

What You Make Possible



Network Virtualisation Design Concepts Over the WAN

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Session Assumptions & Disclaimers

- Participants should have a:
 - Intermediate knowledge of IP routing, IP/GRE tunnels, VRF's, and WAN design fundamentals and technologies
 - Basic knowledge of MP-BGP, MPLS VPNs, GRE tunnelling, IP QoS
- This discussion will not cover VMware, Virtual Machines, or other server Virtualisation technologies
- Data Centre Interconnection (DCI) is an important element in a complete WAN Virtualisation infrastructure, but is not a focus in this session nor is Layer 2 Virtualisation technologies
- RFC 2547 (BGP/MPLS IP VPNs) is referenced frequently for MPLS VPN. This is for familiarity only. RFC 2547 is now replaced with RFC 4364.

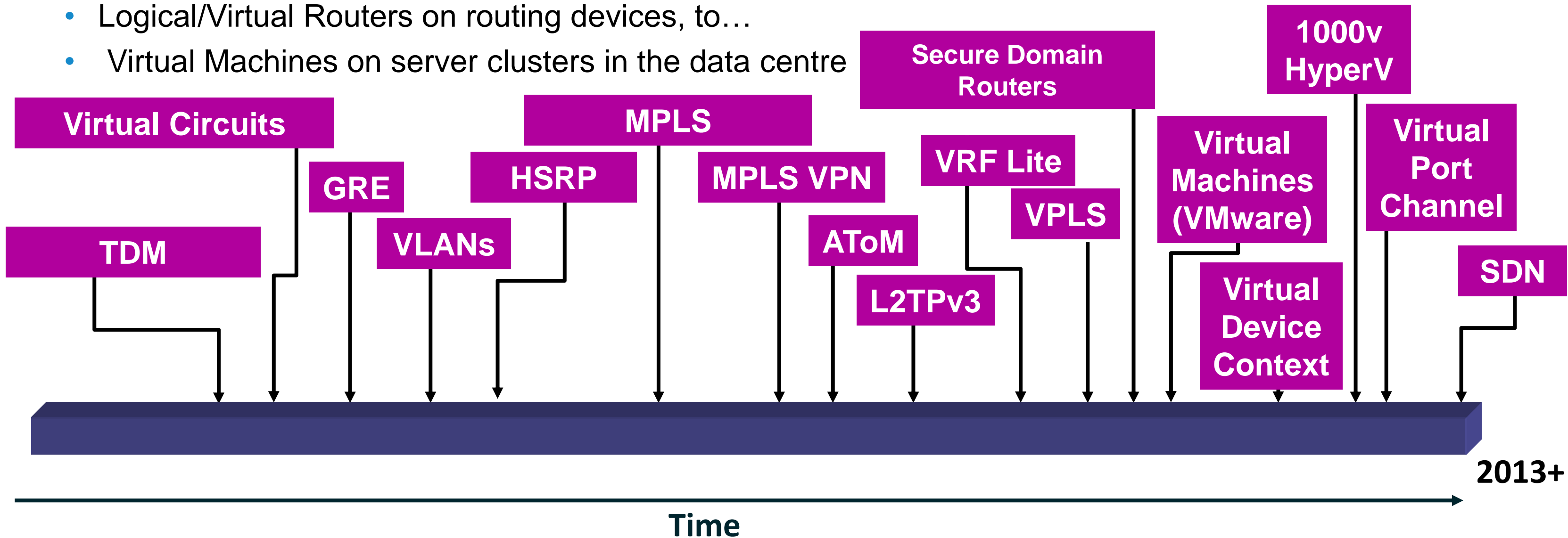
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Evolution of “Network” Virtualisation

...Means Many Things to Many People 😊

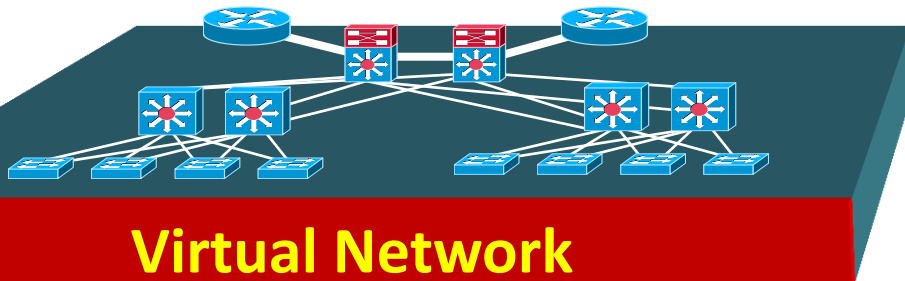
- It has evolved a long way from technologies like TDM (1960's)
- From TDM, ATM/FR Virtual Circuits in the WAN, to...
- VLANs in the Campus, to...
- Logical/Virtual Routers on routing devices, to...
- Virtual Machines on server clusters in the data centre



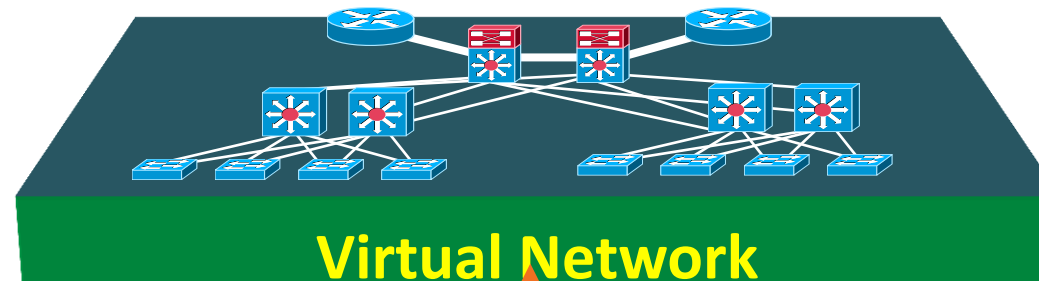
What Is Enterprise “Network” Virtualisation?

- Giving One **physical network** the ability to support multiple **virtual networks**
- End-user perspective is that of being connected to a dedicated network (security, independent set of policies, routing decisions...)
- Maintains **Hierarchy**, **Virtualises** devices, data paths, and services
- Allows for better utilisation of network resources

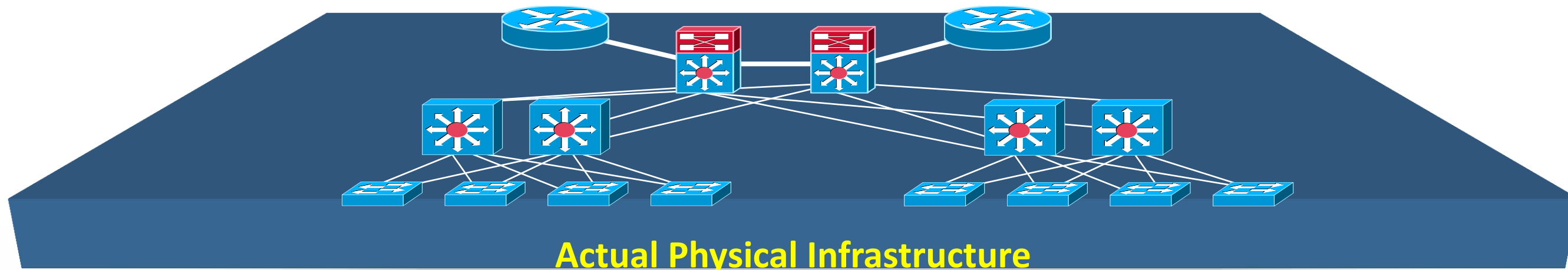
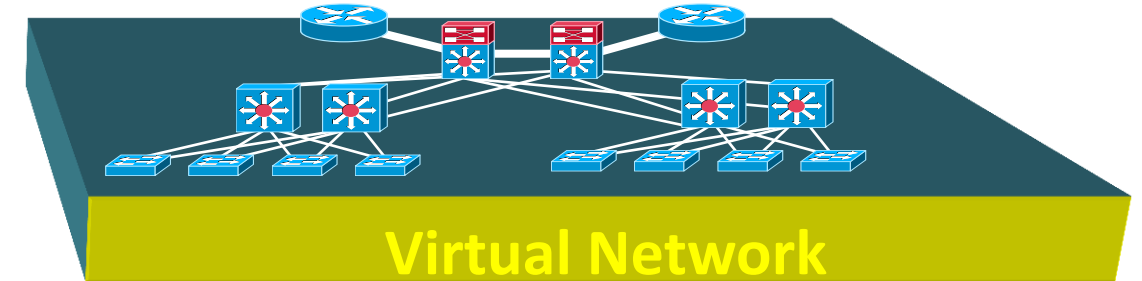
Internal Organisational Separation (Eng, Sales)



Merged Company



Guest Access Network



Why Network Virtualisation?

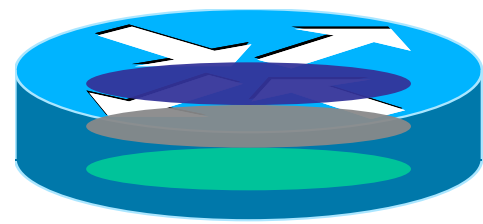
Key Benefits

- **Cost Reduction**—allowing a single physical network the ability to support multiple users and virtual networks
- **Simpler OAM**—reducing the amount of network devices needing to be managed and monitored
- **Security**—maintaining segmentation of the network for different departments over a single device/Campus/WAN
- **High Availability**—leverage Virtualisation through clustering devices that appear as one (vastly increased uptime)
- **Data Centre Applications**—require maintained separation, end-to-end (i.e. continuity of Virtualisation from server-to-campus-to-WAN) , including Multi-tenant DC's for Cloud Computing
- **Common Use Cases**
 - Guest Access, Airports, Cloud Computing IaaS, Physical Security Separation, Company Mergers
 - Regulation/Compliance – Health Care (HIPPA), Credit Card (PCI)

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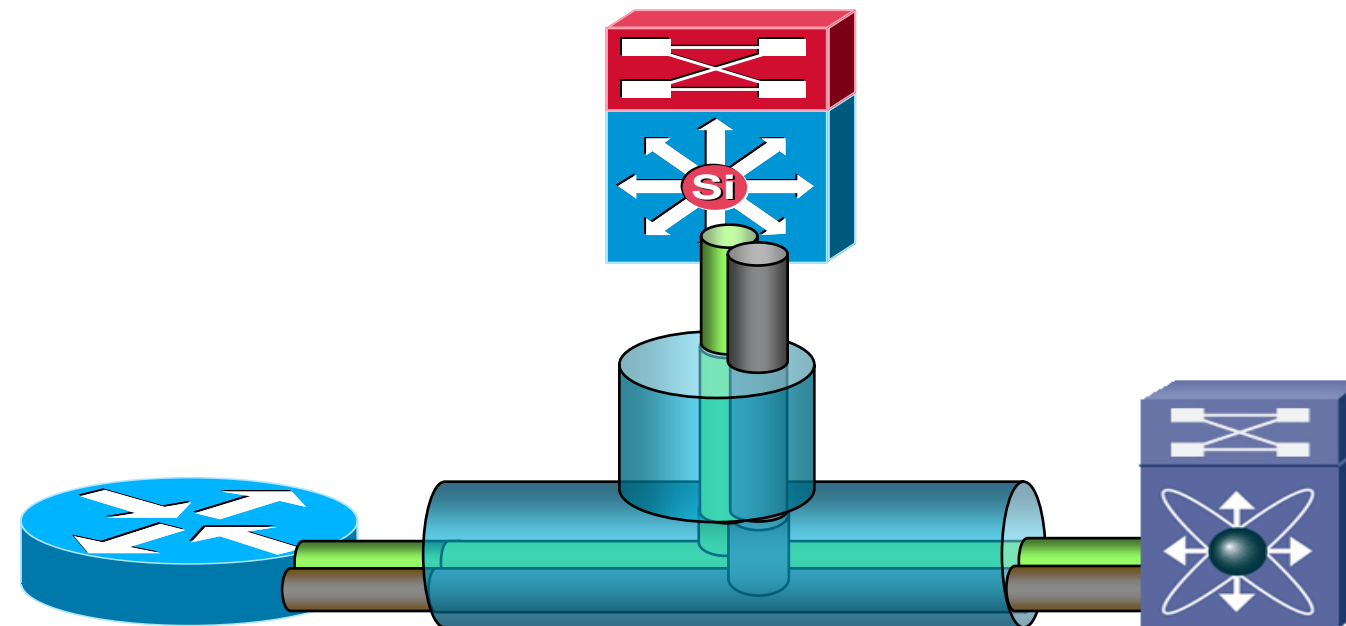
Key Building Blocks

Device Partitioning



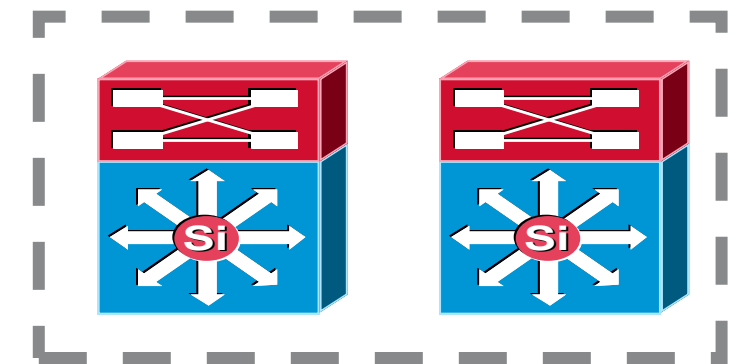
“Virtualising” the Routing and Forwarding of the Device

Virtualised Interconnect



Extending and Maintaining the “Virtualised” Devices/Pools over Any Media

Device Pooling



“Virtualising” Multiple Devices to Function as a Single Device

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The Building Blocks – Example Technologies

Device Partitioning



VLANs

VRFs

EVN (Easy Virtual Network)

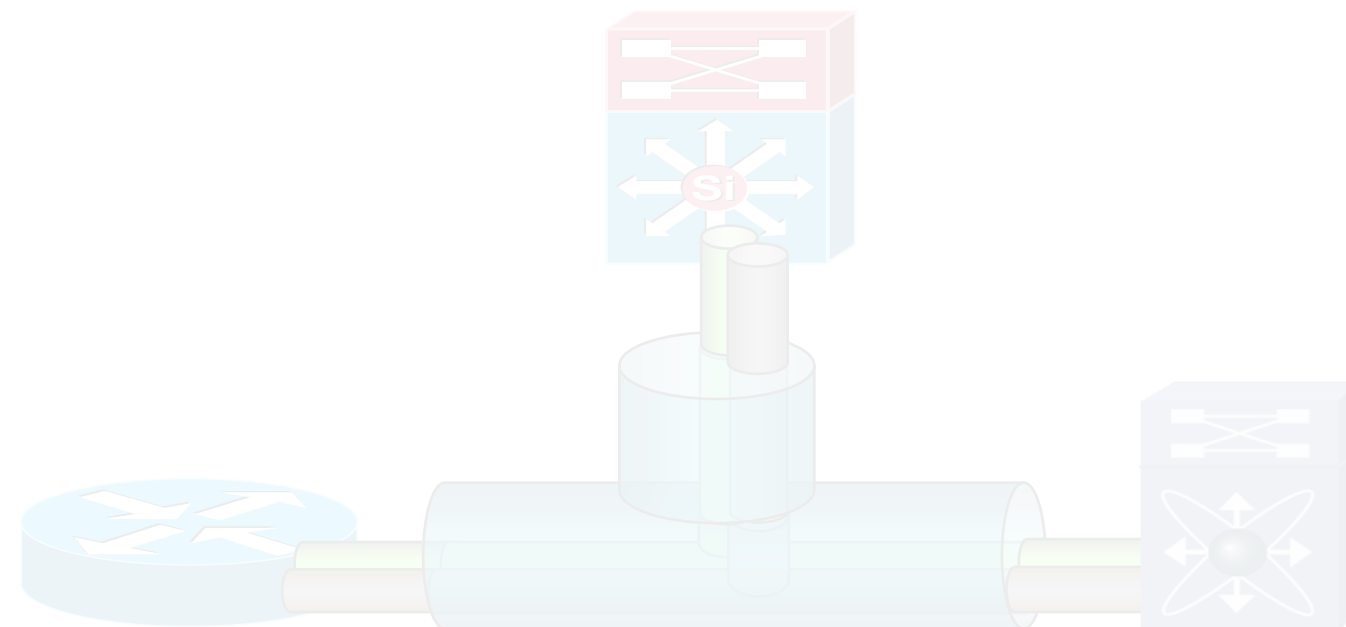
VDC (Virtual Device Context)

SDR (Secure Domain Routers)

FW Contexts

VASI (VRF Aware Service Int)

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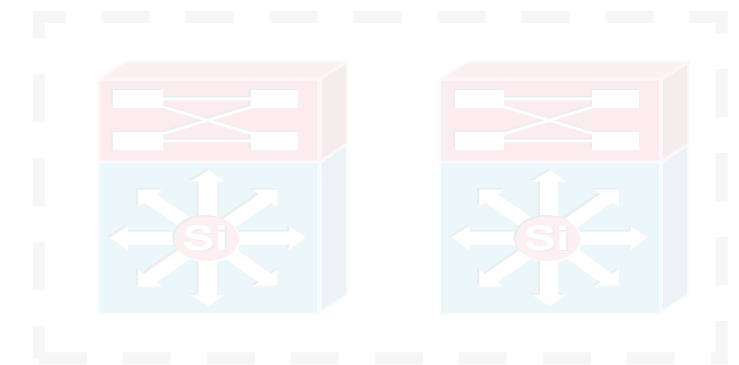


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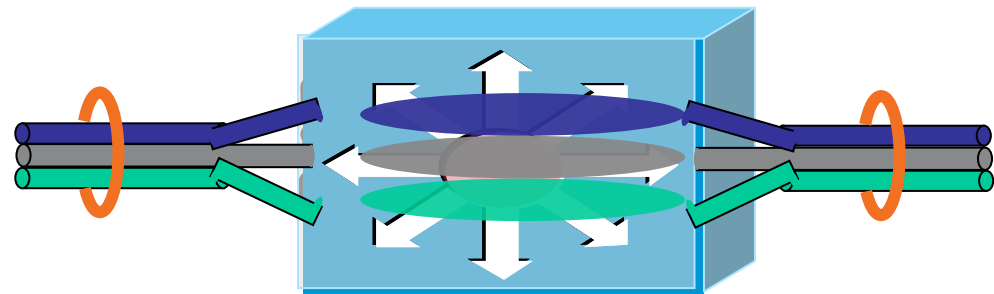
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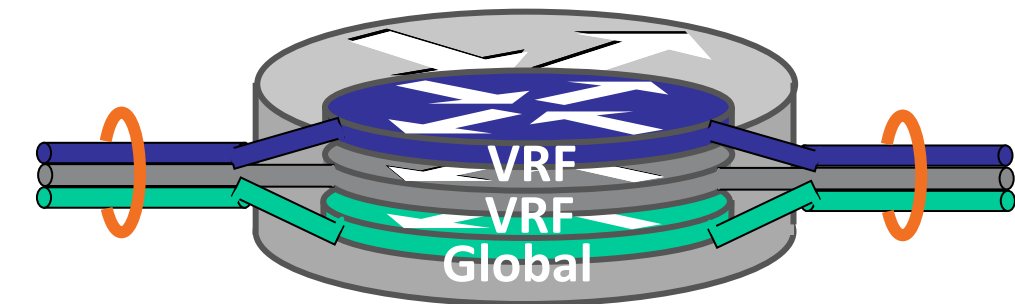
Virtual Port Channel (vPC)

HSRP/GLBP

Device Partitioning – Layer 2 & 3



VLAN—Virtual LAN



VRF—Virtual Routing and Forwarding

- **Virtualise at Layer 2 forwarding**
- Associates to one or more L2 interfaces on switch
- Has its own MAC forwarding table and spanning-tree instance per VLAN
- Interconnect options?
 - VLANs are extended via phy cable or virtual 802.1q trunk

- **Virtualise at Layer 3 forwarding**
- Associates to one or more Layer 3 interfaces on router/switch
- Each VRF has its own
 - Forwarding table (CEF)
 - Routing process (RIP, OSPF, BGP)
- Interconnect options (VRF-Lite)?
 - 802.1q, GRE, sub-interfaces, physical cables, signalling

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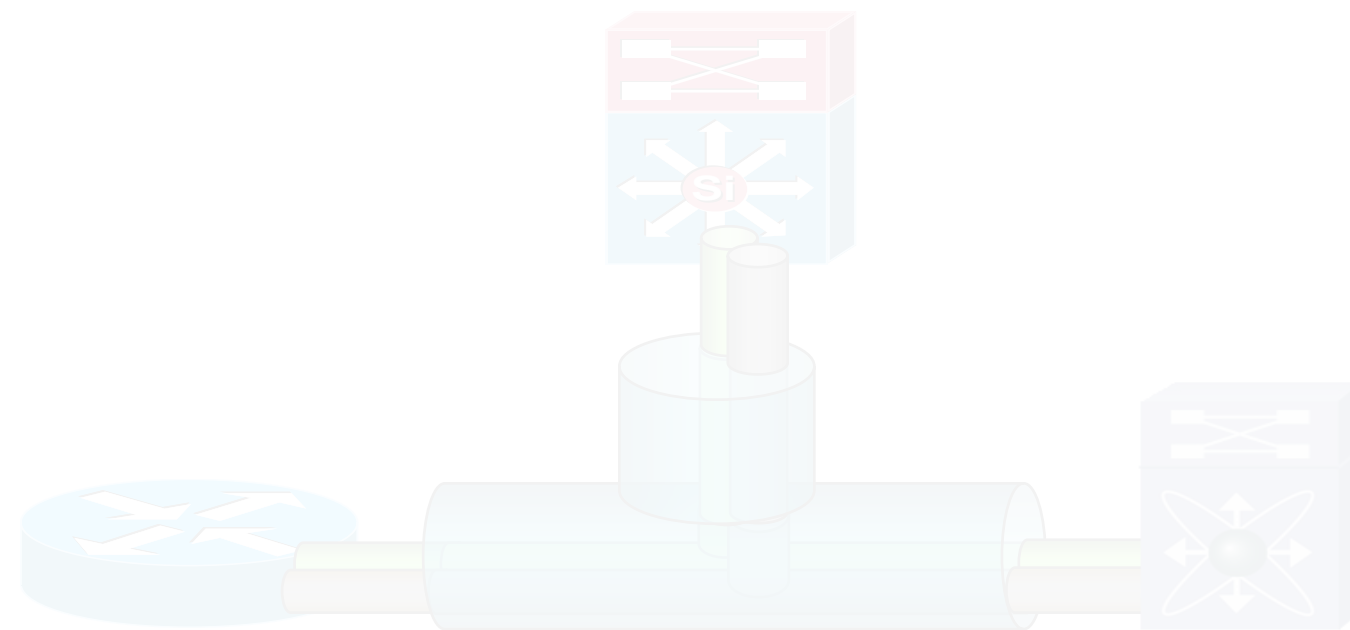
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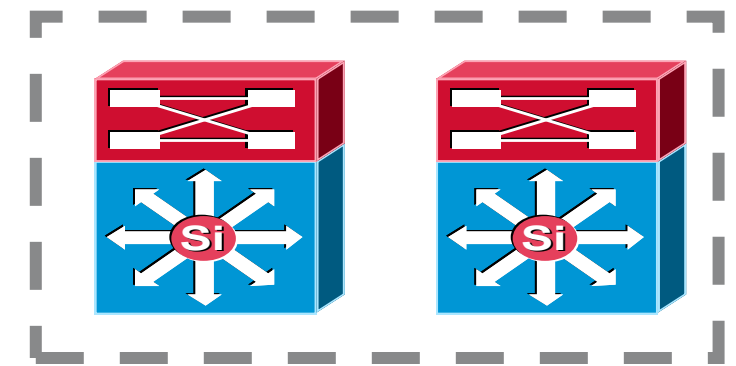


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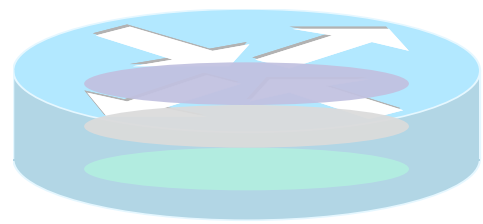
ASR 9000v/nV Clustering

Inter-Chassis Control Protocol (ICCP)

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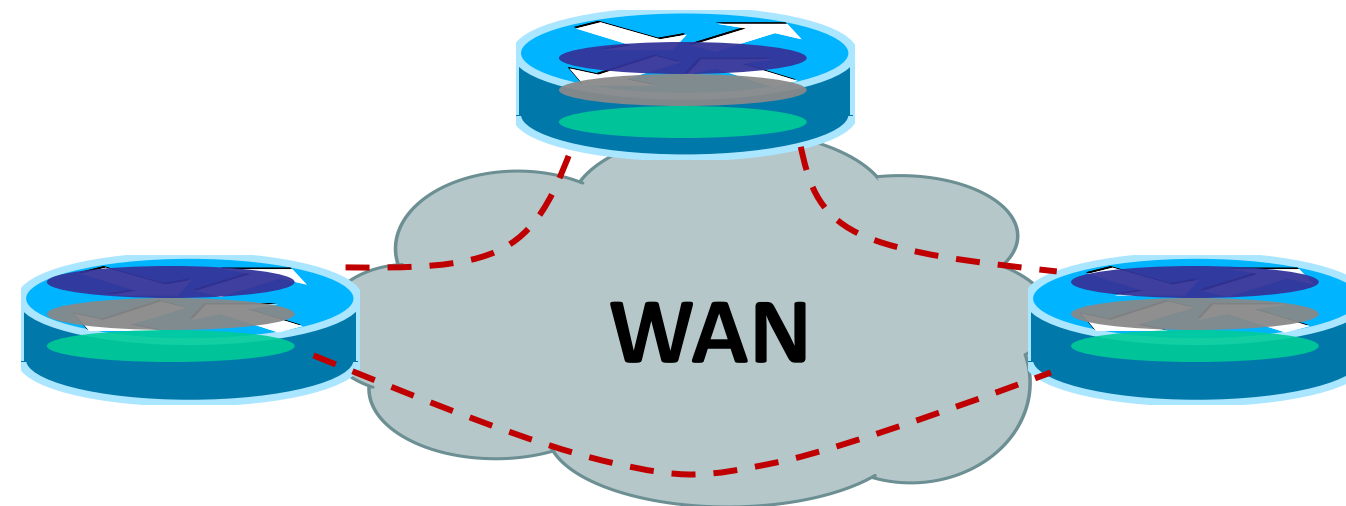
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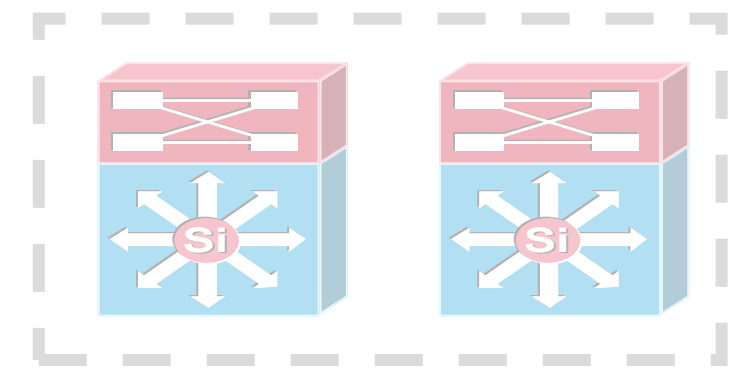
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L2 VPNs – PWE3, VPLS, L2 VPN over IP, L2TPv3, OTV (Overlay Transport Virtualisation), FabricPath/L2MP

Evolving Standards – TRILL, Fat-PW, MPLS-TP, PBB/E-VPN, LISP Virtualisation, VxLAN

MPLS-TP = MPLS Transport Profile

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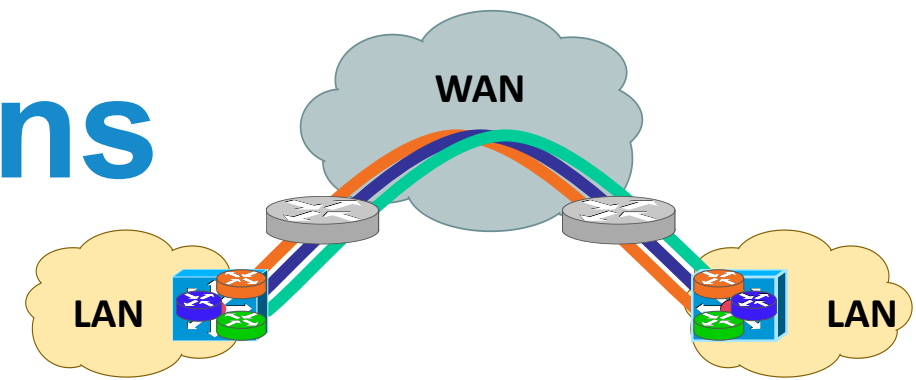
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Today's WAN Transport Options



Topologies

- Point-point, multi-point
- Full/partial mesh
- Hub/Spoke or Multi-Tier

VPN Offerings

- L2 – Ethernet (p2p, p2mp)
- L3 – Private IP VPN

Media

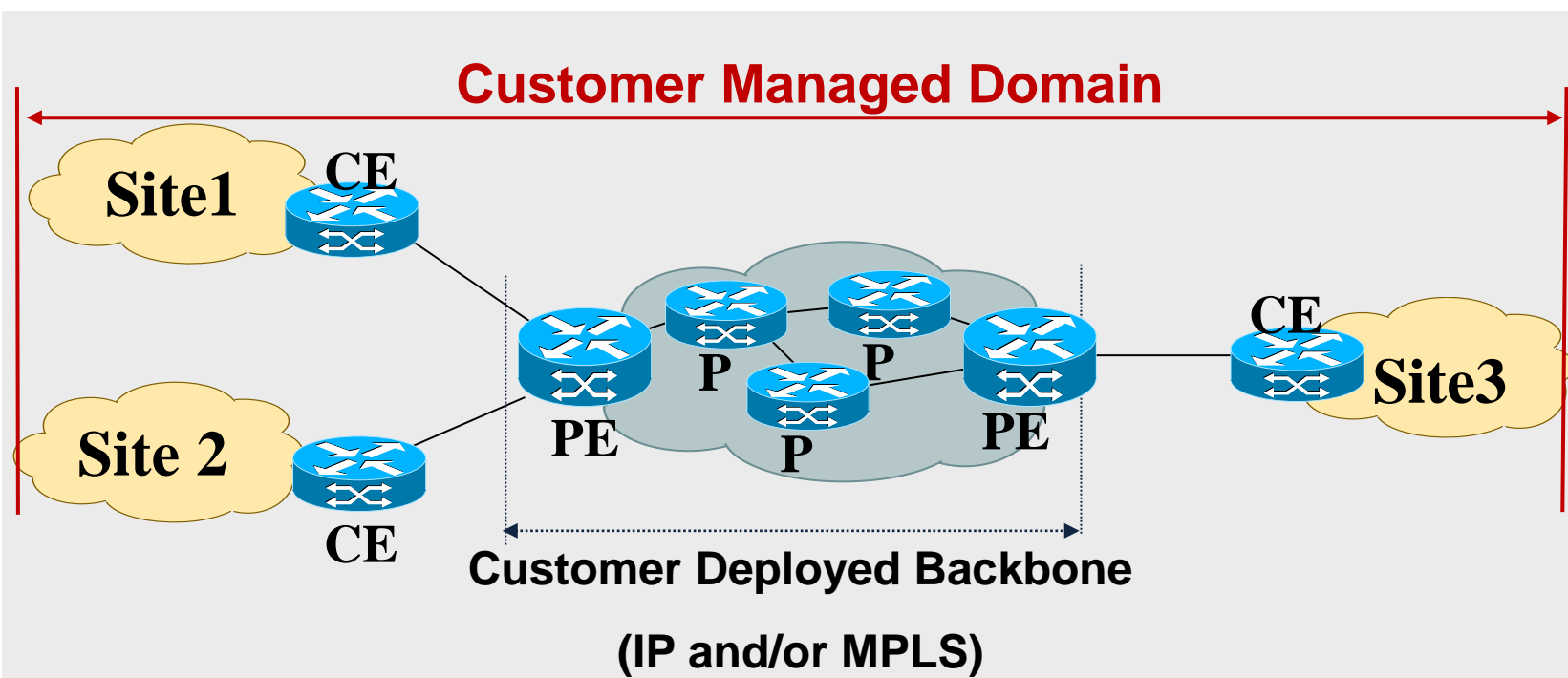
- Serial, ATM/FR, OC-x
- Dark fibre, Lambda
- Ethernet

Public Transport

- L3 – Public (Internet)
- L3 – Broadband/WiFi

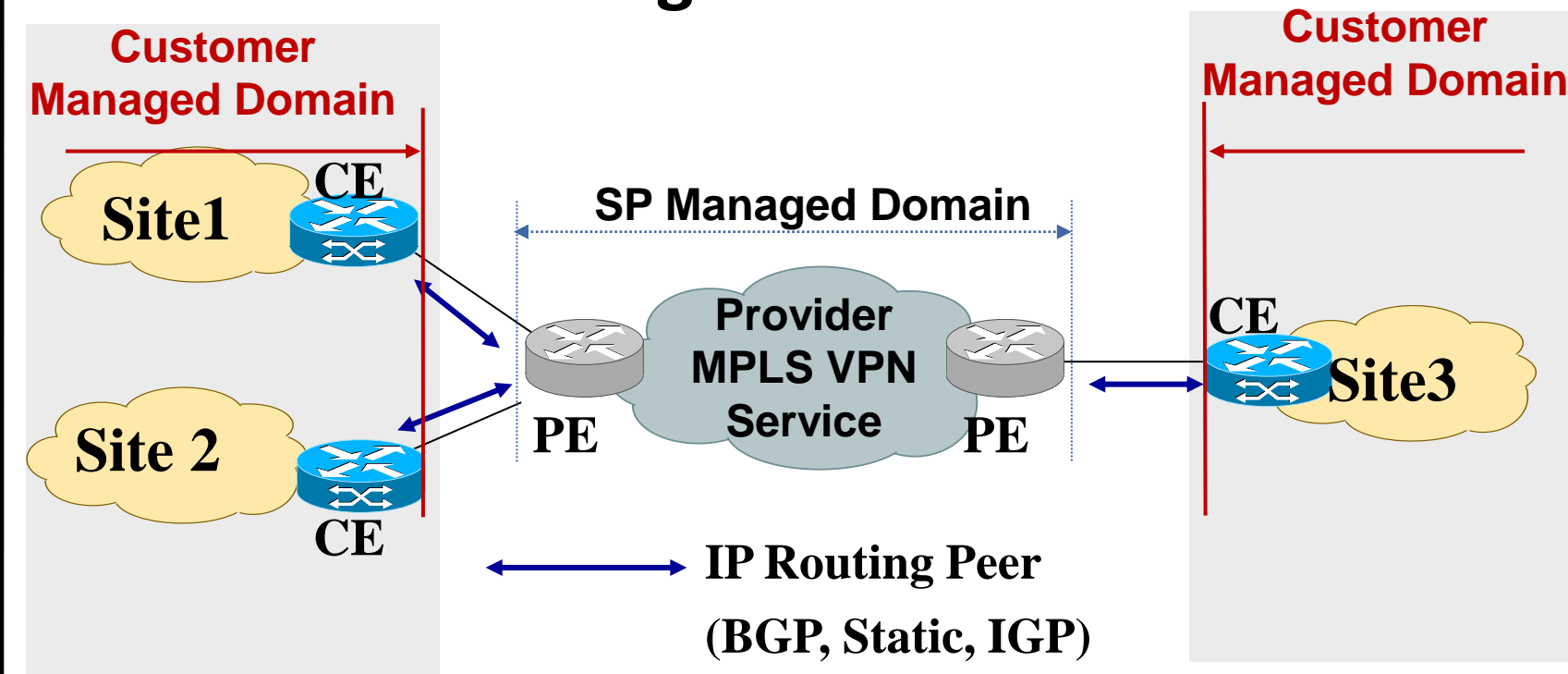
Network Deployment Options - Self Deployed vs. L3 Managed

Self Deployed IP Backbone



- MPLS Deployment Common for Service Richness
- Customer manages and owns:
 - IP routing, provisioning
 - Transport links for PE-P, P-P, PE-CE
 - SLA's, to "end" customer, QoS
 - How rapidly services are turned up
- **Allows customer full control E2E**

SP Managed IP VPN Service



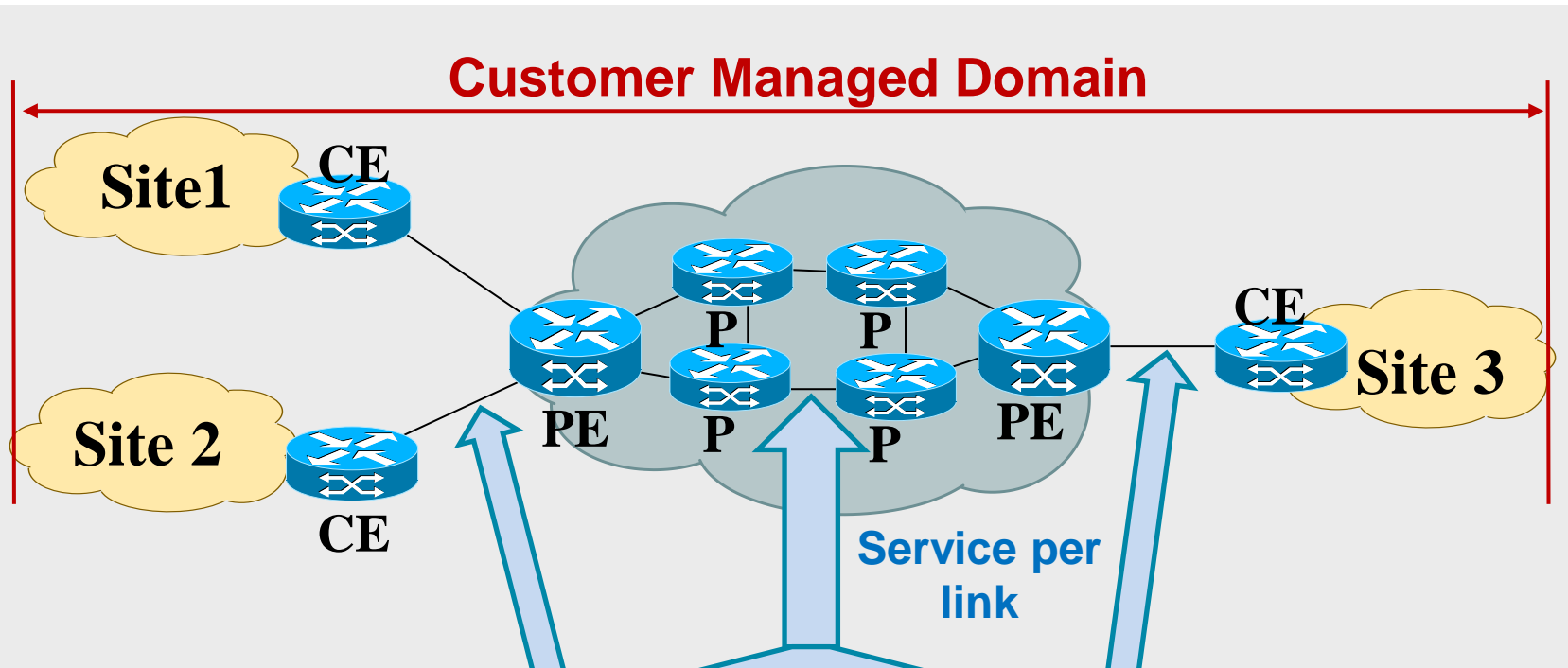
*** No Labels Are Exchanged with the SP**

- **CE Routers owned by customer**
- **PE Routers owned by SP**
- Customer "peers" to "PE" via IP
- Exchanges routing with SP via routing protocol (or static route)
- **Customer relies on SP to advertise routes to reach other customer CEs**

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Service Provider (SP) Transport Options

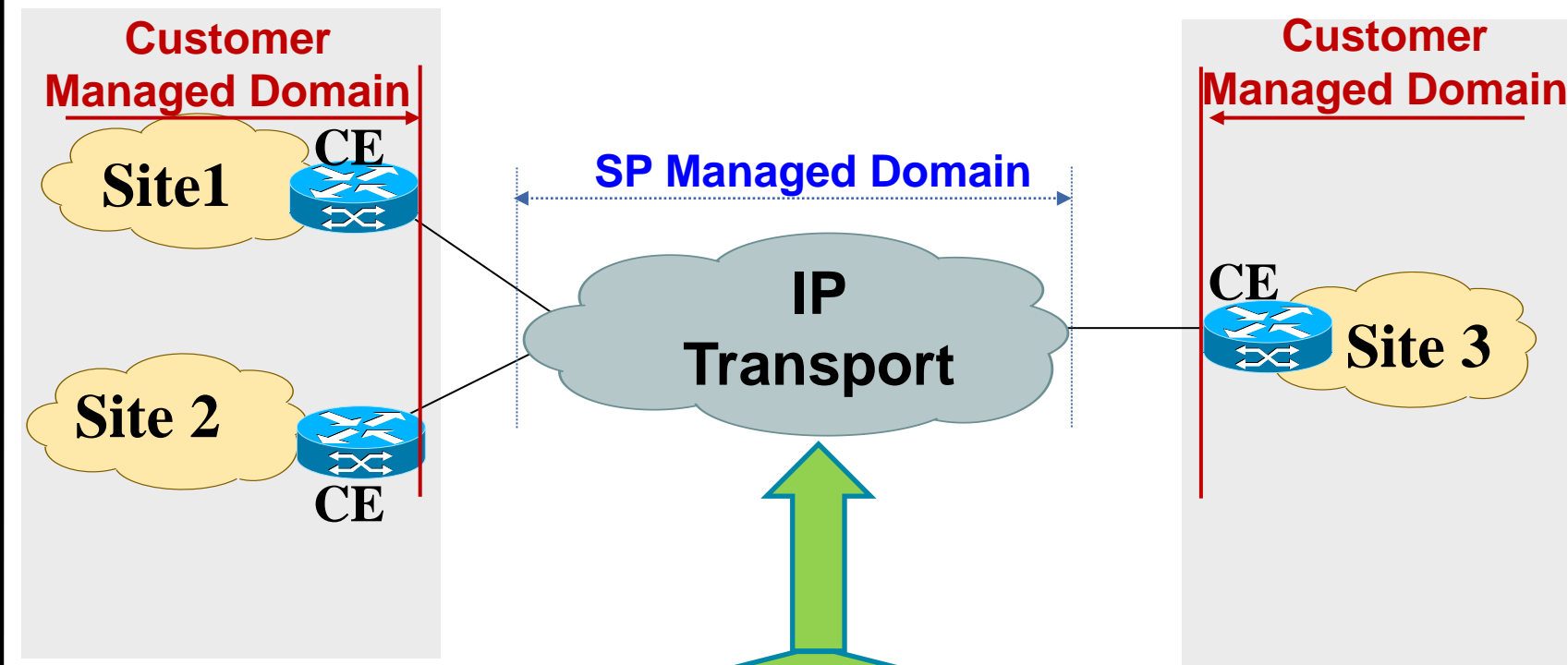
Self Deployed IP Backbone



Point to Point Service Examples

- Ethernet Virtual Circuit (EVC/E-LINE)
- Ethernet Multipoint Service (E-LAN)
- T1/E1, T3/E3
- SONET/SDH
- Optical/Lambda

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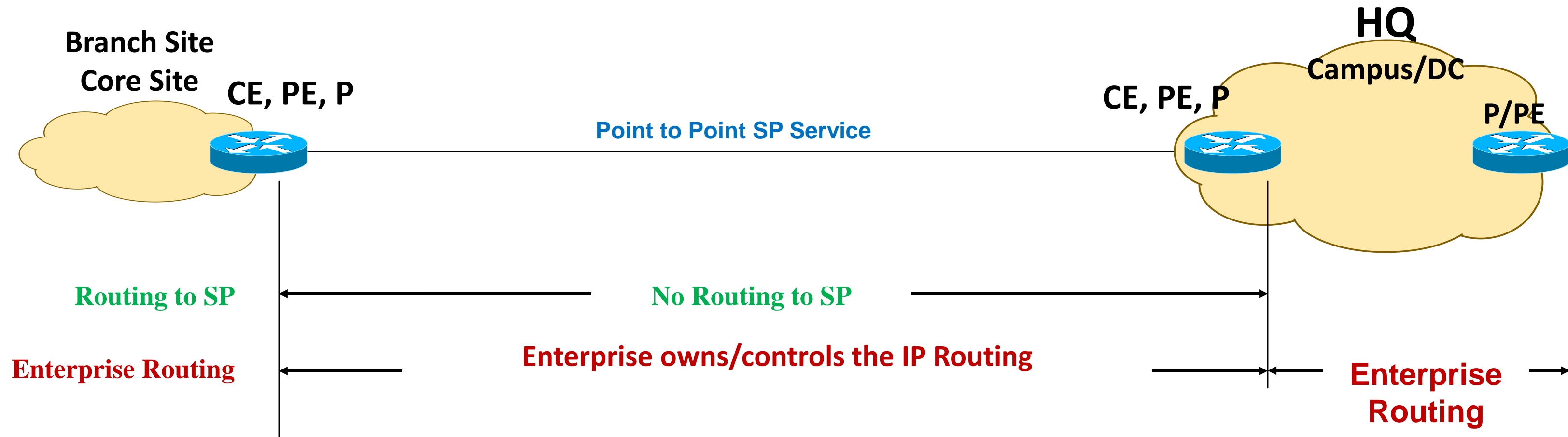
IP Overlay Transport Service Examples

- IP VPN Service (private)
- Internet Transport (public)
- Last-mile broadband

Note: Any of the “Point to Point Service” examples could also apply to transport options for the “Managed Transport” service as well.

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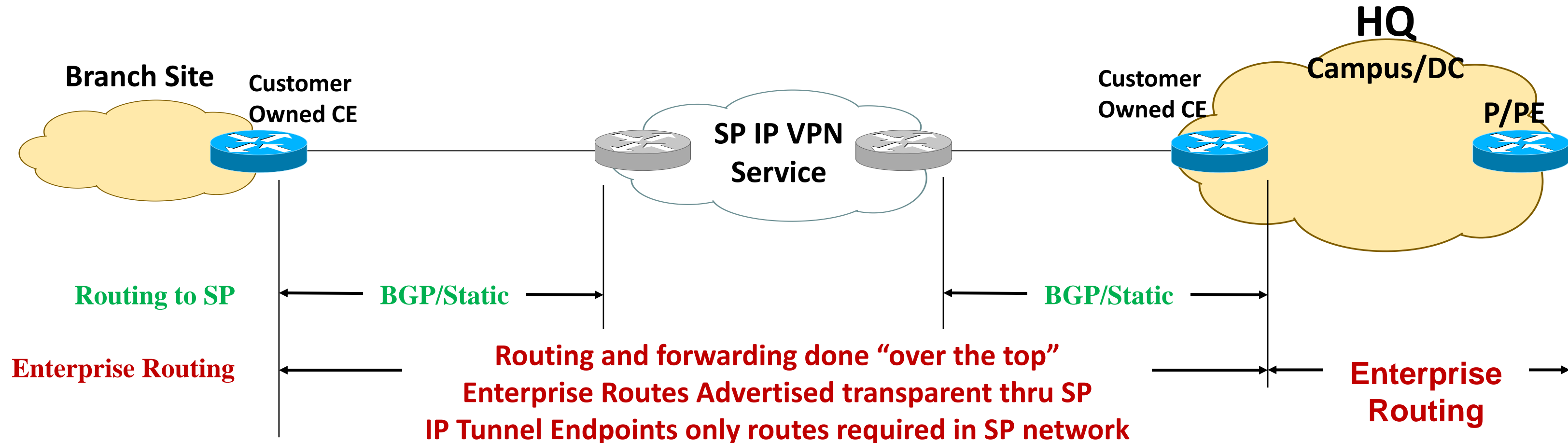
Point to Point Service Model



- No IP routing required to the SP
- Routing is controlled by the Enterprise
- Enterprise-to-SP interaction may require certain L2 parameters, dictated by the SP
EXAMPLE: Ethernet – specific 802.1Q tag, ATM - VPI/VCI, Frame Relay - DLCI
- For Ethernet services, QoS markings will be dictated by the SP

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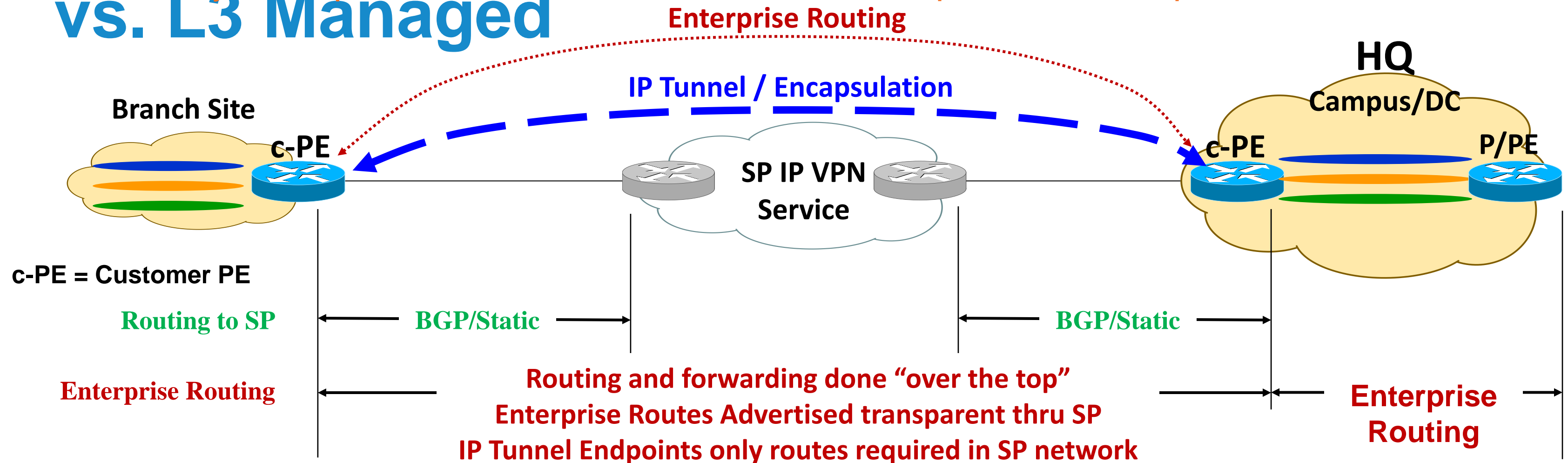
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Network Deployment Options - Self Deployed

IP Overlay Transport Model – MPLS/VRF “over the top” of SP Transport

vs. L3 Managed

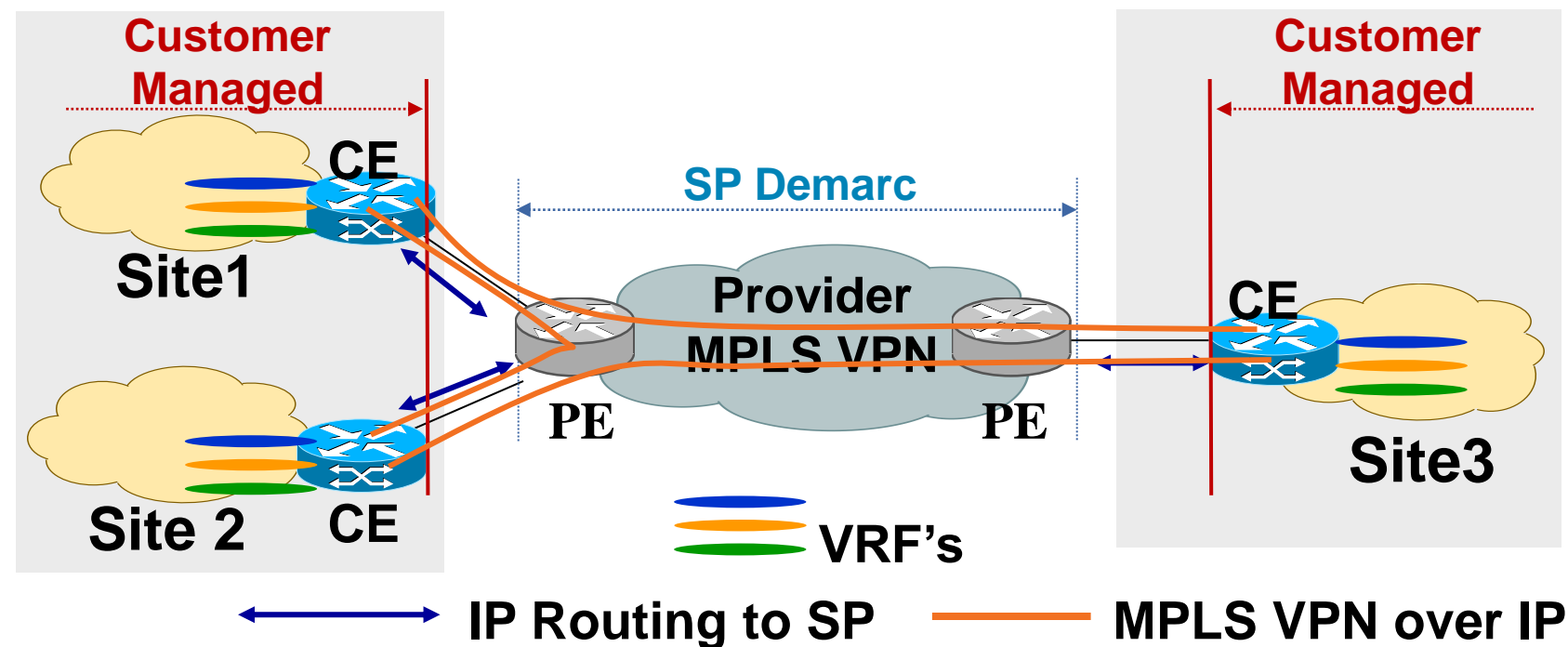


- Routing and data forwarding done “Over the Top” of the SP transport
- Enterprise routing - exchanged either inside of a IP tunnel, and/or over the top (i.e. BGP)
- Routing to SP – BGP/static, and minimal for “over the top” (normal only IP tunnel “end points”)
- QoS is supported in-line with the SP offering and Service Level Agreements (SLA)
- Multicast can be supported either (1) leveraging the SP service, or (2) inside the IP tunnel

Self Deployed MPLS VPN “over the top” of SP L3 Managed Service

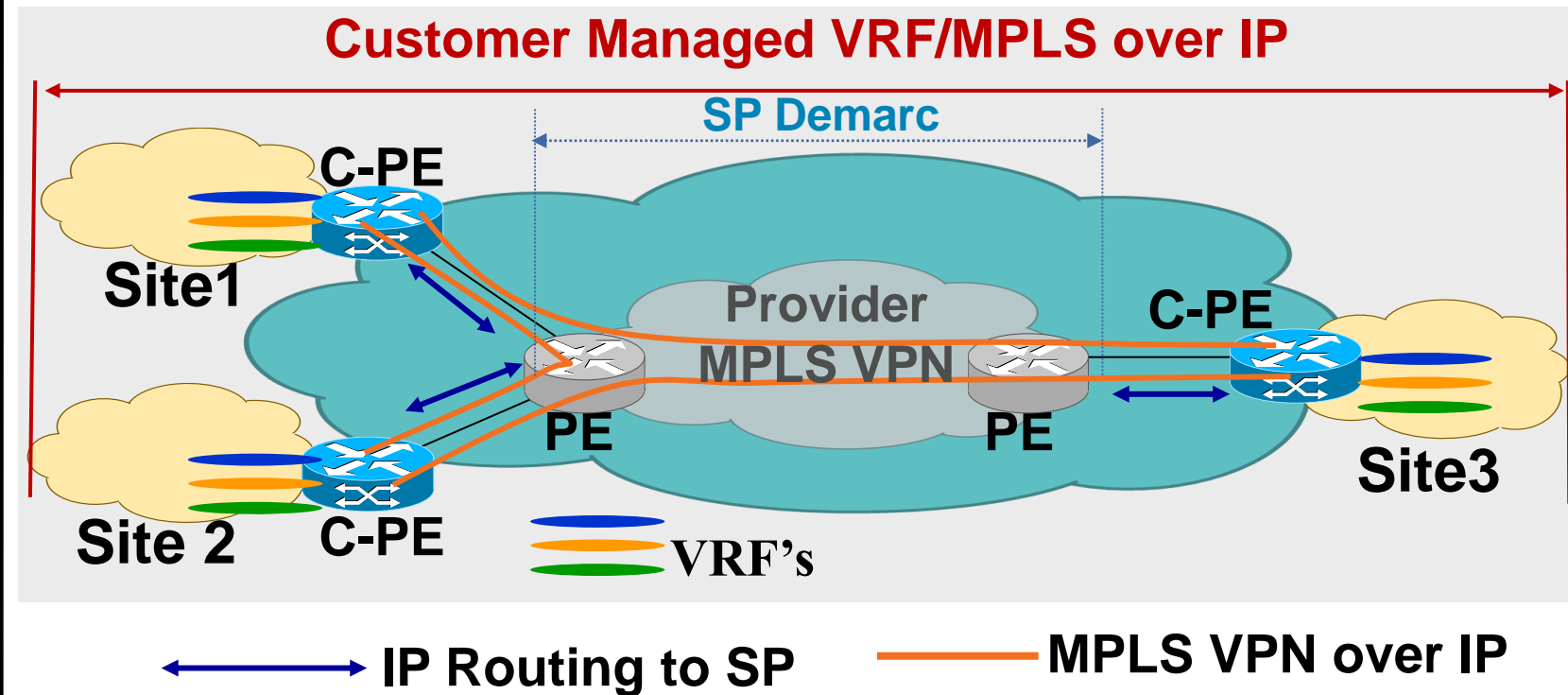
Creates a “Enterprise” version of “Carrier supporting Carrier” Model

SP Managed IP VPN Service



- CE Routers owned by customer
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- **Add overlay of IP that allows self-deployed MPLS over an IP Service**

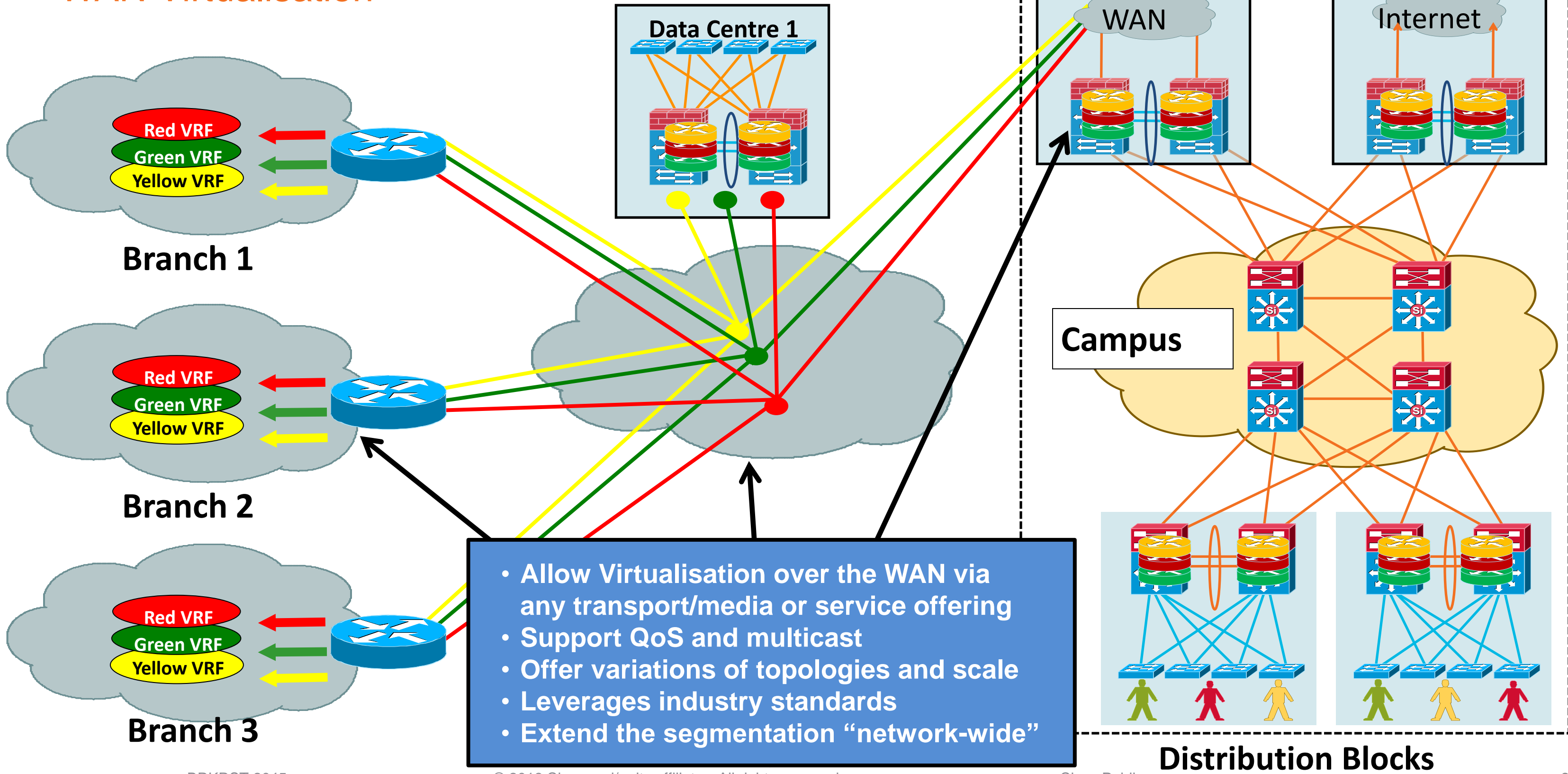
Customer Controlled MPLS VPN over IP



- CE routers become Customer-PE (c-PE)
- VRFs or MPLS labels are encapsulated in IP
- **Other options not as scalable or more complex:**
 - **Carrier Supporting Carrier**
 - **Back to Back VRFs/Inter-AS Option “A”**
 - **Layer 2 Service (e.g. VPLS)**

Enterprise Virtualisation End to End

WAN Virtualisation



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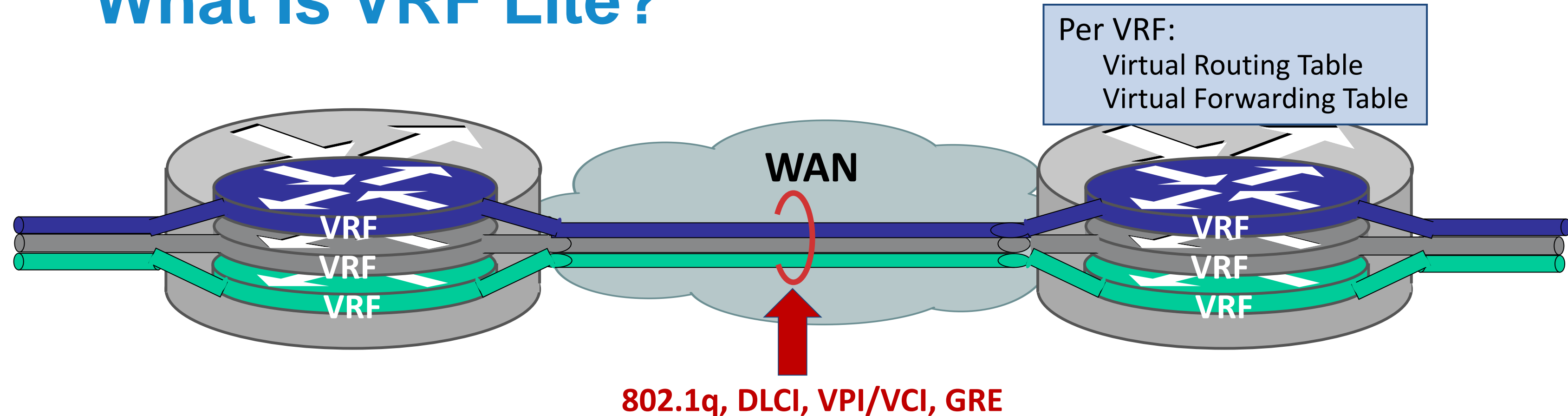
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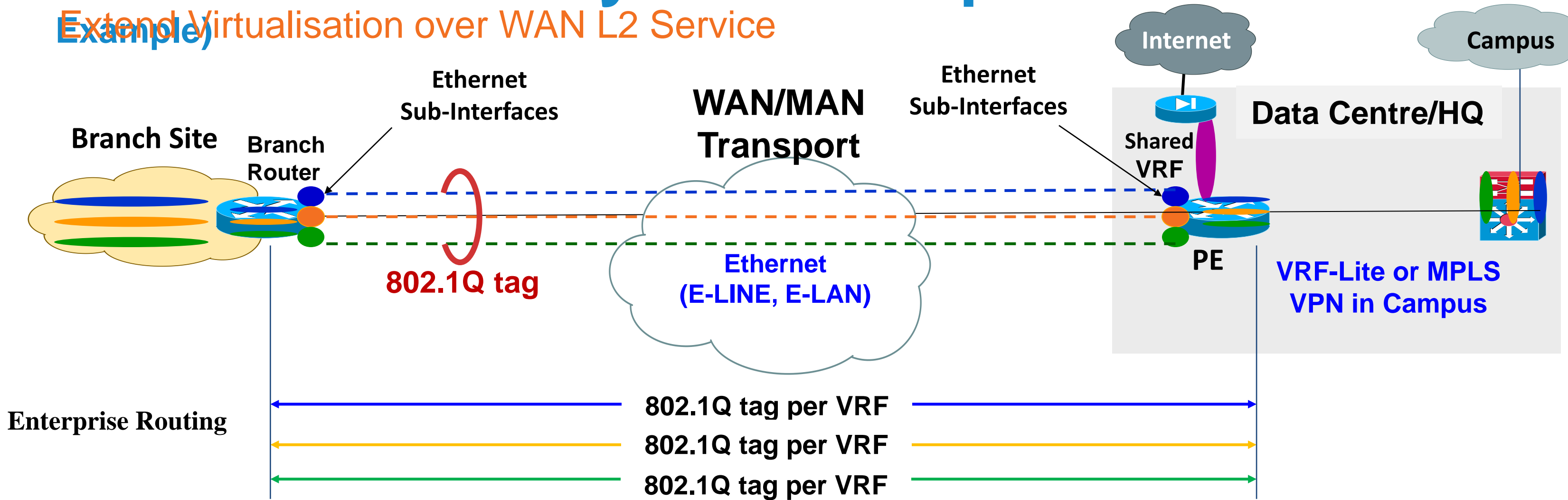
What Is VRF Lite?



- Defines router supports **routing (RIB), forwarding (FIB), and interface per VRF !!**
- Leverages “Virtual” **encapsulation** for separation:
 - ATM VCs, Frame Relay, Ethernet/802.1Q
- The **routing protocol** is also “VRF aware”
 - EIGRP, OSPF, BGP, RIP/v2, static (per VFR)
- Layer 3 VRF interfaces cannot belong to more than a single VRF

VRF-Lite over Layer 2 Transport (Point to Point Ethernet Example)

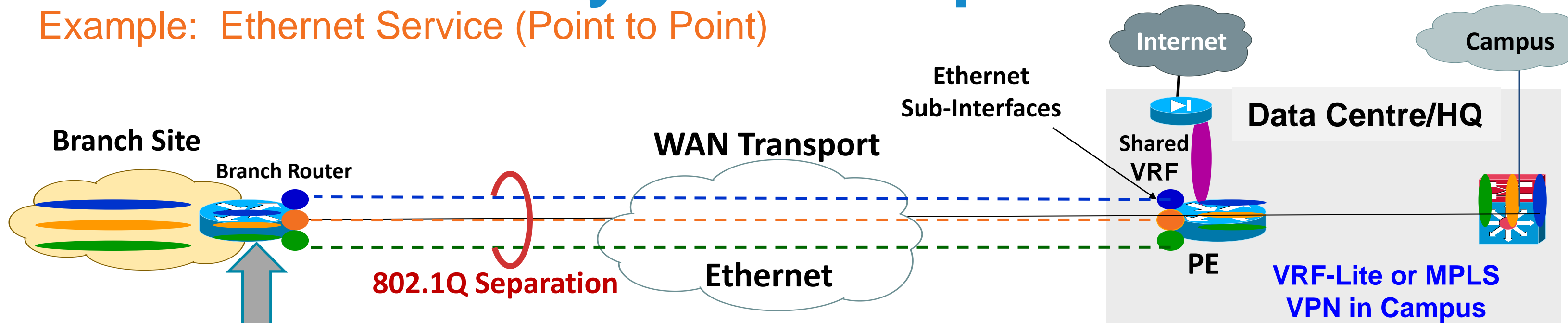
Extend Virtualisation over WAN L2 Service



- Each Ethernet interface (or serial) leverages a sub-interface
- Unique DLCI (frame relay) or 802.1Q tag (Ethernet) per VRF
- IGP process created per VRF in both Branch/Campus
- Offers virtualised segmentation within a single “physical” interface

VRF-Lite over Layer 2 Transport

Example: Ethernet Service (Point to Point)



```
!  
interface Ethernet 11/0  
!  
interface Serial 11/0.1  
  encapsulation dot1Q 100  
  ip vrf forwarding blue  
  ip address 192.168.51.2 255.255.255.0  
!  
interface Ethernet 11/0.2  
  encapsulation dot1Q 200  
  ip vrf forwarding green  
  ip address 192.168.61.2 255.255.255.0  
!  
interface Ethernet 11/0.3  
  encapsulation dot1Q 300  
  ip vrf forwarding yellow  
  ip address 192.168.71.2 255.255.255.0  
!
```

Configuration Notes:

- Frame Relay encapsulation can be used to virtualise a leased line
- Enabling Frame Relay encap allows the use of sub-interfaces
- Then VRF forwarding can be enabled per sub-interface
- **Allows VRF-Lite over leased-line**

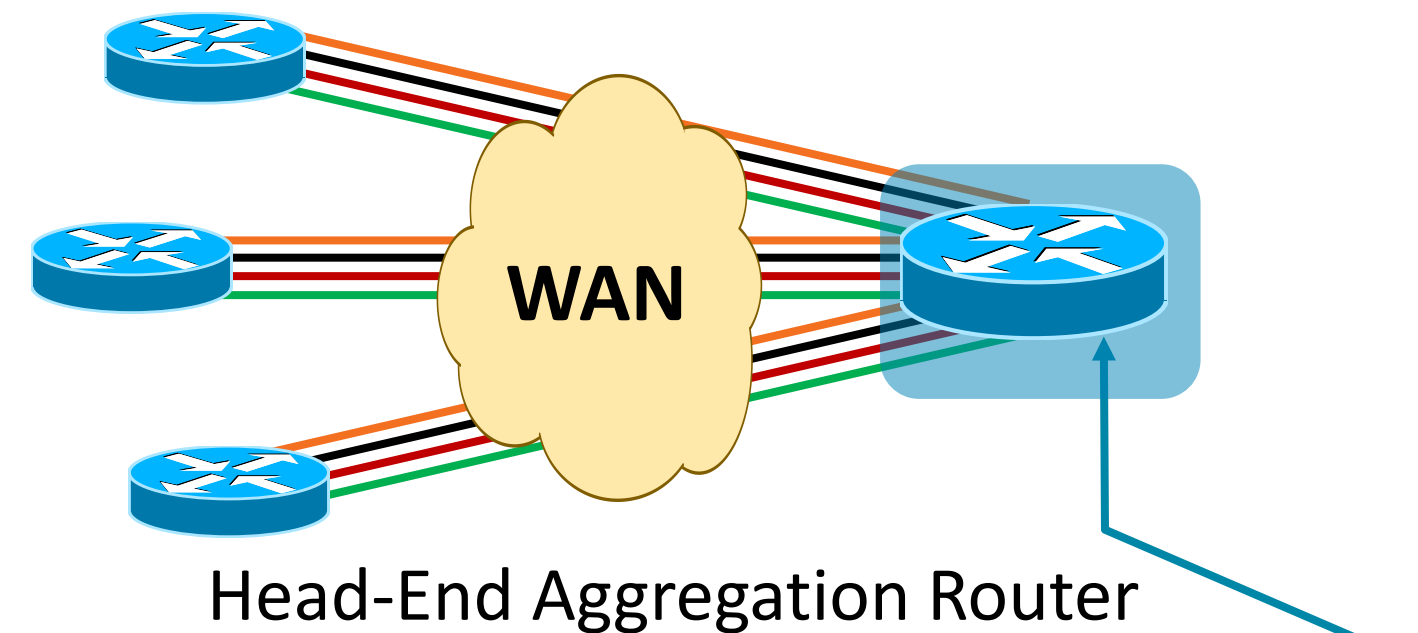
VRF-Lite Considerations in WAN Deployments

Is VRF-Lite the Best Fit for My Network?

Key questions to ask yourself:

- How many VRFs will be required at initial deployment? (1 year? 3+ years?)
- Are frequent adds/deletes and changes of VRFs required?
- How many locations will the network grow?
- Do I have the expertise to manage an MPLS VPN network, if that is the best solution?

Example: 4 Sites with 4 VRFs



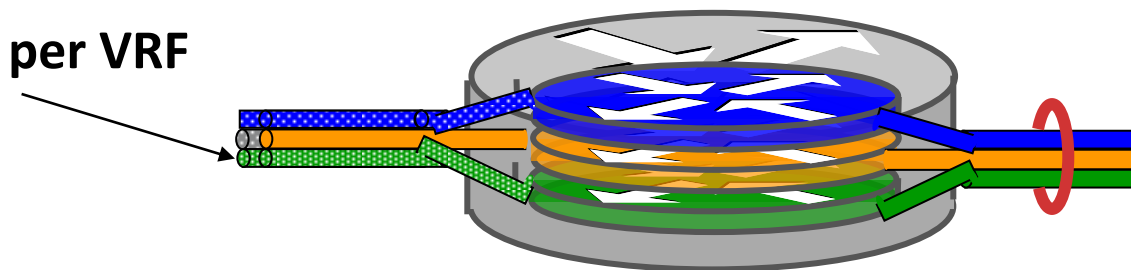
Virtual Networks	Neighbours	VRF Sub-interfaces
4	3	12
10	3	30
20	3	60
30	3	90

VRF-Lite for Branch Back-haul over the WAN

Summary

- Leverages VRF in router (RIB/FIB, interface) and interface for segmentation
- No MPLS, LDP, or BGP required
- Optimal solution when VRF count is small ($\sim <8$)
- Scale usually dependent on routing protocol scale
- Supports multicast and QoS solutions
- Most common deployments?
 - Branch Back-haul to campus/DC, Branch Back-haul to aggregation PE running full MPLS VPN

Sub Interface per VRF



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MPLS: Large Scale Virtualisation Enabler in the WAN

Allows Vast Network “Virtualisation” Capabilities over WAN

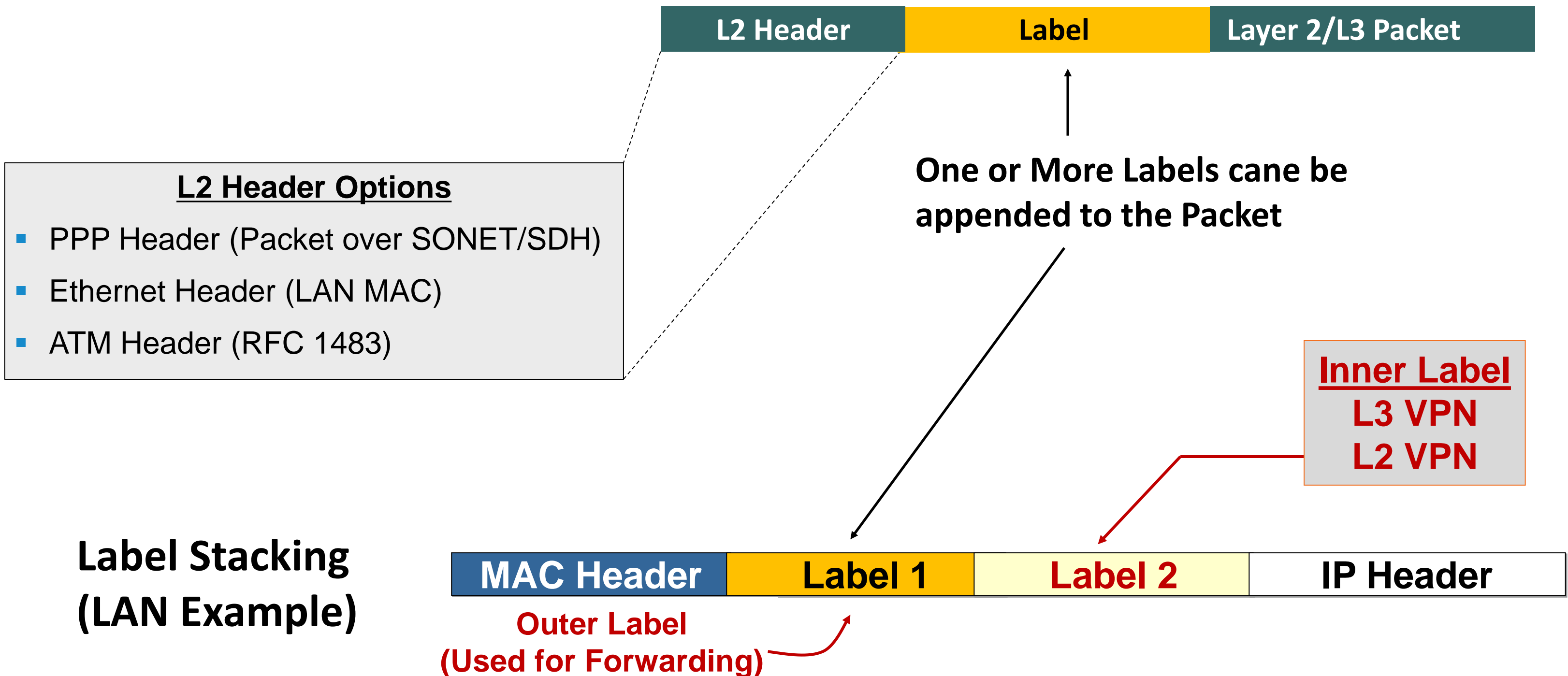
- **Layer 3 VPN/Segmentation**
 - VPN (RFC 4364)
 - Provides Any-to-Any connectivity
- **Maximise Link Utilisation with Selective Routing/Path Manipulation**
 - Traffic Engineering
 - Optimisation of bandwidth and protection using Fast-ReRoute (FRR)
- **Layer 2 VPN/Transport**
 - AToM (Any Transport over MPLS) i.e. “pseudo-wire”
 - Layer-2 transport: Ethernet, ATM/FR, HDLC/PPP, interworking
 - Layer-2 VPN: VPLS for bridged L2 domains over MPLS
- **QoS Capabilities**
 - Diffserv, Diffserv aware Traffic Engineering (DS-TE)
- **Bandwidth Protection Services**
 - Combination of TE, Diffserv, DS-TE, and FRR
- **IP Multicast (per VPN/VRF)**
- **Transport of IPv6 over an IPv4 (Global Routing Table) Infrastructure**
- **Unified Control Plane (Generalised MPLS)**



Key Virtualisation Mechanisms over an IP Infrastructure

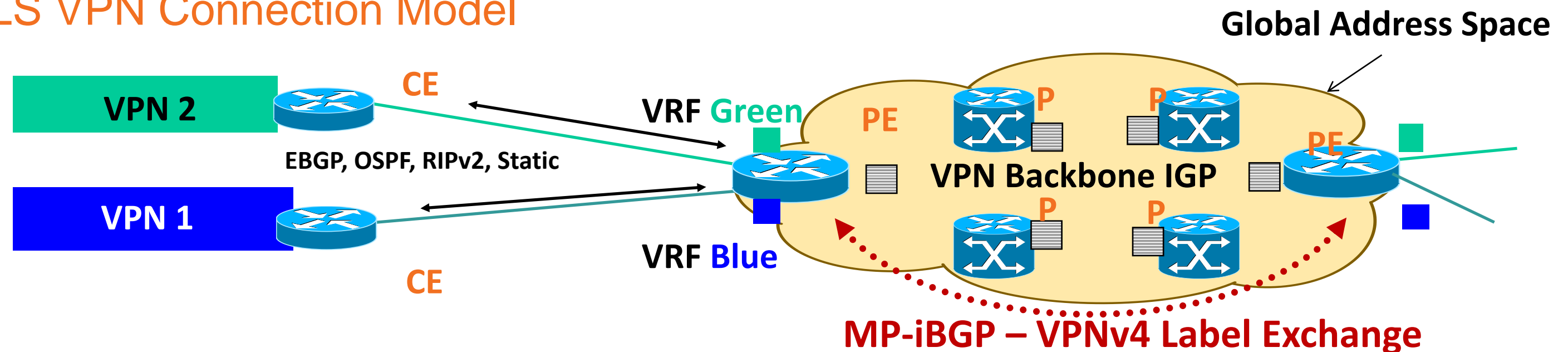
MPLS Label Encapsulations

Applicable When Using MPLS over Layer 2 Transport



MPLS VPN Technology—Refresher

MPLS VPN Connection Model



CE Routers

- VRF Associates to one or more interfaces on PE
- Has its own routing table and forwarding table (CEF)
- VRF has its own instance for the routing protocol
(static, RIP, BGP, EIGRP, OSPF)

PE Routers

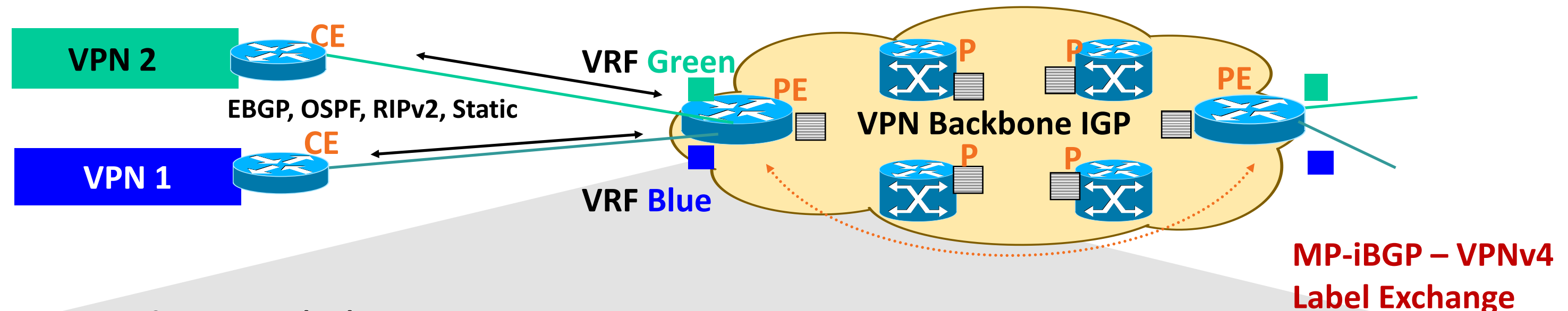
- MPLS Edge routers
- MPLS forwarding to P routers
- IGP/BGP – IP to CE routers
- Distributes VPN information through MP-BGP to other PE routers with VPN-IPv4 addresses, extended community, VPN labels

P Routers

- P routers are in the core of the MPLS cloud
- P routers do not need to run BGP
- Do not have knowledge of VPNs
- Switches packets based on labels (push/pop) not IP

MPLS VPN over L2

Configuration Example (IOS)



VRF Configuration (PE)

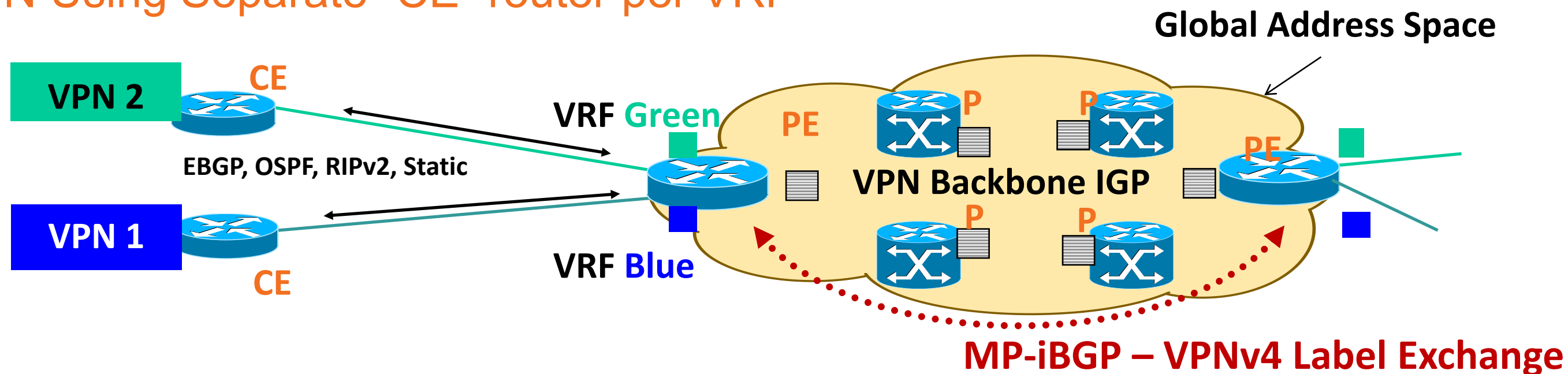
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! PE Router - Multiple VRFs
ip vrf blue
 rd 65100:10
 route-target import 65100:10
 route-target export 65100:10
ip vrf green
 rd 65100:20
 route-target import 65100:20
 route-target export 65100:20
!
interface GigabitEthernet0/1.10
 ip vrf forwarding blue
interface GigabitEthernet0/1.20
 ip vrf forwarding green
```

MP-iBGP Configuration (PE)

```
! PE router
router bgp 65100
 neighbor 192.168.100.4 remote-as 65100
!
address-family vpnv4
 neighbor 192.168.100.4 activate
 neighbor 192.168.100.4 send-community extended
 exit-address-family
!
address-family ipv4 vrf blue
 neighbor 172.20.10.1 remote-as 65111
 neighbor 172.20.10.1 activate
 exit-address-family
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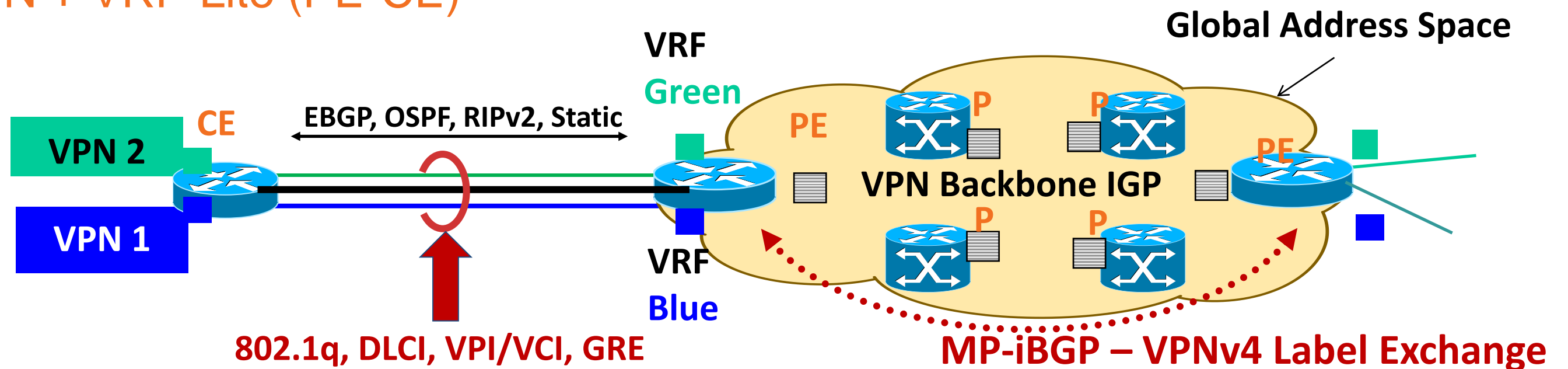
MPLS VPN Technology

MPLS VPN Using Separate "CE" router per VRF



MPLS VPN Technology

MPLS VPN + VRF-Lite (PE-CE)



- MPLS VPN backbone remains the same
- Leverage VRF-Lite CE to PE
- CE to PE can be “local” (fibre, copper) or remote (WAN, Metro service)
- Transport will dictate technology chosen for CE – PE
 - Local or Ethernet service (802.1Q), WAN (DLCI), IP WAN (GRE)
- VRF has its own instance for the routing protocol
(static, RIP, BGP, EIGRP, OSPF)

MPLS VPN over L2 WAN Links

Summary and Deployment Targets

- Targets large-scale VRF's and customers wanting control!
- Leverages standard based L2 transports (no overlay) in the WAN (ATM, SONET/SDH, Ethernet, dark fibre/lambda's)
- Target customers usually function as an “internal Service Provider” for their company/agency
- Allows full deployment of MPLS services
 - L2 VPN (PW, VPLS), QoS, Multicast/mVPN, IPv6, MPLS TE, TE-FRR
- Offers tight control for QoS Service Level requirements
- Offers rapid deployment for Virtualisation “turn up”
- Massively scalable but does require a higher level of Operational expertise

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Why Do We Need IP/MPLS Virtualisation over IP?

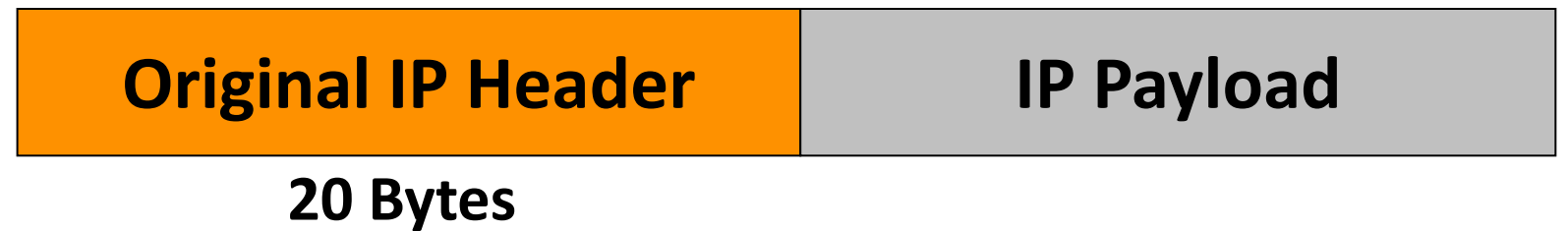
- **VRF-Lite Requires Layer 2 for Separation**
 - Need to leverage IP for broader reach, and more transport options
- **Not all “transport/transit” networks are MPLS**
 - MPLS is not available for transport on every network
- **IP is the only Transit Option Between MPLS Islands (i.e. networks)**
 - Core/transit network is IP and is not owned by Enterprise
 - IP VPN Service from SP is only offering available (vs. L2 option)
 - Customer uses “external” IP encryption units (i.e. device does not support MPLS)
- **MPLS packets require encryption** (no native MPLS encryption exists)
 - Must encapsulate MPLS into IP, then leverage IPsec encryption technologies

In Summary, the Implementation Strategy Described Enables the Deployment of BGP/MPLS IP VPN Technology in Networks Whose Edge Devices are MPLS and VPN Aware, But Whose Interior Devices Are Not (Source: RFC 4797)

GRE Tunnel Encapsulation (RFC 2784)

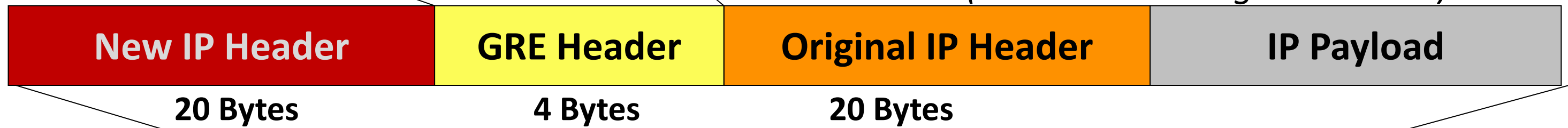
Applicable over Any IP WAN Transport

Original IP Datagram (Before Forwarding)



- Bit 0: Check Sum
- Bit 1-12: Reserved
- Bit 13-15: Version Number
- Bit 16-31: Protocol Type

*GRE Packet with New IP Header:
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Can Also Leverage IPSec When IP Encryption Is Required of an Untrusted WAN

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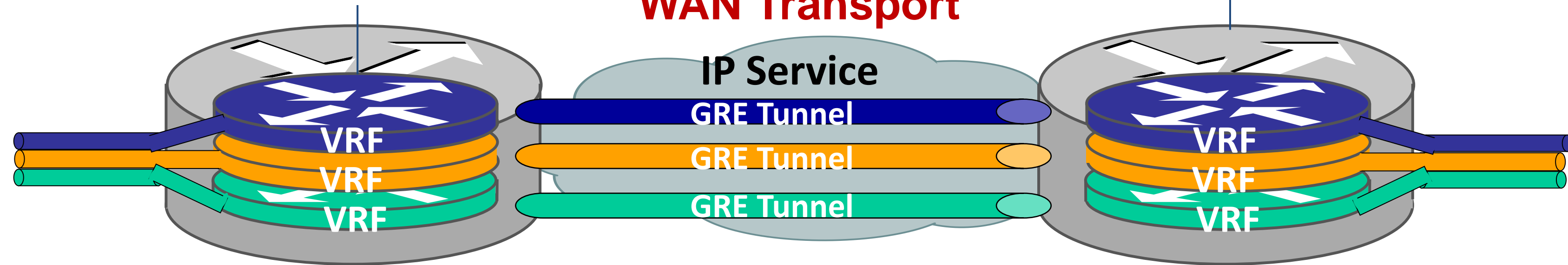
VRF-Lite over GRE

WAN Transport

Per VRF:

Virtual Routing Table (RIB)

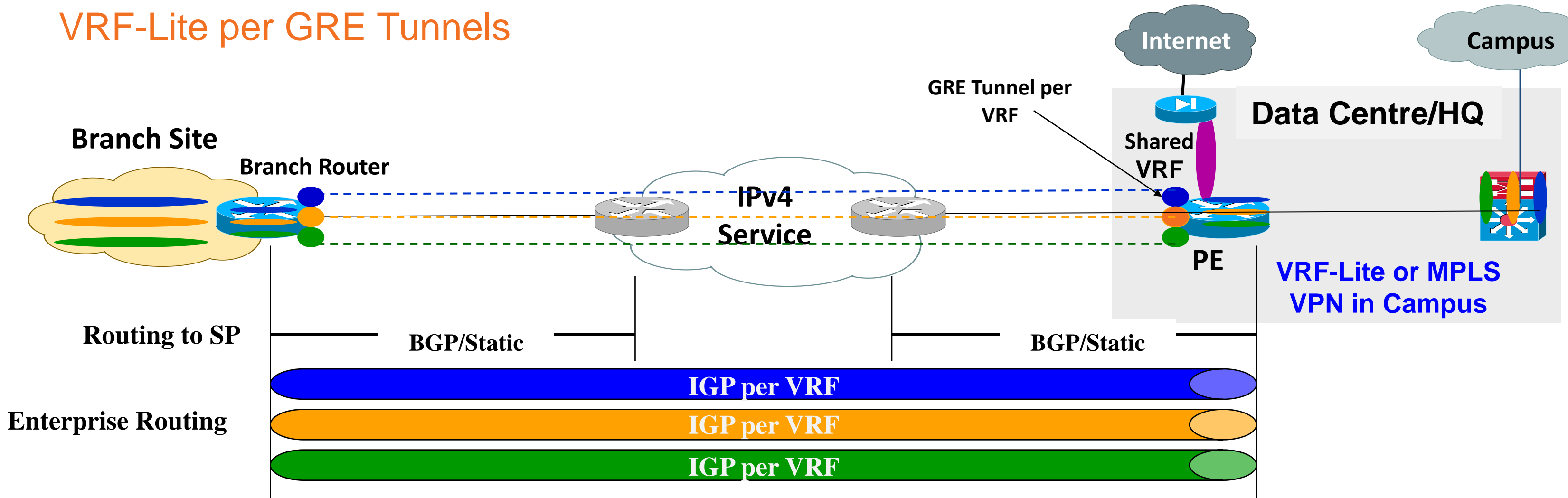
Virtual Forwarding Table (FIB)



- VRF Lite can also leverage GRE tunnels as a segmentation technology
- Each VRF uses a unique GRE tunnel
- GRE tunnel interface is “VRF aware”

VRF-Lite Over the WAN

VRF-Lite per GRE Tunnels

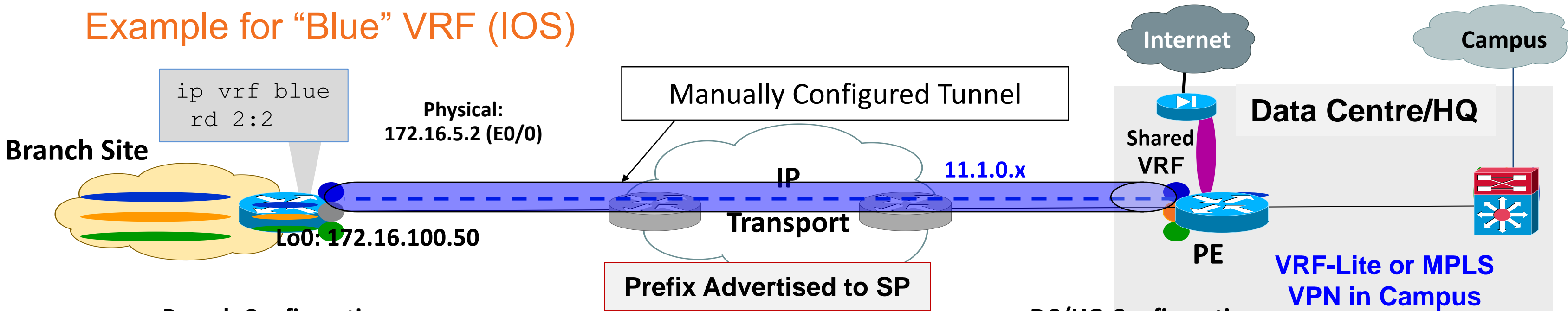


- Each GRE tunnel contains a VRF for extension
- Routing protocol process created per VRF (each end)
- Common Deployment: Branch→Aggregation Backhaul, low number of VRF's are required

Configuration Note: Each GRE Tunnel Could Require Unique Source/Dest IP (Platform Dependent)

VRF-Lite over Point-to-Point GRE

Example for "Blue" VRF (IOS)



Branch Configuration

```
interface Loopback100
ip address 172.16.100.50 255.255.255.255
!
interface Tunnel100
Description GRE to PE router 201
ip vrf forwarding blue
ip address 11.1.0.2 255.255.255.0
tunnel source Loopback100
tunnel destination 172.16.100.10
!
interface Ethernet0/0
ip address 172.16.5.2 255.255.255.0
!
router eigrp 1
!
address-family ipv4 vrf blue autonomous-system 1
network 11.0.0.0
no auto-summary
exit-address-family
no auto-summary
```

DC/HQ Configuration

```
interface Loopback100
ip address 172.16.100.10 255.255.255.255
!
interface Tunnel100
Description GRE to PE router 201
ip vrf forwarding blue
ip address 11.1.0.1 255.255.255.0
tunnel source Loopback100
tunnel destination 172.16.100.50
!
interface Ethernet0/0
ip address 172.16.6.2 255.255.255.0
!
router eigrp 1
!
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VRF Command
Applied per
GRE Tunnel

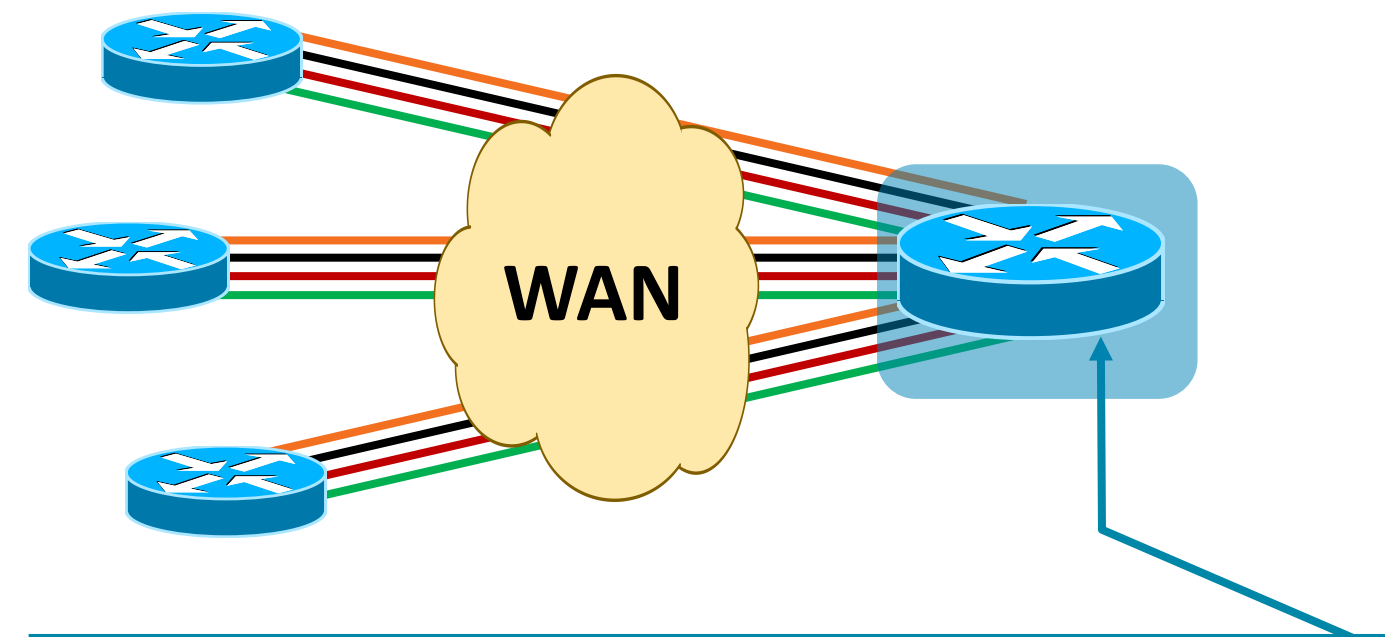
VRF-Lite Considerations in WAN Deployments (VRF-Lite over GRE)

Is VRF-Lite the Best Fit for My Network?

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- How many VRFs will be required at initial deployment? 1 year? 3+ years?
- Are frequent adds/deletes and changes of VRFs required?
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30	3	90

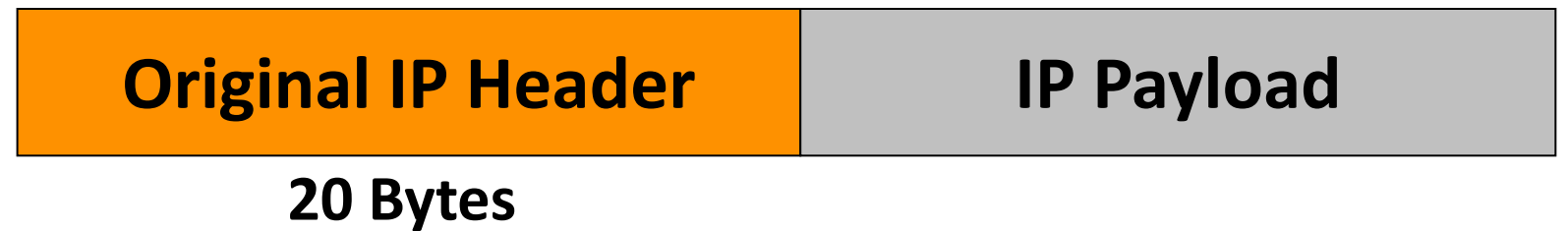
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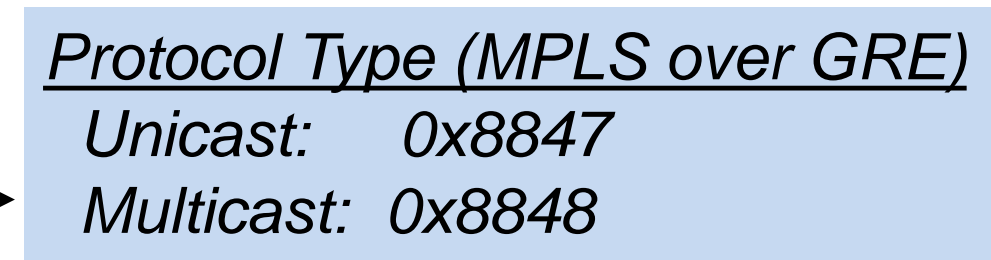
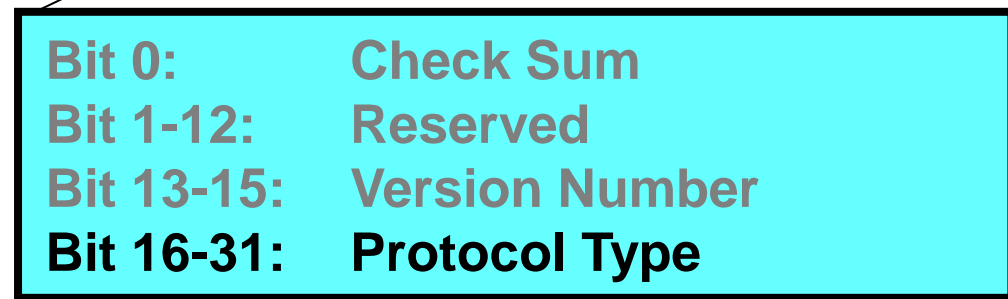
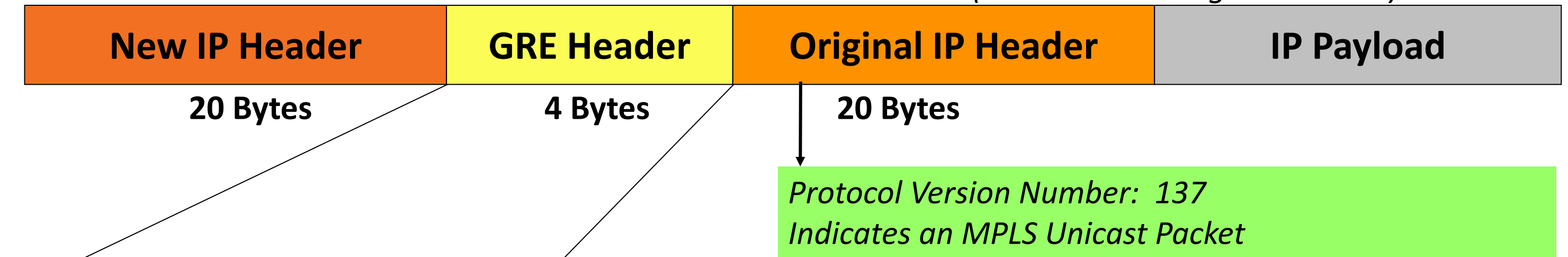
GRE (RFC 2784) with GRE+MPLS (RFC 4023)

Packet Format

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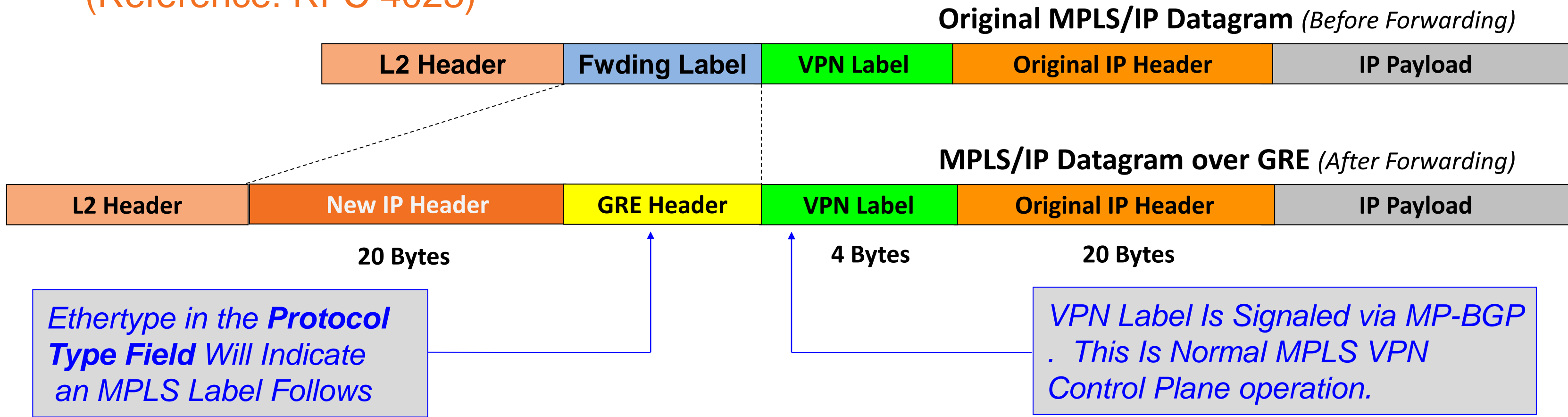


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GRE Tunnel Format with MPLS

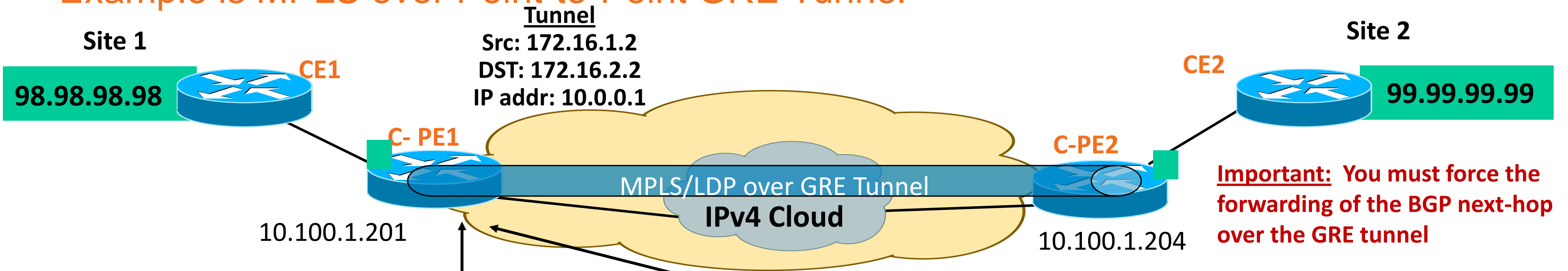
(Reference: RFC 4023)



- MPLS Tunnel label (top) is replaced with destination PE's IP address
- Encapsulation defined in RFC 4023
- Most widely deployed form of MPLS over IP encapsulation

MPLS VPN over Point-to-Point GRE

Example is MPLS over Point-to-Point GRE Tunnel



```
ip vrf green
 rd 1:1
 route-target export 1:1
 route-target import 1:1
 !
 mpls label protocol ldp
 !
 interface Tunnel0
 ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0
 ip mtu 1400
 mpls ip
 tunnel source 172.16.1.2
 tunnel destination 172.16.2.2
 tunnel path-mtu-discovery
 !
 interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.100.1.201 255.255.255.255
 !
```

Enables
MPLS/LDP
over GRE

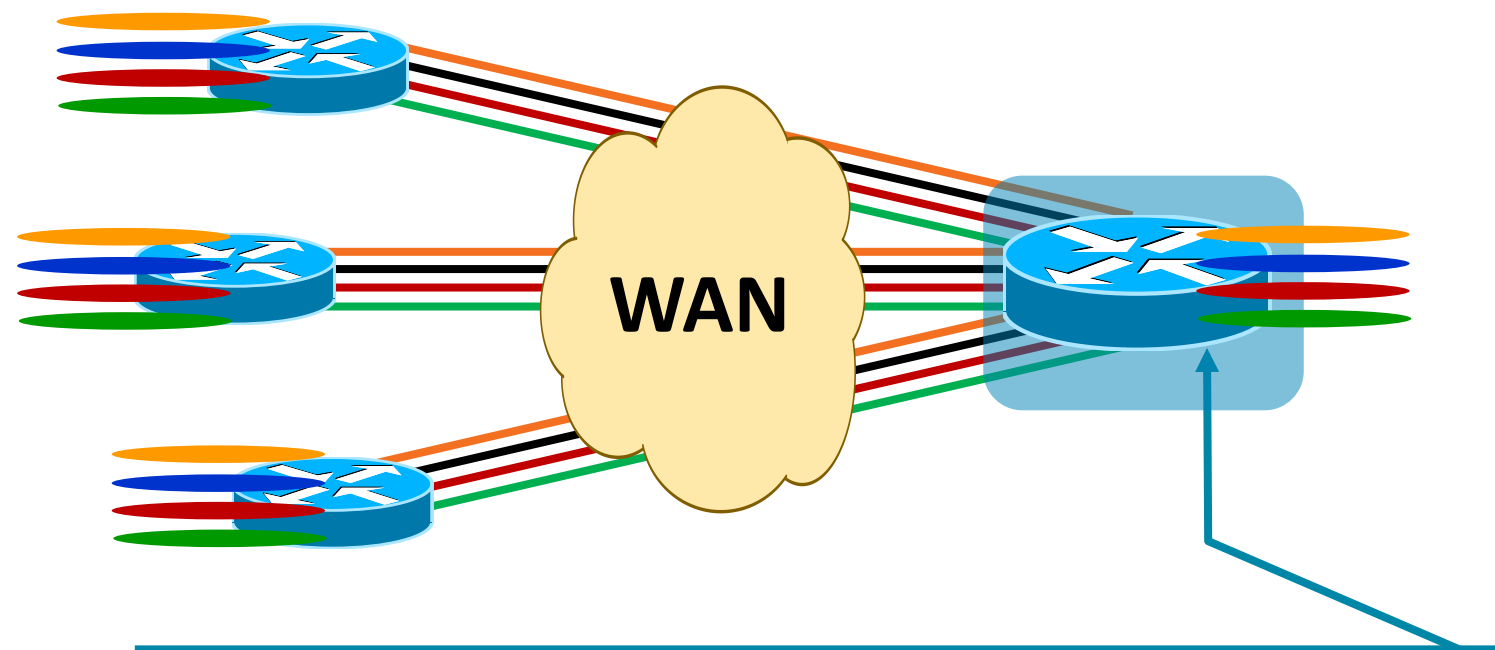
```
router eigrp 1
 network 10.0.0.0
 no auto-summary
 !
 router bgp 65000
 bgp router-id 10.100.1.201
 no bgp default ipv4-unicast
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 neighbor 10.100.1.204 remote-as 65000
 neighbor 10.100.1.204 update-source Loopback0
 !
 address-family vpnv4
 neighbor 10.100.1.204 activate
 neighbor 10.100.1.204 send-community extended
 exit-address-family
 !
```

Using 10.0.0.0/8 address space Forces
Loopback 0 learning over GRE Tunnel

VRF-Lite Considerations in WAN Deployments

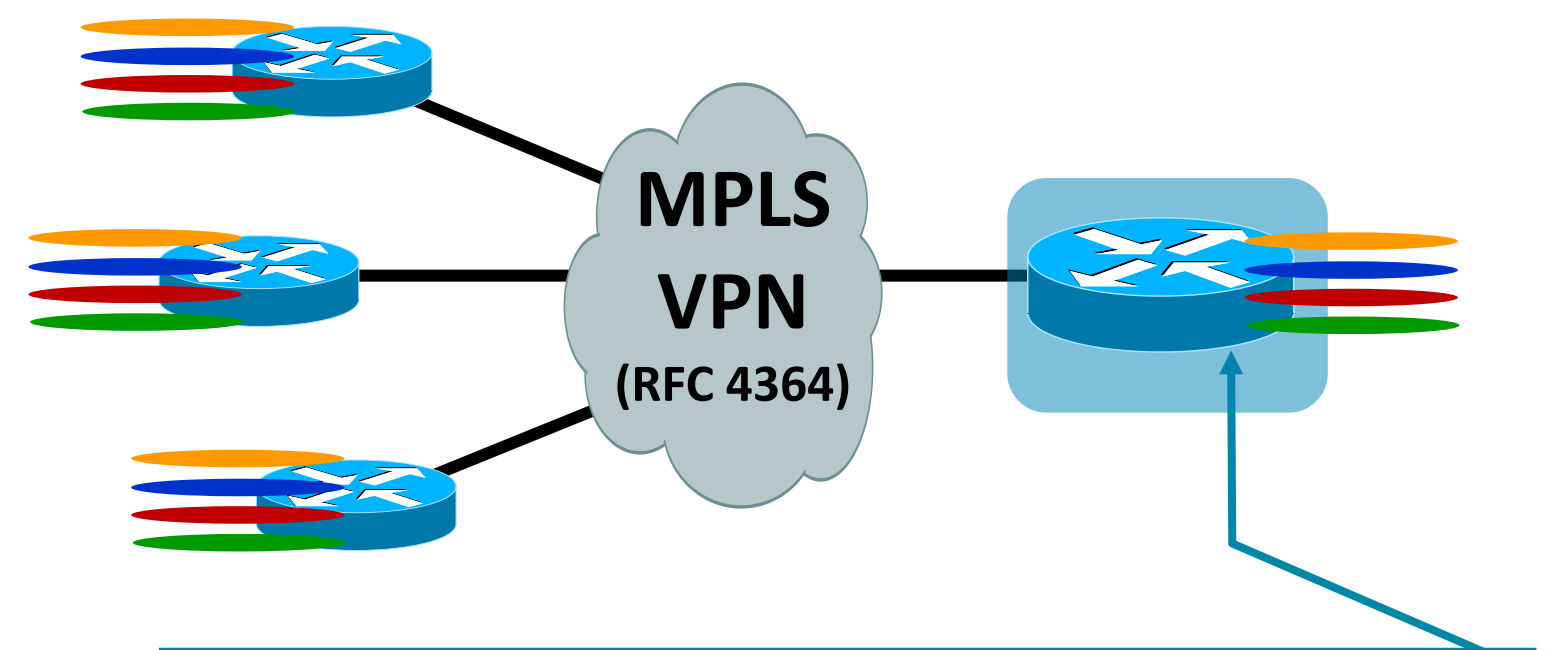
VRF-Lite vs. MPLS BGP VPN (RFC 4364)

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VRFs	Neighbours	Interfaces to the WAN
4	3	1
10	3	1
20	3	1
30	3	1

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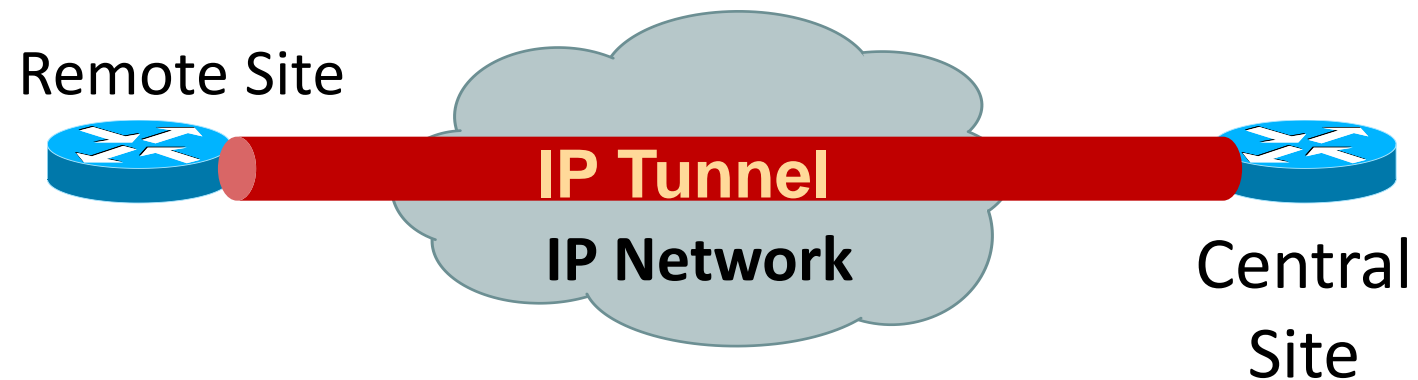
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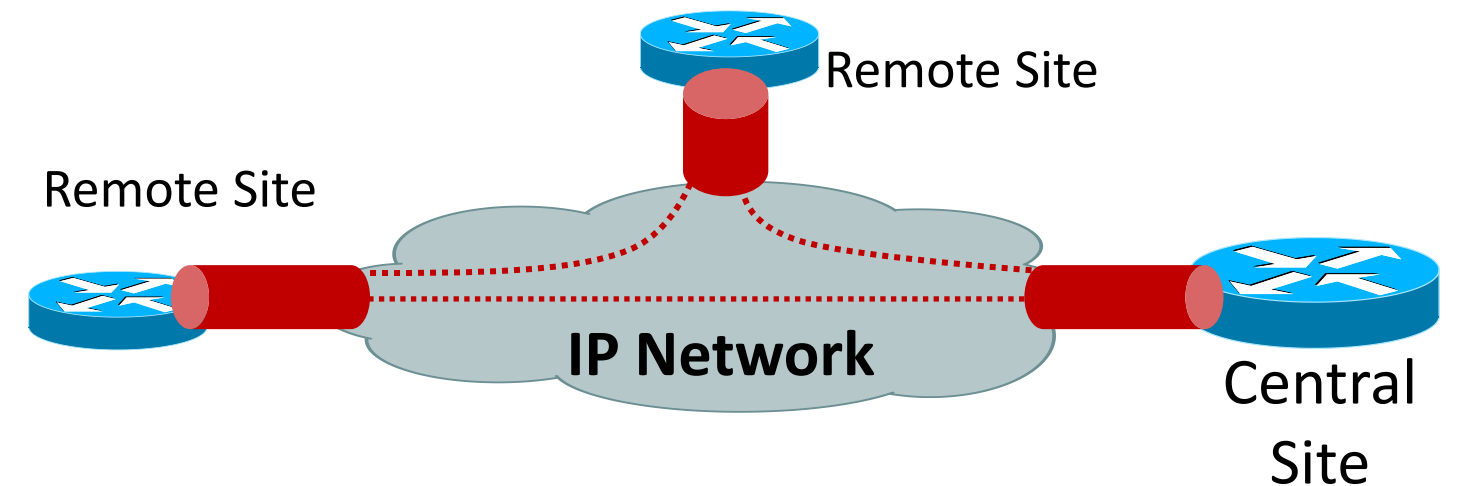
“Stateful” vs. “Stateless”

Point-to-Point GRE



- Source and destination requires manual configuration
- Tunnel end-points are stateful neighbours
- Tunnel destination is explicitly configured
- Creates a logical point-to-point “Tunnel”

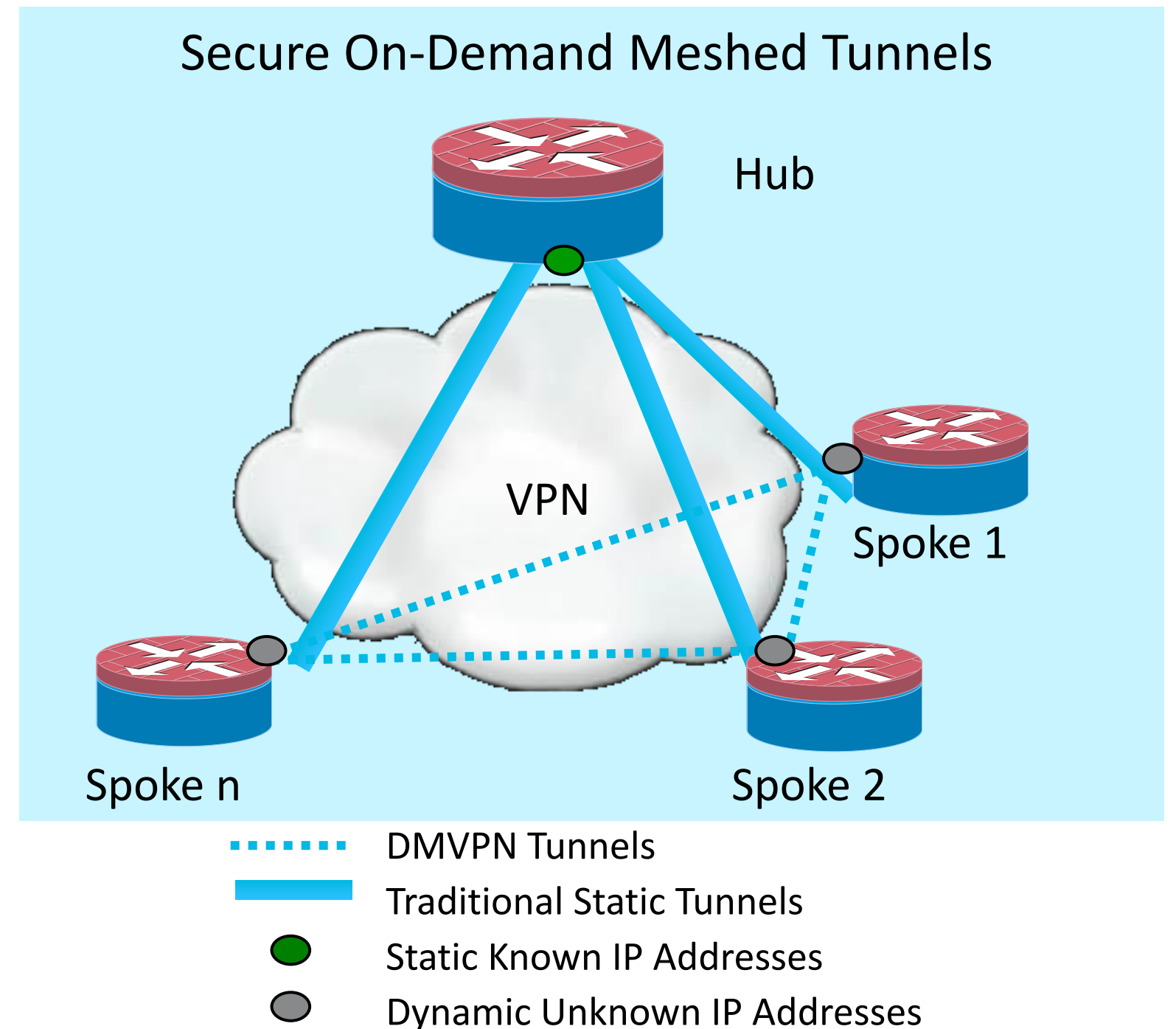
Multipoint GRE



- Single multipoint tunnel interface is created per node
- Only the tunnel source is defined
- Tunnel destination is derived dynamically through some signalling mechanism (i.e. BGP, NHRP) or discovery end-point concept
- Creates an “encapsulation” using IP headers (GRE)

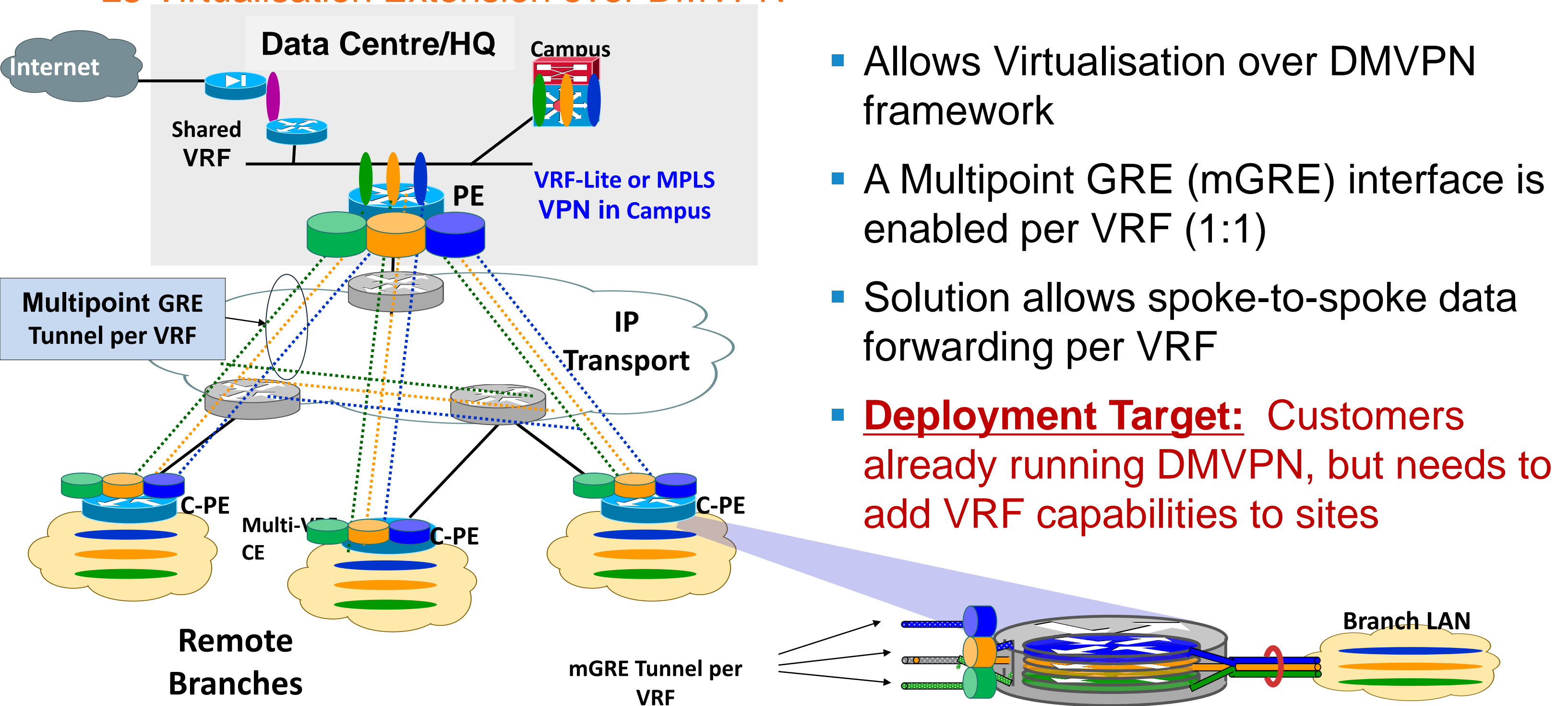
Dynamic Multipoint VPN

- Provides full meshed connectivity with simple configuration of hub and spoke
- Supports dynamically addressed spokes
- Facilitates zero-touch configuration for addition of new spokes
- Features automatic IPsec triggering for building an IPsec tunnel



VRF-Lite Over Dynamic Multipoint VPN (DMVPN)

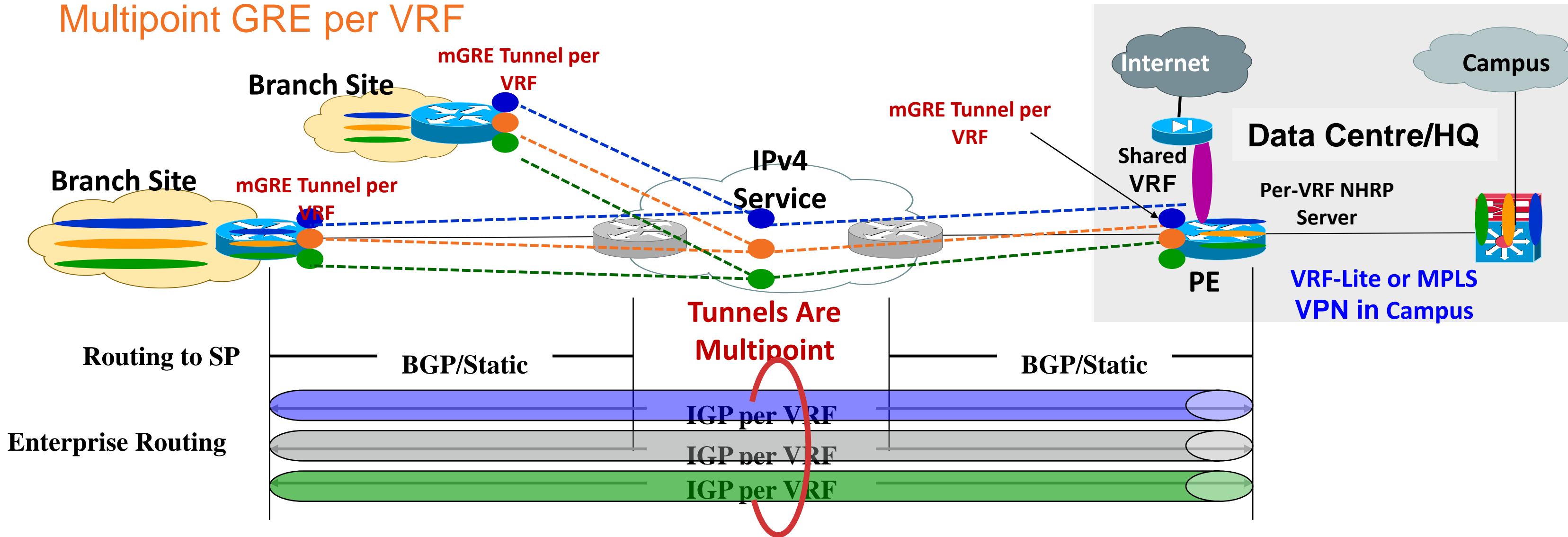
L3 Virtualisation Extension over DMVPN



- Allows Virtualisation over DMVPN framework
- A Multipoint GRE (mGRE) interface is enabled per VRF (1:1)
- Solution allows spoke-to-spoke data forwarding per VRF
- **Deployment Target:** Customers already running DMVPN, but needs to add VRF capabilities to sites

VRF-Lite Over DMVPN

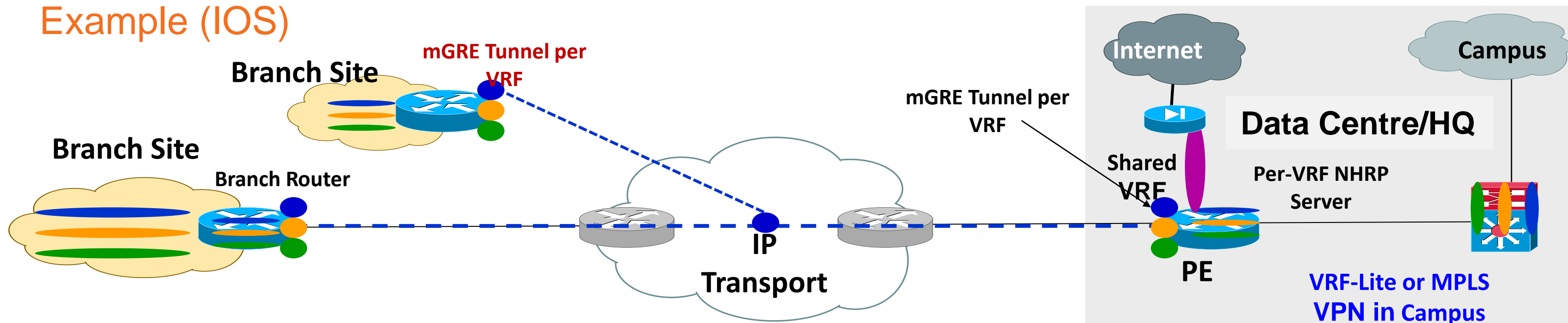
Multipoint GRE per VRF



- Unique RIB, FIB, and mGRE interface per VRF
- Routing to the provider is based on the “global” address space
- Each VRF uses a unique network ID for each NHRP server

VRF-Lite Over DMVPN

Example (IOS)



Spoke Configuration

```
ip vrf blue
!
interface Loopback0
 ip add 10.123.100.1 255.255.255.255
!
interface Tunnel0
 description GRE to hub
 ip vrf forwarding blue
 ip address 11.1.1.10 255.255.255.0
 ip nhrp network-id 100
 ip nhrp nhs 11.1.1.1
 tunnel source Loopback0
 tunnel destination 10.126.100.1
!
interface Vlan10
 description blue Subnet
 ip vrf forwarding blue
 ip address 11.1.100.1 255.255.255.0
```

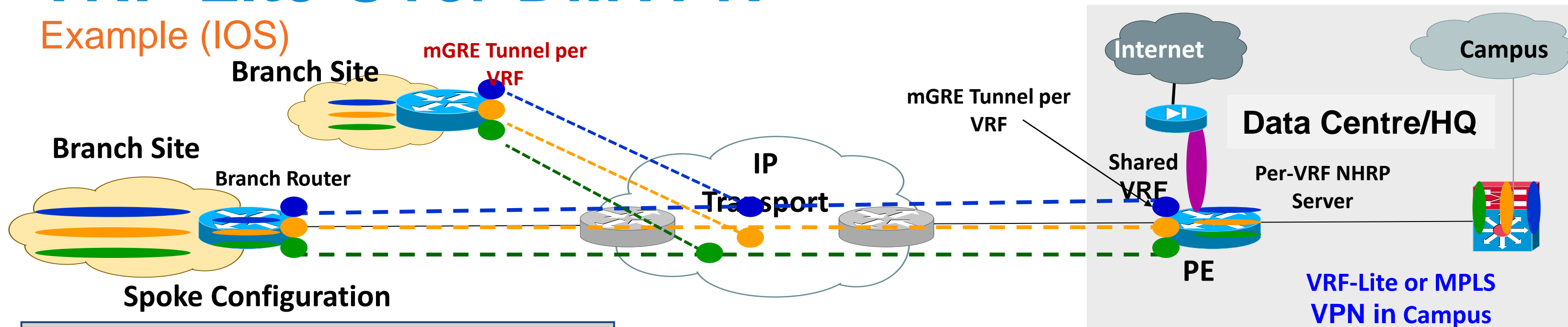
Hub Configuration

```
ip vrf blue
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.126.100.1 255.255.255.255
!
interface Tunnel0
 description mGRE for blue
 ip vrf forwarding blue
 ip address 11.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
 no ip redirects
 ip nhrp map multicast dynamic
 ip nhrp network-id 100
 tunnel source Loopback0
 tunnel mode gre multipoint
```

Unique "network-id" Parameter per VRF

VRF-Lite Over DMVPN

Example (IOS)



Spoke Configuration

```

ip
!
interface Loopback2
  ip address 10.123.102.1 255.255.255.255
!
interface Tunnel2
  description GRE to hub
  ip vrf forwarding Yellow
  ip address 11.1.3.10 255.255.255.0
  ip nhrp network-id 103
  ip nhrp nhs 11.1.3.1
  tunnel source Loopback2
  tunnel destination 10.126.102.1
!
interface Vlan10
  description Green Subnet
  ip vrf forwarding Yellow
  ip address 11.1.102.1 255.255.255.0
  
```

Hub Configuration

```

ip
!
interface Loopback2
  ip address 10.126.102.1 255.255.255.255
!
interface Tunnel2
  description mGRE for Yellow
  ip vrf forwarding Yellow
  ip address 11.1.3.1 255.255.255.0
  no ip redirects
  ip nhrp map multicast dynamic
  ip nhrp network-id 102
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  tunnel mode gre multipoint
  
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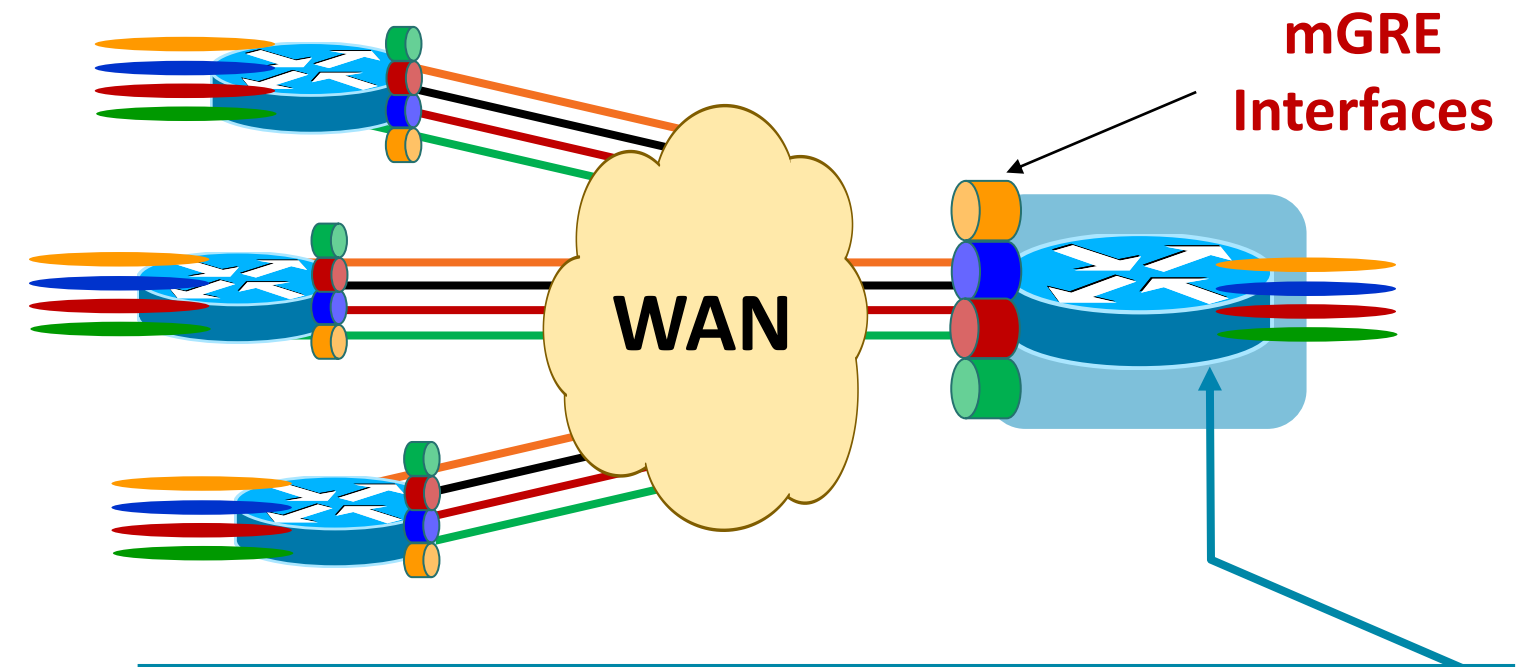

VRF-Lite Considerations in WAN Deployments (DMVPN)

Is VRF-Lite over DMVPN the Best Fit for My Network?

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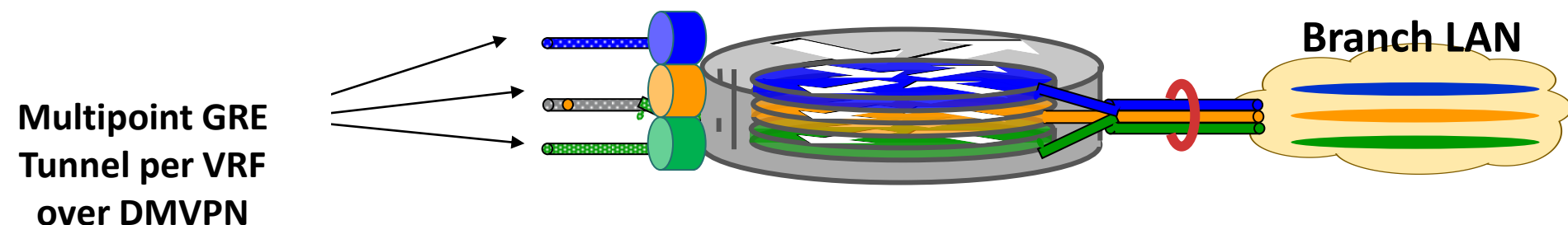


Virtual Networks	Neighbours	VRF Sub-interfaces
4	3	4
10	3	10
20	3	20
30	3	30

VRF-Lite over Dynamic Multipoint VPN (DMVPN)

Summary

- Allows Virtualisation over DMVPN framework
- Redundant Hub configurations can also be added for high availability
- Solution offers spoke-to-spoke traffic forwarding (bypass Hub), per VRF
- Multicast source at spoke is supported, but must traverse hub (traffic pattern is source → hub → spoke)
 - RP MUST reside at the Hub Site
- Ideal solution when spoke-to-spoke traffic patterns are required
- Common QoS can be applied in VRF-Lite over DMVPN
- Tunnels in different VRF's cannot share the same source address (unless tunnel key is used, which is not supported on the 7600/6500)



VRF-Lite Solutions over the WAN

Comparison Matrix

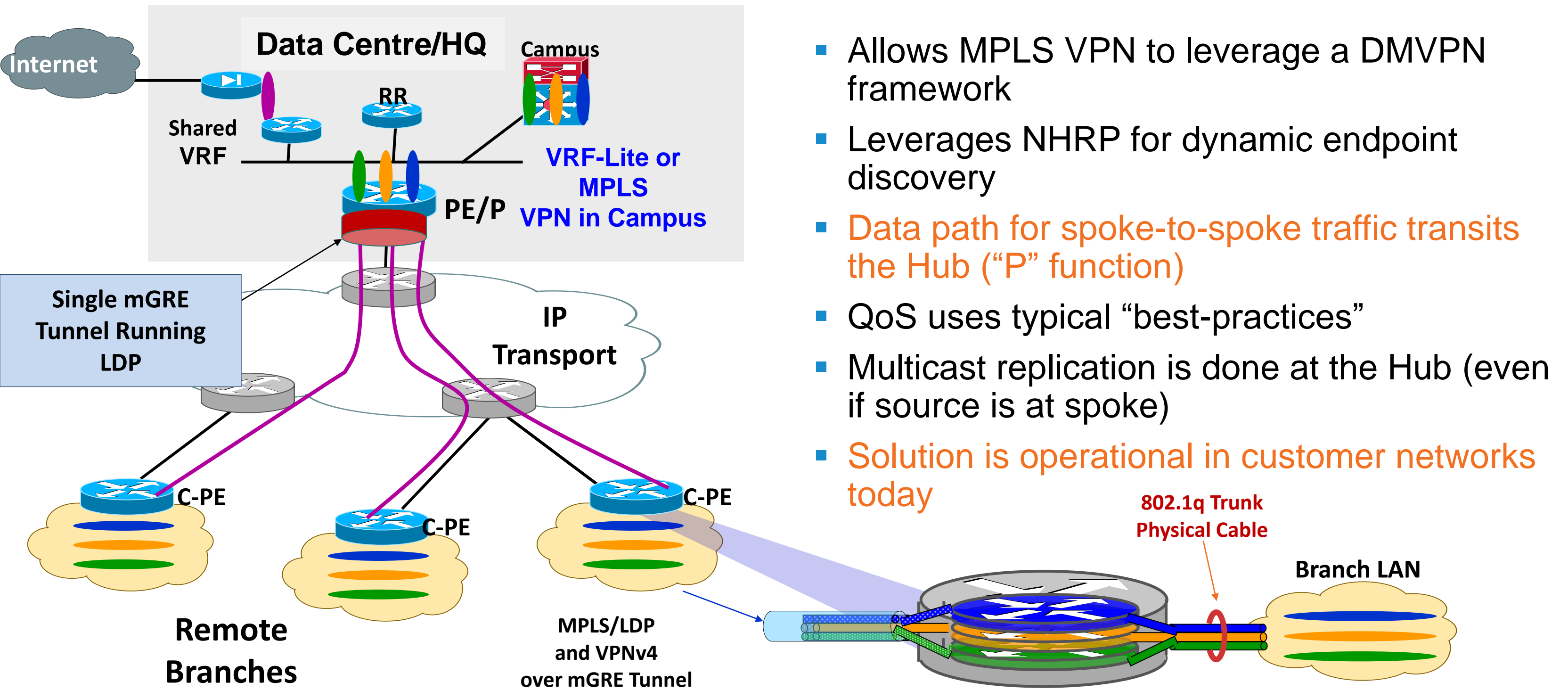
	VRF-Lite over Serial, FR/ATM	VRF-Lite over P2P GRE	VRF-Lite over DMVPN
Target Deployment	Campus/WAN (Ethernet in Campus)	Campus/WAN	WAN
Target Number of VRFs	< 8	< 8	< 8
Uses Dynamic Endpoint Discovery	No	No	Yes (NHRP)
Leverages Multipoint GRE Tunnels	No	No	Yes
Ability to Hide IP Addresses from SP	Yes	Yes	Yes
Supports VPN Multicast (per VRF)	Yes	Yes	Yes (Hub Sourced Only)
Support for IPv6 (Inside IPv4 Address Space)	Yes	Yes	Yes

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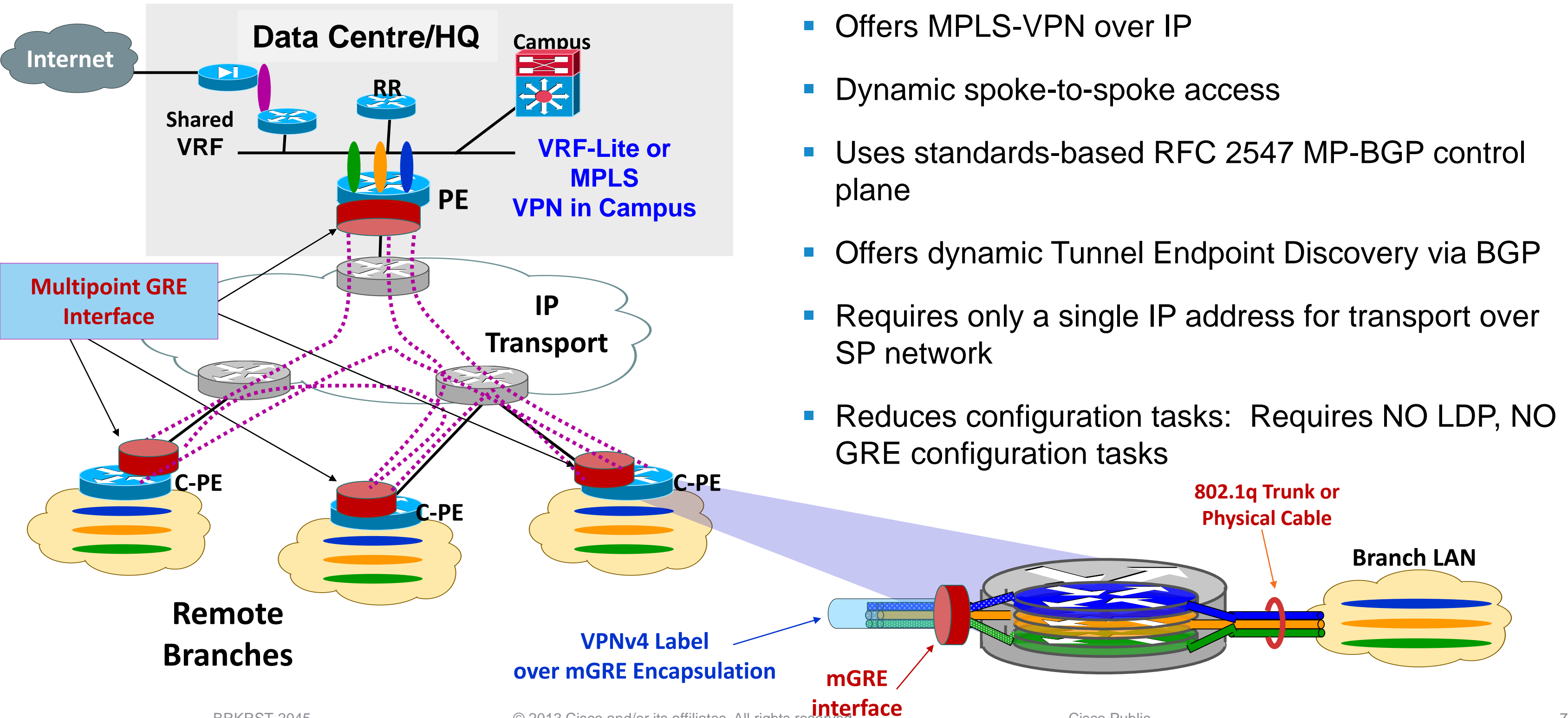
MPLS VPN over a DMVPN Framework



- Allows MPLS VPN to leverage a DMVPN framework
- Leverages NHRP for dynamic endpoint discovery
- Data path for spoke-to-spoke traffic transits the Hub ("P" function)
- QoS uses typical "best-practices"
- Multicast replication is done at the Hub (even if source is at spoke)
- Solution is operational in customer networks today

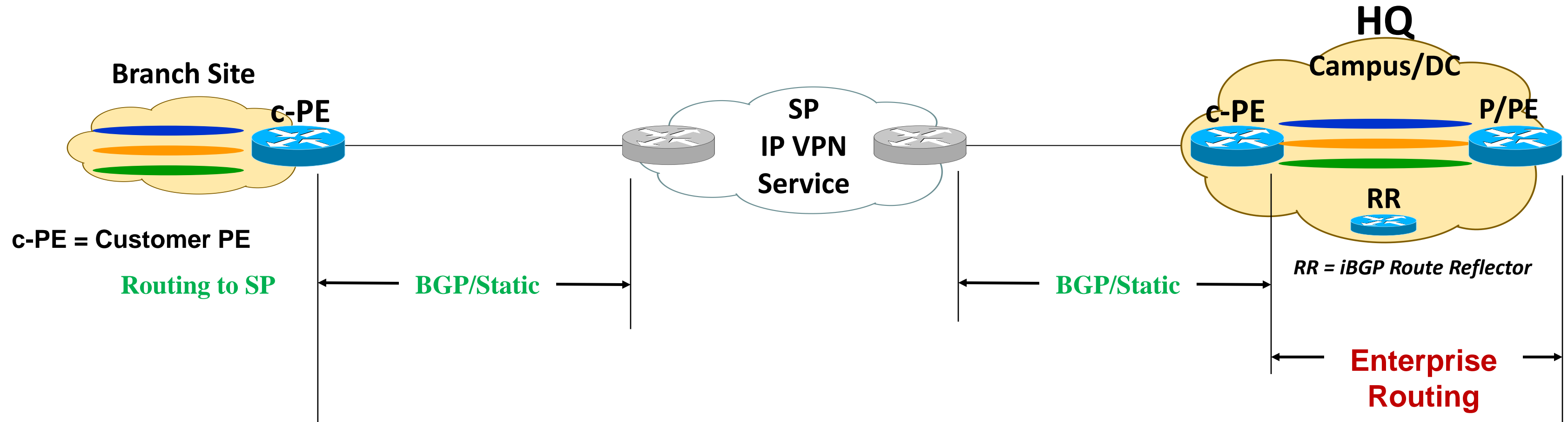
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MPLS VPNs over Multipoint GRE Using BGP for End Point Discovery



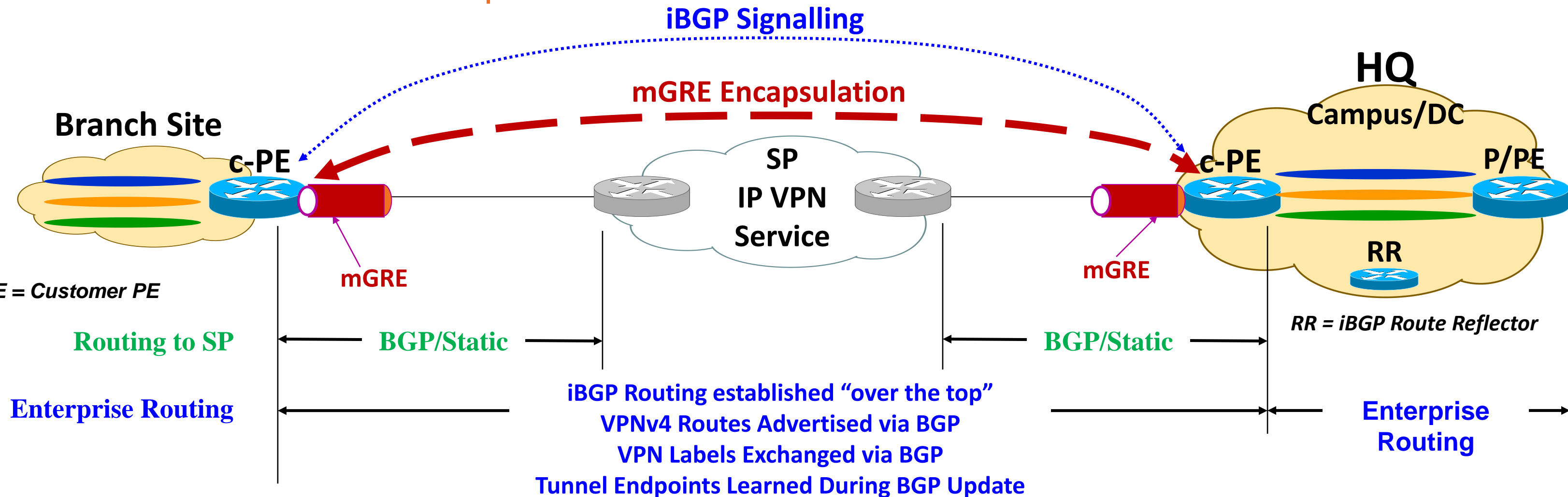
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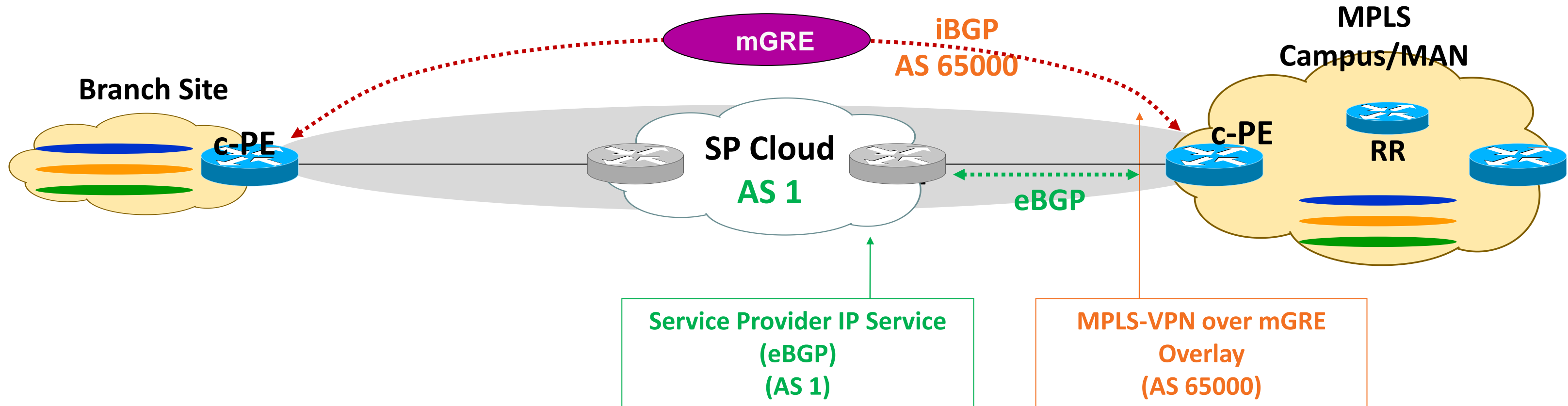
Control/Data Plane Example over Service Provider Model



- Routing and data forwarding done "Over the Top" of the SP transport
- iBGP used to: (1) Advertise VPNv4 routes, (2) exchange VPN labels, (3) learn tunnel end-points
- eBGP used to: (1) exchange tunnel end point routes with SP (optional static routes could be used)
- Only requires advertising ONE IP prefix to the SP network (e.g. IP tunnel "end points")

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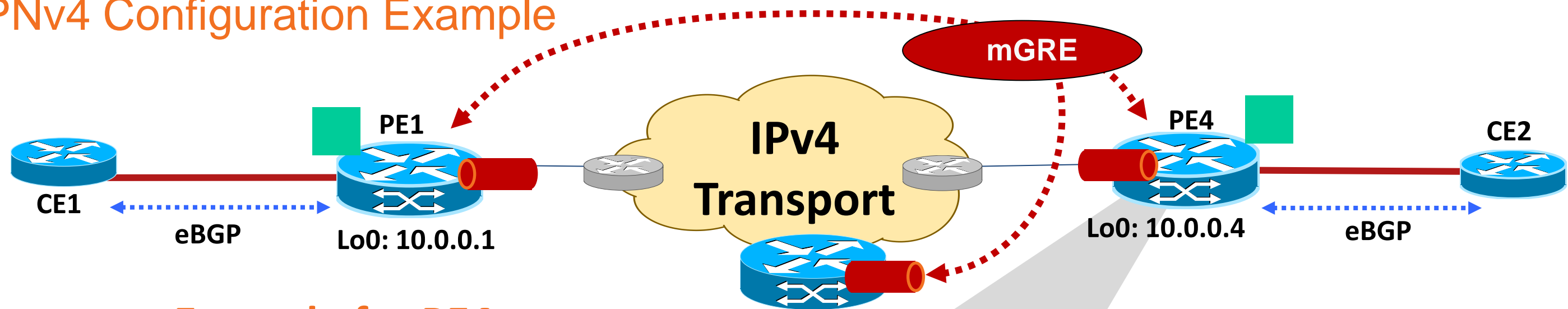
Control Plane



- eBGP (AS 1): used to peer to the SP PE router
- i-BGP (AS 65000): used for MP-BGP and VPNv4 prefix and label exchange
- C-PE for e-BGP appears as CE to the SP
- C-PE for i-BGP functions as a PE in supporting MPLS-VPN over mGRE

MPLS VPN Over Multipoint GRE (mGRE)

VPNv4 Configuration Example



Example for PE4

```
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.0.0.4 255.255.255.255
!
l3vpn encapsulation ip Cisco
 transport ipv4 source Loopback0
```

```
!
router bgp 100
. . .
 address-family vpnv4
  neighbor 10.0.0.1 activate
  neighbor 10.0.0.1 send-community extended
  neighbor 10.0.0.1 route-map next-hop-TED in
 exit-address-family
```

```
!
route-map next-hop-TED permit 10
 set ip next-hop encapsulate l3vpn Cisco
```

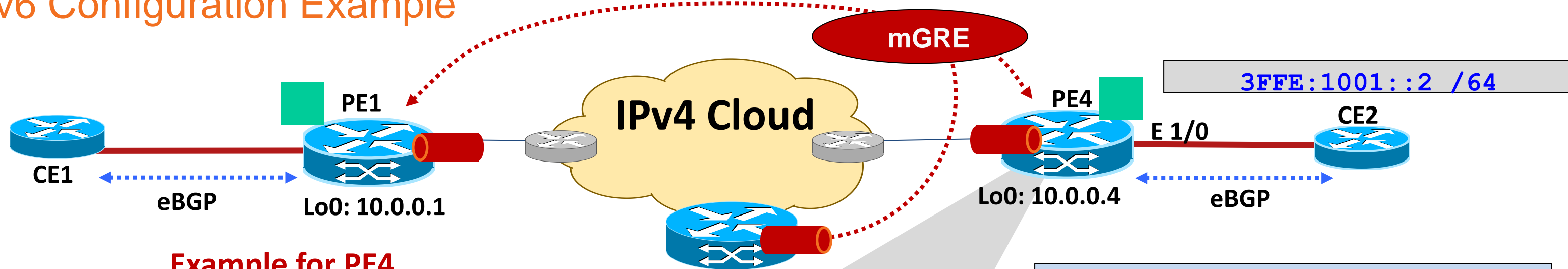
Sets mGRE Encapsulation "Profile" for BGP Next-Hop

Apply Route-Map to Received Advertisement from Remote iBGP Neighbour

Use IP Encap (GRE) for Next-Hop and Install Prefix in VPN Table as Connected Tunnel Interface

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IPv6 Configuration Example



Example for PE4

```
interface Ethernet 1/0
 vrf forwarding green
 ip address 209.165.200.253 255.255.255.224
 ipv6 address 3FFE:1001::/64 eui-64
!
router bgp 100
. . .
 address-family vpnv6
  neighbor 10.0.0.1 activate
  neighbor 10.0.0.1 send-community both
  neighbor 10.0.0.1 route-map next-hop-TED in
 exit-address-family
. . .
!
route-map next-hop-TED permit 10
 set ip next-hop encapsulate l3vpn Cisco
 set ipv6 next-hop encapsulate l3vpn Cisco
```

NOTE: Relevant MPLS VPN over mGRE Commands That Are Same for IPv4, Are Not Shown in This IPv6 Example

IPv6 Address Applied to CE2 Facing Interface

Apply Route-Map to Received Advertisement from Remote iBGP Neighbour (Same as vpnv4)

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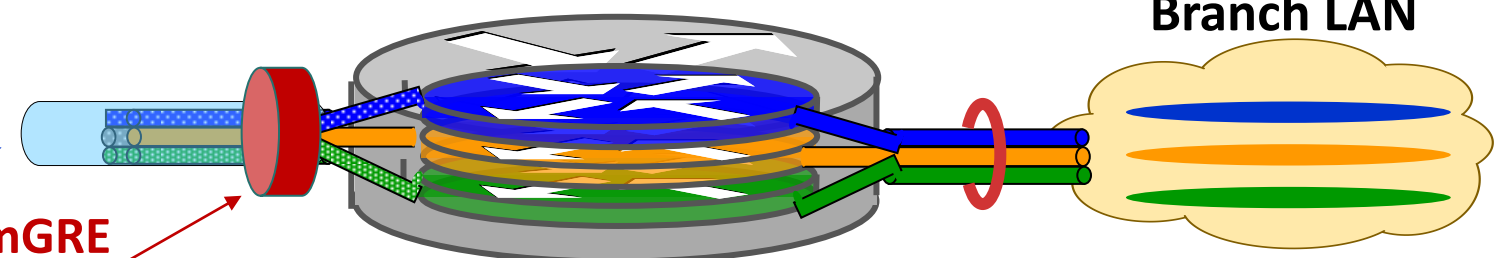
- Solution requires advertising a single IP prefix to SP for mGRE operation
- Solution leverages standard MP-BGP control plane (RFC 2547/4364)
- Tunnel endpoint discovery is done via iBGP/route-map
- E-BGP can/is still used for route exchange with the SP
- Solution requires NO manual configuration of GRE tunnels or LDP (RFC 3036)
- Supports MVPN and IPv6 per MPLS VPN model (MDT and 6vPE respectfully)
 - MVPN Platform Support today: ASR 1000, ISR/G2, SUP-2T
- Supports IPsec for PE-PE encryption (GET VPN or manual SA)
- Platform Support

Today: 7600/12.2(33) SRE, ASR 1000 (3.1.2S), ISR product line, 15.1(2)T, 6500/SUP-2T (15.0(1) SY), MWR-2941

Future: IOS-XR Platforms (Future planning)

VPNv4 Label
over mGRE Encapsulation

mGRE
interface



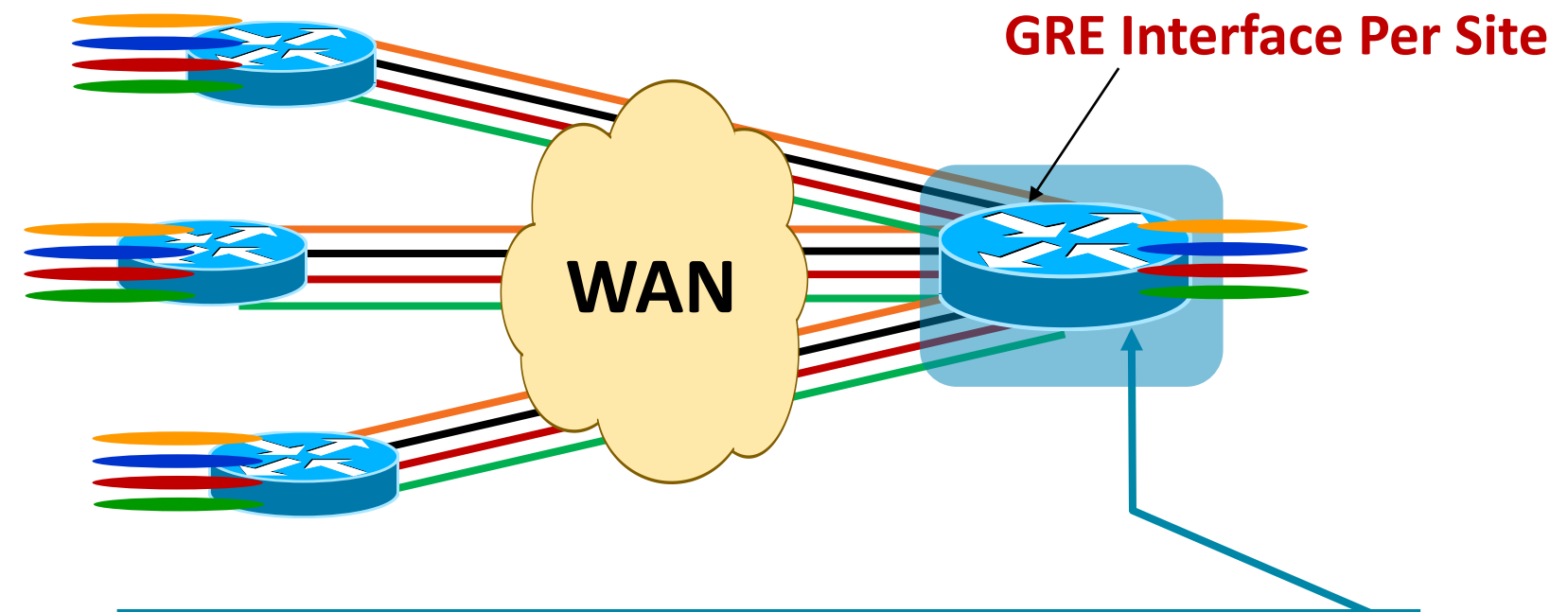
MPLS VPN Deployment Considerations for WAN Designs (over IP)

EXAMPLE: MPLS VPN over GRE (Point to Point Tunnels)

Key questions to ask yourself:

- How many VRFs will be required at initial deployment? 1 year? 3+ years?
- Are frequent adds/deletes and changes of VRFs required?
- Is L2 VPN (PW, VPLS) required?
- How many locations will the network grow too?
- Do I require any-to-any traffic patterns?
- What is the transport? (i.e. is GRE required?)

Example: 50 – 1000 Sites (full-mesh)



VRFs	Neighbours	GRE Tunnel Interface (N – 1)
50	50	49
100	100	99
250	200	199
500+	1000	999

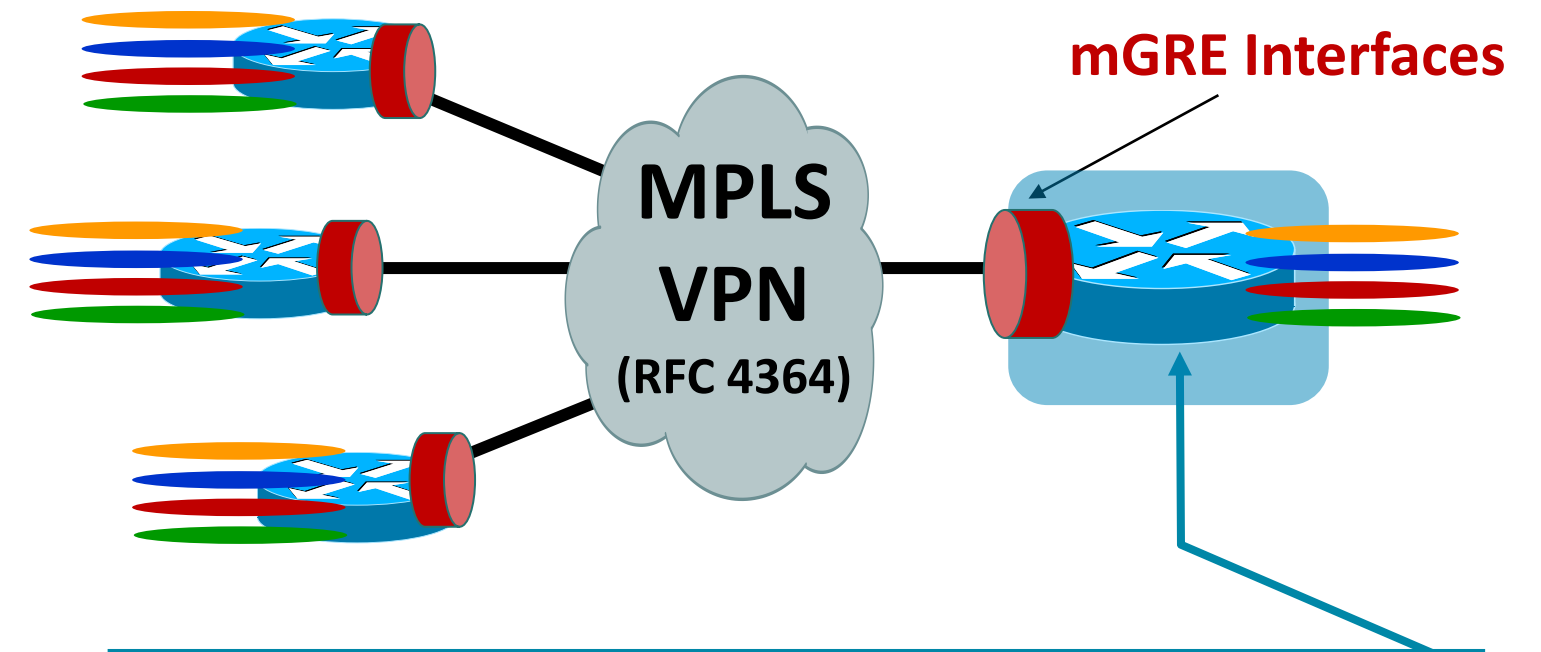
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- Do I have the expertise to manage an MPLS VPN network?



VRFs	Neighbours	GRE Tunnel Interface
50	50	1
100	100	1
250	200	1
500+	1000	1

MPLS VPN Over GRE Solutions

Comparison Matrix

	MPLS VPN over mGRE	MPLS VPN over DMVPN	MPLS VPN over P2P GRE
Target Deployment	Campus/WAN	WAN	Campus/WAN
MPLS VPN Target VRFs	Yes (> 8 VRFs)	Yes (> 8 VRFs)	Yes (> 8 VRFs)
Uses a Dynamic Endpoint Discovery Mechanism	Yes (BGP)	Yes (NHRP)	No
Avoids Manual Full-Mesh GRE Configurations (mGRE)	Yes	Yes	No
Requires LDP over the Tunnel for Virtualisation with MPLS VPNs	No	Yes	Yes
Current Scaling of End Nodes (Tested)	1000+ (Recommend RRs)	EIGRP – 1000 (ASR 1K) OSPF – 600 (7200) BGP – 1800 (ASR 1K)	1000+ (Manually Intensive)
Supports IPsec Encryption	Yes (GET, SA)	Yes	Yes
Supports MVPN Multicast *	Yes	* Yes	Yes
Supports IPv6 VPN (6vPE)	Yes	No (Future)	Yes

* Platform Specific for support. Also, DMVPN requires traffic be sent spoke-hub-spoke, if source is located at spoke site

Cisco L3 Virtualisation

Platforms and Feature Support for WAN and Branch

Feature \ Platform	Cisco ISR-G2	Cisco 7200	ASR 1000	Catalyst 6500	Cisco 7600
VRF Lite	S	S	S	S	S
VRF Lite over GRE	S	S	S	S	S
VRF Lite over DMVPN	S	S	S	S	S
MPLS-VPN	S	S	S	S	S
MPLS VPN over GRE (P2P)	S	S	S	S (SIP-400), SUP-2T	S (SIP-400, ES+)
MPLS VPN over DMVPN (mGRE)	S	S	S	S (SIP-400), SUP-2T	S (SIP-400, ES+)
MPLS VPN over mGRE (BGP)	S	S	S	S (integrated into EARL8)	S (SIP-400, ES+)

S = Supported Today R = Roadmap

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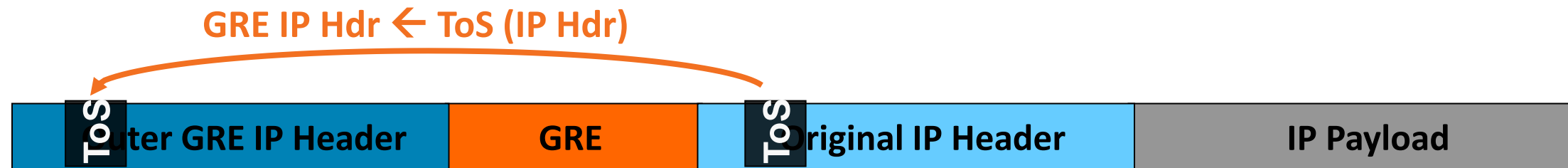
QoS with GRE, MPLS over GRE

ToS Reflection Behaviour for “transit traffic” Through the Router

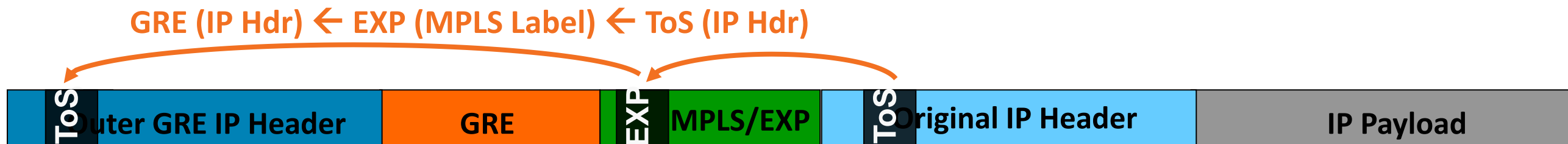
GRE Header



GRE Header with ToS Reflection



MPLS over GRE Header with ToS Reflection



- Router will copy original ToS marking to outer GRE header
- For MPLS over GRE, the EXP marking is copied to the outer header of the GRE tunnel
- This allows the IPv4 “transport” to perform QoS on the multi-encapsulated packet

- **Caveats:**
- Traffic originating on the router (SNMP, pak_priority for routing, etc...), could have different behaviour
- See following link for impact

QoS Deployment Models in a Virtualised Environment

- **Aggregate Model**

A common QoS strategy is used for all VRFs

i.e. same marking for voice, video, critical data, best effort... regardless of the VRF the traffic is sourced from or destined too.

Allows identical QoS strategy to be used with/without Virtualisation

- **Prioritised VRF Model**

Traffic in a VRF(s) are prioritised over other VRFs

Example: Prioritise “production” traffic over “Guest” access

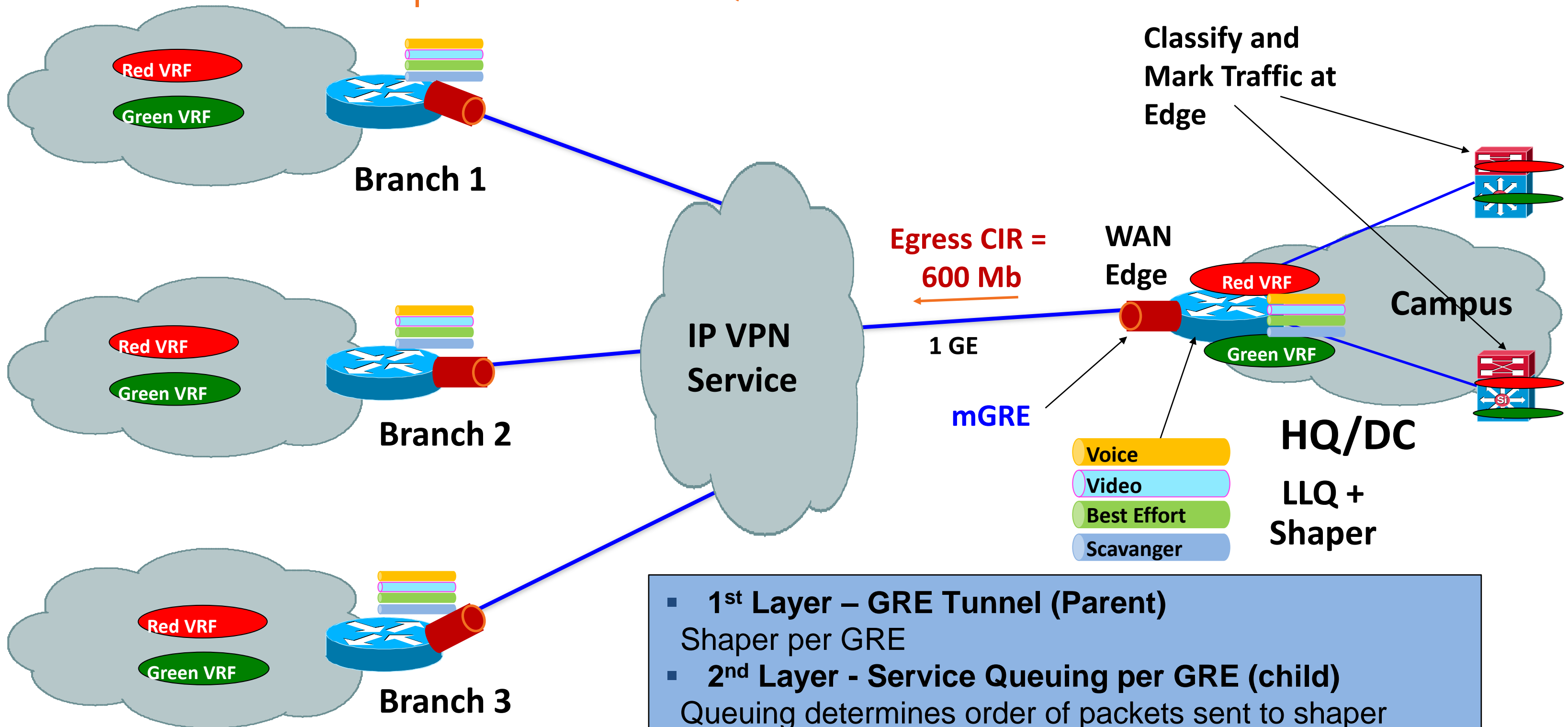
More complex. Could leverage PBR with MPLS-TE to accomplish this

Aggregate vs. Prioritised Model

Following the “**Aggregate Model**” Allows the Identical QoS Strategy to Be Used With/Without Network Virtualisation

QoS Deployment with Network Virtualisation

Point-to-Cloud Example - Hierarchical QoS + MPLS VPN over mGRE



- **1st Layer – GRE Tunnel (Parent)**
Shaper per GRE
- **2nd Layer - Service Queuing per GRE (child)**
Queuing determines order of packets sent to shaper
- **H-QoS policy applies to main interface (not mGRE)**

Hierarchical QoS Example

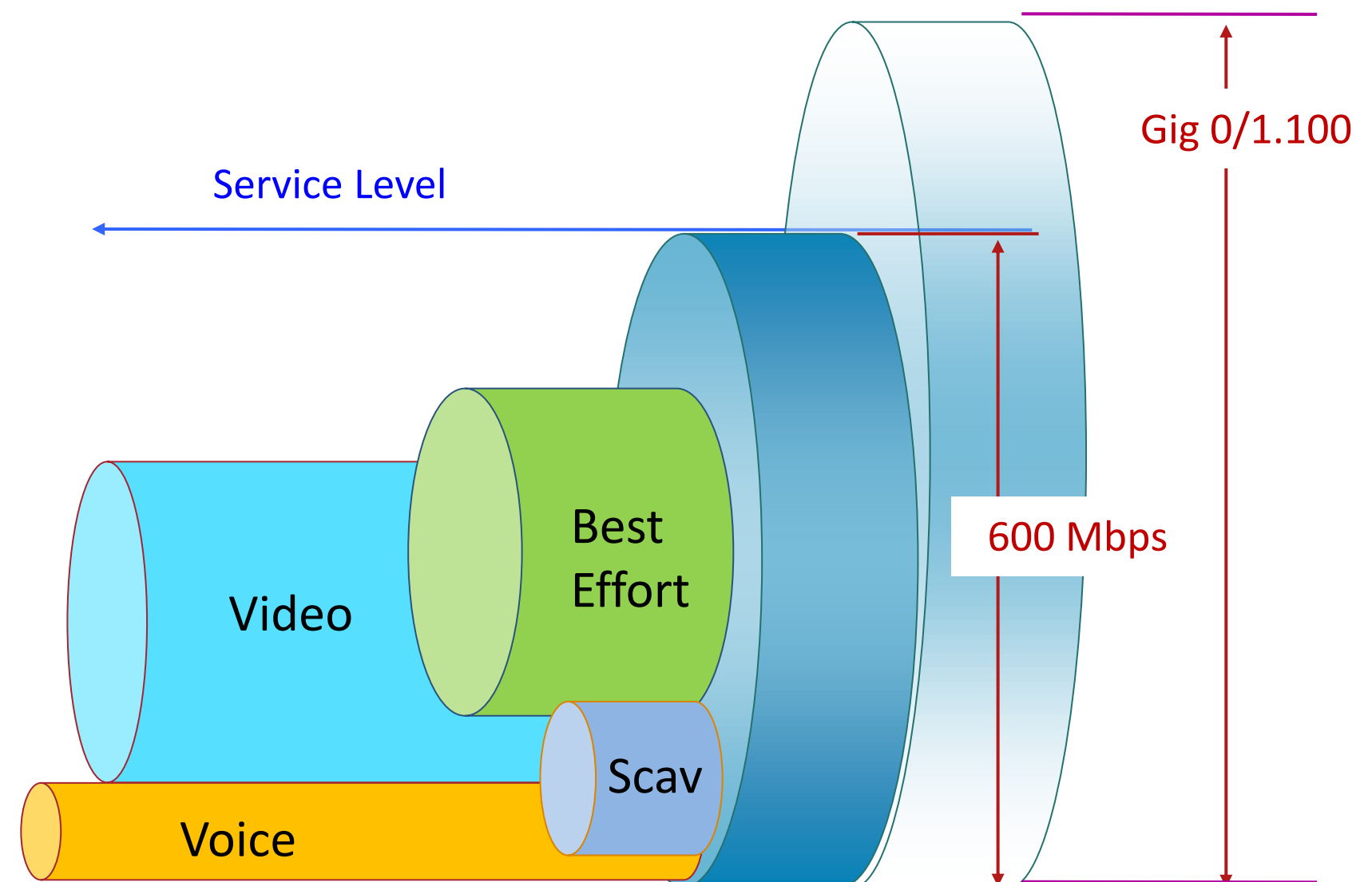
H-QoS Policy on Interface to SP, Shaper = CIR

Two MQC Levels

```
Policy-map PARENT
class class-default
shape average 600000000
service-policy output CHILD
```

```
Policy-map CHILD
class Voice
  police cir percent 10
  priority level 1
class Video
  police cir percent 20
  priority level 2
class Scav
  bandwidth remaining ratio 1
class class-default
  bandwidth remaining ratio 9
```

```
Interface gigabitethernet 0/1.100
service-policy output PARENT
```



QoS for Virtualisation – Summary

- **Aggregate** QoS model is the simplest and most straight forward approach (**Recommended**)
- Simplification using the **Aggregate** model recommends:
 - Traffic class marking identical to non Virtualisation scheme
 - Traffic class marking identical between VRF's
 - Leverage H-QoS on virtualised interfaces (GRE, .1Q)
 - Router dynamically copies ToS→EXP→ToS (GRE)
- **Prioritised** VRF model can be used to prefer traffic originating in one VRF over another (**Becomes more complex, through techniques such as Policy-Based Routing, MPLS-TE, or a combination of both**)
- **Summary: Consider implementing the same QoS approach that is used for non-virtualised, when deploying QoS in virtualised enterprise network designs**

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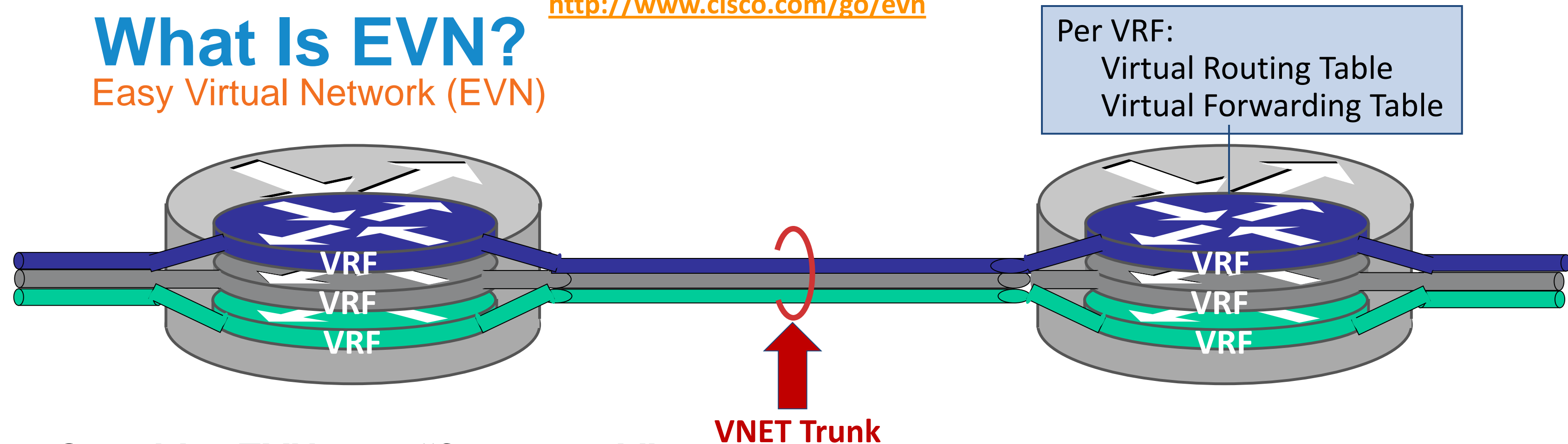
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What Is EVN?

Easy Virtual Network (EVN)

<http://www.cisco.com/go/evn>

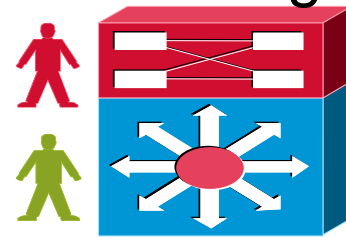


Consider EVN as a “framework”

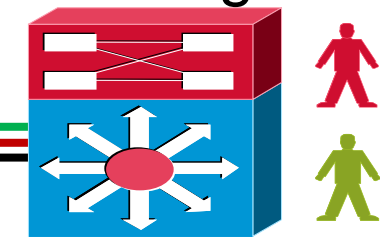
1. Offers a dynamic way to configure the “trunk” between two devices for carrying multiple VRF’s
 2. Makes the **IOS CLI VRF “context aware”** for configuration (“show”, “debug”, “traceroute”, etc...)
 3. Simplifies **route replication** configuration where a “shared” VRF is required (vs. complex BGP import/export commands)
- EVN (like VRF-Lite) still leverages:
 - VRF aware **routing (RIB) and forwarding (FIB)**
 - VRF aware **routing protocol** processes (EIGRP, OSPF, BGP, RIPv2, static)

VRF-Lite and VNET Trunk Compatibility in EVN

Switch running VRF-Lite



Switch running EVN



```
ip vrf red
rd 101:101
```

```
ip vrf green
rd 102:102
```

VRF-Lite Sub-interface Config

```
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/1
ip address 10.122.5.29 255.255.255.252
ip pim query-interval 333 msec
ip pim sparse-mode
logging event link-status
```

```
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/1.101
description Subinterface for Red VRF
encapsulation dot1Q 101
ip vrf forwarding Red
ip address 10.122.5.29 255.255.255.252
ip pim query-interval 333 msec
ip pim sparse-mode
logging event subif-link-status
```

```
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/1.102
description Subinterface for Green VRF
encapsulation dot1Q 102
ip vrf forwarding Green
ip address 10.122.5.29 255.255.255.252
ip pim query-interval 333 msec
ip pim sparse-mode
logging event subif-link-status
```

VNET Trunk Config

```
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/1
vnet trunk
ip address 10.122.5.30 255.255.255.252
ip pim query-interval 333 msec
ip pim sparse-mode
logging event link-status
```

Both Routers Have VRFs Defined
VNET Router Has Tags

Global Config:

```
vrf definition red
vnet tag 101
```

```
vrf definition green
vnet tag 102
```

* RouterEVN# Show derived-config (will display the config beyond what EVN displays from a simplification perspective)

VRF Simplification - Trunk Advantage

VRF-Lite Subinterfaces

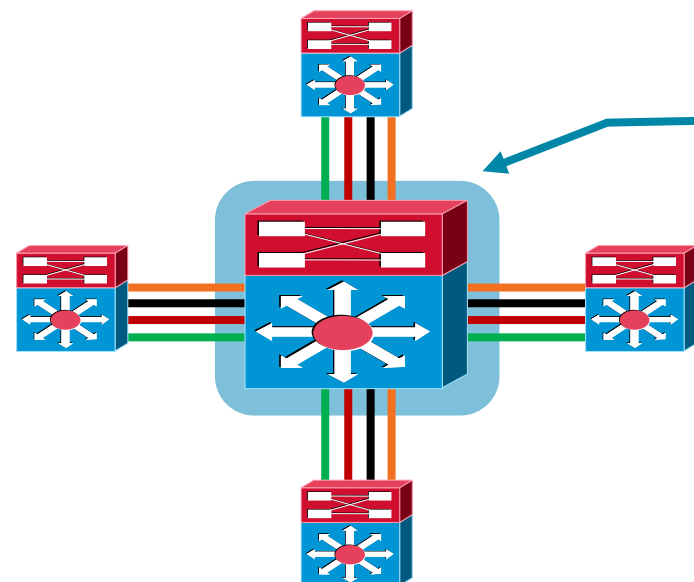
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1 Point-to-Point Subinterface Configuration, per VRF per Physical Interfaces



Virtual Networks	Neighbours	VRF Subinterfaces
4	4	16
10	4	40
20	4	80
30	4	120

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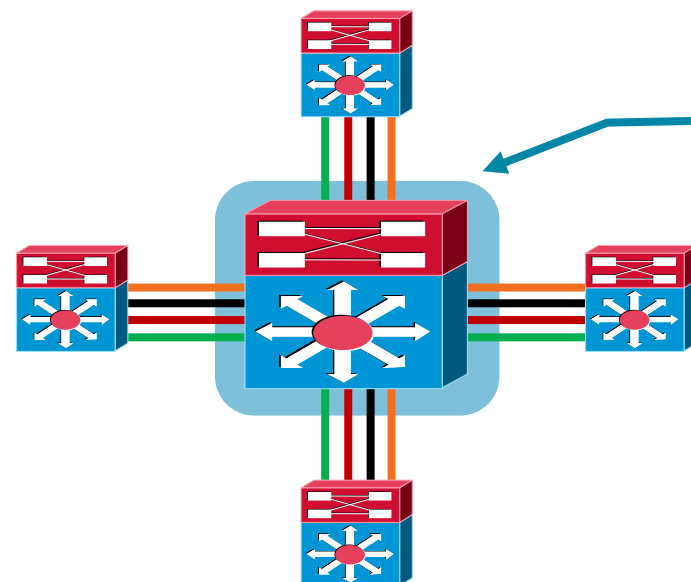
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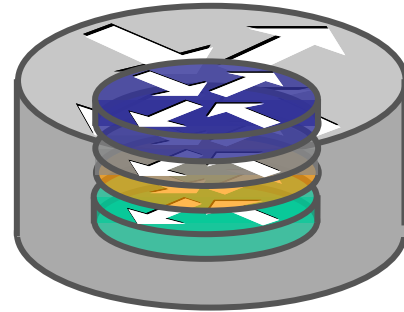
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EVN - Routing Context – Simplified CLI



Routing Context

IOS CLI

```
Router# routing-context vrf red
```

```
Router%red#
```

```
Router# show ip route vrf red  
Routing table output for red
```



```
Router%red# show ip route  
Routing table output for red
```

```
Router# ping vrf red 10.1.1.1  
Ping result using VRF red
```



```
Router%red# ping 10.1.1.1  
Ping result using VRF red
```

```
Router# telnet 10.1.1.1 /vrf red  
Telnet to 10.1.1.1 in VRF red
```



```
Router%red# telnet 10.1.1.1  
Telnet to 10.1.1.1 in VRF red
```

```
Router# traceroute vrf red 10.1.1.1  
Traceroute output in VRF red
```



```
Router%red# traceroute 10.1.1.1  
Traceroute output in VRF red
```

Shared Services in Virtualised Networks

Services that you don't want to duplicate:

- Internet Gateway
- Firewall and NAT - DMZ
- DNS
- DHCP
- Corporate Communications - Hosted Content

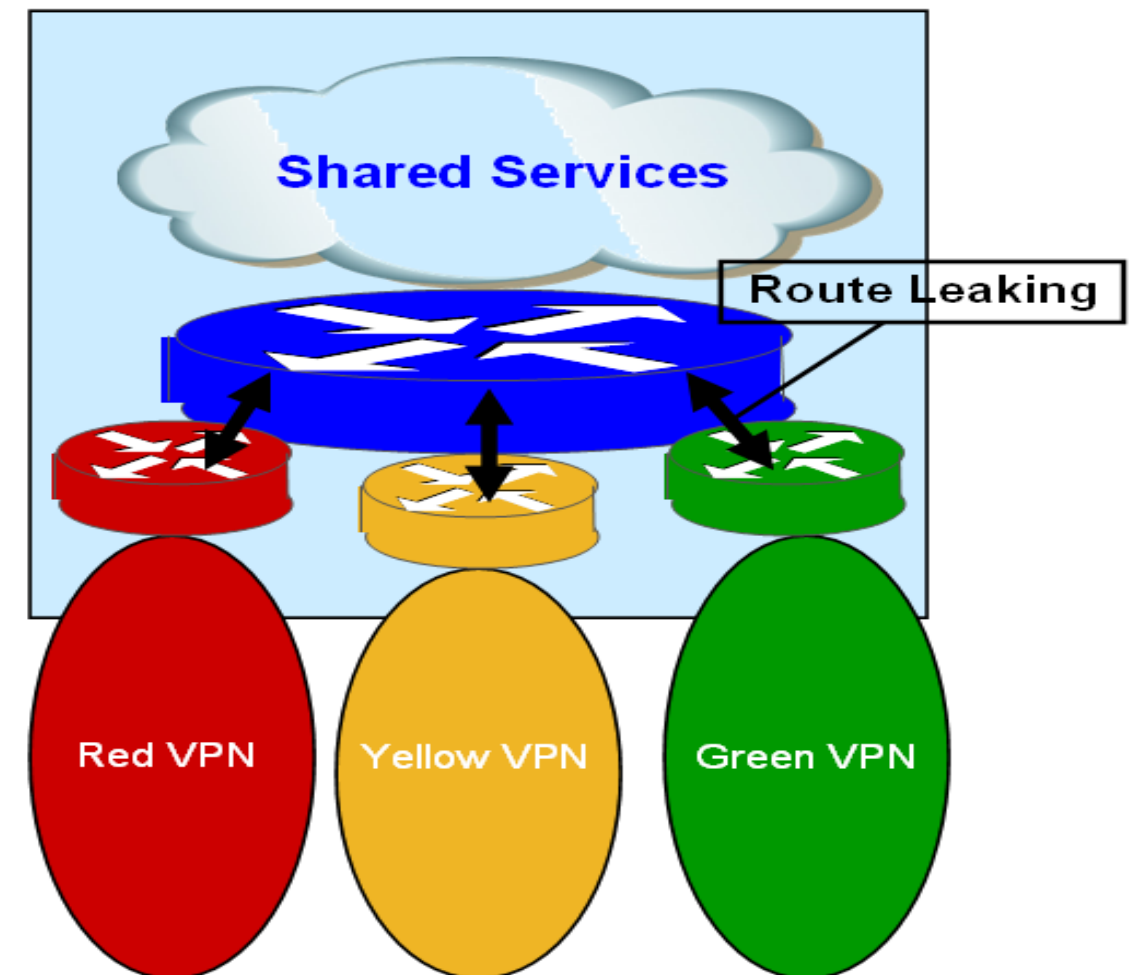
Requires IP Connectivity between VRFs

This is usually accomplished through some type of Extranet Capability or Fusion Router/FW

Best Methods for Shared Services

Fusion Router/FW – Internet Gateway, NAT/DMZ

Extranet – DNS, DHCP, Corp Communications



VRF Simplification - Shared Services

Before: Sharing Servers in Existing Technologies

```
ip vrf SHARED
 rd 3:3
 route-target export 3:3
 route-target import 1:1
 route-target import 2:2
!
ip vrf RED
 rd 1:1
 route-target export 1:1
 route-target import 3:3
!
ip vrf GREEN
 rd 2:2
 route-target export 2:2
 route-target import 3:3
!
router bgp 65001
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
!
 address-family ipv4 vrf SHARED
 redistribute ospf 3
 no auto-summary
 no synchronization
 exit-address-family
!
 address-family ipv4 vrf RED
 redistribute ospf 1
 no auto-summary
 no synchronization
 exit-address-family
!
 address-family ipv4 vrf GREEN
 redistribute ospf 2
 no auto-summary
 no synchronization
 exit-address-family
!
```

After: Simple Shared Service Definition

```
vrf definition SHARED
 address-family ipv4
 route-replicate from vrf RED unicast all route-map red-map
 route-replicate from vrf GREEN unicast all route-map grn-map
```

```
vrf definition RED
 address-family ipv4
 route-replicate from vrf SHARED unicast all
```

```
vrf definition GREEN
 address-family ipv4
 route-replicate from vrf SHARED unicast all
```

Route-Replication Advantage:

- No BGP required
- No Route Distinguisher required
- No Route Targets required
- No Import/Export required
- Simple Deployment
- Supports both Unicast/Mcast

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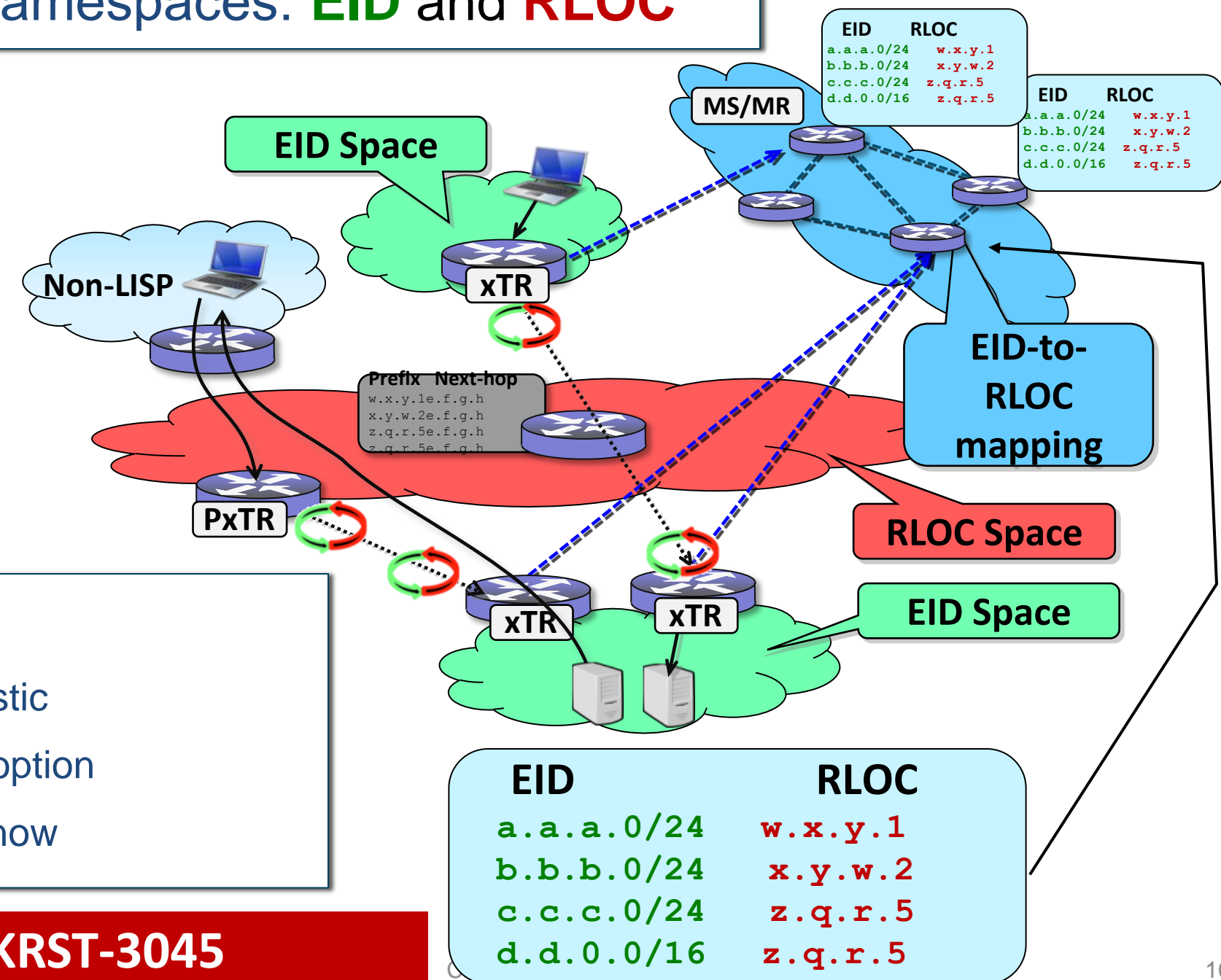
A Next Generation Routing Architecture

IETF Draft: <http://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-farinacci-lisp-12>

LISP creates a “Level of indirection” with two namespaces: **EID** and **RLOC**

- **EID (Endpoint Identifier)** is the IP address of a host – just as it is today
- **RLOC (Routing Locator)** is the IP address of the LISP router for the host
- **EID-to-RLOC mapping** is the distributed architecture that maps **EIDs** to **RLOCs**

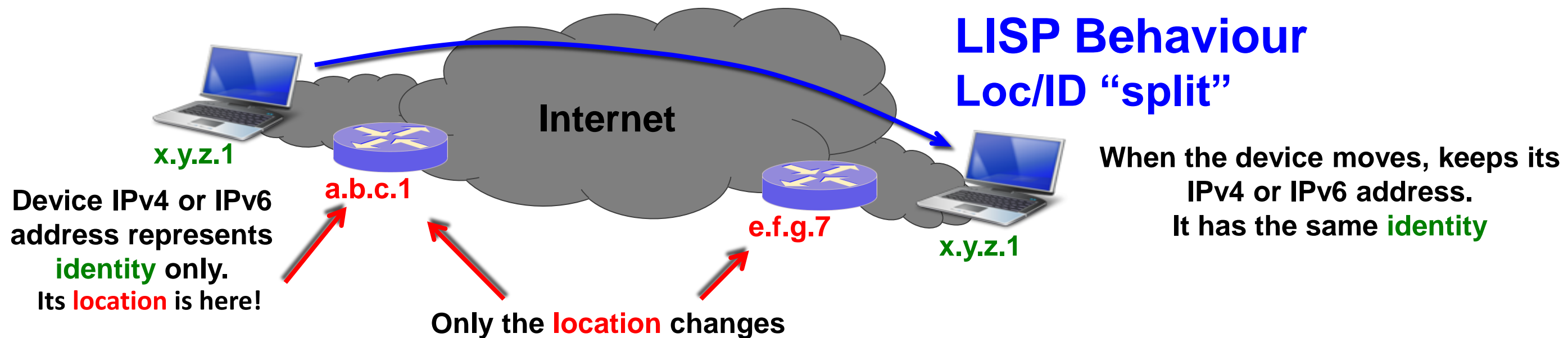
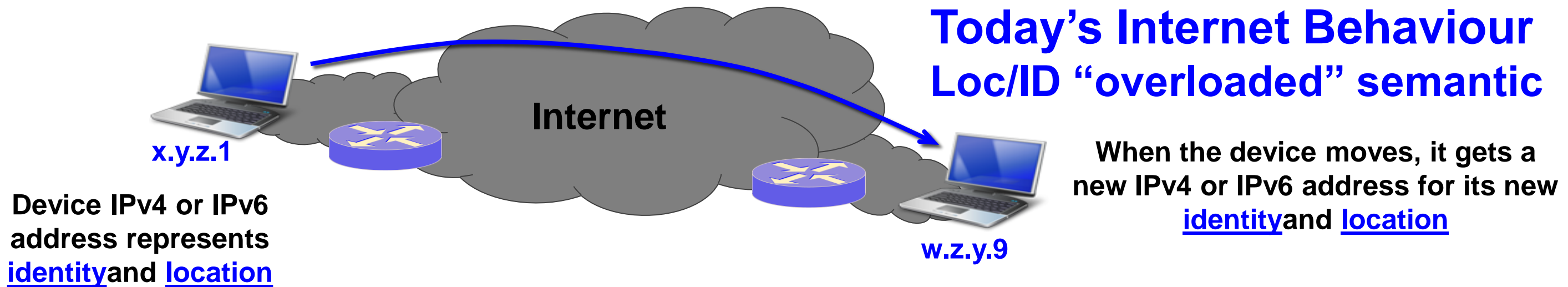
- Network-based solution
- No host changes
- Minimal configuration
- Incrementally deployable
- Support for mobility
- Address Family agnostic
- IPv4 to v6 Transition option
- In Cisco IOS/NX-OS now



More Details on LISP Covered in Session BRKRST-3045

LISP Overview

What do we mean by “location” and “identity”?



LISP Operations

LISP Mapping Resolution – DNS Analogy...

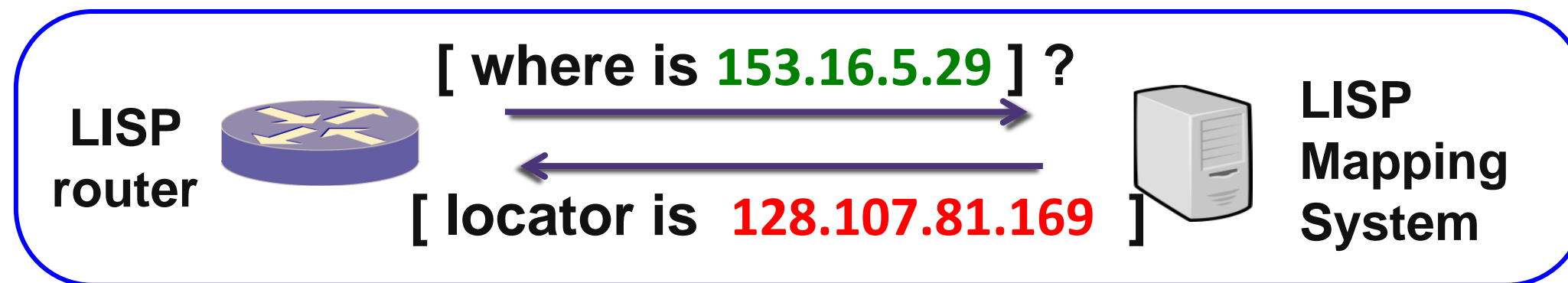
LISP “Level of Indirection” is analogous to a DNS lookup

- DNS resolves IP addresses for URLs



**DNS
Name-to-IP
URL Resolution**

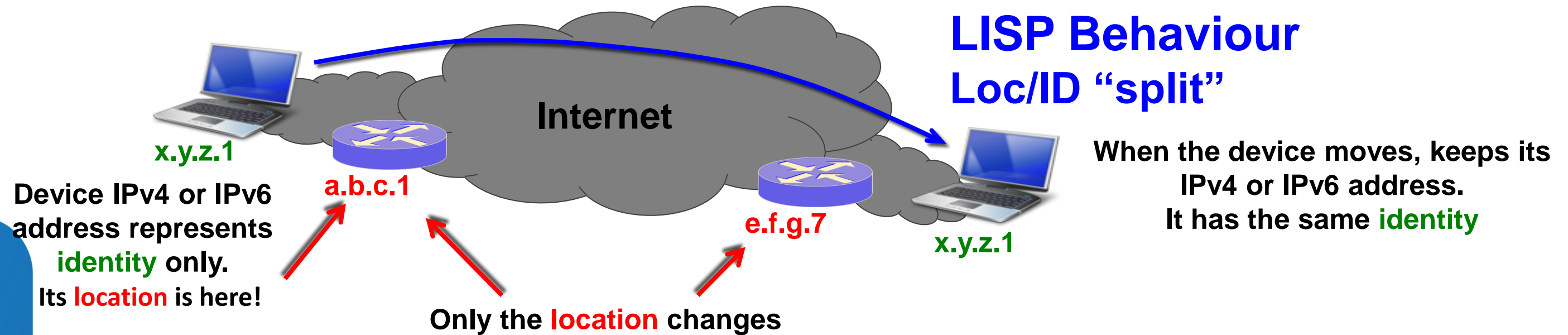
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**LISP
Identity-to-locator
Mapping Resolution**

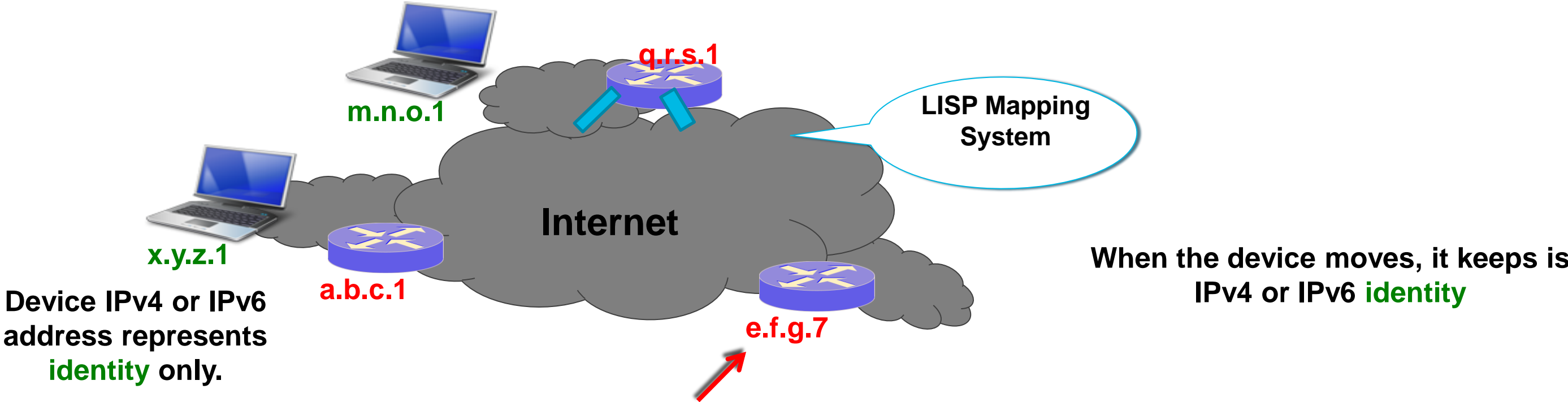
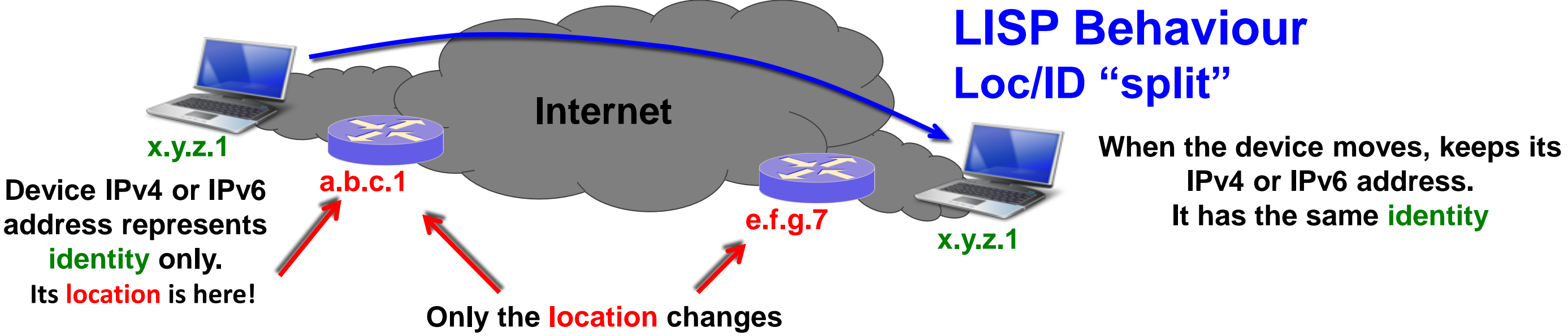
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What do we mean by “location” and “identity”?



- Upon move **e.f.g.7** notifies Mapping DB of changes
- After notification, **q.r.s.1** efficiently routes packets to **x.y.z.1** after move

LISP Operations

LISP IPv4 EID/IPv4 RLOC Header Example

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IPv4 Outer Header:
Router supplies RLOCs

UDP

LISP
header

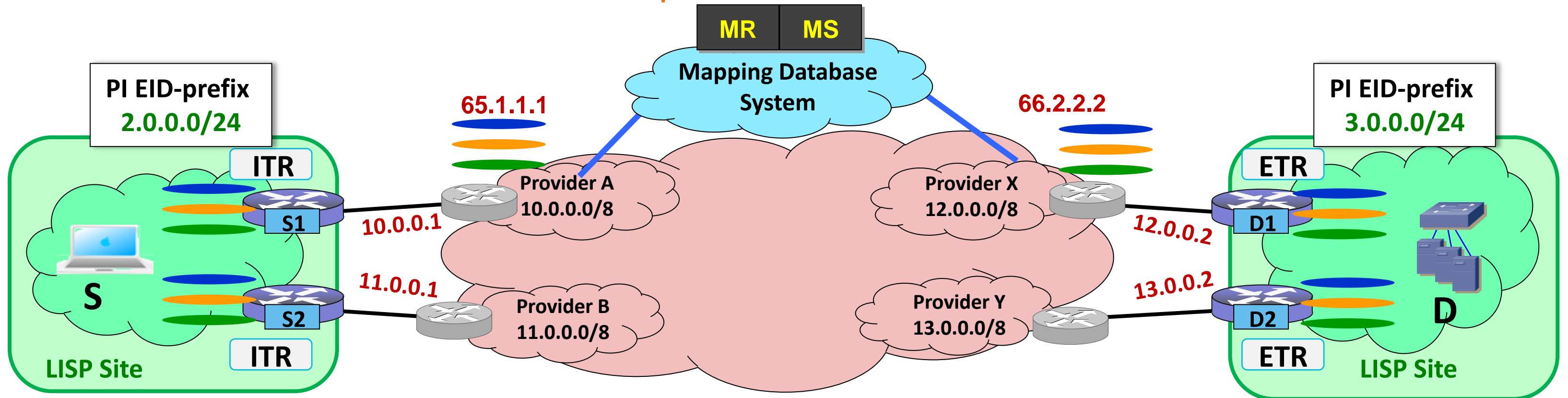
IPv4 Inner Header:
Host supplies EIDs

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	
Version				IHL				Type of Service				Total Length																				
Identification								Flags				Fragment Offset																				
Time to Live				Protocol (17)				Header Checksum																								
Source Routing Locator																																
Destination Routing Locator																																
Source Port (xxxx)																Dest Port (4341)																
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LISP Use Case – Multi-Tenancy

Network Virtualisation “Over the Top”

MR MS
MDB = Mapping Database System






VRFs

- Allows network segmentation on xTR (viewed as CE in L3 VPN model)
- PE routers require minimal routes (RLOC address only, which only SP knows)
- VRF Segmentation is applied to CE/xTR
- Offers another “over the top” Virtualisation solution (VRF capabilities, and routes are hidden from SP network network)
- Can leverage GET VPN for additional data security (IPSec)

Legend:
 EIDs -> Green
 Locators -> Red
 BGP-over-GRE
 Physical link

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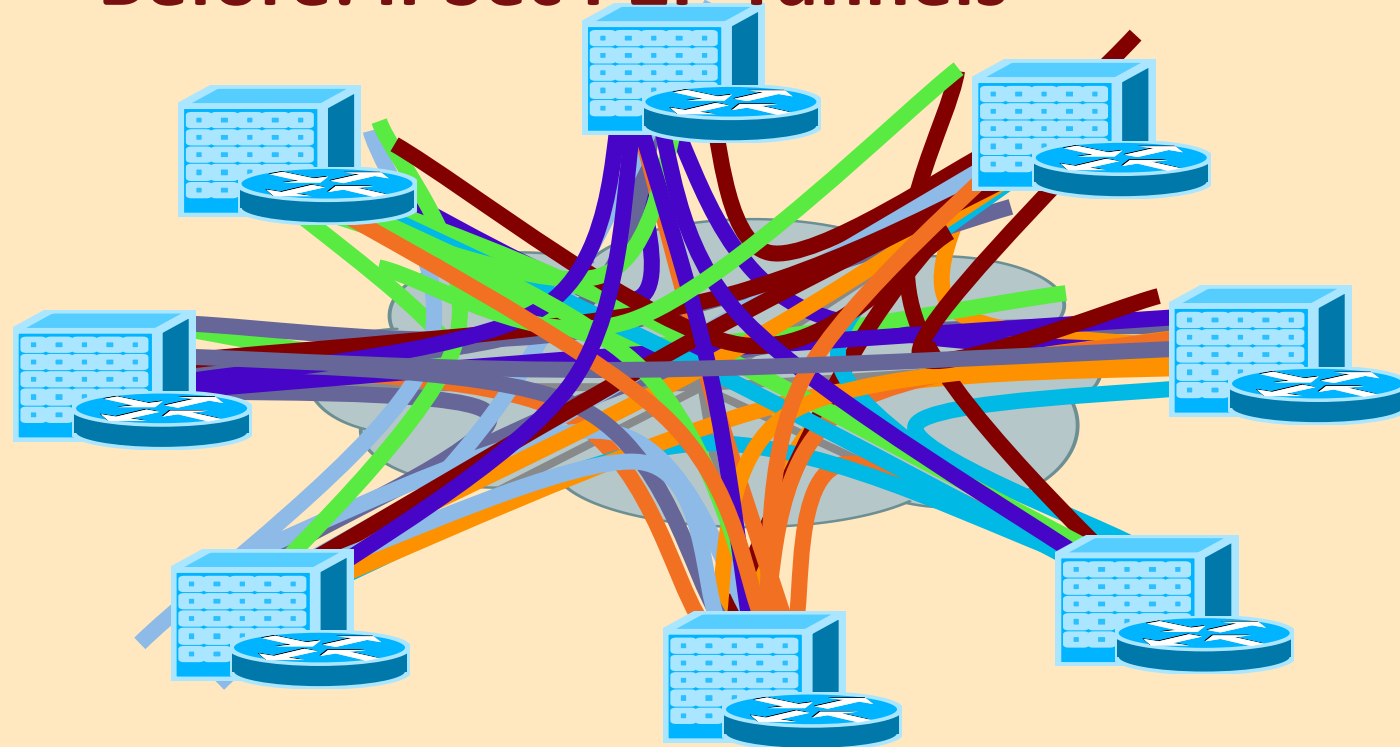
Group Encrypted Transport (GET) VPN

Any to Any Encryption for “Stateless” IP Tunnels (mGRE, LISP...)

Public/Private WAN

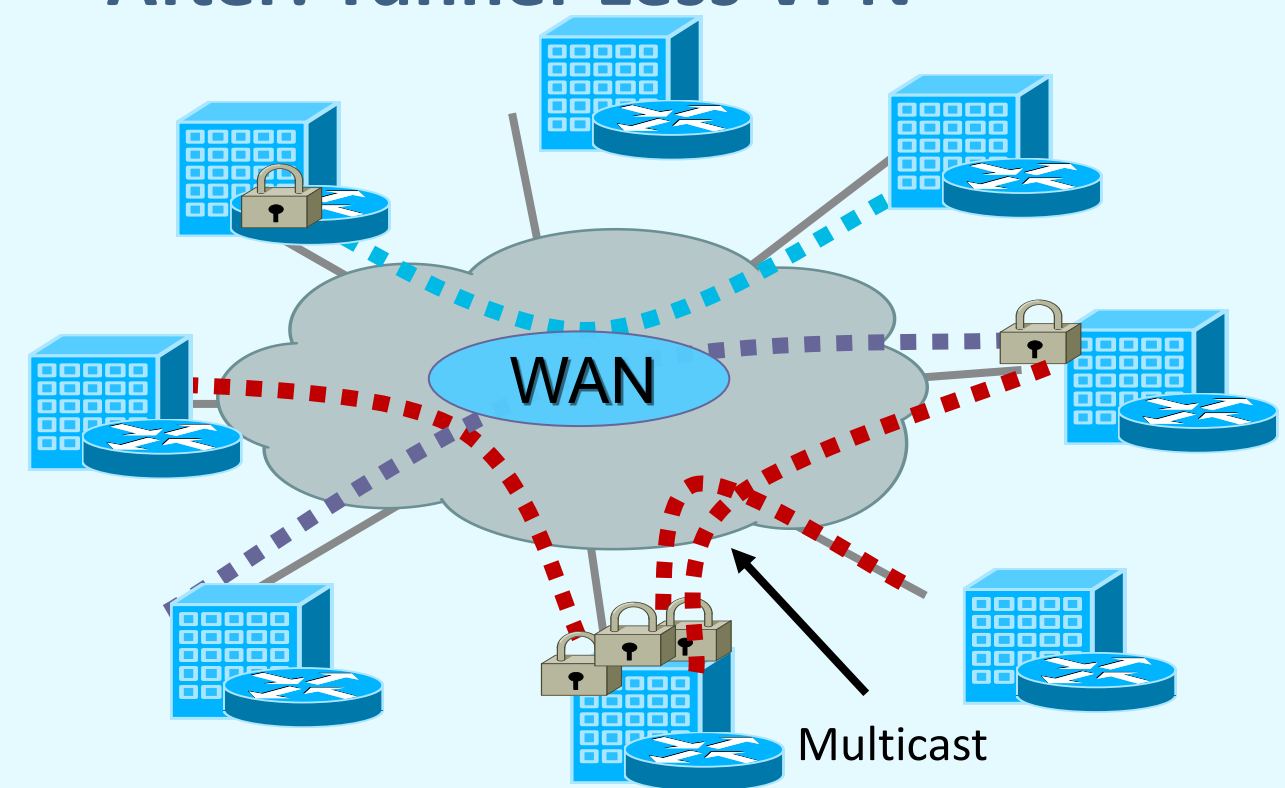
Private WAN

Before: IPsec P2P Tunnels



- Scalability—an issue (N^2 problem)
- Overlay routing
- Any-to-any instant connectivity can't be done to scale
- Limited QoS
- Inefficient Multicast replication

After: Tunnel-Less VPN

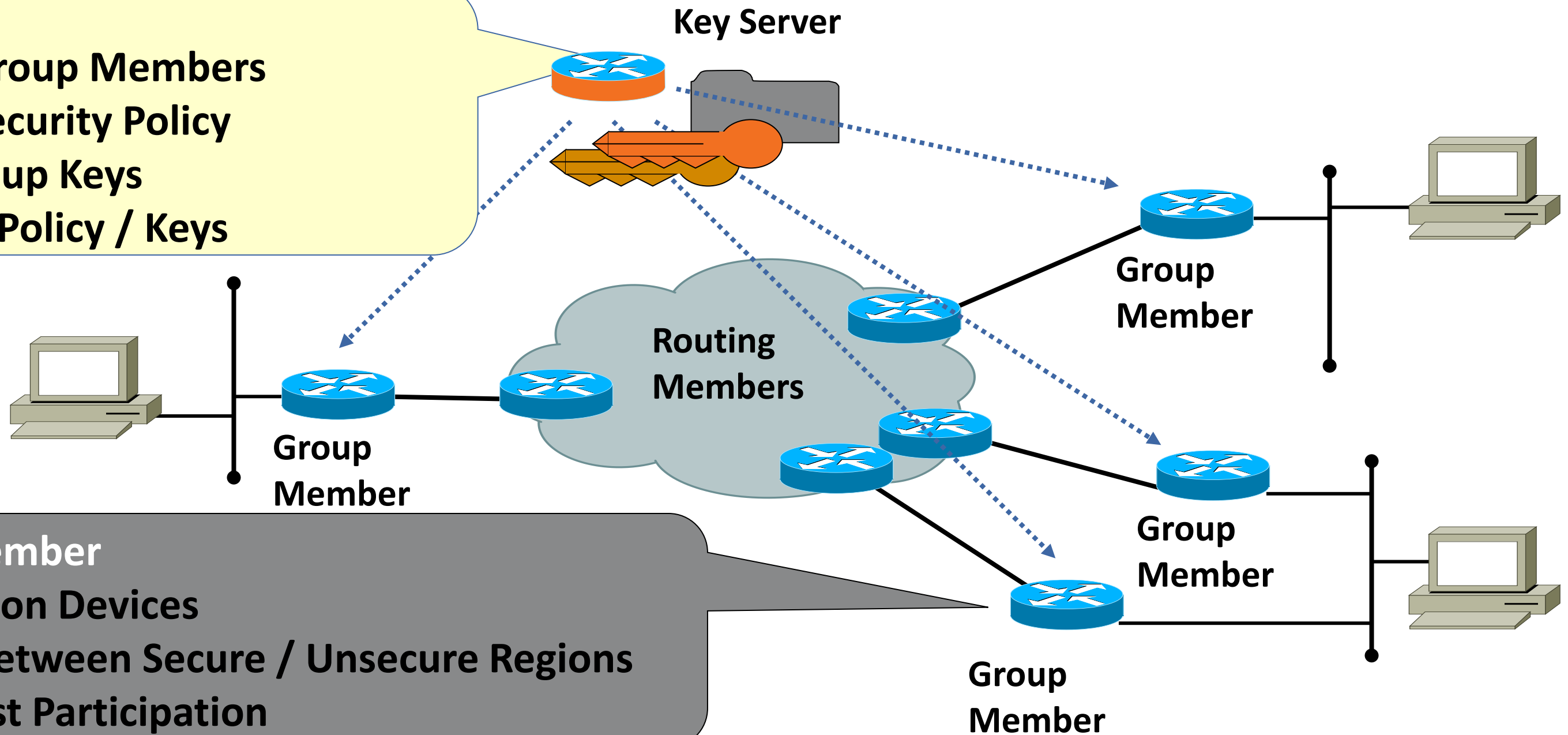


- Scalable architecture for any-to-any connectivity and encryption
- No overlays—native routing
- Any-to-any instant connectivity
- Enhanced QoS
- Efficient Multicast replication

GETVPN Security Devices

Key Server

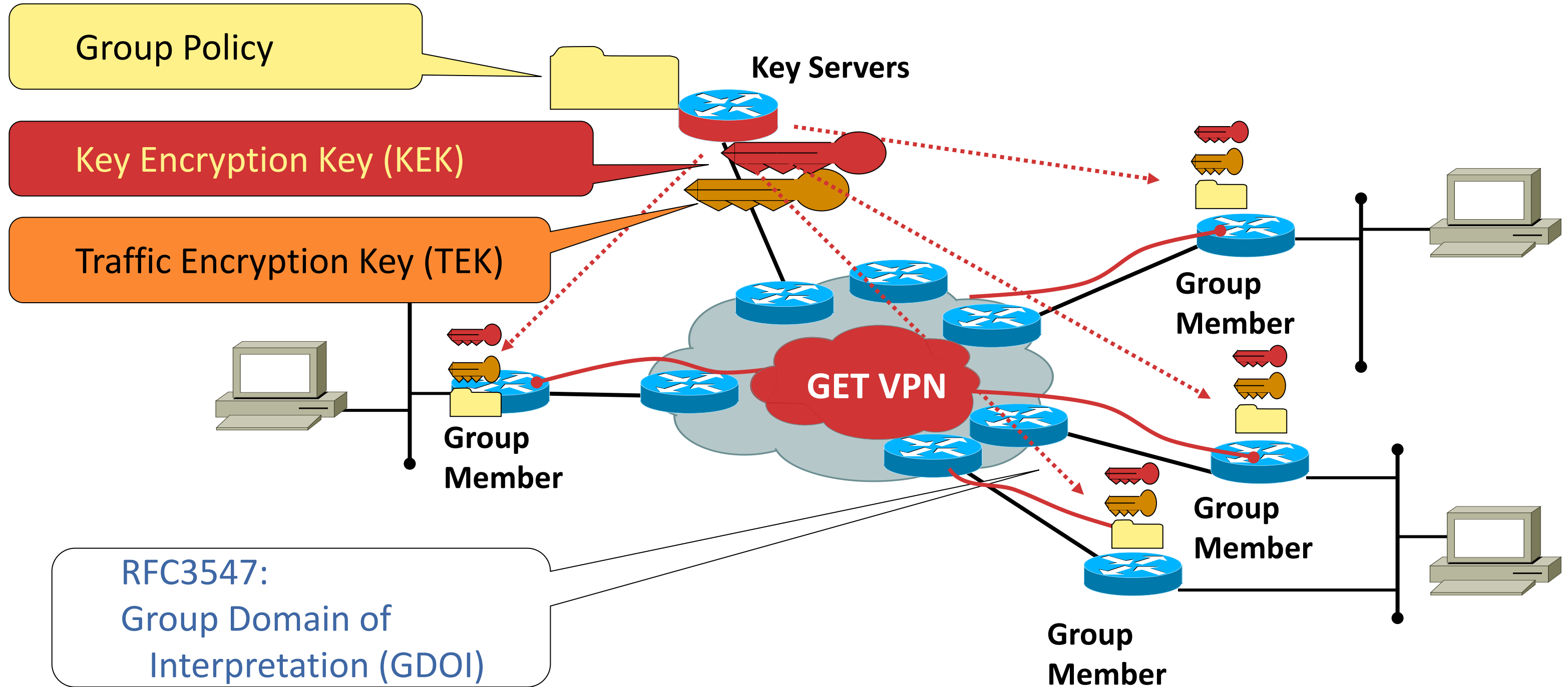
- Validate Group Members
- Manage Security Policy
- Create Group Keys
- Distribute Policy / Keys



Group Member

- Encryption Devices
- Route Between Secure / Unsecure Regions
- Multicast Participation

GETVPN Security Elements



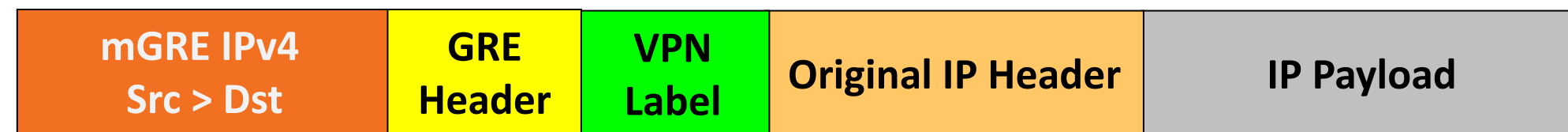
TEK used for Unicast and/or Multicast Encryption

MPLS VPN Over mGRE + GET VPN

VPN Label + Payload Encryption with mGRE Header Preservation

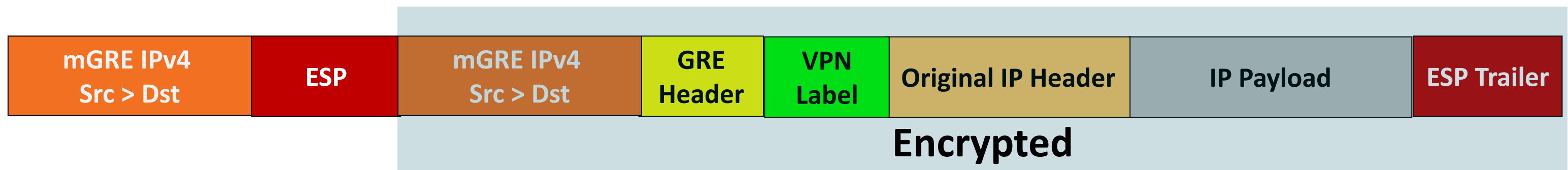
- GET VPN relies on the tunnel header preservation + IPSec Tunnel Mode
- Given all GM's contain the same Group SA (Security Association), the incoming packet (prior to encryption) is shown below:

MPLS/IP Datagram over mGRE (*BEFORE* encryption)



- Which, is then converted into the following packet (below) while preserving the original IP source, destination (through address preservation), and MPLS VPN info.

MPLS/IP Datagram over mGRE (*AFTER* encryption)



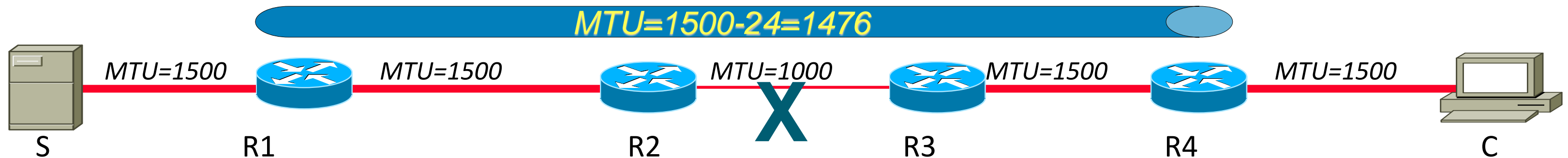
Cisco L3 Virtualisation Solutions + Encryption

Platforms and Feature Support for WAN and Branch

	IPSec SA	GET VPN
VRF Lite	NA	
VRF Lite over GRE	Y	
VRF Lite over DMVPN	Y	
MPLS-VPN	NA	
MPLS VPN over GRE (P2P)	Y	
MPLS VPN over DMVPN (mGRE)	Y	
MPLS VPN over mGRE (BGP)	Y	Y

MTU Considerations with GRE Tunnels

Challenges



- Fragmentation is unavoidable in some cases
- The use of GRE tunnels increase the chances of MTU issues (i.e. fragmentation) due to the increase in IP packet size GRE adds
- Main Issue: The performance impact to the router when the GRE tunnel destination router must re-assemble fragmented GRE packets
- Common Cases where fragmentation occurs?:
 - Customer does not control end to end IP path (some segment is $<$ MTU)
 - Router generates an ICMP message, but the ICMP message gets blocked by a router or firewall (between the router and the sender). Most Common!! ☹️

MTU Recommendations

Point to Point GRE

- ✓ Avoid fragmentation 😊 (if at all possible)
- ✓ Consider “**tunnel path-mtu-discovery**” command to allow the GRE interface to copy DF=1 to GRE header, and run PMTUD on GRE
- ✓ Set “**ip mtu**” on the GRE to allow for MPLS label overhead (4-bytes)
 - ✓ If using IPsec, “ip mtu 1400” is recommended
- ✓ Configure **ip tcp adjust-mss** for assist with TCP host segment overhead
- ✓ MTU Setting options:
 - ✓ Setting the MTU on the physical interface larger than the IP MTU
 - ✓ Set IP MTU to GRE default (1476) + MPLS service label (4)
- ✓ Best to fragment prior to encapsulation, than after encapsulation, as this forces the “host” to do packet reassembly (vs. the remote router)

```
interface Ethernet 1/0
. . .
mtu 1500
```

```
interface Tunnel0
. . .
ip mtu 1472
```

MTU Recommendations

Multipoint GRE

- ✓ Multipoint GRE (mGRE) interfaces are “stateless”
- ✓ “**tunnel path-mtu-discovery**” command is not supported on mGRE interfaces (defaults to DF=0 for MPLS VPN or mGRE)
- ✓ For the MPLS VPN over mGRE Feature, “**ip mtu**” is automatically configured to allow for GRE overhead (24-bytes) (and GRE tunnel key if applied)

```
interface Tunnel 0
. . .
Tunnel protocol/transport multi-GRE/IP
  Key disabled, sequencing disabled
  Checksumming of packets disabled
  Tunnel TTL 255, Fast tunneling enabled
Tunnel transport MTU 1476 bytes
```

**IP MTU Defaults to 1476 When
MPLS VPN over mGRE Is Used**

- ✓ Configure **ip tcp adjust-mss** for assist with TCP hosts (inside interface)
- ✓ MTU Setting options:
 - ✓ Setting the MTU on the physical interface larger than the IP MTU
- ✓ Best to fragment prior to encapsulation, than after encap, as remote router (GRE dest) must reassemble GRE tunnel packets

IP MTU Technical White Paper:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/tech/tk827/tk369/technologies_white_paper09186a00800d6979.shtml

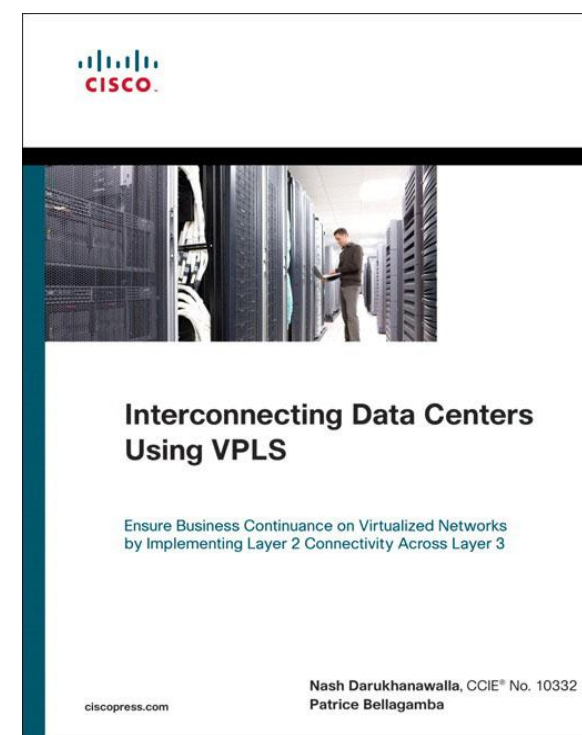
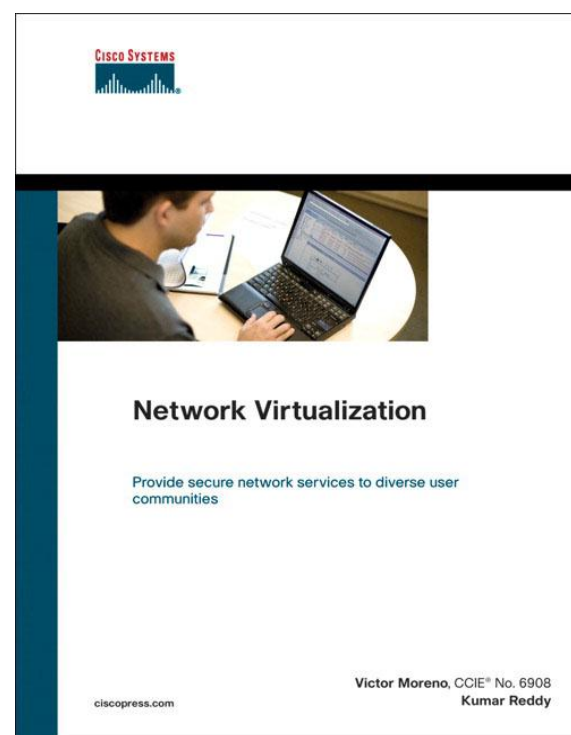
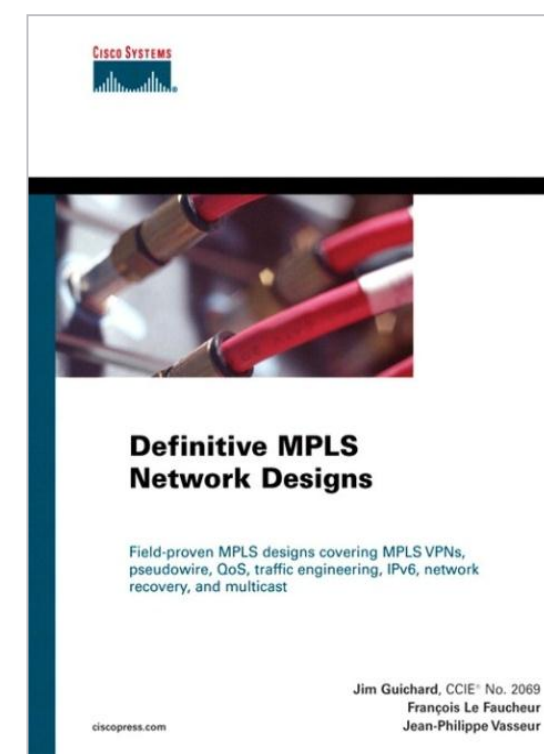
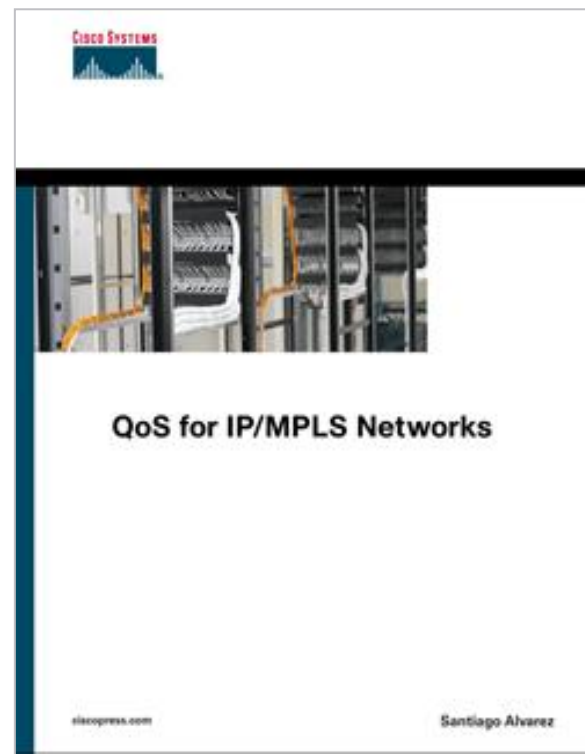
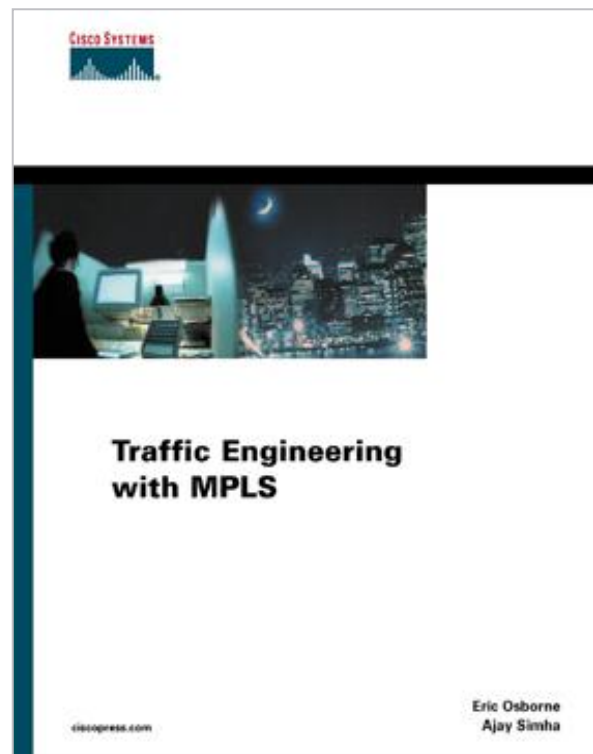
Agenda

- Network Virtualisation Drivers and Building Blocks
- Network Virtualisation Considerations over Common Service Provider Offerings
- Technology and Deployment Solutions Overview for a Virtualised WAN
- Deployment Considerations for QoS over a Virtualised WAN
- Innovations at Cisco in Network Virtualisation Overview
- **Summary**

WAN Virtualisation - Key Takeaways

- The ability for an enterprise to extend Layer 3 (L3) Virtualisation technologies over the WAN is critical for today's applications
- The ability to transport VRF-Lite and MPLS-VPN over IP allows flexible transport options, including ability to encrypt segmented traffic
- Understanding key network criteria (topology, traffic patterns, VRFs, scale, expansion) is vital to choosing the “optimal” solution for extending Virtualisation over the WAN
- MPLS VPN over mGRE offers simpler, and more scalable, deployment, eliminating LDP, manual GRE, for the WAN
- Understand the options for QoS, GET VPN in mGRE environments, and the impact of MTU and available tools in IOS for MTU discovery
- Begin to understand Cisco innovations (MPLS VPN over mGRE, EVN, LISP Virtualisation) and how they can help simplify network Virtualisation in the WAN for future designs
- **Leverage the technology, but “Keep it Simple” when possible ☺**

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Campus-to-WAN Virtualisation Interconnect

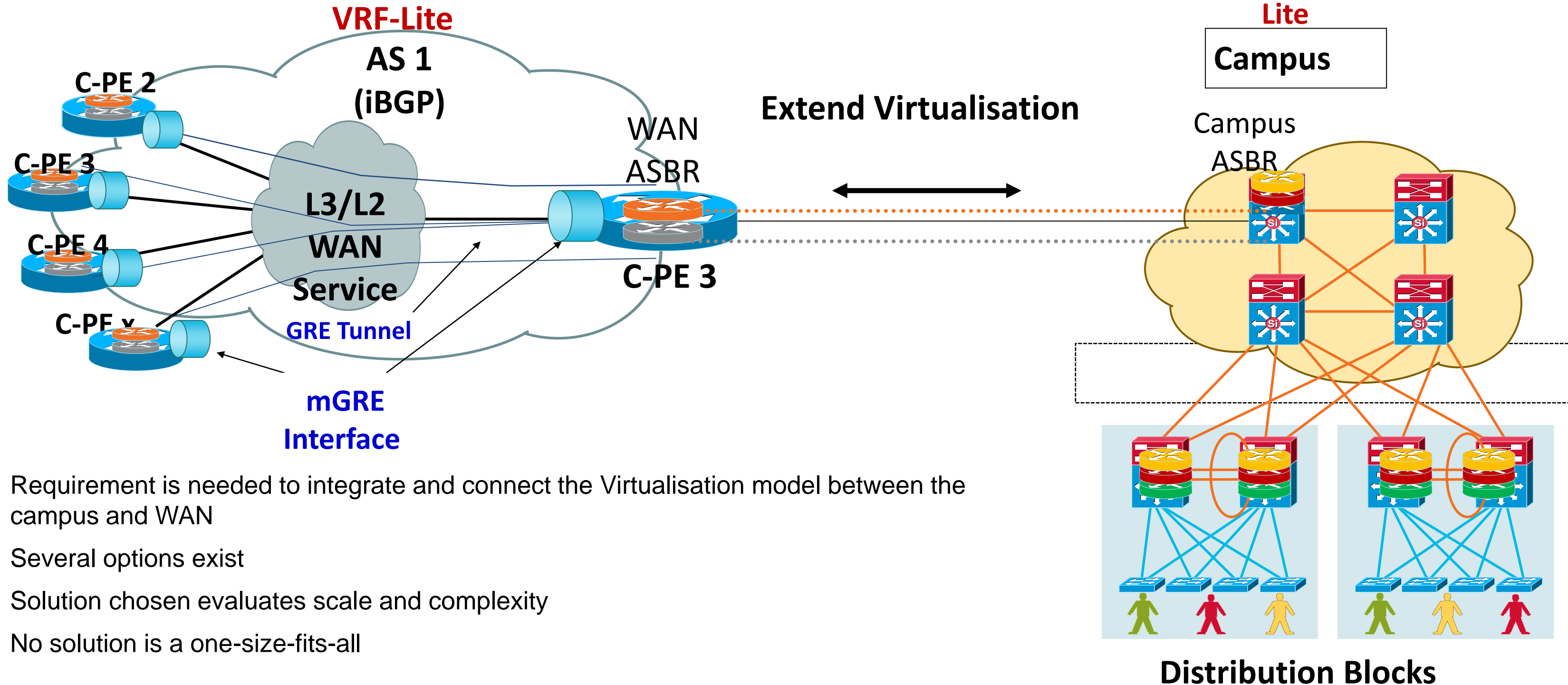


Campus-to-WAN Interconnection

Interconnect Virtualisation Policy WAN ↔ Campus

WAN Supporting MPLS VPN or

Campus Running MPLS VPN or VRF



VRF-Lite

AS 1
(iBGP)

L3/L2
WAN
Service

GRE Tunnel

mGRE
Interface

Extend Virtualisation

Lite
Campus

Campus
ASBR

Distribution Blocks

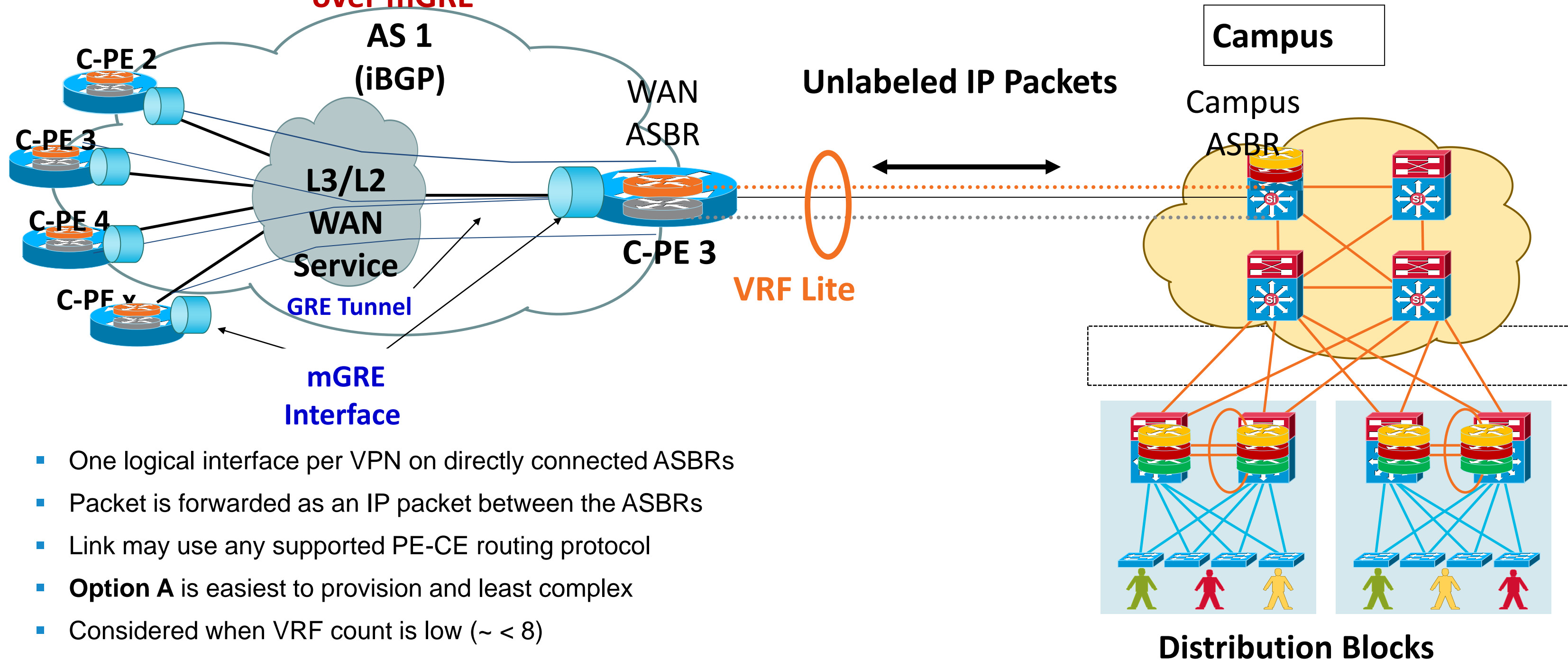
- Requirement is needed to integrate and connect the Virtualisation model between the campus and WAN
- Several options exist
- Solution chosen evaluates scale and complexity
- No solution is a one-size-fits-all

Campus-to-WAN Interconnection

Inter AS Option A (Back to Back VRFs)

WAN Running MPLS BGP VPNs

over mGRE



- 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
- **Option A** is easiest to provision and least complex
- Considered when VRF count is low ($\sim < 8$)

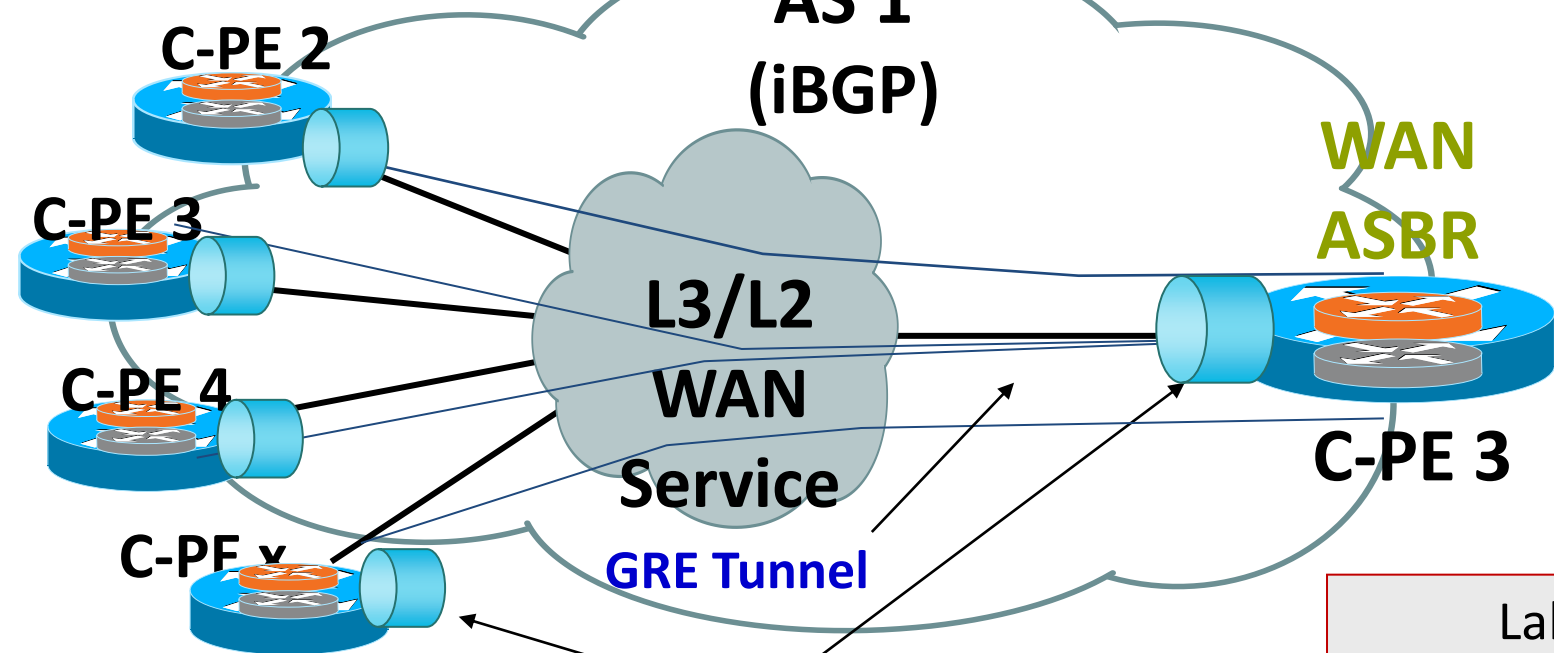
Campus-to-WAN Interconnection

Inter AS Option B (Medium/Large VRF Deployments)

WAN Running MPLS BGP VPNs over

mGRE

AS 1
(iBGP)



eBGP for VPNv4

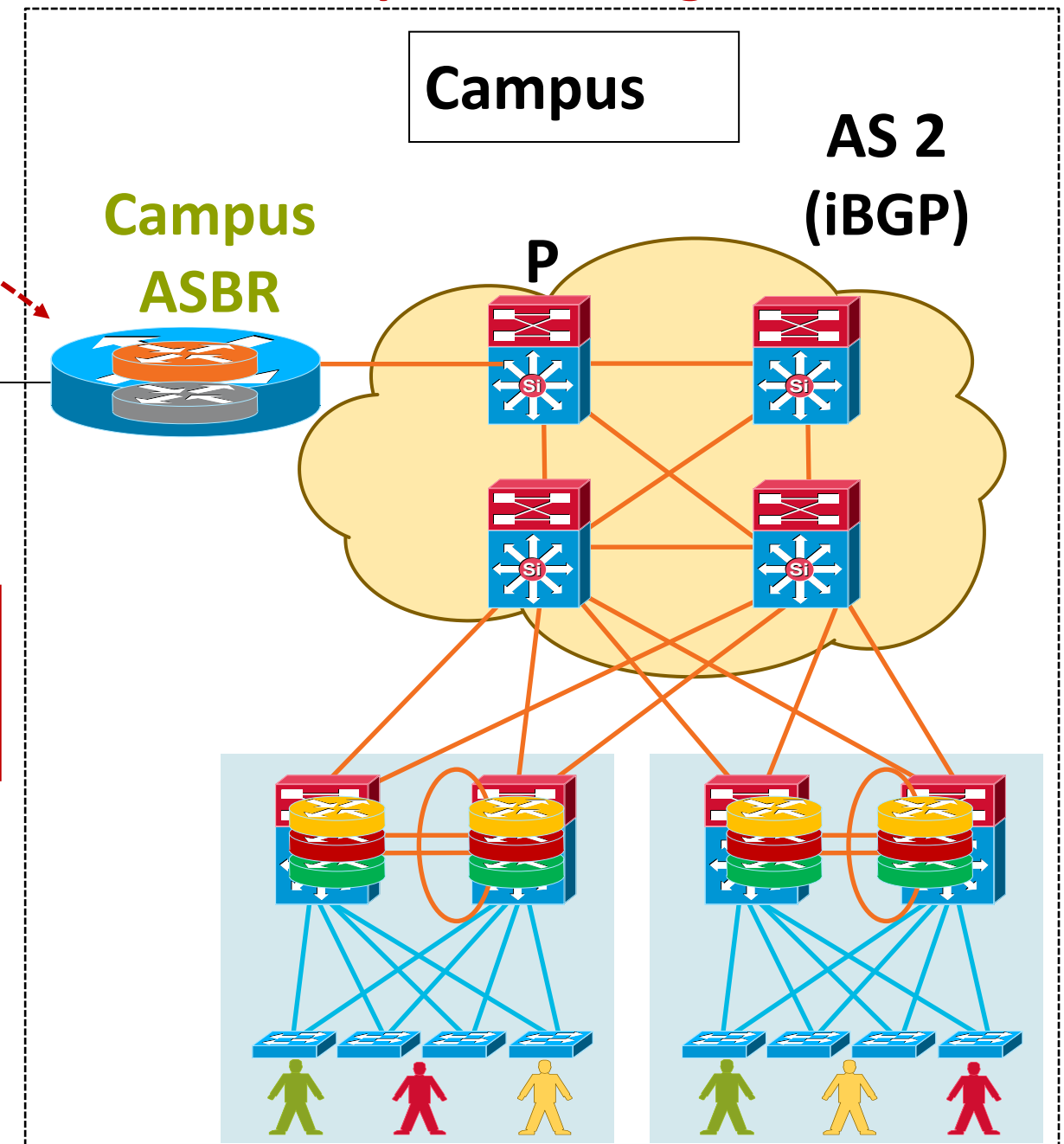
WAN
ASBR
C-PE 3

GRE Tunnel

mGRE
Interface

Labels Exchanged
Between WAN and Campus
ASBR Routers Using eBGP

Campus Running 2547



Campus

AS 2
(iBGP)

Campus
ASBR

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Distribution Blocks

- ASBRs exchange VPN routes using eBGP
- ASBRs hold all VPNv4 routes needing exchange
- Dedicated ASBR added in Campus
- Recommended when VRF count is higher (~ >8)
- More complex than Option A, but more flexible

Campus/WAN Interconnect

Recommendations

- **< 8 VRFs** **Back to Back VRFs (Option A)**
 - VRF lite in the campus
 - Back to Back VRFs with a single AS between Campus and WAN
 - Low VRF count network-wide
- **~8 – 15 VRFs** **Back to Back or Inter AS (Option B)**
 - VRF-Lite or RFC 4364 running in the Campus
 - Dedicate ASBR router in the campus (Core router/switch) to peer to WAN
 - Solution choice dictated by customers operational expertise, change frequency
- **~ > 15 VRFs** **Inter-AS (Option B)**
 - RFC 4364 running in the Campus
 - Dedicate ASBR router in the campus (Core router/switch) to peer to WAN
 - Inter-AS option “B” recommended

WAN Extension Solution (i.e. Options Discussed in This Presentation) Could Also Dictate Choice of Inter-AS Solution

