Characterizing and Traffic Engineering the Inter-domain Routing

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Outline

- Traffic delivery affected by the interactions of ASes and characteristics of paths
- Achieve scalability by categorizing the service offered to ASes
- Meet service provider requirements for MPLS across ASes
- Extensions to RSVP-TE

Introduction

- Current use of MPLS
 - Mainly inside ASes for VPN services, TE, fast restoration
- Across AS boundaries
 - Scalable Internet eXchange Points
 - Shorter restoration times
- No patch to NS available for inter-domain RSVP-TE

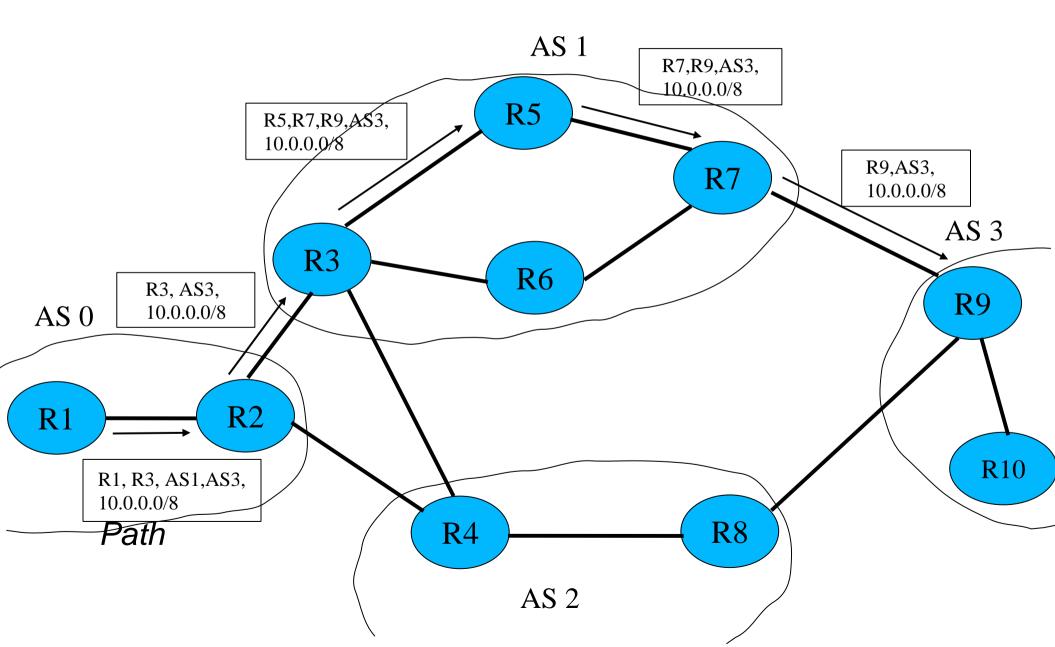
Inter-AS requirements

- What Service Providers desire
 - Keep Internal AS resources and the set of hops followed by the TE-LSP confidential
 - Restoration capabilities of inter-AS LSPs
 - Scalability in terms of the amount of IGP flooding

Tackle the problems

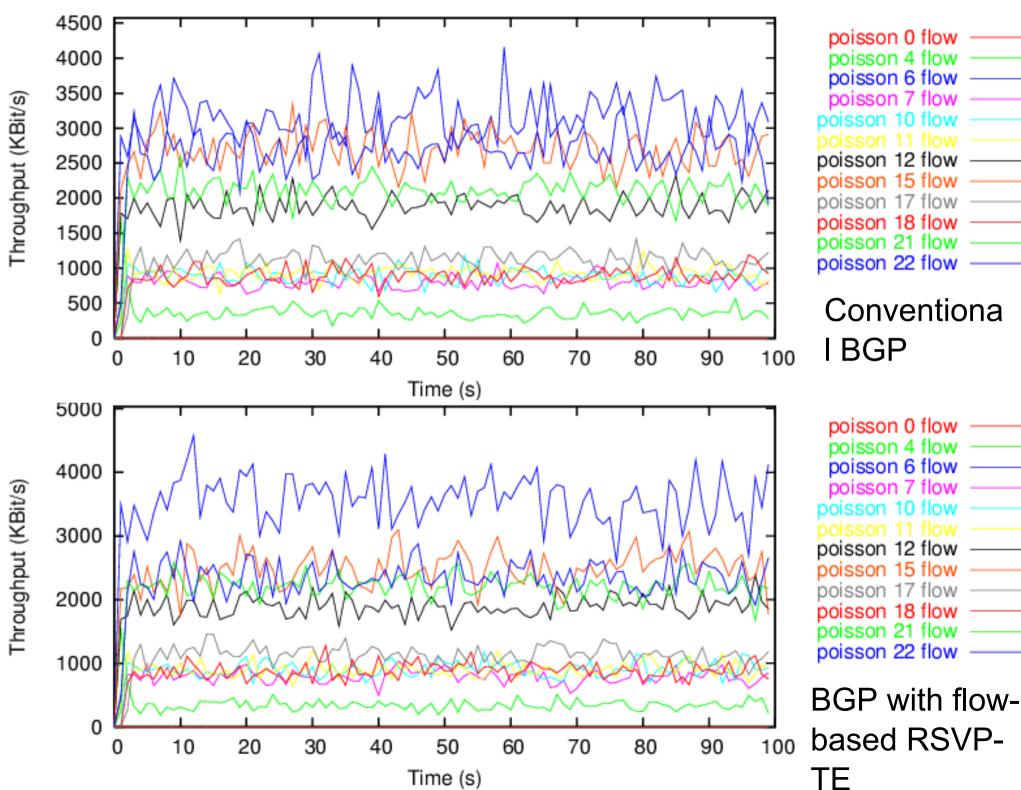
- Addressing
 - AS + Prefix as proposed by Pelsser not enough for flow based TE, need for AS-path + Prefix
 - **path** message is forwarded along the route specified by ERO until an LSR which is part of the prefix is reached
- Explicit routing of an LSP
 - ERO permits partial path computation
 - the entrance ASBR computes LSP till the downstream and completes the ERO
- Subsequent Refresh messages

Establishment of an inter-AS LSP



Flow based LSP establishment

- LSP along an AS-path that suits the requirements
 - Some flows do not need the best AS-path
- Send ERO along an AS-path depending on the flow requirements
- Flow is recognized by the source AS
- For simulations, 2 kinds of flows:
 - 10000 byte packet size, 0.001 interval
 - 1000 byte packet size, 0.01 interval



Conclusion

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