoff latency and packet loss rate.
- Inefficient routing path.
- Conflict with network security solutions such as Ingress Filtering and Firewalls.
- Home Agent must reside in MH's home network, making it hard to duplicate HA to various locations to increase survivability and manageability.



Mobile IP in Space

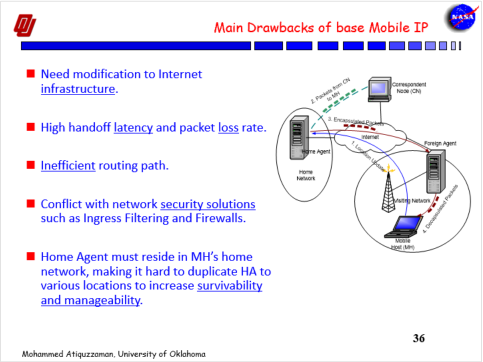
- Several NASA projects considering IP in space and Mobile IP
  - *Global Precipitations Measurement (GPM)*
  - *Communication and Navigation Demonstration on Shuttle (CANDOS)*
  - Operating Missions as Nodes on the Internet (OMNI)
  - NASA worked with Cisco to develop a Mobile router
- Mobile IP is promising for major role in various space related NASA projects
  - Advanced Aeronautics Transportation Technology (AATT)
  - *Weather Information Communication (WINCOMM)*
  - Small Aircraft Transportation Systems (SATS)



Develop an efficient, secure and seamless handoff scheme which would be applicable to both the satellite and wireless/cellular environment.

Motivation for a New Mobility Management Protocol in Space

- No need to install new hardware or software component in Internet infrastructure.



- Low handoff latency and packet loss rate.

- Efficient data path
  - Avoid triangular routing.

- Cooperate with existing network security mechanisms.

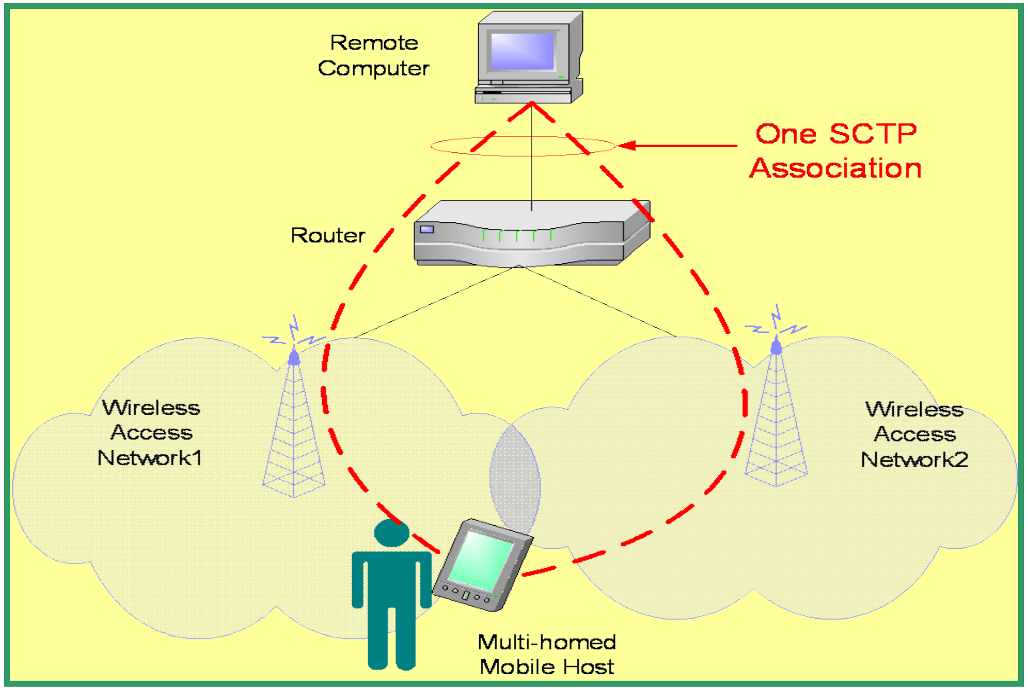
- Increased survivability, scalability and manageability.

- Suitable for satellite IP handoffs.

SIGMA: Seamless IP-diversity based Generalized Mobility Architecture

- Decouple location management from handoff
- Carry out location management and handoff in parallel to data transmission
- Allow the layer whose performance is to be optimized to take responsibility of the handoff
- Implementation:
  - Multihoming for simultaneous communication with multiple access points.
  - Stream Control Transmission Protocol (RFC 2960).

- Mobile IP assumes the upper layer protocol uses only one IP address to identify a logical connection. Some buffering or re-routing should be done at the router for seamless handover.
- SCTP support multiple IP addresses at transport layer naturally via multi-homing.
- When a mobile host moves between cells, it can setup a new path to communicate with the remote computer while still maintaining the old path.



Advantages of SIGMA:

- Reduced packet loss and handover latency
- Increased throughput
- No special requirement on Router and Access networks.

What is SCTP?

- SCTP: "Stream Control Transmission Protocol"
- Originally designed to support SS7 signaling messages over IP networks. Currently supports most of the features of TCP
- Standardized by IETF RFC 2960
- Reliable transport protocol on top of IP

TCP and SCTP compared

- Both of them are reliable transport protocols;
- Similar Congestion Control algorithms (slow start, congestion avoidance);
- SCTP has two new features:
  - Multihoming
  - Multistreaming

Upper layer applications

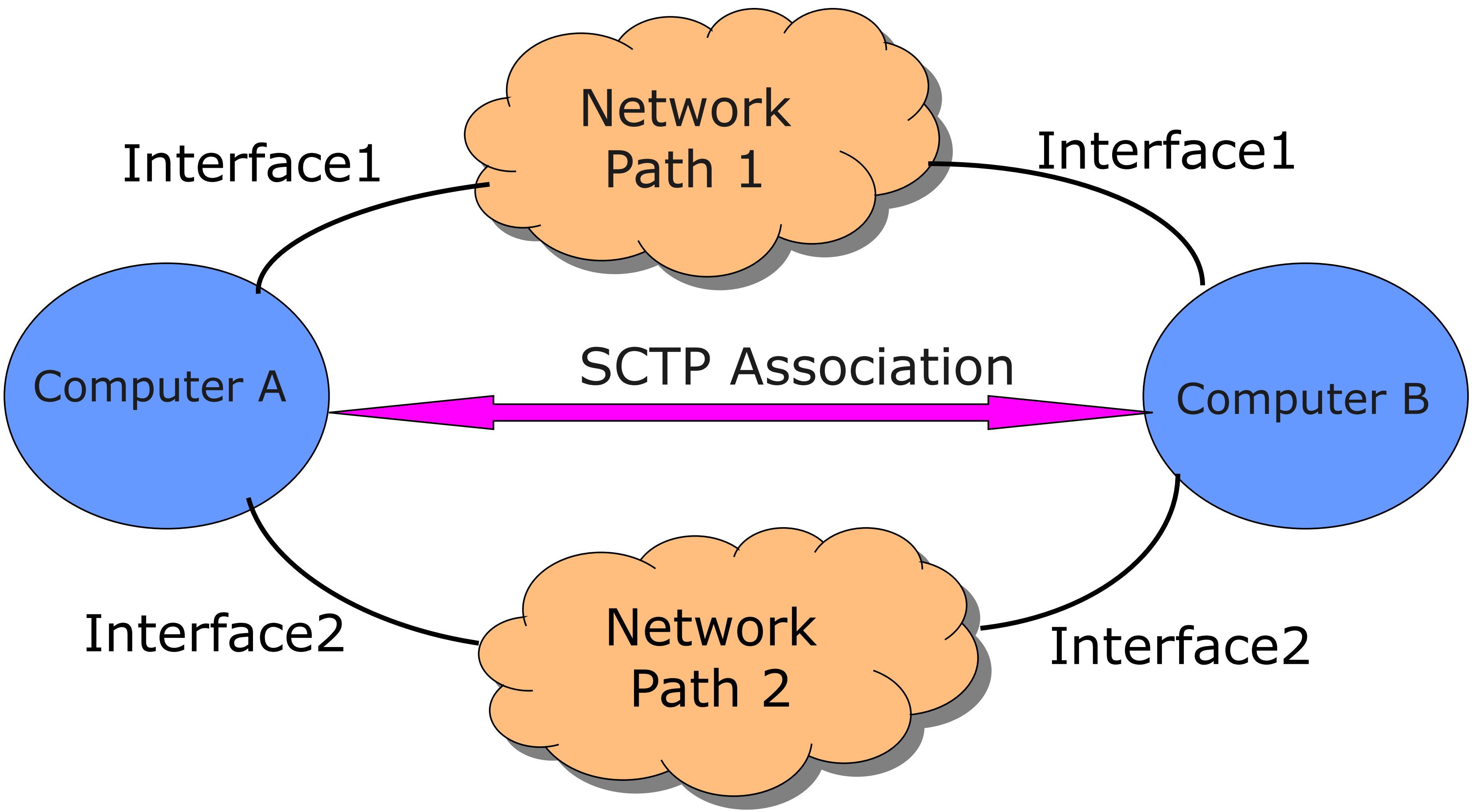
TCP, UDP, **SCTP**

IP

Link Layer

Physical Layer

SCTP Multi-homing: Supporting Multiple IP Addresses in an Association.



Signaling

1.Satellite obtains a new IP address in new domain.

2. Satellite notify remote computer about the new IP address.

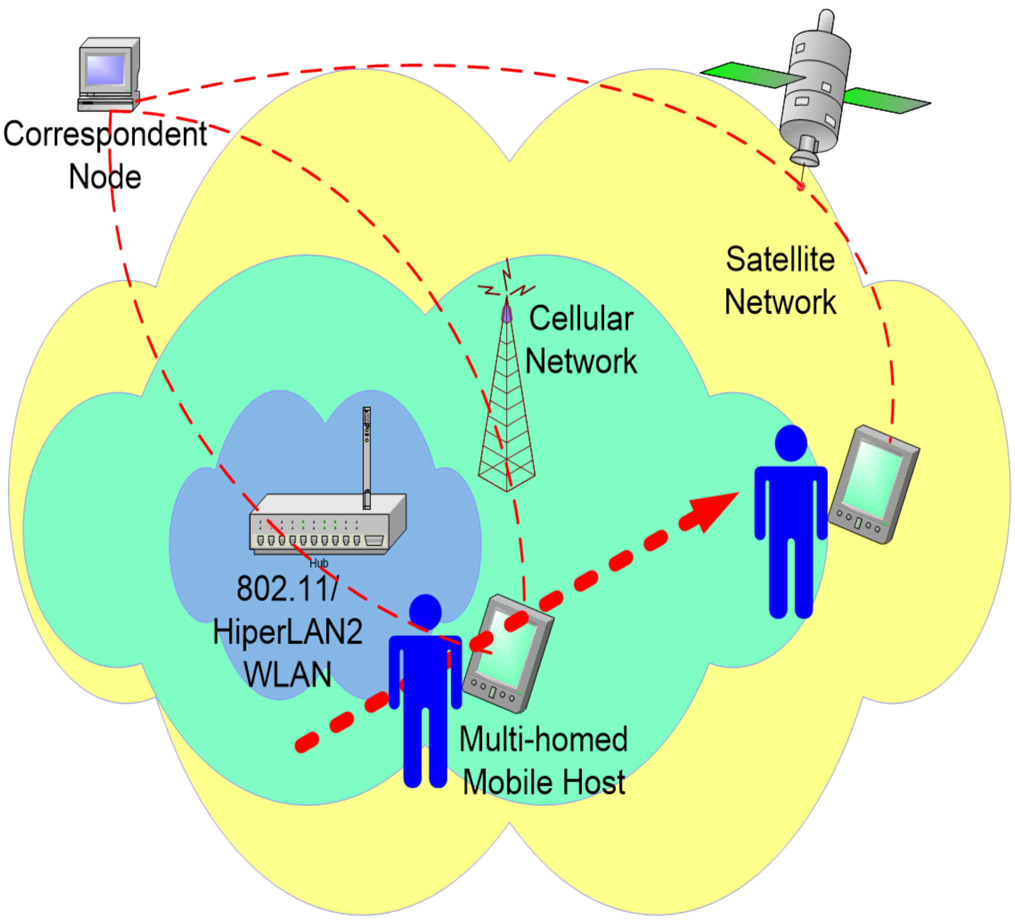
3. Satellite let remote computer set primary address to new IP address.

4.Update Location Manager.

5. Delete or deactivate old IP address.

Vertical Handoff

- Different access network technologies are integrating with each other to give mobile user a transparent view of Internet.
- Handover is no longer only limited to between two subnets in WLAN or between two cells in cellular network (horizontal handover).
- Mobile users are expecting seamless handover between different access networks (vertical handover).
- The mobility based on SCTP multi-homing is a feasible approach to meet the requirement of vertical handover.



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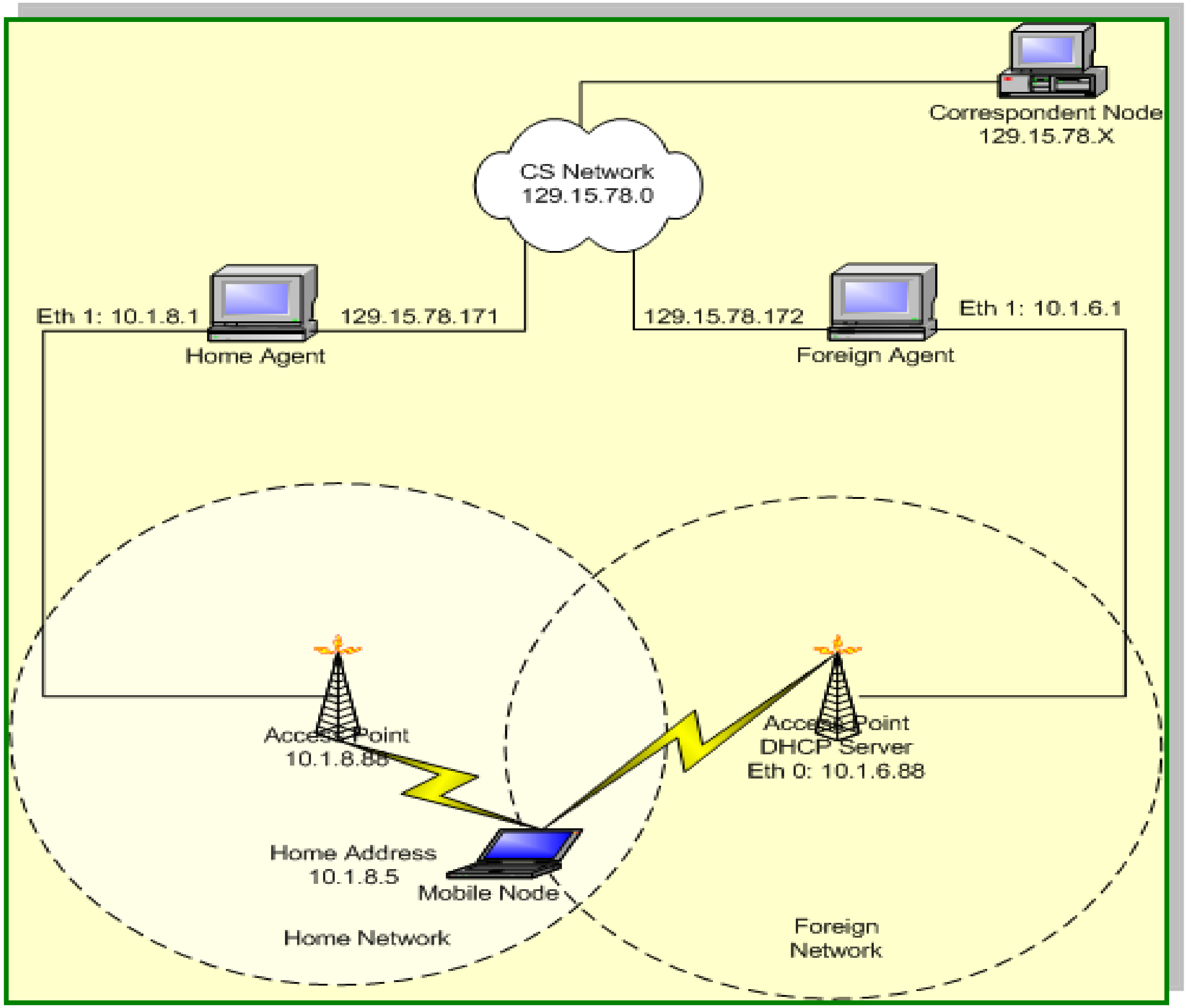
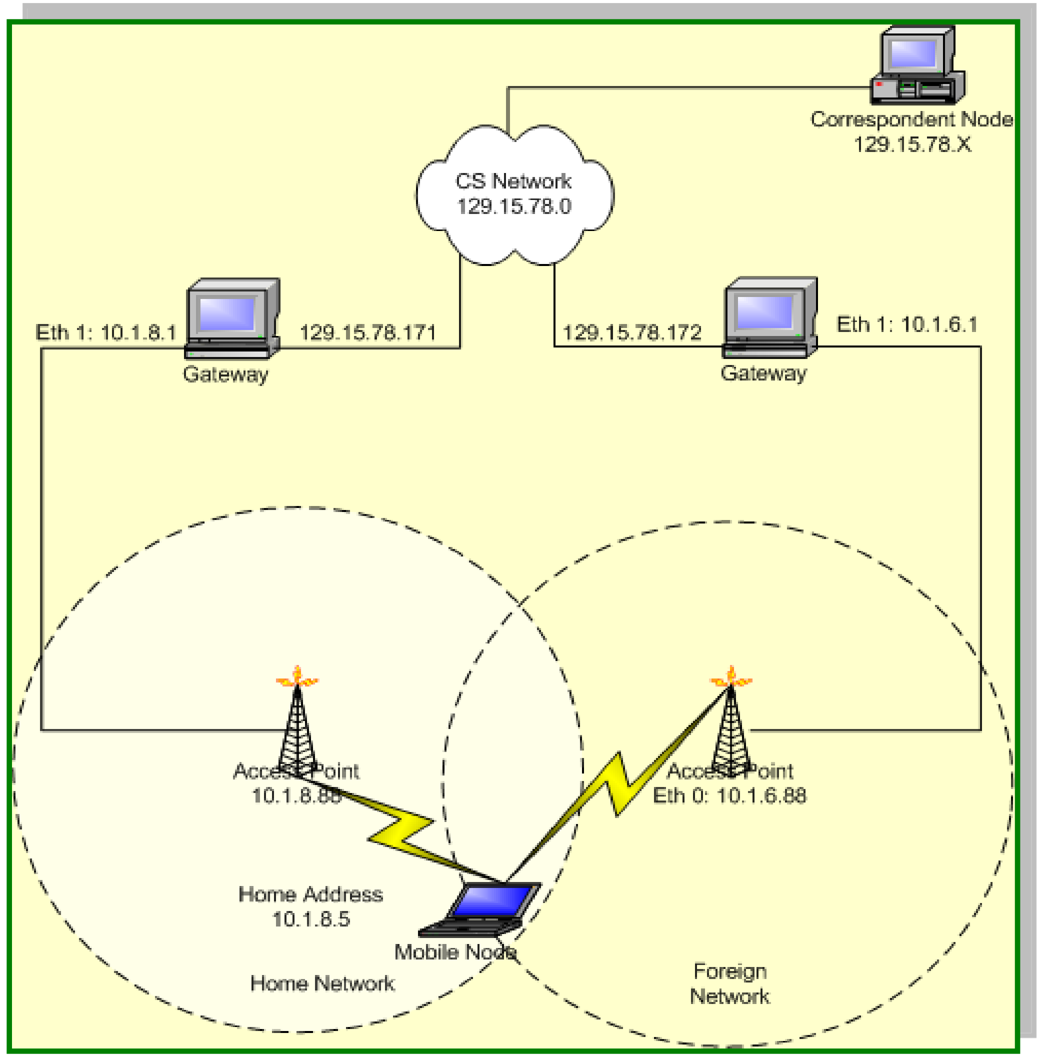
Experimental Testbed

Mobile IP Testbed



Operation of SIGMA Testbed

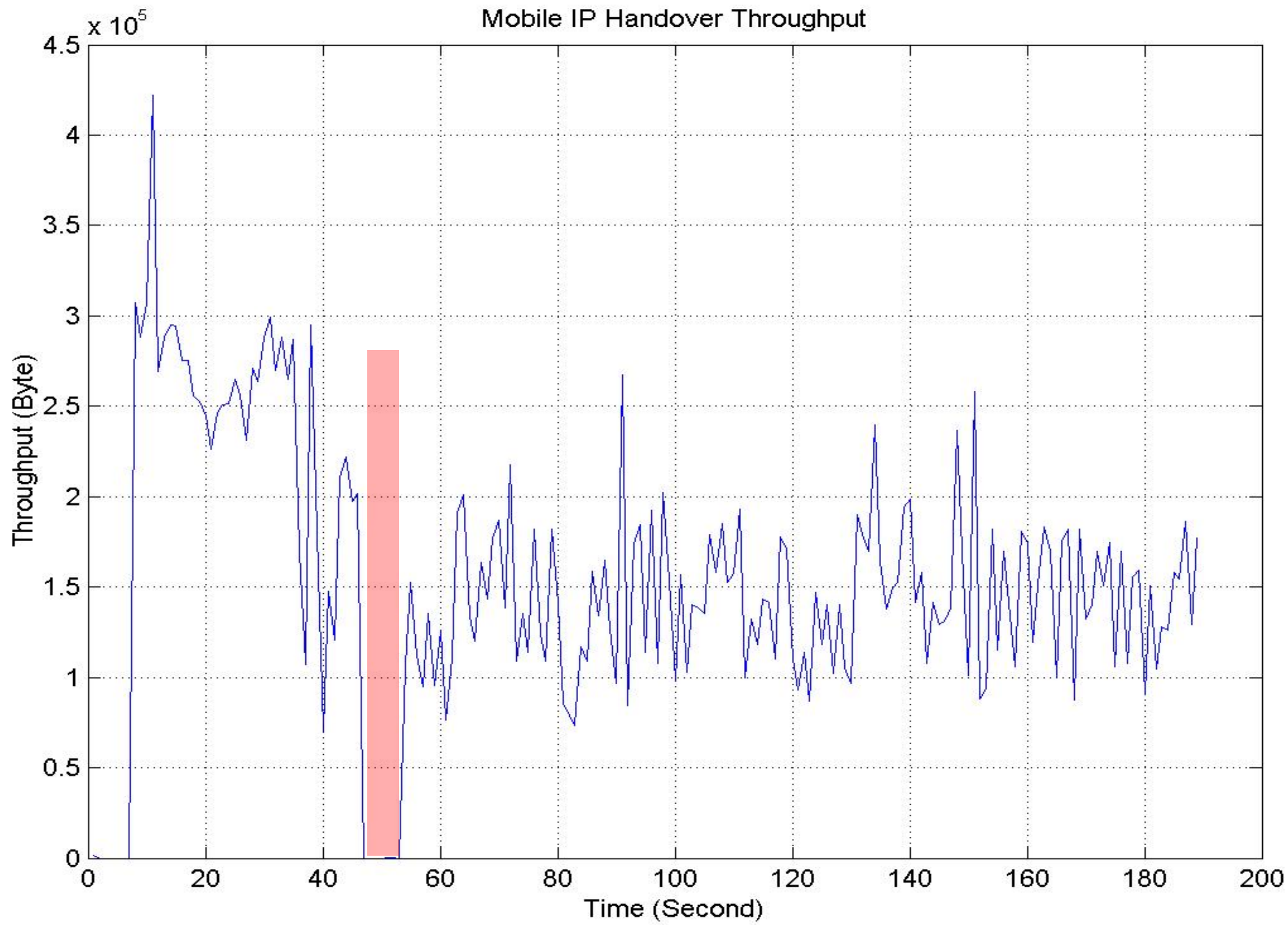
- Link Layer is monitored to detect new AP signal strength.
- When a new AP is detected a new IP address is added to the association.
- When the new AP signal becomes stronger than the old AP signal, the Mobile Node notifies the Correspondent Node to make the new address the primary.

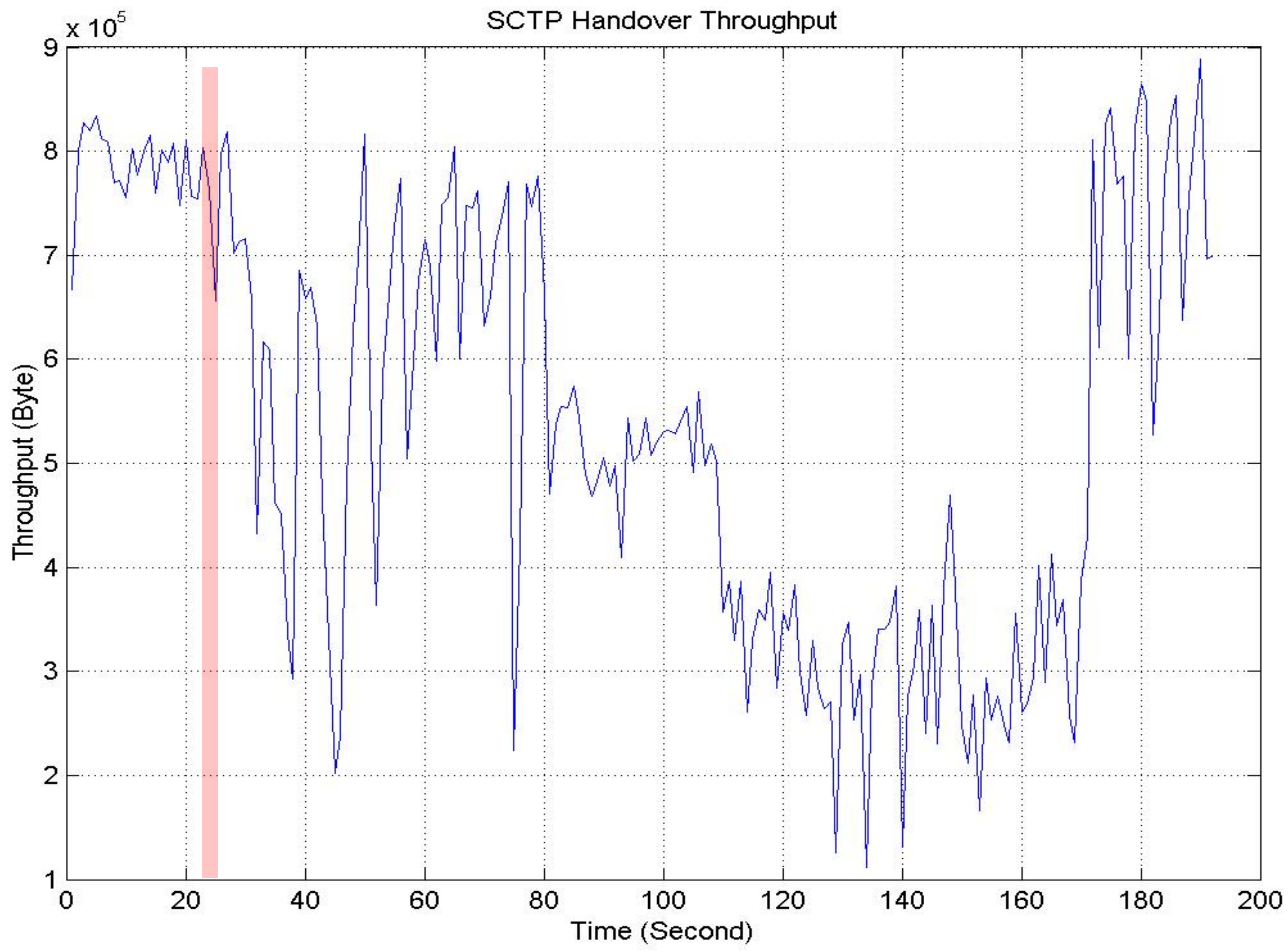


- lksctp reference implementation.
- Linux OS – Kernel 2.6.2.
- Network adapters
  - Avaya PCMCIA wireless network card and a NETGEAR USB wireless network card.

Results

Mobile IP: Results




SCTP Handover Throughput
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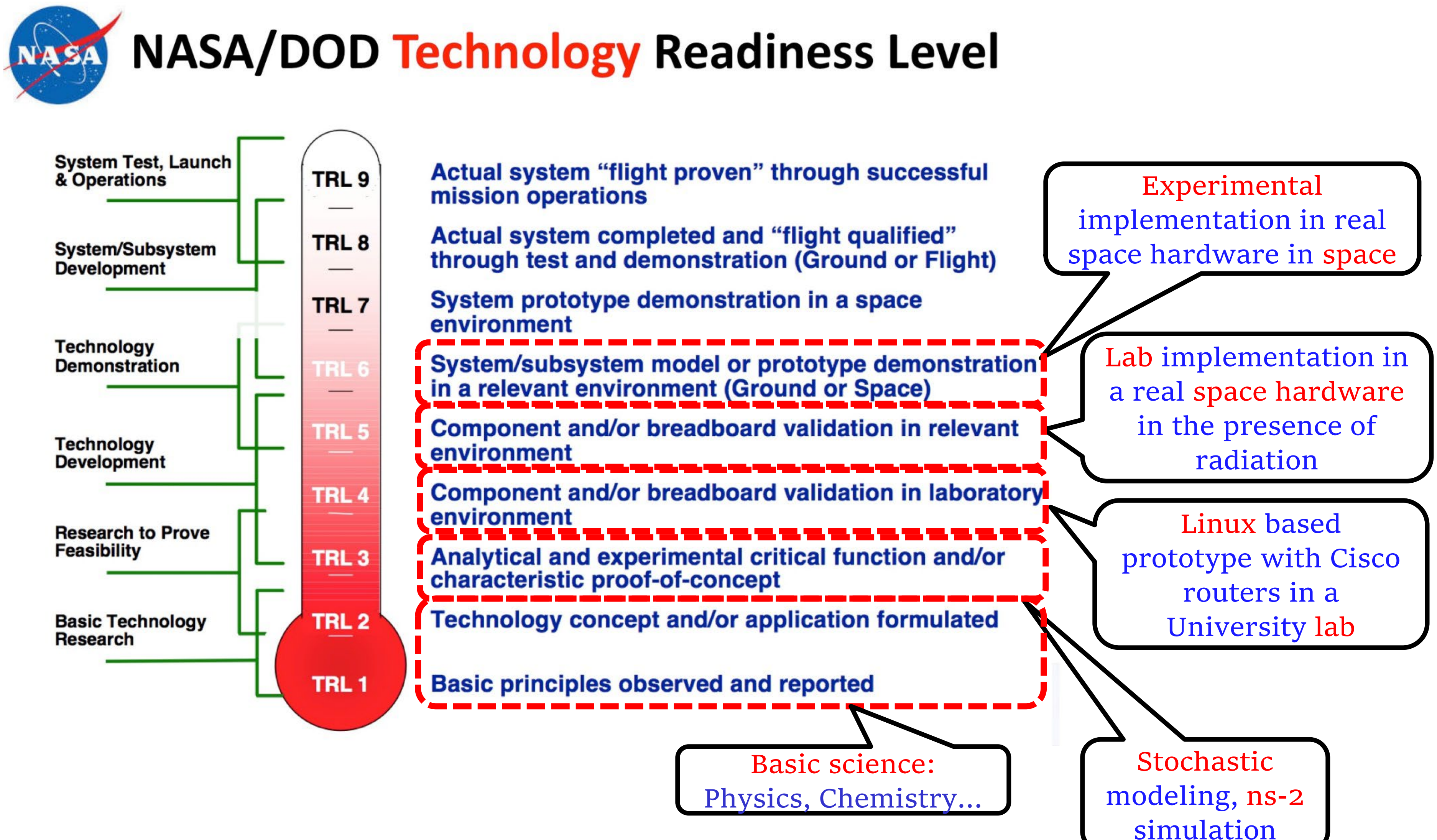
200
Time (Second)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Basic principles observed and reported
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Lab implementation in a real space hardware in the presence of radiation
Linux based prototype with Cisco routers in a University lab
Basic science: Physics, Chemistry…
Stochastic modeling, ns-2 simulation

Very Limited on-board Computing Resources

- PowerPC processor
- RTEMS Operating System
- Very limited memory

- Surrey Satellite Technologies Ltd.
- Disaster Monitoring constellation

- Satellite is a critical component for GLOBAL COVERAGE
- Many mobility issues arise due to movement of "satellites".
  - Efficient mobility management schemes for satellites is an important topic for future research.
- Pay attention to TARGET SYSTEM before developing protocols for mission critical systems.

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