Technology and scientific aspects of the satellite-based and mobile cellular communication services integration

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The integration of satellite-based and terrestrial mobile communication systems represents a key challenge in the evolution of next-generation networks. This paper investigates the scientific and technological aspects of merging 5G mobile services, standardized by the 3GPP technology program, with Starlink's LEO satellite infrastructure. The analysis highlights Starlink's architecture and service capabilities, emphasizing quality of service (QoS) variations as a function of the physical position of the mobile terminal. Particular attention is given to Doppler-related phenomena, including Doppler effect, Doppler rate, and Doppler latency rate, which significantly impact link stability and performance in high-mobility scenarios. To address the delay time, an auto-encoder-based prediction framework is introduced for accurate modelling of round-trip time across LEO and terrestrial networks. The findings provide insights into efficient resource allocation, seamless service continuity, and improved end-user experience in hybrid communication environments.

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