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### **I-AS MPLS Solutions**

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### **The Prerequisites**

- Must understand basic IP routing
- Familiar with MPLS Architectures
- Familiar with MPLS Applications
- Some level of MPLS network Design/ Deployment Experience

### Agenda

Inter-AS Networks

Inter-AS Connectivity Models

Inter-AS L3 VPNs

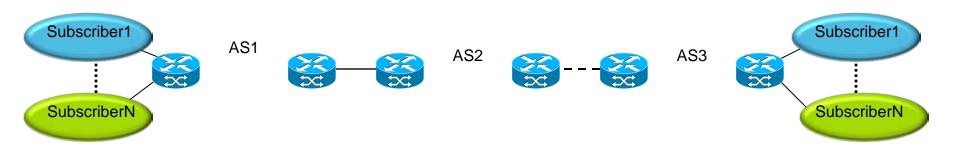
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### Inter-AS Traffic Engineering

### **Inter-Provider MPLS Solutions**



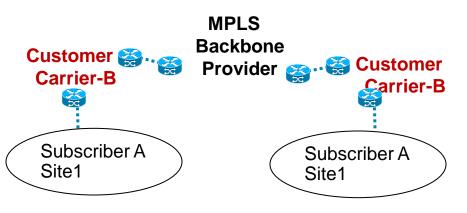
- To interconnect multiple independently managed MPLS Domains Fast geographic service coverage expansion Two MPLS VPN Providers peering to cover for a common customer base
- Support original multi-domain network design

IGP isolation with service continuity

Interconnect BGP confederations with different IGPs in the same AS

- Two models available:
  - 1.Carrier Supporting Carrier (CSC)
  - 2.Inter-Autonomous Systems (I-AS)

## **Carrier Supporting Carrier vs. Inter-AS**

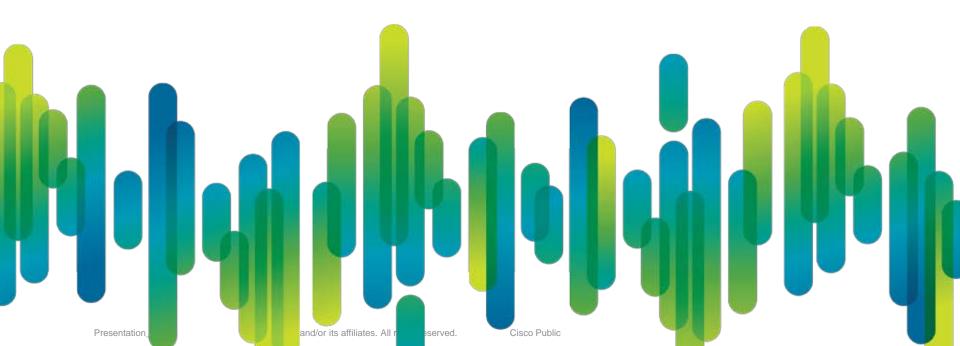


### CSC

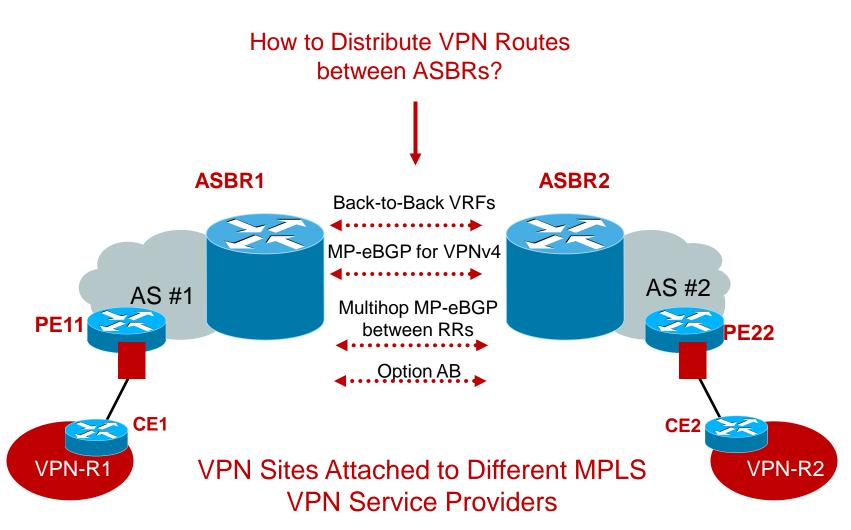
- Client-Server model
- IP/MPLS Carrier is a customer of another MPLS backbone provider
- IP/MPLS Carrier doesn't want to manage own backbone
- Only the backbone provider is required to have MPLS VPN core
- Customer Carriers do not distribute their subscribers' VPN info to the backbone carrier

# I-AS L3 VPNs

### Overview



### **Inter-AS VPNv4 Distribution Options**



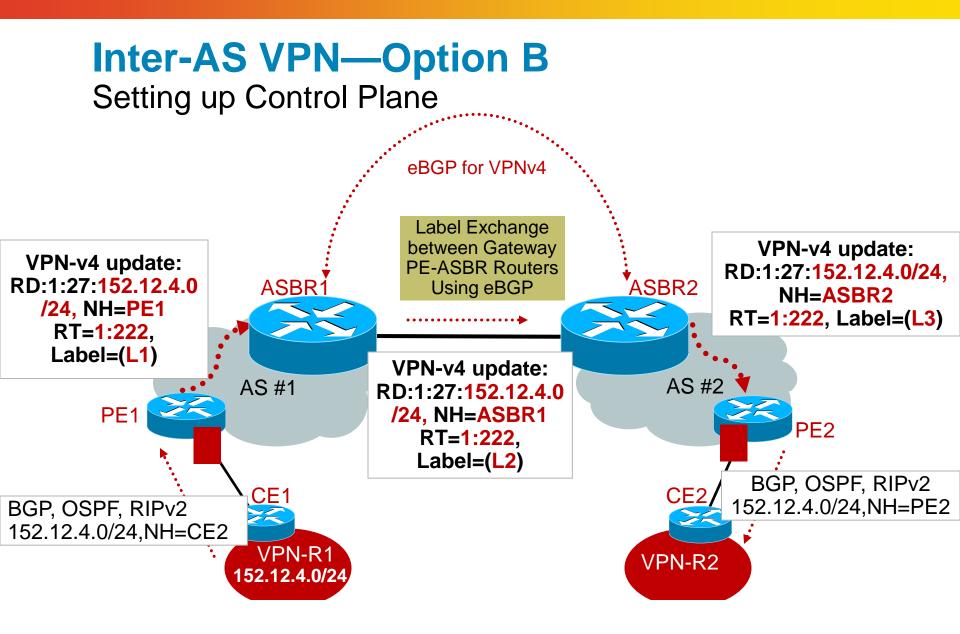
### Inter-AS VPN—Option A Back-to-Back VRFs

### Each ASBR Thinks the Other Is a CE Unlabeled Use VPN label 40 Use VPN label 80/ **IP Packets** PE1 PE2 24 **P2** PE-ASBR1 PE-ASBR2 AS<sub>2</sub> AS1 IP IP 40 **P1** IP 42 IP IP 80 **P2** IP 80 IP

- One logical interface per VPN on directly connected ASBRs
- Packet is forwarded as an IP packet between the ASBRs
- Link may use any supported PE-CE routing protocol
- IP QoS policies negotiated and configured manually on the ASBRs
- Option A is the most secure and easiest to provision

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May not be easy to manage as #s of VPNs grow



All VPNv4 Prefixes/Labels from PEs Distributed to PE-ASBRs

### Inter-AS VPN—Option B Key Points

 PE-ASBRs exchange routes directly using eBGP External MP-BGP for VPNv4 prefix exchange;

MP-BGP session with NH to advertising PE-ASBR

Next-hop and labels are rewritten when advertised across the inter-provider MP-BGP session

 Receiving PE-ASBR automatically creates a /32 host route to a peer ASBR

Which must be advertised into receiving IGP if next-hop-self is not in operation to maintain the LSP

### PE-ASBR stores all VPN routes that need to be exchanged

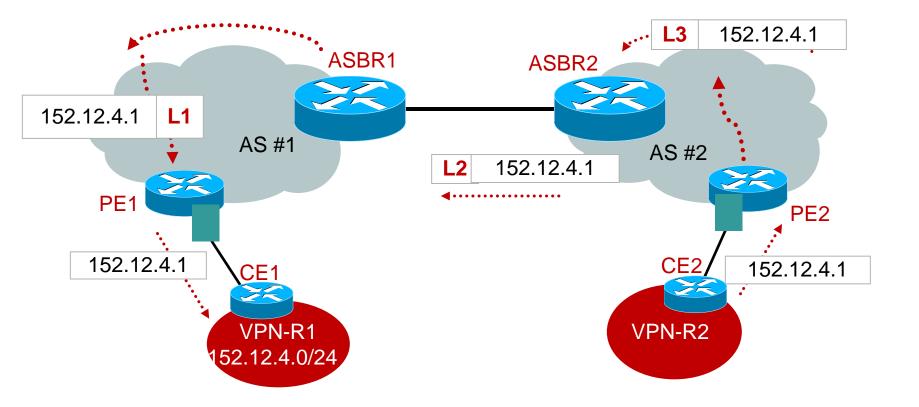
But only within the BGP table

No VRFs; labels are populated into the LFIB of the PE-ASBR

- ASBR-ASBR link must be directly connected!!!!!! Could use GRE tunnelconsidered directly connected
- Receiving PE-ASBRs may allocate new label

Controlled by configuration of next-hop-self (default is off)

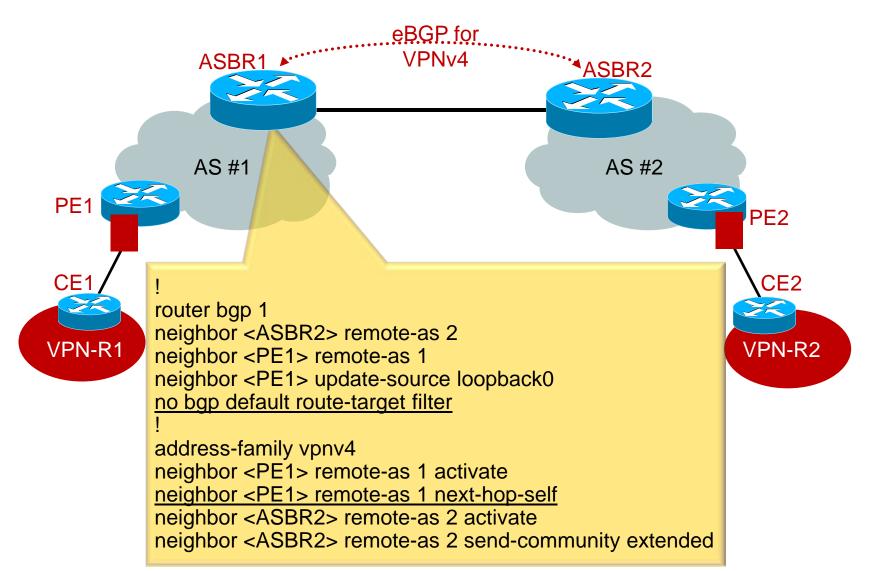
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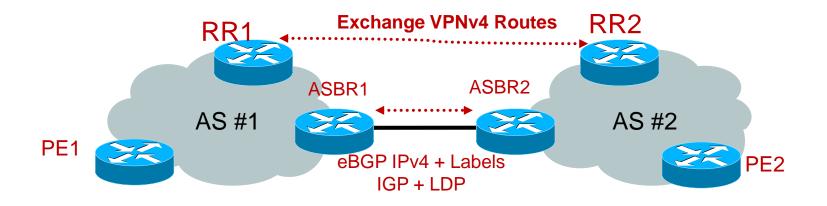
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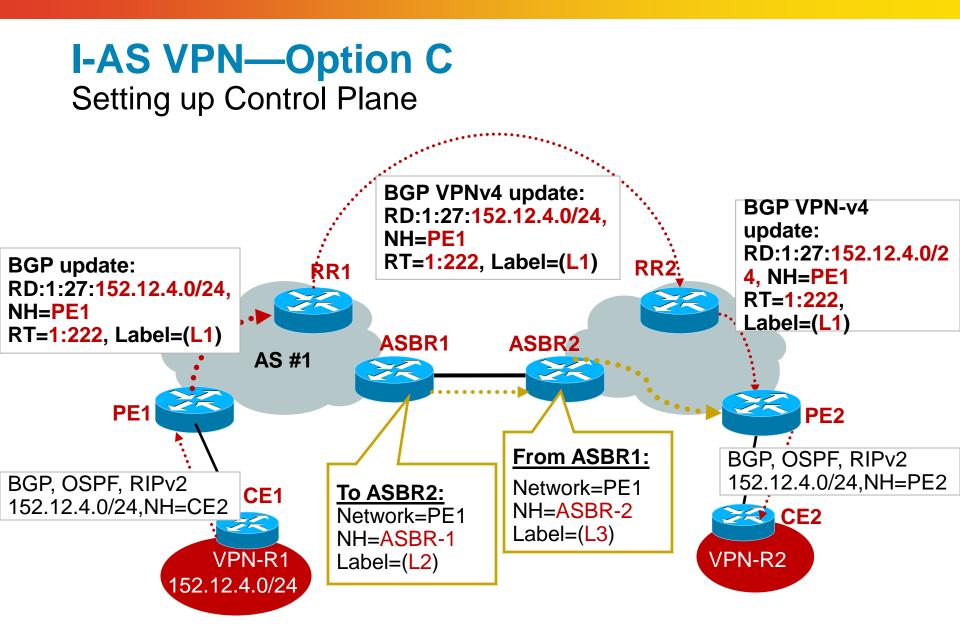
### Inter-AS VPN—Option B Cisco IOS Configuration



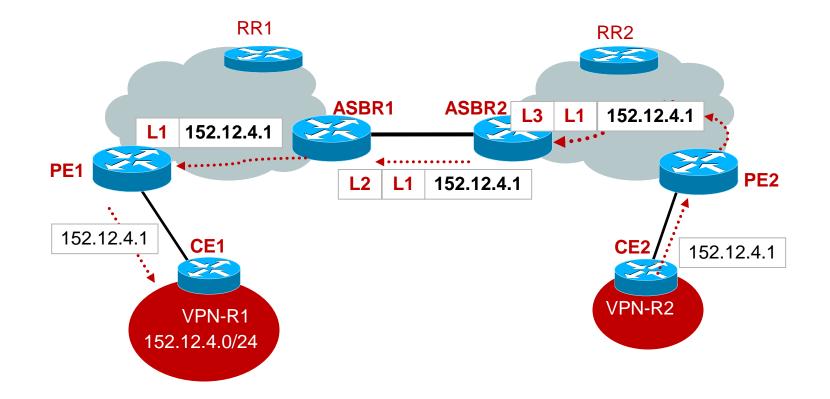
### Inter-AS VPN—Option C Multi-hop eBGP VPNv4 between RRs



- Eliminates LFIB duplication at ASBRs. ASBRs don't hold VPNv4 prefix/label info.
- ASBRs Exchange PE loopbacks (IPv4) with labels as these are BGP NH addresses
- Two Options for Label Distribution for BGP NH Addresses: IGP + LDP OR BGP IPv4 + Labels (RFC3107)
- BGP exchange Label Advertisement Capability Enables end-end LSP Paths
- Subsequent Address Family Identifier (value 4) field is used to indicate that the NLRI contains a label
- Disable Next-hop-self on RRs



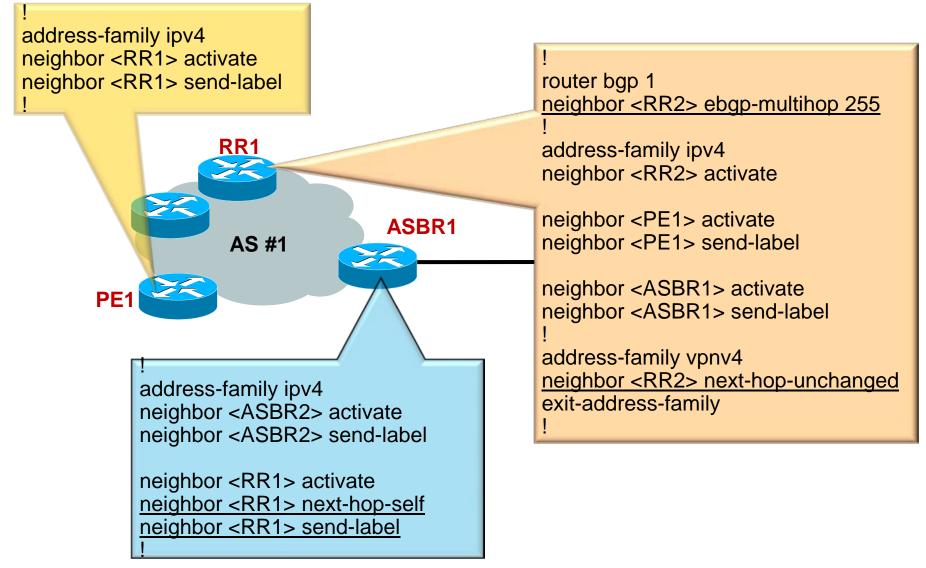
### I-AS VPN—Option C Forwarding Plane



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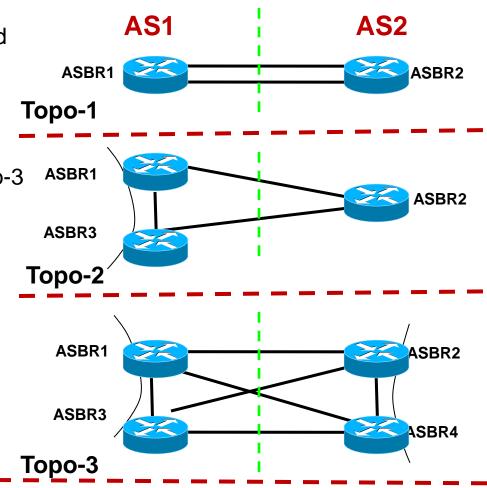
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### I-AS VPN—Option C IPv4+Label, Cisco IOS Configuration

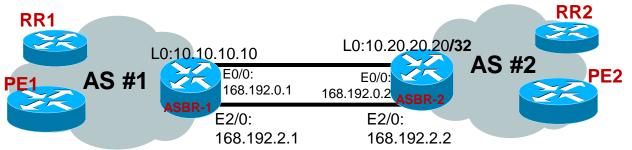


### Inter-AS Multipath Load Balance Options

- Support VPNv4 and label negotiated IPv4 eBGP sessions between loopbacks of directly connected routers w/o the use of LDP on the connecting interfaces
- Consider the three topologies Designated by Topo-1, Topo-2, Topo-3 AS
- Load balancing for Inter-AS sub-cases with:
  - 1. Interface Peering
  - 2. Loopback peering
  - 3. IPv4 + Label
  - 4. VPNv4 + Label



### Inter-AS Loopback Peering for Directly Connected ASBRs



Create loopback interfaces on directly connected ASBRs

### HOSTNAME ASBR2

interface e0/0 ip address 168.192.0.2 255.255.255.252 <u>mpls bgp forwarding</u> ! Enable BGP forwarding on connecting interfaces

interface e2/0 ip address 168.192.2.2 255.255.255.252 mpls bgp forwarding

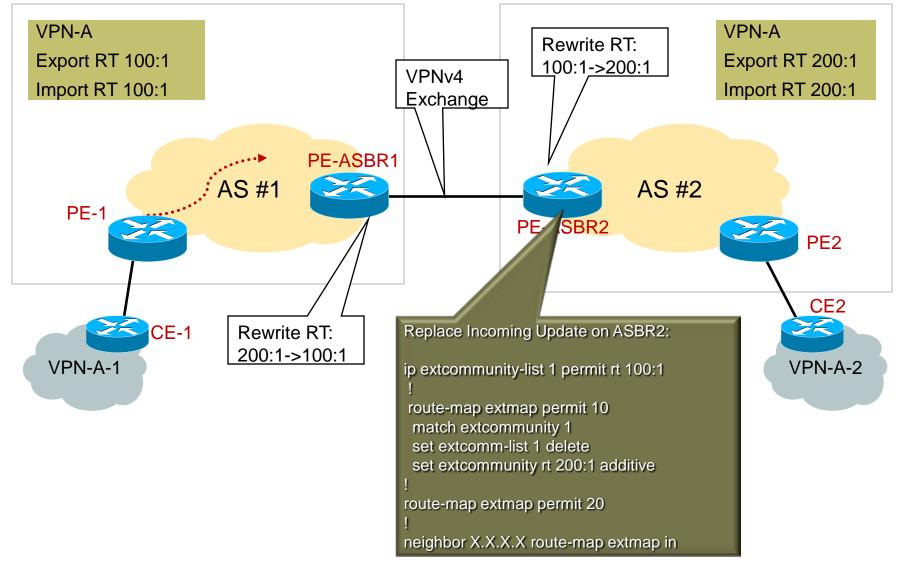
router bgp 2 neighbor 10.10.10.10 remote-as 1 neighbor 10.10.10.10 disable-connected-check neighbor 10.10.10.10 update-source Loopback0 address-family vpnv4 neighbor 10.10.10.10 activate neighbor 10.10.10.10 send-community extended

ip route 10.10.10.10 255.255.255 e0/0 168.192.0.1 ip route 10.10.10.10 255.255.255 e2/0 168.192.2.1 ! Configure /32 static routes to the eBGP neighbor loopback address

### **Inter-AS Security Elements**

- MD5 Authentication on LDP/BGP Sessions
- Apply max prefix
- Static Labels
- TTL Check to diagnose DoS attacks
- Filtering with BGP attributes ASPATH, ext communities, RDs checks, ...etc. Set route-maps to filter and send only the desirable prefixes
- RT Constraint (filtering)
- Customize Route Targets, RT Rewrite

### **Route Target Rewrite Example**



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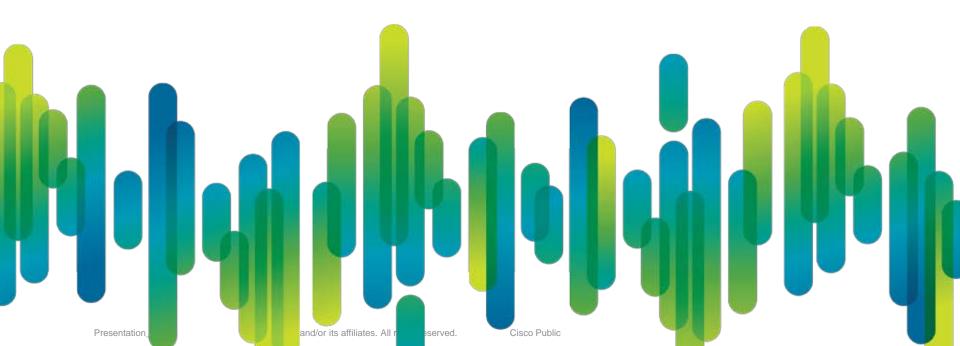
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### **Inter-AS L3VPN Summary**

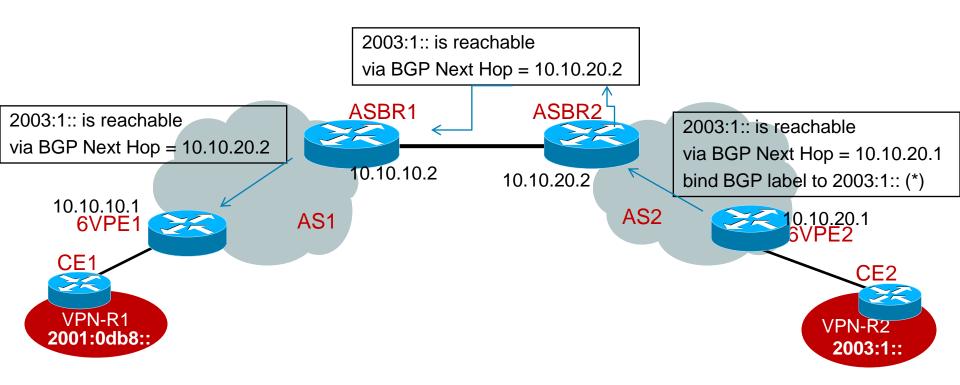
- Three models: Option A, B, and C
- Option A is the most secured. Support granular QoS
- Option B, less invasive
- Option B, only need to know the loopback or interface address of directly connected ASBR
- Option C, most scalable, most invasive, mostly deployed in a single service provider's multi-AS network

# **I-AS IPv6 VPNs**

### Overview

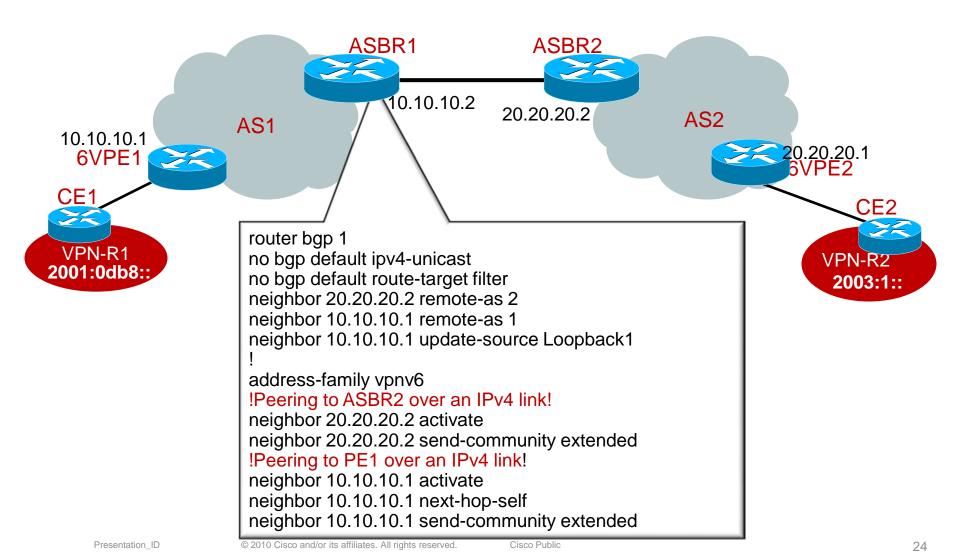


## **Inter-AS IPv6 VPN**



- All three ASBR-to-ASBR connectivity options discussed in earlier sections are supported for
  - -IPv6 Provider Edge Router 6PE model (uses vanilla IPv6)
  - -IPv6 VPN Provider Edge 6VPE model (uses option A,B,C)
- IPv4 address is used for PE-ASBR and ASBR-ASBR peering

### Inter-AS IPv6 VPN Configuration

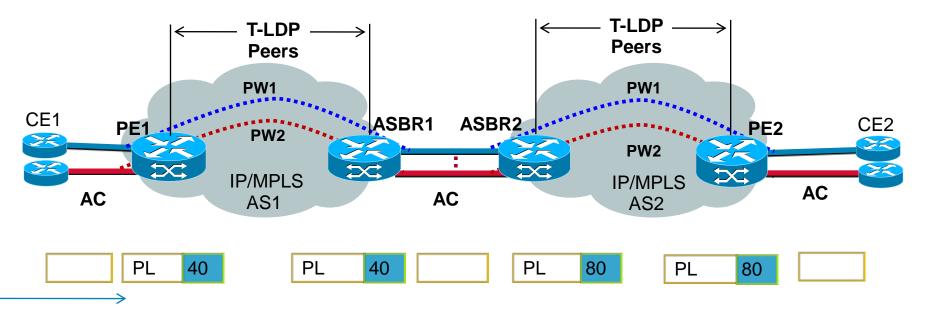


# Inter-AS L2 VPNs: VPWS

I-AS Virtual Private Wire Service: Any Transport over MPLS Overview



### Inter-AS L2VPN Multiple PW Segments using Option A



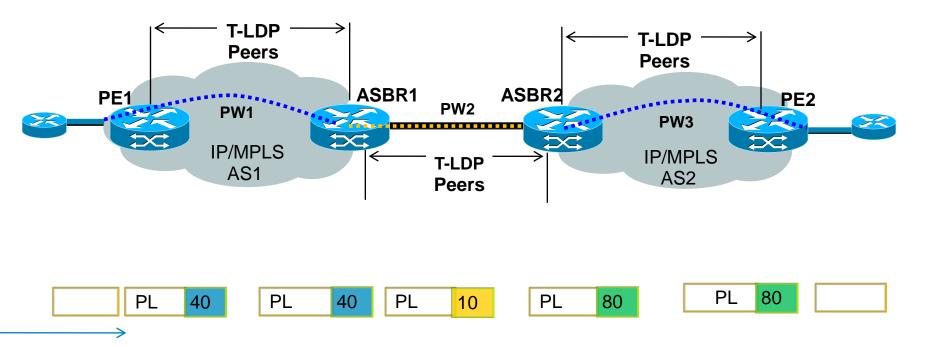
- Any Transport over MPLS is point-to-point L2VPN service
- One PW/AC (AC types: Ethernet, VLAN, PPP, ATM, TDM, FR, HDLC)
- Clear demarcation between ASs
- PE-ASBR exchange PW (VC) label
- Granular QoS control between ASBRs
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Pseudowire ····· PW Label

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PL = Payload

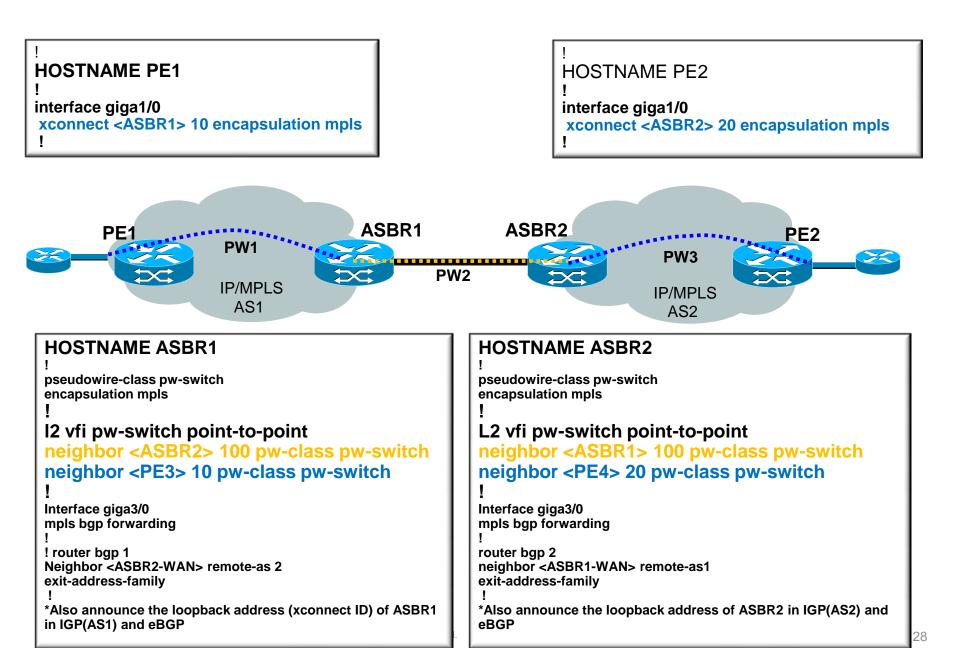
### Inter-AS L2VPN Multi-Hop PW using Option B



- PE and P devices do not learn remote PW endpoint addresses
- Only PW endpoint address (ASBR) leaked between ASs
- ASBRs swap PW (Virtual Circuit) Label

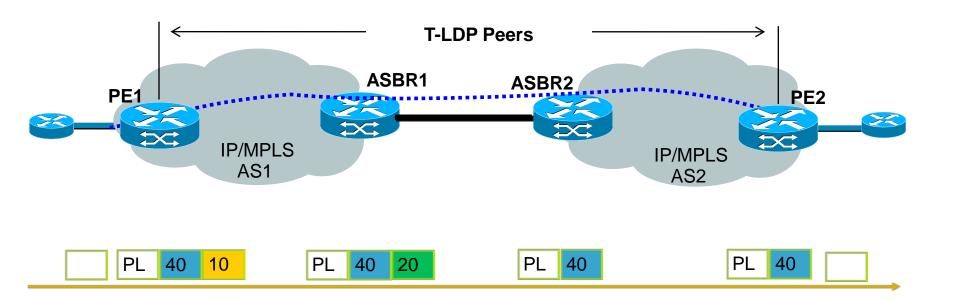
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# Inter-AS L2VPN Option B—Configuration



### Inter-AS AToM—Option C Single-Hop PW: BGP IPv4+label

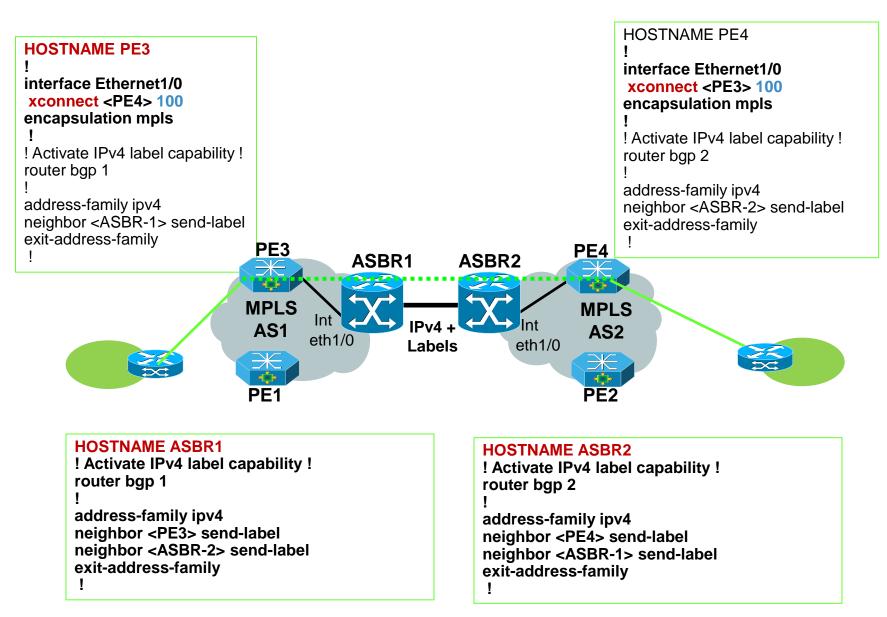
Pseudowire .....



- Single physical interface between ASBRs
- PW endpoint addresses leaked between ASs using eBGP IPv4+label and distributed to PEs using iBGP IPv4+label
- PWs are not terminated on ASBRs

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### Inter-AS AToM Option C—Configuration

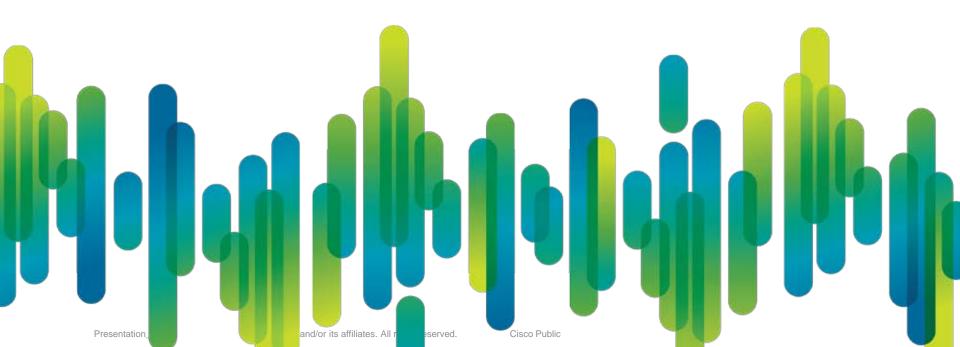


### **I-AS AToM Key Points**

- All three I-AS models are supported to carry pointto-point PWs
- Transparently forwarding of data
- The control word negotiation results must match. The control word is disabled for both segments if either side doesn't support it.
- Per-PW Quality of Service (QoS) is not supported.
- Attachment circuit inter-working is not supported.
- Traffic Engineering (TE) tunnel selection is supported.

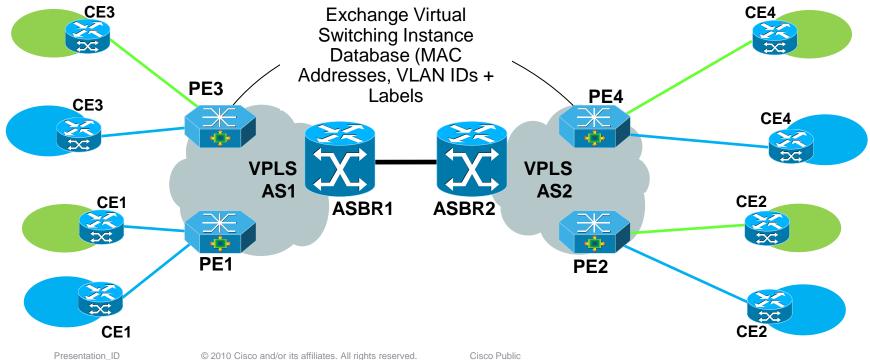
# Inter-AS L2 VPNs: VPLS

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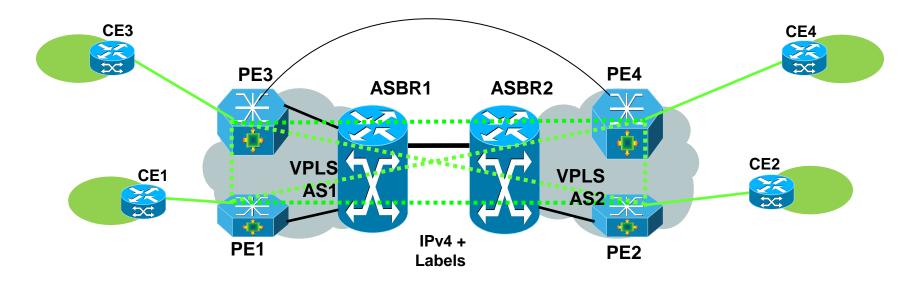


### **Virtual Private LAN Service Overview**

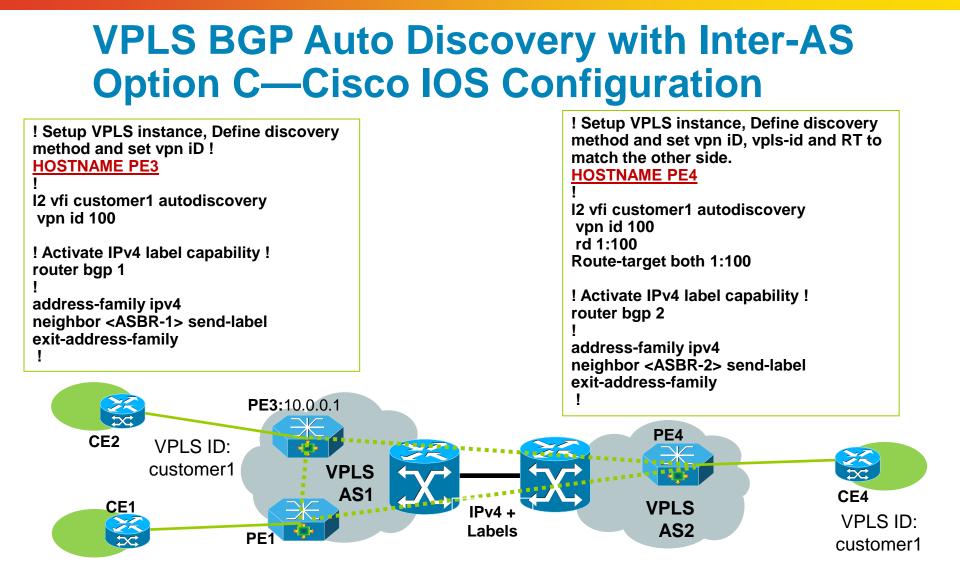
- VPLS provides fully meshed L2 connectivity among VPN Sites
- VPLS VPN sites may span multiple Domains
- PEs aggregating VPN sites in both domains need transparency
- Option A, B and C supported to interconnect ASBRs
- For Option B, use a switching PW on ASBRs as discussed earlier



### Inter-AS VPLS—Option C Single Hop Pseudowires



- Reachability between PEs is provided using eBGP+Labels (Option C discussed earlier)
- PWs are transported through ASBRs
- Targeted LDP session is formed between PEs
- Auto discovery of VPLS VPNs is supported using BGP
- Route Distinguisher, Route Target and VPN IDs are used similar way as in MPLS L3 VPNs
- RDs don't have to match across different domains for the same VPLS VPN sites

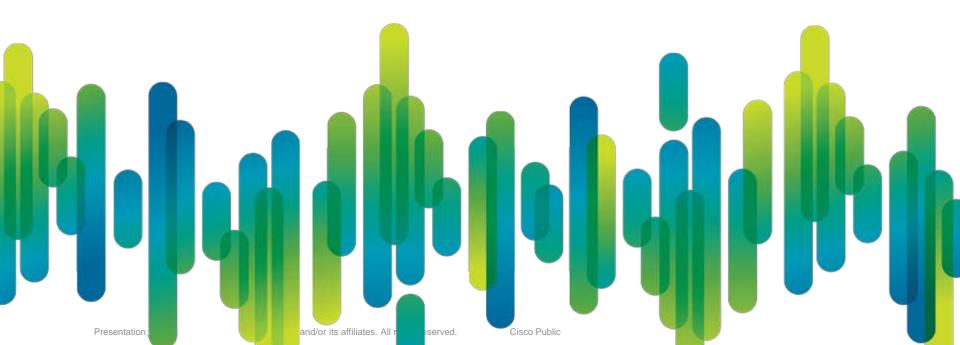


1. PE3 sends this packet to PE4: <u>1:100:10.0.0.1/96 RT 1:100 VPLS-id 1:100</u>

- 2. L2 Subsystem on PE4 decodes it: VPN ID:100, Neighbor LDP-ID: 10.0.0.1 (=NH)
- 3. PWs are setup using directed LDP session among PEs

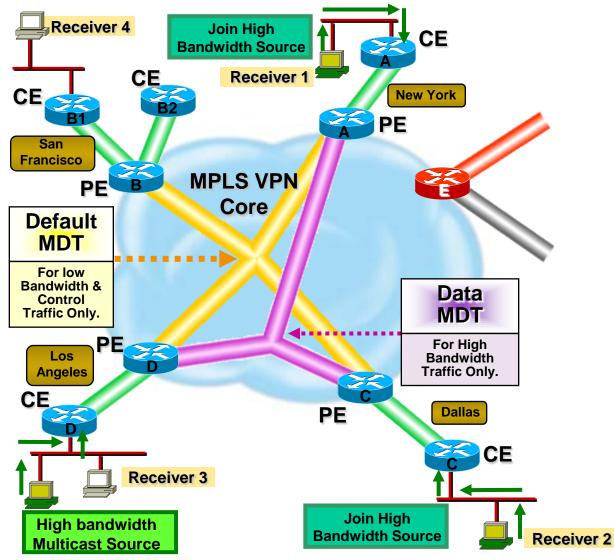
# **Inter-AS mVPNs**

### Overview



#### mVPN Concept and Fundamentals— Review

- CEs join MPLS Core through provider's PE devices
- PEs perform RPF check on Source to build Default and Data Trees (Multicast Data Trees – MDT)
- Interfaces are associated with mVRF
- Source-Receivers communicate using mVRFs



## **I-AS mVPN Requirements**

Challenge: Setup Multicast Data Trees across ASs

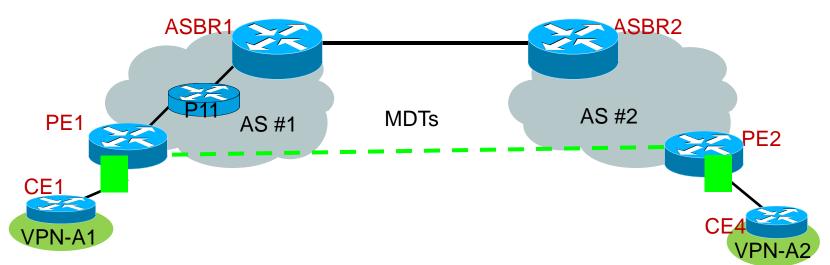
- To form the Default MDT, PE routers must perform an RPF check on the source
- The Source address is not shared between ASs

Solution:

 Support reverse path forwarding (RPF) check for I-AS sources – P and PE devices

Build I-AS MDTs

# **RPF Check with Option B and Option C**



Two new components:

BGP Connector Attribute (Originating PE) & PIM RPF Vector (ASBR1 in AS1)

 For Option B(eBGP between ASBRs): Use BGP Connector Attribute to RPF to source that is reachable via PE router in remote AS

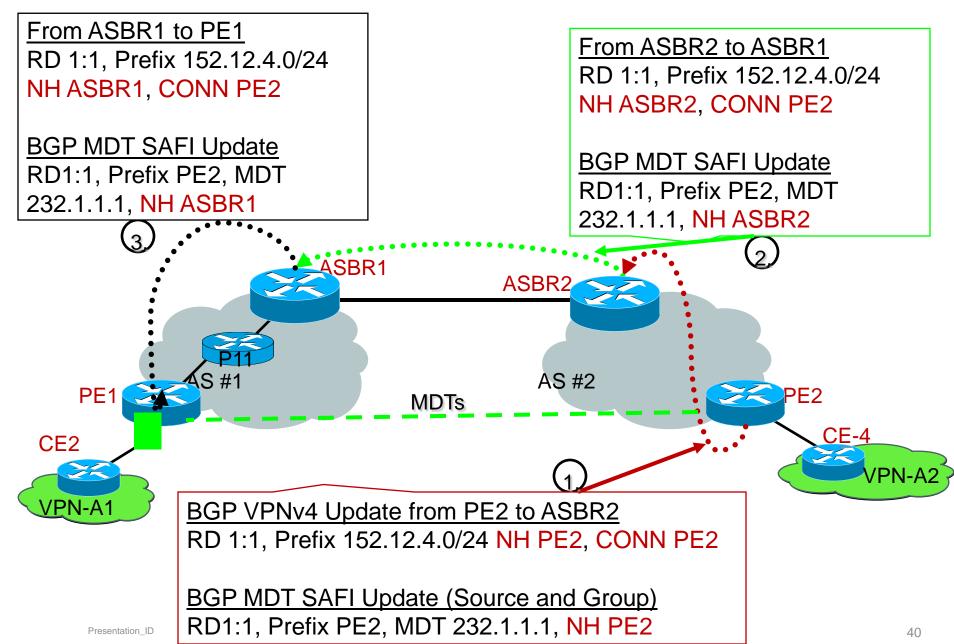
Preserves identity of a PE router originating a VPNv4 Prefix

Receiving PEs in the remote AS use RPF Connector to resolve RPF

 For Option B and C: Use PIM RPF Vector to help P routers build an I-AS MDT to Source PEs in remote AS

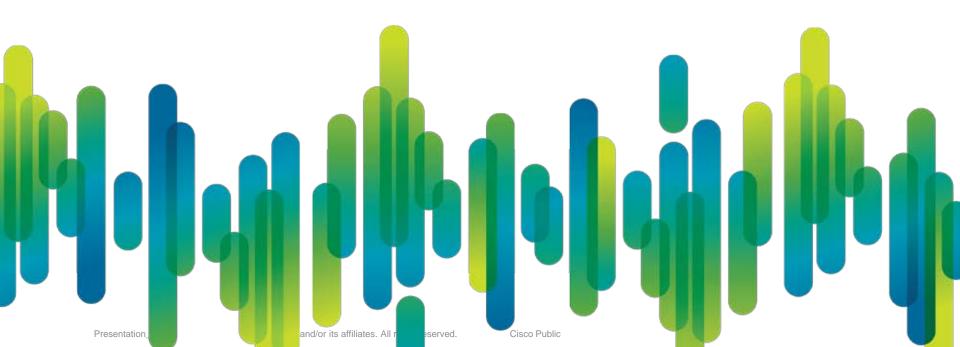
Leverage BGP MDT SAFI on ASBRs and receiver PEs to insert the RPF Vector needed to build an I-AS MDT to source PEs in remote ASs

#### **I-AS MVPN MDT Establishment for Option B**

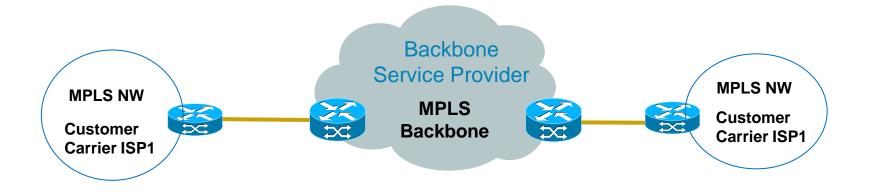


# **Carrier Supporting Carrier**

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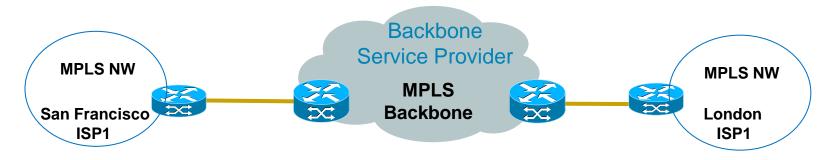
# **Introducing Carrier Supporting Carrier**



- CSC is one of the VPN services that is applicable in a Multi-AS network environment
- CSC VPN service is a VPN service that provides MPLS transport for customers with MPLS networks
- It is also known as hierarchical MPLS VPN service since MPLS VPN customer carrier subscribes MPLS VPN service from an MPLS Backbone provider
- Defined in RFC 4364. (previously well know by draft 2547biz)

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# Why Carrier Supporting Carrier?



 MPLS VPN services offerings by an MPLS VPN backbone provider to customers with MPLS networks

Provide business continuity by extending segmented networks

Customer networks include ISP, Carriers, or other enterprise networks

Address scalability issues at the PEs

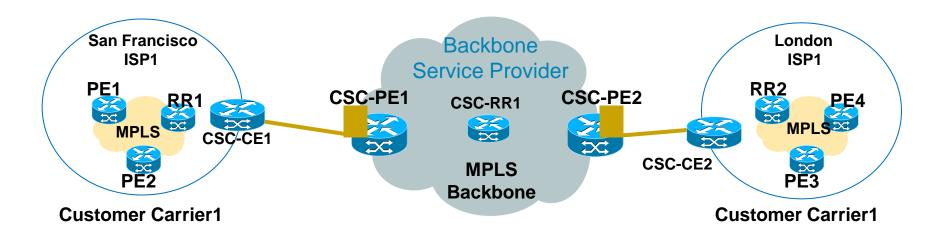
MPLS-VPN works well for carrying customer IGPs

Reduce #s of VPN routes carried by a PE by using hierarchical model

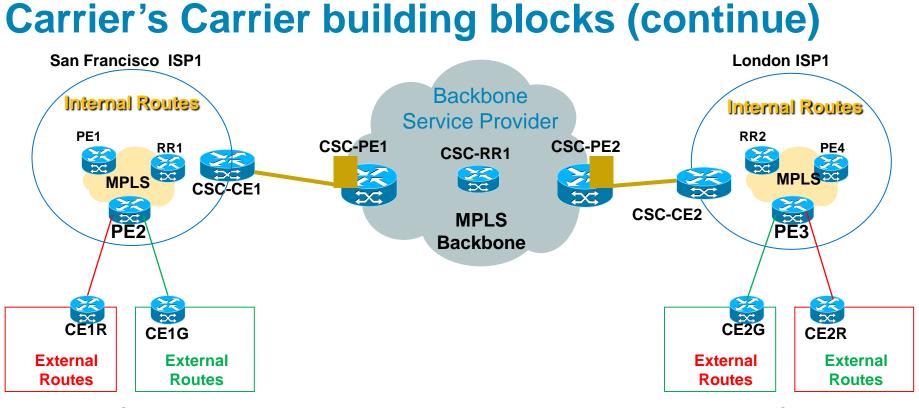
Platforms, network scale to N\*O(IGP) routes: Internet Routes

Separate Carrier's Internal routes from external routes eliminating the need to store customer's external routes

## **Carrier's Carrier building blocks**



- MPLS MPLS-VPN enabled Carrier's backbone
- CSC-PE: MPLS VPN PEs located in backbone Carrier's Core
- CSC-CE: Located at the Customer Carrier (ISP/SPs/Enterprise) network edge and connects to a CSC-PE
- PE: located in Customer carrier networks & carries customer VPN routes
- CSC-RR: Route Reflectors located in MPLS Backbone provider network
- RR: Route Reflectors located in Customer Carrier Network
- MPLS Label exchange between Carrier's PE & ISP/SPs CE



**VPN Customers** 

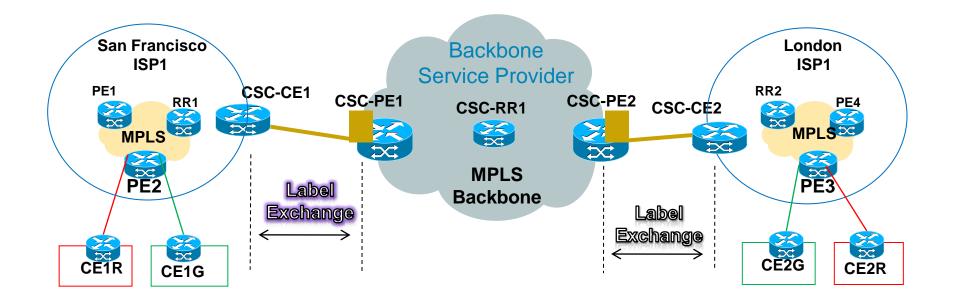
**VPN Customers** 

- External Routes: IP routes from VPN customer networks
- Internal Routes: Internal routes (global table) of Customer Carrier network
- External routes are stored and exchanged among Customer Carrier PEs
- MPLS Backbone network doesn't have any knowledge of external routes
- Customer Carrier selectively provides NLRI to MPLS VPN backbone provider

# **CSC Building Blocks (continue)**

- Control Plane configuration is similar to single domain MPLS VPN
- CSC-CE to CSC-PE is a VPN link to exchange Customer Carrier's internal routes. These routes are redistributed into the BSP's CSC-PE using:
  - 1. Static Routes OR 2. Dynamic IGP OR 3. eBGP
- Customer Carriers don't exchange their Subscribers' (external) VPN routes with the Backbone Service Provider
- CSC-PE-to-CSC-CE links extend Label Switching Path using:
  - 1. IGP+LDP
  - 2. eBGPv4 + Labels

# **Carrier's Carrier building blocks (continue)**



- Label Switched paths between CSC-CE and CSC-PE
- CSC-PE and CSC-CE exchange MPLS Labels

-this is necessary to transport labeled traffic from a Customer Carrier

IP between CE and PE for VPN customers

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# **Carrier Supporting Carrier Models**

- 1. Customer Carrier Is Running IP Only -similar to basic MPLS L3 VPN environment
- 2. Customer Carrier Is Running MPLS

-LSP is established between CSC-CE and CSC-PE

-Customer carrier is VPN subscriber of MPLS VPN backbone provider

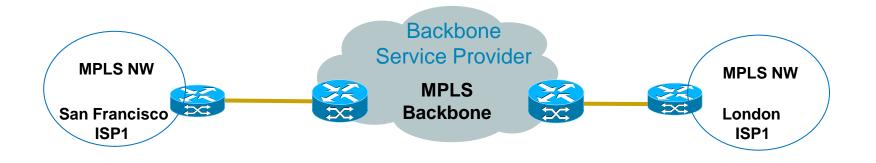
3. Customer Carrier Supports MPLS VPNs

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-Customer carrier is VPN subscriber of MPLS VPN backbone provider

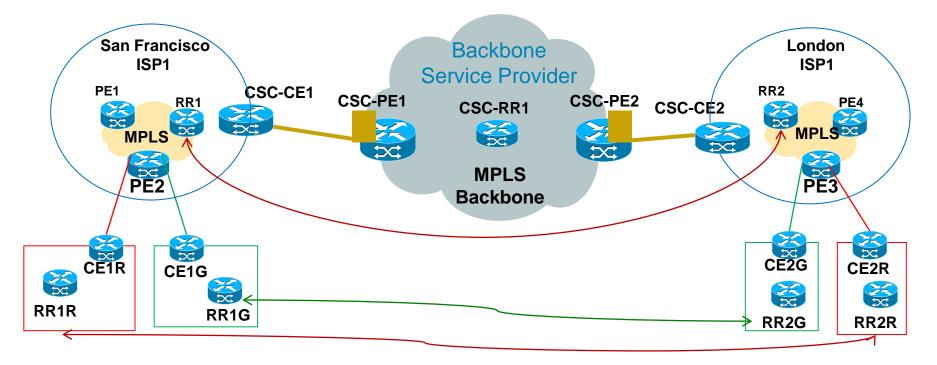
-True hierarchical VPN model

#### CSC Model III Customer Carrier Supports MPLS VPNs



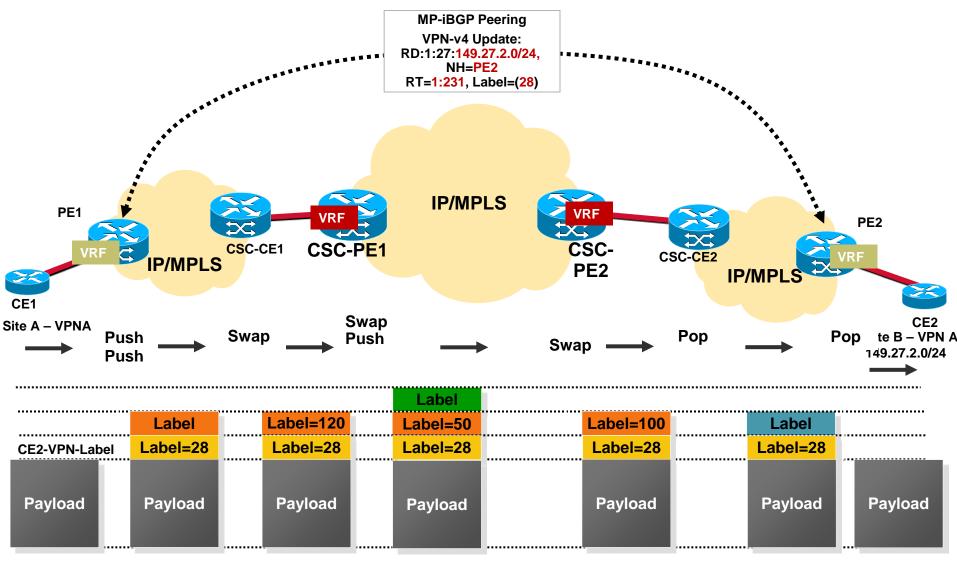
- LSP is extended to CSC-PE, CSC-CE advertises labels for internal routes to CSC-PE; CSC-PE1 performs imposition for site VPN label and IGP label
- PE swaps the site IGP label with a BB VPN label and push IGP label; PHP is now extended to inside of site 2
- External and VPNv4 routes are carried by MP-BGP between customer carrier sites
- CSC-CE and CSC-PE exchange labels using IGP+LDP or eBGP+Label

# **CSC Model III Routing Exchange**



- RR1R and RR2R exchange Red VPN site routes
- RR1 and RR2 exchange ISP1 site routes
- CSC-RR1 updates CSC-PEs
- ISP1 adds Subscriber VPN Label which is removed by the remote ISP1 VPN site
- Backbone CSC-PE1 adds backbone VPN label which is removed by backbone
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#### CSC Model III—Customer Carrier Supports MPLS VPNs

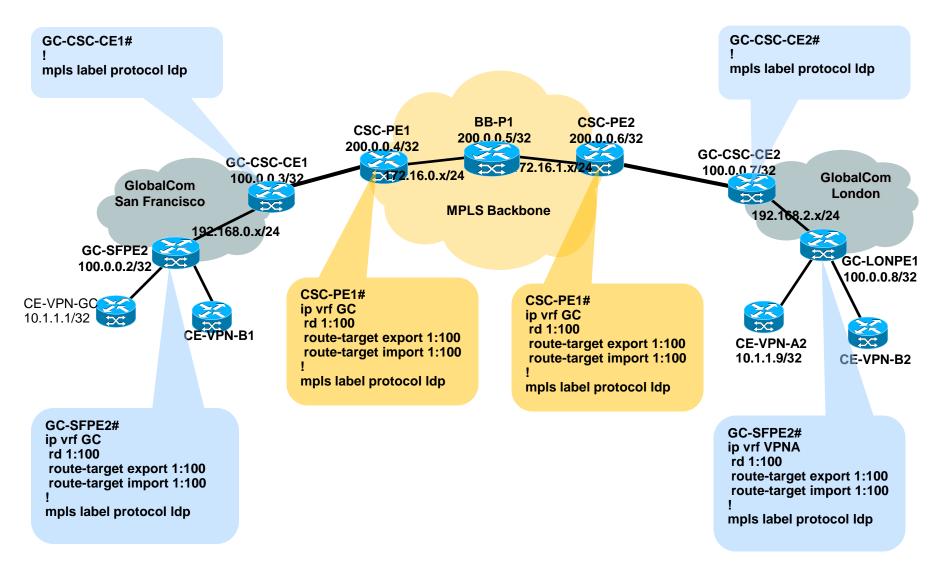


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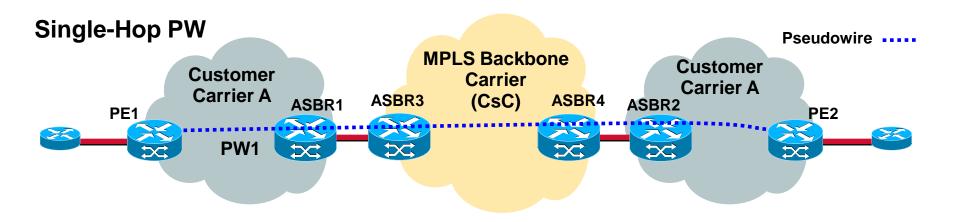
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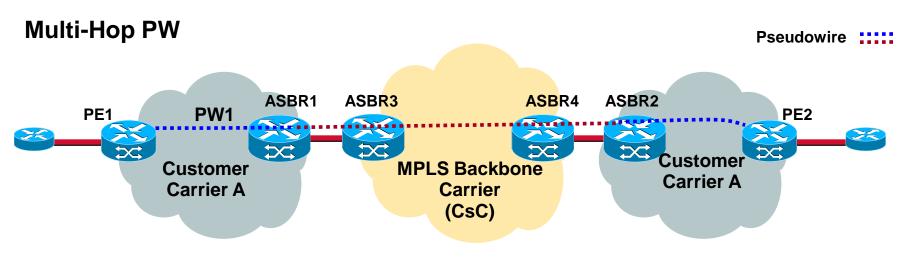
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#### CSC Model III with IPv4+Label Cisco IOS Configuration



### **MPLS L2VPNs Across a CSC Network**





### **CSC Security Elements**

- MD5 authentication on LDP/BGP sessions
- Applying max prefix limits per VRF
- Use of static labels between CSC-CE and CSC-PE
- Route Filtering

...Customer Carrier may not want to send all the internal routes to MPLS VPN backbone provider...

Use Route-maps to control route distribution & filter routes

Use match and set capabilities in route-maps

# CSC Summary (1)

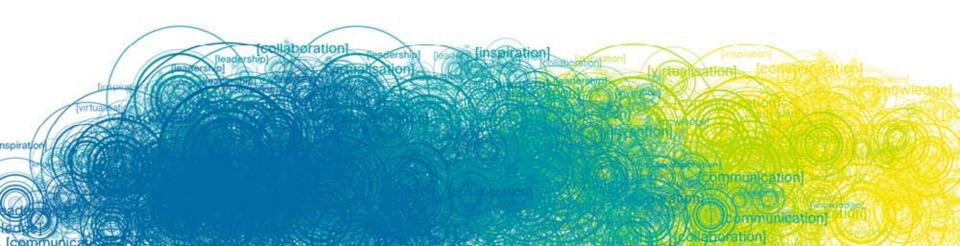
- CSC supports hierarchical VPNs
- VPNs inside customer carrier's network are transparent to the backbone MPLS VPN Service Provider
- QoS will be honored based on MPLS EXP bits between CSC-CE and CSC-PE
- Granular QoS policies should be pre-negotiated and manually configured
- Additional supported Services over CSC
  - MPLS IPV6 VPNs Multicast VPNs MPLS L2 VPNs MPLS TE

#### **Best Practice Recommendations**

- Do not use Static default routes on CSC-CE
   End-End LSP is required across the VPN and MPLS VPN backbone
- Use dynamic protocol instead of static on CSC-CE CSC-PE link preferably eBGP+IPv4 Labels
- Set Next-Hop-Self on PEs carrying external routes
- If using IGP on CSC-CE routers, use filters to limit incoming routes from the CSC-PE side
- If using RRs in customer carrier network, set next-hopunchanged on RRs

# **I-AS RSVP TE**

#### Overview



# How MPLS TE Works in a Single Domain

- 1. Head-end learns network topology information using: ISIS-TE OSPF-TE full view of the topology
- 2. Path Calculation (CSPF)
- 3. Path Setup (RSVP-TE):
  - Label\_Request (PATH) Label (RESV) Explicit\_Route Object Record\_Route (Path/RESV) Session\_Attribute (Path)
- 4. LFIB populated using RSVP labels

5. Packets forwarded onto a tunnel via:

RESV

PATH

TE Mid

points

PATH

RESV

Tailend

- Static routed
- Autoroute
- Policy route
- CBTS
- **Tunnel Select**
- Forwarding Adjacency
- 6. Packets follow the tunnel LSP and Not the IGP LSP

# **Inter-Domain Traffic Engineering**

Challenge:

- Head end and Tail end are located in different domains
- IGP information is not shared between domains
- Head end lacks the knowledge of complete network topology to perform path computation

Solution:

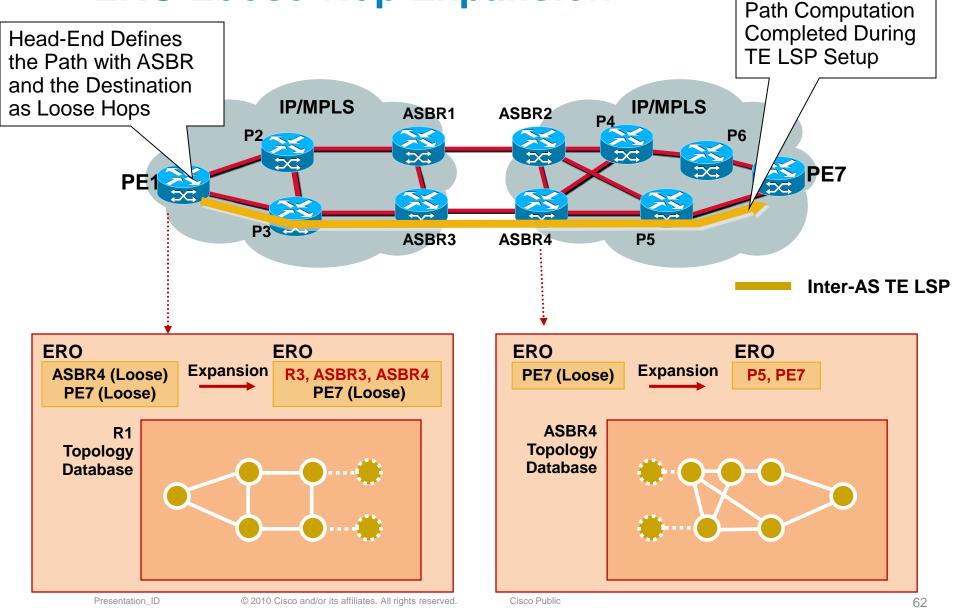
 Use Explicit Route Object (ERO) Loose Hop Expansion, Node-id, and Path re-evaluation request/reply Flags to provide per-domain path computation at the head-end + RSVP Policy Control and Confidentiality

RFCs: 3209, 4736, 4561, ...etc.

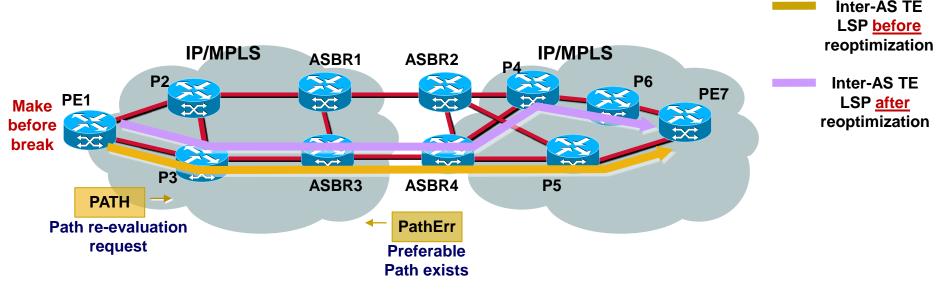
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#### Per-Domain Path Computation Using ERO Loose-Hop Expansion

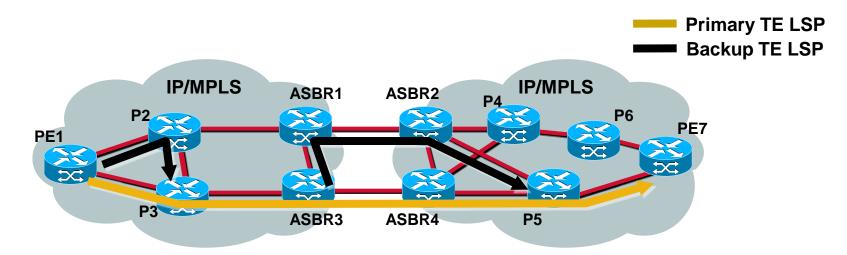


### Inter-Domain TE—TE LSP Reoptimization



- Reoptimization can be timer/event/admin triggered
- Head end sets 'path re-evaluation request' flag (SESSION\_ATTRIBUTE)
- Head end receives a <u>PathErr message</u> notification <u>from the</u> <u>boundary</u> router if a preferable path exists
- Make-before-break TE LSP setup can be initiated after PathErr notification

#### **Inter-Domain TE—Fast Re-Route**

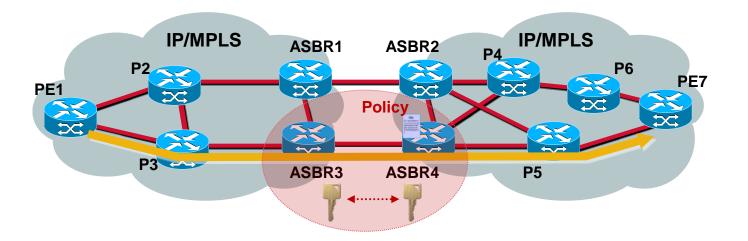


- Same configuration as single domain scenario
- Link and Node protection include ASBRs and ASBR to ASBR links
- Support for Node-id sub-object is required to implement ABR/ASBR node protection
- Node-id helps point of local repair (PLR) detect a merge point (MP)
- Node-id flag defined in draft-ietf-nodeid-subobject

Presentation\_ID

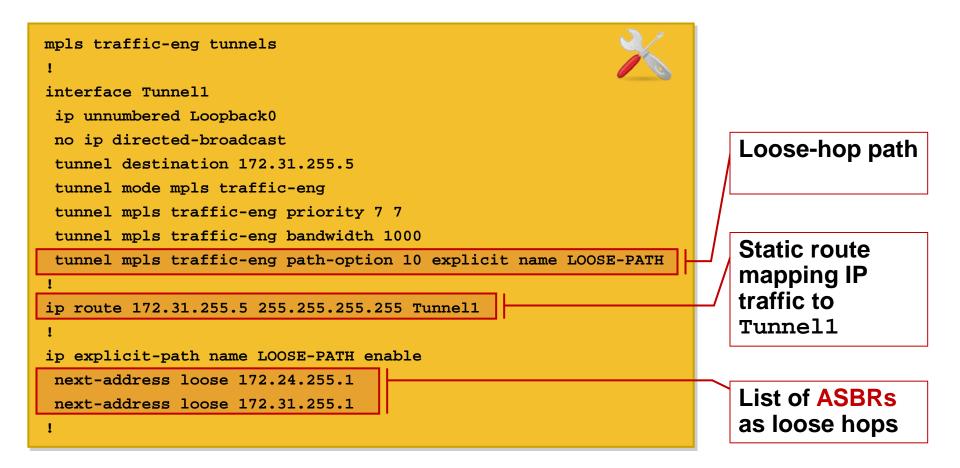
# Inter-Domain TE—Policy Control and Confidentiality

Inter-AS TE LSP



- ASBR may enforce a local policy during Inter-AS TE LSPs setup (e.g. limit bandwidth, message types, protection, etc.)
- Route Recording may be limited
- ASBR may modify source address of messages (PathErr) originated in the AS
- ASBR may perform RSVP authentication (MD5/SHA-1)

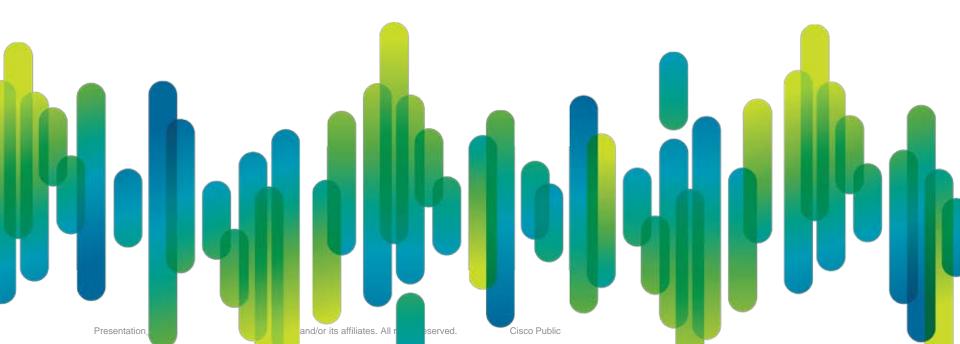
# Configuring Inter-AS Tunnels (Cisco IOS)

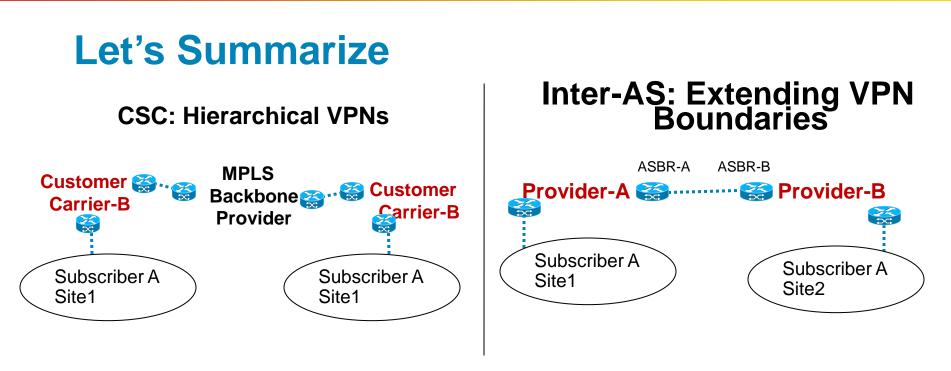


#### **Configuring Inter-AS TE at ASBR** (Cisco IOS)

mpls traffic-eng tunnels	Authentication key
<pre>key chain A-ASBR1-key key 1 key 1 key-string 7 151E0E18092F222A ! interface Serial1/0 ip address 192.168.0.1 255.255.255.252 mpls traffic-eng tunnels mpls traffic-eng passive-interface nbr-te-id 172.16.255.4 nbr-igp-id ospf 172.16.255.4 ip rsvp bandwidth</pre>	Add ASBR link to TE topology database
ip rsvp authentication key-chain A-ASBR1-key ip rsvp authentication type sha-1 ip rsvp authentication	Enable RSVP authentication
<pre>i router bgp 65024 no synchronization bgp log-neighbor-changes neighbor 172.24.255.3 remote-as 65024 neighbor 172.24.255.3 update-source Loopback0 neighbor 192.168.0.2 remote-as 65016 no auto-summary ! ip rsvp policy local origin-as 65016 no fast-reroute maximum bandwidth single 10000 forward all !</pre>	Process signaling from AS 65016 if FRR not requested and 10M or less

# Summary





- MPLS VPNs model A, B and C have been deployed to support VPNs among Service Providers and within a single Service Provider's multi-AS networks
- MPLS L2 VPNs, L3VPNs (IPv4, IPv6, and multicast VPNs) are supported in multi-domain environment
- MPLS TE is also supported in multi-area or multi-AS networks
- QoS policies across the ASBRs need to be agreed by the partners and should be configured manually

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