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# Towards a richer set of services in Software-Defined Networking

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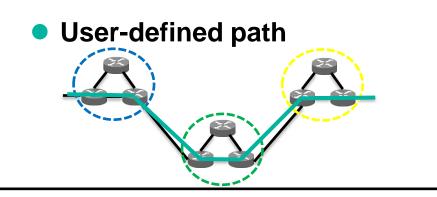
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# Brief introduction to SDN and OpenFlow Network Location Proof (NPoL) User-defined path (UdP)

Can we exploit SDN to build network services that are just too complicated to implement in traditional networks?

Location proofs



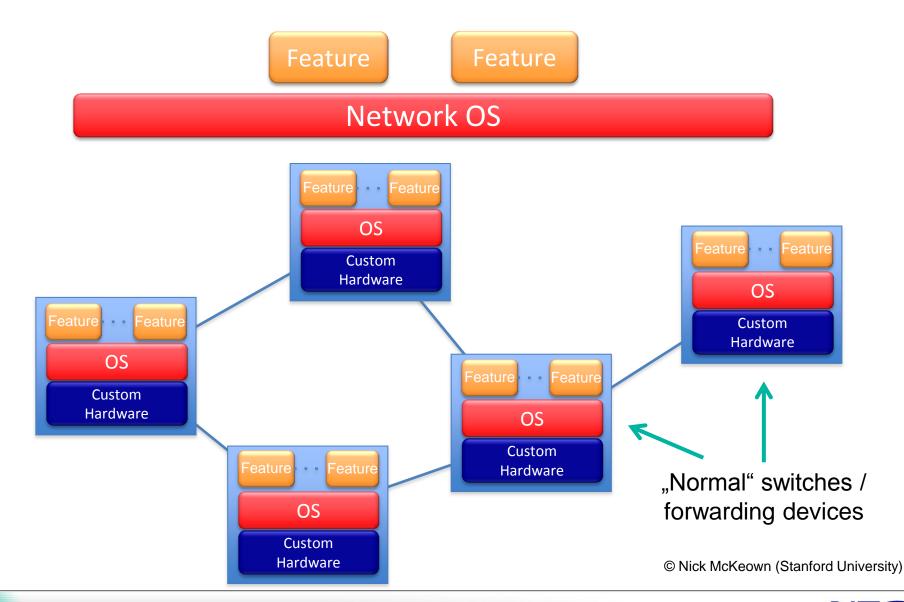




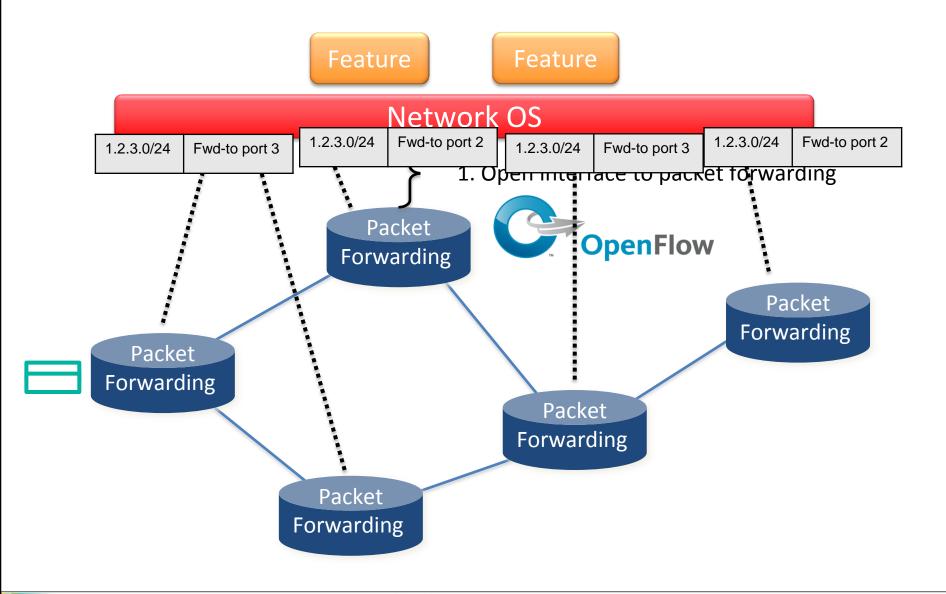
# SDN: SOFTWARE-DEFINED NETWORKING



# **Software Definded Networking**

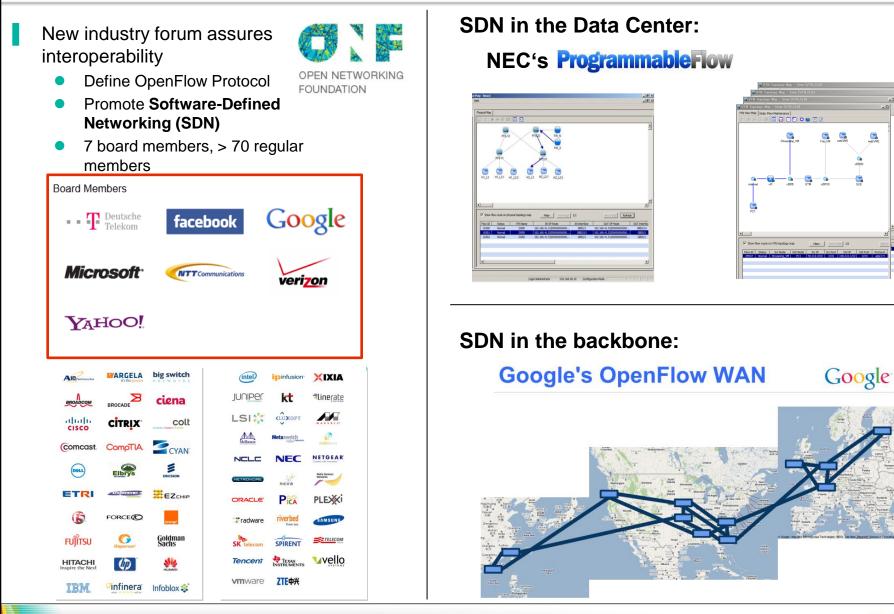


# **Software Definded Networking**



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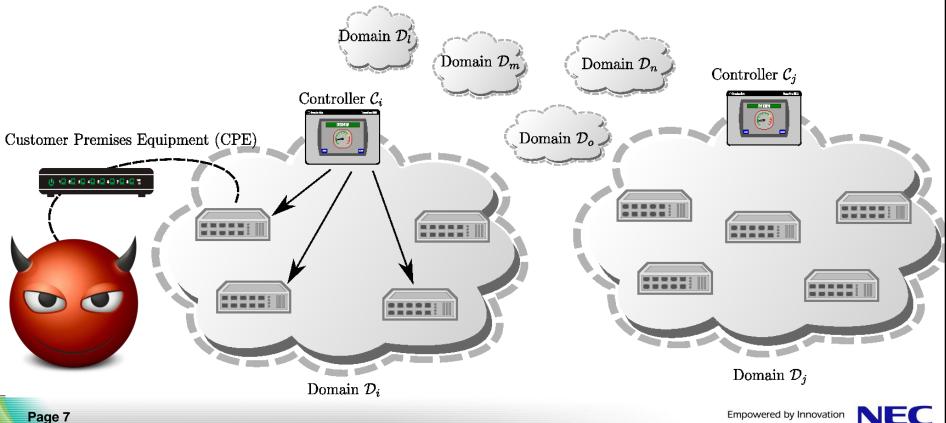
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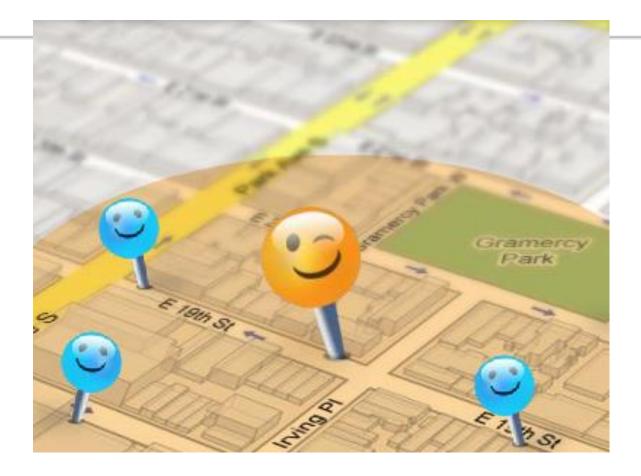


Name of Street

# System and attacker model

Domain Di is **Controlled** by Controller Ci; Controller Ci is equipped with public/private key pair **Uj** belonging to Di is equipped with public/private **key pair** The network Controller and network components are trusted Users want of course to **acquire** new services without being entitled to ©

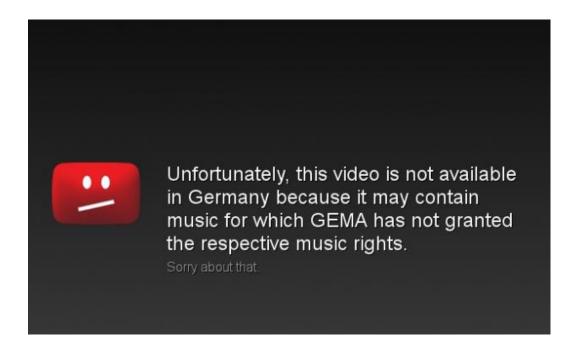




#### Location proof

"Location proofs" consist of a certificate that certifies the presence of a given entity at a certain location at some point in time.

### Why location proofs?



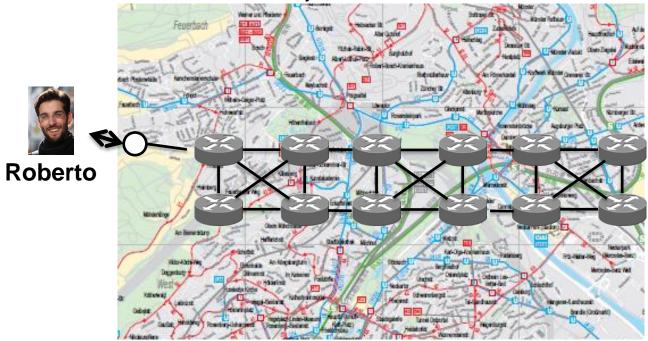
#### Many services rely on location information

- Maybe many more will come...
- Audio/video streaming, banking, voting, etc.
- Current solutions to acquire location proofs are either **unreliable** (e.g., IP Geolocation) or require **ad hoc changes** to the network

# **Exploit SDN to provide location proofs**

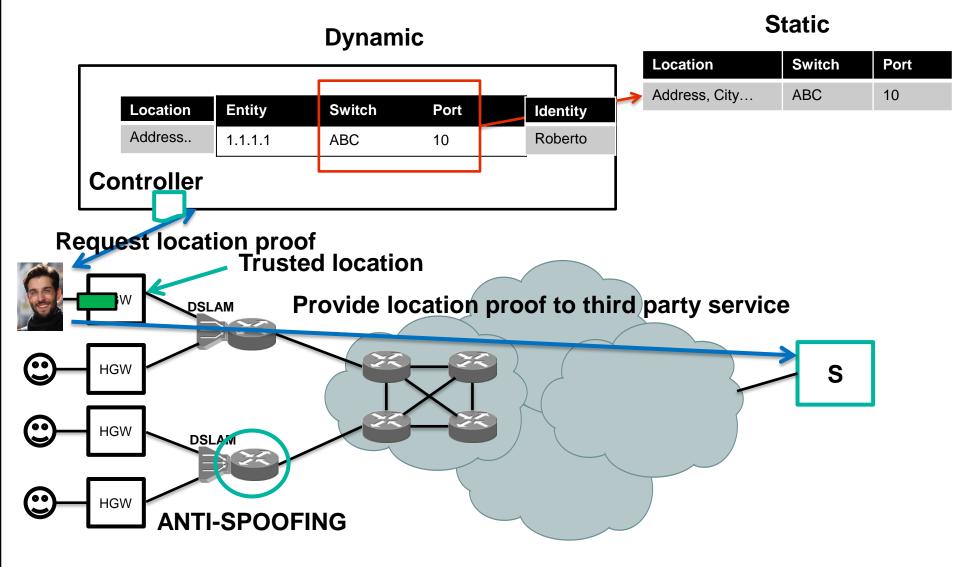
#### We provide location proof by:

- guaranteeing that a given IP address is present at a given location;
- linking an identity to the IP address.
- Required steps
  - Discover network location
  - Relate network location to physical location
  - Relate network flows to user identity

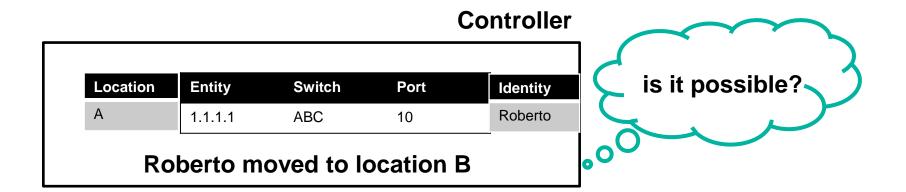


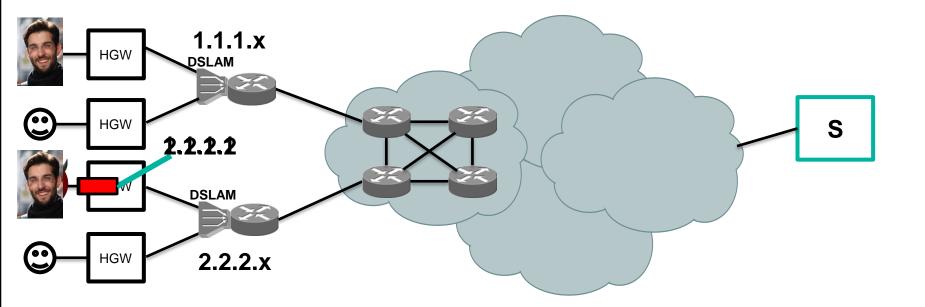


### **NPoL: overview**



### **NPoL:** attacks





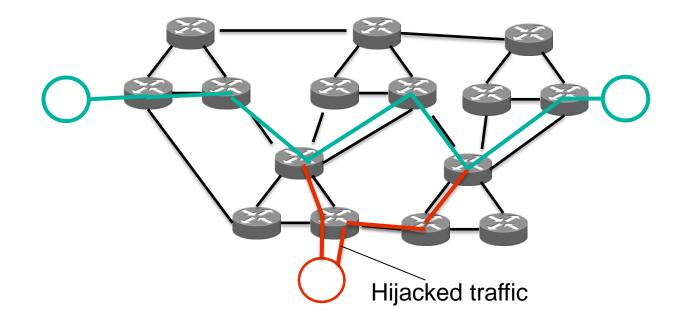


#### **User-defined Path**

A network path which obeys to user specific constraints



# Why UdP?



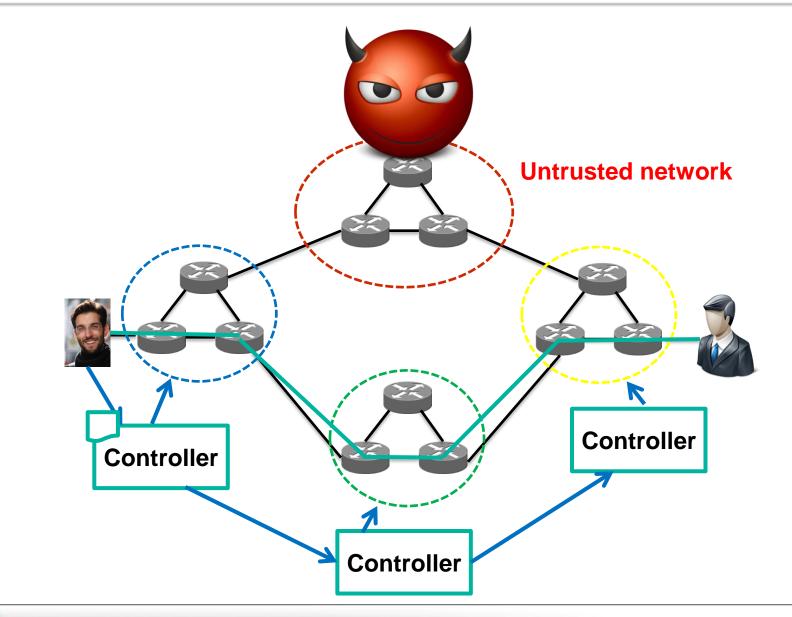
**Untrusted ISPs** 

Some authoritarian countries hijacking traffic

Improved QoS/dependability required by some applications

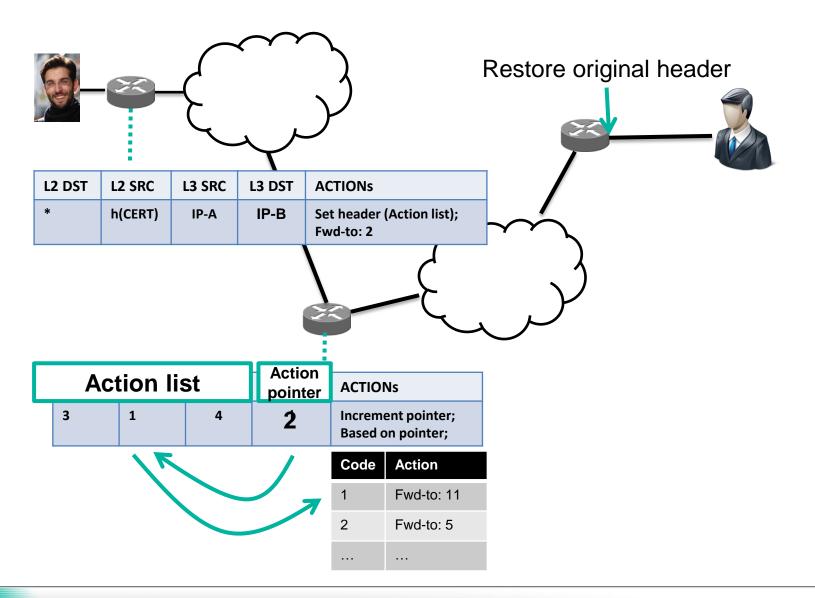
E.g., telemedicine

#### **UdP: overview**

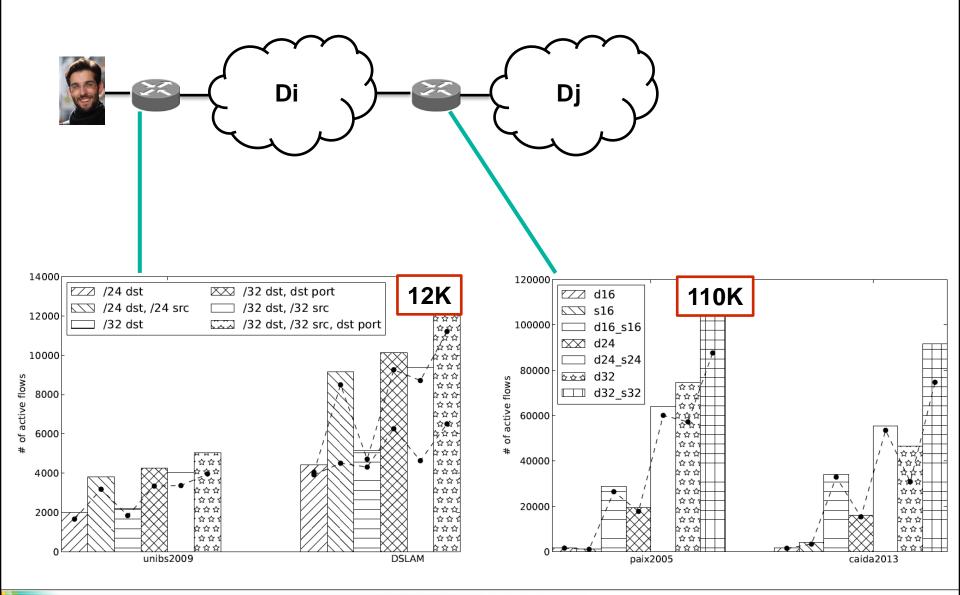


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# **UdP: packet forwarding**

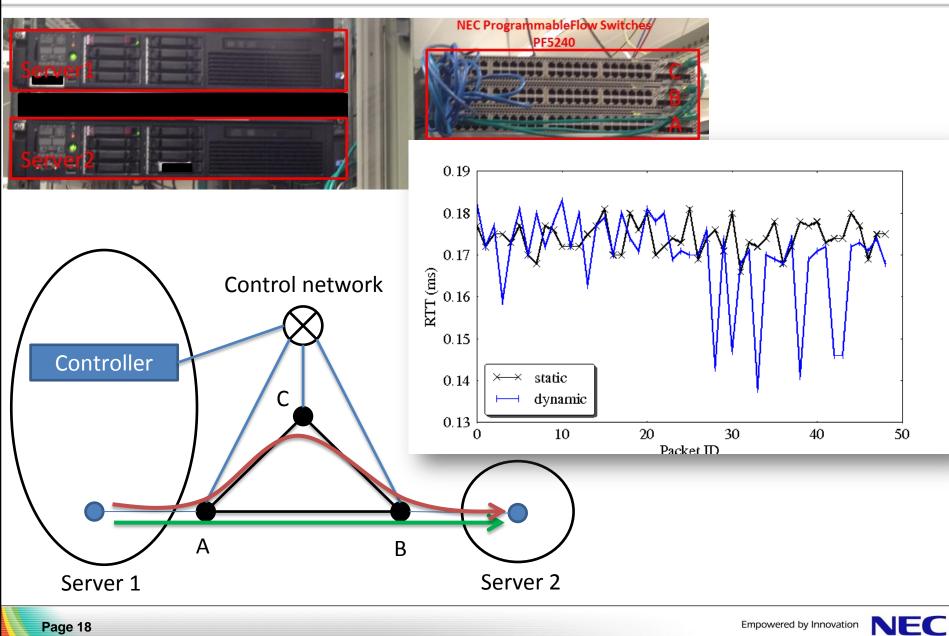


### **UdP: Scalability**





# Implementation and evaluation



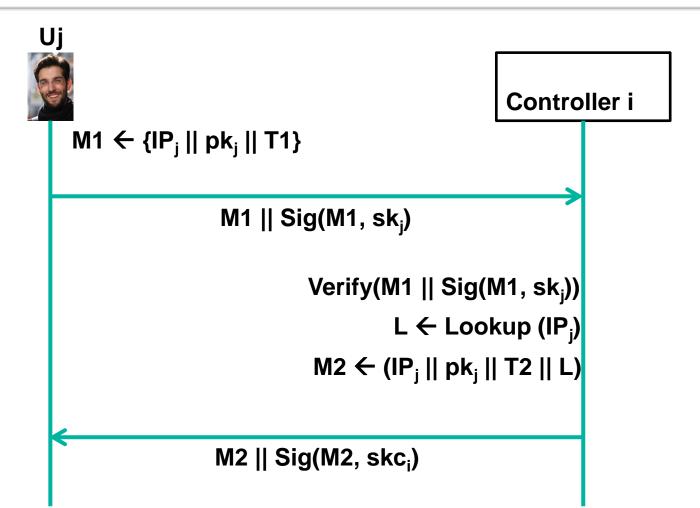
# Conclusions

- SDN enables the creation of new services by exploiting the already deployed network infrastructure;
  - We implemented and evaluated two new network services: NPoL and UdP;
- Both services were implemented on a **SDN testbed** composed of hardware switches (OpenFlow-based)
- The solutions scalability has been validated using **real traffic traces** from both **access** and **core** networks
- **NPoL** and **UdP** are two examples, what's next?
  - The network is not just a cloud (anymore)!

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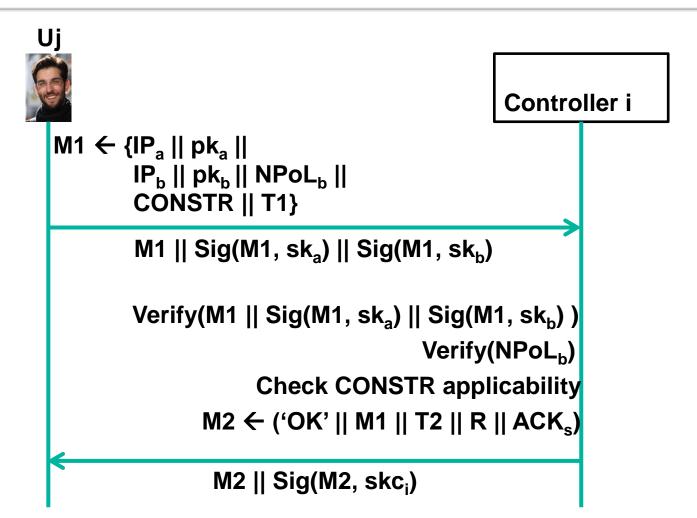


# Asking for location proof





# Asking for UdP





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