

SRv6 Deployment Considerations

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Introduction

- draft-matsushima-spring-srv6-deployment-status
 - Introduce the progress of SRv6 industry including deployments, implementations, academic contributions, interoperability, etc.
 - 7 deployments are proposed: Softbank, China Telecom, LINE Corporation, China Unicom, CERNET2, MTN Uganda Ltd.
- draft-tian-spring-srv6-deployment-consideration
 - Introduce the deployment consideration of SRv6, including SRv6 advantages summary, incremental deployment guidance, deployment cases , etc.
 - Introduce relatively detailed experience of SRv6 deployments for reference, while draft-matsushima-spring-srv6-deployment-status introduces the feature list of SRv6 deployments.

SRv6 Advantages

- IP Route Aggregation
 - MPLS/SR-MPLS: Label binding with 32-bit host address has to be advertised across multiple domains without aggregation.
 - SRv6: Inherit native IP feature and aggregated route can be imported across network domains which reduces the scalability requirement.
- End-to-end Service Auto-start
 - SR-MPLS: SRGB and Node SID need overall network-wide planning in the cross-domain scenario.
 - SRv6: Can Setup E2E tunnel directly based on IPv6 reachability.
- On-Demand Upgrade
 - SR-MPLS: Entire network has to be upgraded firstly and then deploy SR-MPLS; or mapping servers are deployed at some of the intermediate nodes.
 - SRv6: The network can be migrated to SRv6 on demand. For the nodes which cannot support SRv6, it can be transferred through normal IPv6 forwarding.

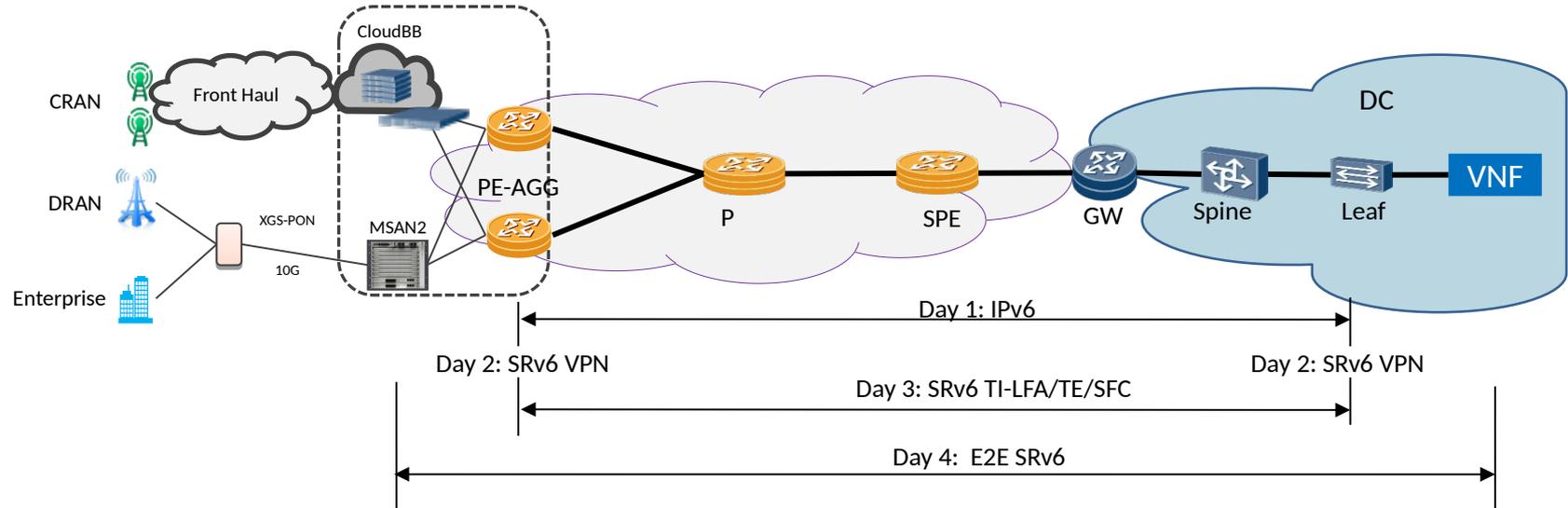


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Incremental Deployment Guidance for SRv6 Migration

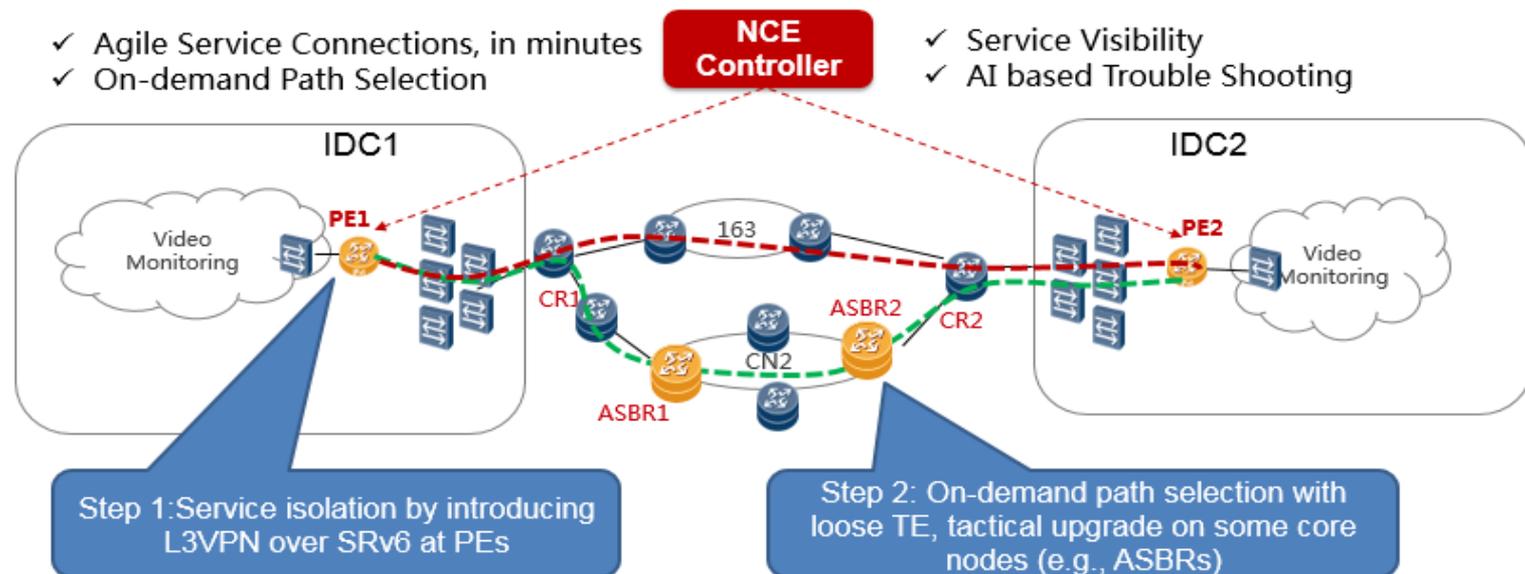
- Two options can be parallel:
 - Option 1: IP/MPLS -> IPv6->SRv6
 - **Natural and straightforward, recommended;**
 - Option 2: IP/MPLS -> SR-MPLS -> SRv6



- Step 1: Upgrade to IPv6 (IPv6 ready is the pre-condition of SRv6);
Step 2: Upgrade the edge devices to introduce VPN over SRv6 BE;
Step 3: Upgrade some intermediate nodes to support traffic TI-LFA, TE, SFC, etc.
Step 4: Upgrade the whole network to support E2E SRv6;

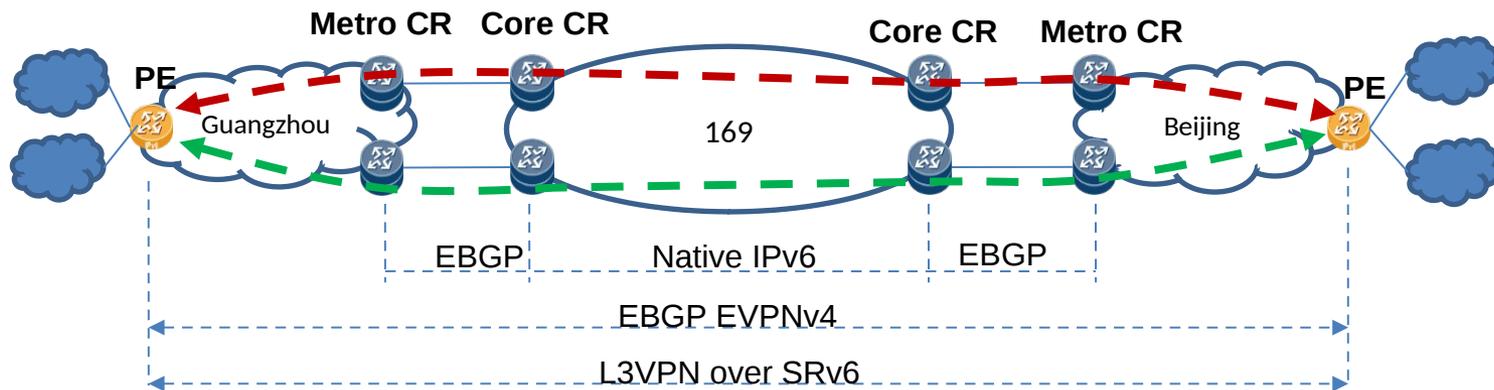
SRv6 Deployment Case 1: China Telecom (Sichuan)

- China Telecom: Video traffic transmission between DCs across domains
- IPv6 ready in both DC and backbone, two backbone networks provide different SLAs
- Two steps: 1) Introduce L3VPN over SRv6 BE at the edge; 2) Support traffic steering/optimization by introduce SRv6 TE
- **Key point: Service agility**



SRv6 Deployment Case 2: China Unicom

- China Unicom: Cloud DCs interconnection.
- IPv6 ready in Metro networks (Guangzhou, Beijing,...) and IP backbone network (169);
- Upgrade PEs at Metro edges to support SRv6, introduce L3VPN over SRv6 BE for cloud isolation;



- ✓ Smoothly migrate from IPv6 to SRv6, easy and quick;
- ✓ Without affecting existing IPv4, MPLS, etc. services

Next Step

- More deployment cases for different scenarios such as 5G Transport, Data Center, etc.
- More experience are provided on demand such as IPv6 address/SRv6 locator/ SRv6 SID design, SRv6 TE/SRv6 policy design, etc.
- Welcome feedback and co-work.

Thanks