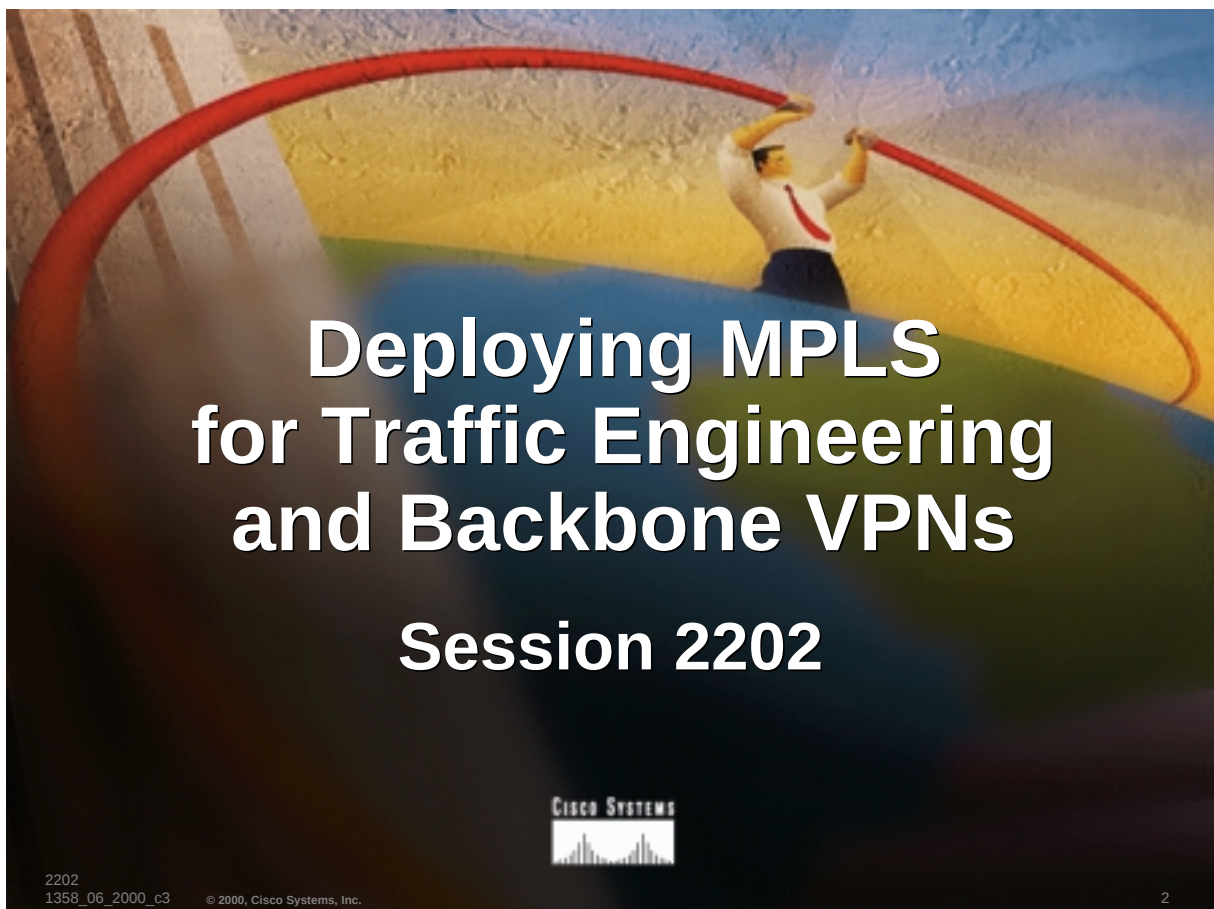
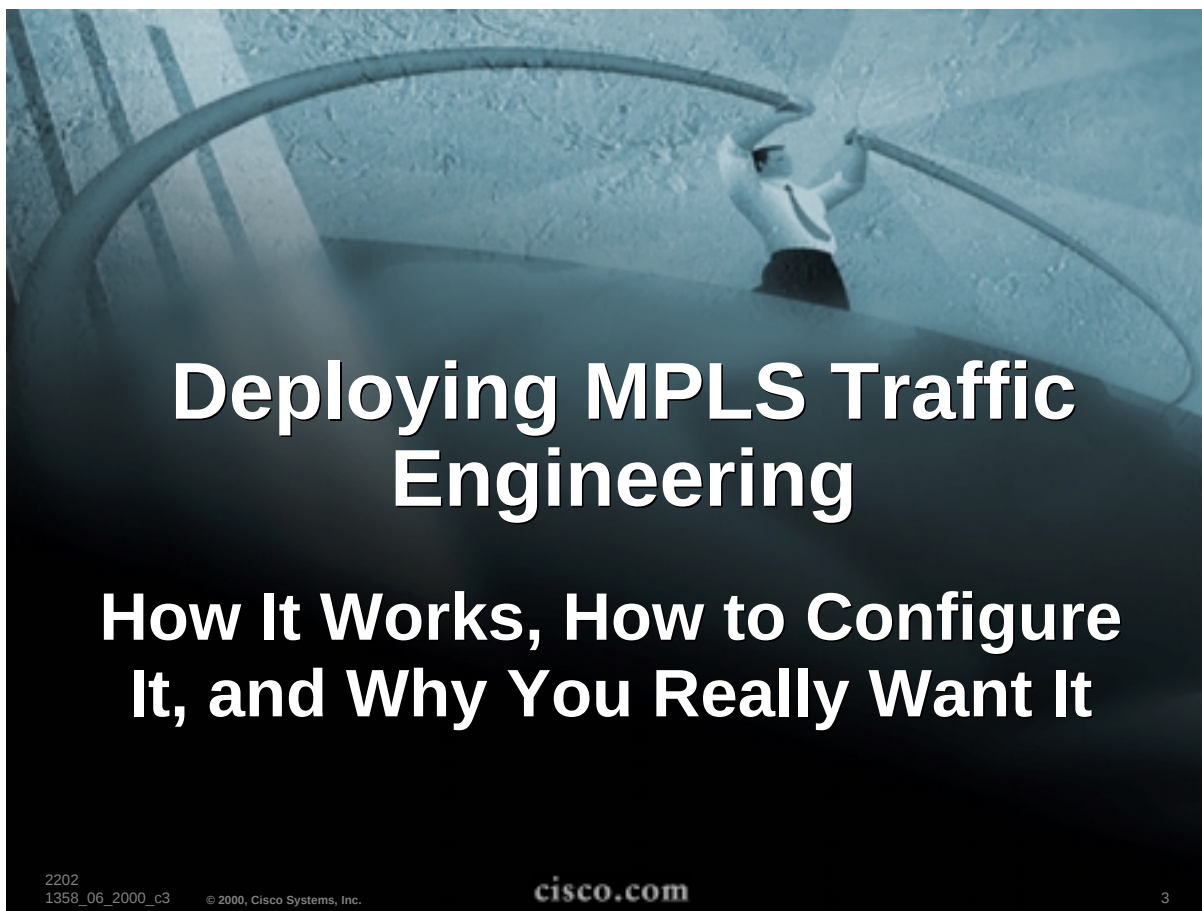




Deploying MPLS for Traffic Engineering and Backbone VPNs

Session 2202





Deploying MPLS Traffic Engineering

How It Works, How to Configure It, and Why You Really Want It

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- **Things to Remember**
- **Why You Want MPLS TE**
- **Minimum TE Transit Config**
- **Minimum TE Headend Config**
- **Basic Options**
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- **Deployment Strategy**

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Things to Remember

- **Tunnels are unidirectional**
- **Routing protocols are not run over TE tunnels**

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Why You Want MPLS TE

- **Most backbones have underutilized capacity and over utilized capacity**
- **TE lets you use paths other than IGP**
- **Unequal-cost loadsharing!**

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Minimum TE Transit Config

- **What code to use?**

12.0S, 12.1, 12.1T

Most networks are running 12.0S

Minimum TE Transit Config

R1(config)#ip cef

- **CEF necessary for all MPLS features**
- **Can also be 'ip cef distributed' on some platforms (GSR, 7500)**

Minimum TE Transit Config

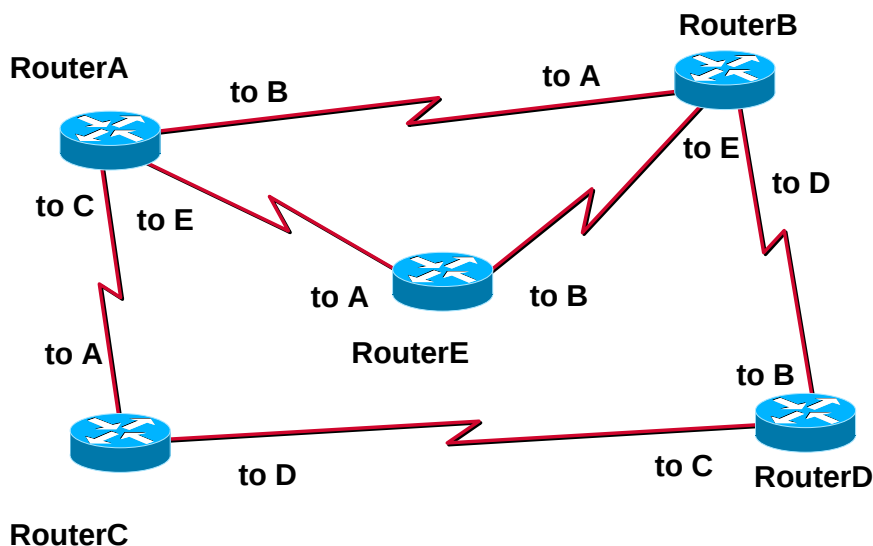
- IGP **must** be link-state (OSPF or IS-IS)
- path determination could not work on DV without being extremely ugly

TE is all about calculating paths other than the shortest one

Distance-vector protocols don't have enough information in them to do this

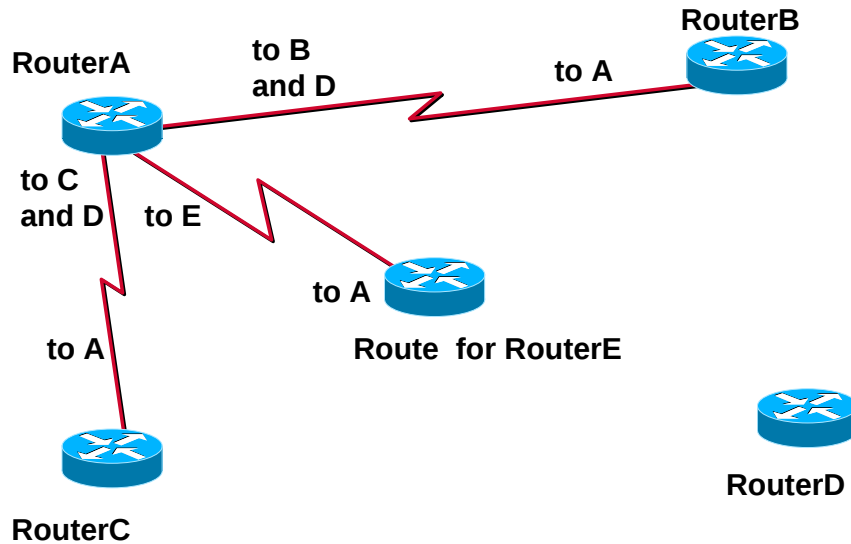
Minimum TE Transit Config

- Link-state view of the network



Minimum TE Transit Config

- Router A's DV view of the network



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Minimum TE Transit Config

```
R1(config)#interface Loopback0
```

```
R1(config-if)#ip address
```

```
192.168.1.1 255.255.255.255
```

- Configure loopbacks everywhere
- Loopbacks must be /32
- Loopback must be in your IGP

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Minimum TE Transit Config

R1(config)#mpls traffic-eng tunnels

- Enables TE on the router
- Global command

Minimum TE Transit Config

**R1(config-if)#
mpls traffic-eng tunnels**

- Enables RSVP signaling on an interface
- This is needed on **both** ends of any link an LSP could pass over

Minimum TE Transit Config

Configuring IS-IS for MPLS TE

```
router isis
mpls traffic-eng level <1 or 2>
mpls traffic-eng router-id loop0
metric-style wide
```

Minimum TE Transit Config

Configuring IS-IS for MPLS TE

```
mpls traffic-eng router-id loop0
```

- **Must explicitly configure RID**

Minimum TE Transit Config

Configuring IS-IS for MPLS TE

`mpls traffic-eng level <1 or 2>`

- TE support is currently single-area
- Most ISP backbones are all L1 or L2

Minimum TE Transit Config

Configuring IS-IS for MPLS TE

`metric-style wide`

- Wide metrics necessary for IS-IS TE
- Must transition IGP to wide metric
- See MPLS TE feature docs on CCO

Minimum TE Transit Config

Configuring OSPF for MPLS TE

```
router ospf <pid>  
  mpls traffic-eng area <area>  
  mpls traffic-eng router-id loop0
```

Minimum TE Transit Config

Configuring OSPF for MPLS TE

```
mpls traffic-eng area <area>
```

- OSPF support currently single area
- Typically TE is in area 0 (backbone)

Minimum TE Transit Config

Configuring OSPF for MPLS TE

```
mpls traffic-eng router-id loop0
```

- **Must explicitly configure RID**

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Minimum TE Headend Config

```
interface Tunnel0
  ip unnumbered Loopback0
  tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
  tunnel destination <tail RID>
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option <priority>
    dynamic
```

Minimum TE Headend Config

- ```
interface Tunnel0
```
- Creates LSP headend
  - Remember, MPLS tunnels are **unidirectional**

## Minimum TE Headend Config

**ip unnumbered Loopback0**

- **Gives the headend an IP address**
- **Tunnel inf. must have an IP address**

**Cisco IOS® will not route IP across an interface with no IP address**

## Minimum TE Headend Config

**tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng**

- **Tells IOS this is an MPLS TE tunnel**
- **Other choices would be GRE, etc...**

## Minimum TE Headend Config

**tunnel destination <addr>**

- **Gives tail end of the tunnel**
- **Destination must be tailend RID**

## Minimum TE Headend Config

**tunnel mpls traffic-eng**

**autoroute announce**

- **Announces tunnel tail reachability to the RIB**
- **Without this, tunnel comes up but is not used**

# Minimum TE Headend Config

```
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option <priority>
dynamic
```

- Need to tell the tunnel how to calculate its path
- 'path-option' has other knobs; this is the minimum

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## Basic Options

### Minimal Setup to Make LSP != IGP

- **RSVP**
- **Dynamic vs. explicit path**
- **Tunnel bandwidth**

## Basic Options

```
R1(config-if)#ip rsvp
bandwidth <x> <y>
```

- **Needed to allow non-zero BW res.**
- **x = max reservable bw**
- **y = max reservable bw for single LSP**
- **no fallback BW on a tunnel**

## Basic Options

### Unequal-cost load balancing!

```
interface Tunnel0
 tunnel destination 1.2.3.4
 tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 3
```

```
interface Tunnel1
 tunnel destination 1.2.3.4
 tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 1
```

## Basic Options

### Unequal-cost load balancing!

```
VXR-6#
Routing entry for 192.168.1.4/32
 Known via "isis", distance 115, metric 30, type level-2
 Redistributing via isis
 Last update from 192.168.1.4 on Tunnel0, 00:00:12 ago
 Routing Descriptor Blocks:
 * 192.168.1.4, from 192.168.1.4, via Tunnel1
 Route metric is 30, traffic share count is 1
 192.168.1.4, from 192.168.1.4, via Tunnel0
 Route metric is 30, traffic share count is 3
```

## Basic Options

- Load-balancing is not perfect
- CEF has 16 buckets to store adjacency info in
- 1:9 or 1:10:100 won't work the way you think

1:9 ends up as 1:15

1:10:100 ends up as 1:4:9

## Basic Options

```
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option
<prio> <dynamic|explicit <id|name>
[ID|NAME]>
```

- dynamic = router calculates path
- Router will take best IGP path that meets BW requirements
- BW req. of 0 == normal IGP path

## Basic Options

```
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option
<prio> <dynamic|explicit <id|name>
[ID|NAME]>
```

- explicit = take specified path
- Path is a list of RIDs
- Strict source-routing of IP traffic

## Basic Options

```
ip explicit-path <id|name> [ID|NAME]
 next-address 192.168.1.1
 next-address 192.168.2.1
 . . .
```

- explicit = take specified path
- Router sets up path you specify
- Strict source-routing of IP traffic
- Each hop is a RID

# Basic Options

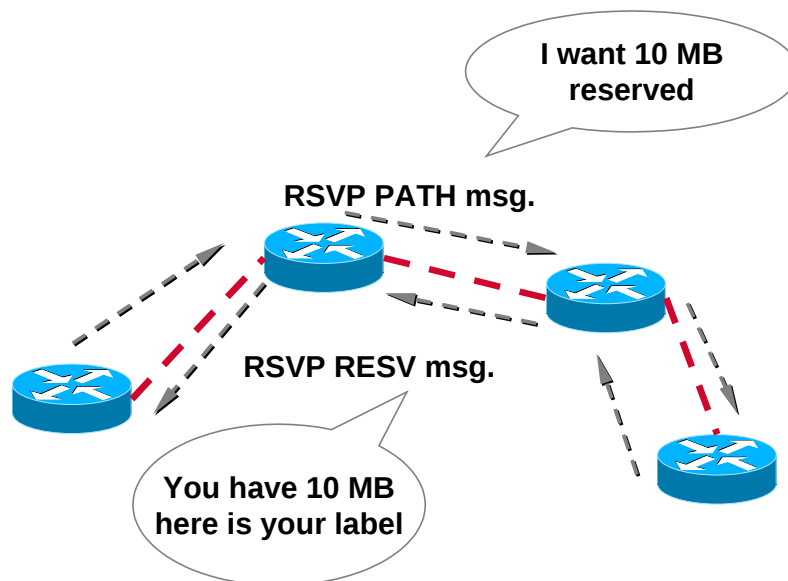
VXR-6(cfg-ip-expl-path)#?

Explicit-Path configuration commands:

|              |                                                       |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| append-after | Append additional entry after specified index         |
| exit         | Exit from explicit-path configuration mode            |
| index        | Specify the next entry index to add, edit (or delete) |
| list         | Re-list all or part of the explicit path entries      |
| next-address | Specify the next (adjacent) address in the path       |
| no           | Delete a specific explicit-path entry index           |

# Basic Options

- How RSVP sets up a path



## Basic Options

- Use tunnel priorities for fallback paths
- Good idea to have last fallback a dynamic tunnel

## Basic Options

- Multiple tunnel priorities

`interface Tunnel0`

`tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-  
option 10 explicit name first-path`

`tunn1 mpls traffic-eng path-  
option 20 explicit name second-path`

`tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-  
option 30 dynamic`

# Agenda

- Things to Remember
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## Verifying Tunnel Setup

- **sh int tun<x>**  
up/up == tunnel is up/LSP is successfully built
- **sh ip route <tunnel dest>**  
should be via the configured tunnel(s)
- **sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels**  
lots of options under here

# Verifying Tunnel Setup

- **sh int tun<x>**

**up/up == tunnel is up/LSP is successfully built**

```
VXR-6#sh int tun0
Tunnel0 is up, line protocol is up
 Hardware is Tunnel0
 ...
 Encapsulation TUNNEL, loopback not set
 Keepalive set (10 sec)
 Tunnel source 192.168.1.6, destination 192.168.1.4
```

# Verifying Tunnel Setup

- **sh ip route <tunnel dest>**

**should be directly connected via tunnel**

```
VXR-6#sh ip rou 192.168.1.4
Routing entry for 192.168.1.4/32
 Known via "isis", distance 115, metric 30, type level-2
 ...
 Routing Descriptor Blocks:
 * 192.168.1.4, from 192.168.1.4, via Tunnel0
 Route metric is 30, traffic share count is 1
```

# Verifying Tunnel Setup

- **sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels**

**lots of options here**

```
VXR-6#sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels ?
Tunnel Tunnel interface
brief Brief summary of tunnel status and configuration
destination Restrict display to tunnels with this destination
name Restrict display to tunnels with this name
role Restrict display to tunnels with specified role
source-id Tunnel identifier address/id
summary Show summary information
up Restrict display to tunnels in up state
<cr>
```

# Verifying Tunnel Setup

- **sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels <intf>**

```
VXR-6#sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels Tunnel0
Name: VXR-6_t0 (Tunnel0) Destination: 192.168.1.4
Status:
 Admin: up Oper: up Path: valid Signalling: connected

 path option 10, type dynamic (Basis for Setup, path weight 20)

Config Paramters:
 Bandwidth: 6 Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
 AutoRoute: enabled LockDown: disabled
...
RSVP Path Info:
 My Address: 192.168.4.6
 Explicit Route: 192.168.4.5 192.168.6.5 192.168.6.4 192.168.1.4
 Record Route: NONE
 Tspec: ave rate=6 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=6 kbits
```

# Verifying Tunnel Setup

- **sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels brief**

```
VXR-6#sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels brief
Signalling Summary:
 LSP Tunnels Process: running
 RSVP Process: running
 Forwarding: enabled
 Periodic reoptimization: every 10 seconds, next in 5 seconds
TUNNEL NAME DESTINATION STATUS STATE
VXR-6_t0 192.168.1.4 up up
VXR-6_t1 192.168.1.4 up up
VXR-4_t0 192.168.1.6 signalled up
Displayed 2 (of 2) heads, 0 (of 0) midpoints, 1 (of 1) tails
```

# Verifying Tunnel Setup

- **sh mpls traffic-eng tunnels summary**

```
VXR-6#sh mpls tr tu summary
Signalling Summary:
 LSP Tunnels Process: running
 RSVP Process: running
 Forwarding: enabled
 Head: 2 interfaces, 2 active signalling attempts, 2 established
 24 activations, 22 deactivations
 Midpoints: 0, Tails: 1
 Periodic reoptimization: every 10 seconds, next in 8 seconds
```

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- Things to Remember
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- **Deployment Strategy**

## Deployment Strategy

### Two strategies to TE deployment

- Full mesh of TE tunnels
  - “Proper”—more complex procedure, but more benefits overall
- As needed to clear up congestion
  - “Hack”—may be harder to track over time

## Deployment Strategy

- **TE tunnel bandwidth is not policed**
- **Ratio is more important than actual bandwidth for small hacks**
- **Actual BW use is more important for large-scale deployment**

## Deployment Strategy

### **Full Mesh of TE Tunnels—Steps**

- 1) Enable CEF everywhere**
- 2) Config your IGP, RSVP**
- 3) Configure full mesh of zero-bandwidth tunnels**
- 4) Turn up tunnels via 'autoroute announce'**

## Deployment Strategy

### Full Mesh of TE Tunnels—Steps

- 5) Let tunnels run for 1–2 weeks
  - 6) Add BW requirements to tunnels
  - 7) Use off-line tools if necessary
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## Deployment Strategy

### As Needed to Clear Up Congestion

- 1) Enable CEF everywhere
- 2) Config your IGP, RSVP
- 3) Configure TE tunnels around congested links

One IGP tunnel, one or more  
explicit-path tunnels

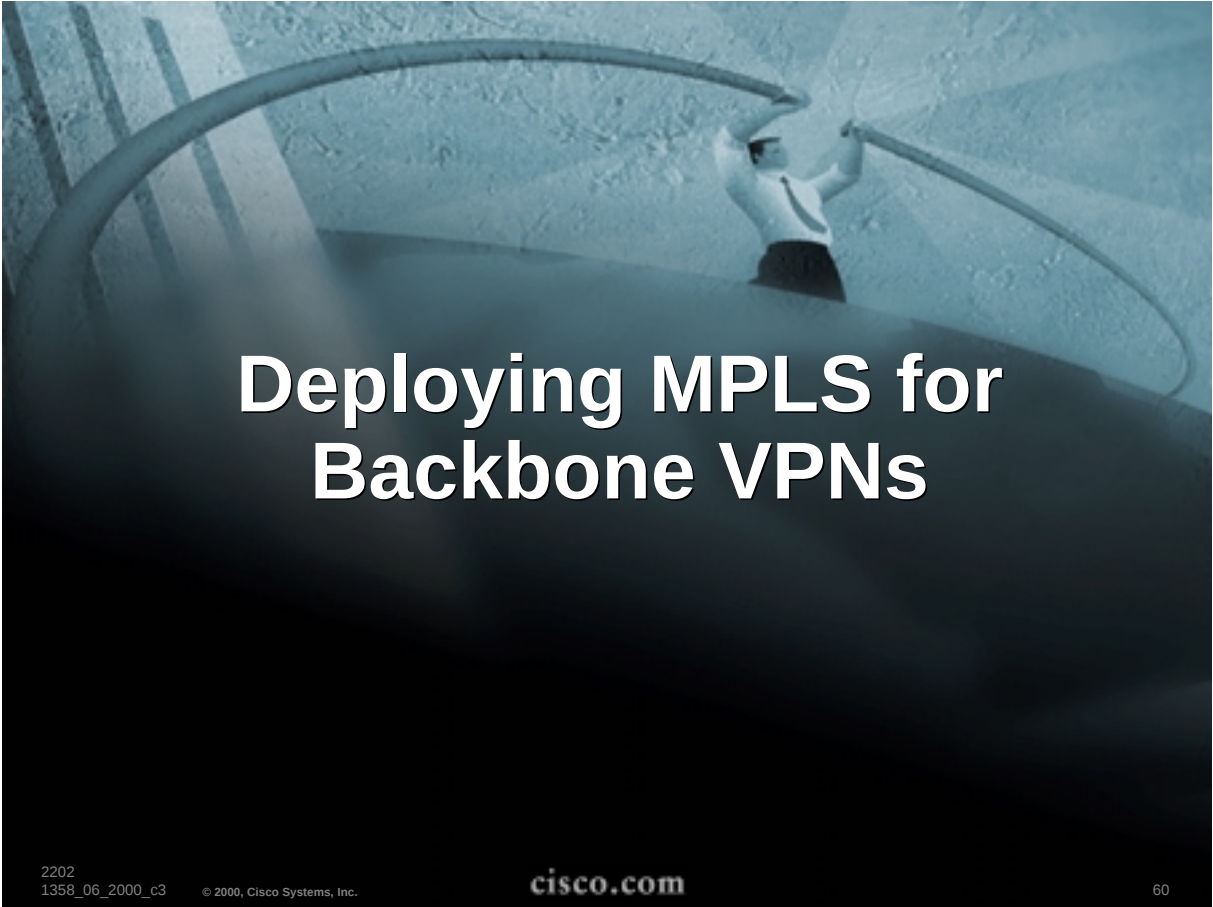
# Deployment Strategy

## As Needed to Clear Up Congestion

4) Turn up tunnels one at a time via 'autoroute announce'

5) Add BW requirements to tunnels

Tunnel BW **ratio** is important



## Deploying MPLS for Backbone VPNs

## Agenda

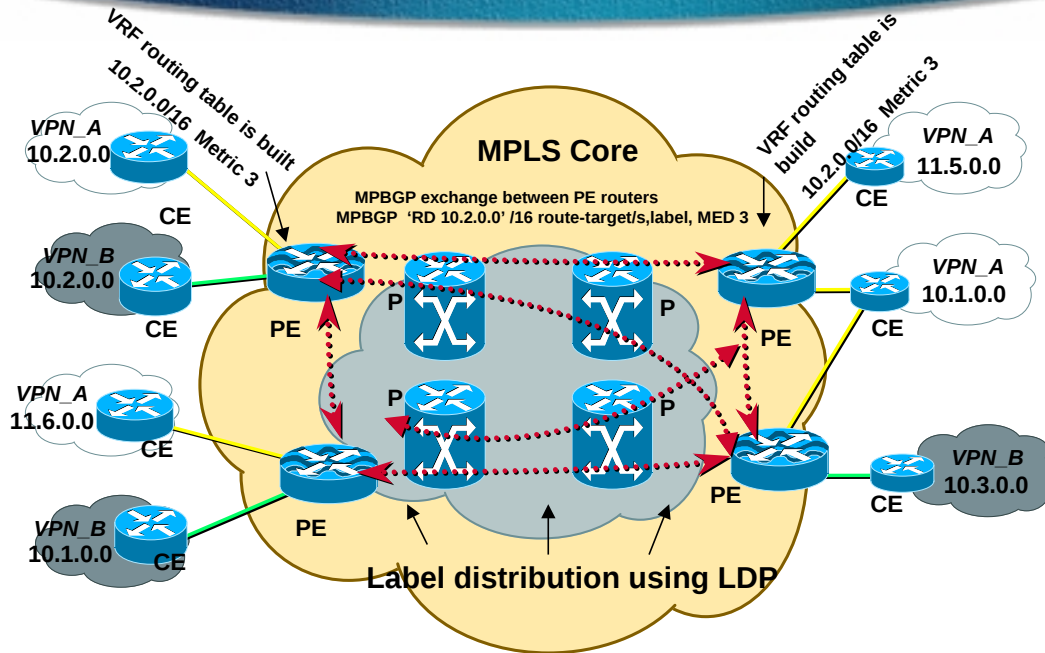
- **MPLS VPN Internet Routing**

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# MPLS VPN Network



# Working of MPLS VPN Network



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## MPLS-VPN Terminology

- **Provider Network (P-Network)**  
The backbone under control of a Service Provider
- **Customer Network (C-Network)**  
Network under customer control
- **CE router**  
Customer Edge router. Part of the C-network and interfaces to a PE router

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# MPLS-VPN Terminology

- **Site**

Set of (sub)networks part of the C-network and co-located

A site is connected to the VPN backbone through one or more PE/CE links

- **PE router**

Provider Edge router. Part of the P-Network and interfaces to CE routers

- **P router**

Provider (core) router, without knowledge of VPN

# MPLS-VPN Terminology

- **Route-Target**

64 bits identifying routers that should receive the route

- **Route Distinguisher**

Attributes of each route used to uniquely identify prefixes among VPNs (64 bits)

VRF based (not VPN based)

- **VPN-IPv4 addresses**

Address including the 64 bits Route Distinguisher and the 32 bits IP address

# MPLS-VPN Terminology

- **VRF**

VPN Routing and Forwarding Instance

Routing table and FIB table

Populated by routing protocol contexts

- **VPN-Aware network**

A provider backbone where MPLS-VPN is deployed

## Agenda

- MPLS-VPN Terminology
- Network Topology
- **Step By Step Configuration Guideline**

Sample configuration (VRF, interfaces)

PE-CE Routing Protocol configuration  
(Static, RIPv2, BGP, OSPF)

MP-BGP configuration

- MPLS VPN Scaling  
Route-Reflectors, Filters
- MPLS VPN Internet Routing

## Step By Step Configuration Guideline

- **LDP configuration in MPLS backbone**
- **VPN knowledge is on PE routers**
- **PE router have to be configured for**
  - VRF and Route Distinguisher
  - VRF import/export policies (based on Route-target)
  - Routing protocol used with CEs
  - (Static, RIPv2, BGP)
  - MP-BGP between PE routers

## Step By Step Configuration Guideline

- **Configure LDP in MPLS backbone**
  - On all interfaces in MPLS backbone configure **tag-switching ip**
- **Verify the configuration**
  - Show tag forwarding**
  - Show tag tdp neighbour**
  - Labels for Non BGP routes are created
  - Note: Configuration will be slightly different in future IOS**

# Step By Step Configuration Guideline

## Configure VRF instance on PE router

```
ip vrf <vrf-symbolic-name> (Name of the VPN site)
rd <route-distinguisher-value>
route-target import <Import route-target community>
route-target export <Import route-target community>
```

example:

```
ip vrf VPN-A
rd 100:1
route-target export 100:1
route-target import 100:1
```

# Step By Step Configuration Guideline

## Configure VRF instance on PE router

**rd <route-distinguisher-value>**

You may pick a unique **rd** for each **vrf** interface.

Ease in manageability

Can achieve load sharing using unique **rd** every where

**route-target import <Import route-target community>**

**route-target export <Import route-target community>**

dictates who will receive the routes

Inter VPN connectivity is very simple by importing **route-target** from other VPN

It can be same value as **rd**

# Step By Step Configuration Guideline

## Identify VRF Interface on PE Router

```
Interface Serial0
ip address 192.168.10.1 255.255.255.0
ip vrf forwarding VPN-A
```

## Verify the configuration

### Show ip vrf interface

| Interface | IP-Address   | VRF   | Protocol |
|-----------|--------------|-------|----------|
| Serial0   | 192.168.10.1 | VPN-A | up       |

# Step By Step Configuration Guideline

## Configure Routing Protocol Between Provider and Customer (PE and CE)

- **Supported protocols**  
Static, RIPv2, eBGP, OSPF
- **Learned routes will populate the VRF associated to the interface where the protocol is configured**
- **Same routing protocol instance with different routing contexts**

# Step By Step Configuration Guideline

## PE-CE Routing Protocol (Static)

### Static routes into VRFs need outgoing interface

```
ip vrf VPN-A
rd 100:1
route-target both 100:1
!
Interface Serial0
ip address 192.168.10.1 255.255.255.0
ip vrf forwarding VPN-A
```

```
ip route vrf VPN-A 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 Serial0 192.168.10.2
```

### Verify the configuration

```
sh ip route vrf VPN-A
C 192.168.10.0/24 is directly connected, Serial0
S 10.0.0.0/8 [1/0] via 192.168.10.2, Serial0
```

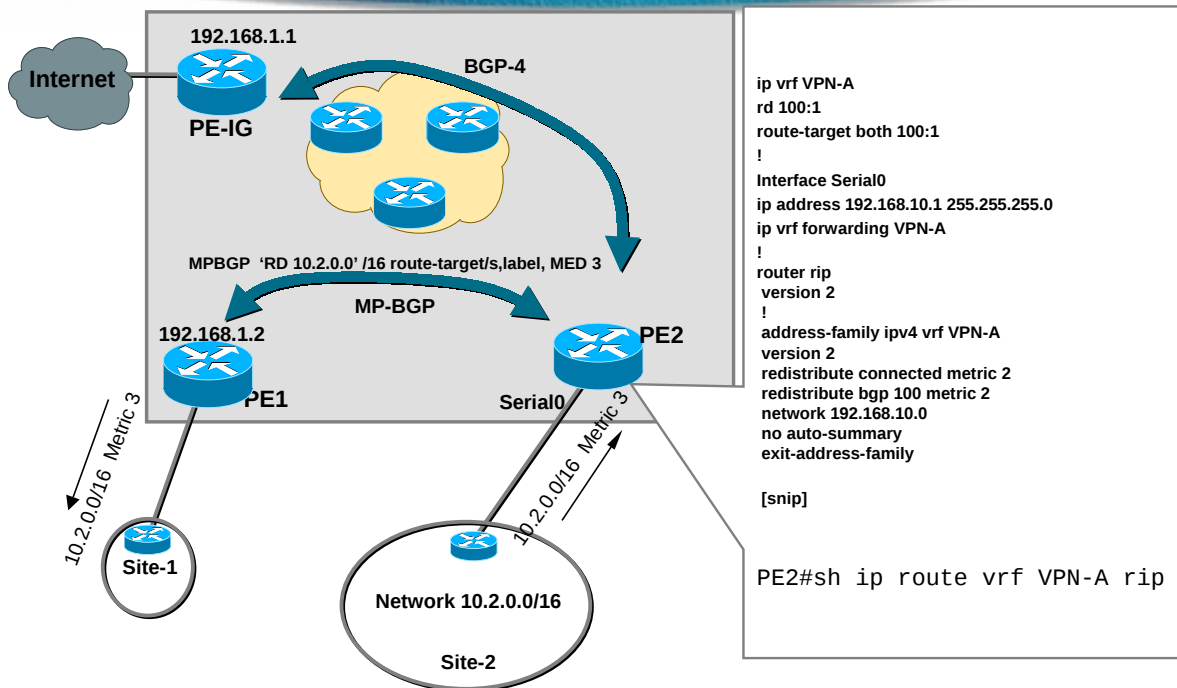
# Step By Step Configuration Guideline

## PE-CE Routing Protocol (RIPv2)

- Routing contexts are defined within the routing protocol instance
- Address-family router sub-command

```
Router rip
version 2
address-family ipv4 vrf <vrf-symbolic-name>
...
any common router sub-command
...
```

# Step By Step Configuration Guideline PE-CE Routing Protocol (RIPv2)



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# Step By Step Configuration Guideline PE-CE Routing Protocol (RIPv2)

- **RIPv2/BGP interaction**

During redistribution,

RIP metric propagated BGP MED

BGP MED automatically propagated  
into RIP metric

Allows transparency of RIP metric  
through the MPLS backbone

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## Step By Step Configuration Guideline PE-CE Routing Protocol (RIPv2)

- **Use RIP with stub sites and when convergence is not an issue**

## Step By Step Configuration Guideline PE-CE Routing Protocol (BGP)

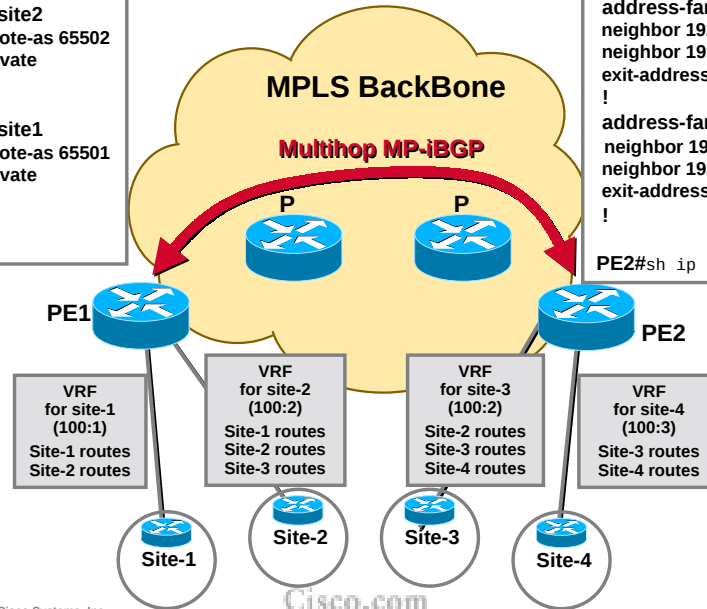
BGP uses same “address-family” command  
Router BGP <asn>  
...  
address-family ipv4 vrf <vrf-symbolic-name>  
...  
any common router BGP sub-command  
...

# Step By Step Configuration Guideline PE-CE Routing Protocol (BGP)

```
router bgp 100
no bgp default ipv4-unicast
neighbor 7.7.7.7 remote-as 100
neighbor 7.7.7.7 update-source Loop0
!
address-family ipv4 vrf site2
neighbor 192.168.62.2 remote-as 65502
neighbor 192.168.62.2 activate
exit-address-family
!
address-family ipv4 vrf site1
neighbor 192.168.61.1 remote-as 65501
neighbor 192.168.61.1 activate
exit-address-family
!
```

```
router bgp 100
no bgp default ipv4-unicast
neighbor 6.6.6.6 remote-as 100
neighbor 6.6.6.6 update-source Loop0
!
address-family ipv4 vrf site4
neighbor 192.168.74.4 remote-as 65504
neighbor 192.168.74.4 activate
exit-address-family
!
address-family ipv4 vrf site3
neighbor 192.168.73.3 remote-as 65503
neighbor 192.168.73.3 activate
exit-address-family
!
```

```
PE2#sh ip route vrf site3 bgp 100
```



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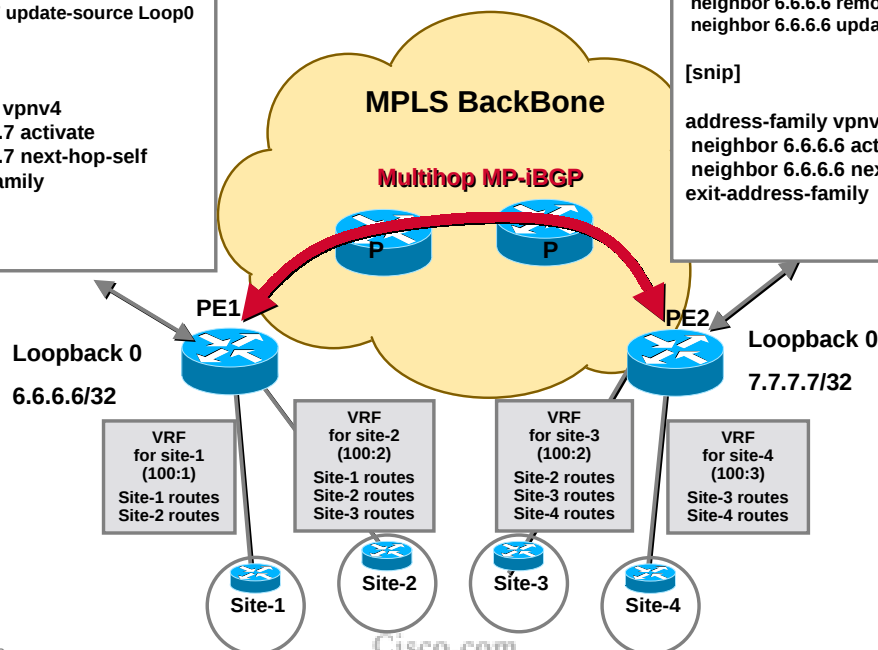
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# Step By Step Configuration Guideline MPBGP

```
router bgp 100
no bgp default ipv4-unicast
neighbor 7.7.7.7 remote-as 100
neighbor 7.7.7.7 update-source Loop0
!
[snip]
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 7.7.7.7 activate
neighbor 7.7.7.7 next-hop-self
exit-address-family
```

```
router bgp 100
no bgp default ipv4-unicast
neighbor 6.6.6.6 remote-as 100
neighbor 6.6.6.6 update-source Loop0
!
[snip]
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 6.6.6.6 activate
neighbor 6.6.6.6 next-hop-self
exit-address-family
```



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# Step By Step Configuration Guideline MPBGP

## Verify the working of MPBGP

```
sh ip bgp vpnv4 ?
 all Display information about all VPNv4 NLRIs
 rd Display information for a route distinguisher
 vrf Display information for a VPN Routing/Forwarding instance
```

example:

```
sh ip bgp vpnv4 rd 100:1
```

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  - Route-Reflectors, Filters
- **MPLS VPN Internet Routing**

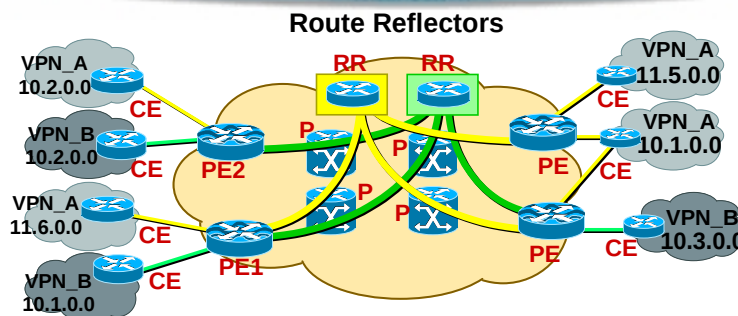
## MPLS-VPN Scaling BGP

- Existing BGP techniques can be used to scale the route distribution: route reflectors
- Each edge router needs only the information for the VPNs it supports

Directly connected VPNs

- RRs are used to distribute VPN routing information

## MPLS-VPN Scaling BGP



- Route reflectors may be partitioned  
Each RR store routes for a set of VPNs
- Thus, no BGP router needs to store **all** VPNs information
- PEs will peer to RRs according to the VPNs they directly connect

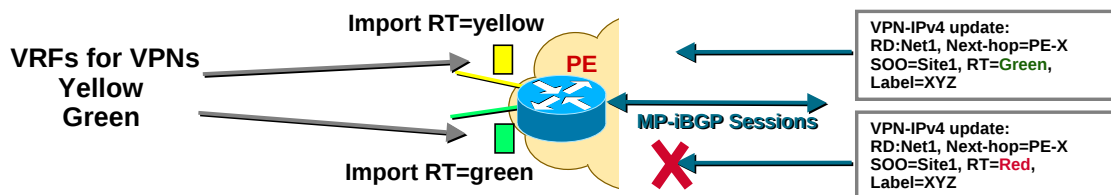
# MPLS-VPN Scaling

## BGP Updates Filtering

- iBGP full mesh between PEs results in flooding all VPNs routes to all PEs
- Scaling problems when large amount of routes. In addition PEs need only routes for attached VRFs
- **Therefore each PE will discard any VPN-IPv4 route that hasn't a route-target configured to be imported in any of the attached VRFs**
- This reduces significantly the amount of information each PE has to store
- Volume of BGP table is equivalent of volume of attached VRFs (nothing more)

# MPLS-VPN Scaling

## BGP Updates Filtering



- Each VRF has an import and export policy configured
- Policies use route-target attribute (extended community)
- PE receives MP-iBGP updates for VPN-IPv4 routes
- If route-target is equal to any of the import values configured in the PE, the update is accepted
- Otherwise it is silently discarded

# Agenda

- **MPLS-VPN Terminology**
- **Network Topology**
- **Step By Step Configuration Guideline**
  - Sample configuration (VRF, interfaces)
  - PE-CE Routing Protocol configuration (Static, RIPv2, BGP, OSPF)
  - MP-BGP configuration
- **MPLS VPN Scaling**
  - Route-Reflectors, Filters
- **MPLS VPN Internet Routing**

## MPLS VPN Internet Routing

- **In a VPN, sites may need to have Internet connectivity**
- **Connectivity to the Internet means:**
  - Being able to reach Internet destinations
  - Being able to be reachable from any Internet source
- **Security mechanism **must** be used as in **any** other kind of Internet connectivity**

## MPLS VPN Internet Routing

- The Internet routing table is treated separately
- In the VPN backbone the Internet routes are in the global routing table of PE routers
- Labels are not assigned to external (BGP) routes
- P routers need not (and will not) run BGP

## MPLS-VPN Internet Connectivity

- 1) VRF Specific default route
- 2) Separate sub-interface (non VRF)  
May run BGP Between PE and CE

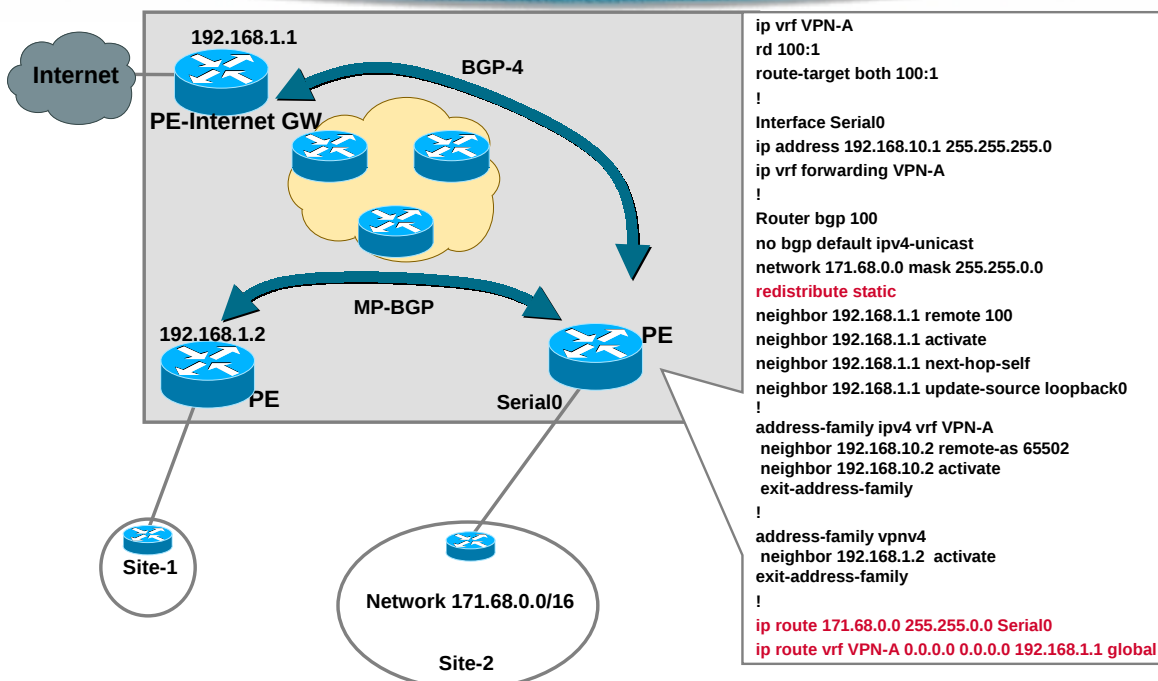
# MPLS VPN Internet Routing VRF Specific Default Route

- A default route is installed into the site VRF and pointing to a Internet Gateway
- The default route is **not** part of any VPN

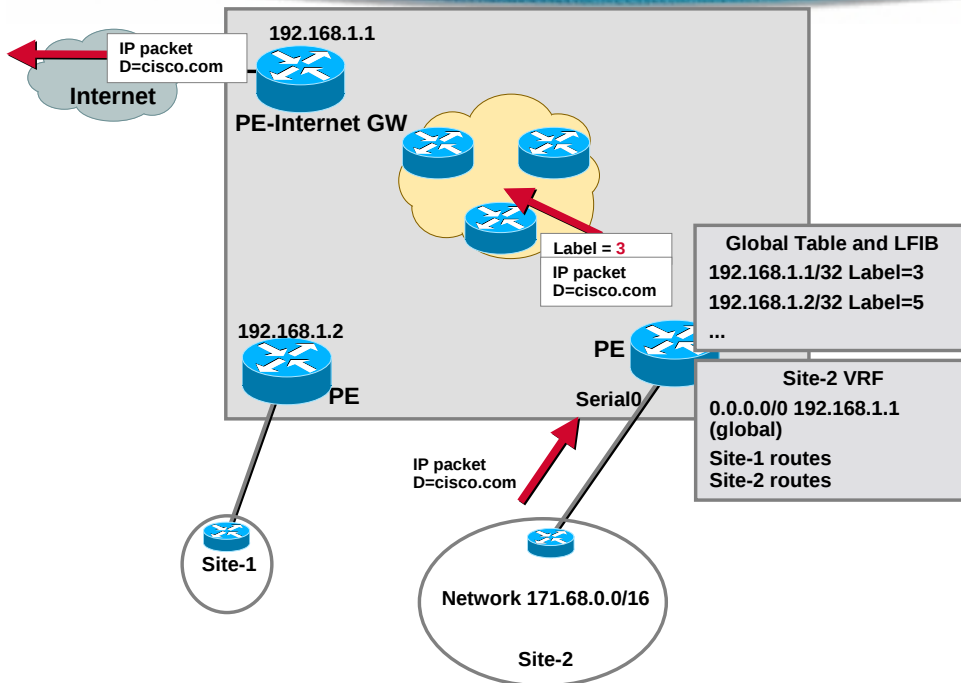
A single label is used for packets forwarded according to the default route

The label is the IGP label corresponding to the IP address of the Internet gateway known in the IGP

# MPLS VPN Internet Routing VRF Specific Default Route



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# MPLS VPN Internet Routing VRF Specific Default Route

- PE router originates CE routes for the Internet  
Customer (site) routes are known in the site VRF  
Not in the global table  
The PE/CE interface is NOT known in the global table.  
However:  
**A static route for customer routes and pointing to the PE/CE interface is installed in the global table**  
This static route is redistributed into BGP-4 global table and advertised to the Internet Gateway
- The Internet gateway knows customer routes and with the PE address as next-hop

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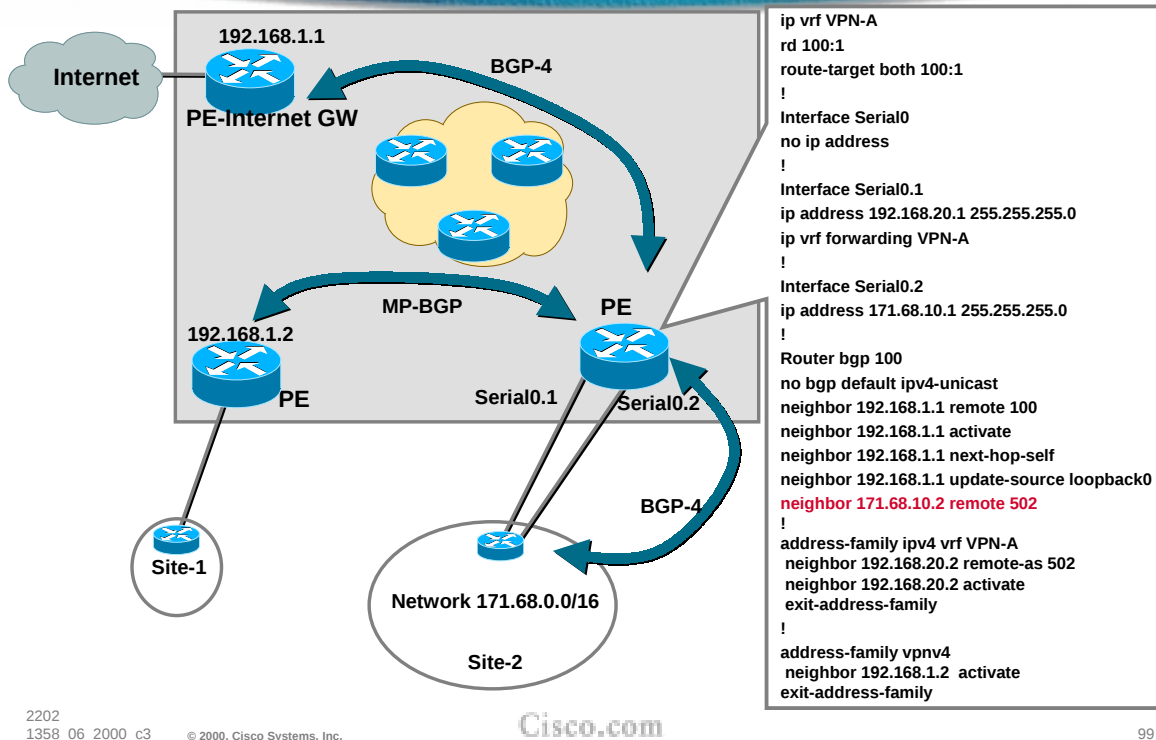
## MPLS VPN Internet Routing VRF Specific Default Route

- The Internet Gateway specified in the default route (into the VRF) need NOT to be directly connected
- Different Internet gateways can be used for different VRFs
- Using default route for Internet routing does NOT allow any other default route for intra-VPN routing

## MPLS VPN Internet Routing VRF Specific Default Route

- PE routers need not to hold the Internet table
- PE routers will use BGP-4 sessions to originate customer routes
- Packet forwarding is done with a single label identifying the Internet Gateway IP address

# MPLS VPN Internet Routing Separated (Sub)interfaces



# MPLS VPN Internet Routing Separated (Sub)interfaces

- If CE wishes to receive and announce routes from/to the Internet
  - A dedicated BGP session is used over a separate (sub) interface
  - The PE imports CE routes into the global routing table and advertise them to the Internet
  - The interface is not part of any VPN and does not use any VRF
  - Default route or Internet routes are exported to the CE
  - PE needs to have Internet routing table

# MPLS VPN Internet Routing Separated (Sub)interfaces

- The PE uses separate (sub)interfaces with the CE

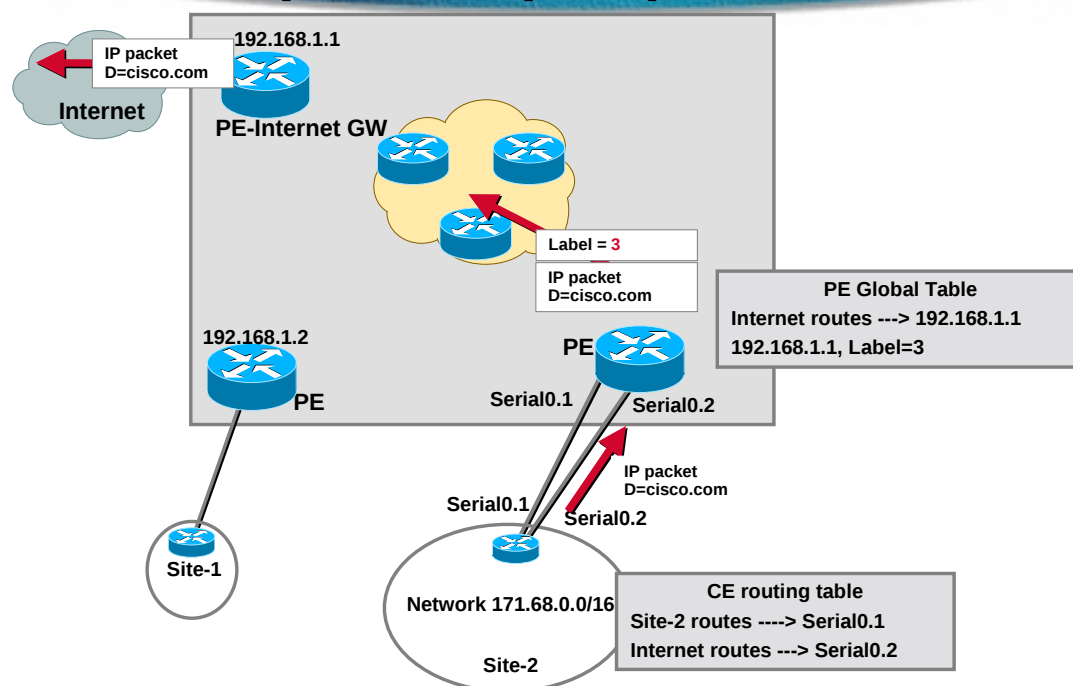
One (sub)interface for VPN routing

Associated to a VRF

One (sub)interface for Internet routing

Associated to the global routing table

# MPLS VPN Internet Routing Separated (Sub)interfaces

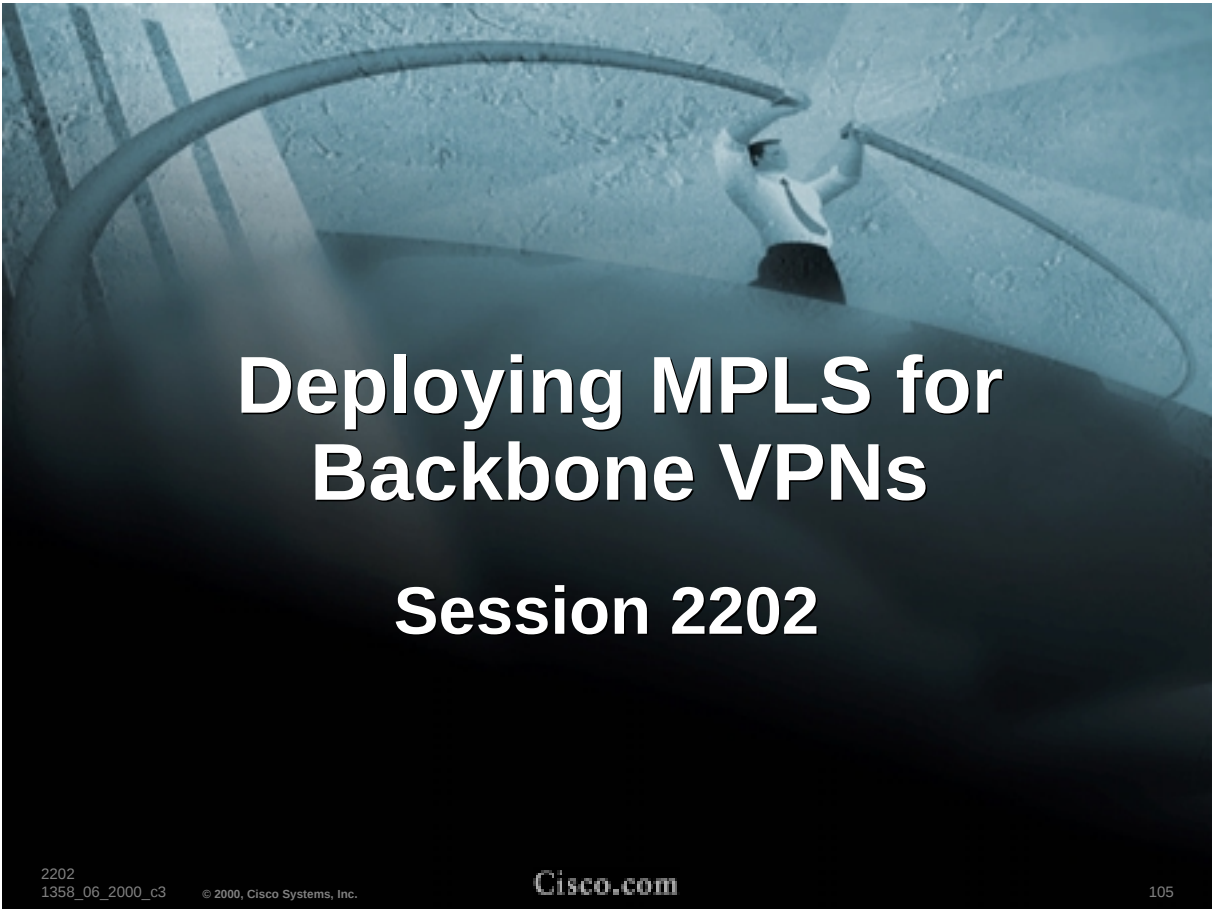


# MPLS VPN—Configuration Cheat Sheet

- **Identify PE routers**
- **Configure VRF instance for each VPN**  
Design rd and route-target assignments
- **Configure MP-BGP between PEs (Route-Reflector or full-mesh)**
- **Identify Interfaces going to VPN sites**  
Assign interfaces to the VRF instance
- **Choose the routing protocol between PE and CE**  
Configure necessary redistribution between MP-BGP and VRF routing protocol

## MPLS VPN—Configuration PE Router Commands

- **All show commands are VRF based**  
Show ip route vrf <vrf-symbolic-name> ...  
Show ip protocol vrf <vrf-symbolic-name>  
Show ip cef <vrf-symbolic-name> ...  
...
- **PING, Telnet, Traceroute commands are VRF based**  
ping vrf <vrf-symbolic-name>  
telnet /vrf <vrf-symbolic-name>  
traceroute vrf <vrf-symbolic-name>



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