Design features vs. potential benefits of id / loc separation

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Presentation outline

- Design features
 - Deployment scenarios
 - Implementation loci
 - Identifier structure and properties
 - Resolution models
- Obvious benefits
- Potential benefits
- Conclusions

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Deployment scenarios (stolen from the LISP draft)

- SI: identifiers fully conventionally routable
- SI.5: identifiers routable over another infra
 - e.g. IPv6 identifiers vs. IPv4 locators
- S2: identifier–locator mapping from the DNS
- S3: advanced: new id-based routing / query infra
 - e.g. based on compact name-independent routing, such as [Abraham et al 2004].

Implementation loci

- Architectural
- Vertical locus
 - I. Within app / library
 - 2. In IP stack proper
 - 3. Below IP
- Reflects primary, designed trust model

- Implementational
- Horizontal locus
 - 1. Within host
 - 2. First hop router
 - 3. Site border router
 - 4. ISP
 - 5. Tier I ISP
- Reflects deployment
 - incl. trust model there

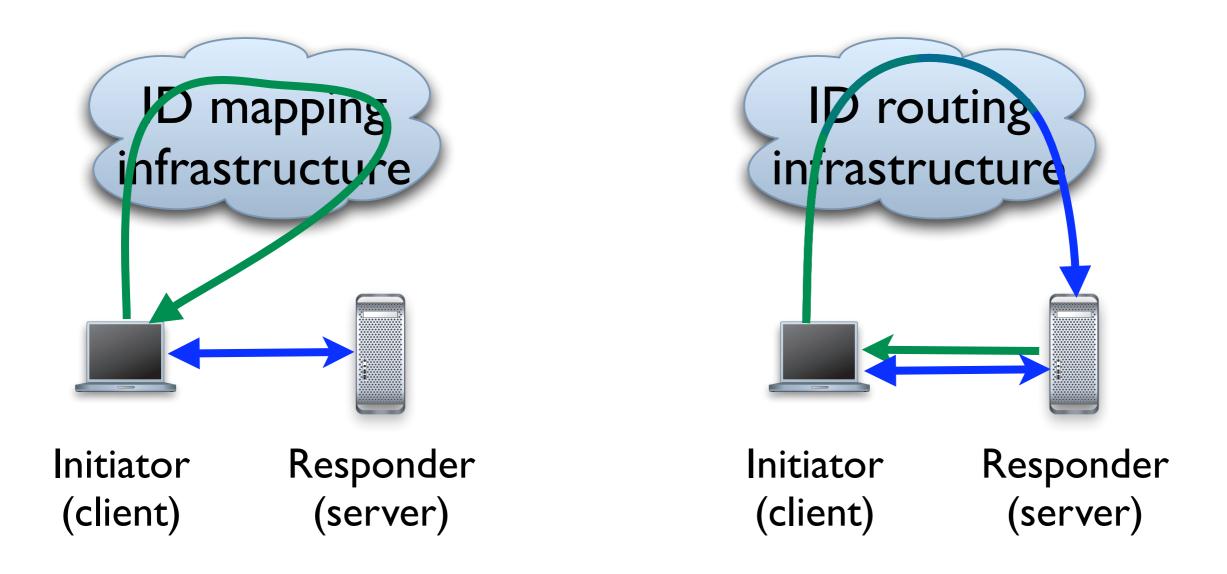
Identifiers: Structure and Properties

- Structure: hierarchical / flat / other
- Uniqueness: statistical / managed
- API backwards compatibility:
 - IPv4 / IPv6 / both
- Routability: global / local / none
- Security: self-authenticating / not

Resolution models

Query based

ID-routing based



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Obvious benefits

(not included in the comparison matrices)

- Stable identifiers for everyone
 - No need for provider independent locators
 - More freedom to change ISPs
 - Some NAT problems maybe alleviated
 - ... depends on details; see next slides

Potential benefits

- Eases pressure on the locator routing table
- Helps traffic engineering and site multi-homing
- Provides end-node mobility and multi-access
- Provides sub-network mobility
- Provides interoperability between IPv4 and IPv6
- Makes middle boxes "first class citizens"
- Supports delegable application-level naming
- Provides for DoS and/or DDoS protection

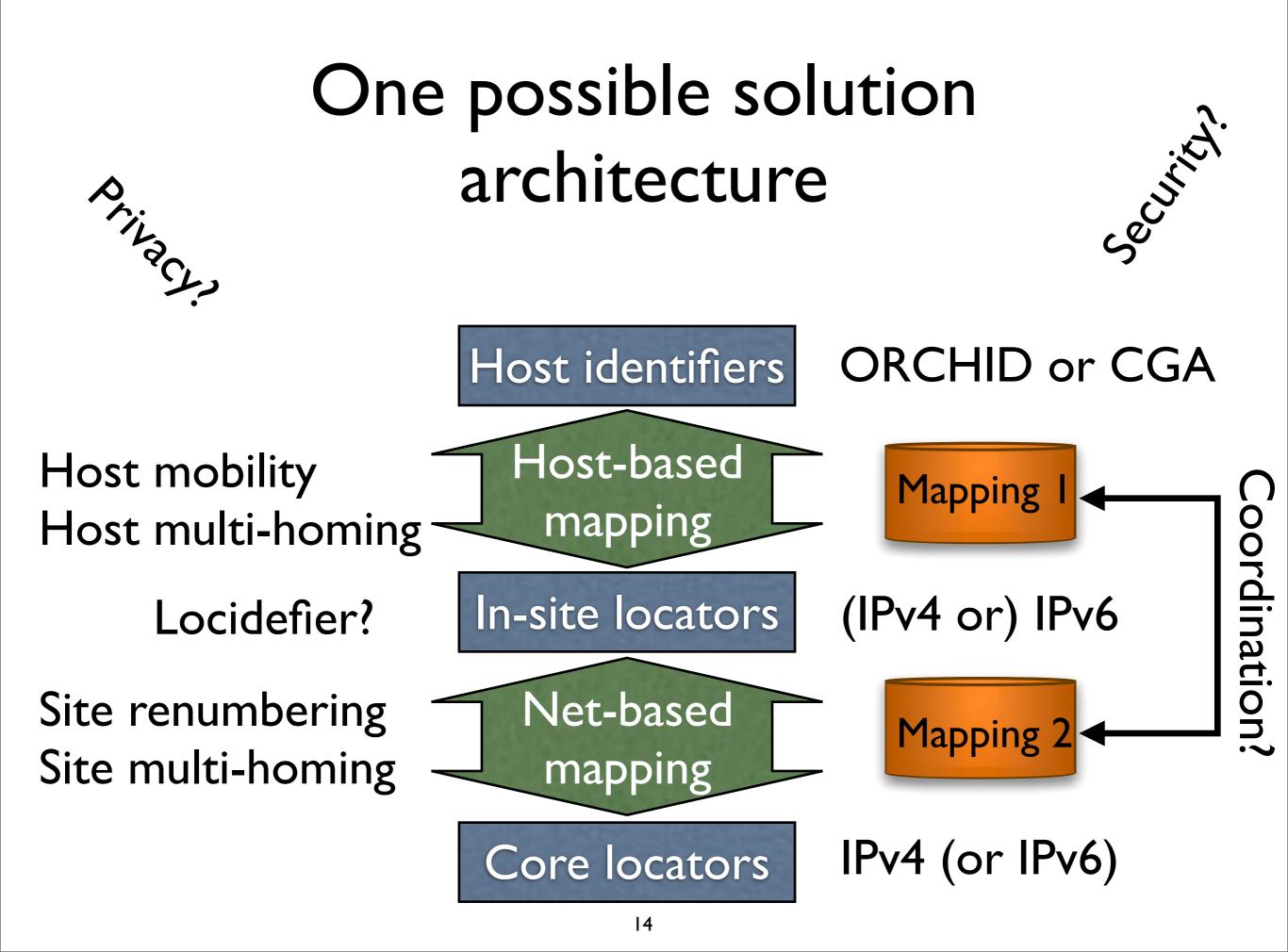
Background for the next slide (see the additional slides)

- Early evaluation of some solution proposals vs. the potential benefits
- Extraction of a number design options and considering them vs. the potential benefits
- Some recorded in additional slides
 - Too much to cover here
 - Too subjective at this point of time
- Going to be opened up in draft-nikander-ram-ilse-XX.txt

Summary

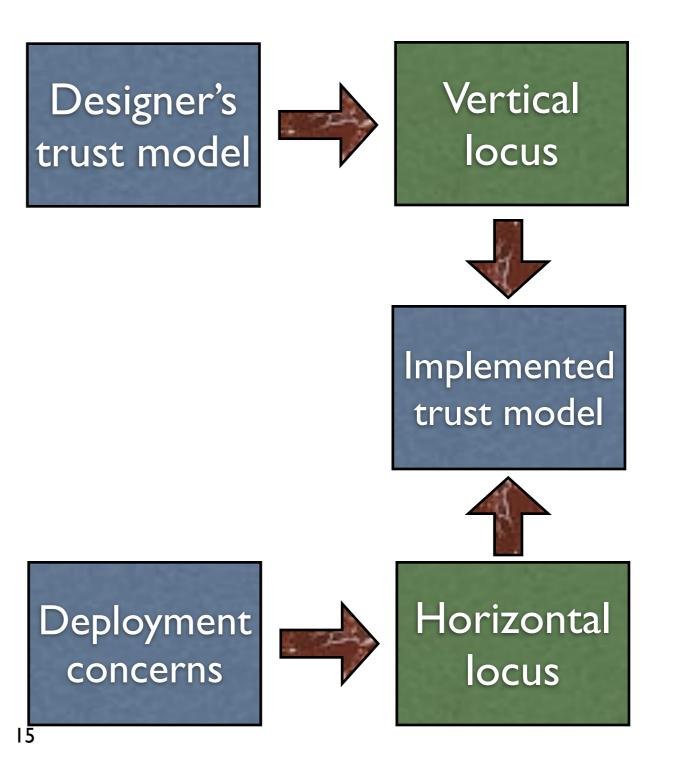
- More features further down the road
 - Purely network-based solutions tend to limit what is possible in terms of overall features
- Surveyed above-IP approaches limit RIB / TE benefits
- Two distinct communities
 - I. Jack-up / "routing" focus
 - 2. ID-loc split / "mobility" focus
 - A social or technical contrast?
- Is one solution possible? Do we need two separate ones?

Additional slides (for reference)



Trust models

- Whom to trust?
 - Host Owning a problem?
 - Choice between ISPs?
- Recall: vertical vs. horizontal locus quite independent
 - You can delegate...
- Real question: the designed, built-in trust model
 - Deployment model can wait; flexibility there



Correlation matrices: notation

Ŷ	Feature implemented [*]							
A	Feature <u>design</u> ed but not implemented							
Cashing	Loose <u>spec</u> ification exists							
	Back-of-the- <u>envelope</u> design exists							
¥	Thought to be <u>possible;</u> no design exists							
	<u>Orthogonal</u> or mutually neutral issues							
?	Not analysed; open interactions							
Z	Incompatible; suspect architectural conflict							

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