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PMIPv6-MIPv6 Interactions

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Motivation and objective

Motivations

- long discussion in the mailing list
- interest in others SDOs

Objective

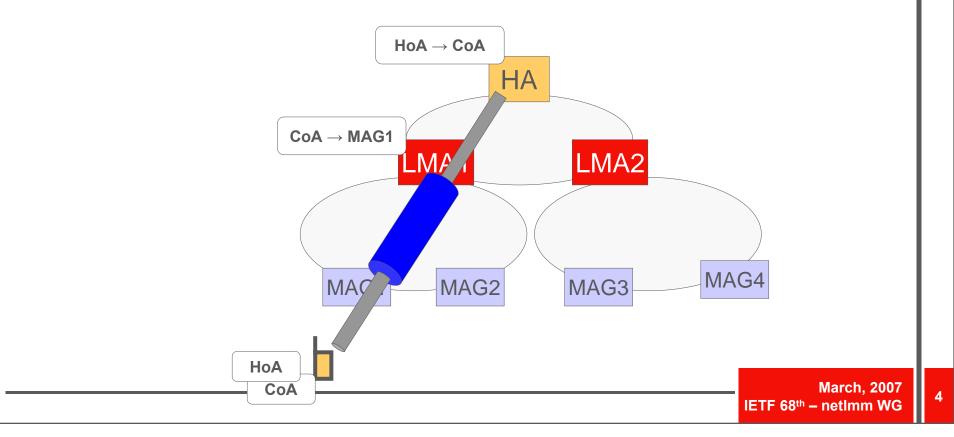
- identify the main scenarios
- identify the open issues for each scenario
- identify the requirements on the PMIPv6 side and MIPv6 side to support the scenarios
- understand if the scenarios can be supported in the base spec or further work is needed

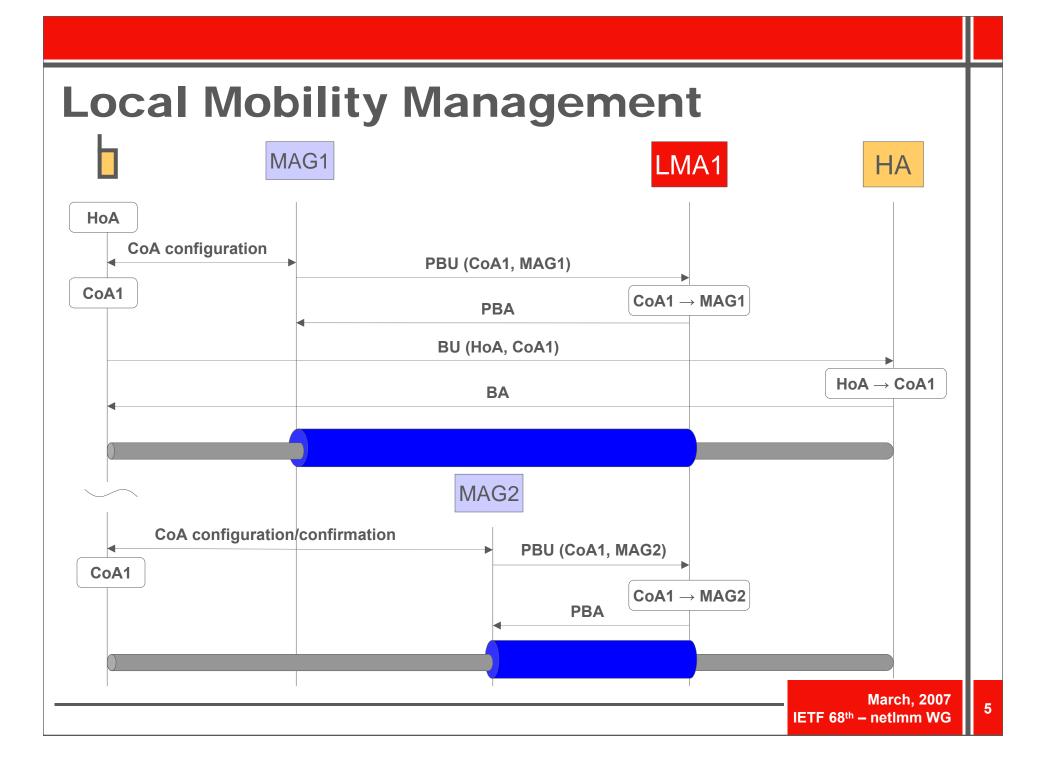
Scenarios

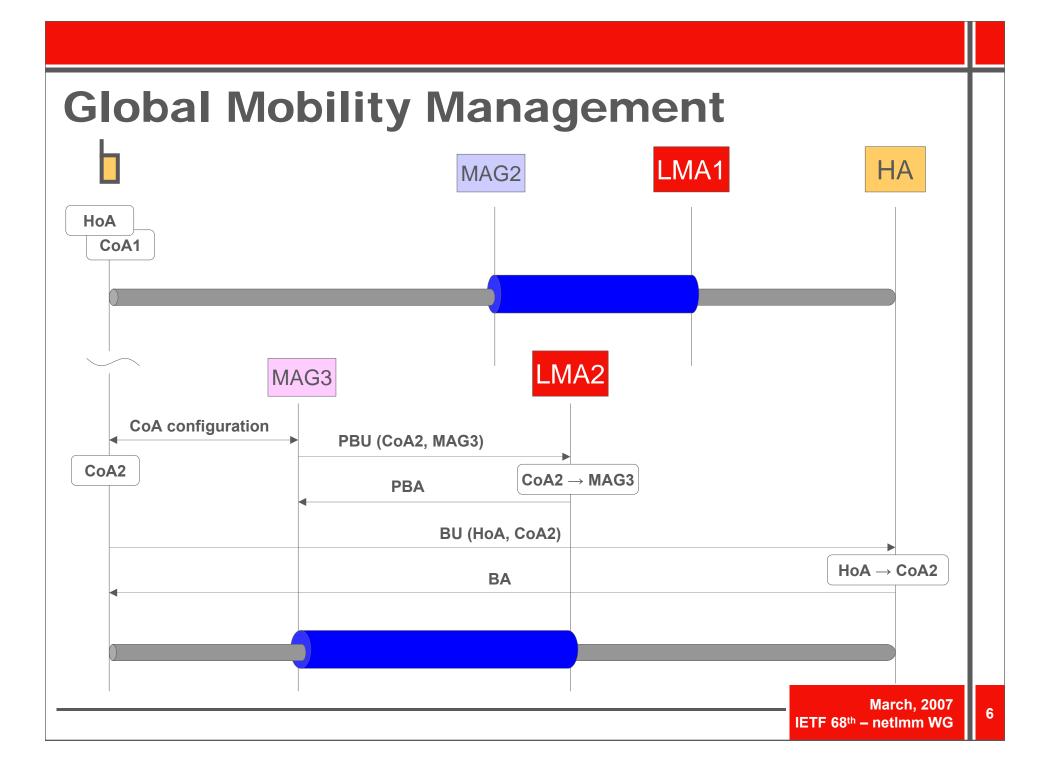
- PMIPv6 as the local mobility management protocol and MIPv6 as the global mobility management protocol
- MIPv6 terminals and "PMIPv6 terminals" in the same network
- Movements between PMIPv6-enabled areas and PMIPv6 non-enabled area

PMIPv6 as local and MIPv6 as global

- Similar to a MIPv6-HMIPv6 scenario
- The address assigned from the PMIP LMA is used as the CoA for MIPv6 BU







PMIPv6 as local and MIPv6 as global

- No issues from the above analysis
- Minor issue: possible race condition between PMIP registration and MIP registration
 - if the state at the HA is created before the state at the LMA
 - this is because the PBU and the BU are sent by different entities (MAG and MN)
 - this is different from the HMIPv6/MIPv6 scenario since in the latter case the MN is responsible of sending both registration messages
 - unrealistic

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MIPv6 terminals and "PMIPv6 terminals" in the same network

• Two kinds of terminals in the network

- MNs do not implement MIPv6 and the mobility is handled by PMIPv6
- MNs implement MIPv6 and want to manage the mobility on their own

• Based on PMIPv6 configuration the network would advertise the home prefix of the MN

– if so, how the MIPv6 terminals can use MIPv6 if the home network prefix is advertised?

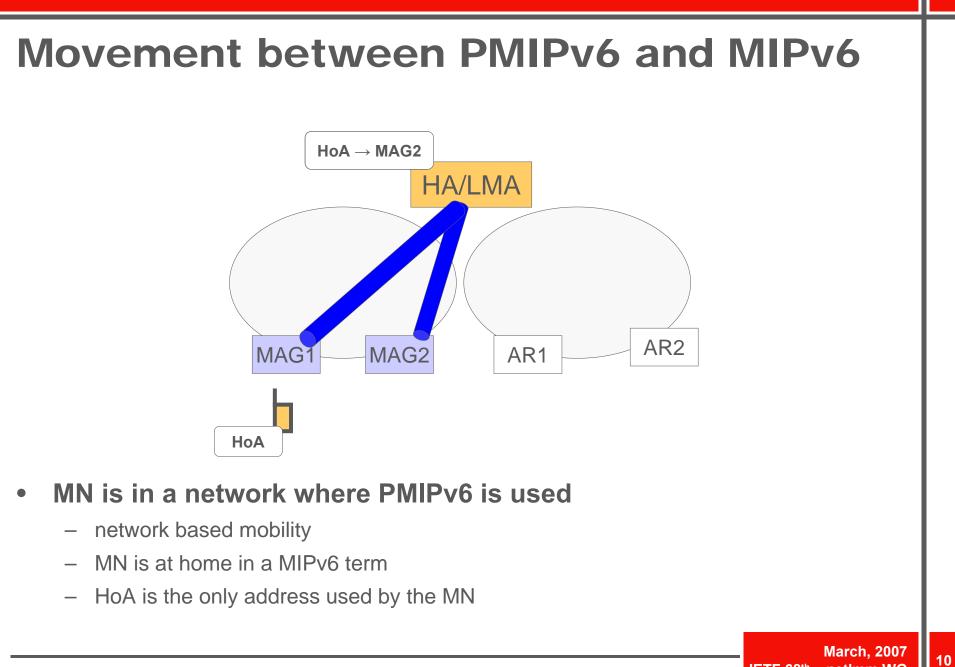
The issue seems to be solvable at system-level

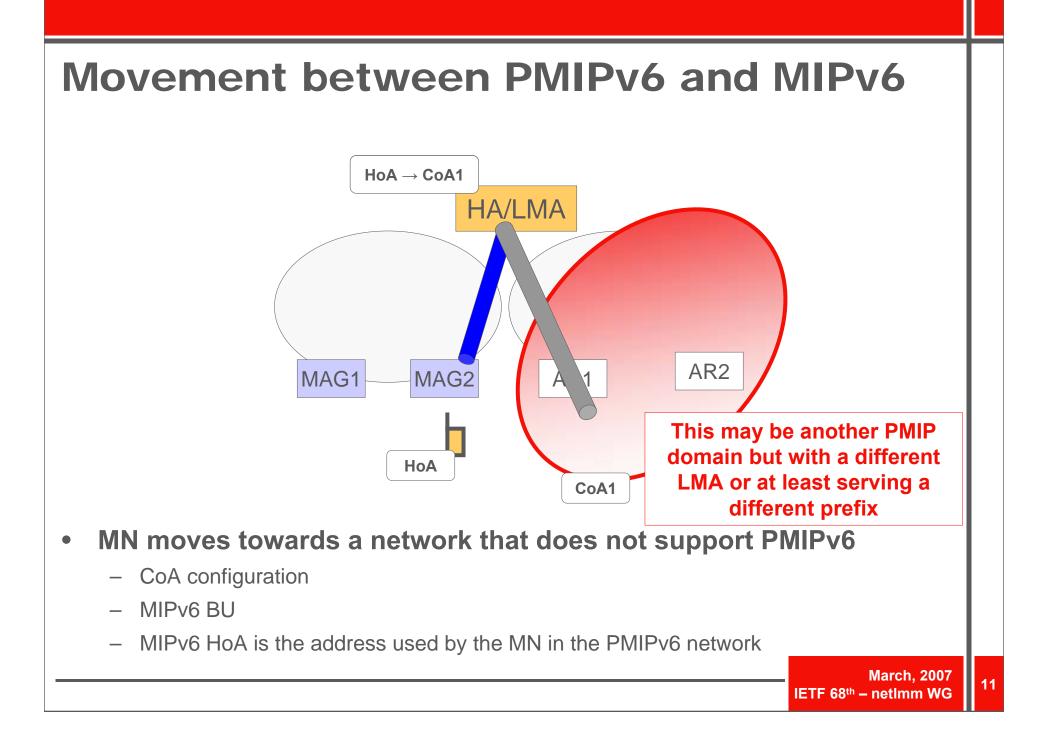
- AAA, user's profiles, out-of-band signaling
- out of scope of this WG

Movement between PMIPv6 and MIPv6

- The MN uses PMIPv6 and switches to MIPv6 when it moves to an access network that does not have any MAG functionality
- This means the address assigned by the LMA in the PMIPv6 domain becomes the home address while using MIPv6

– MIP6-HoA == PMIP6-HoA





Issues

Security

- assumption in rfc3775: strong binding between HoA and SA used to update the Binding Cache Entry
- in PMIPv6 different Security Associations are used to update the entry of a HoA (per-MAG Security Association)
- in this PMIPv6-MIPv6 scenario both host-based and network-based Security Associations are used to update a single HoA/HNP BCE
- a compromised MAG can send a bogus PBU to the HA/LMA even when the MN is not in the PMIP domain, since the MAG is in the MIP6 "home" domain
 - a possible solution is that the PBU is accepted only if there is no hostbased BC entry
 - unfortunately this solution may lengthen the handover latency when the MN returns to the PMIP domain (e.g. due to retransmission of the PBU from the MAG)

Issues (cont'd)

HoA management and lookup key in BC

- in MIPv6 (rfc3775) the HoA is the lookup key in the BC
 - MN does not include any MN-ID in the BU based on standard rfc3775
- in PMIPv6 the HoA may not even be present (based on the prefixper-MN model) and either MN-ID or the network prefix is the lookup key
- HoA may not even be known by the HA/LMA when PMIP is used
 - the MN may autoconfigure RFC3041 addresses that are not known by the network
- when the MN sends a standard BU the HA/LMA may create a new entry and treat it as a new registration and not as an update of the network-based registration
 - this may imply having two different entries for the same MN/HoA/HNP and may also imply wrong routing paths

Issues (cont'd)

- Race condition in the registration from MAG and deregistration of the MN
 - when the MN returns to the home network (i.e. PMIP network) the MAG will send a PBU to the HA/LMA and the MN may send a deregistration message
 - depending on which message is received earlier by the LMA/HA the routing path may be correct or not
 - note that the deregistration BU is optional in rfc3775
 - The mobile node SHOULD then send a Binding Update to its home agent, to instruct its home agent to no longer intercept or tunnel packets for it
 - seems solvable

Issues (cont'd)

Sequence Numbers

- MN will use SN in the BUs
- PMIP may use timestamps
- we need to understand how the LMA/HA avoids race conditions and duplicated messages
- seems solvable

Multihoming

- an interface in the PMIPv6 network and another interface handled with MIPv6
- what happens if Multiple CoAs extension is used?
- similar to the case of returning home of one interface
 - but here the home network is the whole PMIP domain

Conclusions

- PMIPv6 for local mobility and MIPv6 for global mobility management
 - no issue
- MIPv6 terminals and "PMIPv6 terminals" in the same network
 - out of scope since it requires some system-level solutions

Movement between PMIPv6 and MIPv6

- several issues identified
- may be solvable
- should we consider this scenario as an input for PMIPv6 base specification?
- or should we leave how to handle this scenario for future work after the base spec is ready?