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Deploying MPLS-based Layer 2 Virtual Private Networks

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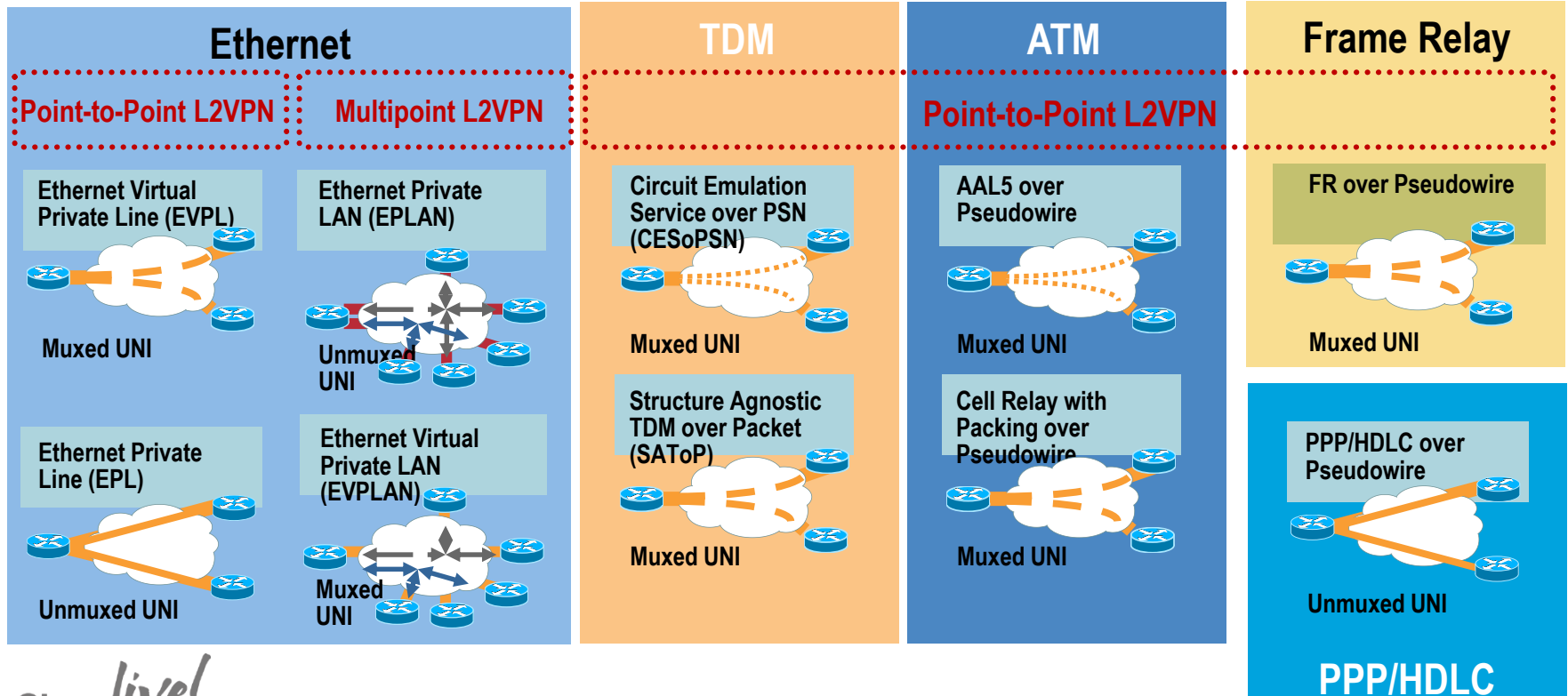
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- Motivation and Overview
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- Ethernet Multipoint L2VPNs
 - VPLS
 - EVPN and PBB-EVPN
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 - Resiliency Solutions
 - Load-Balancing
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L2VPN Motivation and Overview

What is a Layer 2 VPN?

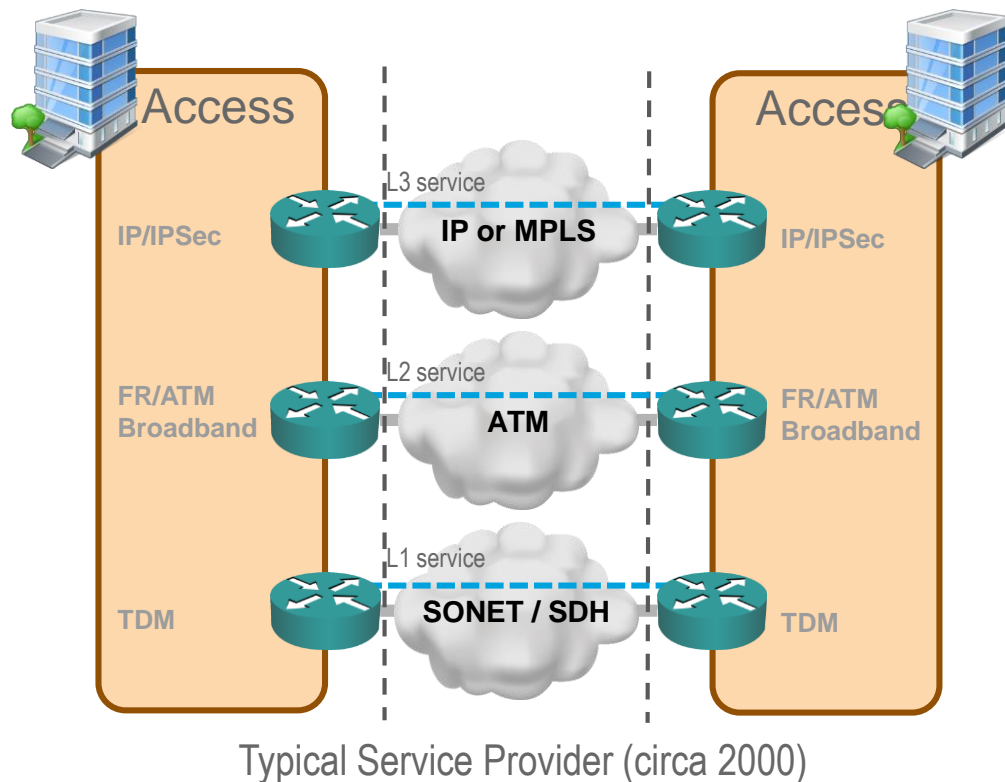
L2VPN Transport Services



Motivation for L2VPNs

Old and New Drivers

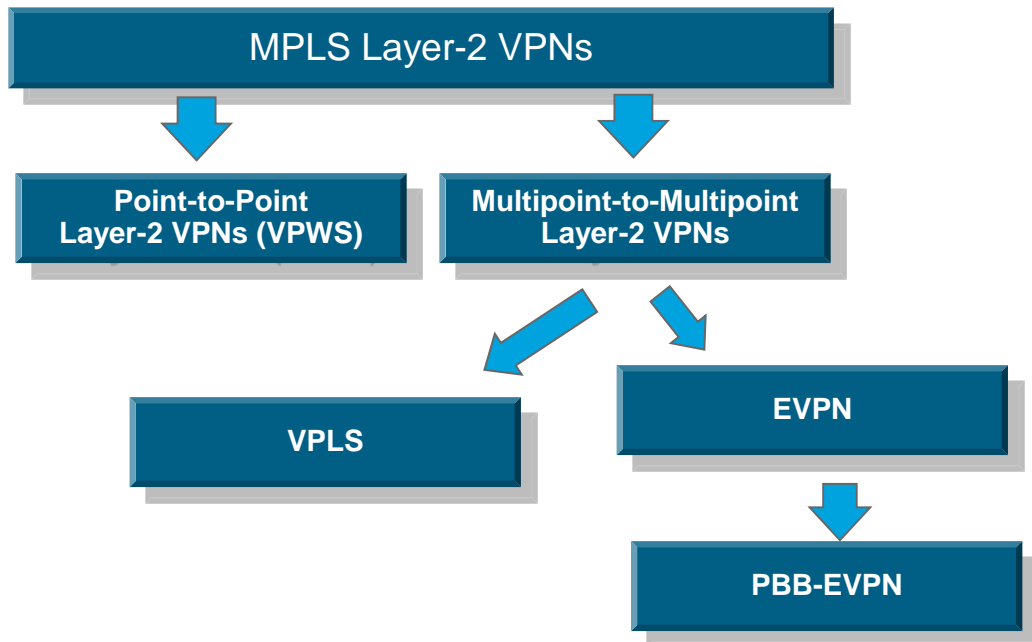
- **Network Consolidation (circa 2000)**
 - Multiple access services (FR, ATM, TDM) required multiple core technologies
- **Enterprise Ethernet WAN Connectivity Services (circa 2005+)**
 - Ethernet well understood by Enterprise / SPs
 - CAPEX (lower cost per bit) / Growth (100GE)
 - Layer 2 VPN replacement to ATM/Frame Relay
 - Internet / Layer 3 VPN access (CE to PE)
- **Data Center Interconnection (DCI)**
- **Mobile Backhaul Evolution**
 - TDM /PDH to Dual/Hybrid to All-packet (IP/Ethernet)
 - Single (voice + data) IP/Ethernet mobile backhaul universally accepted solution



MPLS Layer-2 Virtual Private Networks

Technology Options

- VPWS services
 - Point-to-point
 - Referred to as Pseudowires (PWs)
- VPLS services
 - Multipoint
- EVPN
 - Multipoint with BGP-based MAC learning
- PBB-EVPN
 - Combines scale tools from PBB (aka MAC-in-MAC) with BGP-based MAC learning from EVPN



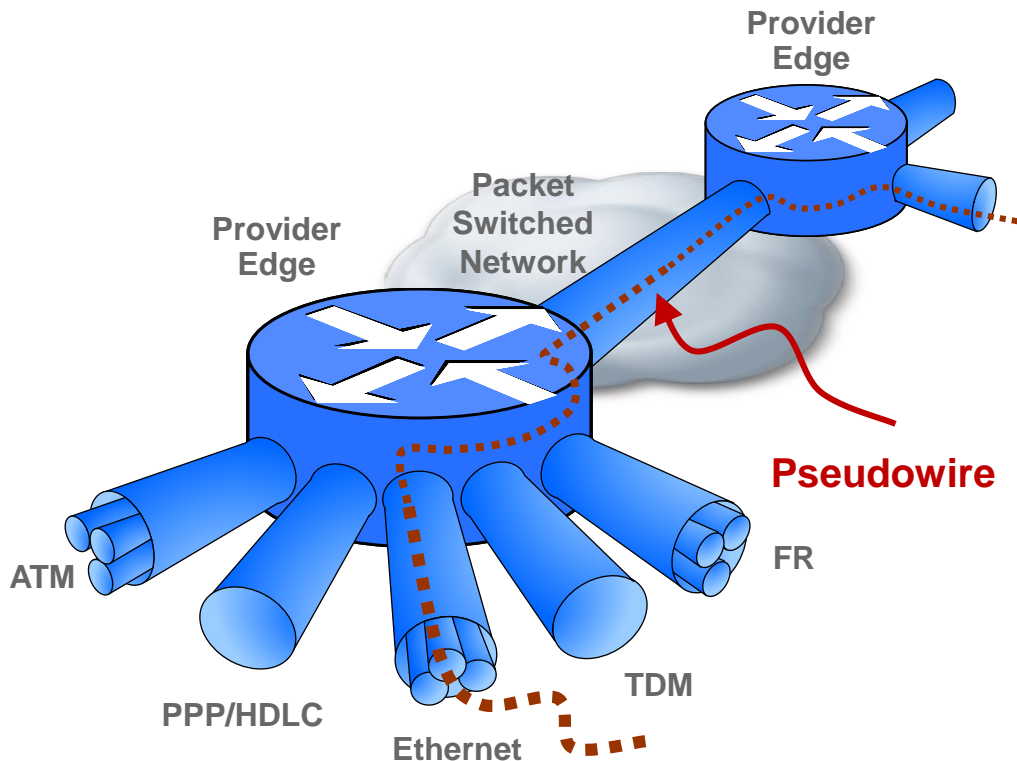
Ethernet Point-to-Point L2VPNs

Virtual Private Wire Service (VPWS)

Layer 2 VPN Enabler

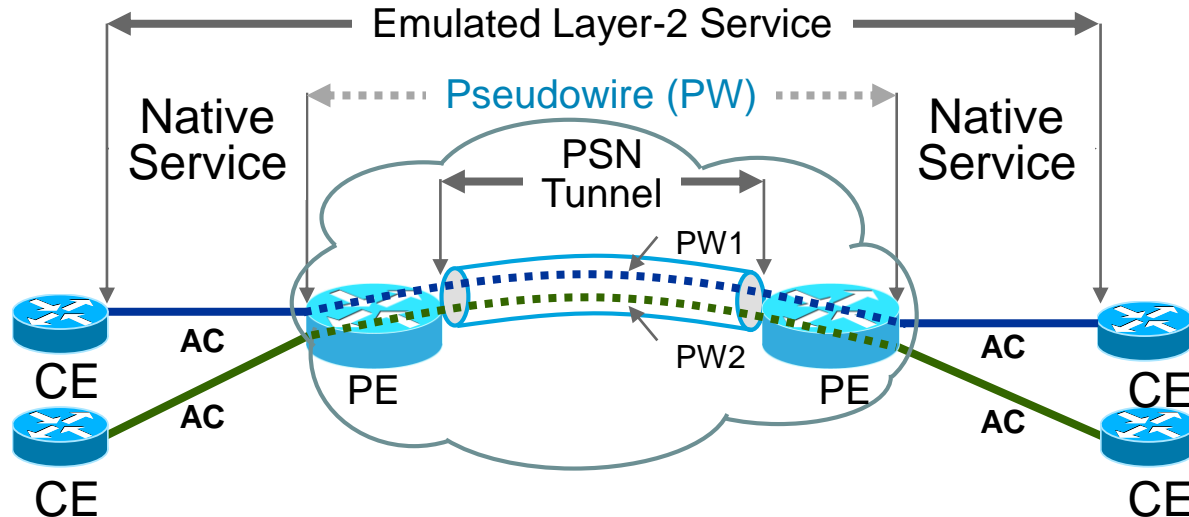
The Pseudowire

- L2VPNs are built with **Pseudowire (PW)** technology
- PWs provide a common intermediate format to **transport multiple types of network services** over a **Packet Switched Network (PSN)**
- PW technology provides **Like-to-Like** transport and also **Interworking (IW)**



Pseudowire Reference Model

- Any Transport Over MPLS (AToM) is Cisco's implementation of VPWS for IP/MPLS networks
- An Attachment Circuit (AC) is the physical or virtual circuit attaching a CE to a PE
- Customer Edge (CE) equipment perceives a PW as an unshared link or circuit



Layer 2 Transport over MPLS

Control
Connection

- Targeted LDP session / BGP session / Static
 - Used for VC-label negotiation, withdrawal, error notification

Tunnelling
Component

The “emulated circuit” has **three (3) layers of encapsulation**

- **Tunnel header (Tunnel Label)**
 - To get PDU from ingress to egress PE
 - MPLS LSP derived through static configuration (MPLS-TP) or dynamic (LDP or RSVP-TE)

Demultiplexing
Component

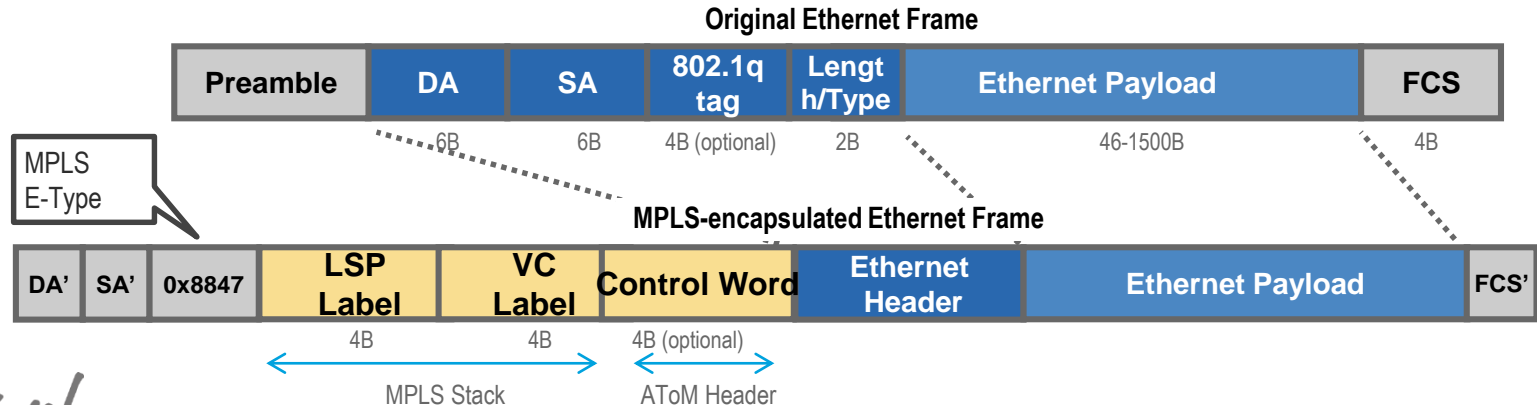
- **Demultiplexer field (VC Label)**
 - To identify individual circuits within a tunnel
 - Could be an MPLS label, L2TPv3 header, GRE key, etc.

Layer 2
Encapsulation

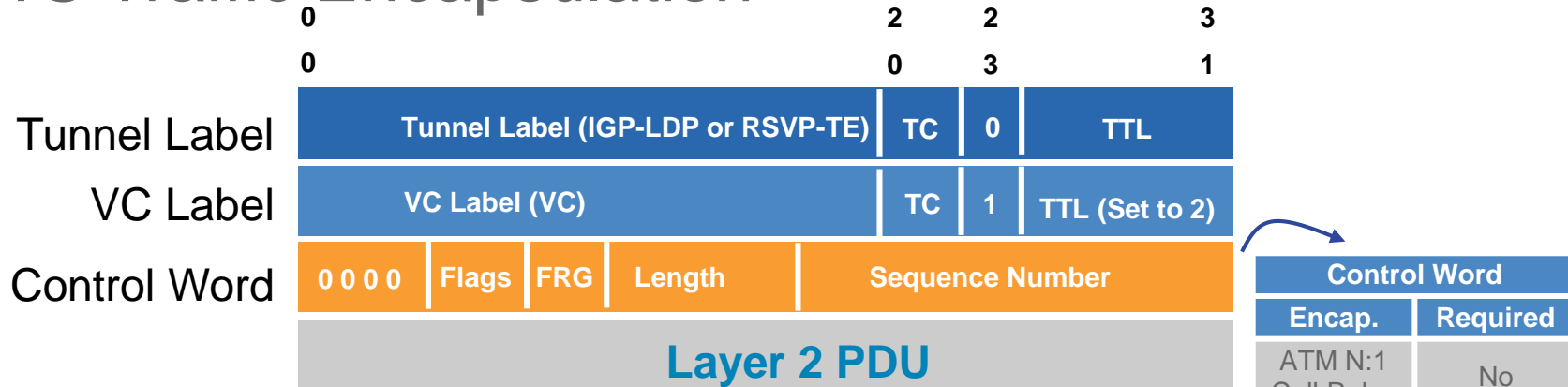
- **Emulated VC encapsulation (Control Word)**
 - Information on enclosed Layer 2 PDU
 - Implemented as a 32-bit control word

How Are Ethernet Frames Transported?

- Ethernet frames transported without Preamble, Start Frame Delimiter (SFD) and FCS
- Two (2) modes of operation supported:
 - **Ethernet VLAN mode** (VC type 0x0004) – created for VLAN over MPLS application
 - **Ethernet Port / Raw mode** (VC type 0x0005) – created for Ethernet port tunneling application



VPWS Traffic Encapsulation

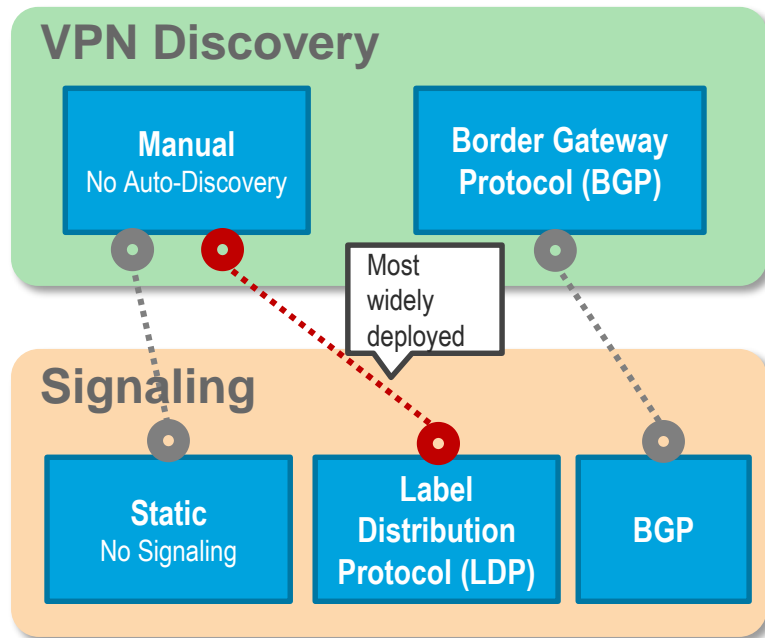


- Three-level encapsulation
- Packets switched between PEs using **Tunnel label**
- **VC label** identifies PW
- VC label signaled between PEs
- Optional **Control Word** (CW) carries Layer 2 control bits and enables sequencing

VPWS

Discovery and Signaling Alternatives

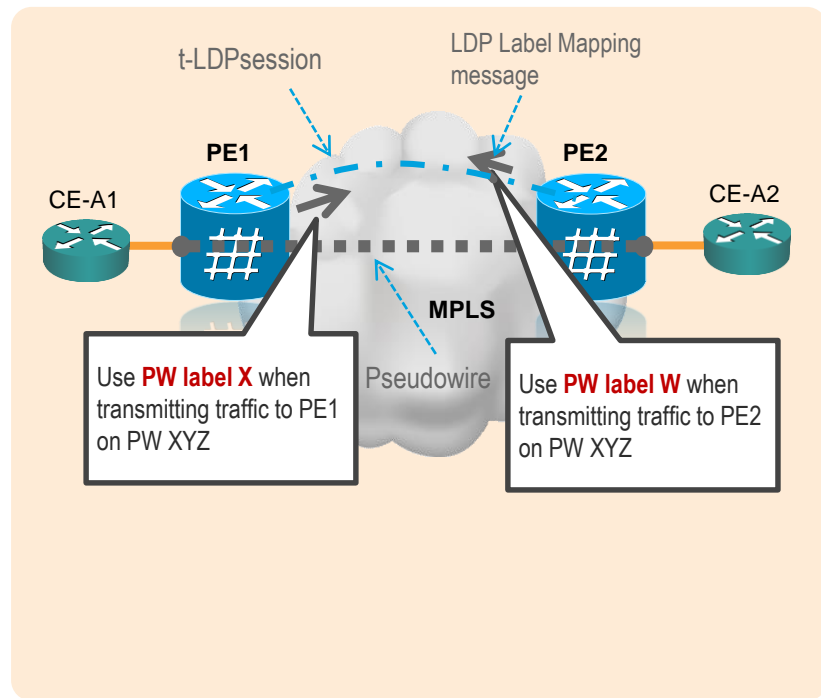
- VPWS Signaling
 - LDP-based (RFC 4447)
 - BGP-based (RFC 6624)
- VPWS with LDP-signaling and No auto-discovery
 - Most widely deployed solution
- Auto-discovery for point-to-point services not as relevant as for multipoint



LDP Signaling

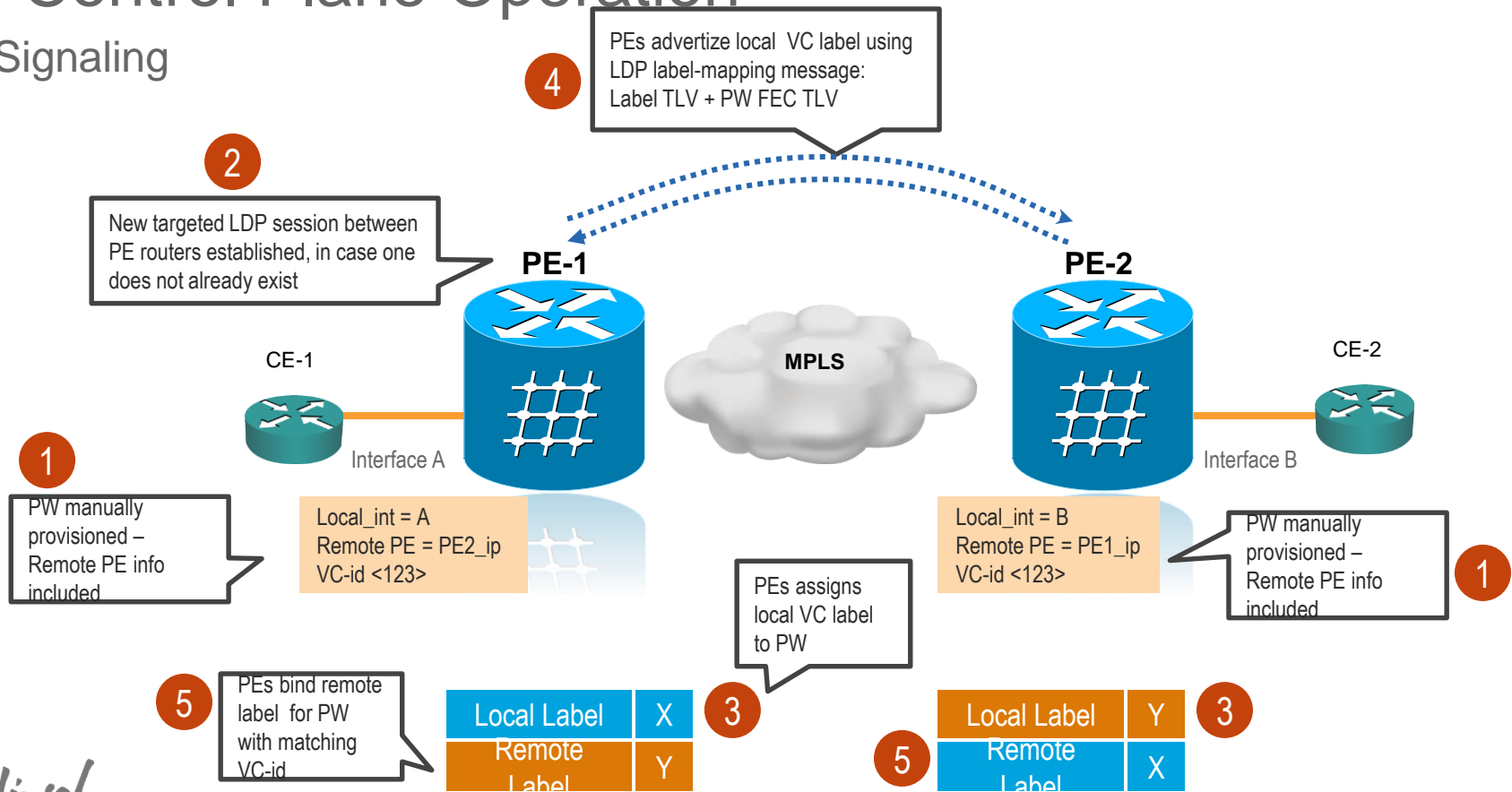
Overview

- RFC 4447 defines use of **LDP protocol for setting up and maintaining pseudowires**
 - Targeted LDP (t-LDP) session between PE routers
- **PW label bindings** exchanged using LDP Label Mapping messages
- Two Forward Equivalency Classes (FEC) element types defined
 - LDP **PWid FEC Element** (FEC 128) - Used in manual provisioning scenarios
 - LDP **Generalized PWid FEC Element** (FEC 129) – Used in auto-discovery scenarios

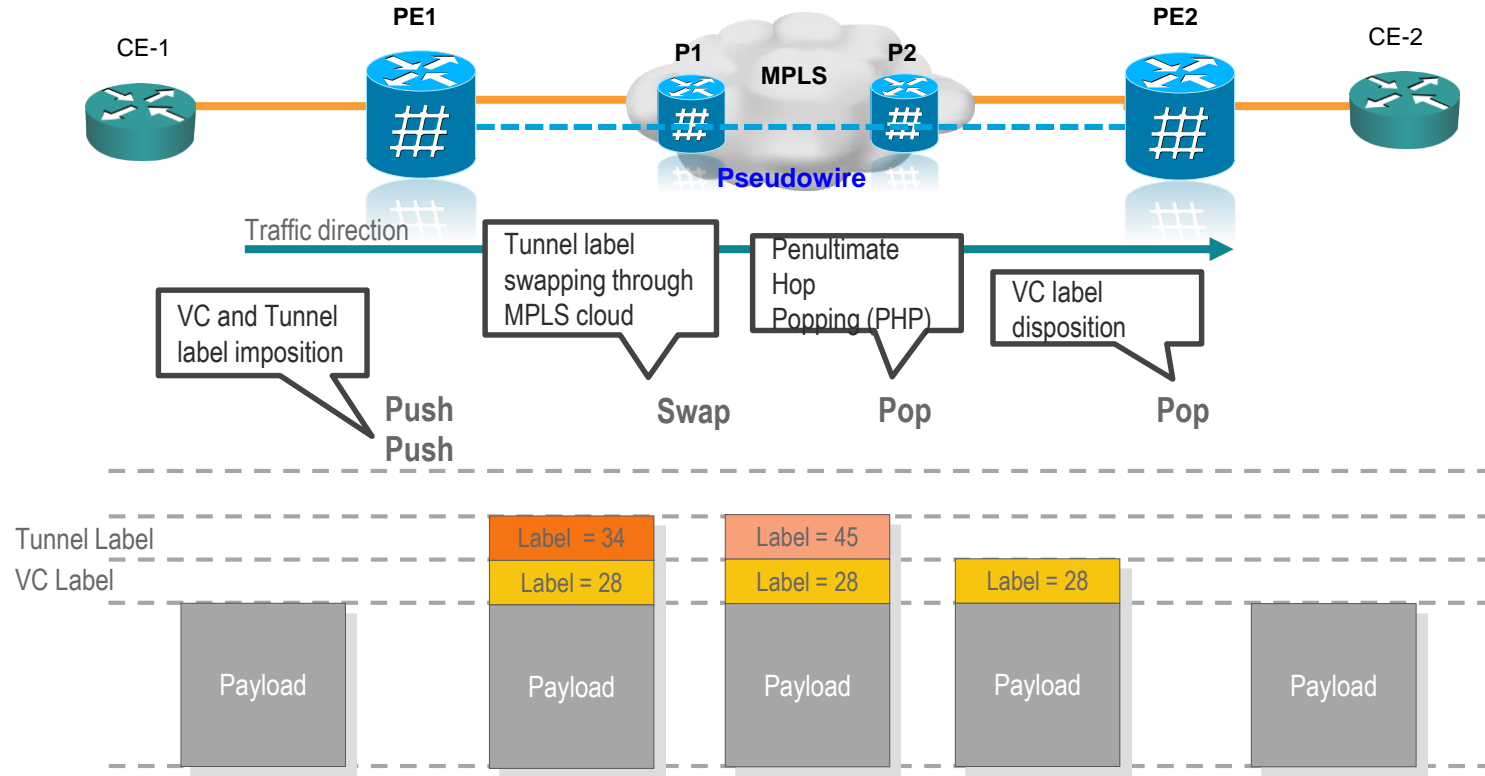


PW Control Plane Operation

LDP Signaling



VPWS Forwarding Plane Processing



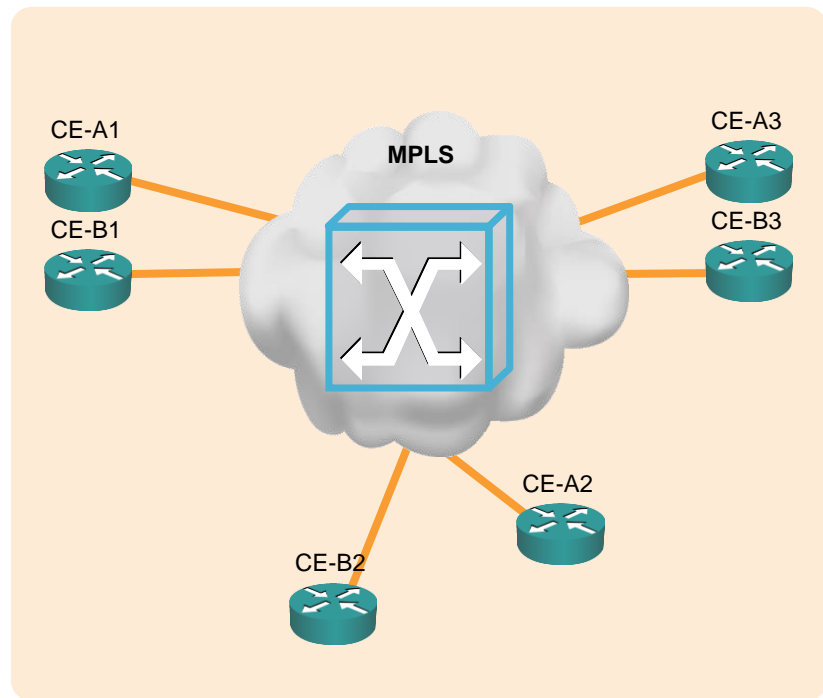
Ethernet Multipoint L2VPNs

Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS)

Virtual Private LAN Service

Overview

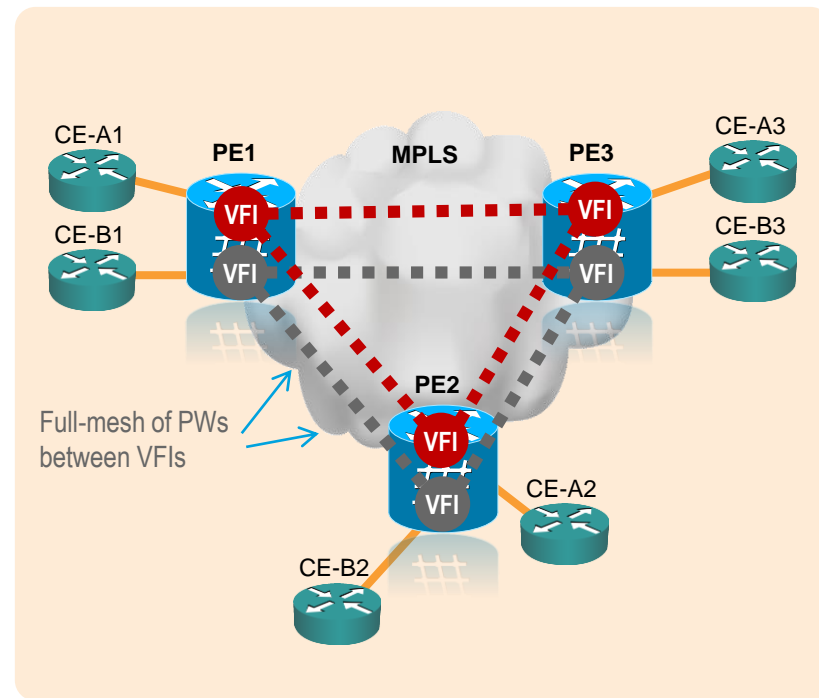
- Defines Architecture to provide **Ethernet Multipoint connectivity sites**, as if they were connected using a LAN
- VPLS operation **emulates an IEEE Ethernet switch**
- **Two (2) signaling methods**
 - RFC 4762 (LDP-Based VPLS)
 - RFC 4761 (BGP-Based VPLS)



Virtual Private LAN Service

Reference Model

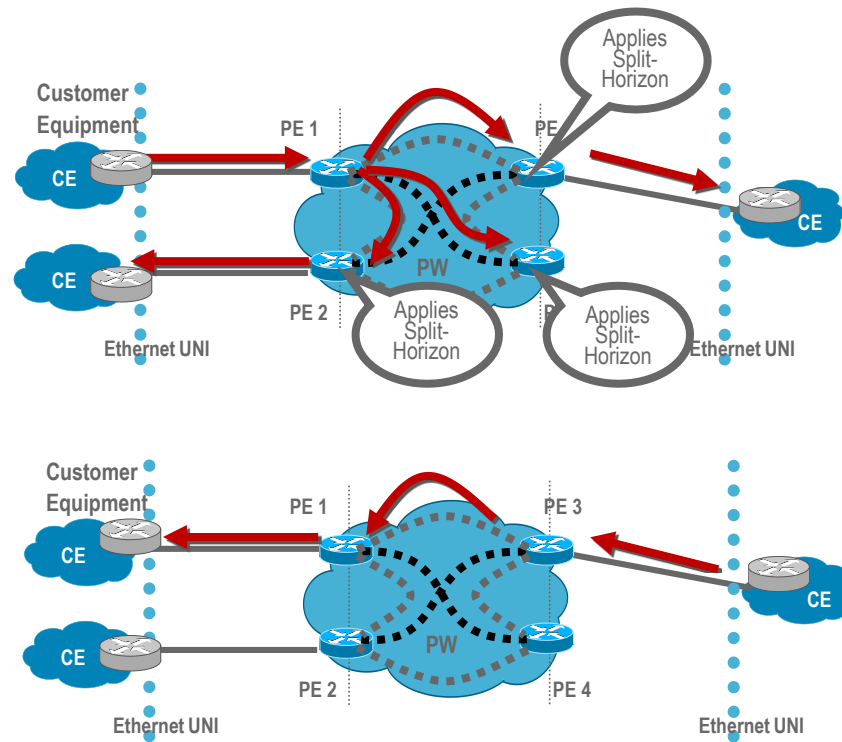
- **VFI (Virtual Forwarding Instance)**
 - Also called VSI (Virtual Switching Instance)
 - Emulates L2 broadcast domain among ACs and VCs
 - Unique per service. Multiple VFIs can exist same PE
- **AC (Attachment Circuit)**
 - Connect to CE device, it could be Ethernet physical or logical port
 - One or multiple ACs can belong to same VFI
- **VC (Virtual Circuit)**
 - EoMPLS data encapsulation, tunnel label used to reach remote PE, VC label used to identify VFI
 - One or multiple VCs can belong to same VFI
 - PEs must have a **full-mesh of PWs** in the VPLS core



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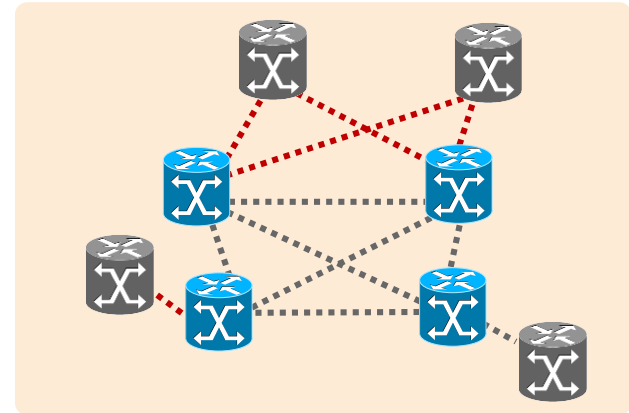
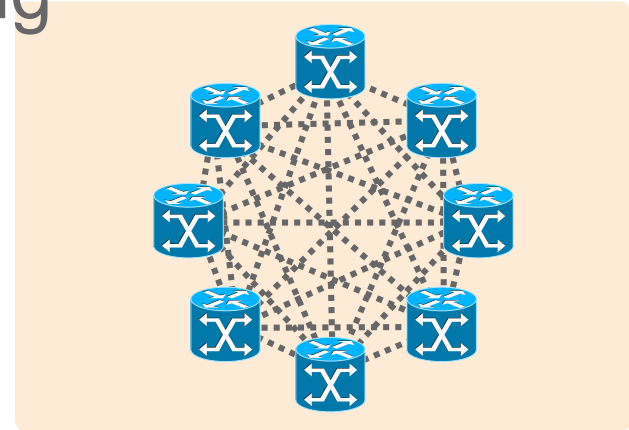
Operation

- **Flooding / Forwarding**
 - Forwarding based on destination MAC addresses
 - Flooding (Broadcast, Multicast, Unknown Unicast)
- **Split-Horizon and Full-Mesh of PWs for loop-avoidance in core**
 - SP does not run STP in the core
- **MAC Learning/Aging/Withdrawal**
 - Dynamic learning based on Source MAC and VLAN
 - Refresh aging timers with incoming packet
 - **MAC withdrawal** upon topology changes



Why H-VPLS? Improved Scaling

- Flat VPLS
 - Potential signaling overhead
 - Packet replication at the edge
 - Full PW mesh end-to-end
- Hierarchical-VPLS
 - Minimizes signaling overhead
 - Packet replication at the core only
 - Full PW mesh in the core

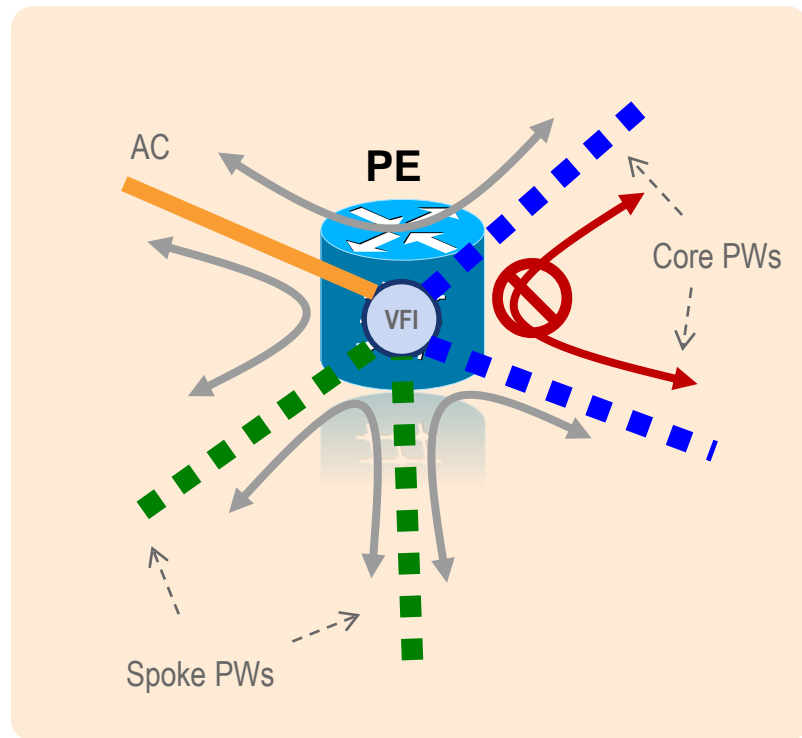


Core PWs
Spoke PWs -.-.-.-

VPLS Operation

Loop Prevention

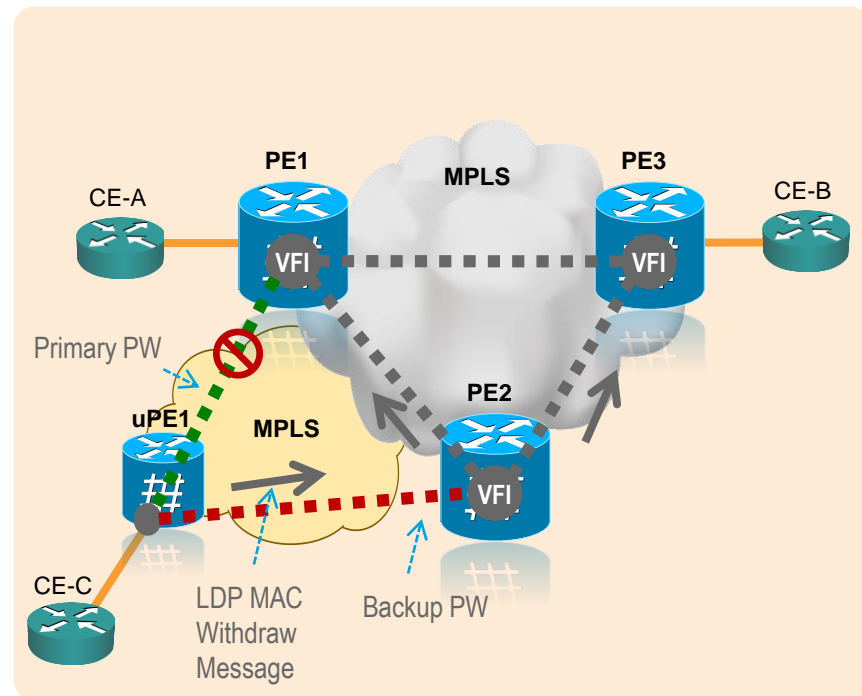
- **Core PW** – Split Horizon ON
- **Spoke PW** – Split Horizon OFF (default)
- **Split-Horizon Rules**
 - Forwarding between Spoke PWs
 - Forwarding between Spoke and Core PWs
 - Forwarding between ACs and Core / Spoke PWs
 - Forwarding between ACs
 - **Blocking between Core PWs**



VPLS Operation

MAC Address Withdrawal

- Remove (flush) dynamic MAC addresses upon Topology Changes
 - Faster convergence – avoids blackholing
 - Uses LDP Address Withdraw Message (RFC 4762)
- H-VPLS dual-home example
 - U-PE detects failure of Primary PW
 - U-PE activates Backup PW
 - U-PE sends LDP MAC address withdrawal request to new N-PE
 - N-PE forwards the message to all PWs in the VPLS core and flush its MAC address table



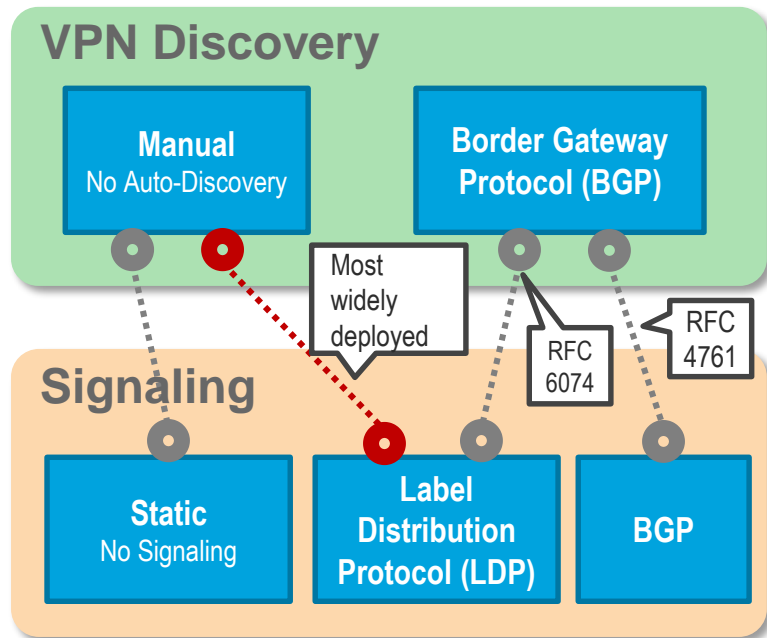
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VPLS Signaling and Auto-Discovery

VPLS

Discovery and Signaling Alternatives

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 - LDP-based (RFC 4762)
 - BGP-based (RFC 4761)
- VPLS with LDP-signaling and No auto-discovery
 - Most widely deployed solution
 - Operational complexity for larger deployments
- BGP-based Auto-Discovery (BGP-AD) (RFC 6074)
 - Enables discovery of PE devices in a VPLS instance



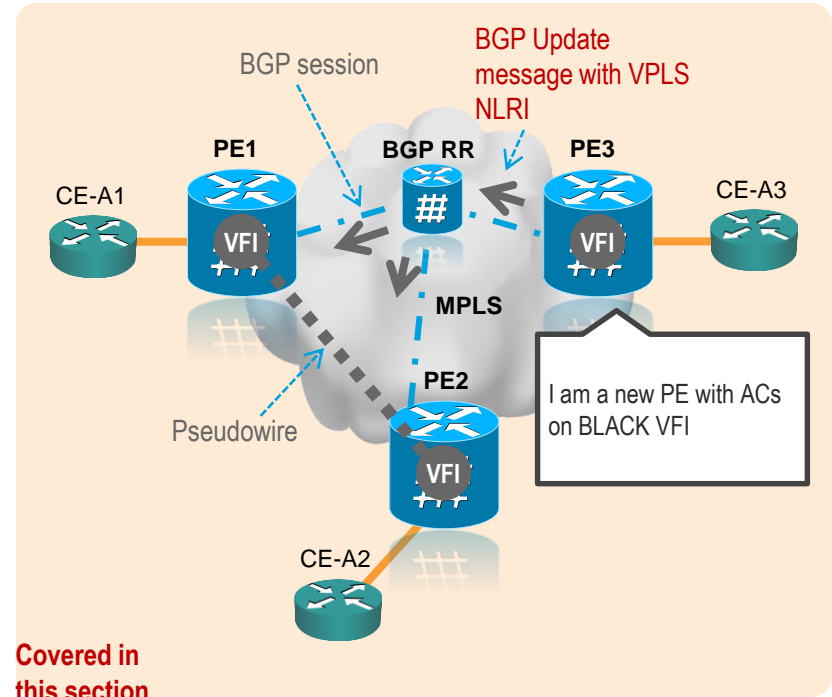
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*VPLS with LDP Signaling and BGP-based
AutoDiscovery (BGP-AD)*

BGP Auto-Discovery (BGP-AD)

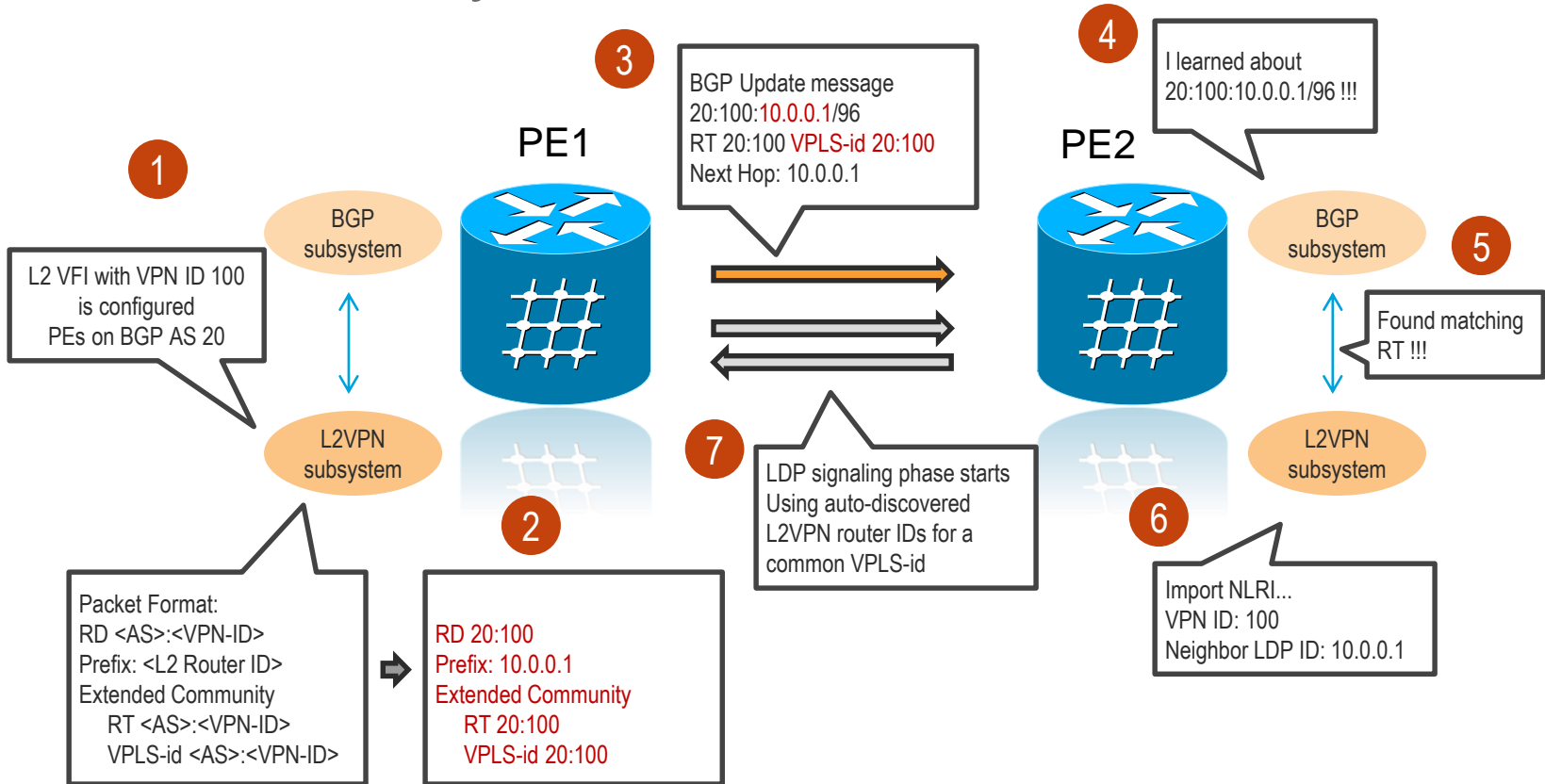
- Eliminates need to manually provision VPLS neighbors
- Automatically detects when new PEs are added / removed from the VPLS domain
- Uses BGP Update messages to advertize PE/VFI mapping (VPLS NLRI)
- Typically used in conjunction with BGP Route Reflectors to minimize iBGP full-mesh peering requirements
- Two (2) RFCs define use of BGP for VPLS AD¹
 - RFC 6074 – when LDP used for PW signaling
 - RFC 4761 – when BGP used for PW signaling

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BGP Auto-Discovery in Action

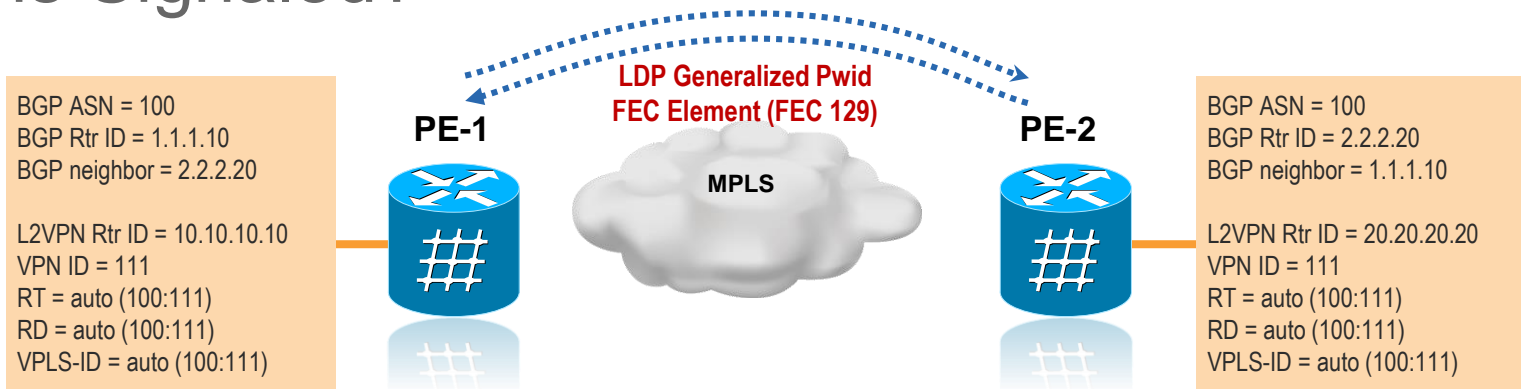


What is Discovered? NLRI + Extended Communities



NLRI	Source Address = 1.1.1.10	Source Address = 2.2.2.20
	Destination Address = 2.2.2.20	Destination Address = 1.1.1.10
Extended Communities	Length = 14	Length = 14
	Route Distinguisher = 100:111	Route Distinguisher = 100:111
	L2VPN Router ID = 10.10.10.10	L2VPN Router ID = 20.20.20.20
	VPLS-ID = 100:111	VPLS-ID = 100:111
	Route Target = 100:111	Route Target = 100:111

What is Signaled?



FEC 129

AGI = VPLS-ID = 100:111	AGI = VPLS-ID = 100:111
SAll = Local L2VPN ID = 10.10.10.10	SAll = Local L2VPN ID = 20.20.20.20
TAll = Remote L2VPN ID = 20.20.20.20	TAll = Remote L2VPN ID = 10.10.10.10

Local and Remote (discovered) L2VPN router ID and VPLS-ID used for PW signaling

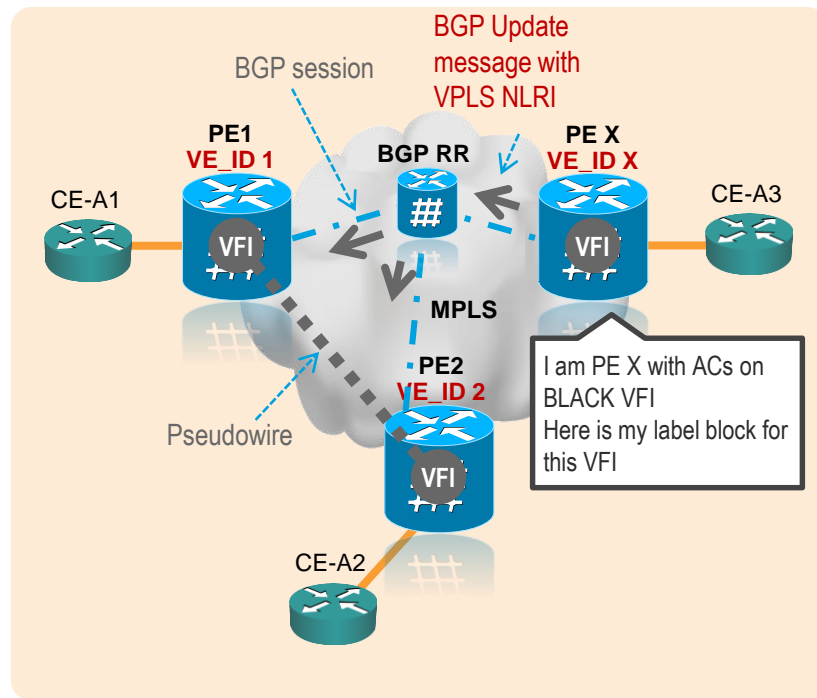
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VPLS with BGP-based Signaling and AutoDiscovery

BGP Signaling and Auto-Discovery

Overview

- RFC 4761¹ defines use of BGP for VPLS PE Auto-Discovery and Signaling
- All PEs within a given VPLS are assigned a **unique VPLS Edge device ID (VE ID)**
- A PE X wishing to send a VPLS update sends the same **label block** information to all other PEs using **BGP VPLS NLRI**
- Each **receiving PE infers the label** intended for PE X by adding its (unique) VE ID to the label base
 - Each receiving PE gets a unique label for PE X for that VPLS

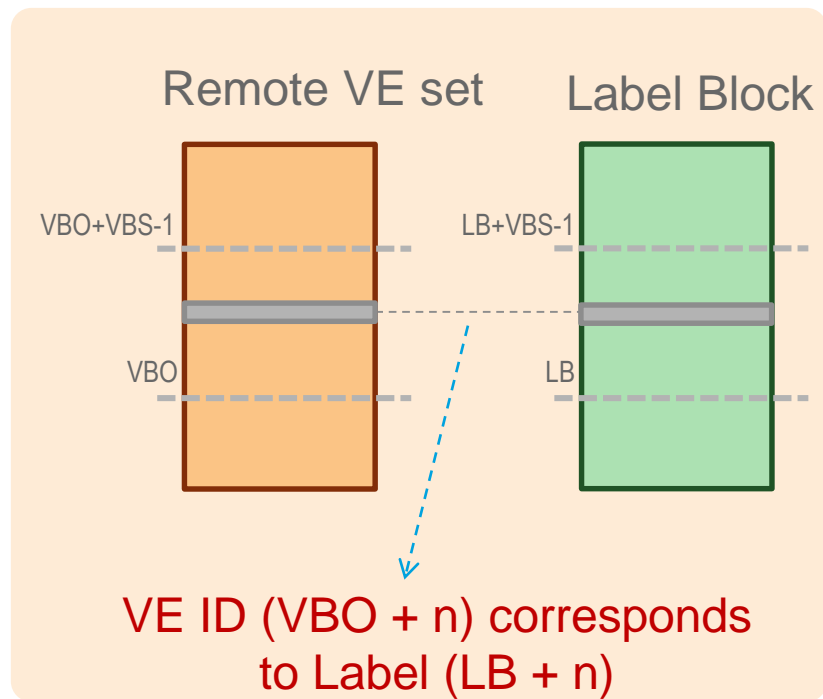


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BGP Signaling and Auto-Discovery

Label Blocks

- RFC 4761 is primarily based on the concept of **Label Blocks**
 - Contiguous set of local labels
 - Label Block boundary **advertised using BGP VPLS NLRI**
- **Label Base (LB)** – start of label block
- **VE Block Size (VBS)** – size of label block
- **VE Block Offset (VBO)** – start of remote VE set



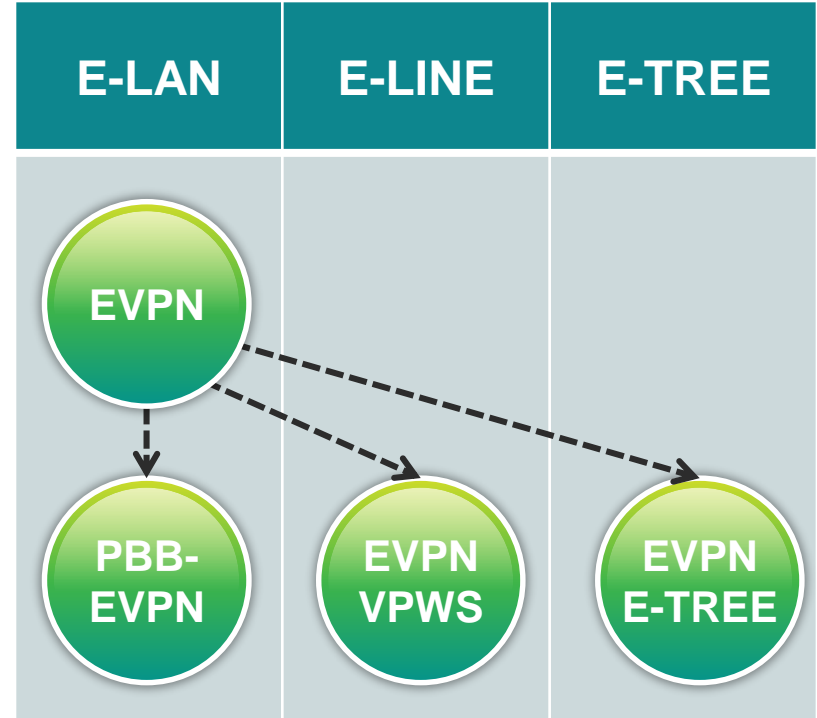
Topic covered in detail in
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Ethernet Multipoint L2VPNs

Ethernet VPN Family Overview

What is xEVPN?

- **xEVPN family** introduces **next generation solutions for Ethernet services**
 - BGP control-plane for Ethernet Segment and MAC distribution and learning over MPLS core
 - Same principles and operational experience of IP VPNs
- **No use of Pseudowires**
 - Uses MP2P tunnels for unicast
 - Multi-destination frame delivery via ingress replication (via MP2P tunnels) or LSM
- **Multi-vendor** solutions under IETF standardization

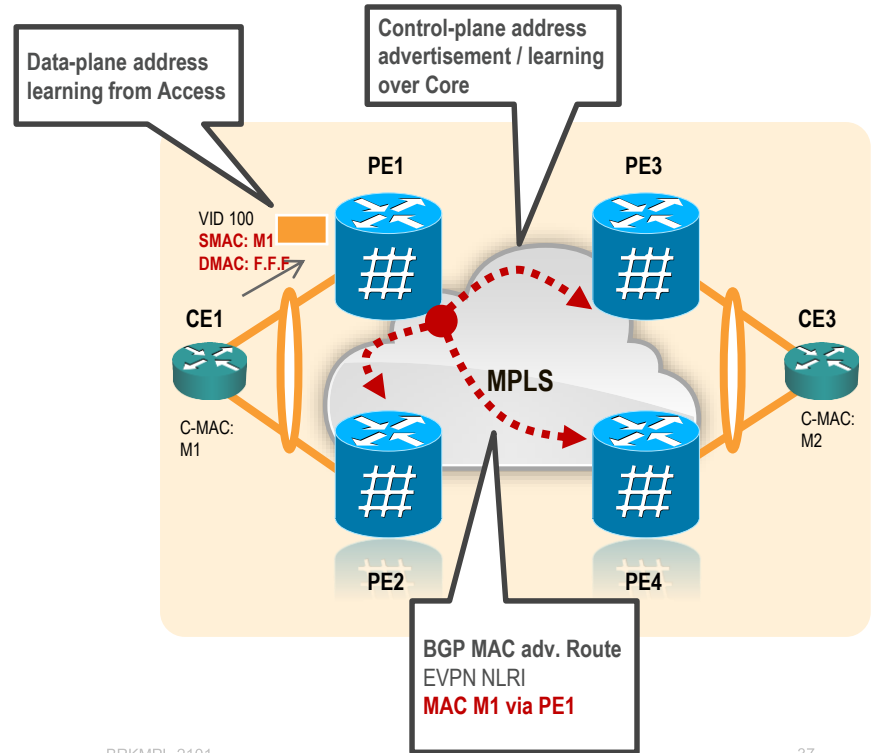


Ethernet VPN

Highlights

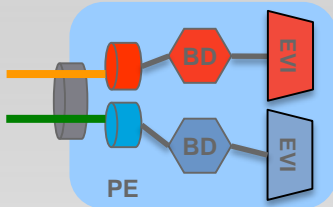
- Next generation solution for Ethernet multipoint (E-LAN) services
- PEs run Multi-Protocol BGP to advertise & learn Customer MAC addresses (C-MACs) over Core
 - Same operational principles of L3VPN
- Learning on PE Access Circuits via data-plane transparent learning
- No pseudowire full-mesh required
 - Unicast: use MP2P tunnels
 - Multicast: use ingress replication over MP2P tunnels or use LSM
- Under standardization at IETF – **draft-ietf-l2vpn-evpn**

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Concepts

EVPN Instance (EVI)



- EVI identifies a VPN in the network
- Encompass one or more bridge-domains, depending on service interface type

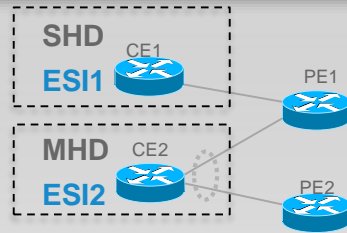
Port-based

VLAN-based (shown above)

VLAN-bundling

VLAN aware bundling (NEW)

Ethernet Segment



- Represents a 'site' connected to one or more PEs
- Uniquely identified by a 10-byte global Ethernet Segment Identifier (ESI)
- Could be a single device or an entire network
 - Single-Homed Device (SHD)
 - Multi-Homed Device (MHD)
 - Single-Homed Network (SHN)
 - Multi-Homed Network (MHN)

BGP Routes

Route Types

- [1] Ethernet Auto-Discovery (AD) Route
- [2] MAC Advertisement Route
- [3] Inclusive Multicast Route
- [4] Ethernet Segment Route

- EVPN and PBB-EVPN define a single new BGP NLRI used to carry all EVPN routes
- NLRI has a new SAFI (70)
- Routes serve control plane purposes, including:
 - MAC address reachability
 - MAC mass withdrawal
 - Split-Horizon label adv.
 - Aliasing
 - Multicast endpoint discovery
 - Redundancy group discovery
 - Designated forwarder election

BGP Route Attributes

Extended Communities

- ESI MPLS Label
- ES-Import
- MAC Mobility
- Default Gateway

- New BGP extended communities defined
- Expand information carried in BGP routes, including:
 - MAC address moves
 - C-MAC flush notification
 - Redundancy mode
 - MAC / IP bindings of a GW
 - Split-horizon label encoding



Used by PBB-EVPN

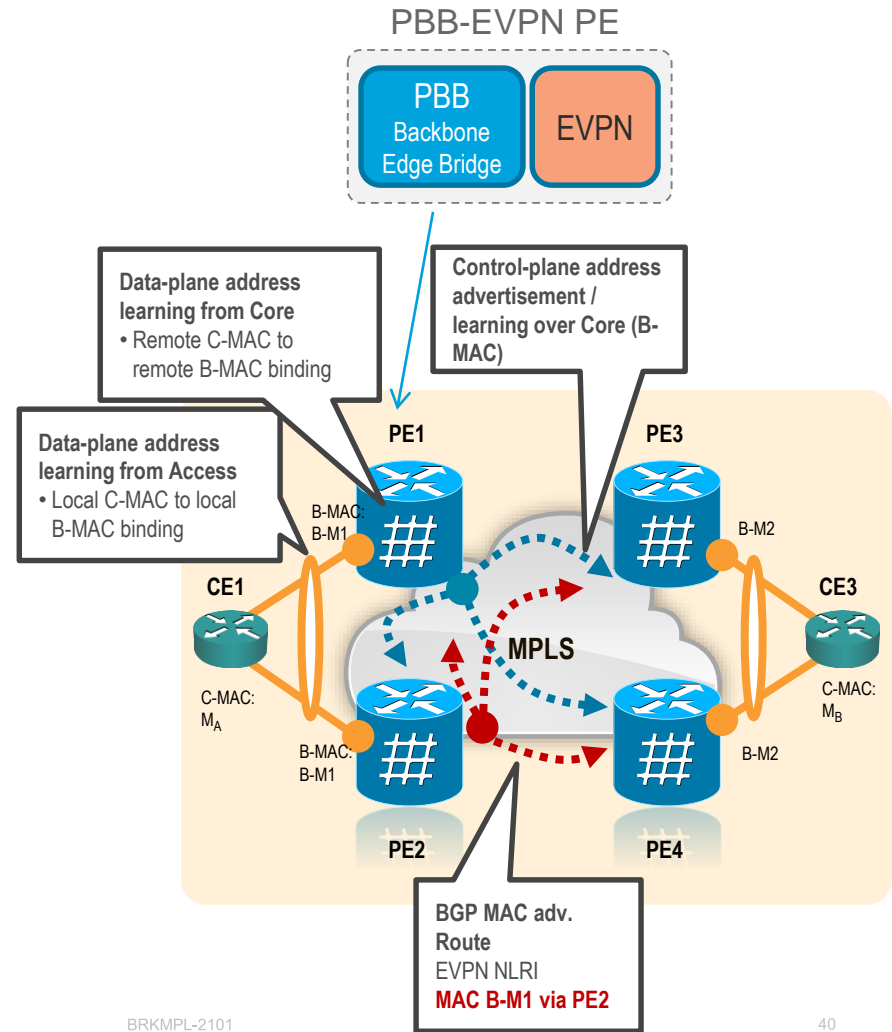
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*Provider Backbone Bridging (PBB) Ethernet VPN
(PBB-EVPN)*

PBB Ethernet VPN

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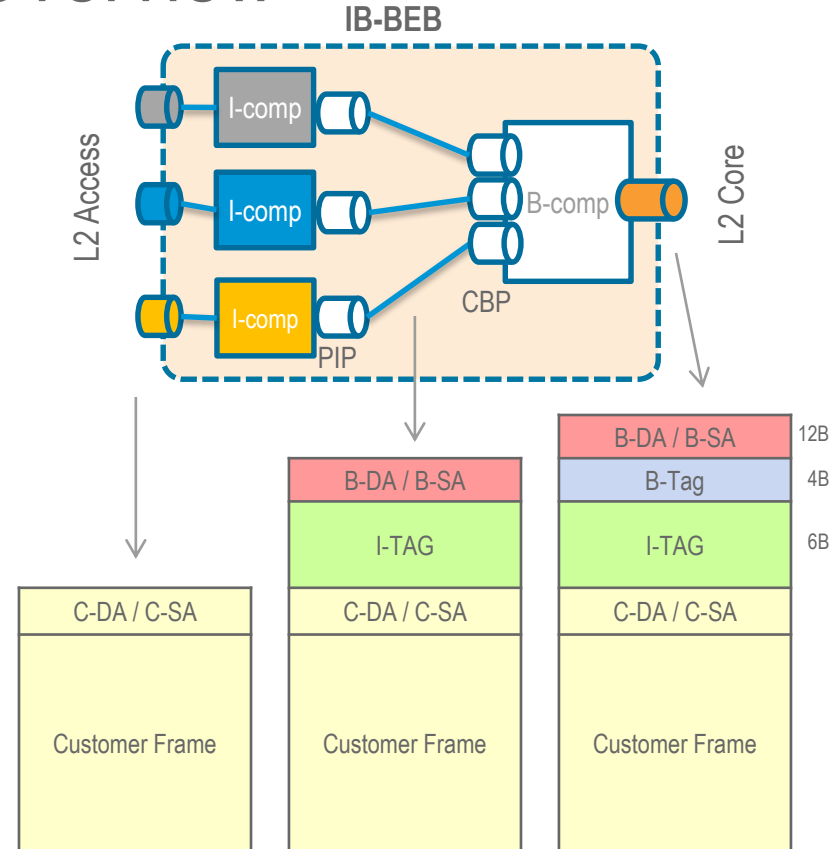
- Next generation solution for **Ethernet multipoint (E-LAN)** services by combining Provider Backbone Bridging (PBB - IEEE 802.1ah) and Ethernet VPN
- Data-plane learning of local C-MACs and remote C-MAC to B-MAC binding
- **PEs run Multi-Protocol BGP to advertise local Backbone MAC addresses (B-MACs) & learn remote B-MACs**
 - Takes advantage of PBB encapsulation to simplify BGP control plane operation – faster convergence
 - Lowers BGP resource usage (CPU, memory) on deployed infrastructure (PEs and RRs)
- Under standardization at IETF – WG draft: **draft-ietf-l2vpn-pbb-evpn**



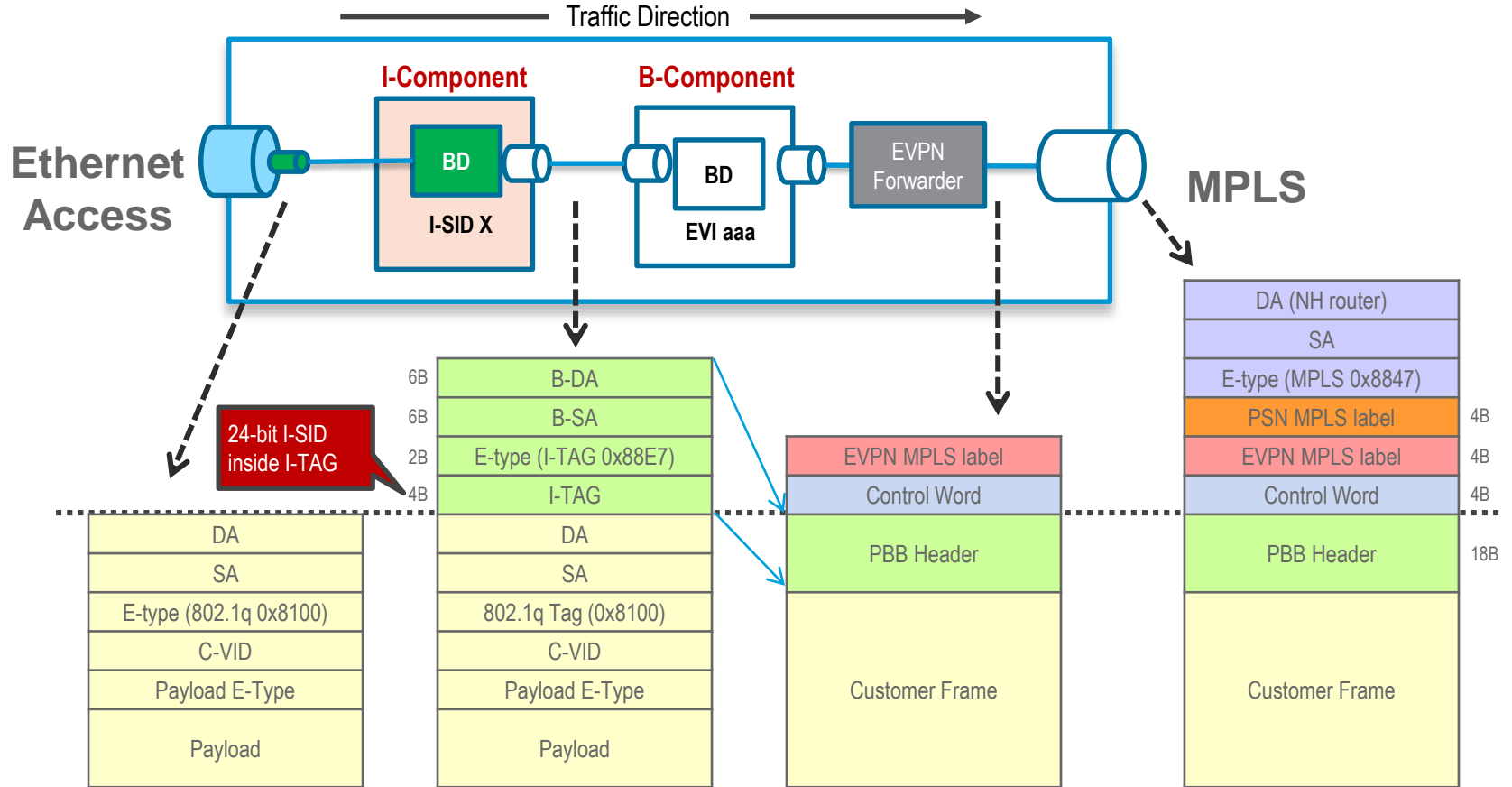
Provider Backbone Bridging Overview

- PBB (**IEEE 802.1ah-2008**) defines an architecture that includes
 - **2²⁴ service instances (I-SID)** per B-VLAN
 - **MAC-in-MAC**
- **I-Component**
 - Learns & forwards using C-MACs
 - Maintains a mapping table of C-MACs to B-MACs
 - Performs PBB encap/decap on PIP
- **B-Component**
 - Learns & forwards using B-MACs
 - Push / pop B-VLAN on CBP

IB-BEB = I/B-comp Backbone Edge Bridge
I-SID = Backbone Service Instance Identifier
PIP = Provider Instance Port
CBP = Customer Backbone Port

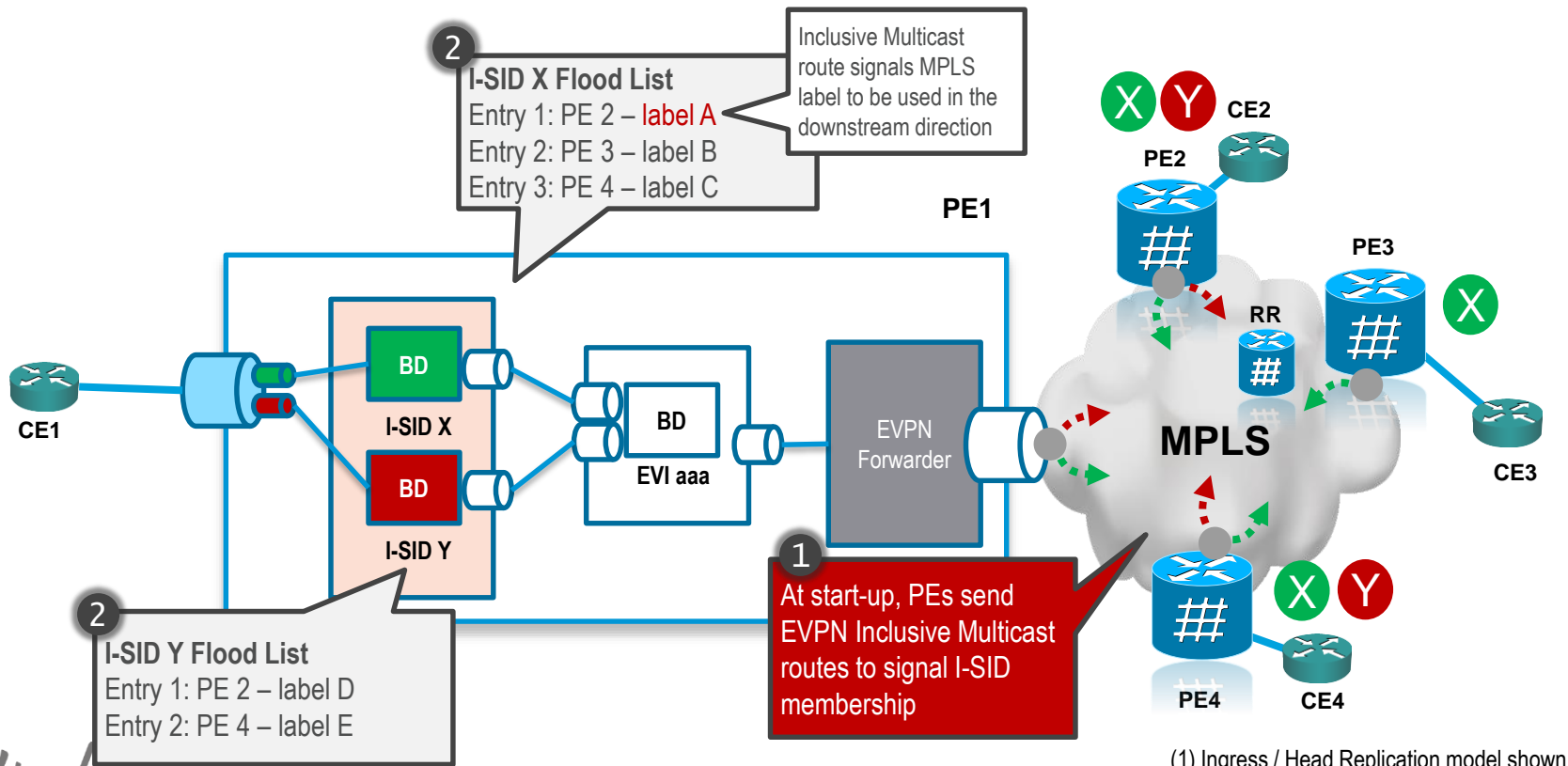


PBB-EVPN Encapsulation



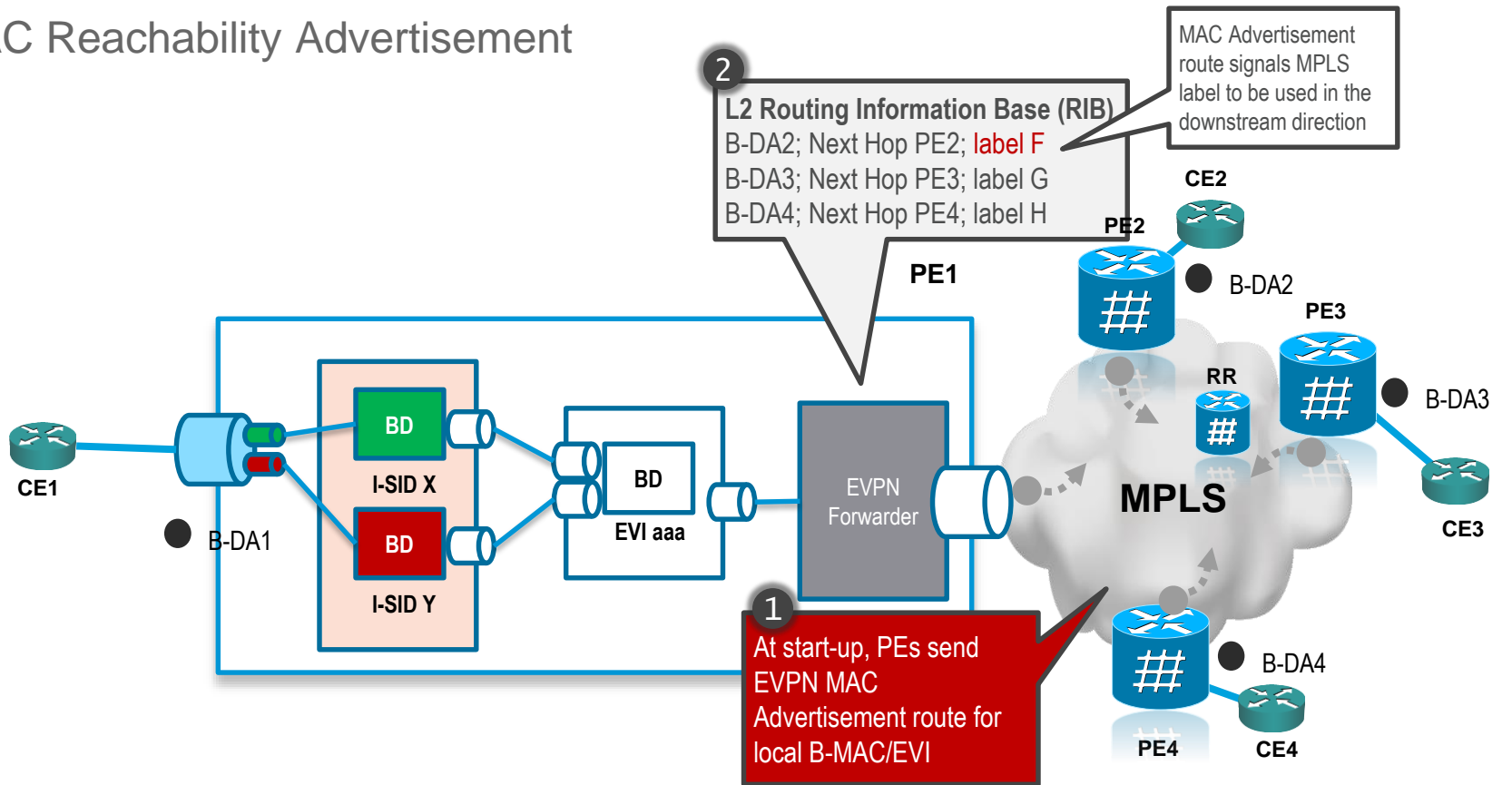
PBB-EVPN Operation

Multicast Tunnel ID / Endpoint Discovery¹



PBB-EVPN Operation

B-MAC Reachability Advertisement



PBB-EVPN Operation

Multi-Destination Traffic Forwarding (Per-ISID Ingress Replication)

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Multi-destination Traffic

- Unknown unicast
- Broadcast
- Multicast

SA: C-MAC1a
DA: FFFF.FFFF.FFFF
SA: C-MAC1b
DA: FFFF.FFFF.FFFF



- C-MAC1a ● B-DA1
- C-MAC1b

I-SID X Flood List

- Entry 1: PE 2 – label A
- Entry 2: PE 3 – label B
- Entry 3: PE 4 – label C

I-SID Y Flood List

- Entry 1: PE 2 – label D
- Entry 2: PE 4 – label E

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Ingress replication with Per-ISID flooding
3 copies for I-SID X
2 copies for I-SID Y

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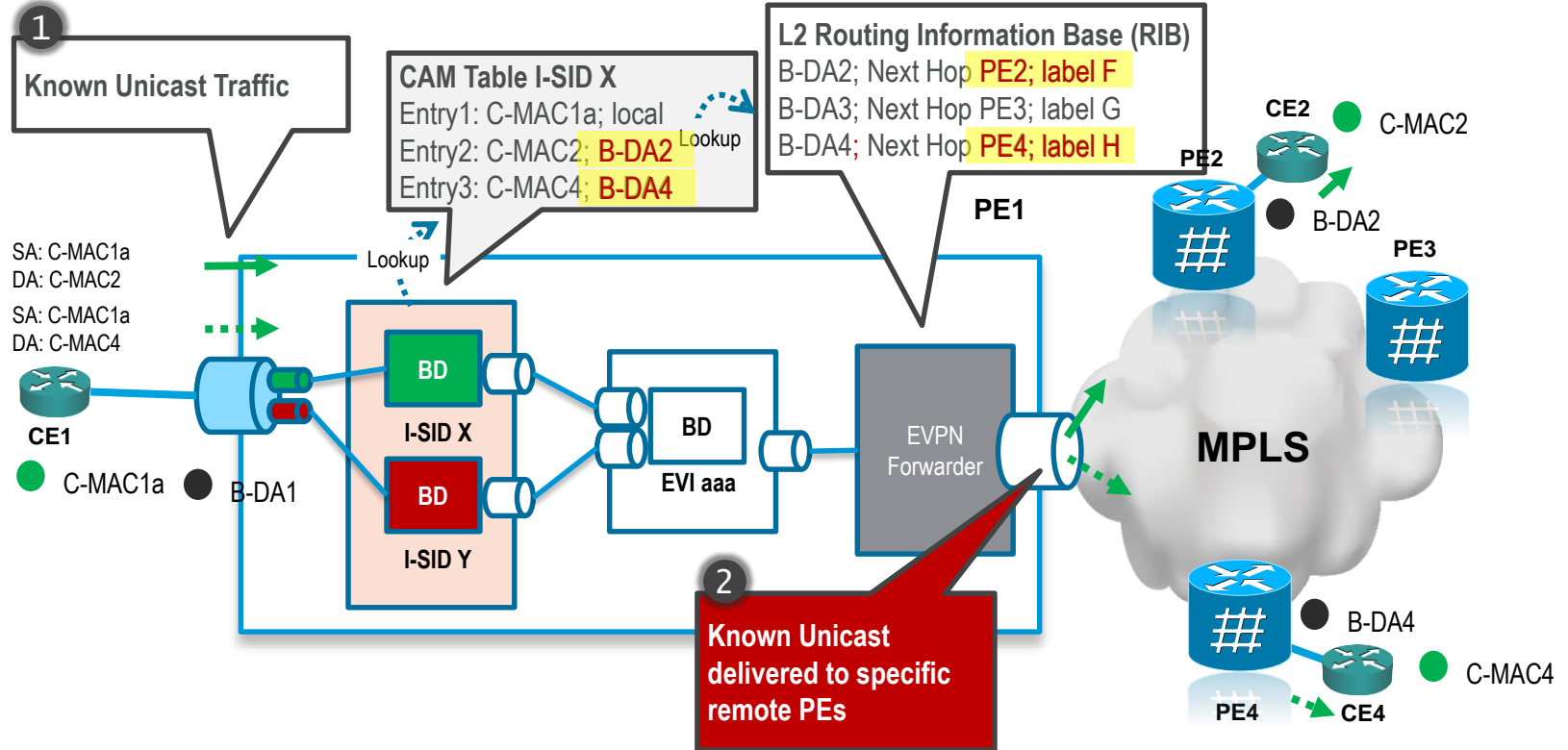
CAM Table I-SID X
Entry1: C-MAC1a; B-DA1

CAM Table I-SID Y
Entry1: C-MAC1b; B-DA1



PBB-EVPN Operation

Known Unicast Traffic Forwarding



Introducing PBB-EVPN in Cisco ASR 9000

- Introducing the **next-generation of L2VPNs – Provider Backbone Bridging Ethernet VPN (PBB-EVPN)**
- Support across **Cisco ASR 9000** series router family
 - From ASR9001-S to ASR9922
- Support starting with **Cisco IOS-XR release 4.3.2¹** (FCS 09/2013)
- **Enhanced Ethernet Line Cards** (Typhoon) required as Ingress and Egress linecards



Advanced Topics

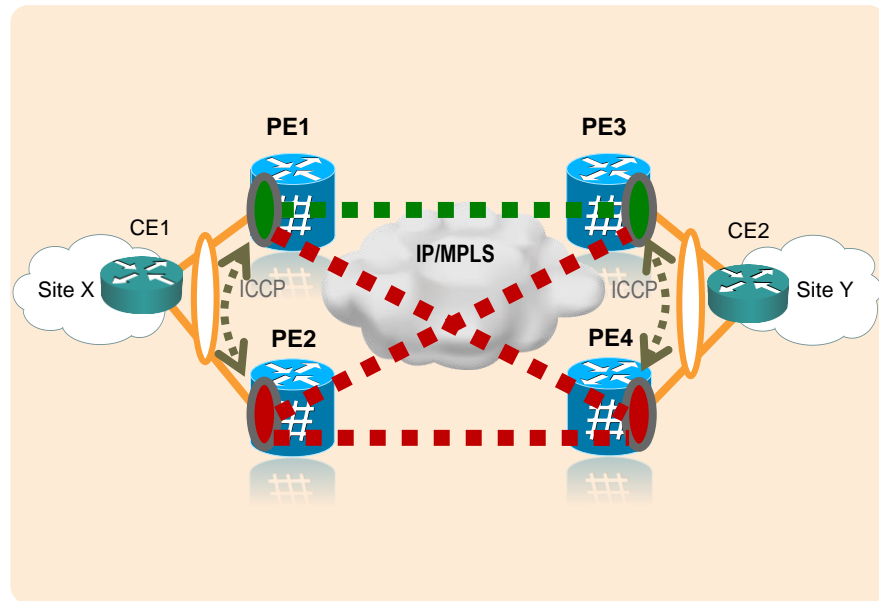
Resiliency

Two-Way Pseudowire Redundancy and mLACP

Two-Way Pseudowire Redundancy

Overview

- Allows dual-homing of **two local PEs** to **two remote PEs**
- Four (4) pseudowires: 1 primary & 3 backup provide redundancy for dual-homed devices
- Two-Way PW redundancy coupled with **Multi-Chassis LAG** (MC-LAG) solution on the access side
 - LACP state used to determine PW AC state
 - **InterChassis Communication Protocol (ICCP)** used to synchronize LACP states

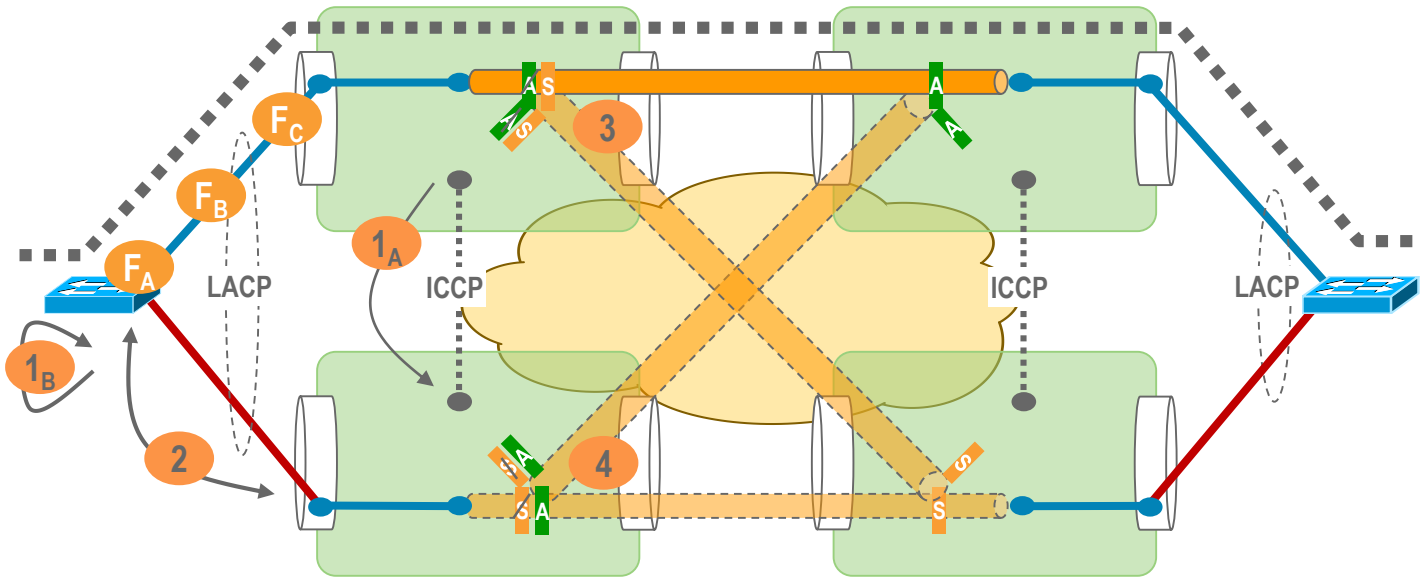


E-LINE Availability Model

Active / Backup Access Node Redundancy (mLACP)

VPWS

- Port / Link Failures



Events	
I	Initial state
F _{A-C}	Port / Link Failures
1 _A	Active PoA detects failure and signals failover over ICCP
1 _B	Failover triggered on DHD
2	Standby link brought up per LACP proc.
3	Active PoA advertises "Standby" state on its PWs
4	Standby PoA advertises "Active" state on its PWs

- For **VPWS Coupled Mode**, attachment circuit (AC) state (Active/Standby) drives PW state advertised to remote peers

Forwarding EoMPLS PW

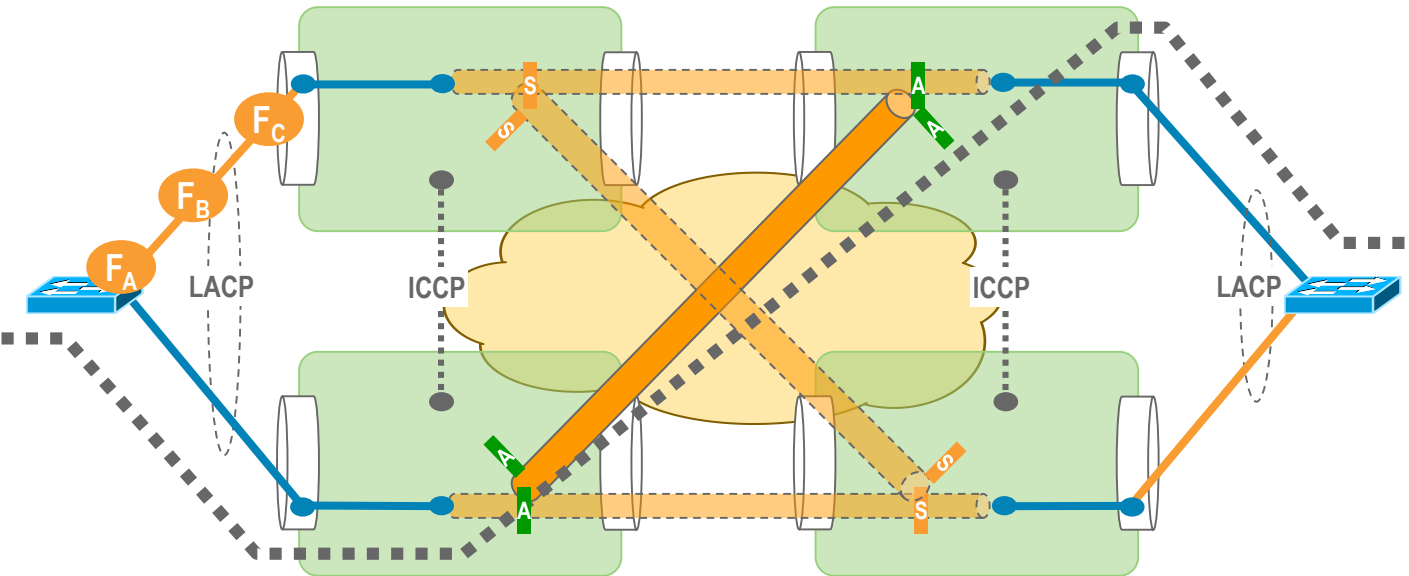
Non-Forwarding EoMPLS PW

E-LINE Availability Model

Active / Backup Access Node Redundancy (mLACP)

- Port / Link Failures (cont.)

VPWS



Events	
I	Initial state
F _{A-C}	Port / Link Failures
1 _A	Active PoA detects failure and signals failover over ICCP
1 _B	Failover triggered on DHD
2	Standby link brought up per LACP proc.
3	Active PoA advertises "Standby" state on its PWs
4	Standby PoA advertises "Active" state on its PWs
E	End State

- Local site access failure does not trigger LACP failover at remote site (i.e. control-plane separation between sites)

Forwarding EoMPLS PW

Non-Forwarding EoMPLS PW

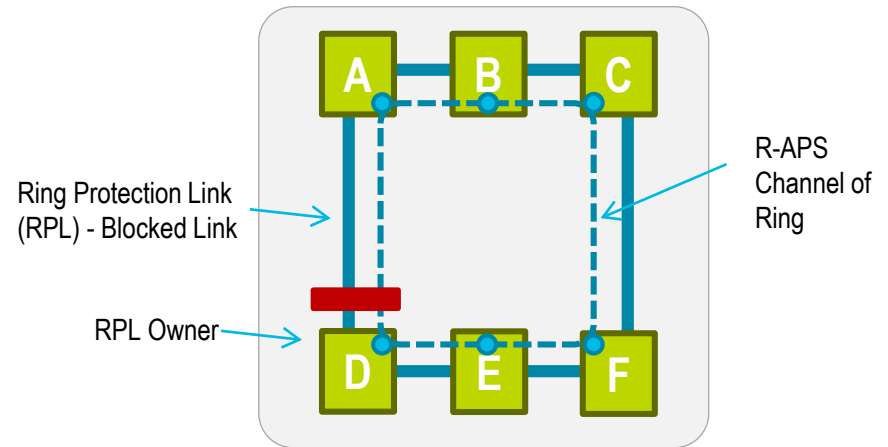
Advanced Topics

Resiliency

ITU-T G.8032 Access Redundancy

ITU-T G.8032 Overview

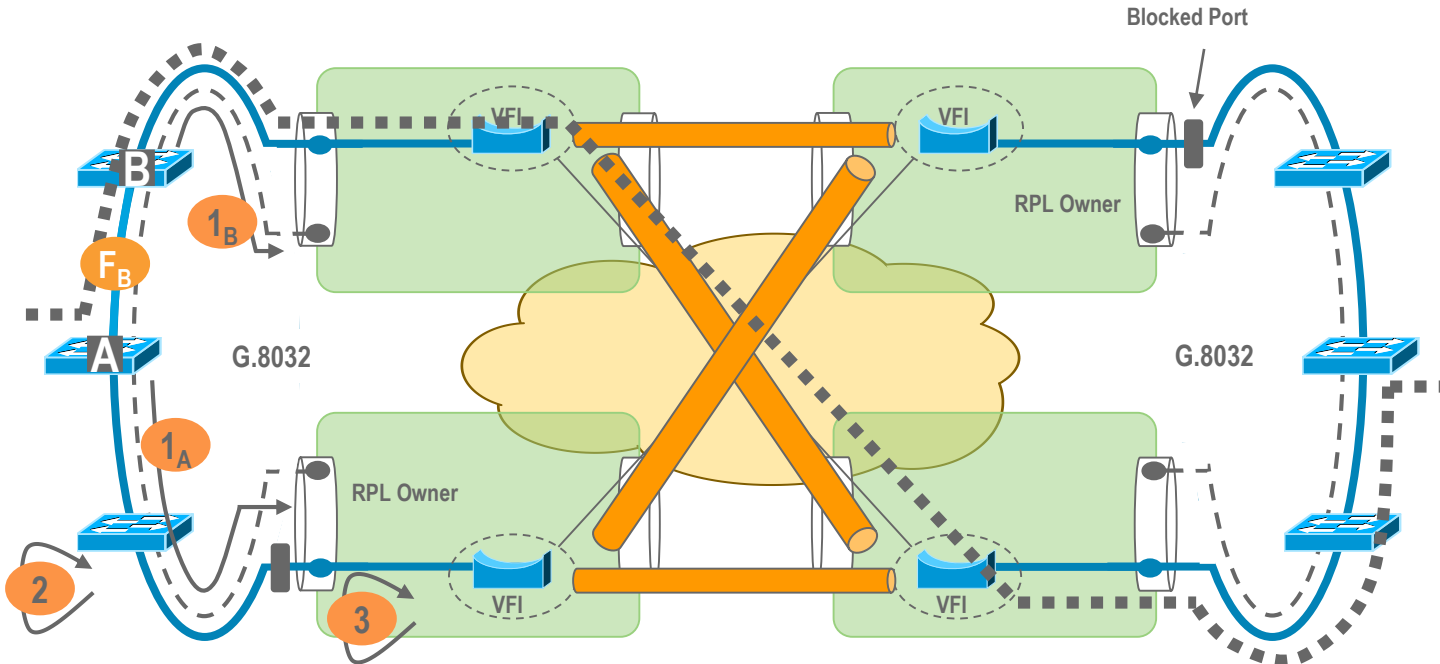
- **Standards-based protection** switching for Ethernet ring topologies
 - Defined by ITU-T Study Group 15 [[G.8032/Y.1344](#)] (v1 – 06/08; v2 – 03/10)
- Ring traffic forwarding based on Ethernet bridging rules – **Layer 2 Rings**
- **Loop avoidance** by blocking of designated ring link under normal conditions
- Uses a **dedicated Control Channel (VLAN) carrying control messages** - Ring APS
- Leverages Ethernet CFM / ITU-T Y.1731 for Fault Detection (CCM)
- **Single Ring or Multi-Ring network topologies**
- Supports **MAC flushing, load-balancing, revertive / non-revertive switching and administrative switching commands**



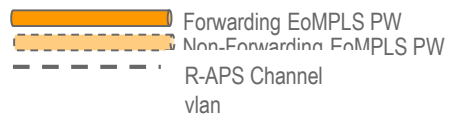
E-LINE Availability Model

Ring Access Node Redundancy (G.8032)

- G.8032 Ring Span Failure



Events	
I	Initial state
F _B	Ring Span failure
1 _{A-B}	Access switches "A" and "B" detect link failure. Send R-APS Signal Fail (SF) on the ring
2	Access nodes in the ring flush MAC tables and propagate R-APS SF
3	RPL owner AGG node receives R-APS and unblocks RPL owner port

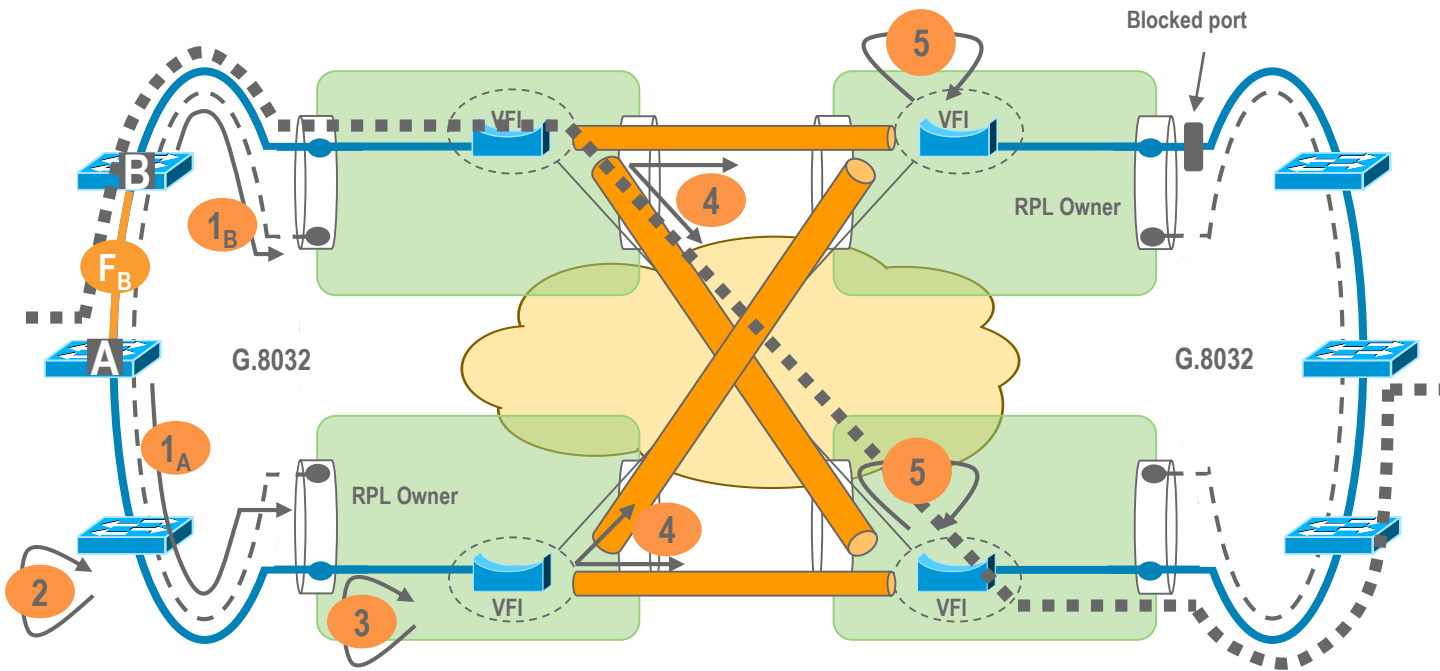


- G.8032 Open Ring without R-APS Virtual Channel, terminating on Aggregation Nodes
- VLAN load balancing using two ERP instances with RPL Owners on Aggregation Nodes.

E-LINE Availability Model

Ring Access Node Redundancy (G.8032)

- G.8032 Ring Span Failure (cont.)



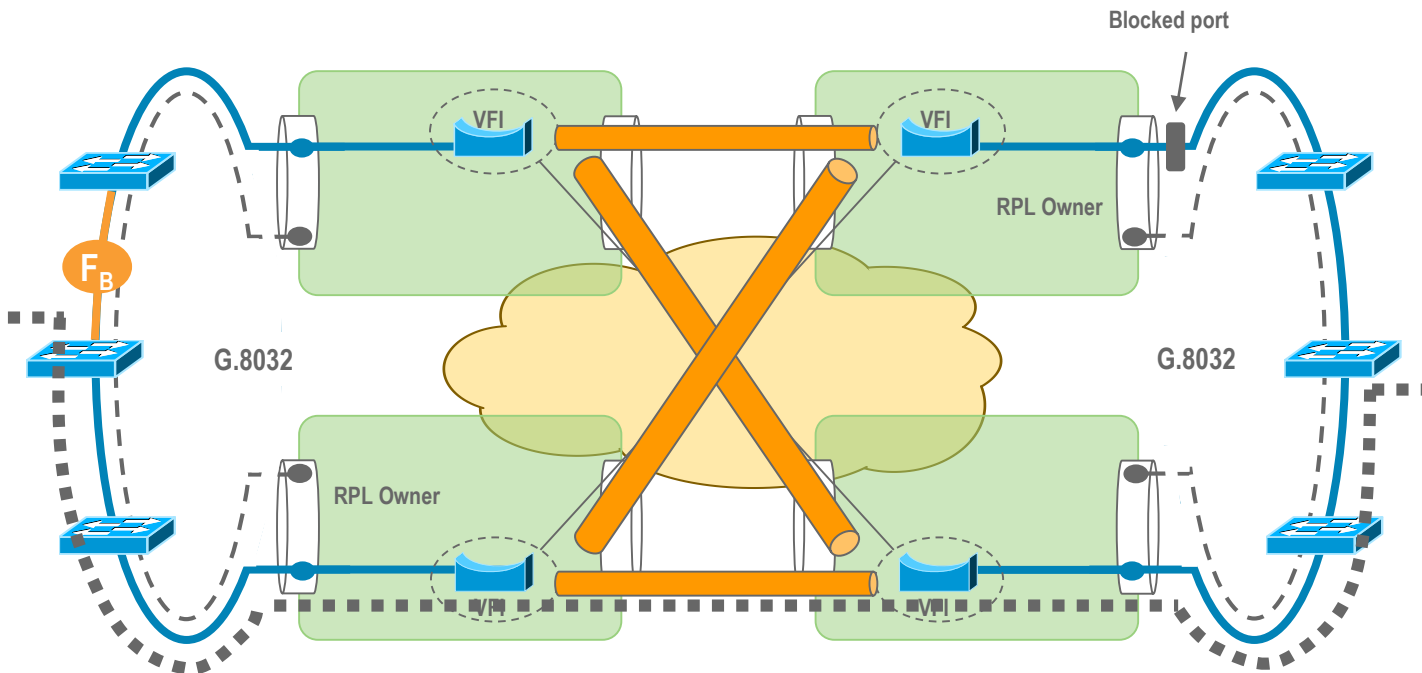
Events	
3	RPL owner AGG node receives R-APS SF and unblocks RPL owner port
4	AGG nodes flush MAC tables. Trigger LDP MAC add withdrawal to VPLS peers
5	Remote peers flush MAC tables

█ Forwarding EoMPLS PW
█ Non-Forwarding EoMPLS PW
█ R-APS Channel vlan

E-LINE Availability Model

Ring Access Node Redundancy (G.8032)

- G.8032 Ring Span Failure (cont.)



Events	
5	Remote peers flush MAC tables
E	End State

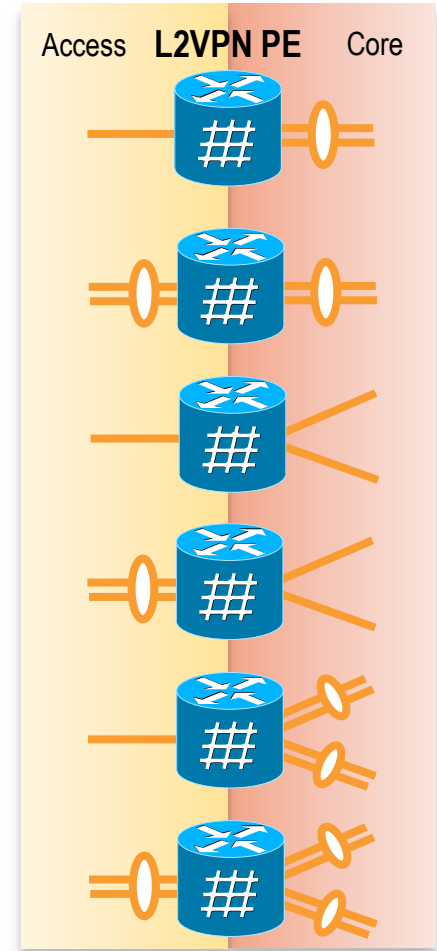
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	R-APS Channel vlan

Advanced Topics

L2VPN Load Balancing

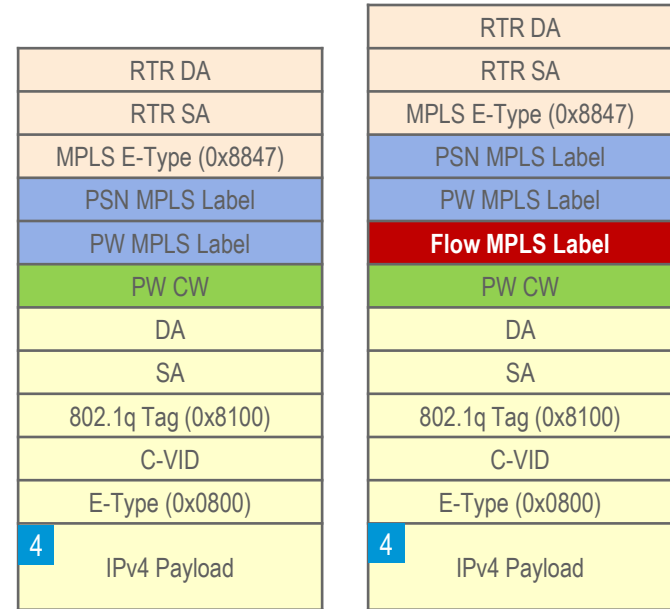
Load-balancing Questions

- How do we make LERs distribute flows within the same PW across ECMPs?
- How do we make LERs distribute flows within the same PW across members of core-facing bundle interface?
- How do we make LSRs distribute flows within the same PW across ECMPs?
- How do we make LSRs distribute flows within the same PW across members of core-facing bundle interface?



Flow Aware Transport PWs (RFC6391)

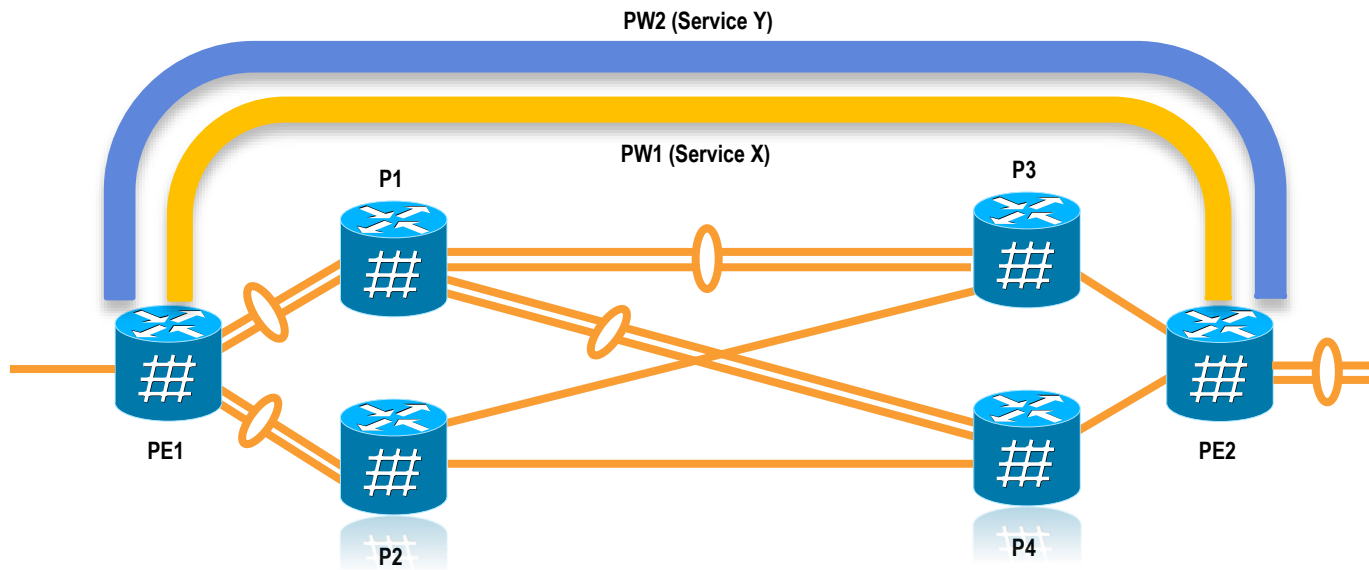
- Problem: How can LSRs load-balance traffic from flows in a PW across core ECMPs and Bundle interfaces?
- LSRs load-balance traffic based on IP header information (IP payloads) or based on bottom of stack MPLS label (Non-IP payloads)
 - PW traffic handled as Non-IP payload
- RFC6391 defines a mechanism that introduces a Flow label that allows P routers to distribute flows within a PW
 - PEs push / pop Flow label
 - P routers not involve in any signaling / handling / manipulation of Flow label



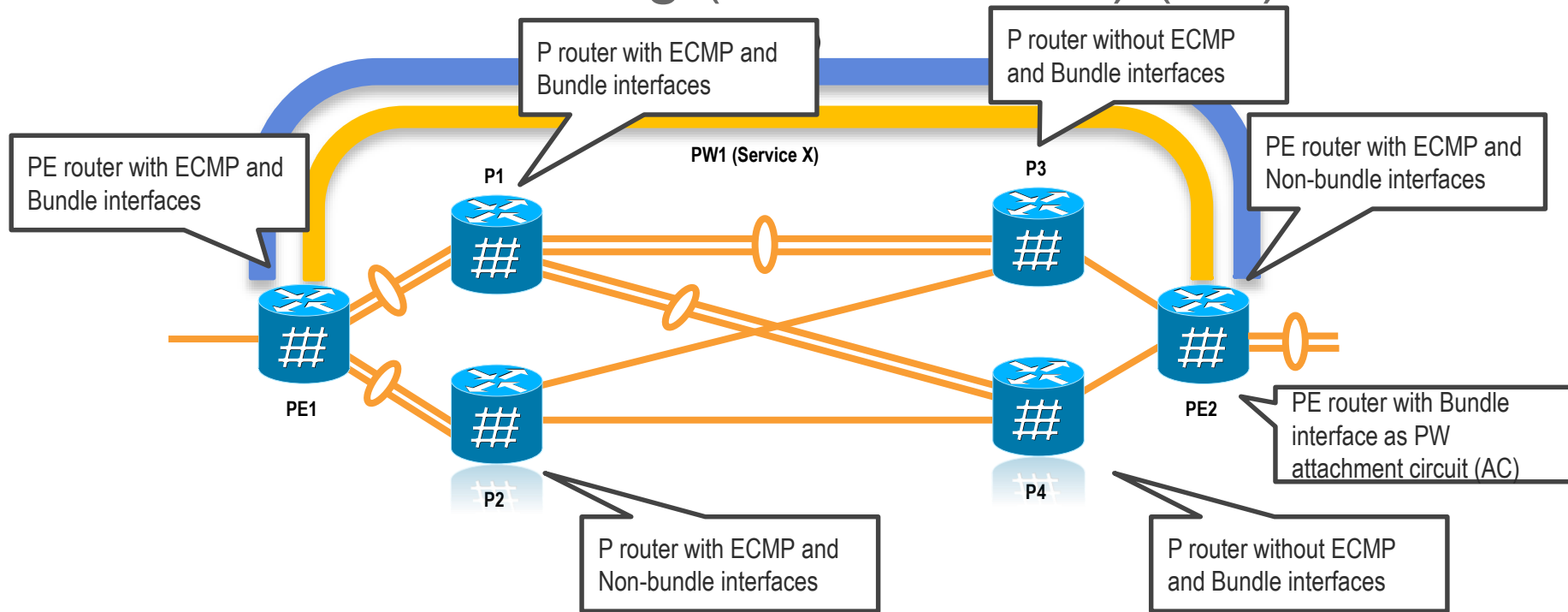
EoMPLS frame without Flow Label

EoMPLS frame with Flow Label

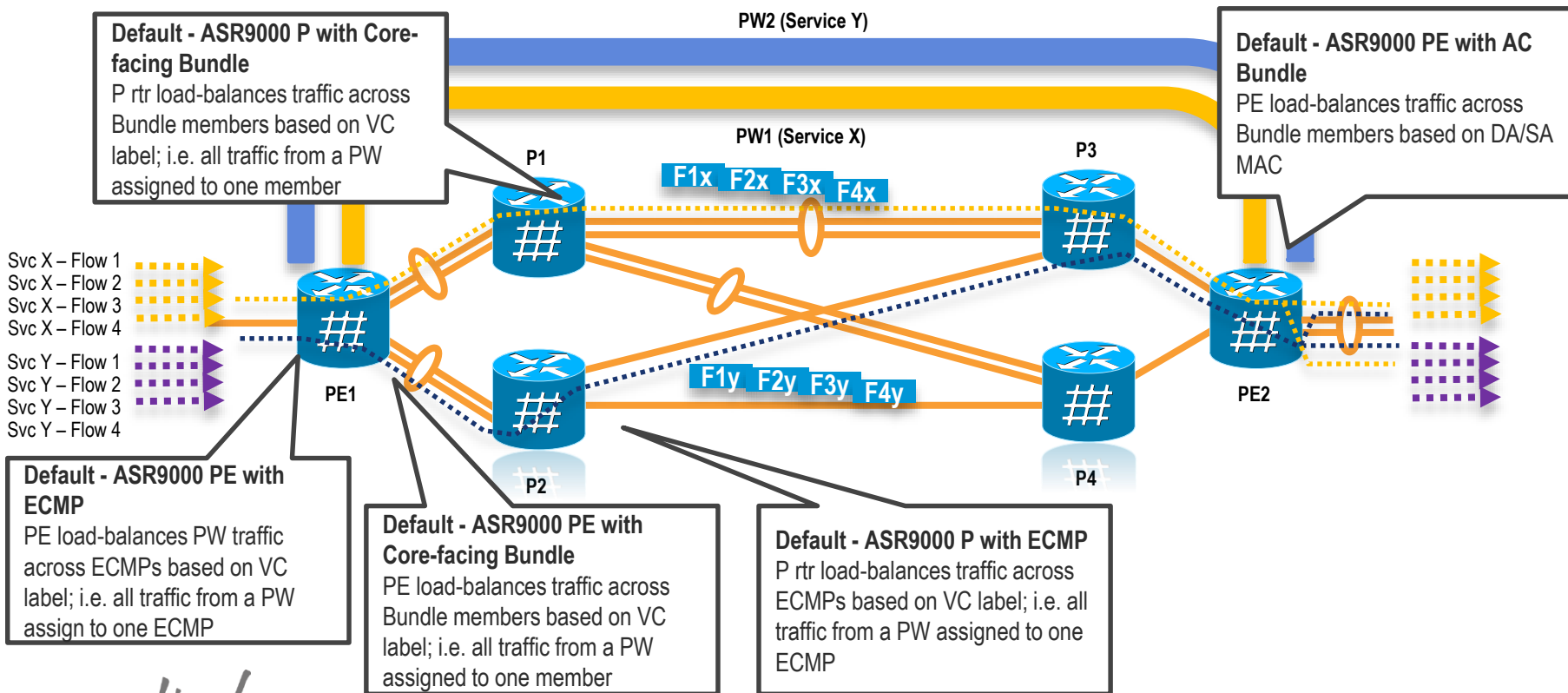
L2VPN Load-balancing (E2E Scenario) (1/2)



L2VPN Load-balancing (E2E Scenario) (2/2)



L2VPN Load-balancing (Per-VC LB)



L2VPN Load-balancing (L2/L3 LB)

PE L2VPN load-balancing knob:

```
l2vpn
load-balancing flow {src-dst-mac
| src-dst-ip}
```

Svc X – Flow 1
Svc X – Flow 2
Svc X – Flow 3
Svc X – Flow 4

Two-stage Hash process

ASR9000 PE with ECMP

PE now load-balances PW traffic across ECMPs based on L2 or L3 payload info; i.e. flows from a PW distributed over ECMPs

ASR9000 PE with Core-facing Bundle

PE now load-balances traffic across Bundle members based on L2 or L3 payload info; i.e. flows from a PW distributed over members

Default - ASR9000 P

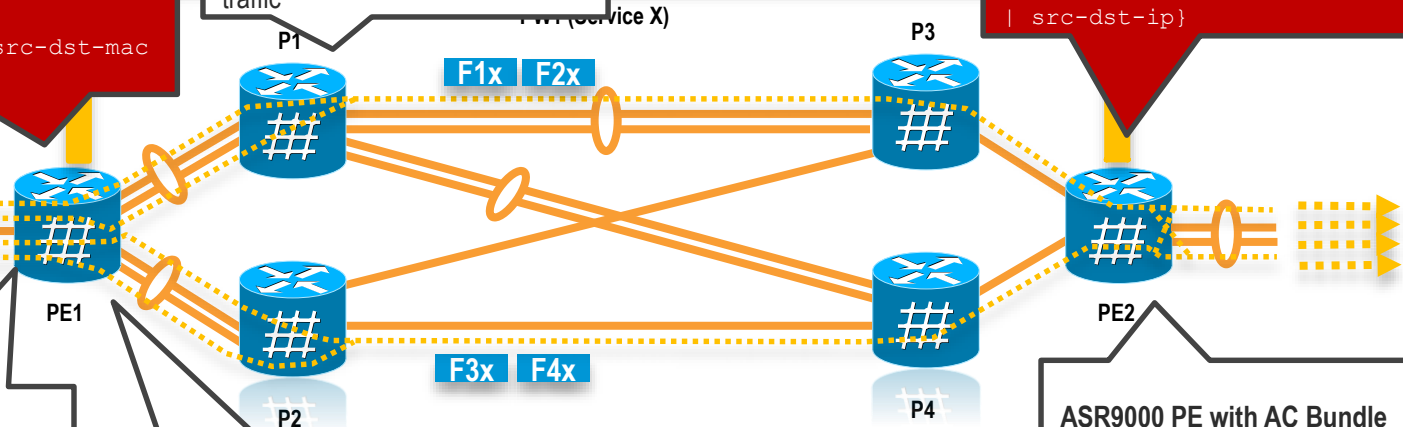
PW loadbalancing based on VC label; only one ECMP and one bundle member used for all PW traffic

PE L2VPN load-balancing knob:

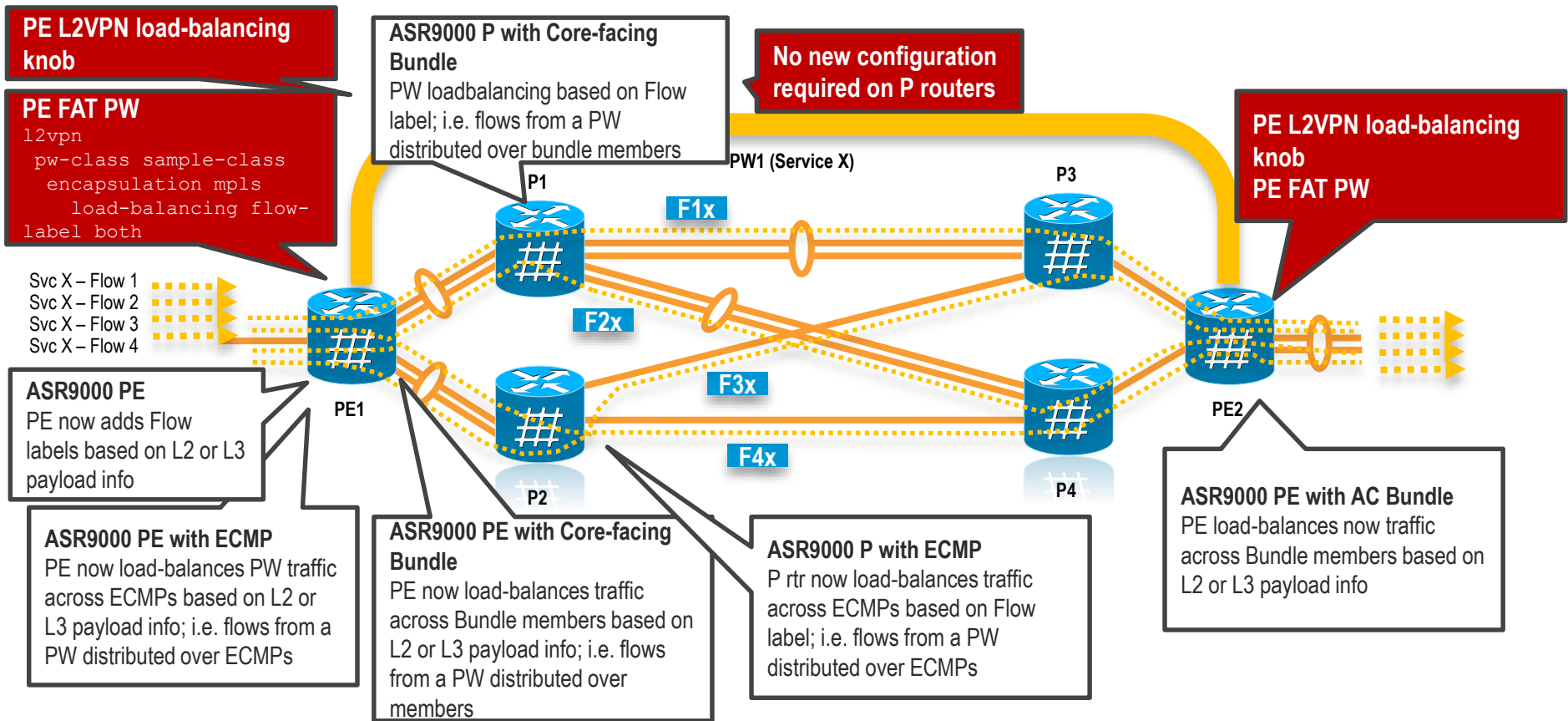
```
l2vpn
load-balancing flow {src-dst-mac
| src-dst-ip}
```

ASR9000 PE with AC Bundle

PE load-balances now traffic across Bundle members based on L2 or L3 payload info



L2VPN Load-balancing (L2/L3 LB + FAT)



Significance of PW Control-Word

Problem:
DANGER for LSR
 LSR will confuse payload as IPv4 (or IPv6) and attempt to load-balance based off incorrect fields

4	DA
	SA
	802.1q Tag (0x8100)
	C-VID
	Payload E-Type
	Non-IP Payload

	RTR DA
	RTR SA
	MPLS E-Type (0x8847)
	PSN MPLS Label
	PW MPLS Label
4	DA
	SA
	802.1q Tag (0x8100)
	C-VID
	Payload E-Type
	Non-IP Payload

Solution:
 Add PW Control Word in front of PW payload. This guarantees that a zero will always be present and thus no risk of confusion for LSR

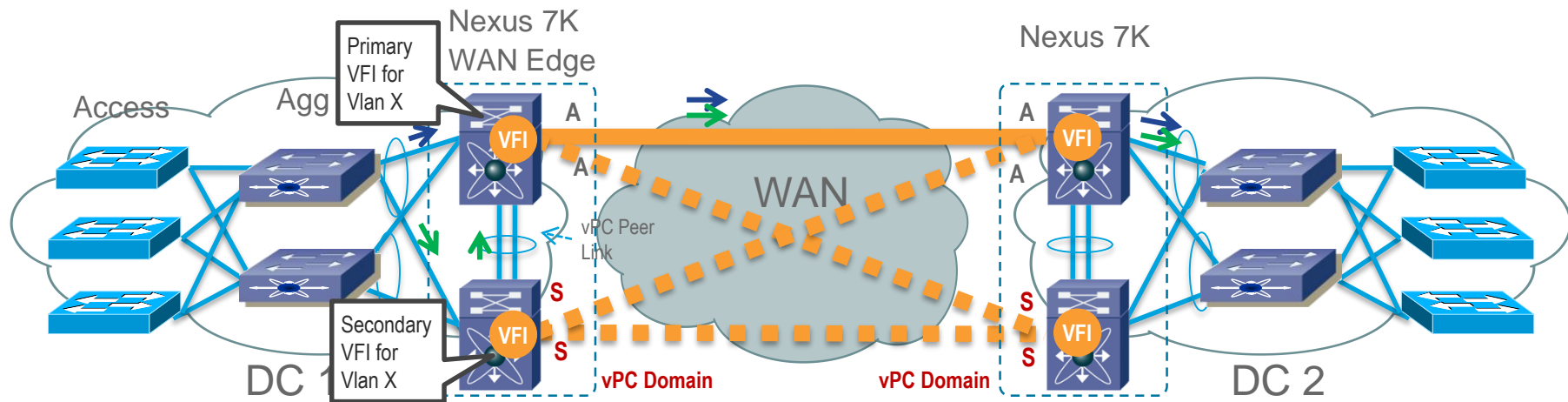
	RTR DA
	RTR SA
	MPLS E-Type (0x8847)
	PSN MPLS Label
	PW MPLS Label
0	PW CW
4	DA
	SA
	802.1q Tag (0x8100)
	C-VID
	Payload E-Type
	Non-IP Payload

Deployment Use Cases

Data Center Interconnect – VPLS on Nexus 7000

Data Center Interconnect with VPLS

Nexus 7000



- Nexus 7000 as DC WAN Edge provides VPLS Multi-Homing with Virtual Port Channel (vPC)
- User configuration sets VFI as primary / secondary on vPC members
 - vPC members can alternate in Active / Standby responsibilities for different VLANs
- PW status signaled as Active / Standby on primary / secondary VFIs respectively
 - Single PW activated to forward traffic between pair of data center sites
 - vPC Peer Link used to forward traffic to / from vPC member with VFI in primary designation

Data Center Interconnect with VPLS

Sample Configuration – Nexus 7000

PE 1

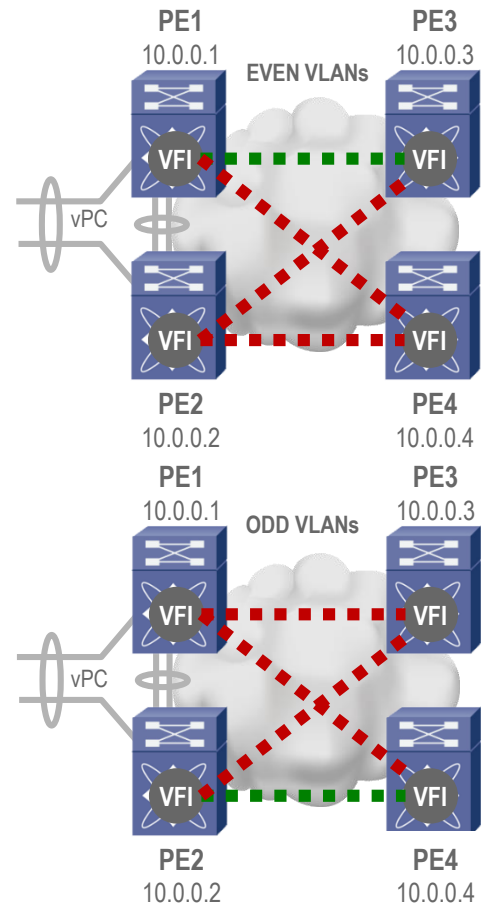
```
vlan 80-81
!
vlan configuration 80
 member vfi vpls-80
!
vlan configuration 81
 member vfi vpls-81
!
l2vpn vfi context vpls-80
 vpn id 80
  redundancy primary
 member 10.0.0.3 encapsulation mpls
 member 10.0.0.4 encapsulation mpls
!
l2vpn vfi context vpls-81
 vpn id 81
  redundancy secondary
 member 10.0.0.3 encapsulation mpls
 member 10.0.0.4 encapsulation mpls
!
interface port-channel50
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 80,81
```

- Primary VFI owner for EVEN vlans
- Secondary owner for ODD vlans

PE 2

```
vlan 80-81
!
vlan configuration 80
 member vfi vpls-80
!
vlan configuration 81
 member vfi vpls-81
!
l2vpn vfi context vpls-80
 vpn id 80
  redundancy secondary
 member 10.0.0.3 encapsulation mpls
 member 10.0.0.4 encapsulation mpls
!
l2vpn vfi context vpls-81
 vpn id 81
  redundancy primary
 member 10.0.0.3 encapsulation mpls
 member 10.0.0.4 encapsulation mpls
!
interface port-channel50
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 80,81
```

- Primary VFI owner for ODD vlans
- Secondary owner for EVEN vlans



Note: Virtual Port Channel (vPC) configuration not shown

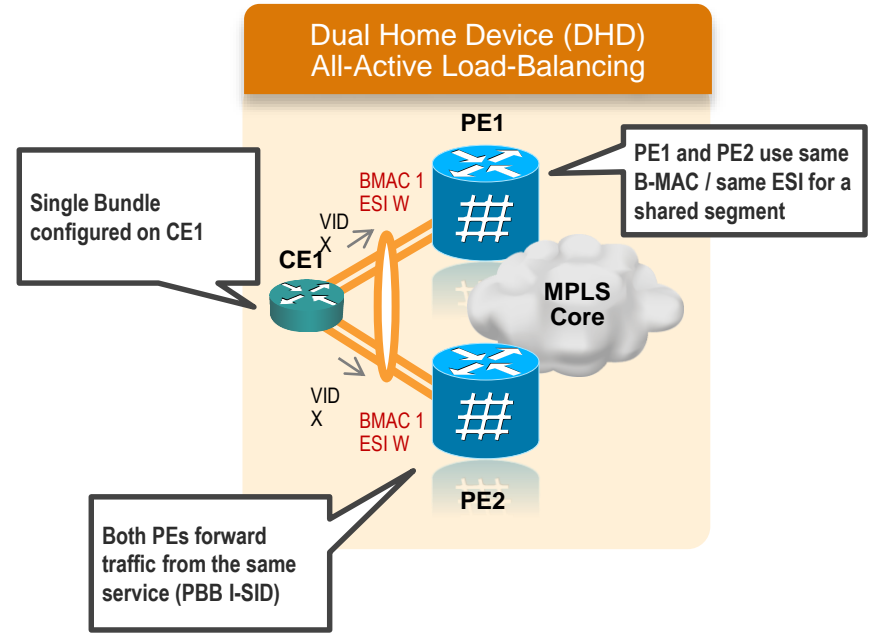
Deployment Use Cases

E-LAN with per-flow load-balancing – ASR 9000 (PBB-EVPN)

PBB-EVPN

Multi-Homing Scenarios – All-Active Load-Balancing

- **Dual Home Device / Multi Home Device¹** scenarios and **All-Active LB**
 - A.k.a. Active / Active per-flow (AApF) LB
 - Both PEs forward traffic associated with a given PBB I-SID
- PEs attached to Ethernet Segment using bundle interfaces
 - **Single bundle (manual or LACP) configured on CE**
- PEs on same segment must share the **same source B-MAC and ESI**
 - ESI and B-MAC auto-sensed from CE LACP information
- DF election (manual or automatic)



(1) Standard does not limit solution to only dual homing

PBB-EVPN Dual Home Device (DHD)

MINIMAL
Configuration

All-Active (per-FLOW) Load-Balancing

PE1

```
redundancy iccp group 66
  mlacp node 1
  mlacp system priority 1
  mlacp system mac 0111.0222.0111
  mode singleton
  backbone interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0/1

interface Bundle-Ether25
  mlacp iccp-group 66

interface Bundle-Ether25.1 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 777

l2vpn
  bridge group gr1
  bridge-domain bd1
  interface Bundle-Ether25.1
  pbb edge i-sid 256 core-bridge core_bd1

  bridge group gr2
  bridge-domain core_bd1
  pbb core
  evpn evi 1000

router bgp 64
  bgp router-id 1.100.100.100
  address-family l2vpn evpn
  neighbor 2.100.100.100
  remote-as 64
  address-family l2vpn evpn
```

Auto-sensed B-MAC SA
Auto-sensed ESI
Auto RD for Segment Route
Auto RT for EVI
Auto RD for EVI
A/A Per-flow LB (default)
Auto DF / service carving

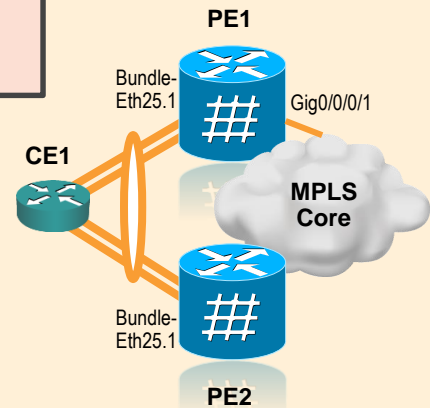
PE2 should use same RG #
PE2 should use different mlacp
node id
PE2 should use same mlacp
system mac and system priority

ICCP in singleton mode (i.e.No
peer neighbor configuration)

PBB I-component and B-
component configuration. ISIDs
must match on both PEs
No need to define B-VLAN

Mandatory EVI ID configuration

BGP configuration with
new EVPN AF



Note: MPLS / LDP configuration
required on core-facing interfaces (not
shown)

Summary

- MPLS is a mature technology with widespread L2VPN deployments by Service Providers and Enterprises around the globe
 - Ethernet-based WAN services and Data Center Interconnect are key applications driving deployments of L2VPN today
- L2VPNs can be deployed addressing key requirements including: Resiliency, Auto-Discovery, Load-Balancing and OAM
- EVPN / PBB-EVPN are next-generation L2VPN solutions based on BGP control-plane for MAC distribution/learning over the core

Continue Your Education

- Demos in the Cisco Campus
- Walk-in Self-Paced Labs
- Table Topics
- Meet the Engineer 1:1 meetings

Thank you



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TOMORROW starts here.

Ethernet Point-to-Point L2VPNs

Virtual Private Wire Service (VPWS)

VPWS (EoMPLS) LDP Signaling

Cisco IOS XR

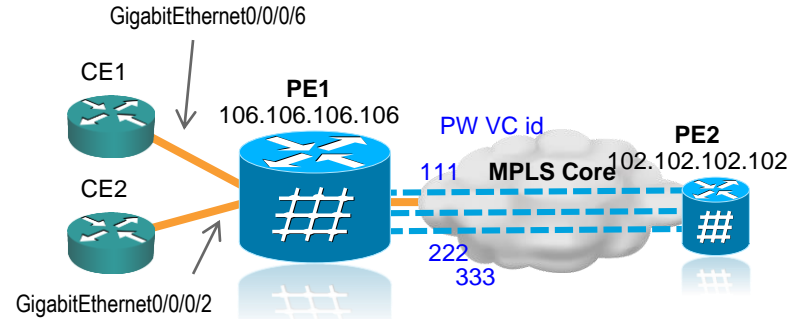
```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
  ipv4 address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255
```

```
l2vpn  
  xconnect group Cisco-Live  
    p2p xc-sample-1  
      interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100  
        neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-id 111  
  
    p2p xc-sample-2  
      interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.200  
        neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-id 222  
  
    p2p xc-sample-3  
      interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/6  
        neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-id 333
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100 l2transport  
  encapsulation dot1q 100  
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.200 l2transport  
  encapsulation dot1q 999-1010  
  rewrite ingress tag push dot1q 888 symmetric
```

Single-tagged VLAN traffic to PW



Single-tagged range VLAN traffic to PW

OR

Entire port traffic to PW

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/6  
  l2transport
```

VPWS (EoMPLS) LDP Signaling

Cisco IOS (VLAN-based services)

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
ip address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255
```

Sub-interface
based xconnect

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4.300  
encapsulation dot1q 300  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 111 encapsulation mpls
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4  
service instance 10 ethernet  
encapsulation dot1q 300  
rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 111 encapsulation  
mpls
```

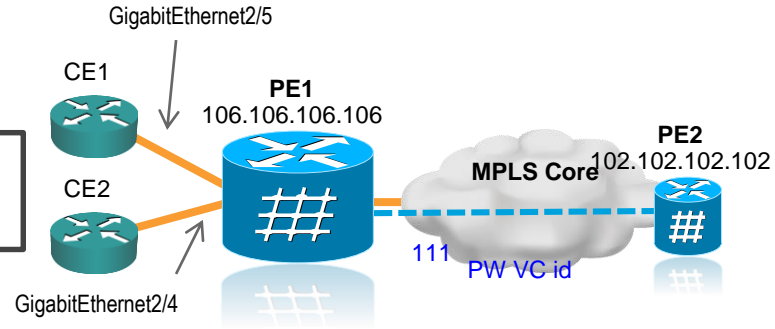
Service-Instance
(EFP) based
xconnect

```
interface Vlan 300  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 111 encapsulation mpls  
!  
interface GigabitEthernet2/4  
switchport mode trunk  
switchport trunk allowed vlan 300
```

Interface VLAN (SVI)
based xconnect +
Switchport trunk / access

```
interface Vlan 300  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 111 encapsulation mpls  
!  
interface GigabitEthernet2/4  
service instance 10 ethernet  
encapsulation dot1q 300  
rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric  
bridge-domain 300
```

Interface VLAN (SVI)
based xconnect +
Service instance BD



VPWS (EoMPLS) LDP Signaling

Cisco IOS (Port-based services)

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
ip address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255
```

Main interface
based xconnect

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/5  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 222 encapsulation mpls
```

OR

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/5  
service instance 1 ethernet  
encapsulation default  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 111 encapsulation mpls
```

Service-Instance (EFP)
based xconnect
(encap default)

```
interface Vlan 300  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 111 encapsulation mpls  
!  
interface GigabitEthernet2/5  
switchport mode dot1q-tunnel  
switchport access vlan 300
```

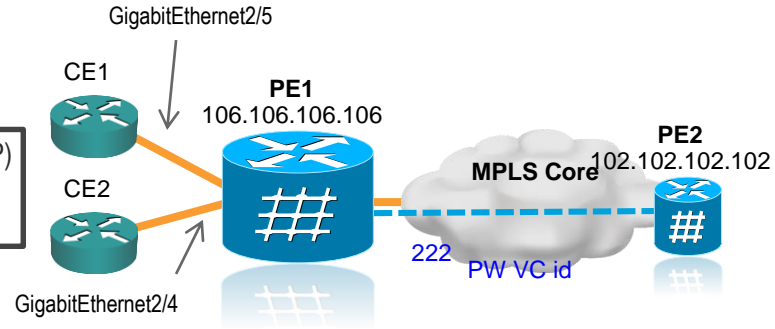
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Interface VLAN (SVI)
based xconnect +
Switchport dot1q-tunnel

```
interface Vlan 300  
xconnect 102.102.102.102 111 encapsulation mpls  
!  
interface GigabitEthernet2/5  
service instance 1 ethernet  
encapsulation default  
bridge-domain 300
```

OR

Interface VLAN (SVI)
based xconnect +
Service instance BD



VPWS (EoMPLS) LDP Signaling

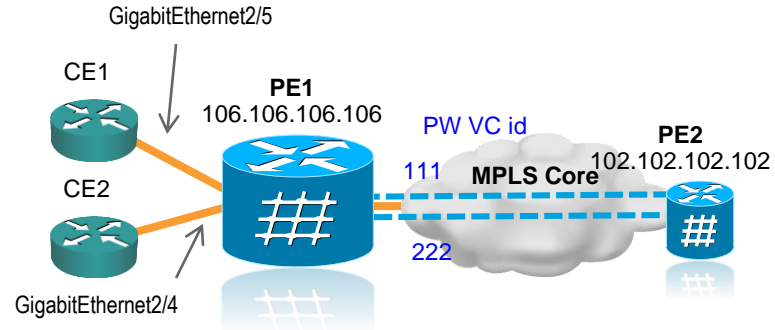
Cisco IOS / NX-OS (NEW Service-based CLI)

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255

l2vpn xconnect context sample-xconnect
 member Pseudowire1 102.102.102.102 111 encap mpls
 member GigabitEthernet2/4 service instance 333
!
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 300
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric

bridge-domain 300
 member Pseudowire2 192.0.0.5 222 encap mpls
 member GigabitEthernet2/4 service instance 333
!
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 300
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric

vlan 400
vlan configuration 400
 member Pseudowire2 102.102.102.102 222 encapsulation mpls
!
interface GigabitEthernet2/5
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 400
```



OR

For NX-OS

NEW
PWs modeled as virtual interfaces. PW and EFPs now members of BD/Xconn context

NEW
Service-based CLI Xconn context / Bridge-Domain or VLAN configurations

Ethernet Multi-Point L2VPNs

VPLS with LDP Signaling

VPLS LDP Signaling / Manual provisioning

Cisco IOS

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 192.0.0.1 255.255.255.255
!
12 vfi sample-vfi manual
  vpn id 300
  neighbor 192.0.0.2 encapsulation mpls
  neighbor 192.0.0.3 2222 encapsulation mpls
  neighbor 192.0.0.4 3333 encapsulation mpls
!
interface Vlan300
  xconnect vfi sample-vfi
```

VPN ID defined per VFI or on a per-neighbor basis

Core PWs Full-mesh

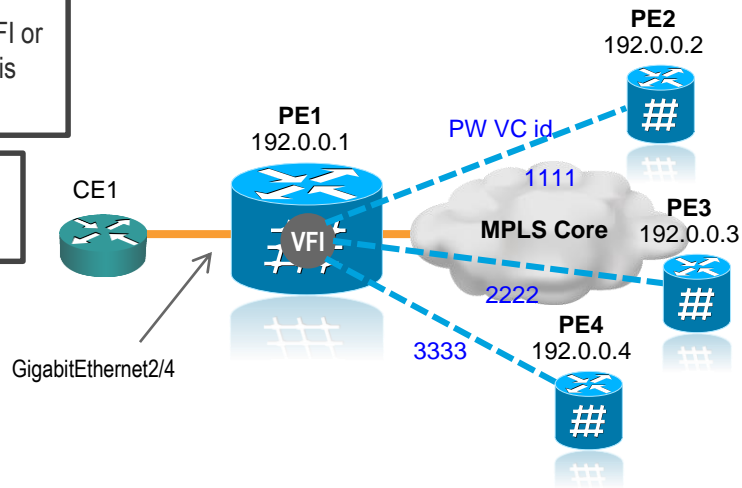
VFI associated to VLAN interface (SVI) via xconnect cmd

Bridge-Domain or VLAN/switchport configurations

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 333
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
 bridge-domain 300
```

OR

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 300
```

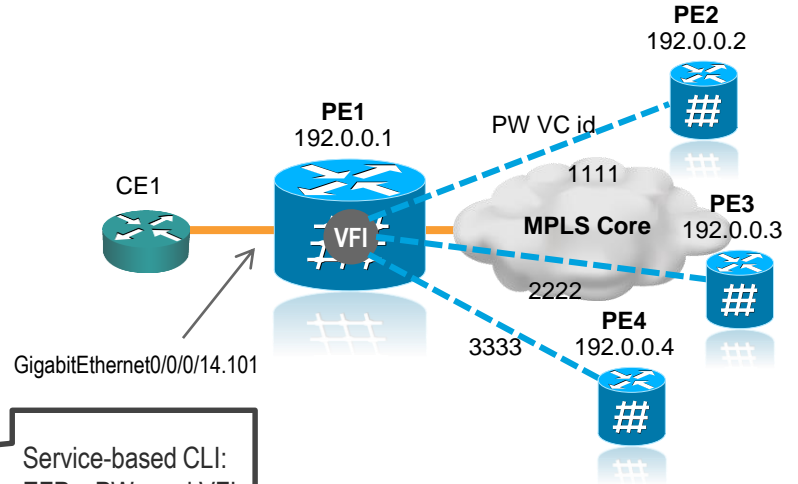


VPLS LDP Signaling / Manual provisioning

Cisco IOS XR

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
  ipv4 address 192.0.0.1 255.255.255.255  
!  
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/14.101 l2transport  
  encapsulation dot1q 101  
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

```
l2vpn  
bridge group Cisco-Live  
bridge-domain bd101  
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/14.101  
    vfi vfi101  
    vpn-id 1111  
    neighbor 192.0.0.2 pw-id 1111  
    neighbor 192.0.0.3 pw-id 2222  
    neighbor 192.0.0.4 pw-id 3333
```



Service-based CLI:
EFPs, PWs and VFI
as members of
Bridge Domain

VPN ID defined per VFI or
on a per-neighbor basis

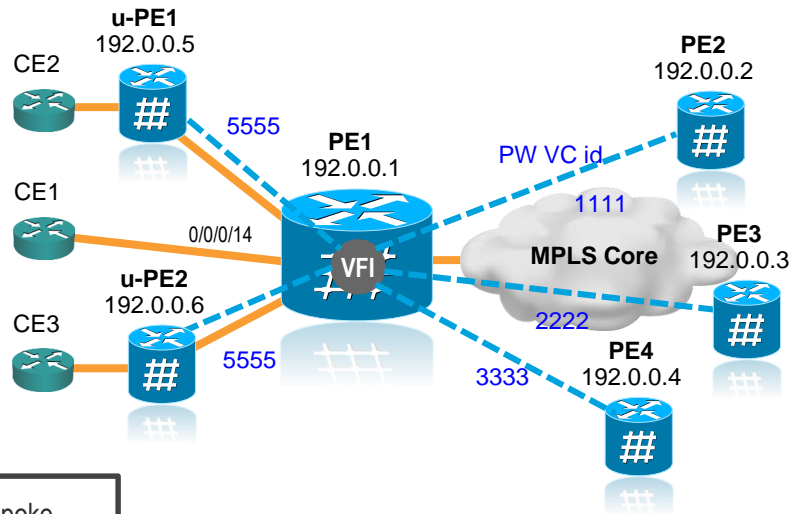
CiscoLive!

H-VPLS LDP Signaling / Manual provisioning

Cisco IOS XR

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
  ipv4 address 192.0.0.1 255.255.255.255  
!  
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/14.101 l2transport  
  encapsulation dot1q 101  
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

```
l2vpn  
  bridge group Cisco-Live  
  bridge-domain bd101  
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/14.101  
    neighbor 192.0.0.5 pw-id 5555  
    neighbor 192.0.0.6 pw-id 5555  
  !  
  vfi vfi101  
    vpn-id 1111  
    neighbor 192.0.0.2 pw-id 1111  
    neighbor 192.0.0.3 pw-id 2222  
    neighbor 192.0.0.4 pw-id 3333
```



Spoke
PWs

Core PWs
Full-mesh

CiscoLive!

VPLS LDP Signaling / Manual provisioning

Cisco IOS / NX-OS (**NEW Service-based CLI**)

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 192.0.0.1 255.255.255.255

l2vpn vfi context sample-vfi
 vpn id 1111
 member Pseudowire1 192.0.0.2 encapsulation mpls
 member Pseudowire2 192.0.0.3 2222 encapsulation mpls
 member Pseudowire3 192.0.0.4 3333 encapsulation mpls
!
```

Core PWs
Full-mesh

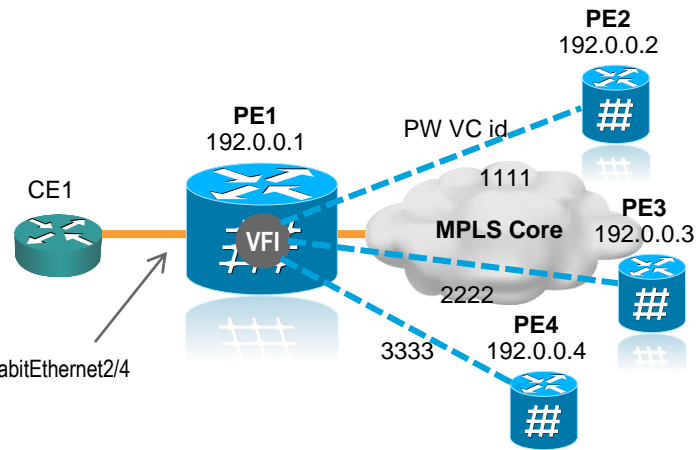
NEW
PWs modeled as
virtual interfaces.
VFI and EFPs now
members of BD

NEW
Service-based CLI
Bridge-Domain or
VLAN/switchport
configurations

```
bridge-domain 300
 member vfi sample-vfi
 member GigabitEthernet2/4 service instance 333
!
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 300
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

OR

For
NX-OS



H-VPLS LDP Signaling / Manual provisioning

Cisco IOS (**NEW Service-based CLI**)

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 192.0.0.1 255.255.255.255
!
l2vpn vfi context sample-vfi
 vpn id 1111
 member Pseudowire1 192.0.0.2 encapsulation mpls
 member Pseudowire2 192.0.0.3 2222 encapsulation mpls
 member Pseudowire3 192.0.0.4 3333 encapsulation mpls
!
```

NEW

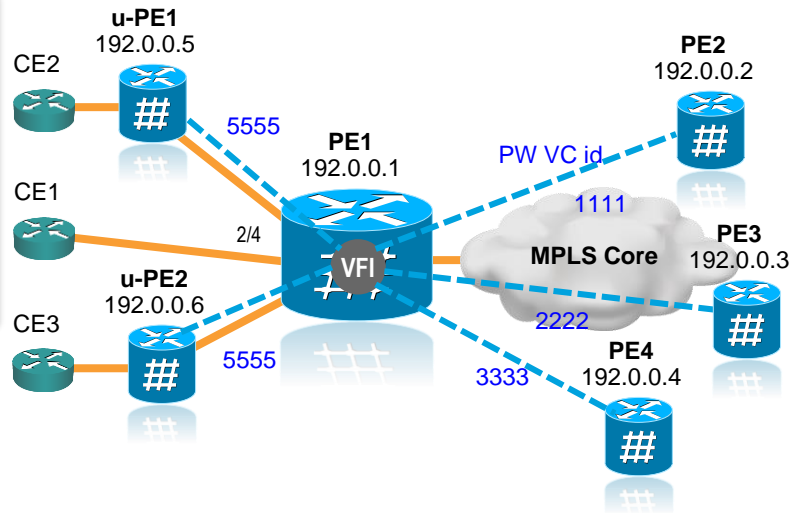
PWs modeled as virtual interfaces.
VFI, spoke PW,
EFPsmembers of BD

NEW

Service-based CLI
Bridge-Domain
configurations

```
bridge-domain 300
 member vfi sample-vfi
 member Pseudowire4 192.0.0.5 5555 encapsulation mpls
 member Pseudowire5 192.0.0.6 5555 encapsulation mpls
 member GigabitEthernet2/4 service instance 333
!
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 300
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

Spoke
PWs



Ethernet Multi-Point L2VPNs

*VPLS with LDP Signaling and BGP-based
AutoDiscovery (BGP-AD)*

VPLS LDP Signaling and BGP-AD

Cisco IOS

BGP Auto-Discovery attributes
VPLS VFI attributes
Signaling attributes

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 102.102.102.102 255.255.255.255
!
router bgp 100
 bgp router-id 102.102.102.102
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 remote-as 100
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 update-source Loopback0
!
address-family l2vpn vpls
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 activate
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 send-community extended
exit-address-family
```

BGP L2VPN AF

```
l2 vfi sample-vfi autodiscovery
 vpn id 300
 vpls-id 100:300
!
interface Vlan300
 xconnect vfi sample-vfi
```

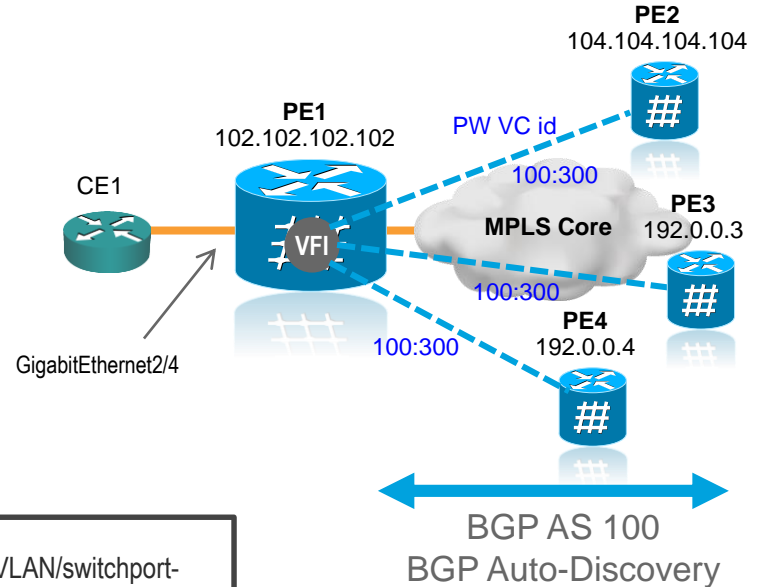
Bridge Domain-
based Configuration

OR

VLAN/switchport-
based Configuration

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 333
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
 bridge-domain 300
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 300
```

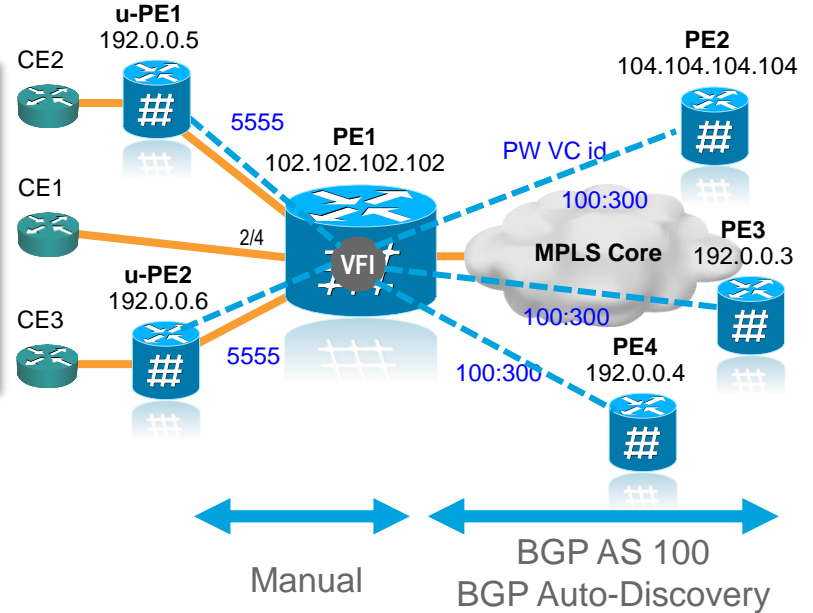


H-VPLS LDP Signaling and BGP-AD / Manual provisioning

Cisco IOS

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
 ip address 102.102.102.102 255.255.255.255  
!  
l2 vfi sample-vfi autodiscovery  
 vpn id 300  
 vpls-id 100:300  
neighbor 192.0.0.5 5555 encapsulation mpls no-split-horizon  
neighbor 192.0.0.6 5555 encapsulation mpls no-split-horizon
```

Manually
provisioned
Spoke PWs



VPLS LDP Signaling and BGP-AD

Cisco IOS XR

BGP Auto-Discovery attributes

VPLS VFI attributes

Signaling attributes

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0
  ipv4 address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255
!  
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.101 12transport
  encapsulation dot1q 101
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

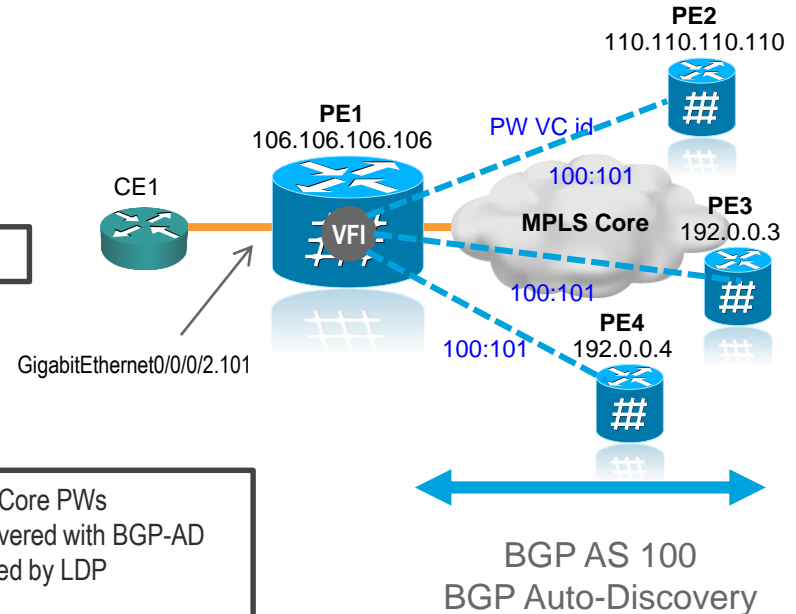
```
router bgp 100
  bgp router-id 106.106.106.106
  address-family l2vpn vpls-vpws
  neighbor 110.110.110.110
  remote-as 100
  update-source Loopback0
  address-family l2vpn vpls-vpws
```

BGP L2VPN AF

```
l2vpn
  bridge group Cisco-Live
  bridge-domain bd101
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.101
  vfi vfi101
  vpn-id 11101
  autodiscovery bgp
  rd auto
  route-target 100:101
  signaling-protocol ldp
  vpls-id 100:101
```

Full-mesh Core PWs
auto-discovered with BGP-AD
and signaled by LDP

PW ID = VPLS-id (100:101)

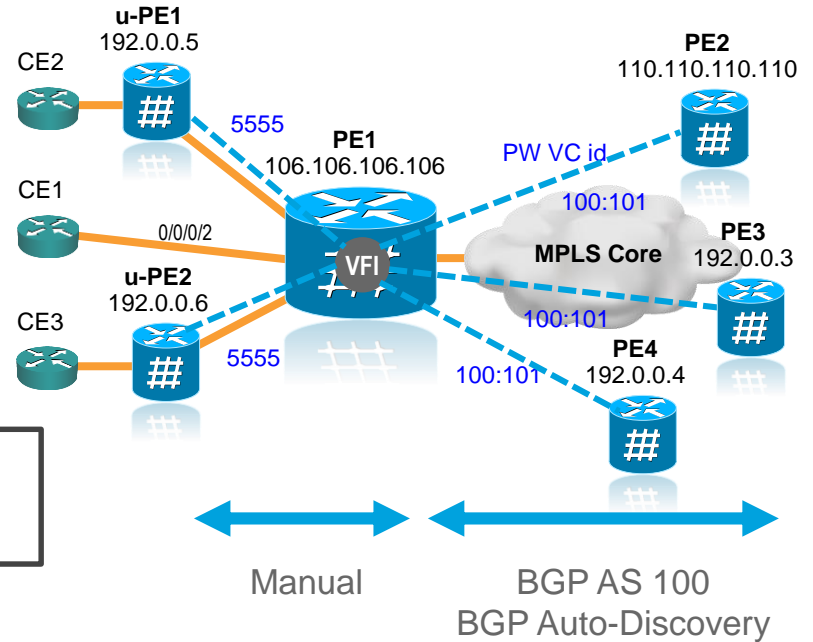


H-VPLS LDP Signaling and BGP-AD / Manual provisioning

Cisco IOS XR

```
hostname PE1
!  
l2vpn  
bridge group Cisco-Live  
bridge-domain bd101  
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.101  
!  
neighbor 192.0.0.5 pw-id 5555  
!  
neighbor 192.0.0.6 pw-id 5555  
!  
vfi vfi101  
vpn-id 11101  
autodiscovery bgp  
rd auto  
route-target 100:101  
signaling-protocol ldp  
vpls-id 100:101
```

Manually
provisioned
Spoke PWs



VPLS LDP Signaling and BGP-AD

Cisco NX-OS

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
ip address 102.102.102.102 255.255.255.255
```

```
l2vpn vfi context sample-vfi  
vpn id 3300  
  autodiscovery bgp signaling ldp  
  vpls-id 100:3300  
!  
router bgp 100  
  neighbor 104.104.104.104 remote-as 100  
  update-source loopback 0  
  address-family l2vpn vpls  
  send-community extended
```

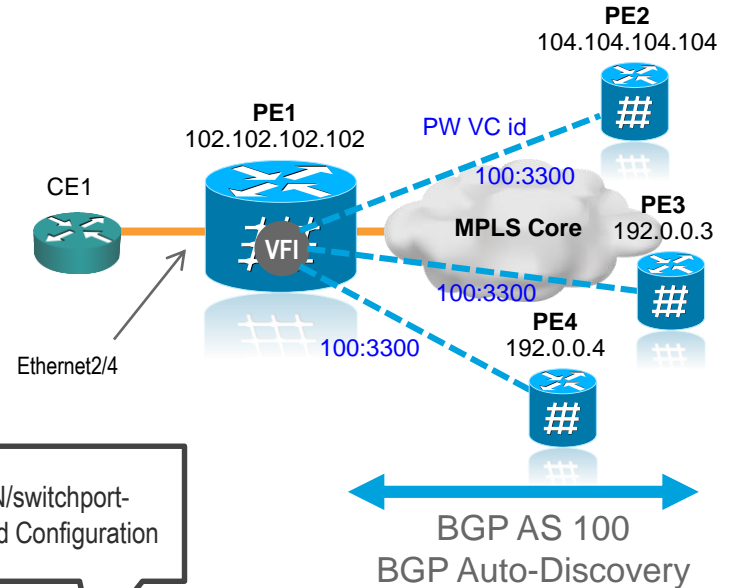
Bridge Domain-
based Configuration

OR

VLAN/switchport-
based Configuration

```
system bridge-domain 300  
!  
bridge-domain 300  
  member vfi sample-vfi  
  member Ethernet2/4 service instance 333  
!  
interface Ethernet2/4  
  service instance 333 ethernet  
  encapsulation dot1q 300
```

```
vlan 300  
vlan configuration 300  
  member vfi sample-vfi  
!  
interface Ethernet2/4  
  switchport  
  switchport mode trunk  
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 300
```



VPLS LDP Signaling and BGP-AD

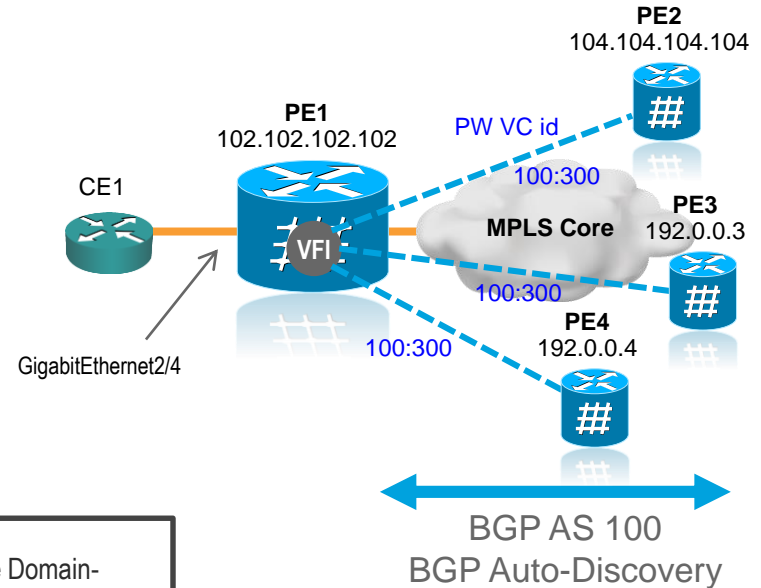
Cisco IOS (**NEW Service-based CLI**)

BGP Auto-Discovery attributes
VPLS VFI attributes
Signaling attributes

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 102.102.102.102 255.255.255.255
!
router bgp 100
 bgp router-id 102.102.102.102
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 remote-as 100
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 update-source Loopback0
!
address-family l2vpn vpls
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 activate
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 send-community extended
exit-address-family
```

```
l2vpn vfi context sample-vfi
 vpn id 300
 autodiscovery bgp signaling ldp
 vpls-id 100:300
!
bridge-domain 300
 member vfi sample-vfi
 member GigabitEthernet2/4 service instance 333
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 333
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```



H-VPLS LDP Signaling and BGP-AD / Manual provisioning

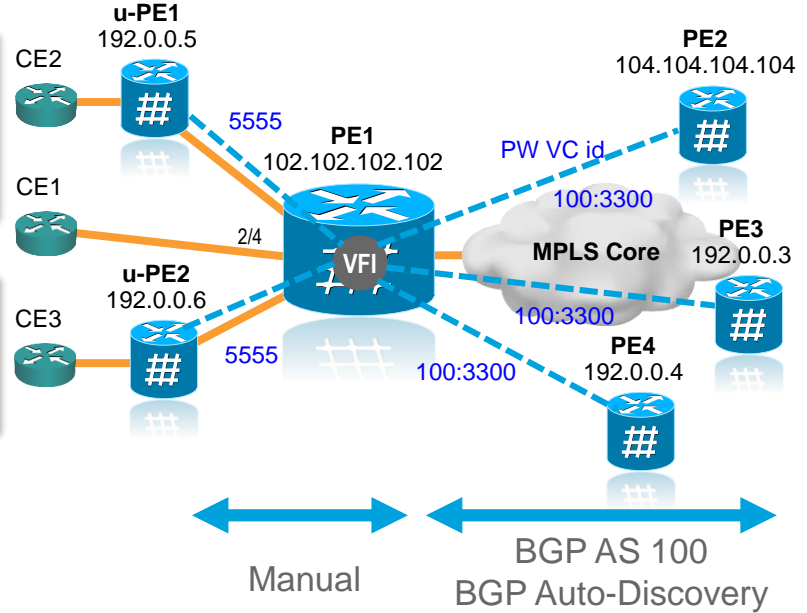
Cisco IOS (**NEW Service-based CLI**)

```
hostname PE1
!
l2vpn vfi context sample-vfi
vpn id 3300
autodiscovery bgp signaling ldp
vpls-id 100:3300
```

```
bridge-domain 300
member vfi sample-vfi
member Pseudowire4 192.0.0.5 5555 encapsulation mpls
member Pseudowire5 192.0.0.6 5555 encapsulation mpls
member GigabitEthernet2/4 service instance 333
```

Bridge Domain-
based Configuration

Manually
provisioned
Spoke PWs



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VPLS with BGP-based Signaling and AutoDiscovery

VPLS BGP Signaling and BGP-AD

Cisco IOS XR

BGP Auto-Discovery attributes

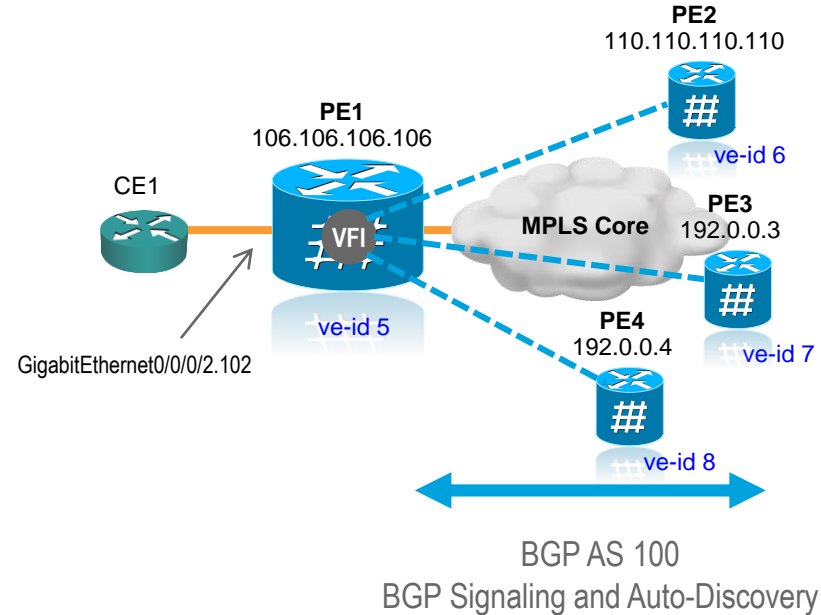
VPLS VFI attributes

Signaling attributes

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0
  ipv4 address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255
!  
router bgp 100
  bgp router-id 106.106.106.106
  address-family l2vpn vpls-vpws
  neighbor 110.110.110.110
  remote-as 100
  update-source Loopback0
  address-family l2vpn vpls-vpws
```

```
l2vpn
  bridge group Cisco-Live
  bridge-domain bd102
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.102
  vfi vf1102
  vpn-id 11102
  autodiscovery bgp
  rd auto
  route-target 100:102
  signaling-protocol bgp
  ve-id 5
```

VE-id must be unique in a VPLS instance



CiscoLive!

VPLS BGP Signaling and BGP-AD

Cisco IOS (NEW Service-based CLI)

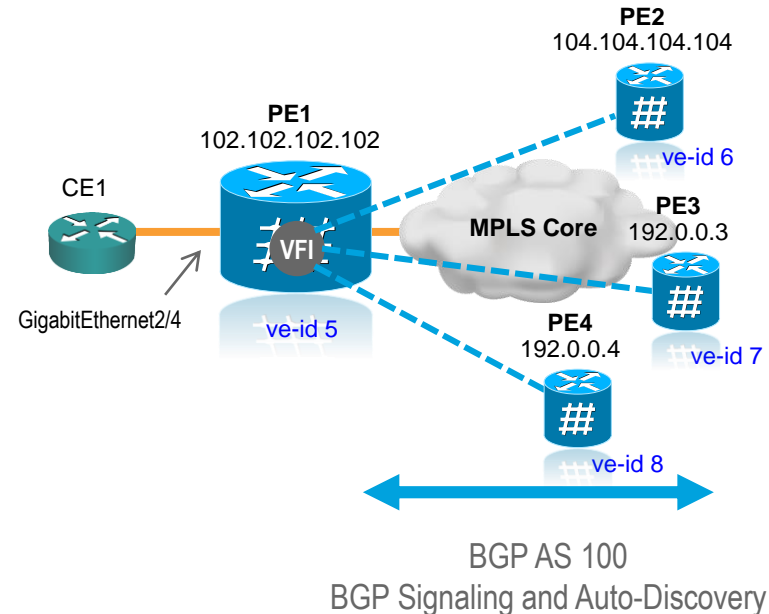
```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 102.102.102.102 255.255.255.255
!
router bgp 100
 bgp router-id 102.102.102.102
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 remote-as 100
 neighbor 104.104.104.104 update-source Loopback0
!
address-family l2vpn vpls
  neighbor 104.104.104.104 activate
  neighbor 104.104.104.104 send-community extended
  neighbor 104.104.104.104 suppress-signaling-protocol ldp
exit-address-family
```

```
l2vpn vfi context sample-vfi
 vpn id 3300
 autodiscovery bgp signaling bgp
  ve id 5
  ve range 10
```

VE-id must be unique in a VPLS instance

```
bridge-domain 300
 member vfi sample-vfi
 member GigabitEthernet2/4 service instance 333
!
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
 service instance 333 ethernet
 encapsulation dot1q 300
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

Bridge Domain-based Configuration



VPLS BGP Signaling and BGP-AD

Cisco NX-OS

```
hostname PE1
!  
interface Loopback0  
 ip address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255  
!  
router bgp 100  
 neighbor 110.110.110.110 remote-as 100  
 update-source Loopback 0  
 address-family l2vpn vpls  
 suppress-signaling-protocol ldp  
 send-community extended
```

```
l2vpn vfi context sample-vfi  
 vpn id 3300  
 autodiscovery bgp signaling bgp  
 ve id 5  
 ve range 10
```

```
system bridge-domain 300  
!  
bridge-domain 300  
 member vfi sample-vfi  
 member Ethernet2/4 service instance 333  
!  
interface Ethernet2/4  
 service instance 333 ethernet  
 encapsulation dot1q 300
```

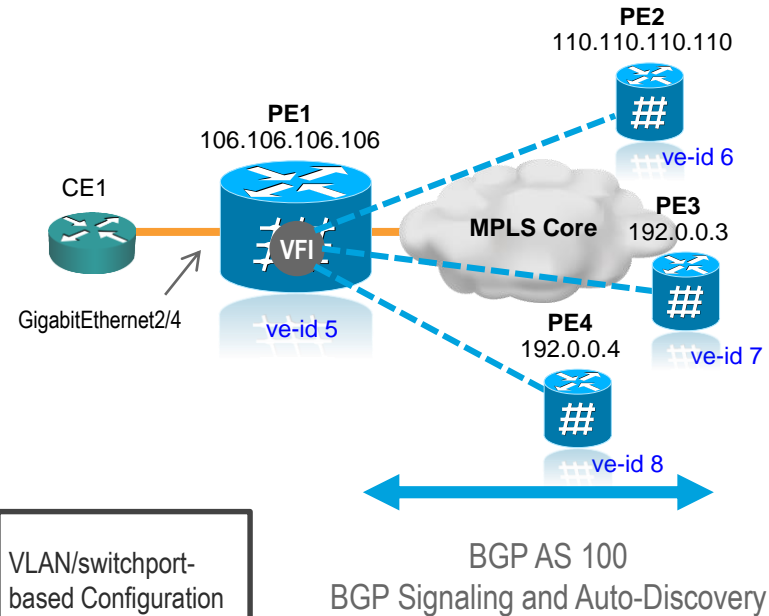
VE-id must be unique in a VPLS instance

Bridge Domain-based Configuration

OR

VLAN/switchport-based Configuration

```
vlan 300  
vlan configuration 300  
 member vfi sample-vfi  
!  
interface Ethernet2/4  
 switchport  
 switchport mode trunk  
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 300
```



PBB-EVPN IOS-XR Implementation Configuration and Examples

PBB-EVPN Single Home Device (SHD)

MINIMAL
Configuration

PE1

```
interface Bundle-Ether1.777 l2transport
 encapsulation dot1q 777

l2vpn
 bridge group gr1
  bridge-domain bd1
  interface Bundle-Ether1.777
  pbb edge i-sid 256 core-bridge core_bd1

 bridge group gr2
  bridge-domain core_bd1
  pbb core
  evpn evi 1000

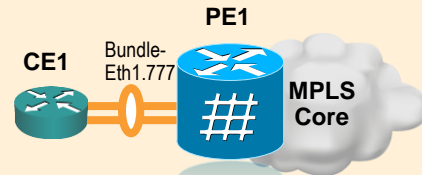
router bgp 64
  bgp router-id 1.100.100.100
  address-family l2vpn evpn
  !
  neighbor 2.100.100.100
  remote-as 64
  update-source Loopback0
  address-family l2vpn evpn
```

Chassis B-MAC SA
Null ESI
Auto RD for Segment Route
Auto RT for EVI
Auto RD for EVI

PBB I-component
Includes I-SID assignment

PBB B-component
No need to define B-VLAN
Mandatory - Globally
unique identifier for all PEs
in a given EVI

BGP configuration with
new EVPN AF



Note: MPLS / LDP configuration
required on core-facing interfaces (not
shown)

PBB-EVPN Single Home Device (SHD) with PW access

PE1

```
l2vpn
bridge group gr1
bridge-domain bd1
  neighbor 14.14.14.10 pw-id 111010
  !
pbb edge i-sid 256 core-bridge core_bd1

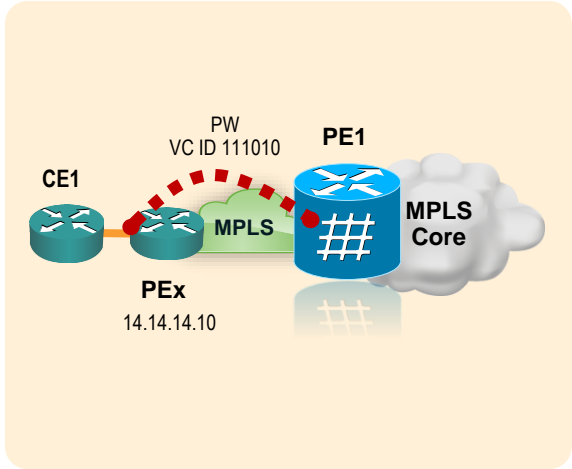
bridge group gr2
bridge-domain core_bd1
  pbb core
  evpn evi 1000

router bgp 64
bgp router-id 1.100.100.100
address-family l2vpn evpn
!
neighbor 2.100.100.100
remote-as 64
update-source Loopback0
address-family l2vpn evpn
```

PBB I-component includes:
- Access PW
- I-SID assignment

PBB B-component
No need to define B-VLAN
Mandatory - Globally
unique identifier for all PEs
in a given EVI

BGP configuration with
new EVPN AF



Note: MPLS / LDP configuration
required on core-facing interfaces (not
shown)

PBB-EVPN Dual Home Device (DHD)

MINIMAL
Configuration

All-Active (per-FLOW) Load-Balancing

PE1

```
redundancy iccp group 66
  mlacp node 1
  mlacp system priority 1
  mlacp system mac 0111.0222.0111
  mode singleton
  backbone interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0/1

interface Bundle-Ether25
  mlacp iccp-group 66

interface Bundle-Ether25.1 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 777

l2vpn
  bridge group gr1
  bridge-domain bd1
  interface Bundle-Ether25.1
  pbb edge i-sid 256 core-bridge core_bd1

  bridge group gr2
  bridge-domain core_bd1
  pbb core
  evpn evi 1000

router bgp 64
  bgp router-id 1.100.100.100
  address-family l2vpn evpn
  neighbor 2.100.100.100
  remote-as 64
  address-family l2vpn evpn
```

Auto-sensed B-MAC SA
Auto-sensed ESI
Auto RD for Segment Route
Auto RT for EVI
Auto RD for EVI
A/A Per-flow LB (default)
Auto DF / service carving

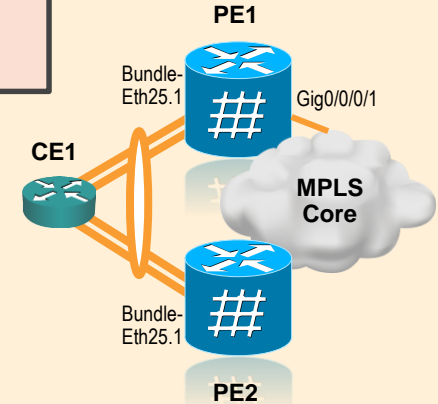
PE2 should use same RG #
PE2 should use different mlacp
node id
PE2 should use same mlacp
system mac and system priority

ICCP in singleton mode (i.e.No
peer neighbor configuration)

PBB I-component and B-
component configuration. ISIDs
must match on both PEs
No need to define B-VLAN

Mandatory EVI ID configuration

BGP configuration with
new EVPN AF



Note: MPLS / LDP configuration
required on core-facing interfaces (not
shown)

PBB-EVPN Dual Home Device (DHD)

MINIMAL
Configuration

Single-Active (per-Service) Load-Balancing and Dynamic Service Carving

```
PE1
interface Bundle-Ether25.1 l2transport
 encapsulation dot1q 777

evpn
interface Bundle-Ether25
  ethernet-segment
  identifier system-priority 1 system-id 0300.0b25.00ce
  load-balancing-mode per-service
l2vpn
bridge group gr1
bridge-domain bd1
interface Bundle-Ether25.1
pbb edge i-sid 256 core-bridge core_bd1

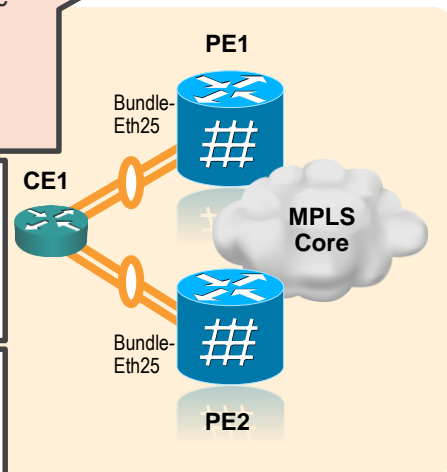
bridge group gr2
bridge-domain core_bd1
pbb core
  evpn evi 1000

router bgp 64
bgp router-id 1.100.100.100
address-family l2vpn evpn
```

Chassis B-MAC SA (def.)
Manual ESI
Auto RD for Segment Route
Auto RT for EVI
Auto RD for EVI
A/A Per-Service LB
Auto Service Carving (def.)

A/A per-service (per-ISID)
load balancing with
dynamic Service Carving
ESI must match on both
PEs

PBB I-component and B-
component configuration.
ISIDs must match on both
PEs
No need to define B-VLAN
Mandatory EVI ID
configuration



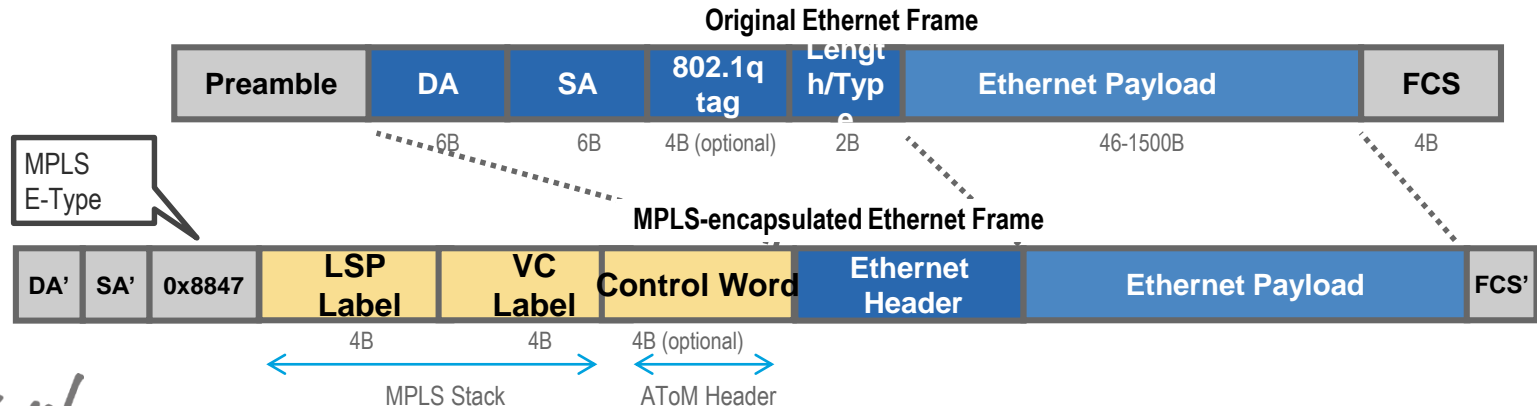
Note: MPLS / LDP configuration
acing interfaces (not
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Data-Plane considerations for Ethernet transport

How Are Ethernet Frames Transported?

- Ethernet frames transported without Preamble, Start Frame Delimiter (SFD) and FCS
- Two (2) modes of operation supported:
 - **Ethernet VLAN mode** (VC type 0x0004) – created for VLAN over MPLS application
 - **Ethernet Port / Raw mode** (VC type 0x0005) – created for Ethernet port tunneling application



Ethernet PW VC Type

- VC type used must match on PEs
- Cisco IOS devices by default will generally attempt to bring up an Ethernet PW using VC type 5
 - If rejected by remote PE, then VC type 4 will be used – **VC Type auto-sensing**
- Alternatively, Cisco IOS and IOS-XR devices can be explicitly configured to use either VC type 4 or 5

```
7604-2#show running-config
pseudowire-class test-pw-class-VC4
 encapsulation mpls
 interworking vlan
!
pseudowire-class test-pw-class-VC5
 encapsulation mpls
 interworking ethernet
```

IOS

IOS-XR

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ASR9000-2#show running-config l2vpn
l2vpn
 pw-class test-pw-class-VC4
  encapsulation mpls
  transport-mode vlan

 pw-class test-pw-class-VC4-passthrough
  encapsulation mpls
  transport-mode vlan passthrough

 pw-class test-pw-class-VC5
  encapsulation mpls
  transport-mode ethernet
```


Introducing Cisco EVC Framework

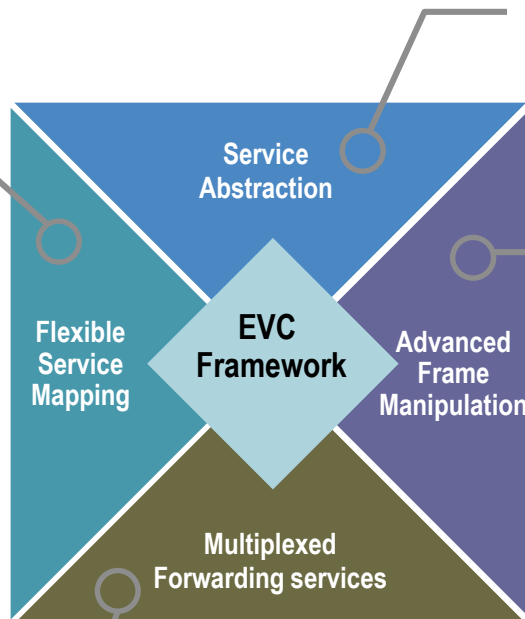
Functional Highlights

Flexible service delimiters

- Single-tagged, Double-tagged
- VLAN Lists, VLAN Ranges
- Header fields (COS, Ethertype)

ANY service – ANY port

- Layer 2 Point-to-Point
- Layer 2 Multipoint
- Layer 3

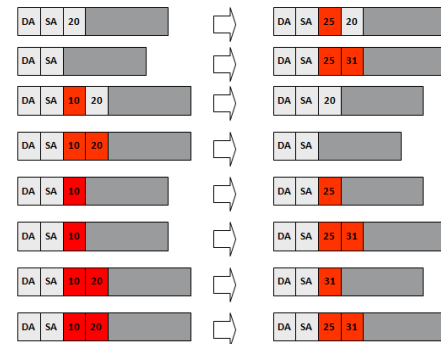


Ethernet Service Layer

- Ethernet Flow Point (EFP)
- Ethernet Virtual Circuit (EVC)
- Bridge Domain (BD)
- Local VLAN significance

VLAN Header operations - VLAN Rewrites

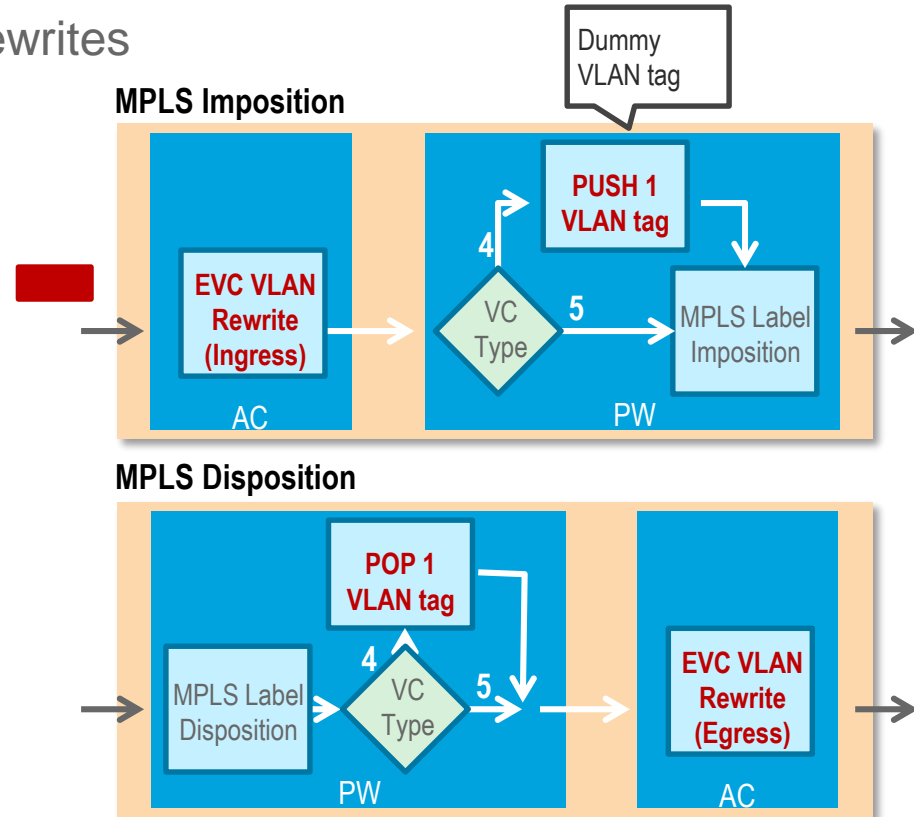
- POP
- PUSH
- SWAP



Encapsulation Adjustment Considerations

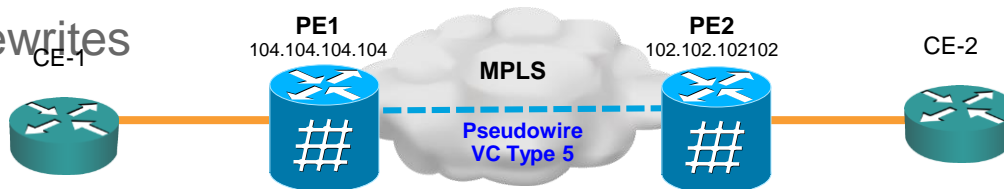
EoMPLS PW VC Type and EVC VLAN Rewrites

- VLAN tags can be added, removed or translated prior to VC label imposition or after disposition
 - Any VLAN tag(s), if retained, will appear as payload to the VC
- VC label imposition and service delimiting tag are independent from EVC VLAN tag operations
 - **Dummy VLAN tag** – RFC 4448 (sec 4.4.1)
- VC service-delimiting VLAN-ID is removed before passing packet to Attachment Circuit processing



Encapsulation Adjustment Considerations

VC 5 and EVC Rewrites



Single-tagged frame

Double-tagged frame



IOS-XR

```
l2vpn
pw-class class-VC5
  encapsulation mpls
  transport-mode ethernet

xconnect group Cisco-Live
p2p xc-sample-1
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100
  neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-id 111
  pw-class class-VC5
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 10
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

- POP VLAN 10
- No Push of Dummy tag (VC 5)

- No service-delimiting vlan expected (VC 5)
- PUSH VLAN 10

IOS

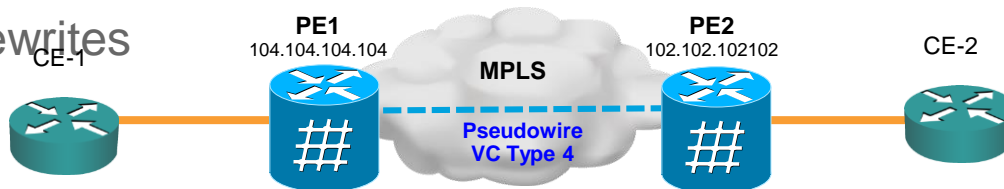
```
pseudowire-class class-VC5
  encapsulation mpls
  interworking ethernet
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/2
  service instance 3 ethernet
  encapsulation dot1q 10
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
  xconnect 104.104.104.104 111 encaps mpls pw-class class-VC5
```



Encapsulation Adjustment Considerations

VC 4 and EVC Rewrites



Single-tagged frame

Double-tagged frame



IOS-XR

```
l2vpn
pw-class class-VC4
encapsulation mpls
  transport-mode vlan

xconnect group Cisco-Live
p2p xc-sample-1
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100
neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-id 111
pw-class class-VC4

interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100 l2transport
encapsulation dot1q 10
rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

- POP VLAN 10
- Push Dummy tag (VC 4)

- POP service-delimiting vlan (VC 4)
- PUSH VLAN 10

IOS

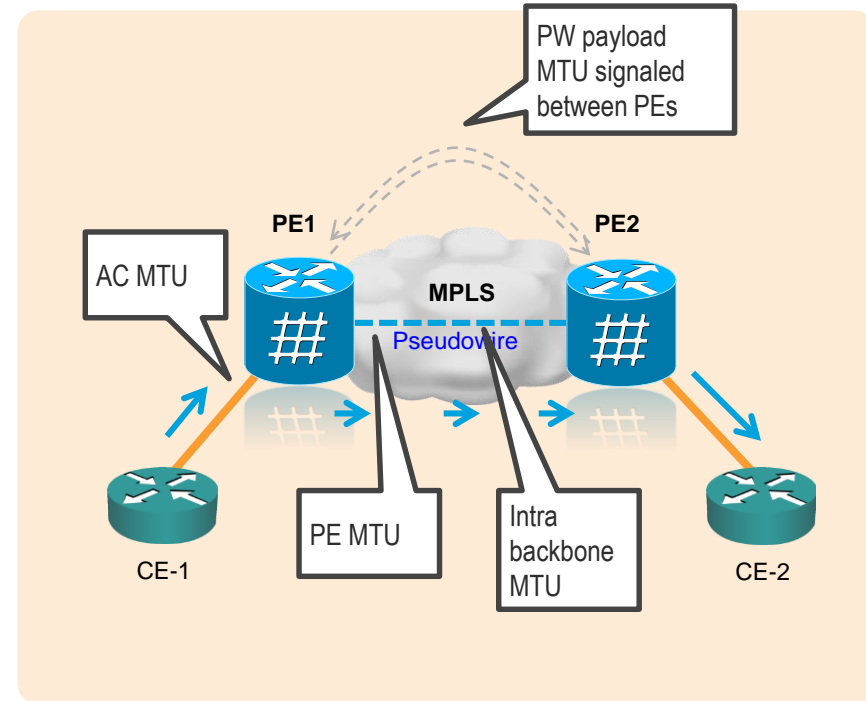
```
pseudowire-class class-VC4
encapsulation mpls
  interworking vlan

interface GigabitEthernet2/2
service instance 3 ethernet
encapsulation dot1q 10
rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
xconnect 104.104.104.104 111 encaps mpls pw-class class-VC4
```

 MPLS label

MTU Considerations

- No payload fragmentation supported
- Incoming PDU dropped if MTU exceeds AC MTU
- PEs exchange PW payload MTU as part of PW signaling procedures
 - Both ends must agree to use same value for PW to come UP
 - PW MTU derived from AC MTU
- No mechanism to check Backbone MTU
 - MTU in the backbone must be large enough to carry PW payload and MPLS stack



Ethernet MTU Considerations

Cisco IOS

- Interface MTU configured as largest ethernet payload size
 - 1500B default
 - Sub-interfaces / Service Instances (EFPs) MTU always inherited from main interface
- PW MTU used during PW signaling
 - By default, inherited from attachment circuit MTU
 - Submode configuration CLI allows MTU values to be set per subinterface/EFP in xconnect configuration mode (only for signaling purposes)
 - No MTU adjustments made for EFP rewrite (POP/PUSH) operations

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/4
description Main interface
mtu 1600
```

```
ASR1004-1#show int gigabitEthernet 0/0/4.1000 | include MTU
MTU 1600 bytes, BW 100000 Kbit/sec, DLY 100 usec,
```

Sub-interface MTU
inherited from Main
interface

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/4.1000
encapsulation dot1Q 1000
xconnect 106.106.106.106 111 encapsulation mpls
mtu 1500
```

PW MTU used during
signaling can be
overwritten

Ethernet MTU Considerations

Cisco IOS XR

- Interface / sub-interface MTU configured as largest frame size – FCS (4B)
 - 1514B default for main interfaces
 - 1518B default for single-tagged subinterfaces
 - 1522B default for double-tagged subinterfaces
- PW MTU used during PW signaling
 - AC MTU – 14B + Rewrite offset
 - E.g. POP 1 (- 4B), PUSH 1 (+ 4B)

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
description Main interface
mtu 9000
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100 l2transport
encapsulation dot1q 100
rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
mtu 1518
```

By default, sub-interface MTU inherited from Main interface

Sub-interface MTU can be overwritten to match remote AC

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:PE1#show l2vpn xconnect neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-
id 11
Group Cisco-Live, XC xc-sample-1, state is down; Interworking none
AC: GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.100, state is up
Type VLAN; Num Ranges: 1
VLAN ranges: [100, 100]
MTU 1500; XC ID 0x840014; interworking none
Statistics:
(snip)
```

XC MTU = 1518 – 14 – 4
= 1500B

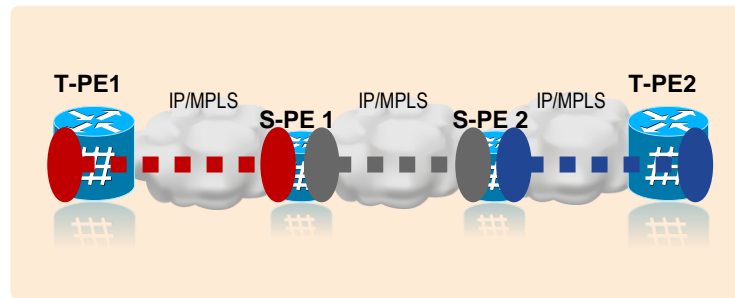
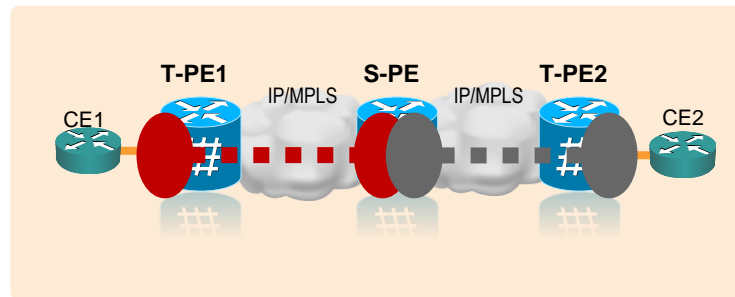
Advanced Topics

Multi-Segment Pseudowire

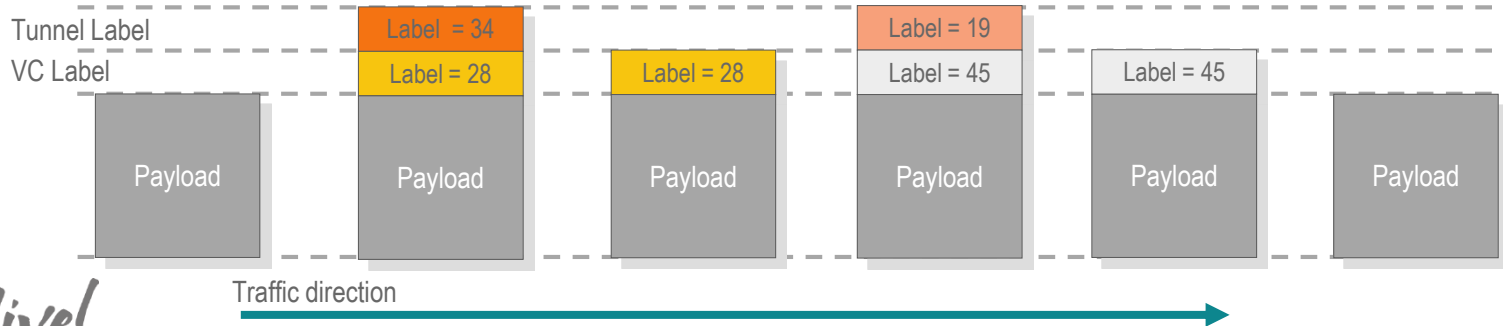
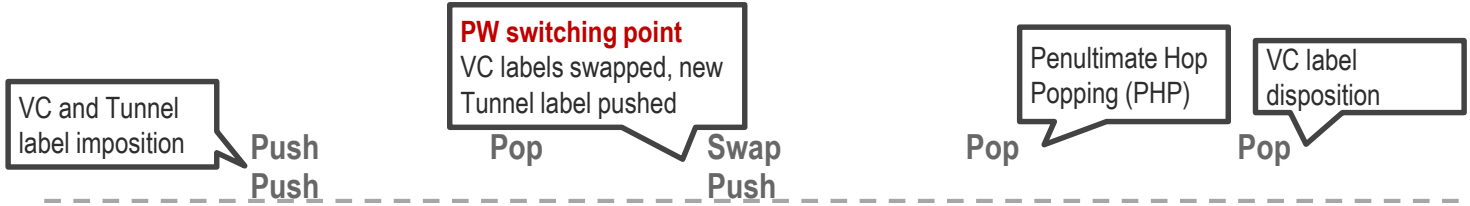
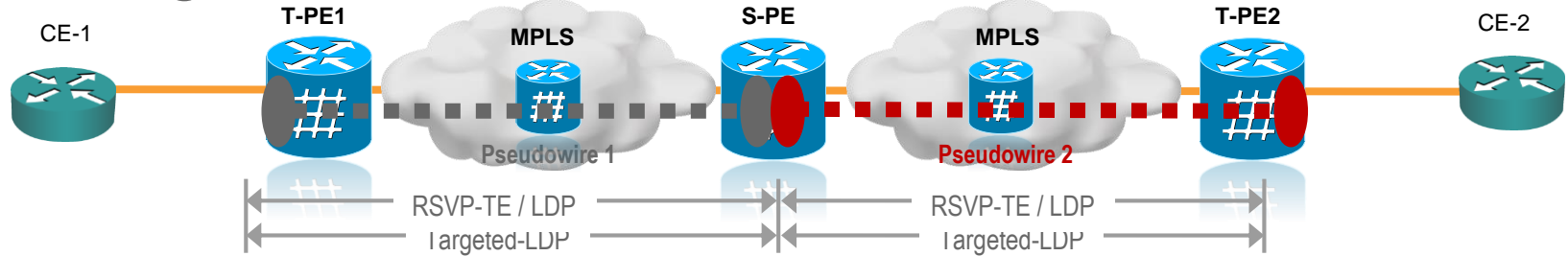
Multi-Segment Pseudowire

Overview

- **Separate IGP processes (or areas) for separate MPLS Access networks**
- **T-PE – Terminating Provider Edge**
 - Customer facing PE, hosting the first or last segment of a MS-PW
- **S-PE – Switching Provider Edge**
 - Switches control / data planes of preceding and succeeding segments
 - Control Word, sequencing, or original packet header not examined
 - VC labels swapped
 - VC Type, MTU should match end-to-end
 - One or more S-PEs can be used depending on number of segments
- MS-PW uses same signaling procedures and TLVs described in RFC 4447



Multi-Segment Pseudowires



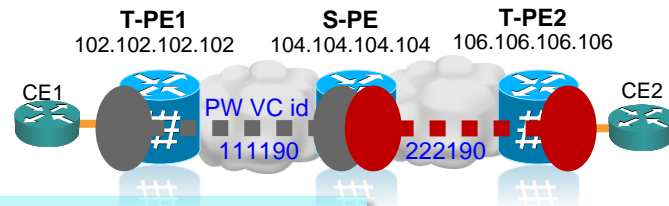
Configuring MS-PWs

Cisco IOS

```
hostname S-PE
interface Loopback0
ip address 104.104.104.104 255.255.255.255
```

```
12 vfi sample-ms-pw-1 point-to-point
neighbor 106.106.106.106 222190 encapsulation mpls
neighbor 102.102.102.102 111190 encapsulation mpls
```

MS-PW



```
7604-3#show xconnect peer 102.102.102.102 vcid 111190
```

```
Legend:   XC ST=Xconnect State   S1=Segment1 State   S2=Segment2 State
UP=Up     DN=Down                AD=Admin Down      IA=Inactive
SB=Standby HS=Hot Standby       RV=Recovering     NH=No Hardware
```

XC	ST	Segment 1	S1 Segment 2	S2
UP		mpls 106.106.106.106:222190	UP mpls 102.102.102.102:111190	UP

```
7604-3#show xconnect peer 102.102.102.102 vcid 111190 detail
```

```
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UP=Up     DN=Down                AD=Admin Down      IA=Inactive
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```

XC	ST	Segment 1	S1 Segment 2	S2
UP		mpls 106.106.106.106:222190 Local VC label 65536 Remote VC label 16029 pw-class:	UP mpls 102.102.102.102:111190 Local VC label 65549 Remote VC label 47 pw-class:	UP

S-PE labels for each PW segment

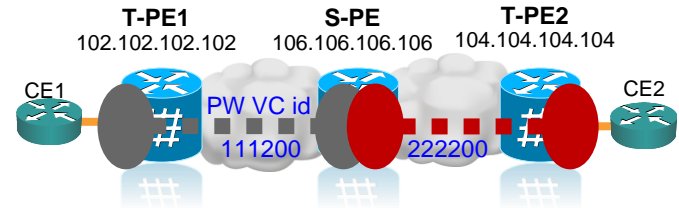
Configuring MS-PWs

Cisco IOS XR

```
hostname S-PE
interface Loopback0
  ipv4 address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255
```

```
l2vpn
xconnect group Cisco-Live
  p2p xc-sample-8
  neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-id 111200
  !
  neighbor 104.104.104.104 pw-id 222200
```

MS-PW



```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ASR9000-2#show l2vpn xconnect group Cisco-Live xc-name xc-sample-8
```

Legend: ST = State, UP = Up, DN = Down, AD = Admin Down, UR = Unresolved,
SB = Standby, SR = Standby Ready, (PP) = Partially Programmed

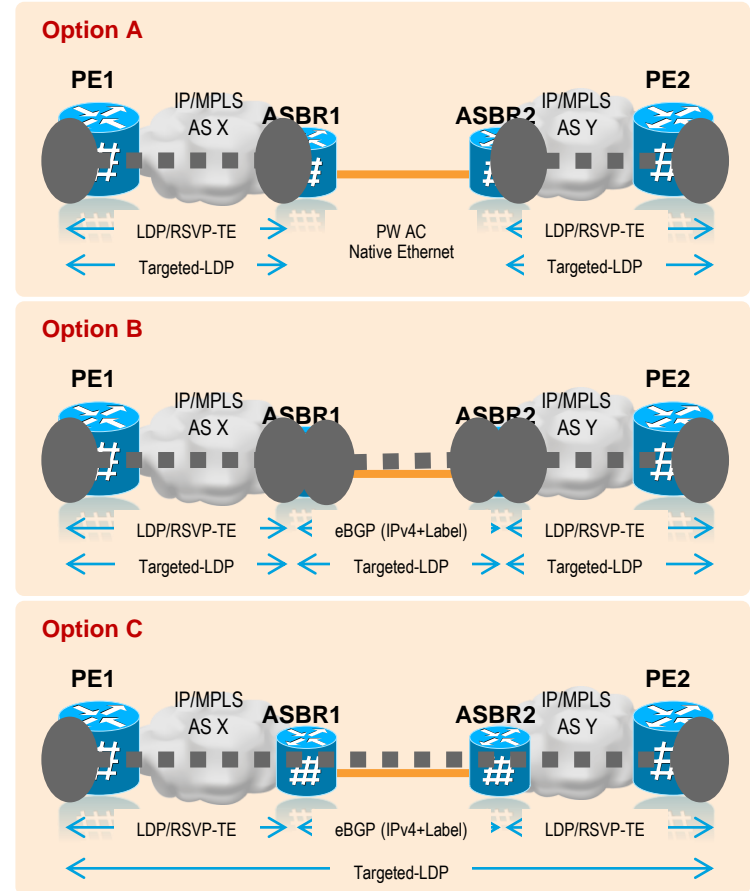
XConnect Group	Name	ST	Segment 1 Description	ST	Segment 2 Description	ST
Cisco-Live	xc-sample-8	UP	102.102.102.102 111200	UP	104.104.104.104 222200	UP

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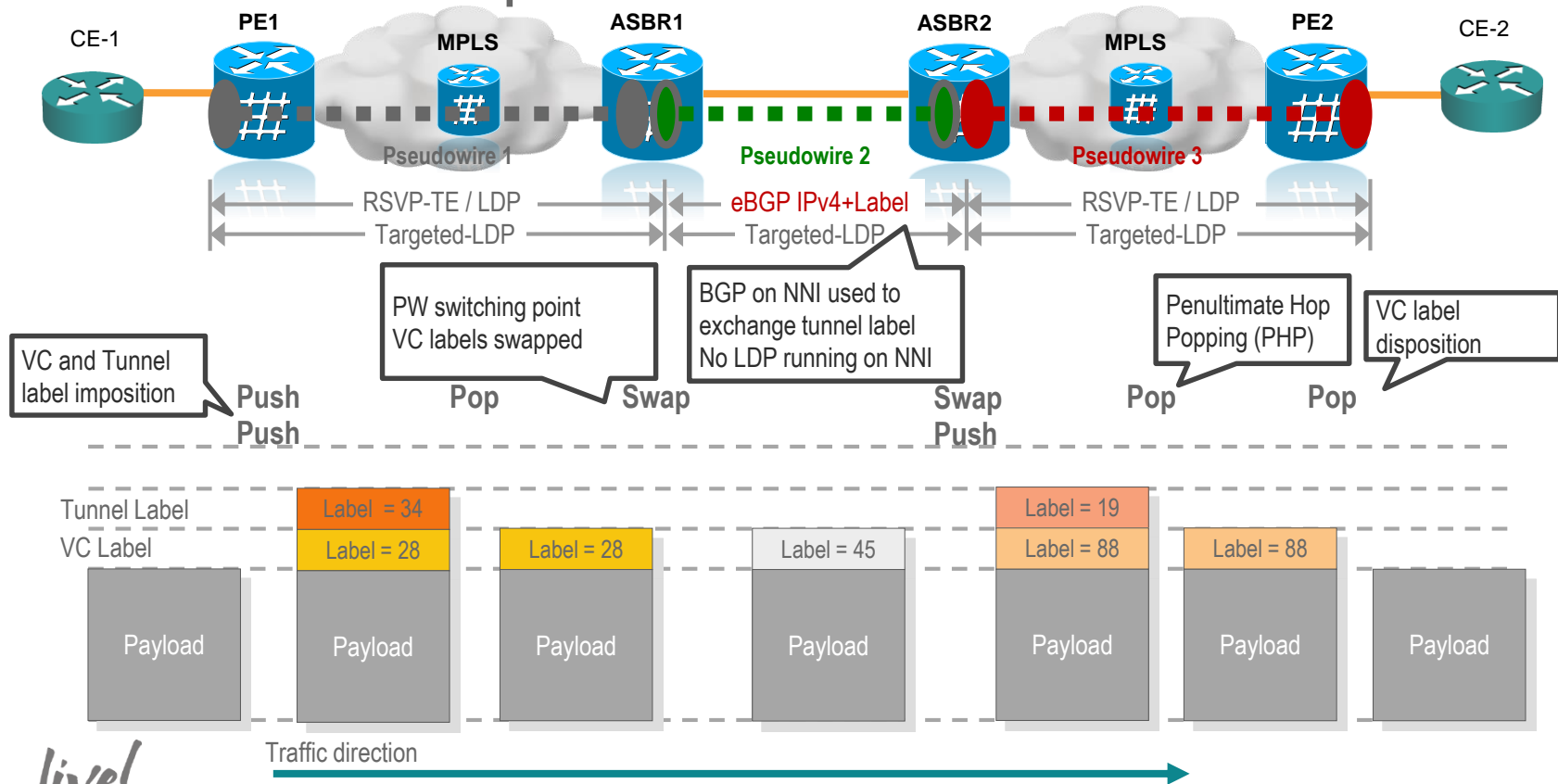
L2VPN Inter – Autonomous Systems (I-AS)

L2VPN Inter-AS

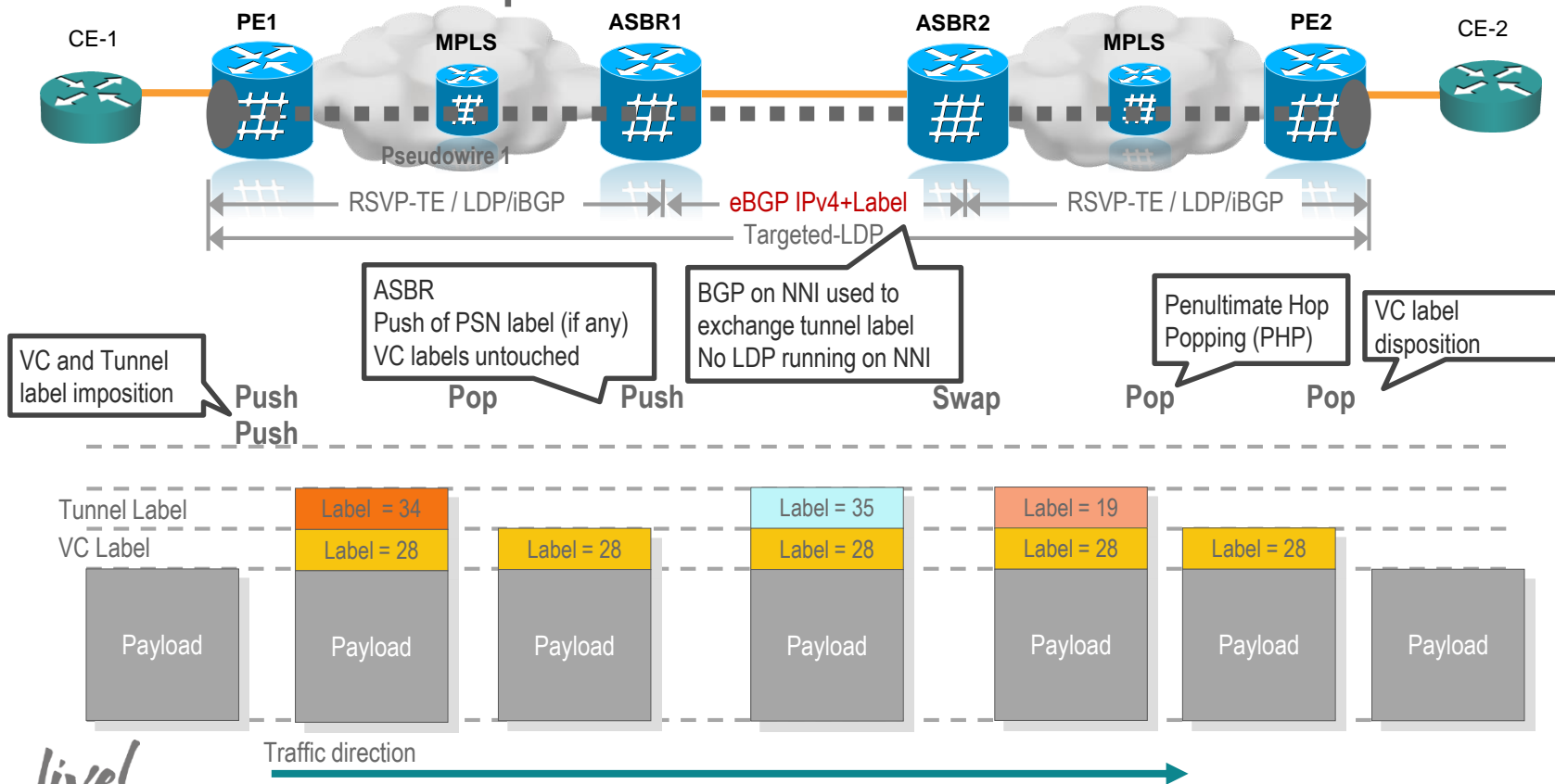
- Three (3) deployment models
- Option A
 - No reachability information shared between AS
- Option B
 - Minimal reachability information shared between AS
 - ASBR configured as S-PEs (multi-segment PWs)
 - eBGP (IPv4 prefix + label) used to build PSN tunnel between AS
- Option C
 - Significant reachability information shared between AS
 - Single-segment PW signaled across AS boundary



L2VPN Inter-AS Option B



L2VPN Inter-AS Option C



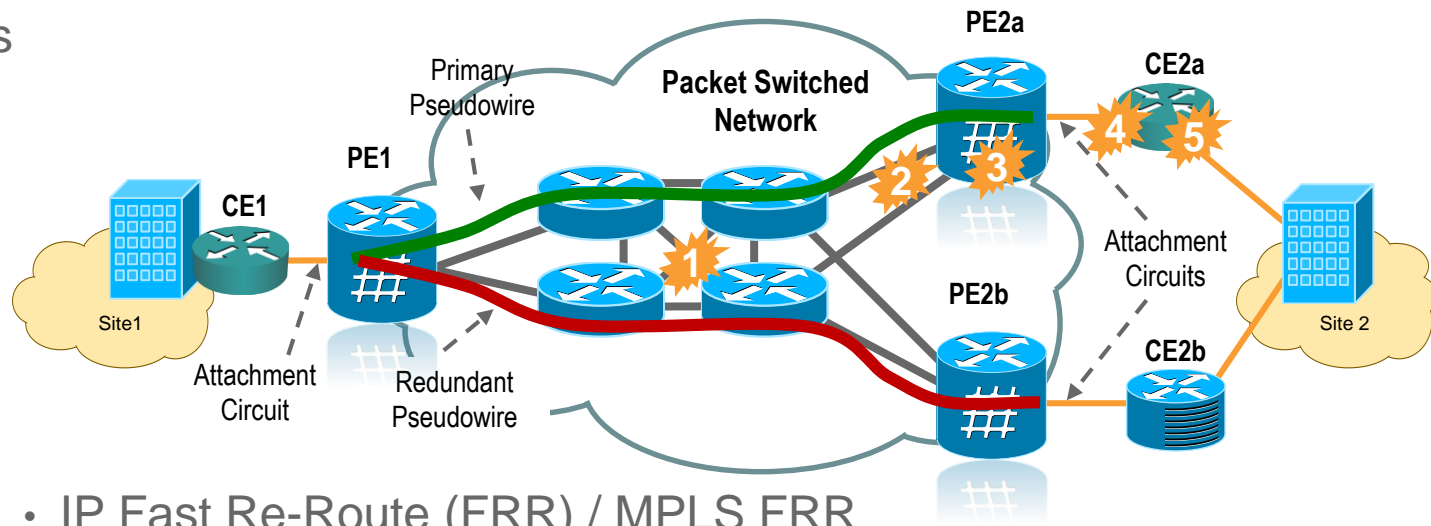
Advanced Topics

Resiliency

Pseudowire Redundancy

High Availability in L2VPN Networks

Solutions



- IP Fast Re-Route (FRR) / MPLS FRR

1

- PSN core failure

- Pseudowire Redundancy:

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- PSN end-to-end routing failure – Redundant PEs

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- PE failure – Redundant PEs

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- Attachment circuit failure – AC Diversity

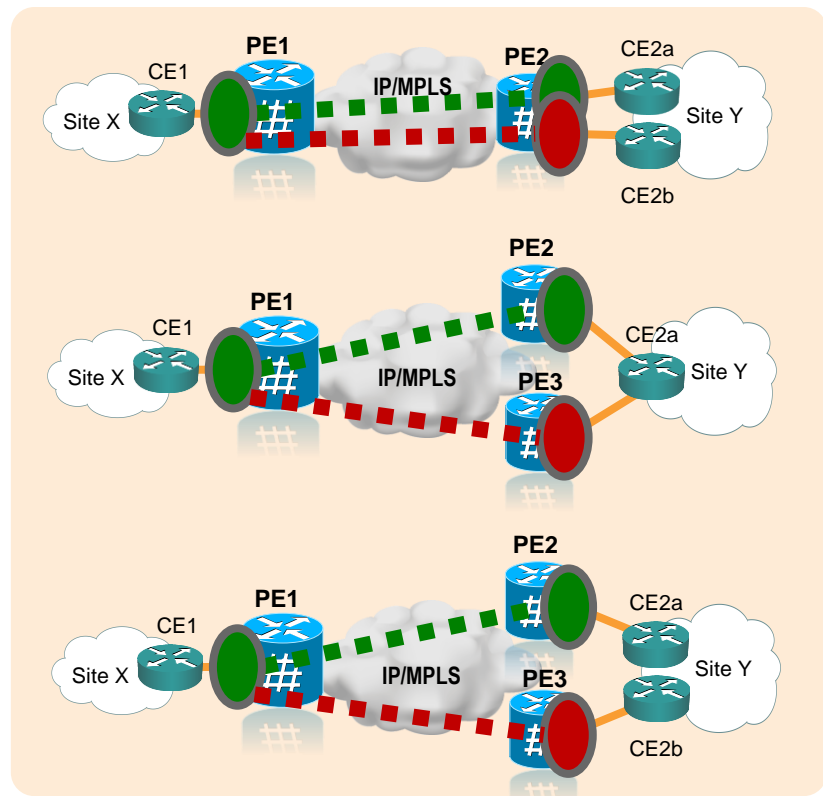
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- CE failure – Redundant CEs

One-Way Pseudowire Redundancy

Overview

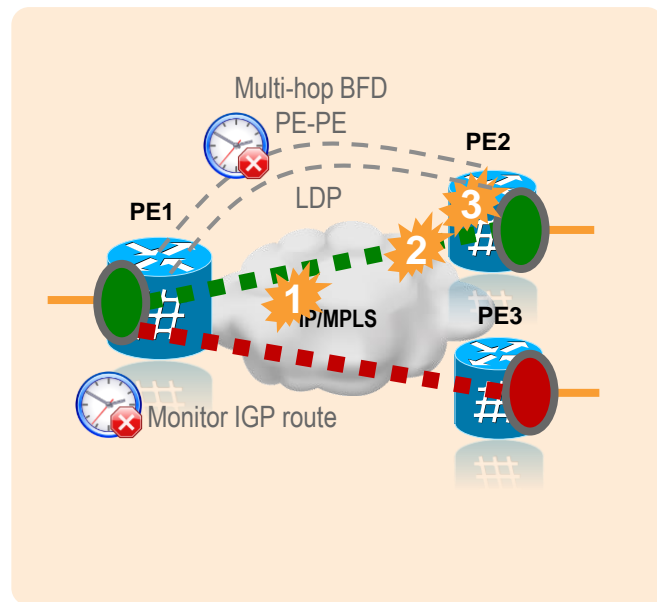
- Allows dual-homing of one local PE to one or two remote PEs
- **Two pseudowires** - primary & backup provide redundancy for a single AC
- Faults on the primary PW cause **failover to backup PW**
- **Multiple backup PWs** (different priorities) can be defined
- Alternate LSPs (TE Tunnels) can be used for additional redundancy



One-Way Pseudowire Redundancy

Failure Protection Points

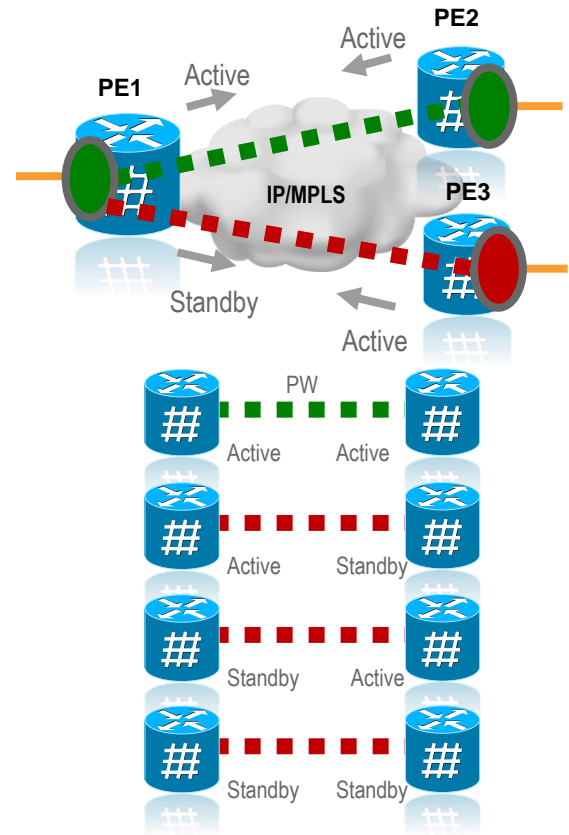
- Failure 1 - Core failures handled by IGP re-routing / IP/MPLS FRR do not trigger pseudowire switchover
- Failure 2 - Loss of route to remote PE as notified by IGP (**PE isolation**)
- Failure 3 - Loss of Remote PE
- How to detect PE failures?
 - **LDP Fast Failure Detection (FFD)** (a.k.a. **Route-Watch**)
 - Monitors IGP route availability for LDP peer (2-3 sec or sub-sec with Fast IGP)
 - **LDP session timeout** (default = 3 x 30 sec)
 - **BFD timeout** (multi-hop PE-to-PE BFD session) (a.k.a. “xconnect client” IOS feature)



Pseudowire Redundancy

Preferential Forwarding Status Bit

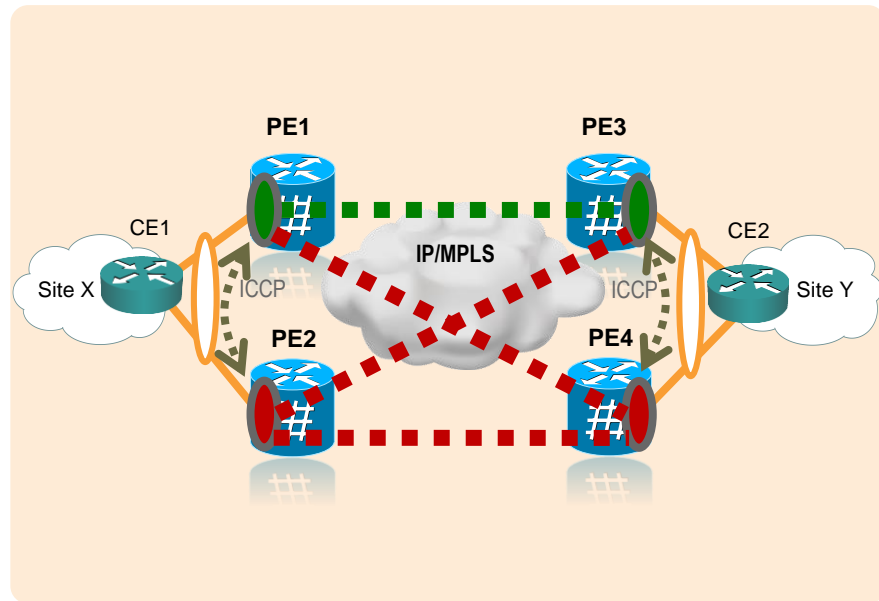
- Extensions to PW status codes (RFC 6870)
- Allows PEs to signal local forwarding status of the PW (Active or Standby)
- A PW is selected for forwarding when declared as Active by both PEs
- Minimize service downtime during PW failover
 - Backup PWs always signaled before failures and held in Standby mode
- Allows VCCV capability over a backup PW
 - OAM over backup PWs
 - SP monitors backup PWs prior to its usage



Two-Way Pseudowire Redundancy

Overview

- Allows dual-homing of **two local PEs** to **two remote PEs**
- Four (4) pseudowires: 1 primary & 3 backup provide redundancy for dual-homed devices
- Two-Way PW redundancy coupled with **Multi-Chassis LAG** (MC-LAG) solution on the access side
 - LACP state used to determine PW AC state
 - **InterChassis Communication Protocol (ICCP)** used to synchronize LACP states



Configuring Pseudowire Redundancy

Cisco IOS

```
hostname PE1
interface Loopback0
ip address 102.102.102.102 255.255.255.255
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet2/4
service instance 170 ethernet
encapsulation dot1q 170
rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
xconnect 104.104.104.104 170 encapsulation mpls
backup peer 106.106.106.106 170170
mtu 1500
```

```
7604-2#show xconnect peer 104.104.104.104 vcid 170
```

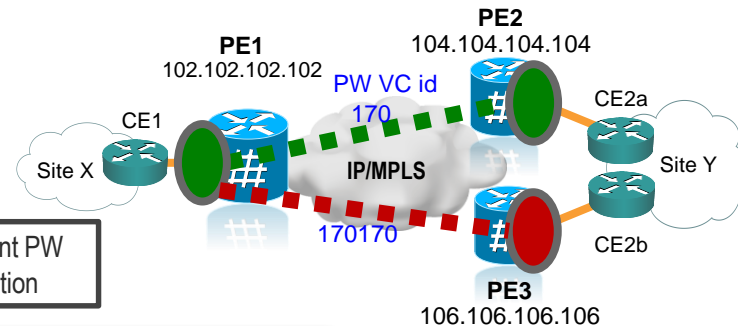
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UP=Up     DN=Down              AD=Admin Down     IA=Inactive
SB=Standby HS=Hot Standby     RV=Recovering     NH=No Hardware
```

XC	ST	Segment 1	S1	Segment 2	S2
UP	pri	ac Gi2/4:170(Eth VLAN)	UP	mpls 104.104.104.104:170	UP

```
7604-2#show xconnect peer 106.106.106.106 vcid 170170
```

```
Legend:   XC ST=Xconnect State  S1=Segment1 State  S2=Segment2 State
UP=Up     DN=Down              AD=Admin Down     IA=Inactive
SB=Standby HS=Hot Standby     RV=Recovering     NH=No Hardware
```

XC	ST	Segment 1	S1	Segment 2	S2
IA	sec	ac Gi2/4:170(Eth VLAN)	UP	mpls 106.106.106.106:170170	SB



Redundant PW configuration

Primary PW in UP state

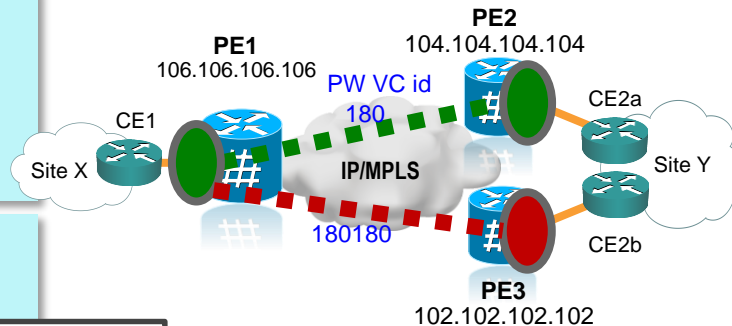
Redundant PW in Standby state

Configuring Pseudowire Redundancy

Cisco IOS XR

```
hostname PE1
interface Loopback0
  ipv4 address 106.106.106.106 255.255.255.255
!
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.180 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 180
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
```

```
l2vpn
xconnect group Cisco-Live
p2p xc-sample-6
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.180
  neighbor 104.104.104.104 pw-id 180
  pw-class sample-CW-ON
  backup neighbor 102.102.102.102 pw-id 180180
  pw-class sample-CW-ON
```



Redundant PW configuration

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ASR9000-2#show l2vpn xconnect group Cisco-Live xc xc-sample-6
```

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Legend: ST = State, UP = Up, DN = Down, AD = Admin Down, UR = Unresolved,

SB = Standby, SR = Standby Ready, (PP) = Partially Programmed

XConnect Group	Name	ST	Segment 1 Description	ST	Segment 2 Description	ST
Cisco-Live	xc-sample-6	UP	Gi0/0/0/2.180	UP	104.104.104.104 180	UP
					Backup	
					102.102.102.102 180180	SB

Primary PW in UP state
Redundant PW in Standby state

Deployment Use Cases

Data Center Interconnect – ASR 9000

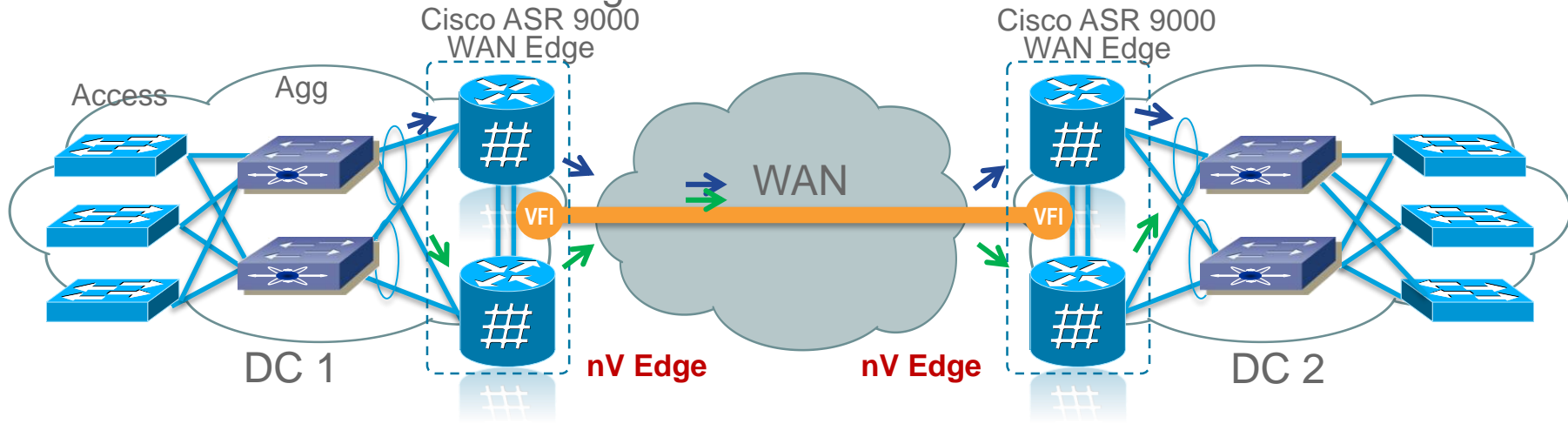
Data Center Interconnect with VPLS

ASR 9000 Use Case 1 – nV Edge

ASR9000 sessions:

BRKARC-2003

BRKSPG-2904



- ASR 9000 as DC WAN Edge provides VPLS with Network Virtualization (nV) for DCI applications
- nV and VPLS provides:
 - Single-Chassis (Virtual) Redundancy solution – Network Virtualization Cluster
 - Access Multi-Homing solution with Multichassis EtherChannel
 - Single control and management plane, distributed data plane – single VFI / single PW between DC pairs
 - Flow-based load balancing over Pseudowire using Flow Aware Transport (FAT) PW
 - Scalability (MAC address table, number of VFIs / PWs)

Data Center Interconnect with VPLS

ASR 9000 Use Case 1 – nV Edge Sample Configuration

PE 1

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
  ipv4 address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.255

interface bundle-ethernet1.1 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 80
interface bundle-ethernet1.2 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 81

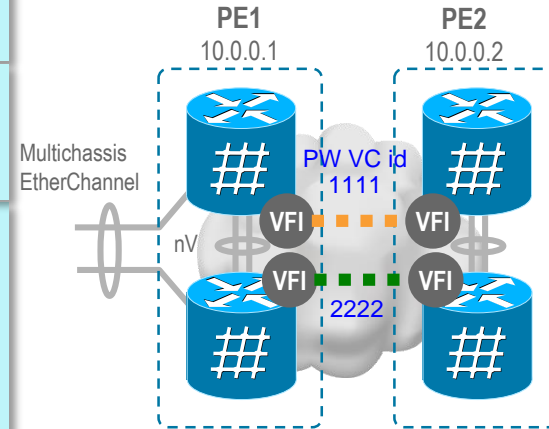
l2vpn
  pw-class sample-flow-lb
    encapsulation mpls
    load-balancing
    load-balancing flow-label
!
  bridge group DCI
    bridge-domain bd-80
    interface bundle-ethernet1.1
      vfi vfi1111
      neighbor 10.0.0.2 pw-id 1111
      pw-class sample-flow-lb
!
    bridge-domain bd-81
    interface bundle-ethernet1.2
      vfi vfi2222
      neighbor 10.0.0.2 pw-id 2222
      pw-class sample-flow-lb
```

PE 2

```
hostname PE2
!
interface Loopback0
  ipv4 address 10.0.0.2 255.255.255.255

interface bundle-ethernet1.1 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 80
interface bundle-ethernet1.2 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 81

l2vpn
  pw-class sample-flow-lb
    encapsulation mpls
    load-balancing
    load-balancing flow-label
!
  bridge group DCI
    bridge-domain bd-80
    interface bundle-ethernet1.1
      vfi vfi1111
      neighbor 10.0.0.1 pw-id 1111
      pw-class sample-flow-lb
!
    bridge-domain bd-81
    interface bundle-ethernet1.2
      vfi vfi2222
      neighbor 10.0.0.1 pw-id 2222
      pw-class sample-flow-lb
```

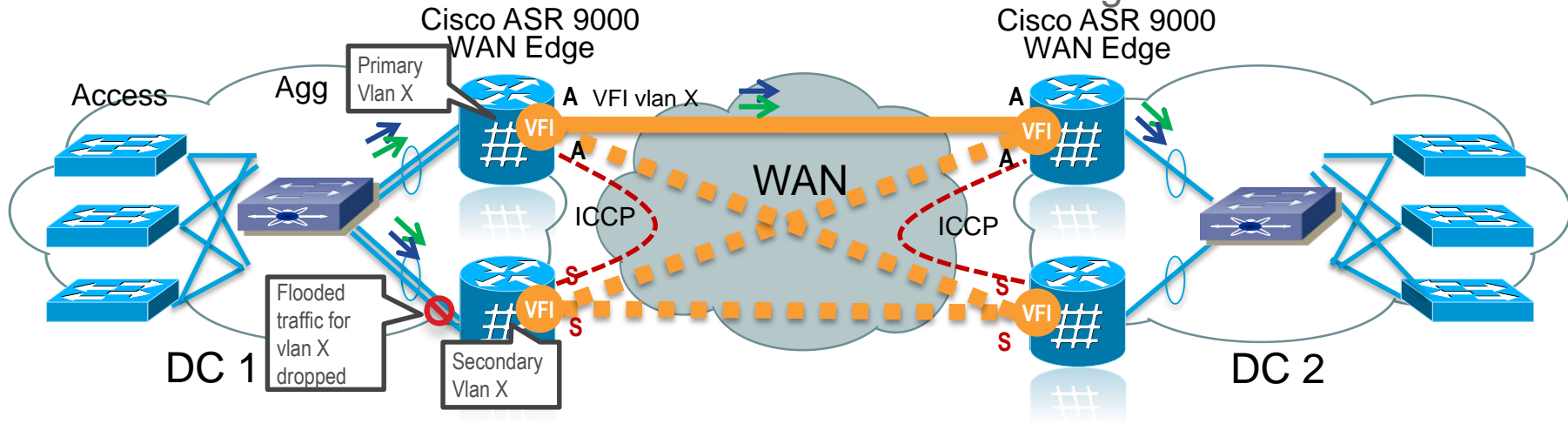


Single PW per VFI/ Vlan

Note: nV cluster configuration not shown
Etherchannel configuration incomplete

Data Center Interconnect with VPLS

ASR 9000 Use Case 2 – ICCP-based Service Multi-Homing



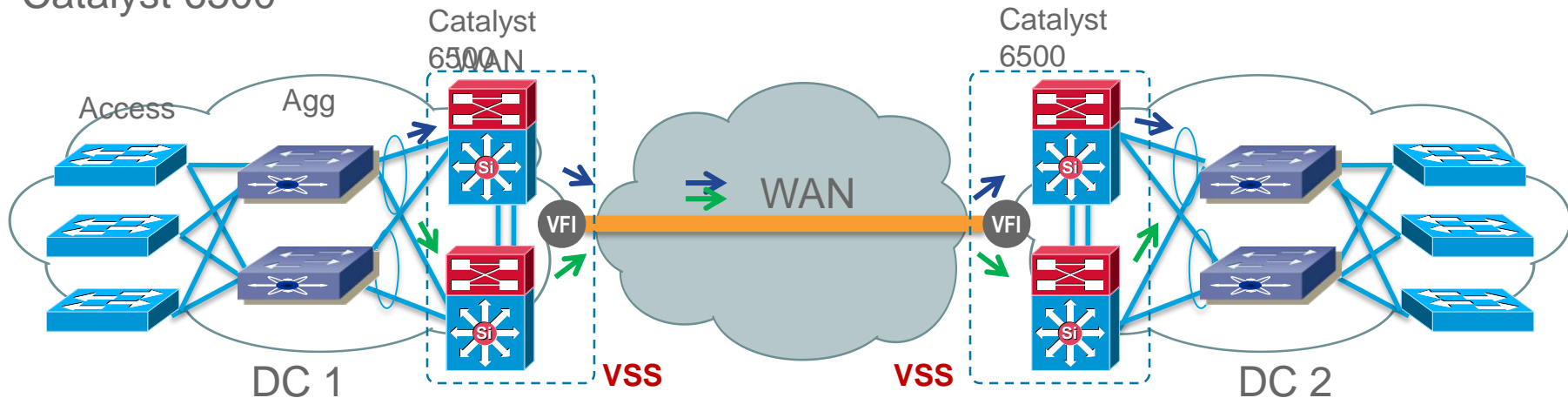
- ASR 9000 as DC WAN Edge device provides VPLS with **service multi-homing** for DCI applications
- Service Multi-homing and VPLS provides:
 - **Geo-Redundant** dual-home DCI layer solution
 - **Active / Active per VLAN** load balancing
 - **Distributed Control / Management / Data Plane**
 - Forwarding state coordination via **Inter-Chassis Communication Protocol (ICCP)**

Deployment Use Cases

Data Center Interconnect – Catalyst 6500

Data Center Interconnect with VPLS

Catalyst 6500



- DC WAN Edge device (Catalyst 6500) implements VPLS with **Advanced –VPLS (A-VPLS)** for DCI applications
- A-VPLS provides:
 - Single-Chassis (Virtual) Redundancy solution – **Virtual Switching System (VSS)**
 - **Multichassis EtherChannel (MEC)**
 - Flow-based load balancing over WAN using **Flow Aware Transport (FAT) PW**
 - **Simplified configuration**

Data Center Interconnect with VPLS

Sample Configuration – Catalyst 6500

PE 1

```
hostname PE1
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.25
!
pseudowire-class sample-class
 encapsulation mpls
 load-balance flow
 flow-label enable

interface virtual-ethernet 1
 transport vpls mesh
 neighbor 10.0.0.2 pw-class sample-class
 switchport
 switchport mode trunk

interface port-channel50
 switchport
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 80,81
```

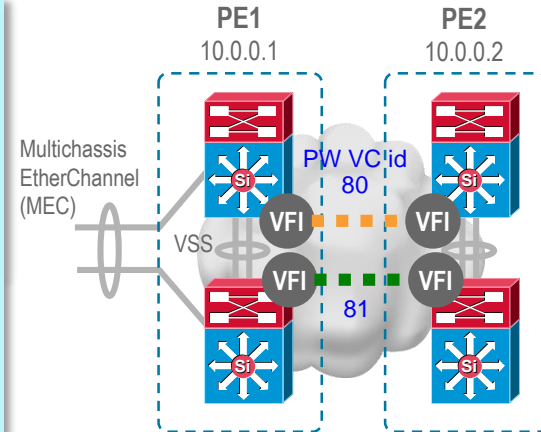
Virtual Ethernet interface modeled as Switchport trunk towards VFIs

PE 2

```
hostname PE2
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.0.0.2 255.255.255.255
!
pseudowire-class sample-class
 encapsulation mpls
 load-balance flow
 flow-label enable

interface virtual-ethernet 1
 transport vpls mesh
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 pw-class sample-class
 switchport
 switchport mode trunk

interface port-channel50
 switchport
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk allowed vlan 80,81
```



Single PW per Vlan per VSS pair

Note: Complete Virtual Switching System (VSS) / Multichassis EtherChannel (MEC) configuration not shown



CISCO

TOMORROW starts here.