



# QoE-based Bandwidth Allocation with SDN in FTTH Networks

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## Three main services in FTTH:

- Internet Protocol Television (IPTV)
- Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP)
- High Speed Internet (HSI)

Browsing  
Video Streaming  
Large Downloads  
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## Individualized Requirements at Different Times.

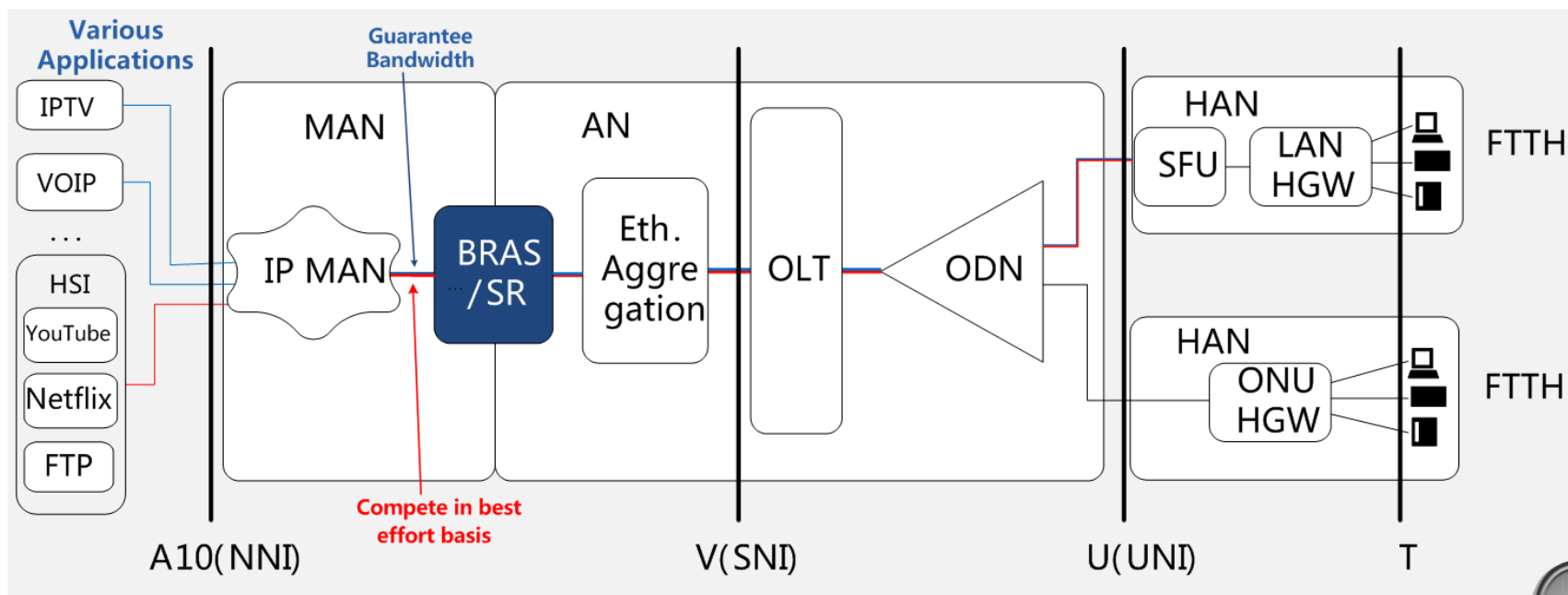
**Different** users may have **different** requirements at **different** times.

Sometimes users prefer to watch YouTube.  
Sometimes users prefer to play online game.  
Sometimes users prefer to skype.  
Sometimes ...



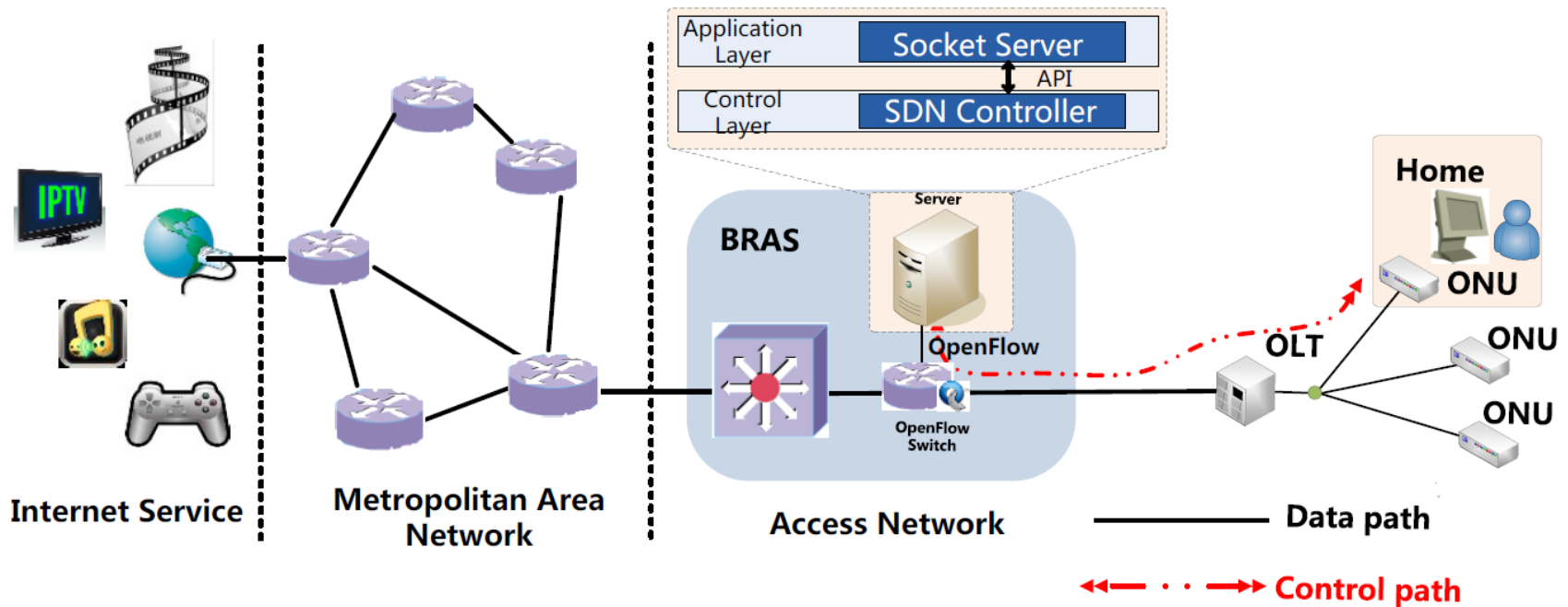
# Inflexible Traffic Differentiation in BRAS

- In **BRAS** (Broadband Remote Area Server), various applications compete for bandwidth in best effort basis.
- The **BRAS** has no functionality to provision bandwidth to the specific application.



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## Novel BRAS based on SDN

**Socket Server:** Receive the request from users.

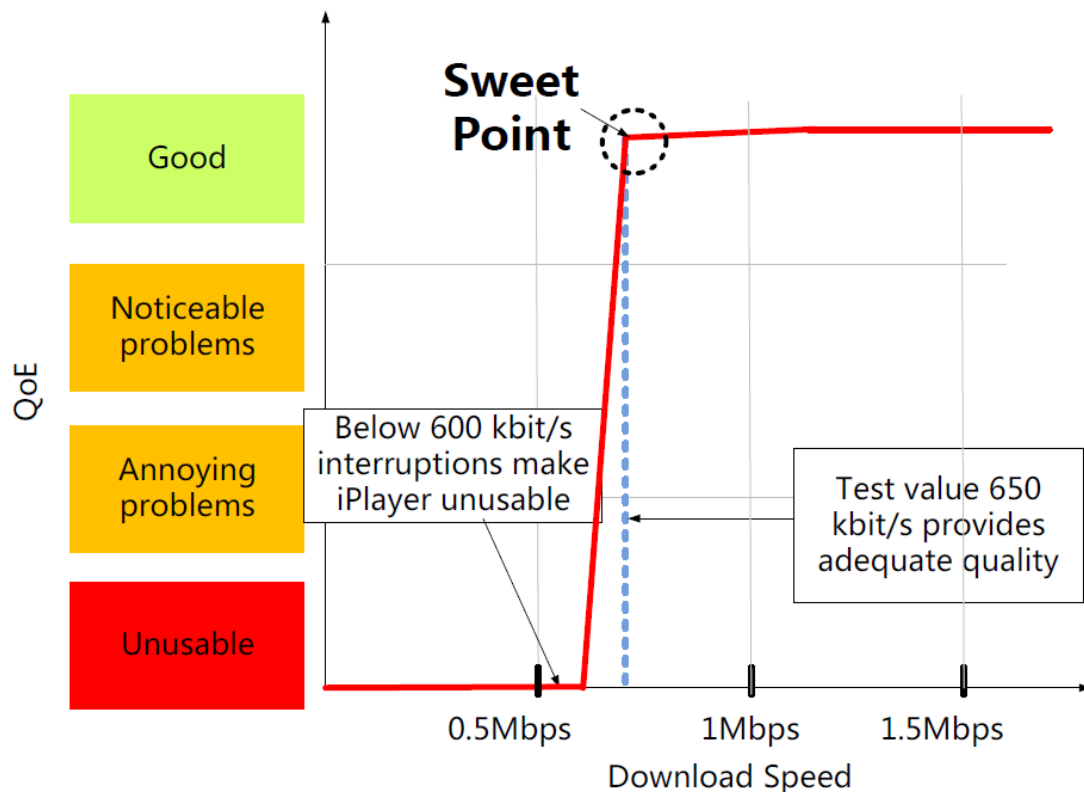
**SDN controller:** Handle scheduling under the given flow table strategy.

**OpenFlow Switch:** Process the data forwarding and status collection.



**Sweet point:** A specific bandwidth value.

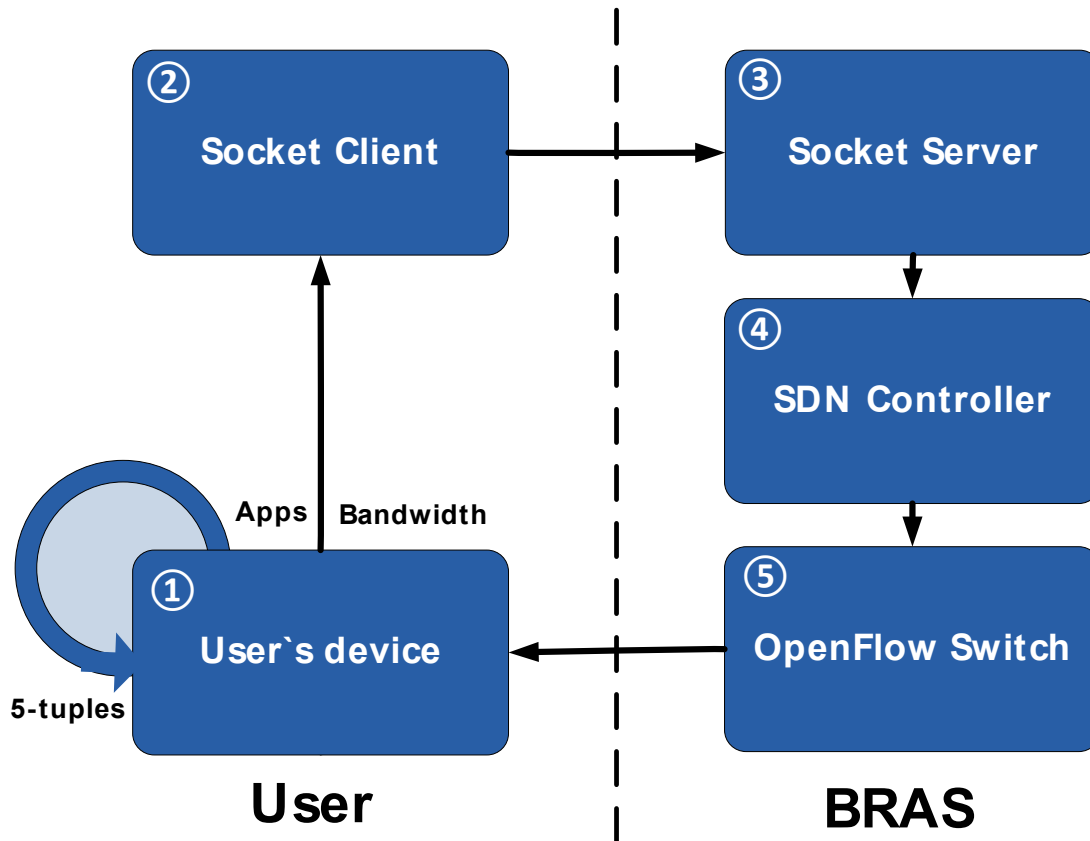
The **QoE** gets **worse quickly** when **bandwidth < sweet point**, and keeps the **same approximately** when **bandwidth > sweet point**.



The relationship between bandwidth of the BBC iPlayer and QoE



# QoE-based Bandwidth Allocation Method



**Step 1:** Select application and input bandwidth value.

**Step 2:** Send information to socket server.

**Step 3:** Pass the accepted request information to the SDN controller.

**Step 4:** Send the flow entry to the OpenFlow Switch.

**Step 5:** Forwarding packets according to the flow entry.

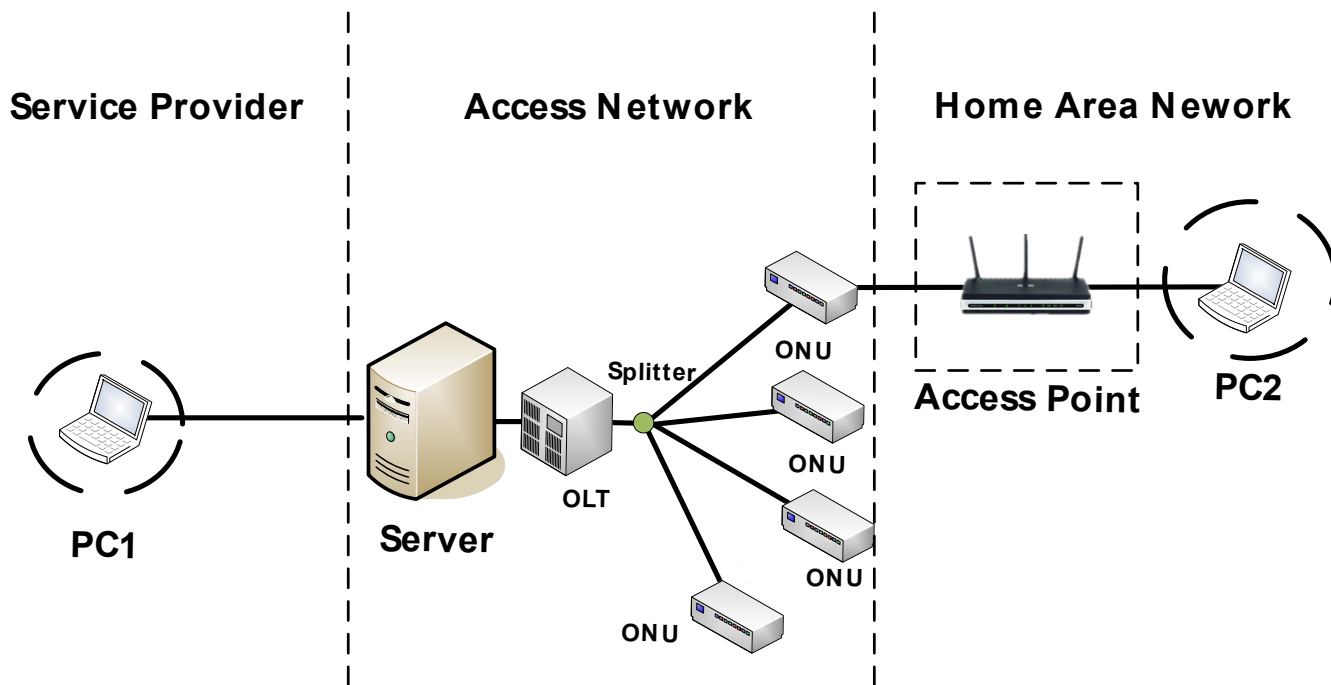




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# Experimental Setup

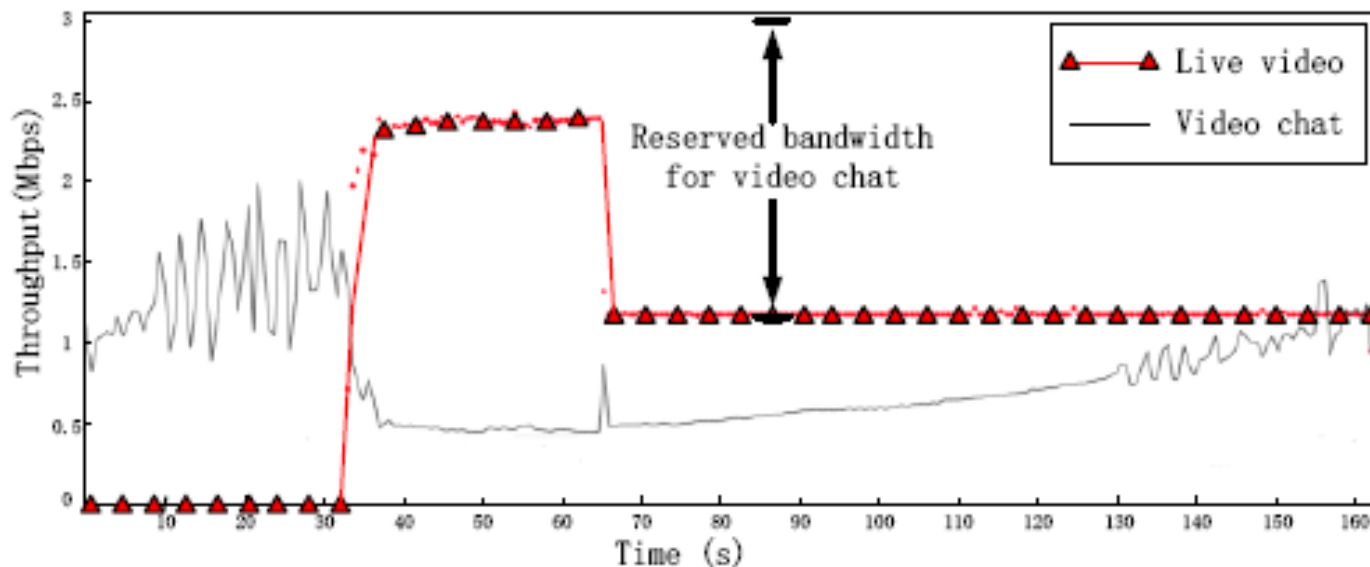


- ⊗ Access Point: TP-LINK WR841N
- ⊗ EPON: P3305 OLT、1×16 PLC Splitter、P1004T ONU
- ⊗ Server: Dell Power Edge R710 server (VoD).



## Comparison of Two Bandwidth allocation Schemes

- Adjust the bandwidth allocated to specific applications by two schemes.
- Scheme 1: Limit other applications' bandwidth to raise the specific one.

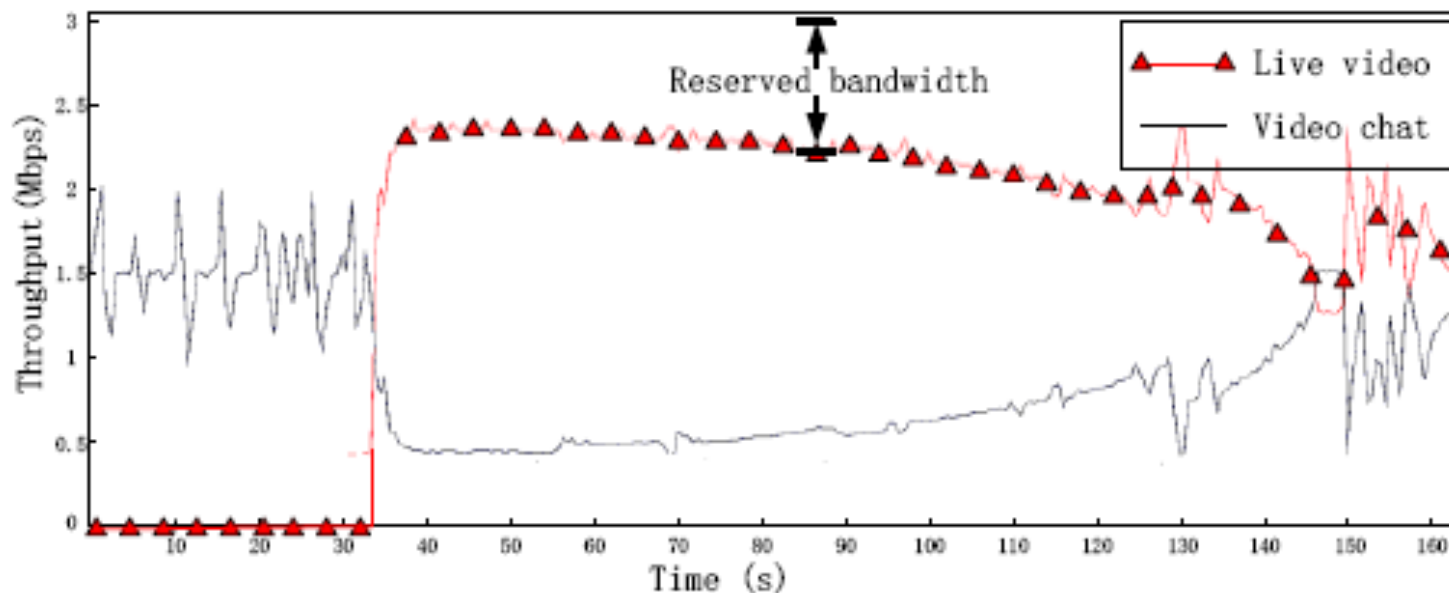


- The bandwidth utilization efficiency will be less than 100%.



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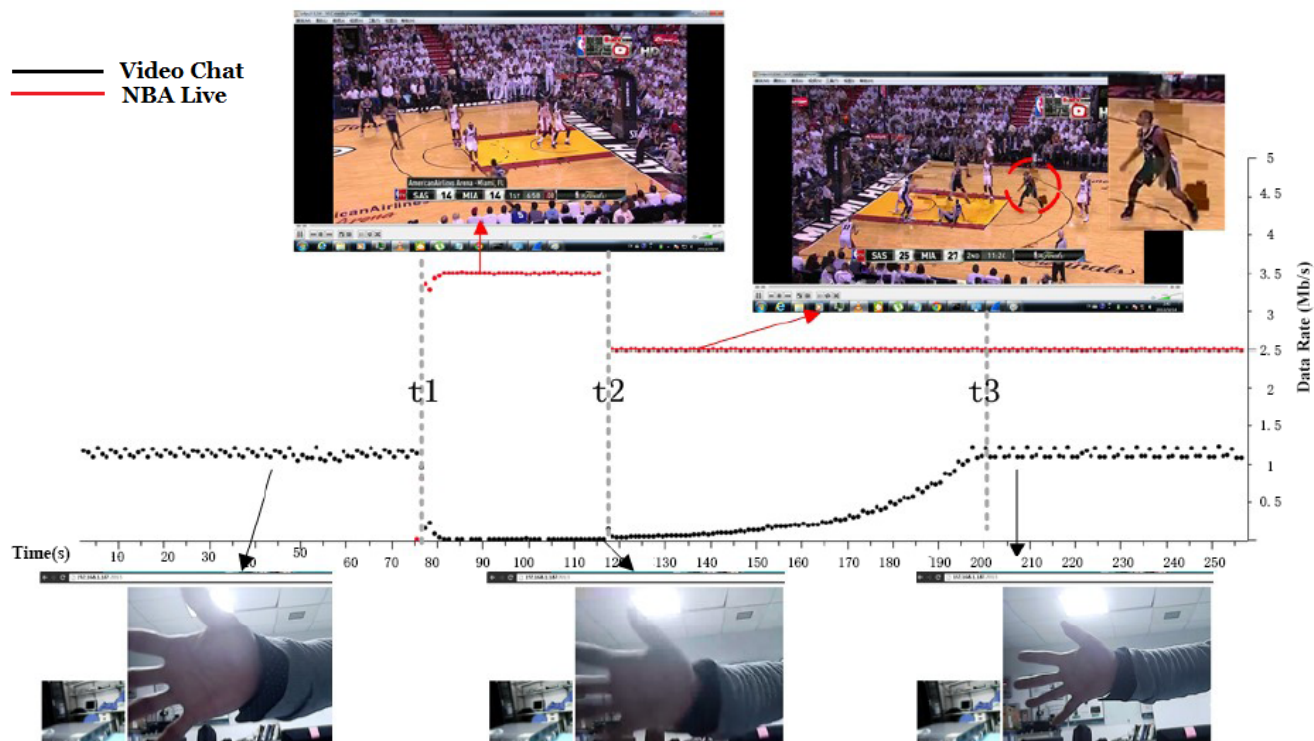
- ⊙ Scheme 2: Set a higher priority to the specific application.



- ⊙ The bandwidth utilization efficiency will be almost 100% theoretically.



- ⊙ T1: Video chat's QoE drops because of the NBA Live's operation.
- ⊙ T2: Limit the bandwidth to the sweet point of NBA Live.
- ⊙ T3: Both applications run well based on provided bandwidth.



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## Conclusion

- ④ We proposed a novel BRAS architecture based on SDN to adjust the bandwidth of a specific application to its “sweet point” according to the user’s requirement.
- ④ Experimental results prove our novel architecture’s ability to improve the user’s QoE towards specific applications.



# Thank you for your attention !

