



BGP Multihoming Techniques

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Presentation Slides

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Preliminaries



- **Presentation has many configuration examples**
 - Uses Cisco IOS CLI
- **Aimed at Service Providers**
 - Techniques can be used by many enterprises too
- **Feel free to ask questions**

BGP Multihoming Techniques

- **Why Multihome?**
- **Definition & Options**
- **Preparing the Network**
- **Basic Multihoming**
- **Service Provider Multihoming**
- **Using Communities**
- **Case Study**

Why Multihome?

It's all about redundancy, diversity and reliability

Why Multihome?

- **Redundancy**

One connection to internet means the network is dependent on:

Local router (configuration, software, hardware)

WAN media (physical failure, carrier failure)

Upstream Service Provider (configuration, software, hardware)

Why Multihome?

- **Reliability**

Business critical applications demand continuous availability

**Lack of redundancy implies lack of reliability
implies loss of revenue**

Why Multihome?

- **Supplier Diversity**

Many businesses demand supplier diversity as a matter of course

Internet connection from two or more suppliers

With two or more diverse WAN paths

With two or more exit points

With two or more international connections

Two of everything

Why Multihome?

- **Not really a reason, but oft quoted...**

- **Leverage:**

Playing one ISP off against the other for:

Service Quality

Service Offerings

Availability

Why Multihome?

- **Summary:**

Multihoming is easy to demand as requirement for any service provider or end-site network

But what does it really mean:

In real life?

For the network?

For the Internet?

And how do we do it?

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Multihoming Definition & Options

What does it mean, what do we need, and how do we do it?

Multihoming Definition

- **More than one link external to the local network**
 - two or more links to the same ISP
 - two or more links to different ISPs
- **Usually **two** external facing routers**
 - one router gives link and provider redundancy only

AS Numbers

- **An Autonomous System Number is required by BGP**
- **Obtained from upstream ISP or Regional Registry (RIR)**
 - APNIC, ARIN, LACNIC, RIPE NCC**
- **Necessary when you have links to more than one ISP or to an exchange point**
- **16 bit integer, ranging from 1 to 65534**
 - Zero and 65535 are reserved**
 - 64512 through 65534 are called Private ASNs**

Private-AS – Application

- **Applications**

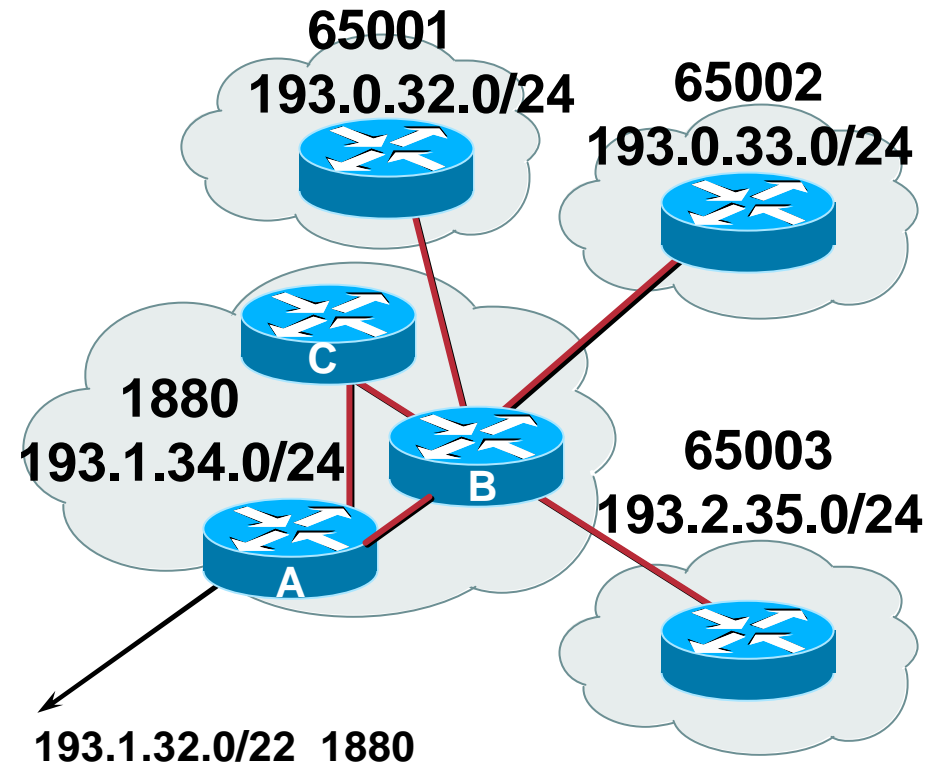
An ISP with customers multihomed on their backbone (RFC2270)

-or-

A corporate network with several regions but connections to the Internet only in the core

-or-

Within a BGP Confederation



Private-AS – Removal

- **Private ASNs MUST be removed from all prefixes announced to the public Internet**

Include configuration to remove private ASNs in the eBGP template

- **As with RFC1918 address space, private ASNs are intended for internal use**

They should not be leaked to the public Internet

- **Cisco IOS**

neighbor x.x.x.x remove-private-AS

Configuring Policy

- **Three BASIC Principles for IOS configuration examples throughout presentation:**
 - prefix-lists** to filter **prefixes**
 - filter-lists** to filter **ASNs**
 - route-maps** to apply **policy**
- **Route-maps can be used for filtering, but this is more “advanced” configuration**

Policy Tools

- **Local preference**
outbound traffic flows
- **Metric (MED)**
inbound traffic flows (local scope)
- **AS-PATH prepend**
inbound traffic flows (Internet scope)
- **Communities**
specific inter-provider peering

Originating Prefixes: Assumptions

- **MUST** announce assigned address block to Internet
- **MAY** also announce subprefixes – reachability is not guaranteed
- **Current RIR minimum allocation is /21**

Several ISPs filter RIR blocks on this boundary

Several ISPs filter the rest of address space according to the IANA assignments

This activity is called “Net Police” by some

Originating Prefixes

- RIRs publish their minimum allocation sizes:
 - APNIC: www.apnic.net/db/min-alloc.html
 - ARIN: ww1.arin.net/statistics/index.html#cidr
 - LACNIC: *unknown*
 - RIPE NCC: www.ripe.net/ripe/docs/smallest-alloc-sizes.html
- IANA publishes the address space it has assigned to end-sites and allocated to the RIRs:
 - www.iana.org/assignments/ipv4-address-space
- Several ISPs use this published information to filter prefixes on:
 - What should be routed (from IANA)
 - The minimum allocation size from the RIRs

“Net Police” prefix list issues

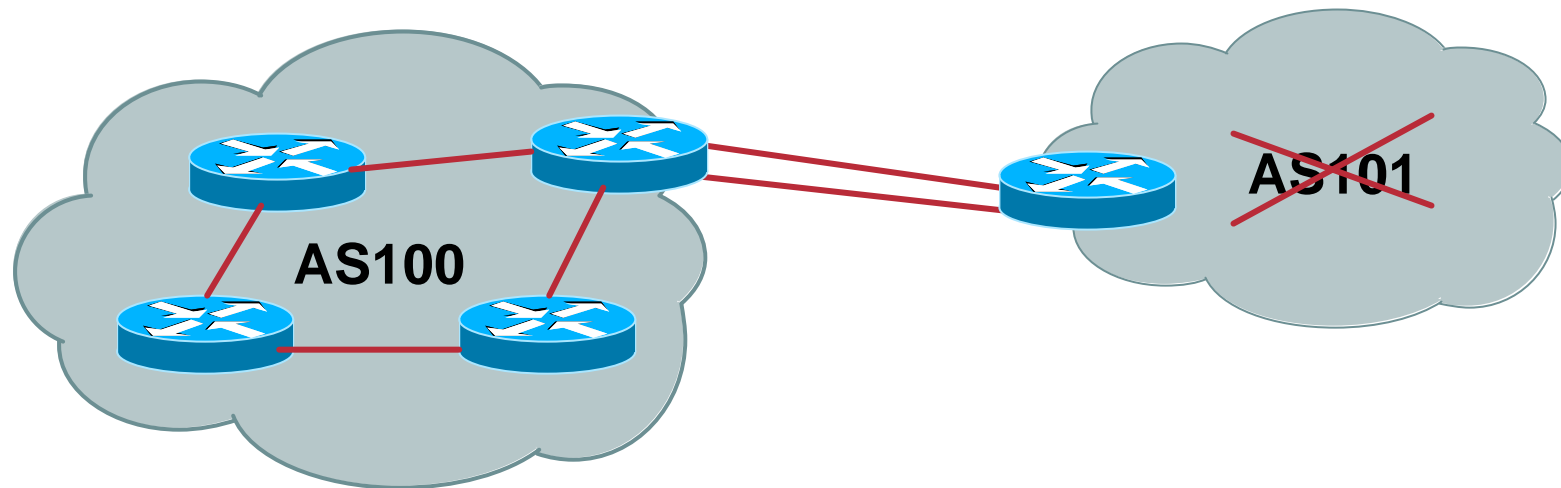
- meant to “punish” ISPs who pollute the routing table with specifics rather than announcing aggregates
- impacts legitimate multihoming especially at the Internet’s edge
- impacts regions where domestic backbone is unavailable or costs \$\$\$ compared with international bandwidth
- hard to maintain – requires updating when RIRs start allocating from new address blocks
- **don’t do it unless consequences understood and you are prepared to keep the list current**

Multihoming Scenarios



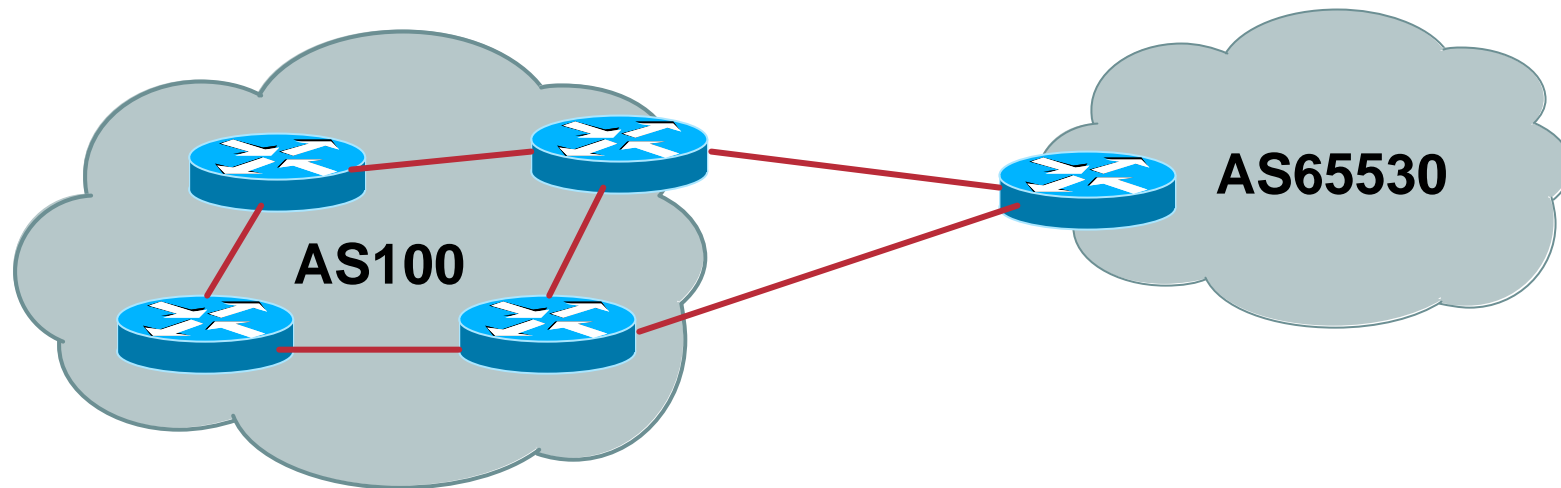
- **Stub network**
- **Multi-homed stub network**
- **Multi-homed network**
- **Load-balancing**

Stub Network



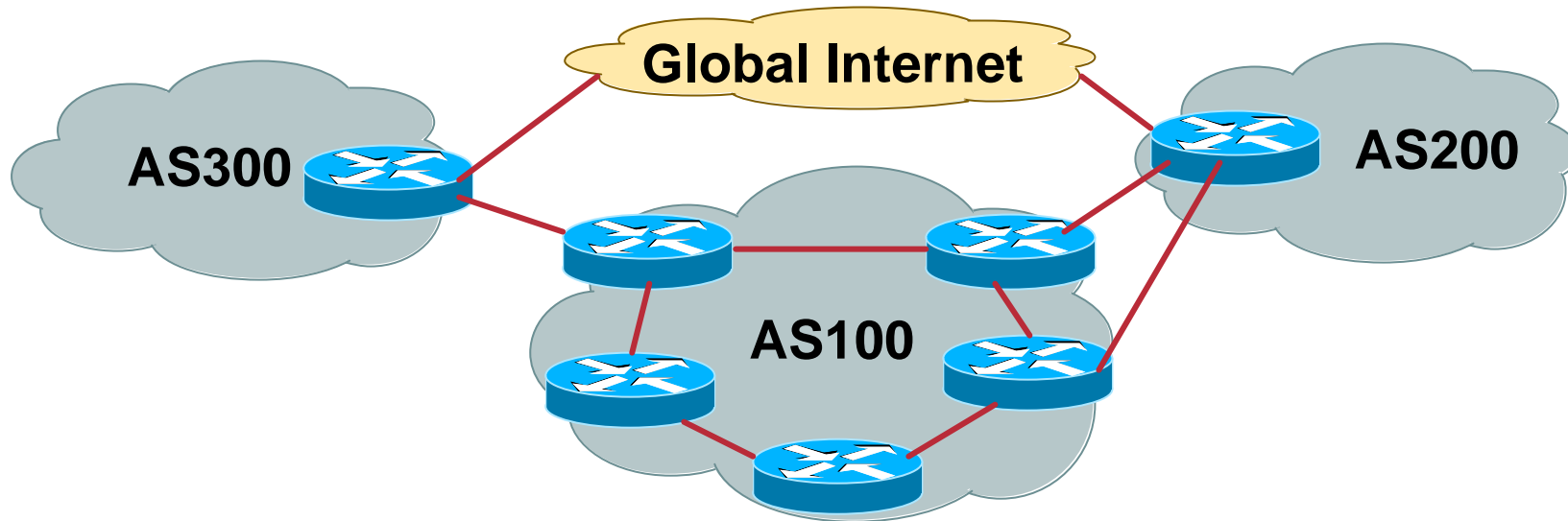
- **No need for BGP**
- **Point static default to upstream ISP**
- **Router will load share on the two parallel circuits**
- **Upstream ISP advertises stub network**
- **Policy confined within upstream ISP's policy**

Multi-homed Stub Network



- Use BGP (not IGP or static) to loadshare
- Use private AS (ASN > 64511)
- Upstream ISP advertises stub network
- Policy confined within upstream ISP's policy

Multi-Homed Network



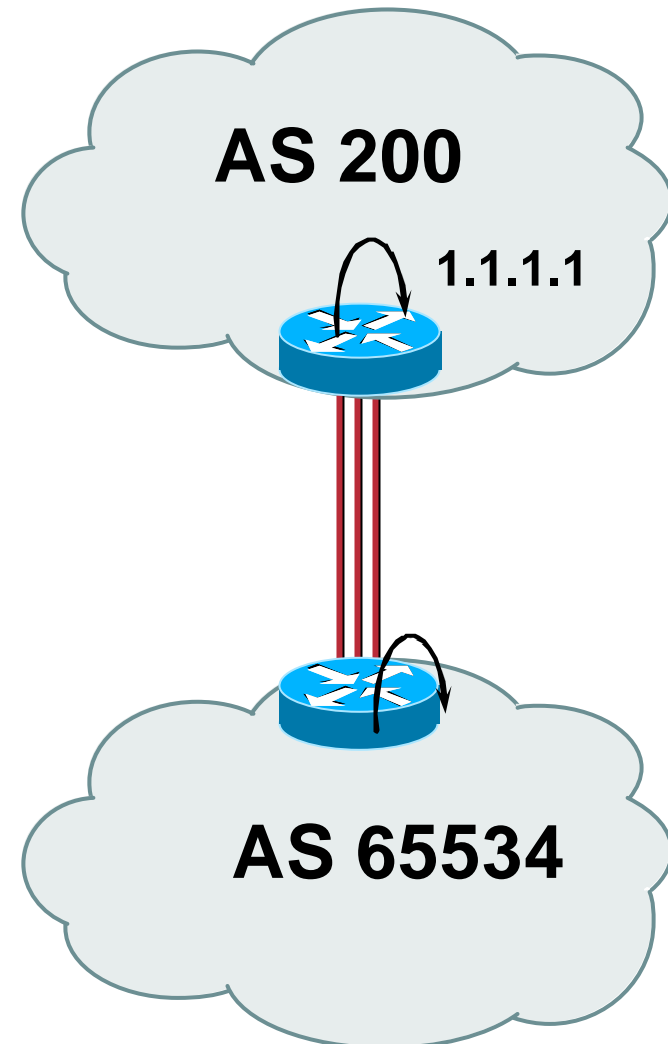
- **Many situations possible**
 - multiple sessions to same ISP
 - secondary for backup only
 - load-share between primary and secondary
 - selectively use different ISPs

Multiple Sessions to an ISP – Example One

- Use eBGP multihop
 - eBGP to loopback addresses
 - eBGP prefixes learned with loopback address as next hop

- Cisco IOS

```
router bgp 65534
  neighbor 1.1.1.1 remote-as 200
  neighbor 1.1.1.1 ebgp-multihop 2
!
ip route 1.1.1.1 255.255.255.255 serial 1/0
ip route 1.1.1.1 255.255.255.255 serial 1/1
ip route 1.1.1.1 255.255.255.255 serial 1/2
```



Multiple Sessions to an ISP

– Example One

- **Try and avoid use of ebgp-multihop unless:**
 - It's absolutely necessary **–or–**
 - Loadsharing across multiple links
- **Many ISPs discourage its use, for example:**

We will run eBGP multihop, but do not support it as a standard offering because customers generally have a hard time managing it due to:

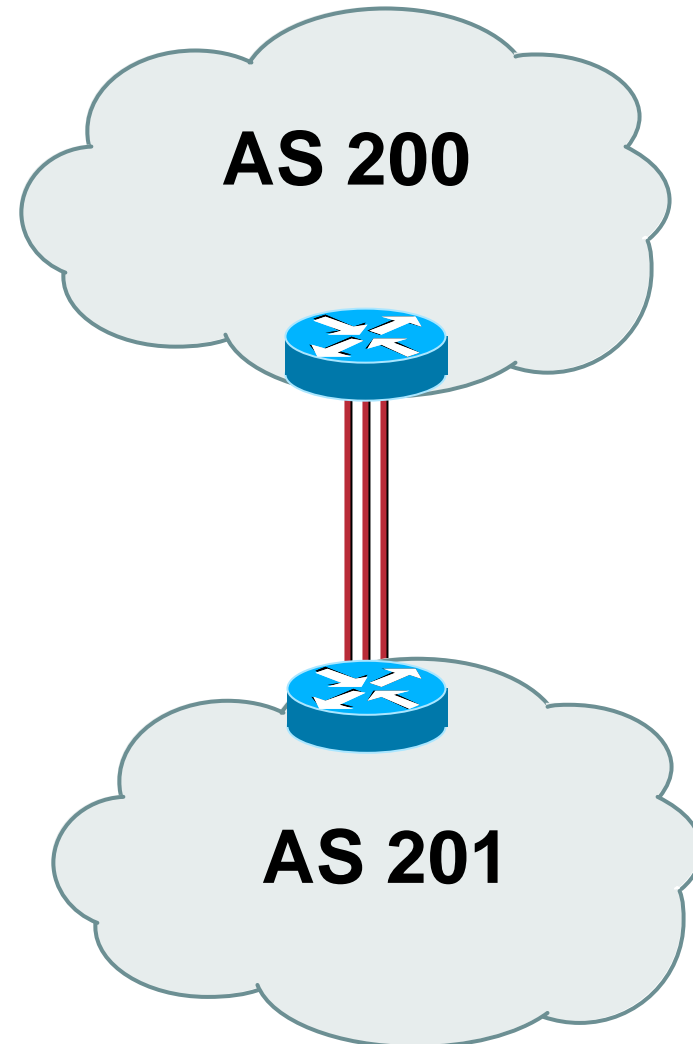
- routing loops
- failure to realise that BGP session stability problems are usually due connectivity problems between their CPE and their BGP speaker

Multiple Sessions to an ISP

– Example Two

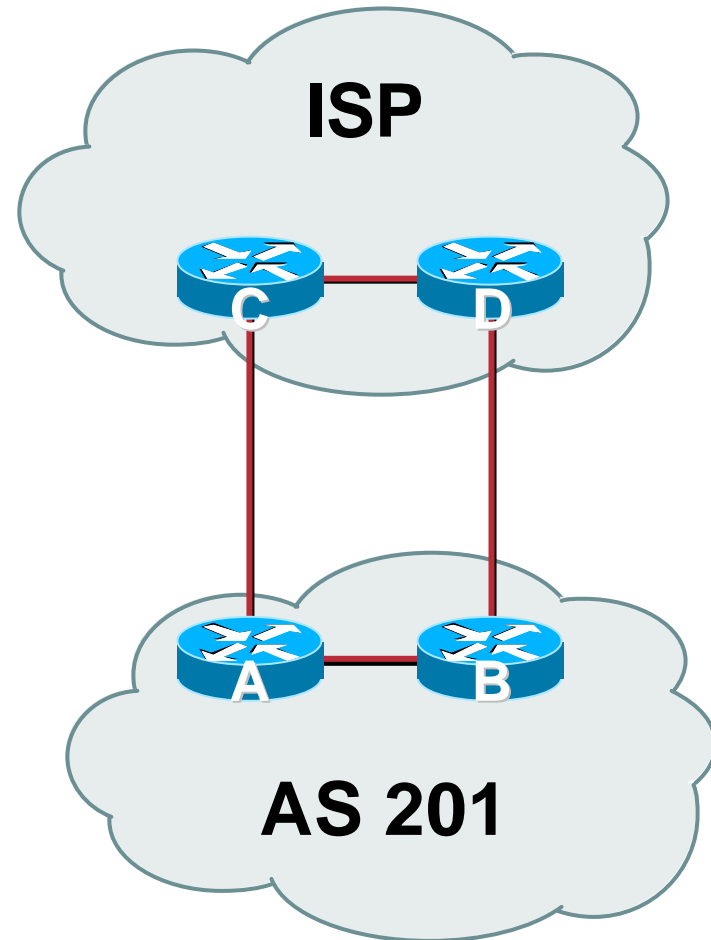
- **BGP multi-path**
- **Limit to number of parallel paths depending on implementation**
- **For this example, three BGP sessions required**
- **Cisco IOS Configuration**

```
router bgp 201
  neighbor 1.1.2.1 remote-as 200
  neighbor 1.1.2.5 remote-as 200
  neighbor 1.1.2.9 remote-as 200
  maximum-paths 3
```



Multiple Sessions to an ISP

- Simplest scheme is to use defaults
- Learn/advertise prefixes for better control
- Planning and some work required to achieve loadsharing
 - Point default towards one ISP
 - Learn selected prefixes from second ISP
 - Modify the number of prefixes learnt to achieve acceptable load sharing
- No magic solution



BGP Multihoming Techniques

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Preparing the Network

- **We will deploy BGP across the network before we try and multihome**
- **BGP will be used therefore an ASN is required**
- **If multihoming to different ISPs, public ASN needed:**

Either go to upstream ISP who is a registry member, or

Apply to the RIR yourself for a one off assignment, or

Ask an ISP who is a registry member, or

Join the RIR and get your own IP address allocation too (this option strongly recommended)!

Preparing the Network

- **Will look at two examples of BGP deployment:**

Example One: network is only static routes

Example Two: network is currently running an IGP

Preparing the Network

Example One

- **The network is not running any BGP at the moment**
 - single statically routed connection to upstream ISP**
- **The network is not running any IGP at all**
 - Static default and routes through the network to do “routing”**

Preparing the Network IGP

- **Decide on IGP: OSPF or ISIS 😊**
- **Assign loopback interfaces and /32 addresses to each router which will run the IGP**
 - Loopback is used for OSPF and BGP router id anchor
 - Used for iBGP and route origination
- **Deploy IGP (e.g. OSPF)**
 - IGP can be deployed with **NO IMPACT** on the existing static routing
 - OSPF distance is 110, static distance is 1
 - Smallest distance wins**

Preparing the Network IGP (cont)

- **Be prudent deploying IGP – keep the Link State Database Lean!**

Router loopbacks go in IGP

WAN point to point links go in IGP

(In fact, any link where IGP dynamic routing will be run should go into IGP)

Summarise on area/level boundaries (if possible) – i.e. think about your IGP address plan

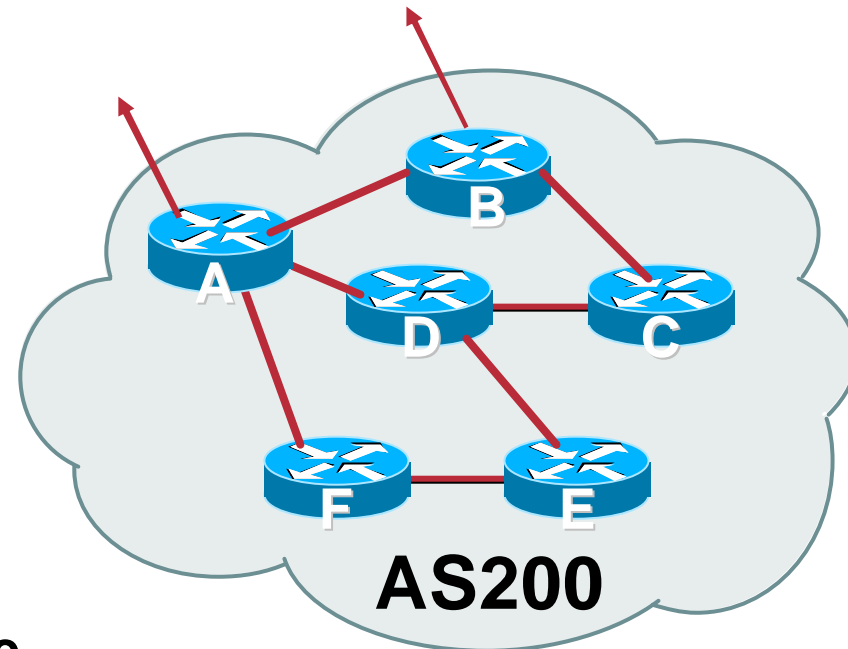
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IGP (cont)

- **Routes which don't go into the IGP include:**
 - Dynamic assignment pools (DSL/Cable/Dial)**
 - Customer point to point link addressing**
 - (using next-hop-self in iBGP ensures that these do NOT need to be in IGP)**
 - Static/Hosting LANs**
 - Customer assigned address space**
 - Anything else not listed in the previous slide**

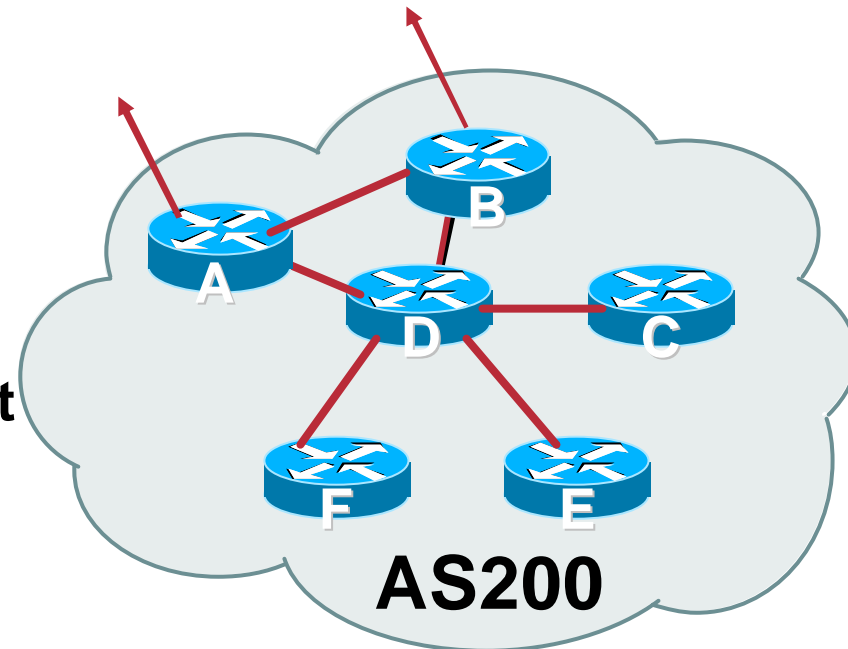
Preparing the Network iBGP

- **Second step is to configure the local network to use iBGP**
- **iBGP can run on**
 - all routers, or
 - a subset of routers, or
 - just on the upstream edge
- ***iBGP must run on all routers which are in the transit path between external connections***



Preparing the Network iBGP (Transit Path)

- *iBGP must run on all routers which are in the transit path between external connections*
- **Routers C, E and F are not in the transit path**
 - Static routes or IGP will suffice
- **Router D is in the transit path**
 - Will need to be in iBGP mesh, otherwise routing loops will result



Preparing the Network Layers

- **Typical SP networks have three layers:**
 - Core – the backbone, usually the transit path**
 - Distribution – the middle, PoP aggregation layer**
 - Aggregation – the edge, the devices connecting customers**

Preparing the Network Aggregation Layer

- **iBGP is optional**

Many ISPs run iBGP here, either partial routing (more common) or full routing (less common)

Full routing is not needed unless customers want full table

Partial routing is cheaper/easier, might usually consist of internal prefixes and, optionally, external prefixes to aid external load balancing

Communities and peer-groups make this administratively easy

- **Many aggregation devices can't run iBGP**

Static routes from distribution devices for address pools

IGP for best exit

Preparing the Network Distribution Layer

- **Usually runs iBGP**
 - Partial or full routing (as with aggregation layer)
- **But does not have to run iBGP**
 - IGP is then used to carry customer prefixes (does not scale)
 - IGP is used to determine nearest exit
- **Networks which plan to grow large should deploy iBGP from day one**
 - Migration at a later date is extra work
 - No extra overhead in deploying iBGP, indeed IGP benefits

Preparing the Network Core Layer

- **Core of network is usually the transit path**
- **iBGP necessary between core devices**

Full routes or partial routes:

Transit ISPs carry full routes in core

Edge ISPs carry partial routes only

- **Core layer includes AS border routers**

Preparing the Network

iBGP Implementation

Decide on:

- **Best iBGP policy**

Will it be full routes everywhere, or partial, or some mix?

- **iBGP scaling technique**

Community policy?

Route-reflectors?

Techniques such as peer groups and peer templates?

Preparing the Network

iBGP Implementation

- **Then deploy iBGP:**

Step 1: Introduce iBGP mesh on chosen routers

make sure that iBGP distance is greater than IGP distance (it usually is)

Step 2: Install “customer” prefixes into iBGP

Check! Does the network still work?

Step 3: Carefully remove the static routing for the prefixes now in IGP and iBGP

Check! Does the network still work?

Step 4: Deployment of eBGP follows

Preparing the Network iBGP Implementation

Install “customer” prefixes into iBGP?

- **Customer assigned address space**
 - Network statement/static route combination**
 - Use unique community to identify customer assignments**
- **Customer facing point-to-point links**
 - Redistribute connected through filters which only permit point-to-point link addresses to enter iBGP**
 - Use a unique community to identify point-to-point link addresses (these are only required for your monitoring system)**
- **Dynamic assignment pools & local LANs**
 - Simple network statement will do this**
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Preparing the Network

iBGP Implementation

Carefully remove static routes?

- **Work on one router at a time:**
 - Check that static route for a particular destination is also learned either by IGP or by iBGP**
 - If so, remove it**
 - If not, establish why and fix the problem**
 - (Remember to look in the RIB, not the FIB!)**
- **Then the next router, until the whole PoP is done**
- **Then the next PoP, and so on until the network is now dependent on the IGP and iBGP you have deployed**

Preparing the Network Completion

- **Previous steps are NOT flag day steps**

Each can be carried out during different maintenance periods, for example:

Step One on Week One

Step Two on Week Two

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And so on

And with proper planning will have NO customer visible impact at all

Preparing the Network

Example Two

- **The network is not running any BGP at the moment**
 - single statically routed connection to upstream ISP**
- **The network is running an IGP though**
 - All internal routing information is in the IGP**
 - By IGP, OSPF or ISIS is assumed**

Preparing the Network IGP

- **If not already done, assign loopback interfaces and /32 addresses to each router which is running the IGP**

Loopback is used for OSPF and BGP router id anchor

Used for iBGP and route origination

- **Ensure that the loopback /32s are appearing in the IGP**

Preparing the Network iBGP

- **Go through the iBGP decision process as in Example One**
- **Decide full or partial, and the extent of the iBGP reach in the network**

Preparing the Network

iBGP Implementation

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make sure that iBGP distance is greater than IGP distance (it usually is)

Step 2: Install “customer” prefixes into iBGP

Check! Does the network still work?

Step 3: Reduce BGP distance to be less than the IGP

(so that iBGP routes take priority)

Step 4: Carefully remove the “customer” prefixes from the IGP

Check! Does the network still work?

Step 5: Restore BGP distance to be greater than IGP

Step 6: Deployment of eBGP follows

Preparing the Network iBGP Implementation

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Preparing the Network

Example Two Configuration – Before BGP

```
interface loopback 0
  ip address 121.10.255.1 255.255.255.255
!
interface serial 0/0
  ip address 121.10.0.1 255.255.255.252
!
interface serial 0/1
  ip address 121.10.0.5 255.255.255.252
!
router ospf 100
  network 121.10.255.1 0.0.0.0 area 0
  passive-interface loopback 0
  redistribute connected subnets      ! Point-to-point links
  redistribute static subnets        ! Customer networks
!
ip route 121.10.24.0 255.255.252.0 serial 0/0
ip route 121.10.28.0 255.255.254.0 serial 0/1
```

Add loopback configuration if not already there

Preparing the Network

Example Two Configuration – Steps 1 & 2

```
! interface and OSPF configuration unchanged
```

```
!
```

```
router bgp 100
```

```
  redistribute connected subnets route-map point-to-point
```

```
  neighbor 121.10.1.2 remote-as 100
```

```
  neighbor 121.10.1.2 next-hop-self
```

```
  ...
```

```
  network 121.10.24.0 mask 255.255.252.0
```

```
  network 121.10.28.0 mask 255.255.254.0
```

```
  distance bgp 200 200 200
```

```
!
```

```
ip route 121.10.24.0 255.255.252.0 serial 0/0
```

```
ip route 121.10.28.0 255.255.254.0 serial 0/1
```

```
!
```

```
route-map point-to-point permit 5
```

```
  match ip address 1
```

```
  set community 100:1
```

```
!
```

```
access-list 1 permit 121.10.0.0 0.0.255.255
```

Add BGP and related configuration in red



Preparing the Network

Example Two Configuration – Steps 3 & 4

```
! interface configuration unchanged
!
router ospf 100
  network 121.10.255.1 0.0.0.0 area 0
  passive-interface loopback 0
!
router bgp 100
  redistribute connected route-map point-to-point
  neighbor 121.10.1.2 remote-as 100
  neighbor 121.10.1.2 next-hop-self
  ...
  network 121.10.24.0 mask 255.255.252.0
  network 121.10.28.0 mask 255.255.254.0
  distance bgp 20 20 20      ! reduced BGP distance
!
ip route 121.10.24.0 255.255.252.0 serial 0/0
ip route 121.10.28.0 255.255.254.0 serial 0/1
!
...etc...
```

OSPF redistribution
has been removed



Preparing the Network

Example Two Configuration – Step 5

```
! interface configuration unchanged
!
router ospf 100
  network 121.10.255.1 0.0.0.0 area 0
  passive-interface loopback 0
!
router bgp 100
  redistribute connected route-map point-to-point
  neighbor 121.10.1.2 remote-as 100
  neighbor 121.10.1.2 next-hop-self
  ...
  network 121.10.24.0 mask 255.255.252.0
  network 121.10.28.0 mask 255.255.254.0
  distance bgp 200 200 200    ! BGP distance restored
!
ip route 121.10.24.0 255.255.252.0 serial 0/0
ip route 121.10.28.0 255.255.254.0 serial 0/1
!
...etc...
```

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Preparing the Network Configuration Summary

- **IGP essential networks are in IGP**
- **Customer networks are now in iBGP**
iBGP deployed over the backbone
Full or Partial or Upstream Edge only
- **BGP distance is greater than any IGP**
- **Now ready to deploy eBGP**

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- **“Traffic Engineering”**
- **Using Communities**
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Basic Multihoming

Let's learn to walk before we try running...

Basic Multihoming

- **No frills multihoming**
- **Will look at two cases:**
 - Multihoming with the same ISP**
 - Multihoming to different ISPs**
- **Will keep the examples easy**
 - Understanding easy concepts will make the more complex scenarios easier to comprehend**

Basic Multihoming

- **This type is most commonplace at the edge of the Internet**

Networks here are usually concerned with inbound traffic flows

Outbound traffic flows being “nearest exit” is usually sufficient

- **Can apply to the leaf ISP as well as Enterprise networks**

Basic Multihoming

Multihoming to the same ISP

Basic Multihoming:

Multihoming to the same ISP

- **Use BGP for this type of multihoming**

use a private AS (ASN > 64511)

There is no need or justification for a public ASN

Making the nets of the end-site visible gives no useful information to the Internet

- **Upstream ISP proxy aggregates**

in other words, announces only your address block to the Internet from their AS (as would be done if you had one statically routed connection)

Two links to the same ISP

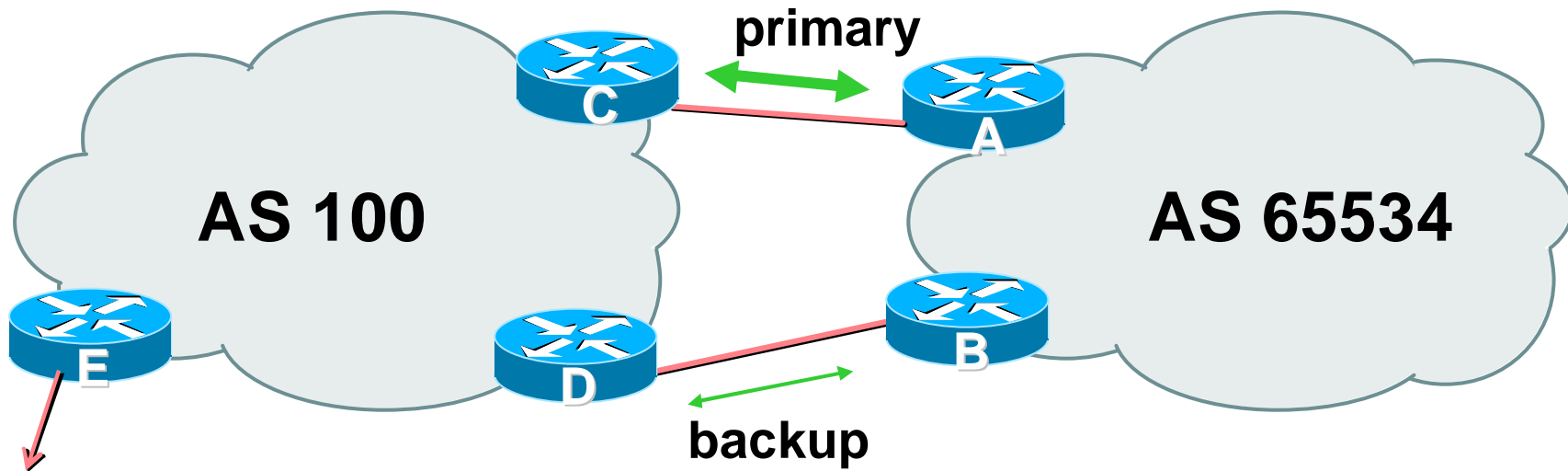
One link primary, the other link backup only

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Applies when end-site has bought a large primary WAN link to their upstream a small secondary WAN link as the backup**

**For example, primary path might be an E1,
backup might be 64kbps**

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)



- **Border router E in AS100 removes private AS and any customer subprefixes from Internet announcement**

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**

primary link:

Outbound – announce /19 unaltered

Inbound – receive default route

backup link:

Outbound – announce /19 with increased metric

Inbound – received default, and reduce local preference

- **When one link fails, the announcement of the /19 aggregate via the other link ensures continued connectivity**

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- Router A Configuration

```
router bgp 65534
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 description RouterC
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list aggregate out
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list default in
!
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Router B Configuration**

```
router bgp 65534
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 description RouterD
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 prefix-list aggregate out
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 route-map routerD-out out
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 route-map routerD-in in
!
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```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

```
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
route-map routerD-out permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list aggregate
  set metric 10
route-map routerD-out permit 20
!
route-map routerD-in permit 10
  set local-preference 90
!
```


Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Router C Configuration (main link)**

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 65534
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 default-originate
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list Customer in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default out
!
ip prefix-list Customer permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- Router D Configuration (backup link)

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 remote-as 65534
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 default-originate
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list Customer in
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list default out
!
ip prefix-list Customer permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Router E Configuration**

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 remote-as 110
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 remove-private-AS
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 prefix-list Customer out
!
ip prefix-list Customer permit 121.10.0.0/19
```

- **Router E removes the private AS and customer's subprefixes from external announcements**
- **Private AS still visible inside AS100**

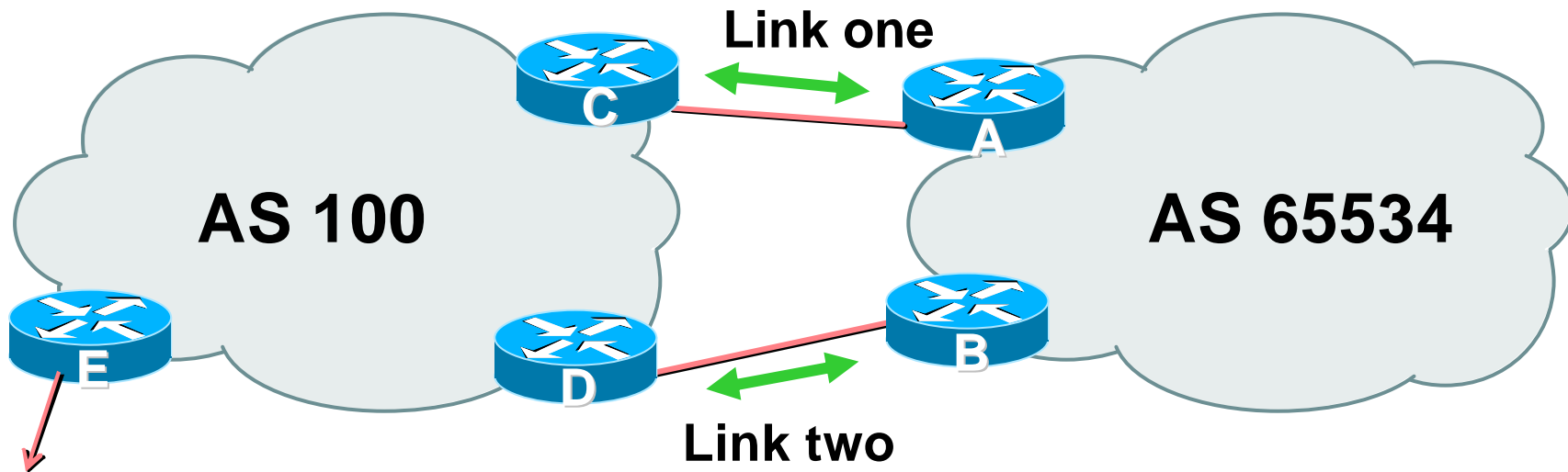
Two links to the same ISP

With Loadsharing

Loadsharing to the same ISP

- **More common case**
- **End sites tend not to buy circuits and leave them idle, only used for backup as in previous example**
- **This example assumes equal capacity circuits**
 - Unequal capacity circuits requires more refinement – see later**

Loadsharing to the same ISP



- **Border router E in AS100 removes private AS and any customer subprefixes from Internet announcement**

Loadsharing to the same ISP

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**
- **Split /19 and announce as two /20s, one on each link**
 - basic inbound loadsharing
 - assumes equal circuit capacity and even spread of traffic across address block
- **Vary the split until “perfect” loadsharing achieved**
- **Accept the default from upstream**
 - basic outbound loadsharing by nearest exit
 - okay in first approx as most ISP and end-site traffic is inbound

Loadsharing to the same ISP

- **Router A Configuration**

```
router bgp 65534
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.240.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list routerC out
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list default in
!
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
ip prefix-list routerC permit 121.10.0.0/20
ip prefix-list routerC permit 121.10.0.0/19
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.240.0 null0
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

Router B configuration is similar but with the other /20

Loadsharing to the same ISP

- **Router C Configuration**

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 65534
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 default-originate
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list Customer in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default out
!
ip prefix-list Customer permit 121.10.0.0/19 le 20
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
```

- **Router C only allows in /19 and /20 prefixes from customer block**
- **Router D configuration is identical**

Loadsharing to the same ISP

- **Loadsharing configuration is only on customer router**
- **Upstream ISP has to**
 - remove customer subprefixes from external announcements**
 - remove private AS from external announcements**
- **Could also use BGP communities**

Two links to the same ISP

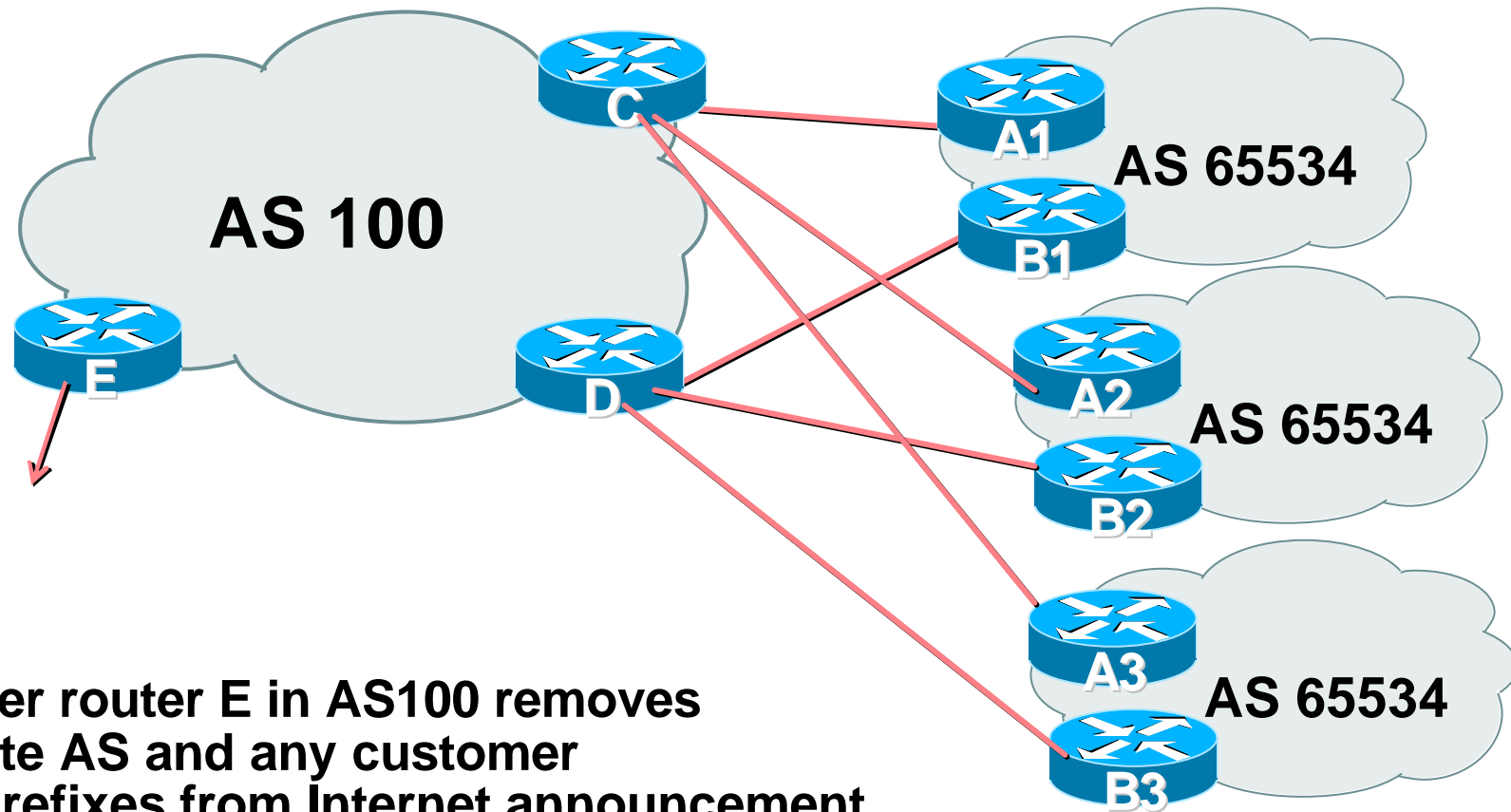
Multiple Dualhomed Customers

(RFC2270)

Multiple Dualhomed Customers (RFC2270)

- **Unusual for an ISP just to have one dualhomed customer**
 - Valid/valuable service offering for an ISP with multiple PoPs**
 - Better for ISP than having customer multihome with another provider!**
- **Look at scaling the configuration**
 - ↳ **Simplifying the configuration**
 - Using templates, peer-groups, etc**
 - Every customer has the same configuration (basically)**

Multiple Dualhomed Customers (RFC2270)



- **Border router E in AS100 removes private AS and any customer subprefixes from Internet announcement**

Multiple Dualhomed Customers

- **Customer announcements as per previous example**
- **Use the *same* private AS for each customer**
 - documented in RFC2270
 - address space is not overlapping
 - each customer hears default only
- **Router *A_n* and *B_n* configuration same as Router A and B previously**

Multiple Dualhomed Customers

- **Router A1 Configuration**

```
router bgp 65534
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.240.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list routerC out
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list default in
!
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
ip prefix-list routerC permit 121.10.0.0/20
ip prefix-list routerC permit 121.10.0.0/19
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.240.0 null0
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

Router B1 configuration is similar but for the other /20

Multiple Dualhomed Customers

- Router C Configuration

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor bgp-customers peer-group
  neighbor bgp-customers remote-as 65534
  neighbor bgp-customers default-originate
  neighbor bgp-customers prefix-list default out
neighbor 122.102.10.1 peer-group bgp-customers
neighbor 122.102.10.1 description Customer One
neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list Customer1 in
neighbor 122.102.10.9 peer-group bgp-customers
neighbor 122.102.10.9 description Customer Two
neighbor 122.102.10.9 prefix-list Customer2 in
```


Multiple Dualhomed Customers

```
neighbor 122.102.10.17 peer-group bgp-customers
neighbor 122.102.10.17 description Customer Three
neighbor 122.102.10.17 prefix-list Customer3 in
!
ip prefix-list Customer1 permit 121.10.0.0/19 le 20
ip prefix-list Customer2 permit 121.16.64.0/19 le 20
ip prefix-list Customer3 permit 121.14.192.0/19 le 20
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
```

- Router C only allows in /19 and /20 prefixes from customer block
- Router D configuration is almost identical

Multiple Dualhomed Customers

- **Router E Configuration**

assumes customer address space is not part of upstream's address block

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 remote-as 110
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 remove-private-AS
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 prefix-list Customers out
!
ip prefix-list Customers permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list Customers permit 121.16.64.0/19
ip prefix-list Customers permit 121.14.192.0/19
```

- **Private AS still visible inside AS100**

Multiple Dualhomed Customers

- If customers' prefixes come from ISP's address block
 - do **NOT** announce them to the Internet
 - announce **ISP aggregate only**
- Router E configuration:

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 remote-as 110
  neighbor 122.102.10.17 prefix-list my-aggregate out
!
ip prefix-list my-aggregate permit 121.8.0.0/13
```

Basic Multihoming

Multihoming to different ISPs

Two links to different ISPs

- **Use a Public AS**

Or use private AS if agreed with the other ISP

But some people don't like the "inconsistent-AS" which results from use of a private-AS

- **Address space comes from**

both upstreams **or**

Regional Internet Registry

- **Configuration concepts very similar**

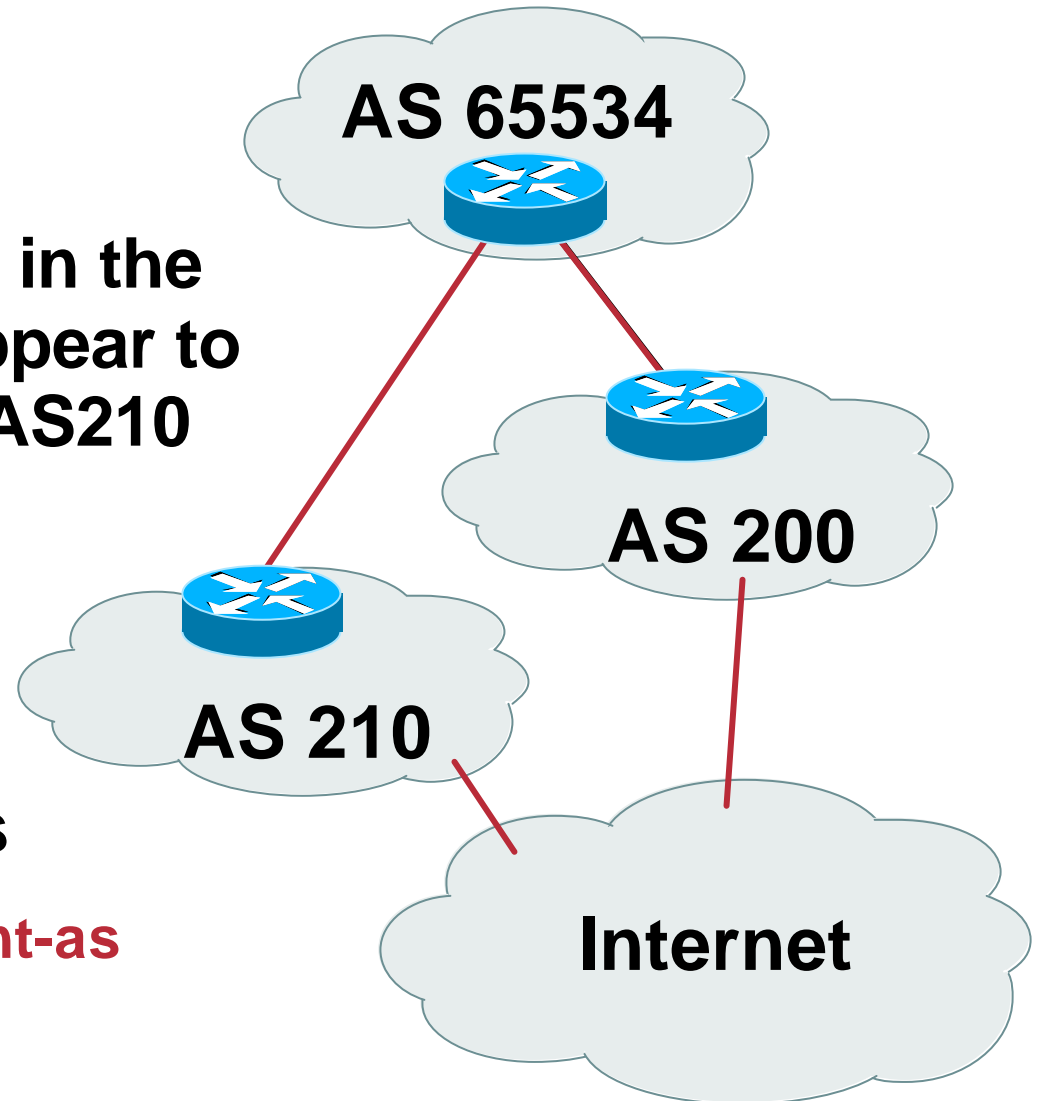
Inconsistent-AS?

- Viewing the prefixes originated by AS65534 in the Internet shows they appear to be originated by both AS210 and AS200

This is NOT bad

Nor is it illegal

- Cisco IOS command is
show ip bgp inconsistent-as



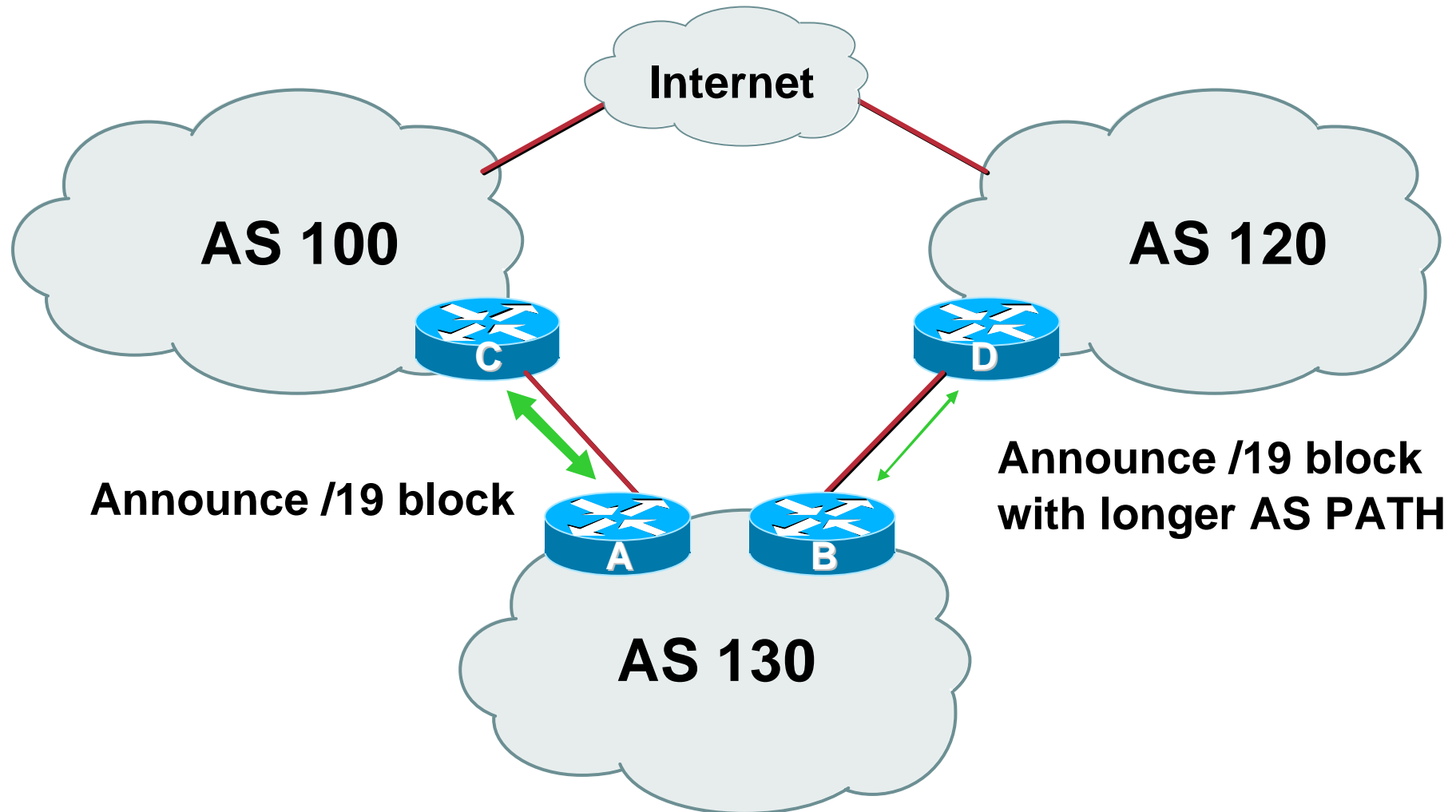
Two links to different ISPs

One link primary, the other link backup only

Two links to different ISPs (one as backup only)

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**
 - primary link makes standard announcement**
 - backup link lengthens the AS PATH by using AS PATH prepend**
- **When one link fails, the announcement of the /19 aggregate via the other link ensures continued connectivity**

Two links to different ISPs (one as backup only)



Two links to different ISPs (one as backup only)

- Router A Configuration

```
router bgp 130
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list aggregate out
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default in
!
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
```

Two links to different ISPs (one as backup only)

- Router B Configuration

```
router bgp 130
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 remote-as 120
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 prefix-list aggregate out
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 route-map routerD-out out
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 route-map routerD-in in
!
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
route-map routerD-out permit 10
  set as-path prepend 130 130 130
!
route-map routerD-in permit 10
  set local-preference 80
```

Two links to different ISPs (one as backup only)

- **Not a common situation as most sites tend to prefer using whatever capacity they have**
- **But it shows the basic concepts of using local-prefs and AS-path prepends for engineering traffic in the chosen direction**

Two links to different ISPs

With Loadsharing

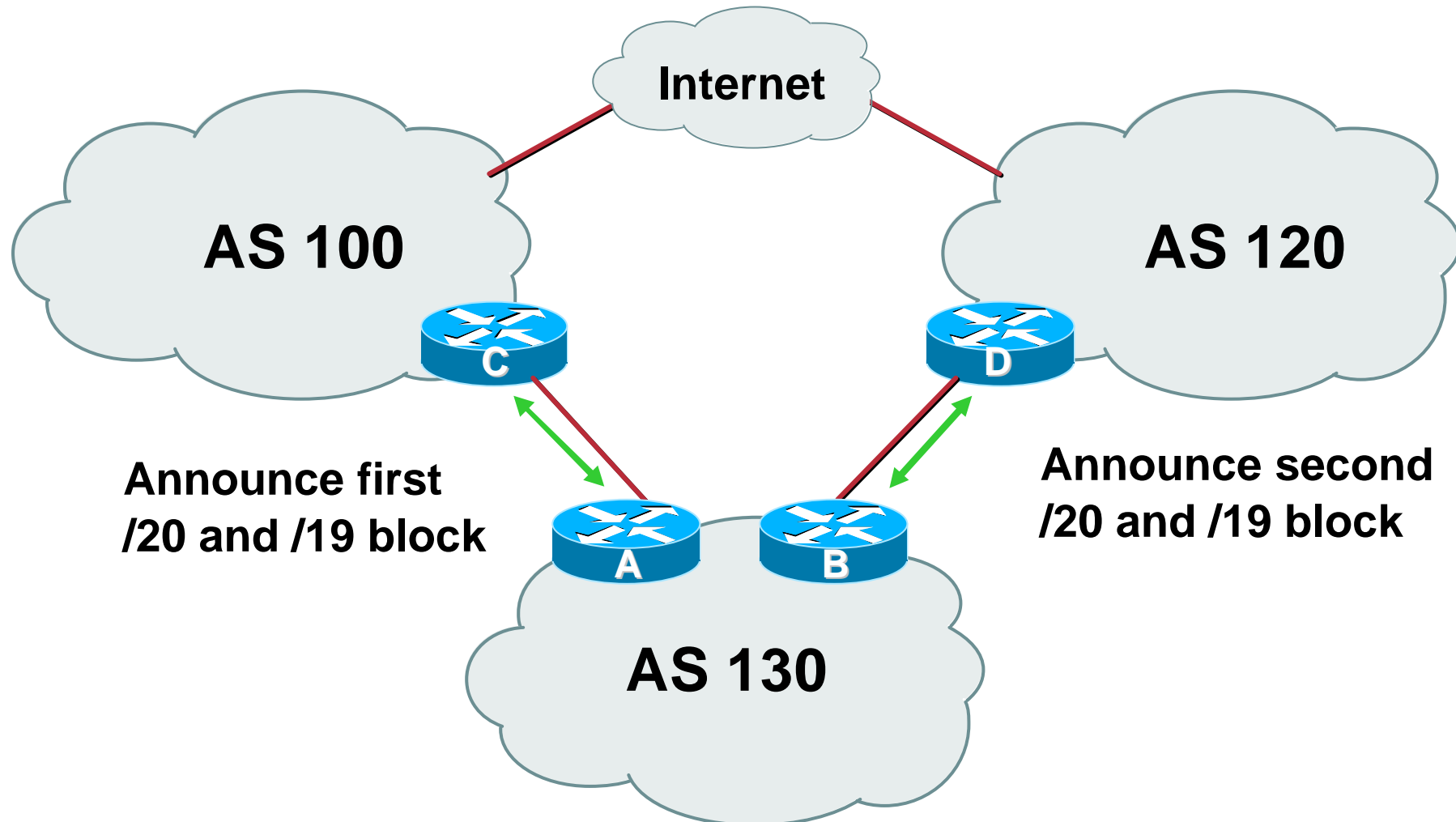
Two links to different ISPs (with loadsharing)

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**
- **Split /19 and announce as two /20s, one on each link**

basic inbound loadsharing

- **When one link fails, the announcement of the /19 aggregate via the other ISP ensures continued connectivity**

Two links to different ISPs (with loadsharing)



Two links to different ISPs (with loadsharing)

- Router A Configuration

```
router bgp 130
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.240.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list firstblock out
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default in
!
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip prefix-list firstblock permit 121.10.0.0/20
ip prefix-list firstblock permit 121.10.0.0/19
```


Two links to different ISPs (with loadsharing)

- **Router B Configuration**

```
router bgp 130
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  network 121.10.16.0 mask 255.255.240.0
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 remote-as 120
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 prefix-list secondblock out
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 prefix-list default in
!
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip prefix-list secondblock permit 121.10.16.0/20
ip prefix-list secondblock permit 121.10.0.0/19
```

Two links to different ISPs (with loadsharing)

- **Loadsharing in this case is very basic**
- **But shows the first steps in designing a load sharing solution**

Start with a simple concept

And build on it...!

Two links to different ISPs

More Controlled Loadsharing

Loadsharing with different ISPs

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**

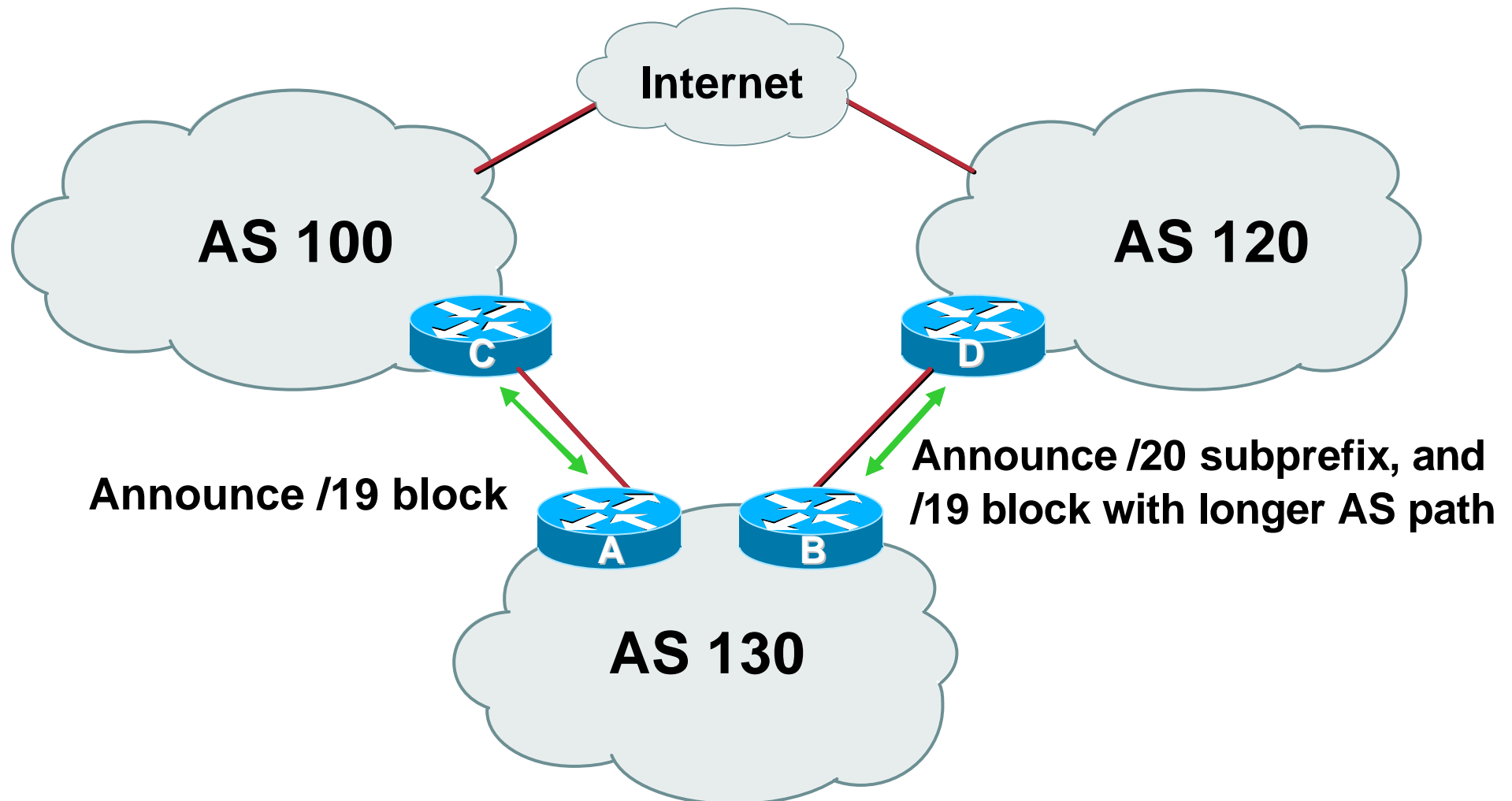
On first link, announce /19 as normal

**On second link, announce /19 with longer AS PATH,
and announce one /20 subprefix**

**controls loadsharing between upstreams and the
Internet**

- **Vary the subprefix size and AS PATH length
until “perfect” loadsharing achieved**
- **Still require redundancy!**

Loadsharing with different ISPs



Loadsharing with different ISPs

- Router A Configuration

```
router bgp 130
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list aggregate out
!
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
```

Loadsharing with different ISPs

- Router B Configuration

```
router bgp 130
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  network 121.10.16.0 mask 255.255.240.0
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 remote-as 120
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 prefix-list subblocks out
  neighbor 120.1.5.1 route-map routerD out
!
route-map routerD permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list aggregate
  set as-path prepend 130 130
route-map routerD permit 20
!
ip prefix-list subblocks permit 121.10.0.0/19 le 20
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
```

Loadsharing with different ISPs

- **This example is more commonplace**
- **Shows how ISPs and end-sites subdivide address space frugally, as well as use the AS-PATH prepend concept to optimise the load sharing between different ISPs**
- **Notice that the /19 aggregate block is ALWAYS announced**

BGP Multihoming Techniques

- **Why Multihome?**
- **Definition & Options**
- **Preparing the Network**
- **Basic Multihoming**
- **Service Provider Multihoming**
- **Using Communities**
- **Case Study**

Service Provider Multihoming

BGP Traffic Engineering

Service Provider Multihoming

- **Previous examples dealt with loadsharing inbound traffic**
 - Of primary concern at Internet edge
 - What about outbound traffic?
- **Transit ISPs strive to balance traffic flows in both directions**
 - Balance link utilisation
 - Try and keep most traffic flows symmetric
 - Some edge ISPs try and do this too
- **The original “Traffic Engineering”**

Service Provider Multihoming

- **Balancing outbound traffic requires inbound routing information**

Common solution is “full routing table”

Rarely necessary

Why use the “routing mallet” to try solve loadsharing problems?

“Keep It Simple” is often easier (and \$\$\$ cheaper) than carrying N-copies of the full routing table

Service Provider Multihoming MYTHS!!

- **Common MYTHS**
- **1: You need the full routing table to multihome**
 - People who sell router memory would like you to believe this
 - Only true if you are a transit provider
 - Full routing table can be a significant hindrance to multihoming
- **2: You need a BIG router to multihome**
 - Router size is related to data rates, not running BGP
 - In reality, to multihome, your router needs to:
 - Have two interfaces,
 - Be able to talk BGP to at least two peers,
 - Be able to handle BGP attributes,
 - Handle at least one prefix
- **3: BGP is complex**
 - In the wrong hands, yes it can be! Keep it Simple!

Service Provider Multihoming: Some Strategies

- **Take the prefixes you need to aid traffic engineering**
 - Look at NetFlow data for popular sites
- **Prefixes originated by your immediate neighbours and their neighbours will do more to aid load balancing than prefixes from ASNs many hops away**
 - Concentrate on local destinations
- **Use default routing as much as possible**
 - Or use the full routing table with care

Service Provider Multihoming

- **Examples**
 - One upstream, one local peer**
 - One upstream, local exchange point**
 - Two upstreams, one local peer**
 - Tier-1 and regional upstreams, with local peers**
 - Multi-exit backbone**
 - Separating transit and local paths**
- **Require BGP and a public ASN**
- **Examples assume that the local network has their own /19 address block**

Service Provider Multihoming

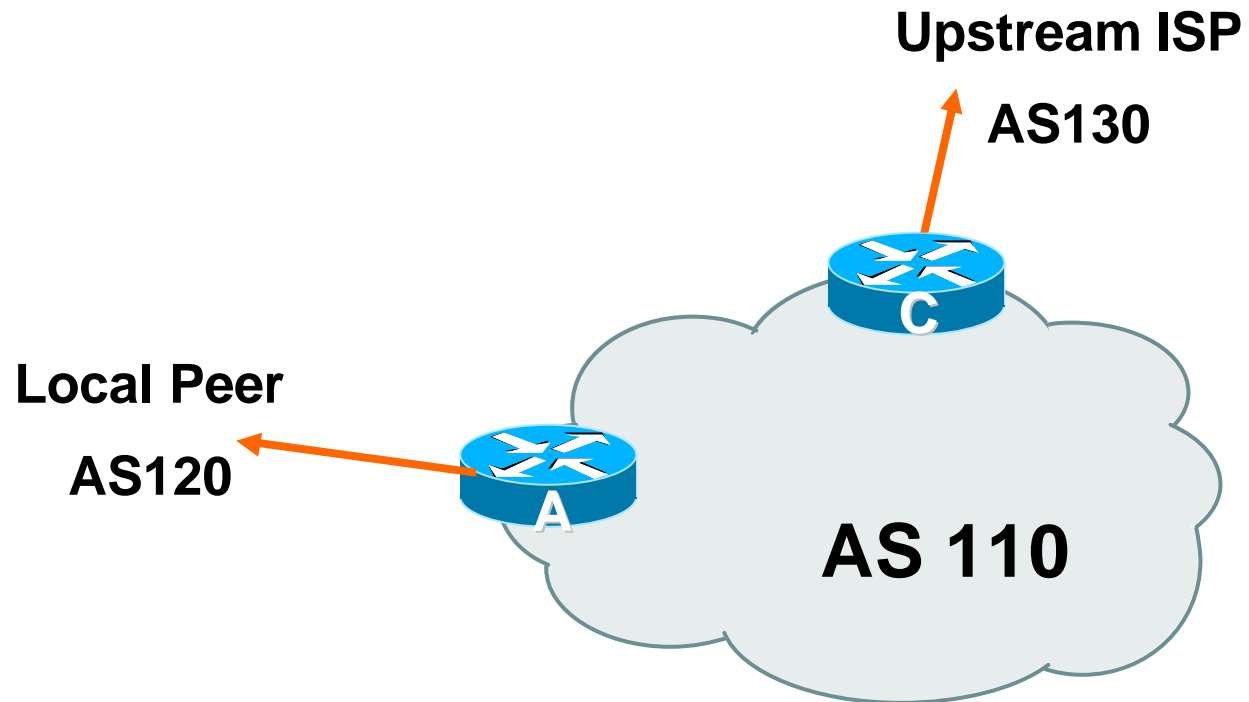
One Upstream, One local peer

One Upstream, One Local Peer

- **Very common situation in many regions of the Internet**
- **Connect to upstream transit provider to see the “Internet”**
- **Connect to the local competition so that local traffic stays local**

Saves spending valuable \$ on upstream transit costs for local traffic

One Upstream, One Local Peer



One Upstream, One Local Peer

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**
- **Accept default route only from upstream**
 - **Either 0.0.0.0/0 or a network which can be used as default**
- **Accept all routes from local peer**

One Upstream, One Local Peer

- Router A Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 remote-as 120
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list my-block out
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list AS120-peer in
!
ip prefix-list AS120-peer permit 122.5.16.0/19
ip prefix-list AS120-peer permit 121.240.0.0/20
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

Prefix filters
inbound



One Upstream, One Local Peer

- Router A – Alternative Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 remote-as 120
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list my-block out
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 filter-list 10 in
!
ip as-path access-list 10 permit ^(120_)+$
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

AS Path filters –
more “trusting”

One Upstream, One Local Peer

- Router C Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 130
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list my-block out
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

One Upstream, One Local Peer

- **Two configurations possible for Router A**
 - Filter-lists assume peer knows what they are doing**
 - Prefix-list higher maintenance, but safer**
 - Some ISPs use **both****
- **Local traffic goes to and from local peer, everything else goes to upstream**

Service Provider Multihoming

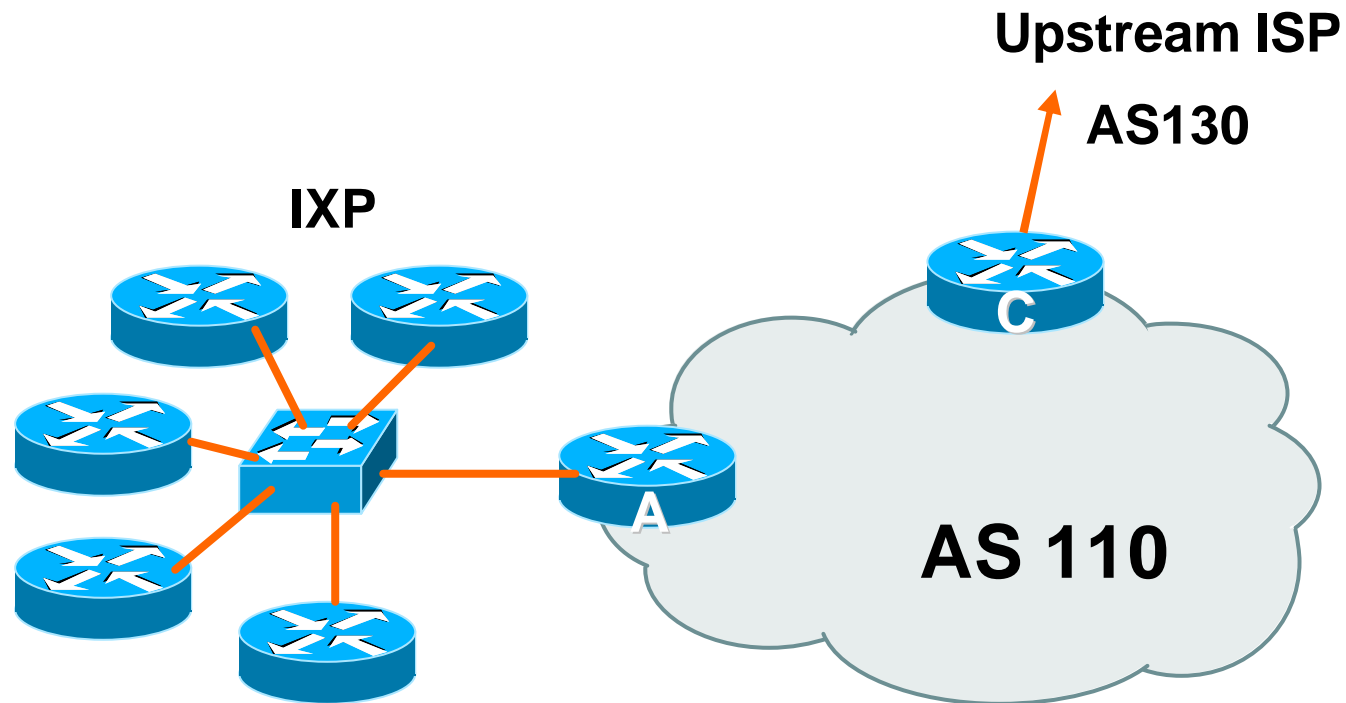
One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

- **Very common situation in many regions of the Internet**
- **Connect to upstream transit provider to see the “Internet”**
- **Connect to the local Internet Exchange Point so that local traffic stays local**

Saves spending valuable \$ on upstream transit costs for local traffic

One Upstream, Local Exchange Point



One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

- **Announce /19 aggregate to every neighbouring AS**
- **Accept default route only from upstream**
 - Either 0.0.0.0/0 or a network which can be used as default**
- **Accept all routes originated by IXP peers**

One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

- **Router A Configuration**

```
interface fastethernet 0/0
  description Exchange Point LAN
  ip address 120.5.10.1 mask 255.255.255.224
  ip verify unicast reverse-path
!
router bgp 110
  neighbor ixp-peers peer-group
  neighbor ixp-peers prefix-list my-block out
  neighbor ixp-peers remove-private-AS
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```

One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

```
neighbor 120.5.10.2 remote-as 100
neighbor 120.5.10.2 peer-group ixp-peers
neighbor 120.5.10.2 prefix-list peer100 in
neighbor 120.5.10.3 remote-as 101
neighbor 120.5.10.3 peer-group ixp-peers
neighbor 120.5.10.3 prefix-list peer101 in
neighbor 120.5.10.4 remote-as 102
neighbor 120.5.10.4 peer-group ixp-peers
neighbor 120.5.10.4 prefix-list peer102 in
neighbor 120.5.10.5 remote-as 103
neighbor 120.5.10.5 peer-group ixp-peers
neighbor 120.5.10.5 prefix-list peer103 in
..next slide
```

One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

```
!  
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19  
ip prefix-list peer100 permit 122.0.0.0/19  
ip prefix-list peer101 permit 122.30.0.0/19  
ip prefix-list peer102 permit 122.12.0.0/19  
ip prefix-list peer103 permit 122.18.128.0/19  
!
```

- **Note that Router A does not generate the aggregate for AS110**

**If Router A becomes disconnected from backbone,
then the aggregate is no longer announced to the IX
BGP failover works as expected**

One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

- Router C Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 130
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list my-block out
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

One Upstream, Local Exchange Point

- **Note Router A configuration**
 - Prefix-list higher maintenance, but safer**
 - uRPF on the IX facing interface**
 - No generation of AS110 aggregate**
- **IXP traffic goes to and from local IXP, everything else goes to upstream**

Aside: Configuration Recommendations (1)

- **Private Peers**

The peering ISPs exchange prefixes they originate

Sometimes they exchange prefixes from neighbouring ASNs too

- **Be aware that the private peer eBGP router should carry only the prefixes you want the private peer to receive**

Otherwise they could point a default route to you and unintentionally transit your backbone

Aside: Configuration Recommendations (2)

- **IXP peers**

The peering ISPs at the IXP exchange prefixes they originate
Sometimes they exchange prefixes from neighbouring ASNs too

- **Be aware that the IXP border router should carry only the prefixes you want the IXP peers to receive and the destinations you want them to be able to reach**

Otherwise they could point a default route to you and unintentionally transit your backbone

- **If IXP router is at IX, and distant from your backbone**

Don't originate your address block at your IXP router

Service Provider Multihoming

Two Upstreams, One local peer

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

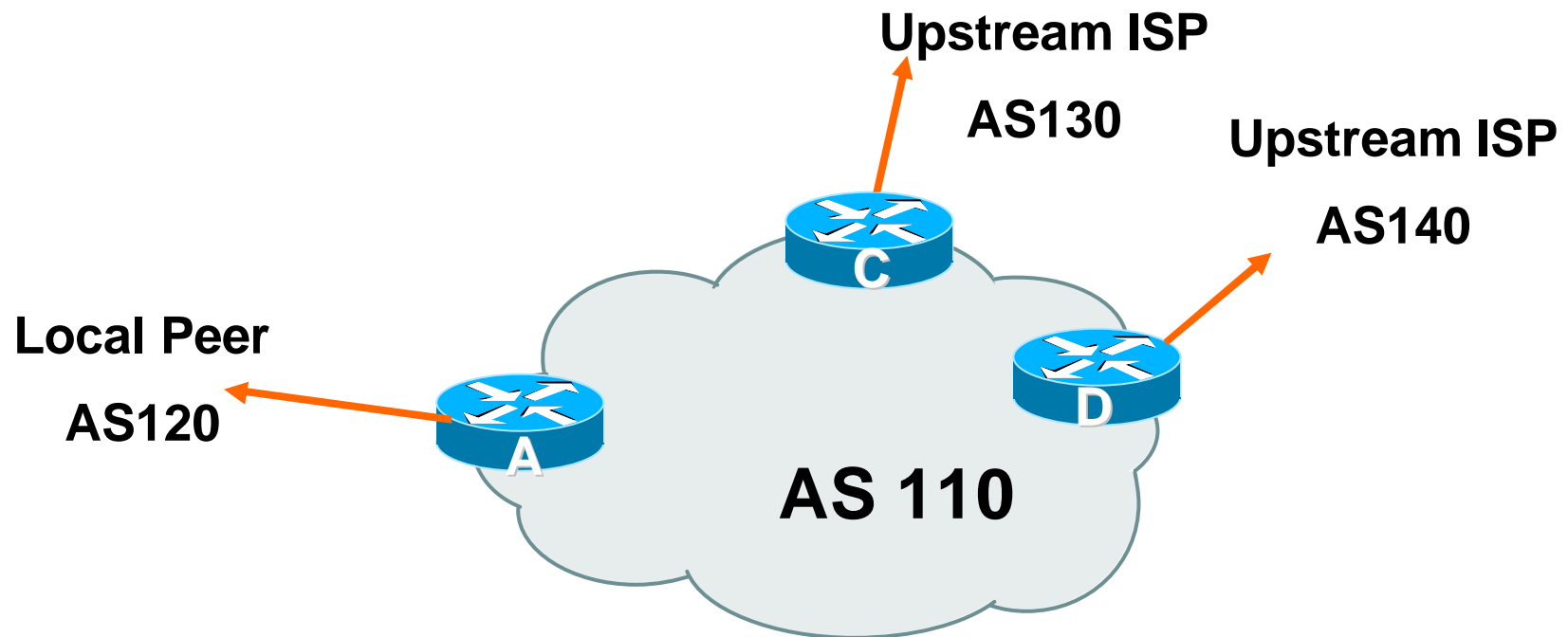
- **Connect to both upstream transit providers to see the “Internet”**

Provides external redundancy and diversity – the reason to multihome

- **Connect to the local peer so that local traffic stays local**

Saves spending valuable \$ on upstream transit costs for local traffic

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer



Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**
- **Accept default route only from upstreams**
 - **Either 0.0.0.0/0 or a network which can be used as default**
- **Accept all routes from local peer**

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

- **Router A**

Same routing configuration as in example with one upstream and one local peer

Same hardware configuration

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

- Router C Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 130
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list my-block out
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```


Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

- Router D Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 remote-as 140
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list my-block out
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

- **This is the simple configuration for Router C and D**
- **Traffic out to the two upstreams will take nearest exit**

Inexpensive routers required

This is not useful in practice especially for international links

Loadsharing needs to be better

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

- **Better configuration options:**

Accept full routing from both upstreams

Expensive & unnecessary!

Accept default from one upstream and some routes from the other upstream

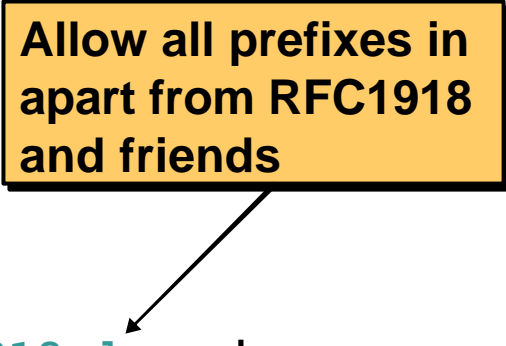
The way to go!

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer Full Routes

- Router C Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 130
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list rfc1918-deny in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list my-block out
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 route-map AS130-loadshare in
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
! See www.cymru.com/Documents/bogon-list.html
! ...for "RFC1918 and friends" list
..next slide
```

Allow all prefixes in
apart from RFC1918
and friends



Two Upstreams, One Local Peer Full Routes

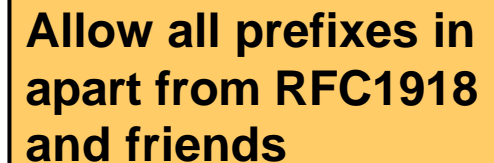
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ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
!
ip as-path access-list 10 permit ^(130_)+$
ip as-path access-list 10 permit ^(130_)+_[0-9]+$
!
route-map AS130-loadshare permit 10
  match ip as-path 10
  set local-preference 120
route-map AS130-loadshare permit 20
  set local-preference 80
!
```

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer Full Routes

- Router D Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 remote-as 140
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list rfc1918-deny in
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list my-block out
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
! See www.cymru.com/Documents/bogon-list.html
! ...for "RFC1918 and friends" list
```

Allow all prefixes in
apart from RFC1918
and friends



Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Full Routes

- **Router C configuration:**
 - Accept full routes from AS130**
 - Tag prefixes originated by AS130 and AS130's neighbouring ASes with local preference 120**
 - Traffic to those ASes will go over AS130 link**
 - Remaining prefixes tagged with local preference of 80**
 - Traffic to other all other ASes will go over the link to AS140**
- **Router D configuration same as Router C without the route-map**

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Full Routes

- **Full routes from upstreams**

Expensive – needs lots of memory and CPU

Need to play preference games

Previous example is only an example – real life will need improved fine-tuning!

Previous example doesn't consider inbound traffic – see earlier in presentation for examples

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

- **Strategy:**

Ask one upstream for a default route

Easy to originate default towards a BGP neighbour

Ask other upstream for a full routing table

Then filter this routing table based on neighbouring ASN

E.g. want traffic to their neighbours to go over the link to that ASN

Most of what upstream sends is thrown away

Easier than asking the upstream to set up custom BGP filters for you

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer Partial Routes

- Router C Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 130
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list rfc1918-nodef-deny in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list my-block out
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 filter-list 10 in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 route-map tag-default-low in
!
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```

Allow all prefixes
and default in; deny
RFC1918 and friends

AS filter list filters
prefixes based on
origin ASN

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

```
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
!
ip as-path access-list 10 permit ^(130_)+$
ip as-path access-list 10 permit ^(130_)+_[0-9]+$
!
route-map tag-default-low permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list default
  set local-preference 80
route-map tag-default-low permit 20
!
```

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer Partial Routes

- Router D Configuration

```
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 remote-as 140
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list my-block out
!
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
```

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

- **Router C configuration:**

Accept full routes from AS130

(or get them to send less)

Filter ASNs so only AS130 and AS130's neighbouring ASes are accepted

Allow default, and set it to local preference 80

Traffic to those ASes will go over AS130 link

Traffic to other all other ASes will go over the link to AS140

If AS140 link fails, backup via AS130 – and vice-versa

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

- **Partial routes from upstreams**

Not expensive – only carry the routes necessary for loadsharing

Need to filter on AS paths

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Previous example doesn't consider inbound traffic – see earlier in presentation for examples

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

- **When upstreams cannot or will not announce default route**

Because of operational policy against using “default-originate” on BGP peering

Solution is to use IGP to propagate default from the edge/peering routers

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

- **Router C Configuration**

```
router ospf 110
  default-information originate metric 30
  passive-interface Serial 0/0
!
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 130
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list rfc1918-deny in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list my-block out
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 filter-list 10 in
!
..next slide
```


Two Upstreams, One Local Peer Partial Routes

```
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
! See www.cymru.com/Documents/bogon-list.html
! ...for "RFC1918 and friends" list
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 serial 0/0 254
!
ip as-path access-list 10 permit ^(130_)+$
ip as-path access-list 10 permit ^(130_)+_[0-9]+$
!
```

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

- **Router D Configuration**

```
router ospf 110
  default-information originate metric 10
  passive-interface Serial 0/0
!
router bgp 110
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 remote-as 140
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list deny-all in
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list my-block out
!
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```

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

```
ip prefix-list deny-all deny 0.0.0.0/0 le 32
ip prefix-list my-block permit 121.10.0.0/19
!
ip route 121.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 serial 0/0 254
!
```

Two Upstreams, One Local Peer

Partial Routes

- **Partial routes from upstreams**

Use OSPF to determine outbound path

Router D default has metric 10 – primary outbound path

Router C default has metric 30 – backup outbound path

Serial interface goes down, static default is removed from routing table, OSPF default withdrawn

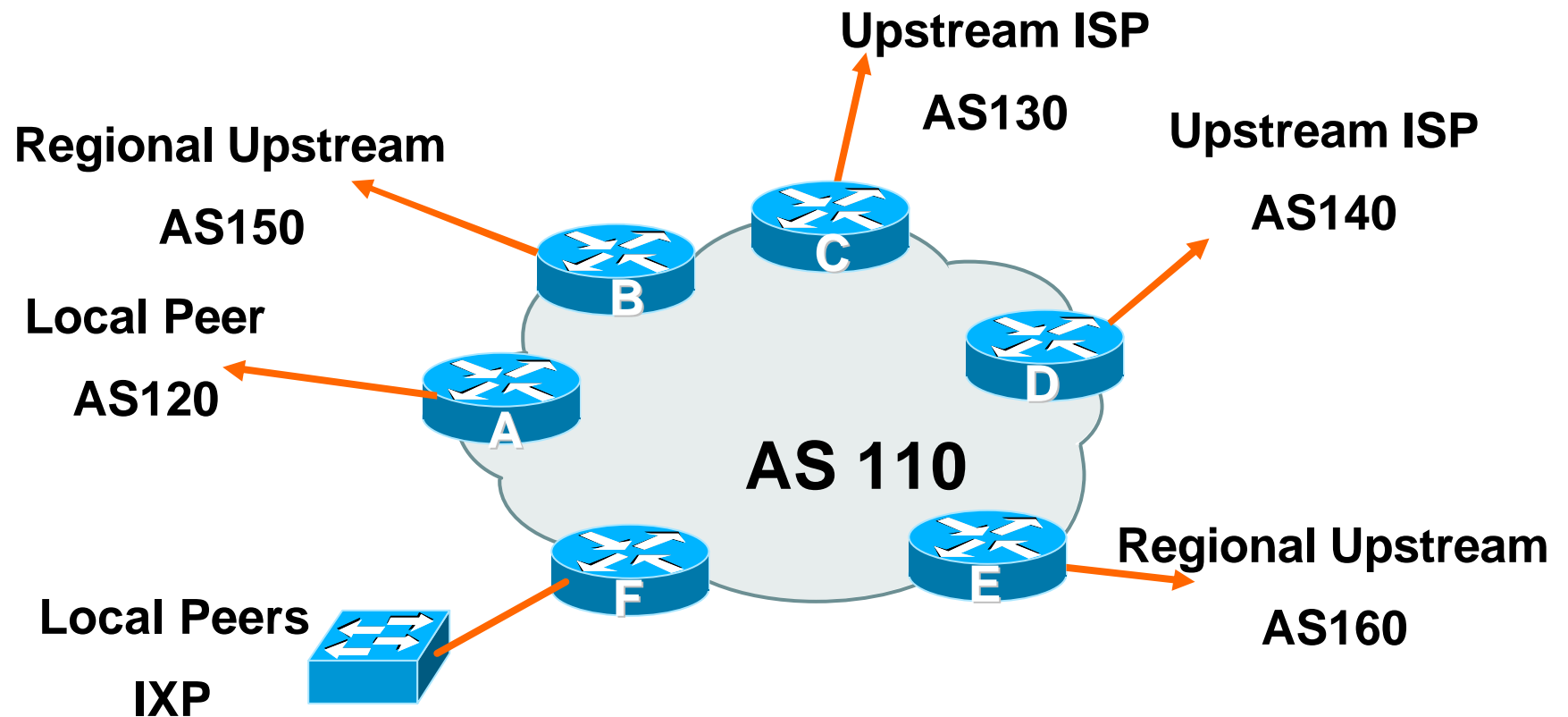
Service Provider Multihoming

Two Tier-1 upstreams, two regional upstreams, and local peers

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers

- **This is a complex example, bringing together all the concepts learned so far**
- **Connect to both upstream transit providers to see the “Internet”**
 - Provides external redundancy and diversity – the reason to multihome**
- **Connect to regional upstreams**
 - Hopefully a less expensive and lower latency view of the regional internet than is available through upstream transit provider**
- **Connect to private peers for local peering purposes**
- **Connect to the local Internet Exchange Point so that local traffic stays local**
 - Saves spending valuable \$ on upstream transit costs for local traffic**

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers



Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**
- **Accept partial/default routes from upstreams**
 - For default, use 0.0.0.0/0 or a network which can be used as default
- **Accept all routes from local peer**
- **Accept all partial routes from regional upstreams**
- **This is more complex, but a very typical scenario**

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers

Detail

- **Router A – local private peer**
 - Accept all (local) routes**
 - Local traffic stays local**
 - Use prefix and/or AS-path filters**
 - Use local preference (if needed)**
- **Router F – local IXP peering**
 - Accept all (local) routes**
 - Local traffic stays local**
 - Use prefix and/or AS-path filters**

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers Detail

- **Router B – regional upstream**

They provide transit to Internet, but longer AS path than Tier-1s

Accept all regional routes from them

e.g. `^150_[0-9]+$`

Ask them to send default, or send a network you can use as default

Set local pref on “default” to 60

Will provide backup to Internet only when direct Tier-1 links go down

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers Detail

- **Router E – regional upstream**

They provide transit to Internet, but longer AS path than Tier-1s

Accept all regional routes from them

e.g. `^160_[0-9]+$`

Ask them to send default, or send a network you can use as default

Set local pref on “default” to 70

Will provide backup to Internet only when direct Tier-1 links go down

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers Detail

- **Router C – first Tier-1**

Accept all their customer and AS neighbour routes from them

e.g. `^130_[0-9]+$`

Ask them to send default, or send a network you can use as default

Set local pref on “default” to 80

Will provide backup to Internet only when link to second Tier-1 goes down

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers Detail

- **Router D – second Tier-1**

Ask them to send default, or send a network you can use as default

This has local preference 100 by default

All traffic without any more specific path will go out this way

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers Summary

- **Local traffic goes to local peer and IXP**
- **Regional traffic goes to two regional upstreams**
- **Everything else is shared between the two Tier-1s**
- **To modify loadsharing tweak what is heard from the two regionals and the first Tier-1**
 - Best way is through modifying the AS-path filter**

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers

- **What about outbound announcement strategy?**

This is to determine incoming traffic flows

/19 aggregate must be announced to everyone!

/20 or /21 more specifics can be used to improve or modify loadsharing

See earlier for hints and ideas

Tier-1 & Regional Upstreams, Local Peers

- **What about unequal circuit capacity?**
AS-path filters are very useful
- **What if upstream will only give me full routing table or nothing**
AS-path and prefix filters are very useful

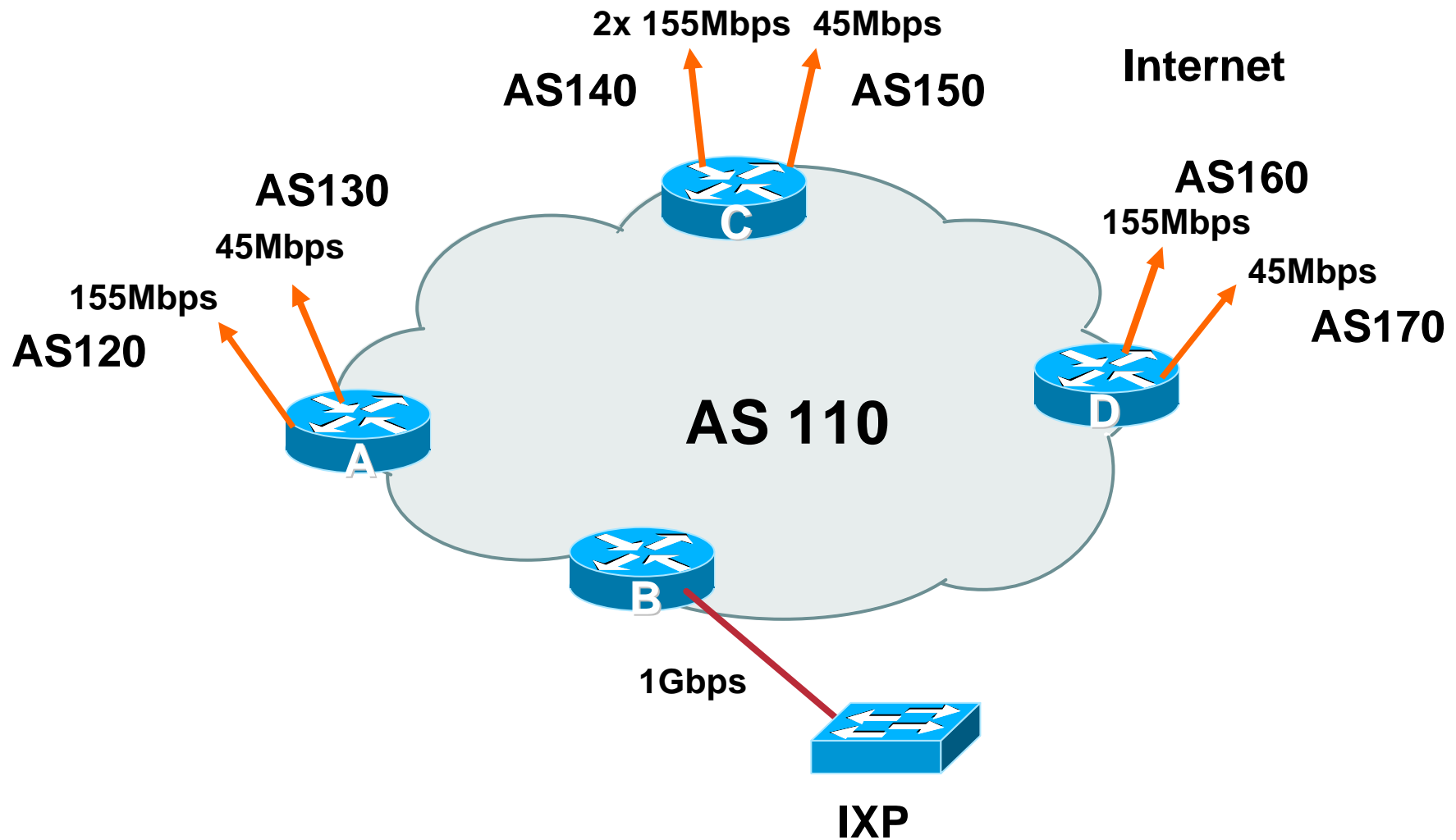
Service Provider Multihoming

Multi-exit backbone

Multi-exit backbone

- **ISP with many exits to different service providers**
 - **Could be large transit carrier**
 - **Could be large regional ISP with a variety of international links to different continental locations**
- **Load-balancing can be painful to set up**
 - **Outbound traffic is often easier to balance than inbound**

Multi-exit backbone



Multi-exit backbone

Step One

- **How to approach this?**

Methodical & Logical Steps

- **Step One:**

The IXP is easy!

Will usually be non-transit – so preferred path for all prefixes learned this way

Outbound announcement – send our address block

Inbound announcement – accept everything originated by IXP peers

Multi-exit backbone

Step Two

- **Where does most of the inbound traffic come from?**

Go to that source location, and check Looking Glass trace and AS-PATHs back to the neighbouring ASNs

i.e. which of AS120 through AS170 is the closest to “the source”

- **Apply AS-path prepends such that the path through AS140 is one AS-hop closer than the other ASNs**

AS140 is the ISP’s biggest “pipe” to the Internet

This makes AS140 the preferred path to get from “the source” to AS110

Multi-exit backbone

Step Three

- **Addressing plan now helps**

Customers in vicinity of each of Router A, C and D addressed from contiguous address block assigned to each Router

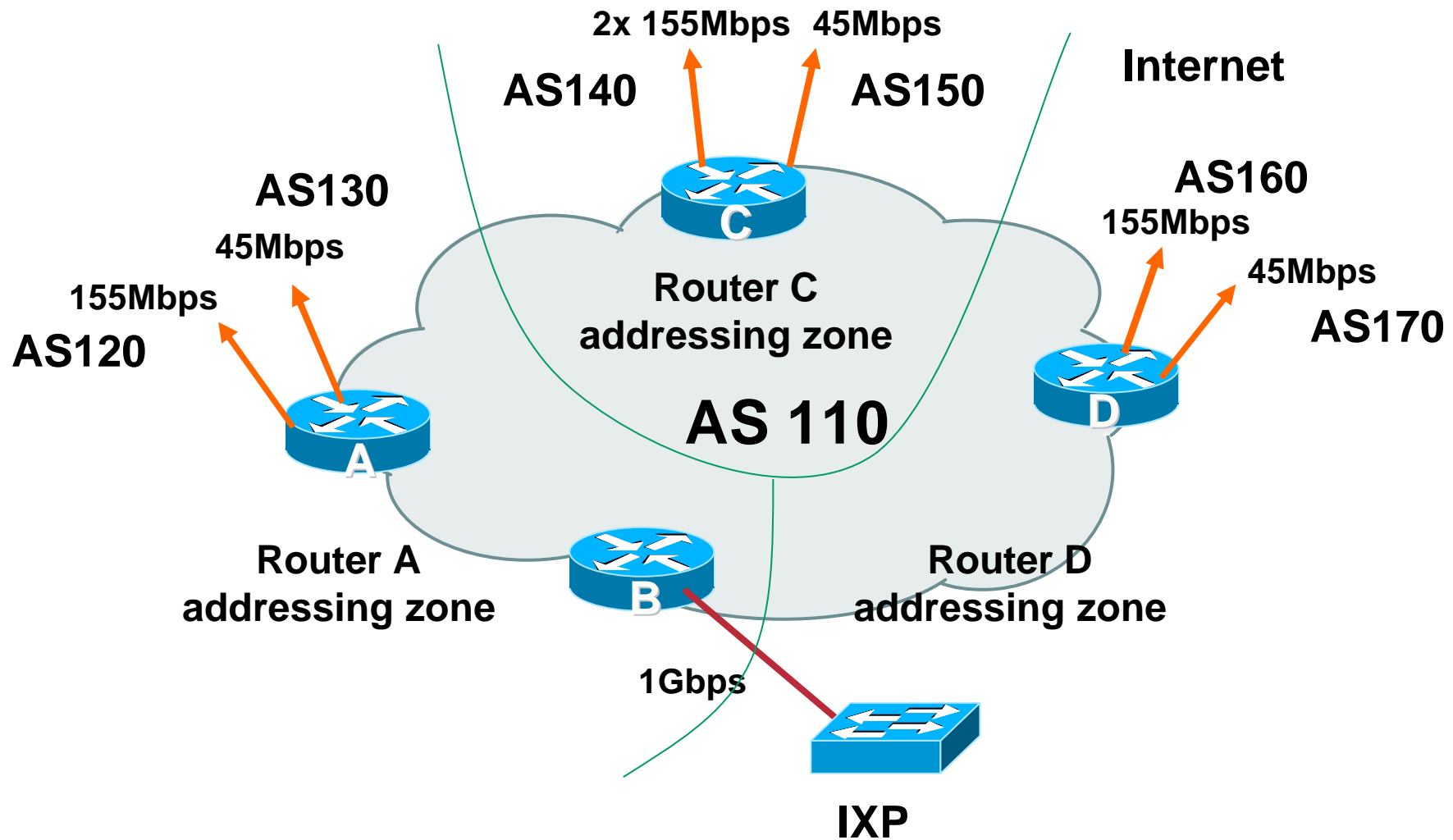
Announcements from Router A address block sent out to AS120 and AS130

Announcements from Router C address block sent out to AS140 and AS150

Announcements from Router D address block sent out to AS160 and AS170

Multi-exit backbone

Addressing Plan Assists Multihoming



Multi-exit backbone

Step Four

- **Customer type assists zone load balancing**
 - Two customer classes: **Commercial & Consumer**
 - Commercial announced on T3 links**
 - Consumer announced on STM-1 links**
- **Commercial**
 - Numbered from one address block in each zone**
- **Consumer**
 - Numbered from the other address block in each zone**

Multi-exit backbone

Example Summary (1)

- **Address block: 100.10.0.0/16**
- **Router A zone: 100.10.0.0/18**
 - Commercial: 100.10.0.0/19**
 - Consumer: 100.10.32.0/19**
- **Router C zone: 100.10.128.0/17**
 - Commercial: 100.10.128.0/18**
 - Consumer: 100.10.192.0/18**
- **Router D zone: 100.10.64.0/18**
 - Commercial: 100.10.64.0/19**
 - Consumer: 100.10.96.0/19**

Multi-exit backbone

Example Summary (2)

- **Router A announcement:**
 - 100.10.0.0/16 with 3x AS-path prepend**
 - 100.10.0.0/19 to AS130**
 - 100.10.32.0/19 to AS120**
- **Router B announcement:**
 - 100.10.0.0/16**
- **Router C announcement:**
 - 100.10.0.0/16**
 - 100.10.128.0/18 to AS150**
 - 100.10.192.0/18 to AS140**
- **Router D announcement:**
 - 100.10.0.0/16 with 3x AS-path prepend**
 - 100.10.64.0/19 to AS170**
 - 100.10.96.0/19 to AS160**

Multi-exit backbone

Summary

- **This is an example strategy**
Your mileage may vary
- **Example shows:**
where to start,
what the thought processes are, and
what the strategies could be

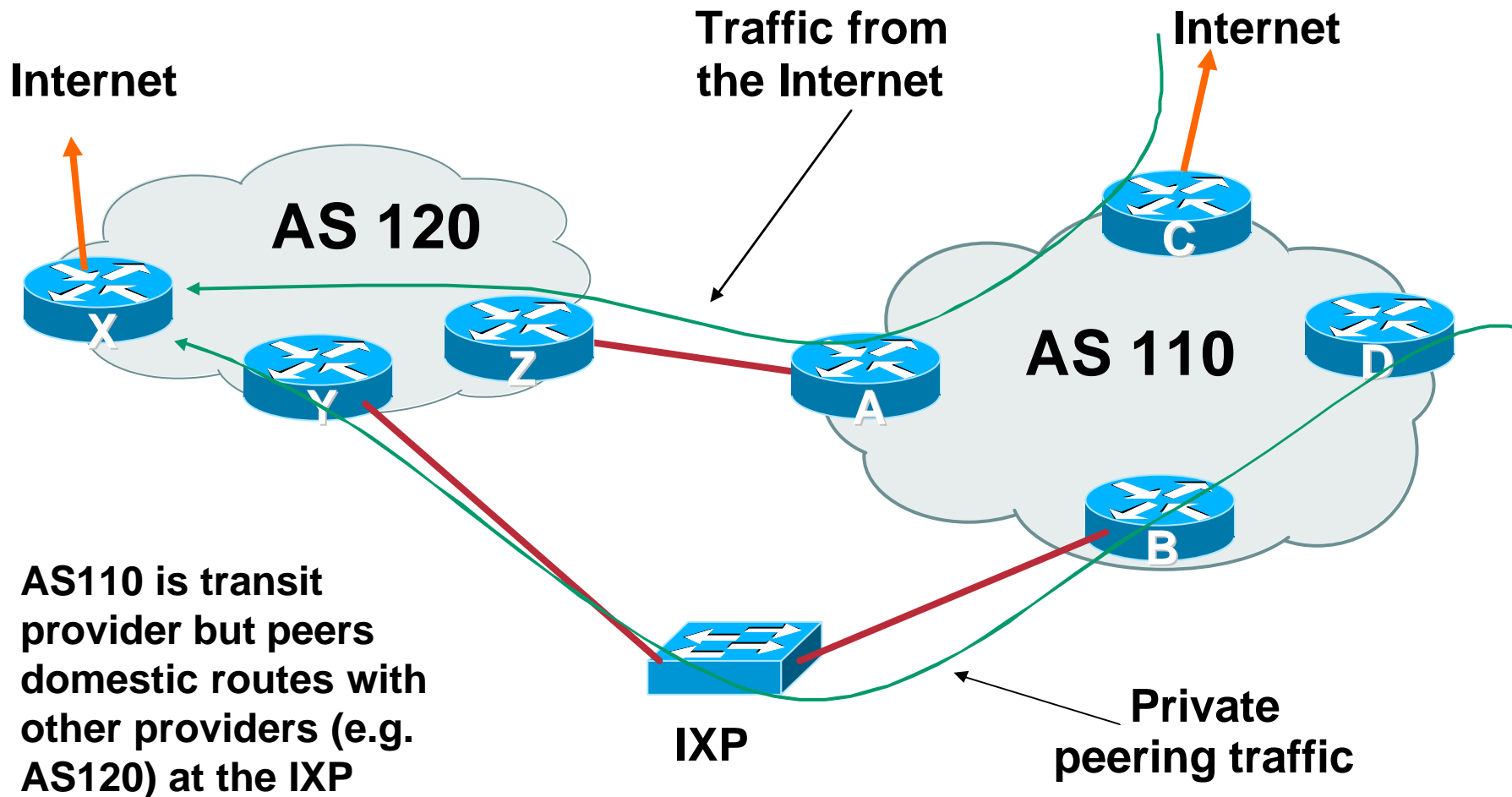
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Separating Transit and Local Paths

Transit and Local paths

- **Common problem is separating transit and local traffic for BGP customers**
- **Transit provider:**
 - Provides internet access for BGP customer over one path**
 - Provides domestic access for BGP customer over another path**
 - Usually required for commercial reasons**
 - Inter-AS traffic is unmetered**
 - Transit traffic is metered**

Transit and Local paths



Transit and Local paths

- Assume Router X is announcing 192.168/16 prefix
- Router C and D see two entries for 192.168/16 prefix:

```
RouterC#show ip bgp
  Network          Next Hop          Metric LocPrf Weight Path
* i192.168.0.0/16  10.0.1.1          100      0 120 i
*>i                10.0.1.5          100      0 120 i
```

- BGP path selection rules pick the highest next hop address

So this could be Router A or Router B!

No exit path selection here...

Transit and Local paths

- **There are a few solutions to this problem**

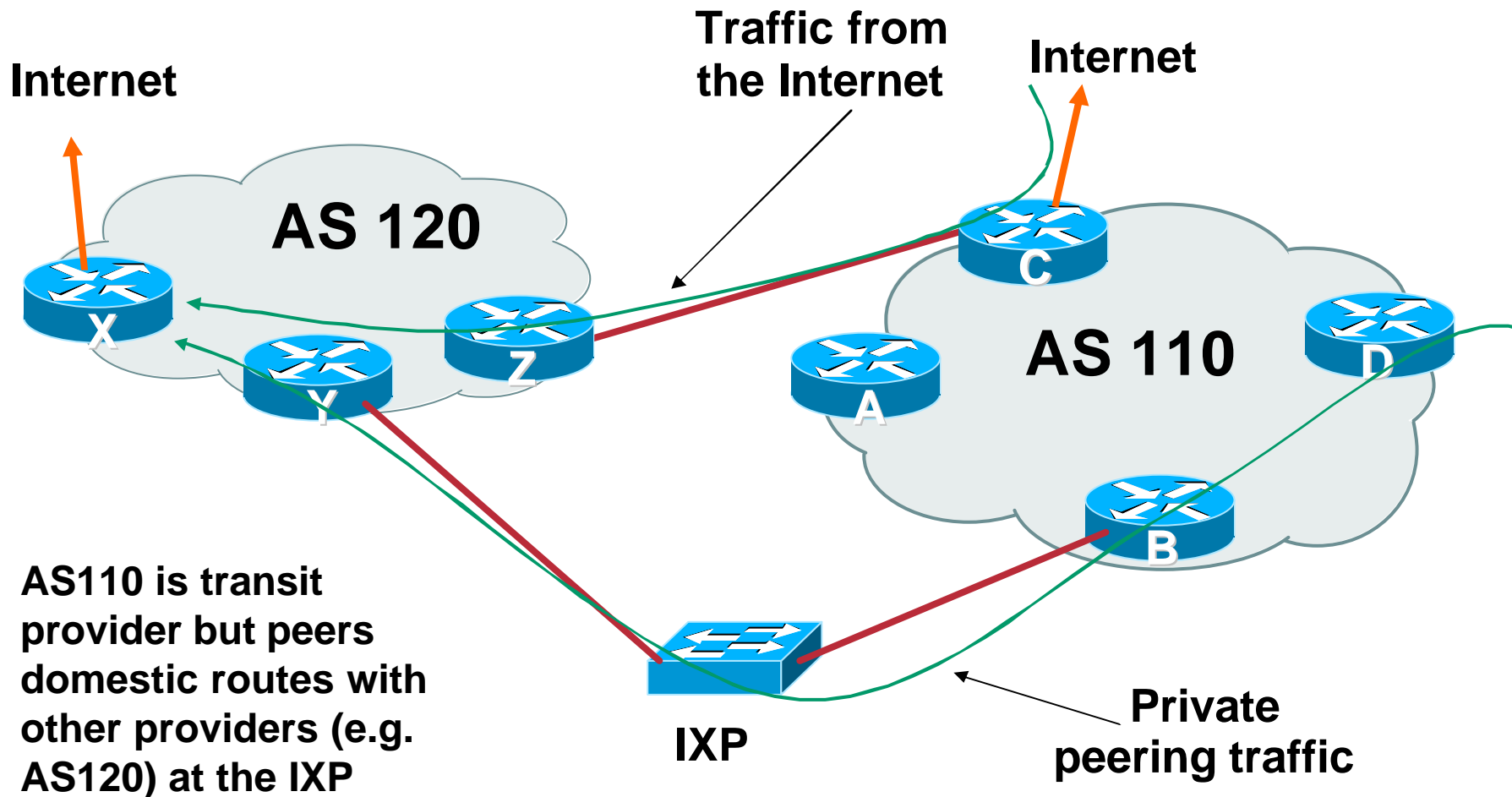
Policy Routing on Router A according to packet source address

GRE tunnels (gulp)

- **Preference is to keep it simple**

Minor redesign and use of BGP weight is a simple solution

Transit and Local paths (Network Revision)



Transit and Local paths

- Router B hears 192.168/16 from Router Y across the IXP
- Router C hears 192.168/16 from Router Z across the private peering link
- Router B sends 192.168/16 by iBGP to Router C:

```
RouterC#show ip bgp
  Network          Next Hop           Metric LocPrf Weight Path
* > 192.168.0.0/16  10.1.5.7           100      0 120 i
* i                10.0.1.5           100      0 120 i
```

- **Best path is by eBGP to Router Z**
So Internet transit traffic to AS120 will go through private peering link

Transit and Local paths

- Router D hears prefix by iBGP from both Router B and Router C
- BGP best path selection might pick either path, depending on IGP metric, or next hop address, etc
- Solution to force local traffic over the IXP link:

Apply high local preference on Router B for all routes learned from the IXP peers

```
RouterD#show ip bgp
  Network          Next Hop          Metric LocPrf  Weight  Path
* i192.168.0.0/16  10.0.1.3          100      0   120   i
*>i                10.0.1.5          120      0   120   i
```

Transit and Local paths

- **High local preference on B is visible throughout entire iBGP**

Including on Router C

```
RouterC#show ip bgp
  Network          Next Hop          Metric LocPrf Weight Path
* 192.168.0.0/16    10.1.5.7          100     0 120 i
*>i                10.0.1.5          120     0 120 i
```

- **As a result, Internet traffic now goes through the IX, not the private peering link as intended**

Transit and Local paths

- **Solution: Use BGP weight on Router C for prefixes heard from AS120:**

```
RouterC#show ip bgp
  Network          Next Hop          Metric LocPrf Weight Path
* > 192.168.0.0/16  10.1.5.7          100    50000 120 i
* i                10.0.1.5          120     0 120 i
```

- **So Router C prefers private link to AS120 for traffic coming from Internet**
- **Rest of AS110 prefers Router B exit through the IXP for local traffic**

Transit and Local paths Summary

- **Transit customer private peering connects to Border router**

Transit customer routes get high weight

- **Local traffic on IXP peering router gets high local preference**
- **Internet return traffic goes on private interconnect**
- **Domestic return traffic crosses IXP**

Transit and Local paths

Backups

- **What happens if private peering link breaks?**
Traffic backs up across the IXP
- **What happens if the IXP breaks?**
Traffic backs up across the private peering
- **Some ISPs find this backup arrangement acceptable**
It is a backup, after all

Transit and Local paths

IXP Non-backup

- **IXP actively does not allow transit**

- **ISP solution:**

192.168/16 via IX tagged one community

192.168/16 via PP tagged other community

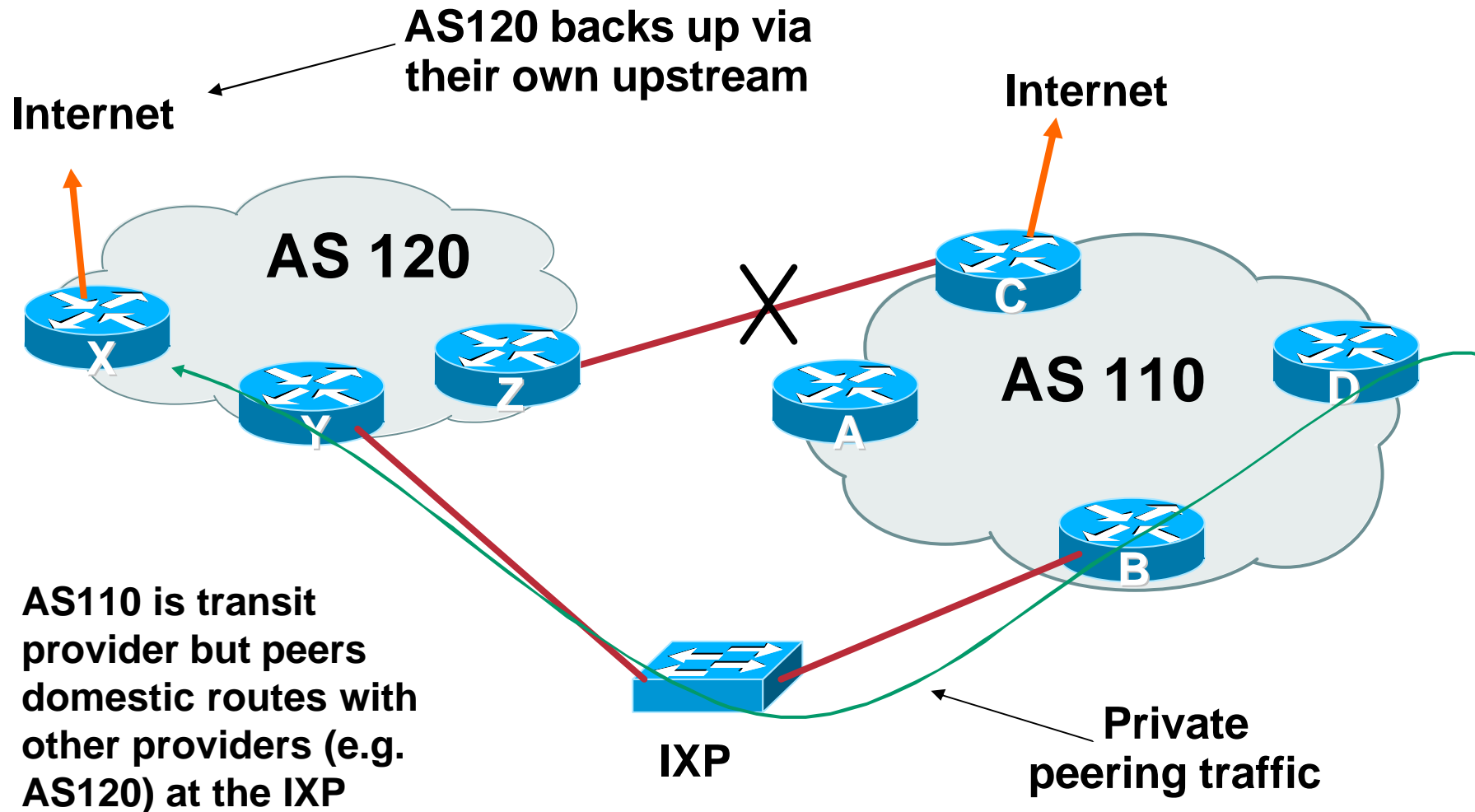
**Using community tags, iBGP on IX router (Router B)
does not send 192.168/16 to upstream border (Router C)**

**Therefore Router C only hears 192.168/16 via private
peering**

**If the link breaks, backup is via AS110 and AS120 upstream
ISPs**

Transit and Local paths

IXP Non-backup



Transit and Local paths

Private Peering link Non-backup

- **With this solution, a breakage in the IX means that local peering traffic will still back up over private peering link**

This link may be metered

- **AS110 Solution:**

Router C does not announce 192.168/16 by iBGP to the other routers in AS110

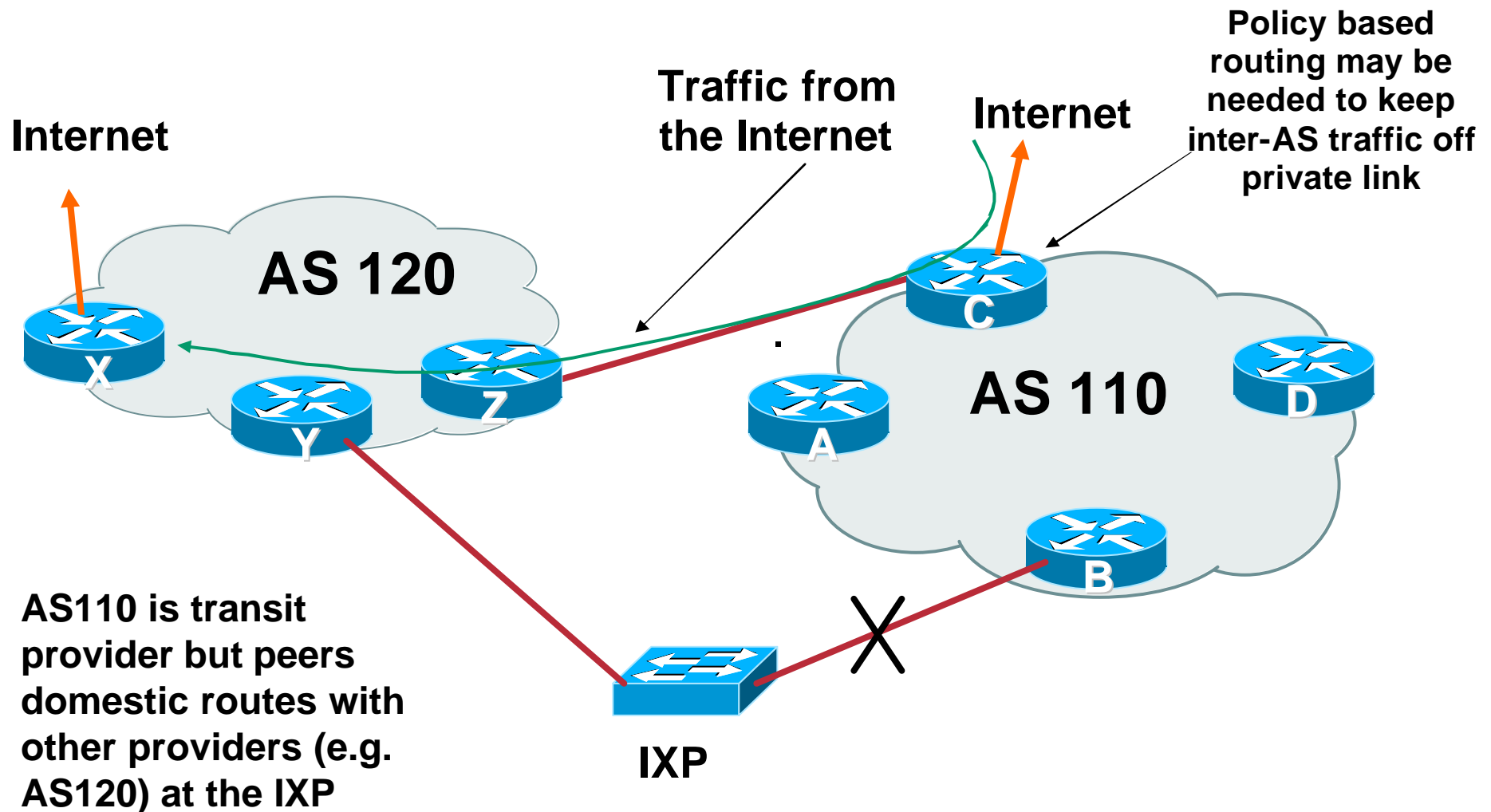
If IX breaks, there is no route to AS120

Unless Router C is announcing a default route

Whereby traffic will get to Router C anyway, and policy based routing will have to be used to avoid ingress traffic from AS110 going on the private peering link

Transit and Local paths

Private Peering link Non-backup



Transit and Local paths Summary

- **Not allowing BGP backup to “do the right thing” can rapidly get messy**
- **But previous two scenarios are requested quite often**

Billing of traffic seems to be more important than providing connectivity

But thinking through the steps required shows that there is usually a solution without having to resort to extreme measures

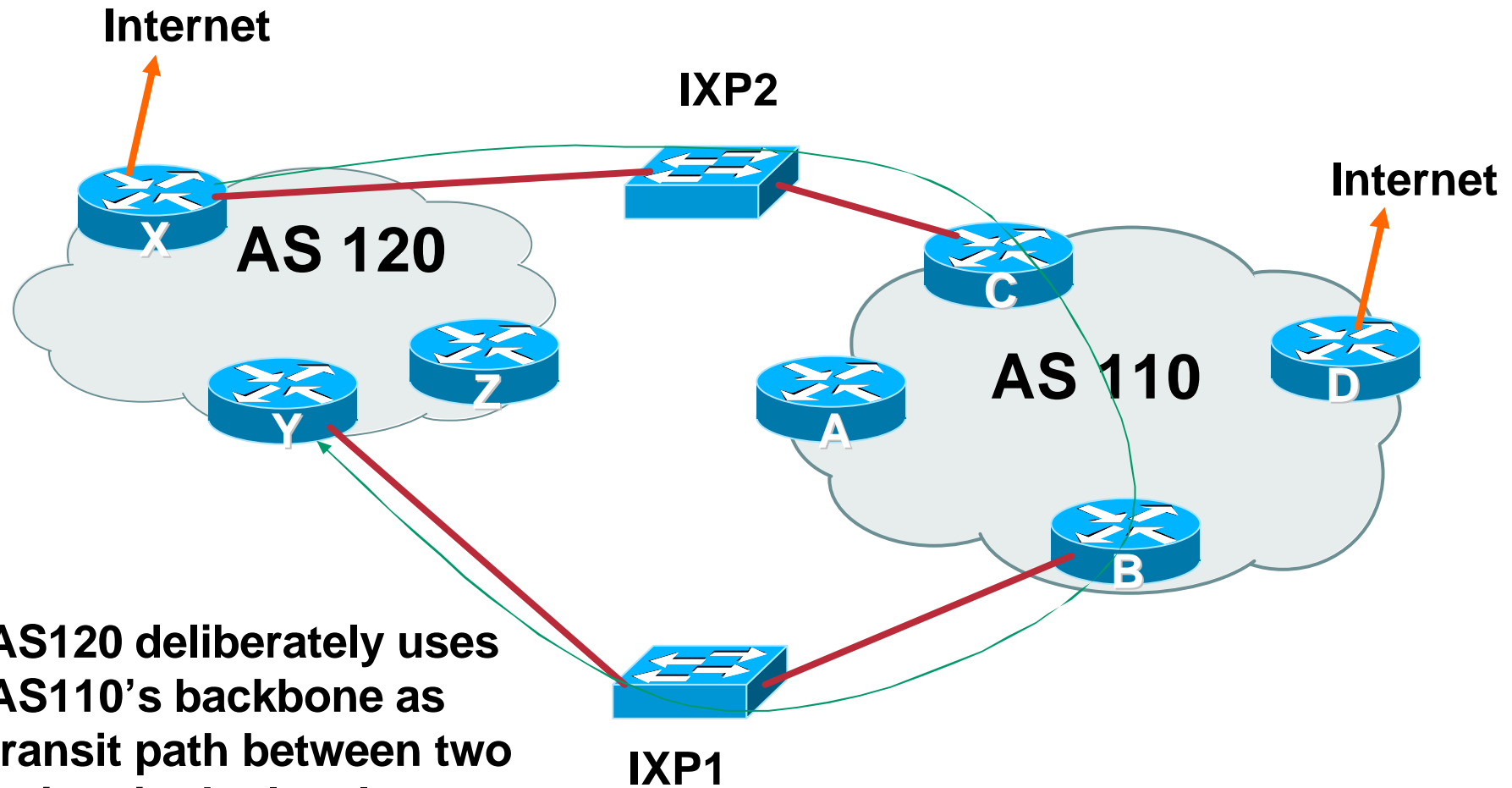
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Avoiding “Backbone Hijack”

Backbone Hijacks

- **Can happen when peering ISPs:**
 - are present at two or more IXPs
 - have two or more private peering links
- **Usually goes undetected**
 - Can be spotted by traffic flow monitoring tools
- **Done because:**
 - “Their backbone is cheaper than mine”
- **Caused by misconfiguration of private peering routers**

Avoiding “Backbone Hijack”



AS120 deliberately uses AS110's backbone as transit path between two points in the local network

Avoiding “Backbone Hijack”

- **AS110 peering routers at the IXPs should only carry AS110 originated routes**

When AS120 points static route for an AS120 destination to AS110, the peering routers have no destination apart from back towards AS120, so the packets will oscillate until TTL expiry

When AS120 points static route for a non-AS110 destination to AS110, the peering routers have no destination at all, so the packet is dropped

Avoiding “Backbone Hijack”

- **Same applies for private peering scenarios**

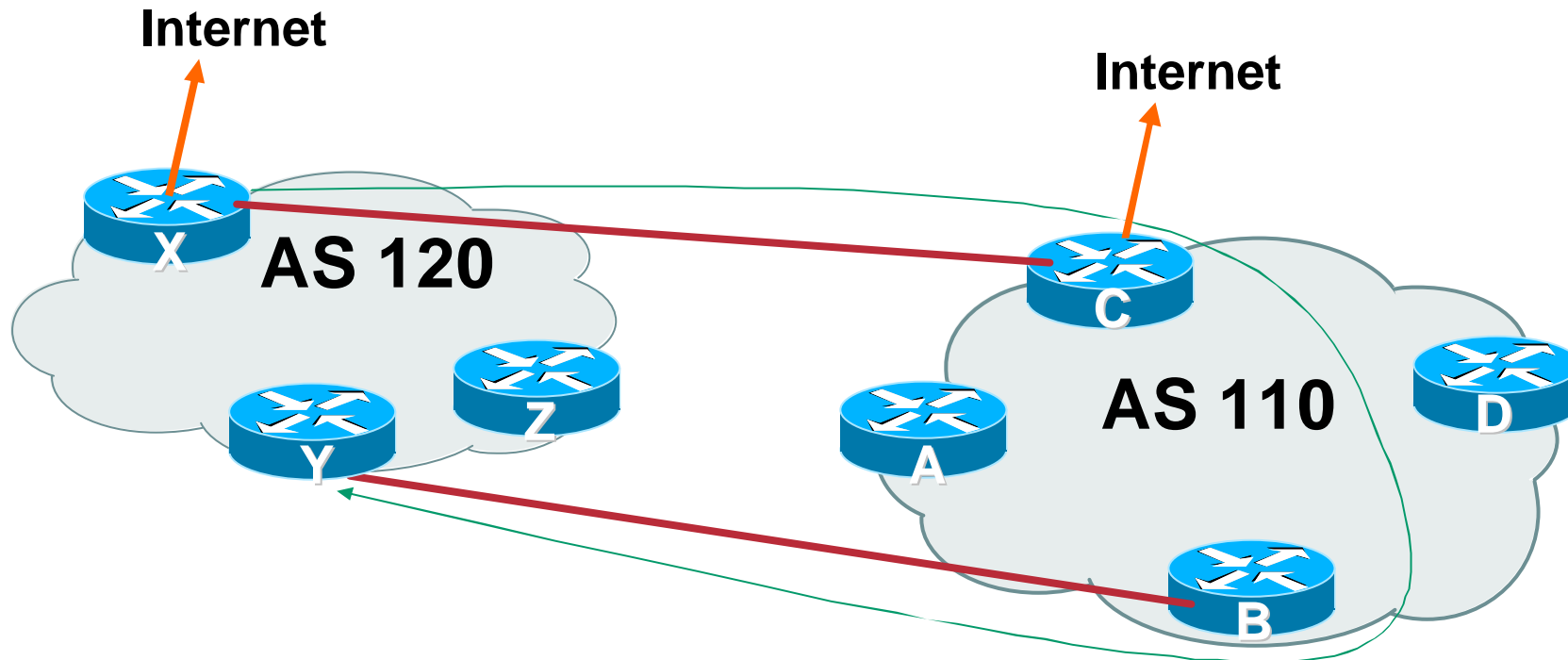
Private peering routers should only carry the prefixes being exchanged in the peering

Otherwise abuses are possible

- **What if AS110 is providing the full routing table to AS120?**

AS110 is the transit provider for AS120

Avoiding “Backbone Hijack”



AS120 deliberately uses AS110's backbone as transit path between two points in the local network

Avoiding “Backbone Hijack”

- **Router C carries a full routing table on it**
So we can't use the earlier trick of only carrying AS110 prefixes
- **Reverse path forwarding check?**
But that only checks the packet source address, not the destination – and the source is fine!
- **BGP Weight**
Recall that BGP weight was used to separate local and transit traffic in the previous example
If all prefixes learned from AS120 on Router C had local weight increased, then destination is back out the incoming interface
And the same can be done on Router B

Avoiding “Backbone Hijack”

Summary

- **These are but two examples of many possible scenarios which have become frequently asked questions**
- **Solution is often a lot simpler than imagined**

BGP Weight, selective announcement by iBGP, simple network redesigns...

BGP Multihoming Techniques

- **Why Multihome?**
- **Definition & Options**
- **Preparing the Network**
- **Basic Multihoming**
- **Service Provider Multihoming**
- **Using Communities**
- **Case Study**

Communities

How they are used in practice

Using Communities: RFC1998

- **Informational RFC**
- **Describes how to implement loadsharing and backup on multiple inter-AS links**
 - BGP communities used to determine local preference in upstream's network**
- **Gives control to the customer**
- **Simplifies upstream's configuration**
 - simplifies network operation!**

RFC1998

- **Community values defined to have particular meanings:**

ASx:100	set local pref 100	preferred route
ASx:90	set local pref 90	backup route if dualhomed on ASx
ASx:80	set local pref 80	main link is to another ISP with same AS path length
ASx:70	set local pref 70	main link is to another ISP

RFC1998

- **Sample Customer Router Configuration**

```
router bgp 130
  neighbor x.x.x.x remote-as 100
  neighbor x.x.x.x description Backup ISP
  neighbor x.x.x.x route-map config-community out
  neighbor x.x.x.x send-community
!
ip as-path access-list 20 permit ^$
ip as-path access-list 20 deny .*
!
route-map config-community permit 10
  match as-path 20
  set community 100:90
```

RFC1998

- **Sample ISP Router Configuration**

```
! Homed to another ISP
ip community-list 70 permit 100:70
! Homed to another ISP with equal ASPATH length
ip community-list 80 permit 100:80
! Customer backup routes
ip community-list 90 permit 100:90
!
route-map set-customer-local-pref permit 10
  match community 70
  set local-preference 70
```

RFC1998

- **Sample ISP Router Configuration**

```
route-map set-customer-local-pref permit 20
  match community 80
  set local-preference 80
!
route-map set-customer-local-pref permit 30
  match community 90
  set local-preference 90
!
route-map set-customer-local-pref permit 40
  set local-preference 100
```

RFC1998

- **Supporting RFC1998**

Many ISPs do, more should

Check AS object in the Internet Routing Registry

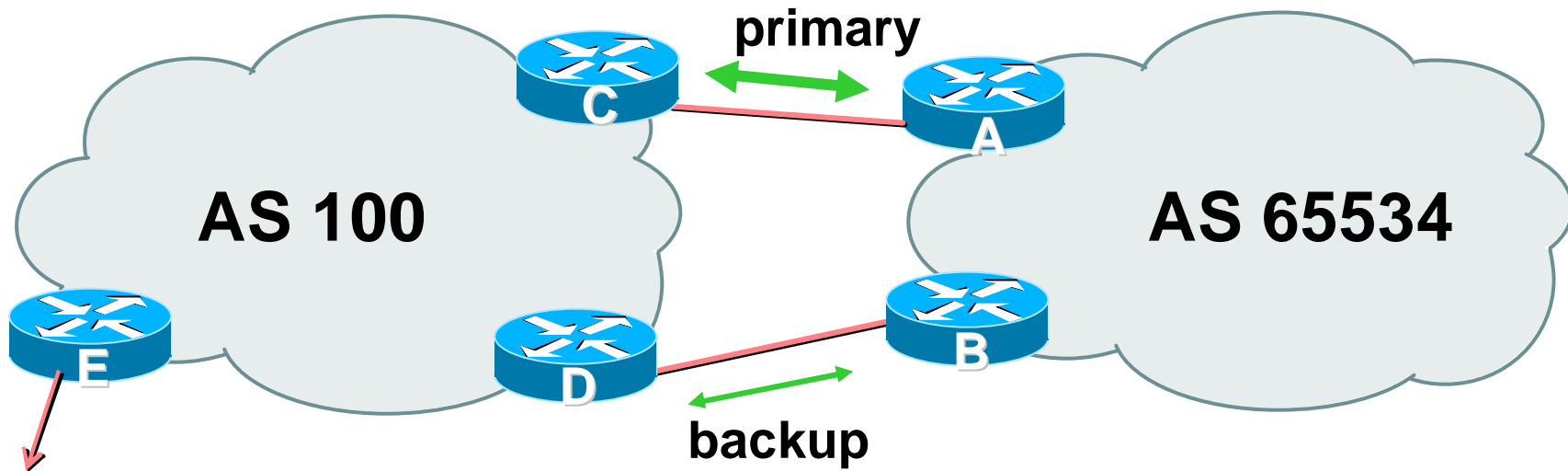
If you do, insert comment in AS object in the IRR

Or make a note on your website

Two links to the same ISP

One link primary, the other link backup only

Two links to the same ISP



- AS100 proxy aggregates for AS 65534

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Announce /19 aggregate on each link**
 - primary link makes standard announcement**
 - backup link sends community**
- **When one link fails, the announcement of the /19 aggregate via the other link ensures continued connectivity**

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- Router A Configuration

```
router bgp 65534
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 description RouterC
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list aggregate out
  neighbor 122.102.10.2 prefix-list default in
!
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
```


Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Router B Configuration**

```
router bgp 65534
  network 121.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 remote-as 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 description RouterD
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 send-community
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 prefix-list aggregate out
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 route-map routerD-out out
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 prefix-list default in
  neighbor 122.102.10.6 route-map routerD-in in
!
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```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

```
ip prefix-list aggregate permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
route-map routerD-out permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list aggregate
  set community 100:90
route-map routerD-out permit 20
!
route-map routerD-in permit 10
  set local-preference 90
!
```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **Router C Configuration (main link)**

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 remote-as 65534
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 default-originate
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list Customer in
  neighbor 122.102.10.1 prefix-list default out
!
ip prefix-list Customer permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- Router D Configuration (backup link)

```
router bgp 100
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 remote-as 65534
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 default-originate
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list Customer in
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 route-map bgp-cust-in in
  neighbor 122.102.10.5 prefix-list default out
!
ip prefix-list Customer permit 121.10.0.0/19
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
!
..next slide
```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

```
ip prefix-list Customer permit 121.10.0.0/19
```

```
ip prefix-list default permit 0.0.0.0/0
```

```
!
```

```
ip community-list 90 permit 100:90
```

```
!
```

```
<snip>
```

```
route-map bgp-cust-in permit 30
```

```
  match community 90
```

```
  set local-preference 90
```

```
route-map bgp-cust-in permit 40
```

```
  set local-preference 100
```

Two links to the same ISP (one as backup only)

- **This is a simple example**
- **It looks more complicated than the same example presented earlier which used local preference and MEDs**
- **But the advantage is that this scales better**
 - With larger configurations, more customers, more options, it becomes easier to handle each and every requirement**

Service Provider use of Communities

Some working examples

Background

- **RFC1998 is okay for “simple” multihomed customers**

assumes that upstreams are interconnected

- **ISPs have created many other communities to handle more complex situations**

Simplify ISP BGP configuration

Give customer more policy control

ISP BGP Communities

- There are no recommended ISP BGP communities apart from

RFC1998

The four standard communities

www.iana.org/assignments/bgp-well-known-communities

- Efforts have been made to document from time to time

totem.info.ucl.ac.be/publications/papers-elec-versions/draft-quoitin-bgp-comm-survey-00.pdf

But so far... nothing more... ☹

- ISP policy is usually published

On the ISP's website

Referenced in the AS Object in the IRR

Some ISP Examples: Sprintlink

WHAT YOU CAN CONTROL

AS-PATH PREPENDS

Sprint allows customers to use AS-path prepending to adjust route preference on the network. Such prepending will be received and passed on properly without notifying Sprint of your change in announcements.

Additionally, Sprint will prepend AS1239 to eBGP sessions with certain autonomous systems depending on a received community. Currently, the following ASes are supported: 1668, 209, 2914, 3300, 3356, 3549, 3561, 4635, 701, 7018, 702 and 8220.

String	Resulting AS Path to ASXXX
65000:XXX	Do not advertise to ASXXX
65001:XXX	1239 (default) ...
65002:XXX	1239 1239 ...
65003:XXX	1239 1239 1239 ...
65004:XXX	1239 1239 1239 1239 ...

String	Resulting AS Path to ASXXX in Asia
65070:XXX	Do not advertise to ASXXX
65071:XXX	1239 (default) ...
65072:XXX	1239 1239 ...
65073:XXX	1239 1239 1239 ...
65074:XXX	1239 1239 1239 1239 ...

String	Resulting AS Path to ASXXX in Europe
65050:XXX	Do not advertise to ASXXX
65051:XXX	1239 (default) ...
65052:XXX	1239 1239 ...
65053:XXX	1239 1239 1239 ...
65054:XXX	1239 1239 1239 1239 ...

String	Resulting AS Path to ASXXX in North America
65010:XXX	Do not advertise to ASXXX
65011:XXX	1239 (default) ...
65012:XXX	1239 1239 ...
65013:XXX	1239 1239 1239 ...
65014:XXX	1239 1239 1239 1239 ...

String	Resulting AS Path to all supported ASes
65000:0	Do not advertise
65001:0	1239 (default) ...
65002:0	1239 1239 ...
65003:0	1239 1239 1239 ...
65004:0	1239 1239 1239 1239 ...

More info at
www.sprintlink.net/policy/bgp.html

Some ISP Examples

Connect.com.au

```
aut-num:      AS2764
descr:        connect.com.au pty ltd
remarks:      Community Definition
remarks:      -----
remarks:      2764:1 Announce to "domestic" rate ASes only
remarks:      2764:2 Don't announce outside local POP
remarks:      2764:3 Lower local preference by 25
remarks:      2764:4 Lower local preference by 15
remarks:      2764:5 Lower local preference by 5
remarks:      2764:6 Announce to non customers with "no-export"
remarks:      2764:7 Only announce route to customers
remarks:      2764:8 Announce route over satellite link
notify:       routing@connect.com.au
mnt-by:       CONNECT-AU
changed:      mrp@connect.com.au 19990506
source:       CCAIR
```

More at <http://info.connect.com.au/docs/routing/general/multi-faq.shtml#q13>

Some ISP Examples

MCI Europe

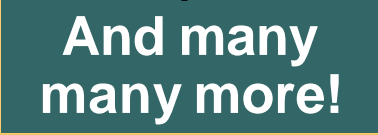
```
aut-num: AS702
descr: MCI EMEA - Commercial IP service provider in Europe
remarks: MCI uses the following communities with its customers:
         702:80      Set Local Pref 80 within AS702
         702:120    Set Local Pref 120 within AS702
         702:20     Announce only to MCI AS'es and MCI customers
         702:30     Keep within Europe, don't announce to other MCI AS's
         702:1      Prepend AS702 once at edges of MCI to Peers
         702:2      Prepend AS702 twice at edges of MCI to Peers
         702:3      Prepend AS702 thrice at edges of MCI to Peers
Advanced communities for customers
         702:7020   Do not announce to AS702 peers with a scope of
                   National but advertise to Global Peers, European
                   Peers and MCI customers.
         702:7001  Prepend AS702 once at edges of MCI to AS702
                   peers with a scope of National.
<snip>
Additional details of the MCI communities are located at:
http://global.mci.com/uk/customer/bgp/
mnt-by: WCOM-EMEA-RICE-MNT
changed: rice@lists.mci.com 20041006
source: RIPE
```

←
**And several
more!**

Some ISP Examples

BT Ignite

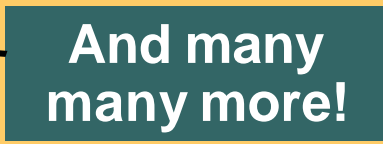
```
aut-num: AS5400
descr: BT Ignite European Backbone
remarks:
remarks: Community to Community to
remarks: Not announce To peer: AS prepend 5400
remarks:
remarks: 5400:1000 All peers & Transits 5400:2000
remarks:
remarks: 5400:1500 All Transits 5400:2500
remarks: 5400:1501 Sprint Transit (AS1239) 5400:2501
remarks: 5400:1502 SAVVIS Transit (AS3561) 5400:2502
remarks: 5400:1503 Level 3 Transit (AS3356) 5400:2503
remarks: 5400:1504 AT&T Transit (AS7018) 5400:2504
remarks: 5400:1505 UUnet Transit (AS701) 5400:2505
remarks:
remarks: 5400:1001 Nexica (AS24592) 5400:2001
remarks: 5400:1002 Fujitsu (AS3324) 5400:2002
remarks: 5400:1003 Unisource (AS3300) 5400:2003
<snip>
notify: notify@eu.bt.net
mnt-by: CIP-MNT
source: RIPE
```



Some ISP Examples

Carrier1

```
aut-num: AS8918
descr: Carrier1 Autonomous System
<snip>
remarks: Community Definition
remarks: *
remarks: 8918:2000 Do not announce to C1 customers
remarks: 8918:2010 Do not announce to C1 peers, peers+ and transit
remarks: 8918:2015 Do not announce to C1 transit providers
remarks: *
remarks: 8918:2020 Do not announce to Teleglobe (AS 6453)
remarks: 8918:2035 Do not announce to UUNet (AS 702)
remarks: 8918:2040 Do not announce to Cogent (AS 174)
remarks: 8918:2050 Do not announce to T-Systems (AS 3320)
remarks: 8918:2060 Do not announce to Sprint (AS 1239)
remarks: *
remarks: 8918:2070 Do not announce to AMS-IX peers
remarks: 8918:2080 Do not announce to NL-IX peers
remarks: 8918:2090 Do not announce to Packet Exchange Peers
<snip>
notify: inoc@carrier1.net
mnt-by: CARRIER1-MNT
source: RIPE
```

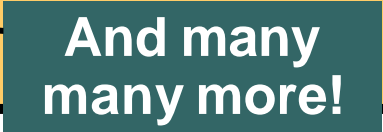


And many
many more!

Some ISP Examples

Level 3

```
aut-num:      AS3356
descr:       Level 3 Communications
<snip>
remarks:     -----
remarks:     customer traffic engineering communities - Suppression
remarks:     -----
remarks:     64960:XXX - announce to AS XXX if 65000:0
remarks:     65000:0  - announce to customers but not to peers
remarks:     65000:XXX - do not announce at peerings to AS XXX
remarks:     -----
remarks:     customer traffic engineering communities - Prepending
remarks:     -----
remarks:     65001:0   - prepend once   to all peers
remarks:     65001:XXX - prepend once   at peerings to AS XXX
remarks:     65002:0   - prepend twice  to all peers
remarks:     65002:XXX - prepend twice  at peerings to AS XXX
remarks:     65003:0   - prepend 3x    to all peers
remarks:     65003:XXX - prepend 3x    at peerings to AS XXX
remarks:     65004:0   - prepend 4x    to all peers
remarks:     65004:XXX - prepend 4x    at peerings to AS XXX
<snip>
mnt-by:      LEVEL3-MNT
source:      RIPE
```



And many
many more!

Creating your own community policy

- **Consider creating communities to give policy control to customers**

Reduces technical support burden

Reduces the amount of router reconfiguration, and the chance of mistakes

Use the previous examples as a guideline

BGP Multihoming Techniques

- **Why Multihome?**
- **Definition & Options**
- **Preparing the Network**
- **Basic Multihoming**
- **Service Provider Multihoming**
- **Using Communities**
- **Case Study**

Case Study

First Visit

Case Study – Requirements (1)

- **ISP needs to multihome:**
 - To AS5400 in Europe**
 - To AS2516 in Japan**
 - /19 allocated by APNIC**
 - AS 17660 assigned by APNIC**
 - 1Mbps circuits to both upstreams**

Case Study – Requirements (2)

- **ISP wants:**

- Symmetric routing and equal link utilisation in and out (as close as possible)**

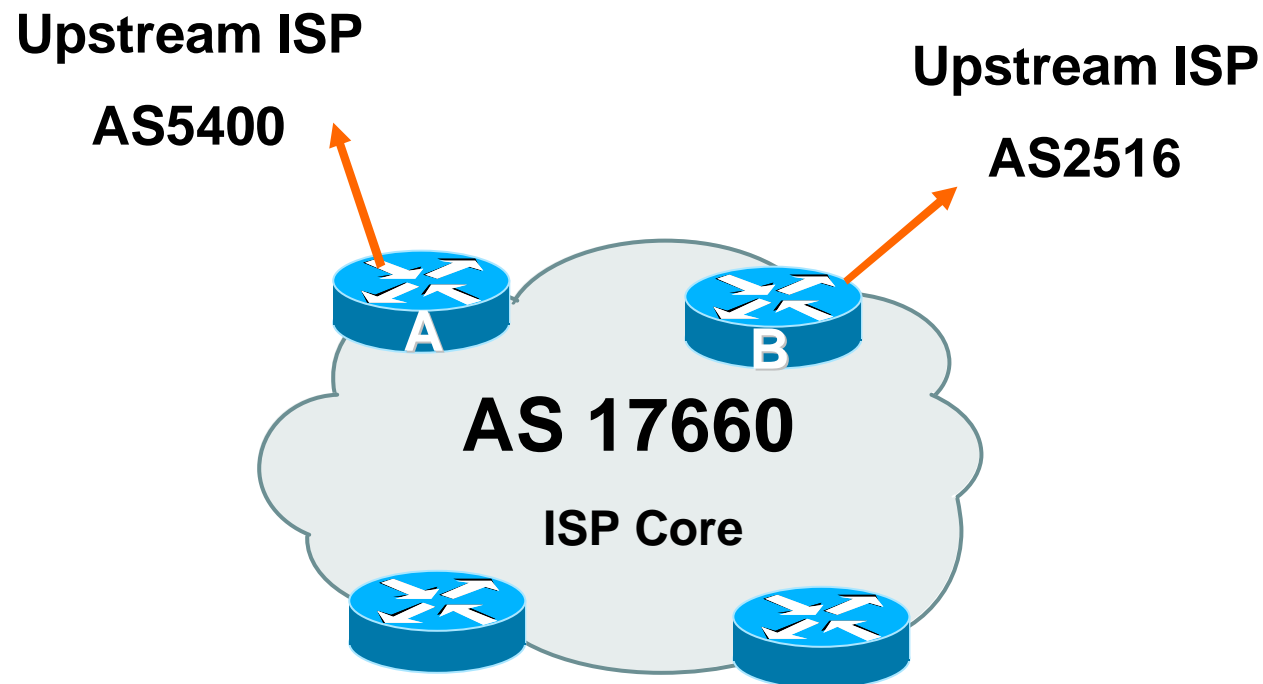
- international circuits are expensive**

- Has two Cisco 2600 border routers with 64Mbytes memory**

- Cannot afford to upgrade memory or hardware on border routers or internal routers**

- **“Philip, make it work, please”**

Case Study



Allocated /19 from APNIC

Circuit to AS5400 is 1Mbps, circuit to AS2516 is 1Mbps

Case Study

- **Both providers stated that routers with 128Mbytes memory required for AS17660 to multihome**

Those myths again 😞

Full routing table is rarely required or desired

- **Solution:**

Accept default from one upstream

Accept partial prefixes from the other

Case Study – Inbound Loadsharing

- **First cut: Went to a few US Looking Glasses**

Checked the AS path to AS5400

Checked the AS path to AS2516

AS2516 was one hop “closer”

Sent AS-PATH prepend of one AS on AS2516 peering

Case Study – Inbound Loadsharing

- **Refinement**

Did not need any

First cut worked, seeing on average 600kbps inbound on each circuit

Does vary according to time of day, but this is as balanced as it can get, given customer profile



Case Study – Outbound Loadsharing

- **First cut:**

 - Requested default from AS2516**

 - Requested full routes from AS5400**

- **Then looked at my Routing Report**

 - Picked the top 5 ASNs and created a filter-list**

 - If 701, 1, 7018, 1239 or 7046 are in AS-PATH, prefixes are discarded**

 - Allowed prefixes originated by AS5400 and up to two AS hops away**

 - Resulted in 32000 prefixes being accepted in AS17660**

Case Study – Outbound Loadsharing

- **Refinement**

32000 prefixes quite a lot, seeing more outbound traffic on the AS5400 path

Traffic was very asymmetric

out through AS5400, in through AS2516

Added the next 3 ASNs from the Top 20 list

209, 2914 and 3549

Now seeing 14000 prefixes

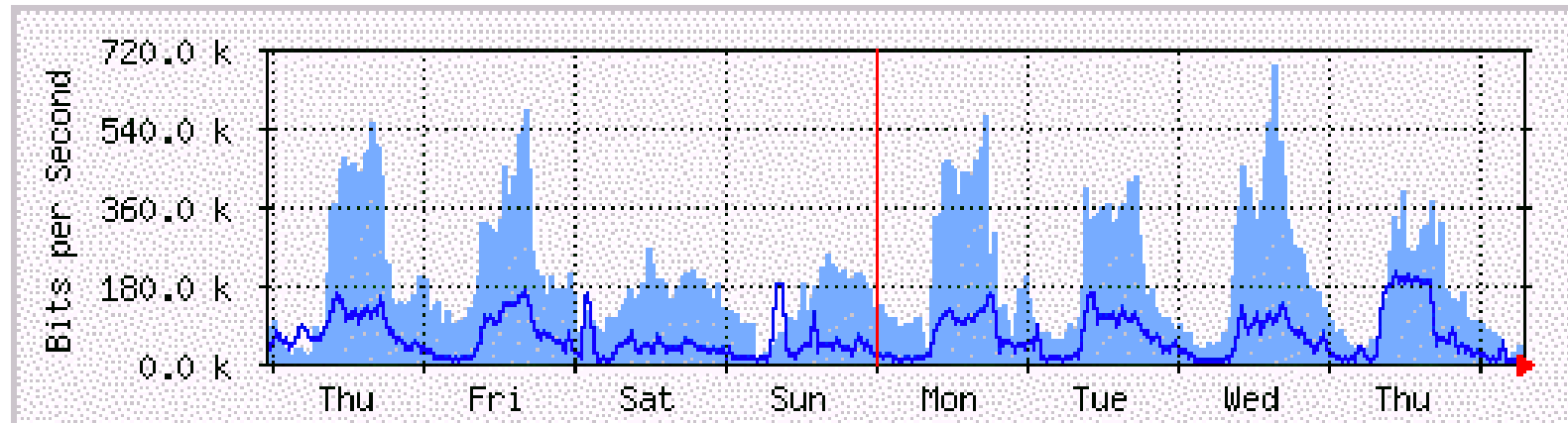
Traffic is now evenly loadshared outbound

Around 200kbps on average

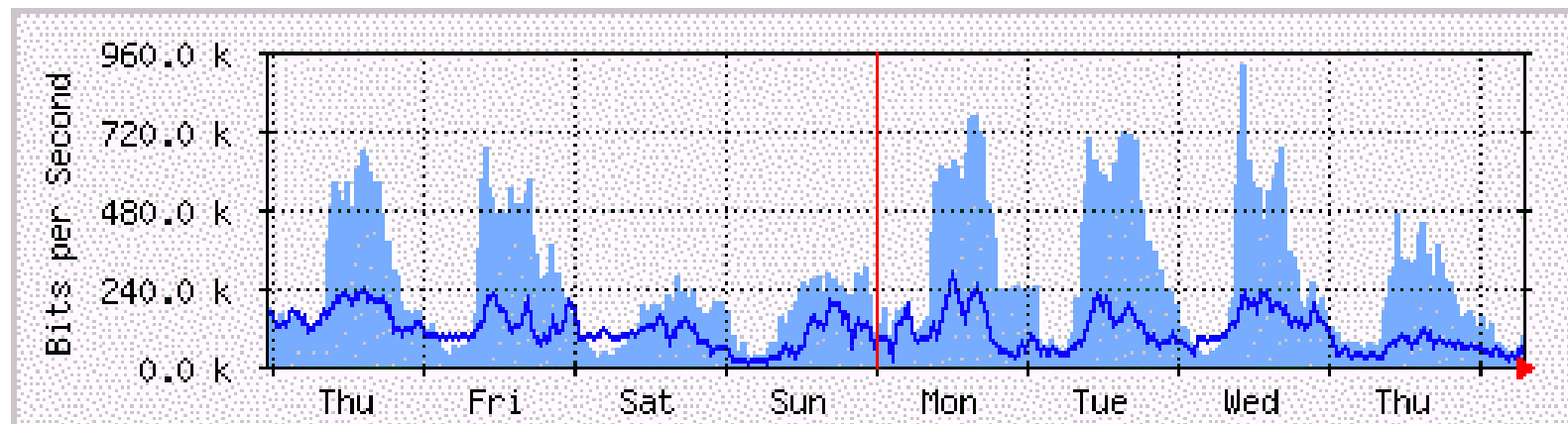
Mostly symmetric

Case Study

MRTG Graphs



Router A to AS5400



Router B to AS2516

Case Study

Configuration Router A

```
router ospf 100
  log-adjacency-changes
  passive-interface default
  no passive-interface Ethernet0/0
  default-information originate metric 20
!
router bgp 17660
  no synchronization
  no bgp fast-external-fallover
  bgp log-neighbor-changes
  bgp deterministic-med
...next slide
```

Case Study

Configuration Router A

```
neighbor 166.49.165.13 remote-as 5400
neighbor 166.49.165.13 description eBGP multihop to AS5400
neighbor 166.49.165.13 ebgp-multihop 5
neighbor 166.49.165.13 update-source Loopback0
neighbor 166.49.165.13 prefix-list in-filter in
neighbor 166.49.165.13 prefix-list out-filter out
neighbor 166.49.165.13 filter-list 1 in
neighbor 166.49.165.13 filter-list 3 out
!
prefix-list in-filter deny rfc1918etc in
prefix-list out-filter permit 202.144.128.0/19
!
ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 serial 0/0 254
...next slide
```

Case Study

Configuration Router A

```
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _701_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _1_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _7018_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _1239_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _7046_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _209_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _2914_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _3549_  
ip as-path access-list 1 permit _5400$  
ip as-path access-list 1 permit _5400_[0-9]+$  
ip as-path access-list 1 permit _5400_[0-9]+_[0-9]+$  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny .*  
ip as-path access-list 3 permit ^$  
!
```

Case Study

Configuration Router B

```
router ospf 100
  log-adjacency-changes
  passive-interface default
  no passive-interface Ethernet0/0
  default-information originate
!
router bgp 17660
  no synchronization
  no auto-summary
  no bgp fast-external-fallover
...next slide
```

Case Study

Configuration Router B

```
bgp log-neighbor-changes
bgp deterministic-med
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 remote-as 2516
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 description eBGP peering
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 soft-reconfiguration inbound
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 prefix-list default-route in
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 prefix-list out-filter out
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 route-map as2516-out out
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 maximum-prefix 100
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 filter-list 2 in
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 filter-list 3 out
```

!

...next slide

Case Study

Configuration Router B

```
!  
prefix-list default-route permit 0.0.0.0/0  
prefix-list out-filter permit 202.144.128.0/19  
!  
ip as-path access-list 2 permit _2516$  
ip as-path access-list 2 deny .*  
ip as-path access-list 3 permit ^$  
!  
route-map as2516-out permit 10  
    set as-path prepend 17660  
!
```

Configuration Summary

- **Router A**
 - Hears full routing table – throws away most of it**
 - AS5400 BGP options are all or nothing**
 - Static default pointing to serial interface – if link goes down, OSPF default removed**
- **Router B**
 - Hears default from AS2516**
 - If default disappears (BGP goes down or link goes down), OSPF default is removed**

Case Study Summary

- **Multihoming is not hard, really!**
 - Needs a bit of thought, a bit of planning**
 - Use this case study as an example strategy**
 - Does not require sophisticated equipment, big memory, fast CPUs...**

Case Study

Second Visit

Case Study – Current Status

- **ISP currently multihomes:**
 - To AS5400 in the UK**
 - To AS2516 in Japan**
 - /19 allocated by APNIC**
 - AS 17660 assigned by APNIC**
 - 1Mbps circuits to both upstreams**

Case Study – Requirements

- **ISP wants:**

- To add a new satellite connection, a 640K link to AS22351 in Germany to support the AS5400 link to UK**

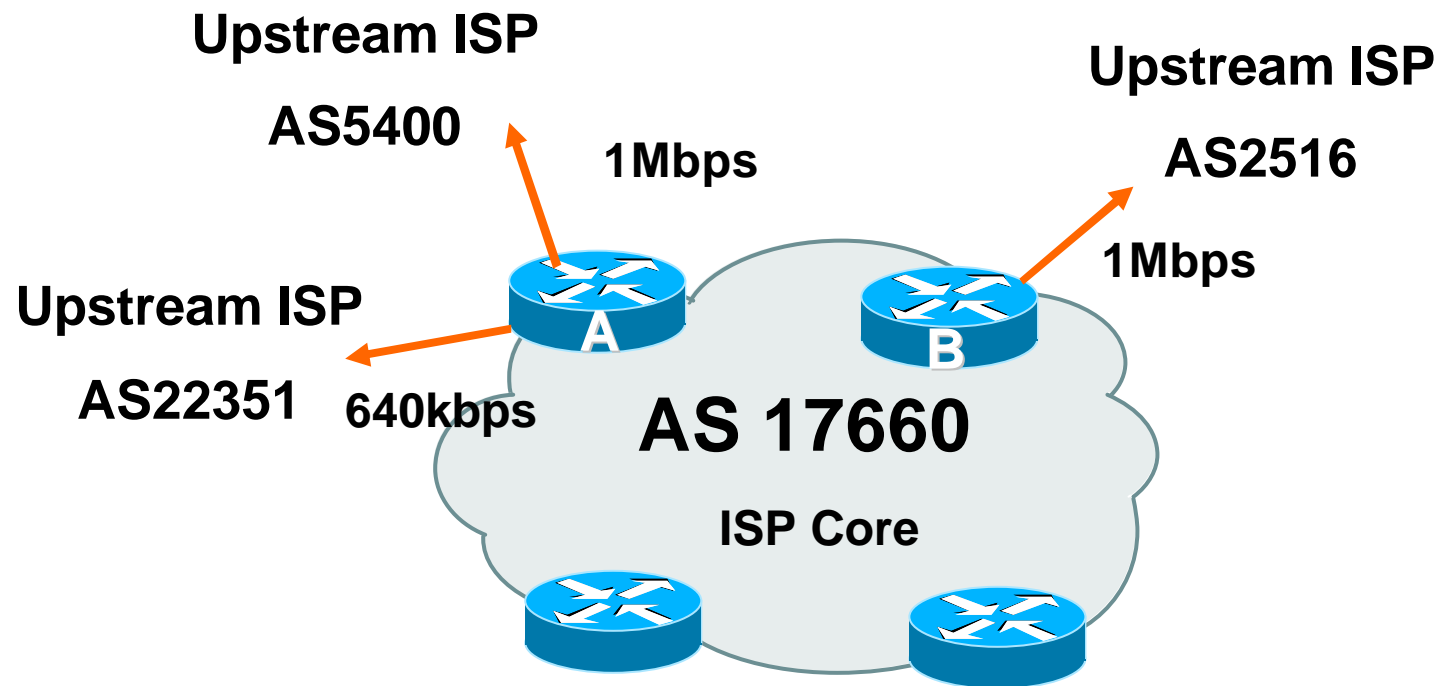
- Still want symmetric routing and equal link utilisation in and out (as close as possible)**

- international circuits are expensive**

- Has upgraded to two Cisco 3725 border routers with plenty of memory**

- **Despite the working previous configuration with “sparse routing table”, wanted full prefixes**
- **Talked them out of that, and here is how...**

Case Study



Allocated /19 from APNIC

Case Study – Inbound Loadsharing

- **First cut: Went to a few US Looking Glasses**
 - Checked the AS path to AS5400
 - Checked the AS path to AS2516
 - Checked the AS path to AS22351
 - AS2516 was one hop “closer” than the other two
 - Sent AS-PATH prepend of one AS on AS2516 peering
 - this is unchanged from two years ago

Case Study – Inbound Loadsharing

- **Refinement**

Needed some – AS5400 seemed to be always preferred over AS22351

AS5400 now supports RFC1998 style communities for customer use

see `whois -h whois.ripe.net AS5400`

Sent AS5400 some communities to insert prepends towards specific peers

Now saw some traffic on AS22351 link but not much

Sent a /23 announcement out AS22351 link

Now saw more traffic on AS22351 link

Case Study – Inbound Loadsharing

- **Results:**

- Around 600kbps on the AS5400 link**

- Around 750kbps on the AS2516 link**

- Around 300kbps on the AS22351 link**

- Inbound traffic fluctuates quite substantially based on time of day**

- **Status:**

- Situation left pending monitoring by the ISP's NOC**

Case Study – Outbound Loadsharing

- **First cut:**
 - **Already receiving default from AS2516**
 - **Receiving full routes from AS5400**
 - **Requested full routes from AS22351 – the only option**
- **Retained the AS5400 configuration**
 - **Discard prefixes which had top 5 ASNs in the path**
- **AS22351 configuration uses similar ideas to AS5400 configuration**
 - **But only accepted prefixes originated from AS22351 or their immediate peers**

Case Study – Outbound Loadsharing

- **Results:**

- Around 35000 prefixes from AS5400**

- Around 2000 prefixes from AS22351**

- Around 200kbps on both the AS5400 and AS2516 links**

- Around 50kbps on the AS22351 link**

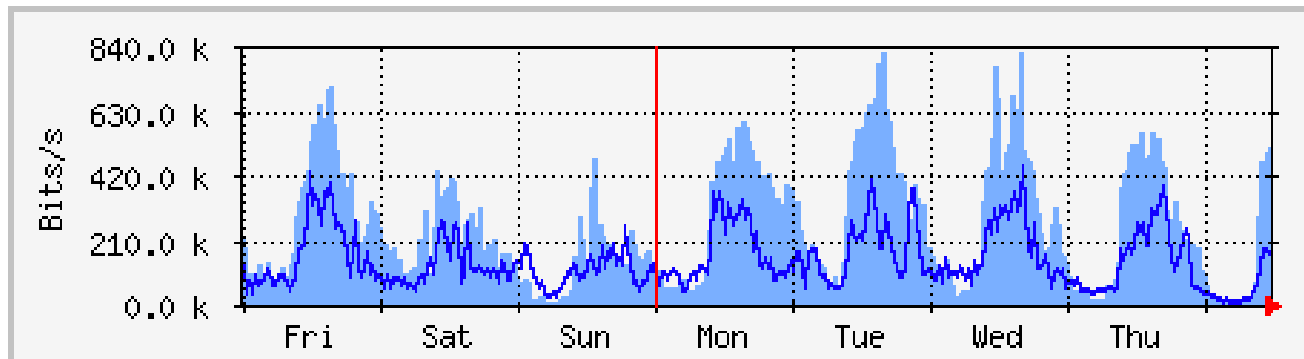
- Outbound traffic fluctuates quite substantially based on time of day**

- **Status:**

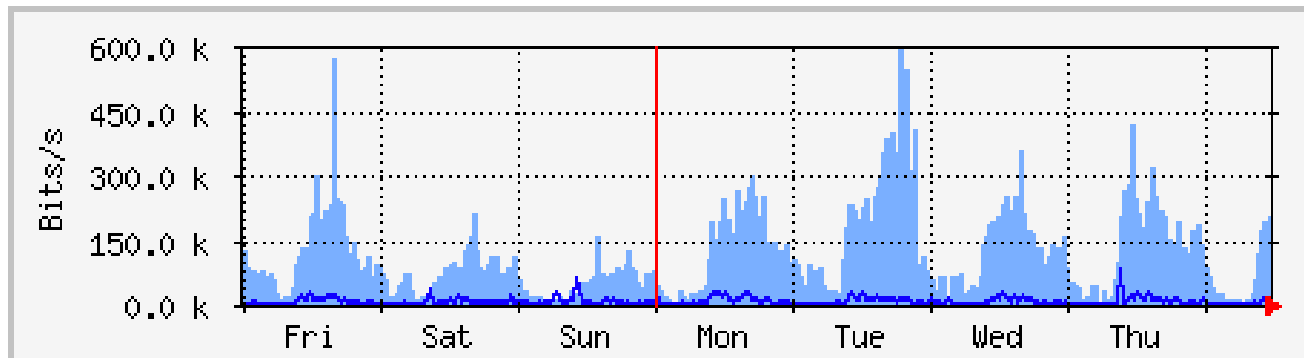
- Situation left pending monitoring by the ISP's NOC**

Case Study

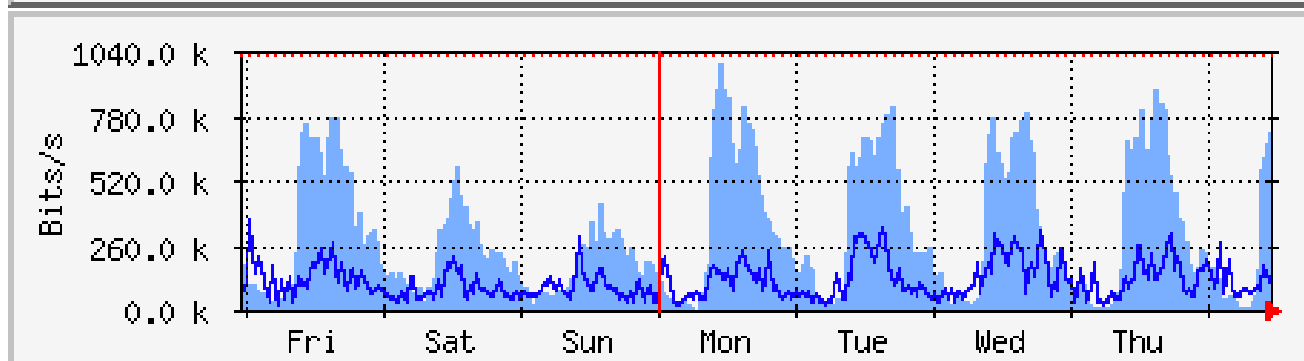
MRTG Graphs



**Router A to
AS5400**



**Router A to
AS22351**



**Router B to
AS2516**

Case Study

Configuration Router A

```
router bgp 17660
  no synchronization
  no bgp fast-external-fallover
  bgp log-neighbor-changes
  bgp deterministic-med
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 remote-as 22351
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 description ebgp peer to AS22351
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 send-community
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 prefix-list in-filter in
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 prefix-list out-filter-as22351 out
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 route-map as22351-out out
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 maximum-prefix 120000 95 warning-only
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 filter-list 3 in
  neighbor 80.255.39.241 filter-list 5 out
...next slide
```

Case Study

Configuration Router A

```
neighbor 166.49.165.13 remote-as 5400
neighbor 166.49.165.13 description eBGP multihop to AS5400
neighbor 166.49.165.13 ebgp-multihop 5
neighbor 166.49.165.13 update-source Loopback0
neighbor 166.49.165.13 send-community
neighbor 166.49.165.13 prefix-list in-filter in
neighbor 166.49.165.13 prefix-list out-filter out
neighbor 166.49.165.13 route-map as5400-out out
neighbor 166.49.165.13 filter-list 1 in
neighbor 166.49.165.13 filter-list 5 out
!
ip prefix-list in-filter deny rfc1918 prefixes etc
ip prefix-list out-filter permit 202.144.128.0/19
ip prefix-list out-filter-as22351 permit 202.144.128.0/19
ip prefix-list out-filter-as22351 permit 202.144.158.0/23
...next slide
```

Case Study

Configuration Router A

```
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _701_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _1_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _7018_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _1239_  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny _7046_  
ip as-path access-list 1 permit _5400$  
ip as-path access-list 1 permit _5400_[0-9]+$  
ip as-path access-list 1 permit _5400_[0-9]+_[0-9]+$  
ip as-path access-list 1 deny .*  
ip as-path access-list 3 permit _22351$  
ip as-path access-list 3 permit _22351_[0-9]+$  
ip as-path access-list 3 deny .*  
ip as-path access-list 5 permit ^$  
!  
route-map as5400-out permit 10  
    set community 5400:2001 5400:2101 5400:2119 5400:2124 5400:2128  
route-map as22351-out permit 10
```


Case Study

Configuration Router B

```
router bgp 17660
  no synchronization
  no auto-summary
  no bgp fast-external-fallover
  bgp log-neighbor-changes
  bgp deterministic-med
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 remote-as 2516
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 description eBGP Peering with AS2516
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 send-community
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 prefix-list default-route in
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 prefix-list out-filter out
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 route-map as2516-out out
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 maximum-prefix 100
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 filter-list 2 in
  neighbor 210.132.92.165 filter-list 5 out
...next slide
```

Case Study

Configuration Router B

```
!  
prefix-list default-route permit 0.0.0.0/0  
prefix-list out-filter permit 202.144.128.0/19  
!  
ip as-path access-list 2 permit _2516$  
ip as-path access-list 2 deny .*  
ip as-path access-list 5 permit ^$  
!  
route-map as2516-out permit 10  
    set as-path prepend 17660  
!
```

Interesting Aside

- **Prior to installation of the new 640kbps link, ISP was complaining that both 1Mbps links were saturated inbound**

Hence the requirement for the new 640kbps circuit

- **Research using NetFlow, cflowd and FlowScan showed that Kazaa was to blame!**

Kazaa is a peer to peer file sharing utility

Consumes all available bandwidth

Found that many customers were using Kazaa for file sharing, saturating the links inbound

Interesting Aside

- **Solution**

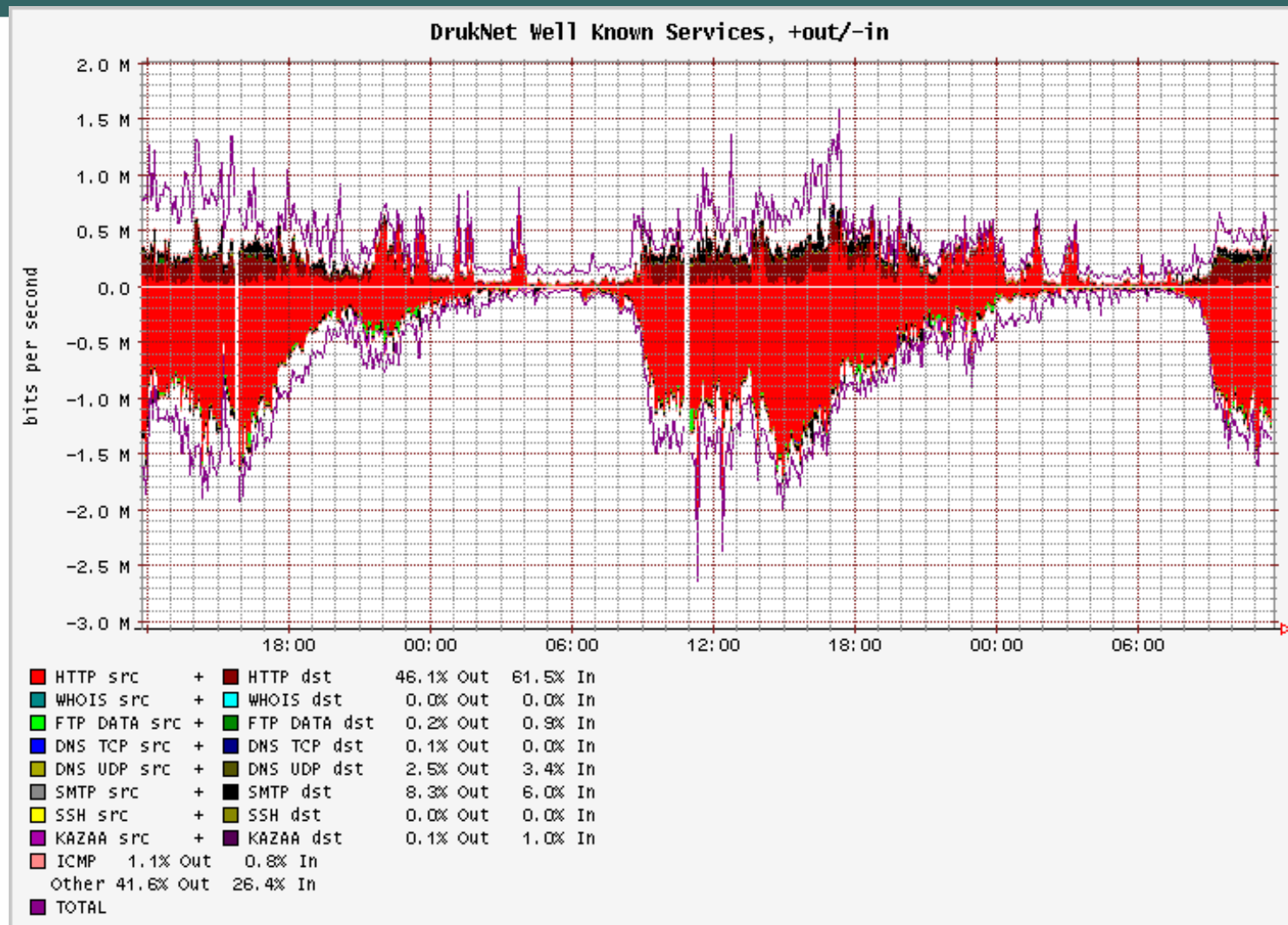
A time of day filter which blocked Kazaa during working hours, 8am to 8pm

Inbound and outbound ACLs on border routers had tcp/1214 filters added

```
access-list 100 deny tcp any any eq 1214 time-range OfficeHours
access-list 101 deny tcp any any eq 1214 time-range OfficeHours
!
time-range OfficeHours
    periodic weekdays 8:00 to 20:00
```

**The result: inbound traffic on external links dropped by 50%
And complaints about “the ‘net” being slow have reduced**

Interesting Aside



Typical FlowScan graph – no longer showing the effects of Kazaa

Summary

- **Multihoming solution with three links of different bandwidths works well**

Fluctuates significantly during the day time, maybe reflecting users browsing habits?

NOC is monitoring the situation

NOTE: Full routing table is not required 😊

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- **Multihoming is not hard, really...**

Keep It Simple & Stupid!

- **Full routing table is rarely required**

A default is often just as good

If customers want 150k prefixes, charge them money for it

Presentation Slides



- **Available on**

<ftp://ftp-eng.cisco.com/pfs/seminars/NANOG32-BGP-Multihoming.pdf>



BGP Multihoming Techniques

End of Tutorial