

IRS Use Case & Requirements

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IRS Use Case & Reqmt's Drafts

- Use Cases
 - **draft-amante-irs-topology-use-cases-00**
 - Shane Amante (Level 3), Jan Medved (Cisco), Tom Nadeau (Juniper)
 - **draft-keyupate-irs-bgp-usecases-01**
 - Keuyr Patel, Rex Fernando (Cisco), Hannes Gredler (Juniper), Shane Amante (Level 3)
 - **draft-white-irs-use-case-00**
 - Russ White (Verisign), Sue Hares (Huawei), Rex Fernando (Cisco)
- Requirements
 - **draft-medved-irs-topology-requirements**
 - Jan Medved, Stefano Previdi (Cisco), Hannes Gredler (Juniper), Shane Amante (Level 3)
 - **draft-rfernando-irs-framework-requirement-00**
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Caveat ...

- Going to quickly summarize contents of each draft to draw out commonalities and differences
- Encourage you to read all drafts, (if you have not already), for much more detail.

draft-amante-irs-topology-use-cases-00

- Framework for Topology, Policy & Orchestration ‘Manager’ Functions
- Use Cases
 - Capacity Planning & **Traffic Engineering**
 - Operate at different time scales, but critical requirement to incorporate information from multiple data sources: statistics & inventory data warehouses
 - **VPN Services Provisioning**
 - **Rapid IP & ASN Renumbering**
 - Path Computation Element (PCE)
 - ALTO Server

draft-keyupdate-irs-bgp-usecases-01

- Mass BGP Protocol & Policy Configuration Changes; Analysis and Troubleshooting of BGP Routing State across an entire network
- Side note: BGP configuration is overwhelming majority of configuration on routers and modified the most frequently, by Service Providers
- BGP Protocol Configuration
 - Dynamically change AFI/SAFI; **ASN migration scenarios; RT (RD) changes**, etc.
- BGP Policy Configuration: Route filtering, **Route summarization**
- Internal BGP Error Handling (?)
- BGP Route Manipulation
 - Customize Best Path Selection
 - **Flowspec (react to DDoS attacks) – similar to draft-white-irs-use-case-00**
 - **Optimized Exit Control, a.k.a.: TE – similar to draft-white-irs-use-case-00**
 - **Change RT values on RR's – similar to draft-white-irs-use-case-00**
- BGP Events
 - **Notify applications when changes occur to “important routes”**
 - Troubleshooting Filtered BGP Routes
 - BGP Protocol Statistics – monitor & change ‘max-prefix limit’

draft-white-irs-use-case-00

- Fine-grained tuning of traffic flow(s) in an IP network
- **Optimized Exit Control**
 - Current dynamic routing protocols (BGP) do not provide the granularity to fine-tune exit paths in a network
- **Reacting to DDoS attacks**
 - Redirect some traffic through “traffic scrubbing” points in the network.
- **Dynamically optimize traffic flows in a hub & spoke network**
 - Instead of forwarding all traffic spoke-to-spoke traffic through hub-site; the hub site could dynamically program a spoke site to directly forward traffic to other spoke sites.
- **Inside DataCenter Routing**
 - Quickly modify routing based on topology changes and shifts in traffic patterns
- **Between DataCenter Routing**
 - “Bandwidth on Demand” across the WAN to move or replicate resources from one DC to a second DC.

draft-medved-irs-topology-requirements-00

- Reqmt's for 'Topology Manager' function of draft-amante-irs-topology-use-cases
- Topology Manager (TM) constructs virtualized views of global network topology for consumption by Clients
- General:
 - Define standards-based data models with common vocabulary to describe various network components
- Data Model:
 - Layer-2 & higher Data Model Reqmt's
 - MUST capture Visible & 'Invisible' Network Components
 - Hierarchical representation, composition and summarization of network components into real or virtual/abstract depictions of network topologies
- Northbound (Client) API
 - Efficient, flow-control-capable protocol for large data transfers between TM & Clients
 - MUST support publish/subscribe capability
 - MUST support 'non-Routers' as Clients, (up to now Clients needed to run a dynamic Routing Protocol to learn of network topology or events).
- Southbound (Network & Device) API – better reqmt's in draft-rfernando-irs-framework-requirement-00 ... 😊

draft-rfernando-irs-framework-requirement-00

- IRS Framework Terminology and Requirements
 - In-depth requirements for protocol and (service) data models used between Clients & Servers in IRS
- One, p2p transport connection between a client and a server
- In order, reliable data delivery in both directions
 - Critical when client is adding, changing or deleting state on a server.
- **Publish-Subscribe for Asynchronous Notifications of Events** that occur on the Server
- Security Requirements: server needs to validate Identify of client, before allowing client read-only or read-write access to server state.
- Application Programmability Reqmt's:
 - Apps should focus on functionality, they should not have to focus on mechanisms wrt communicating with Servers.
 - Apps should be re-usable across different environments
 - App “templates” (design patterns?) should be available in a common repository for re-use by other app developers ...

Requirements Summary

- Need standard/common vocabulary to describe functional network components in the IP Routing System within standards-based data models
- Need “application-friendly” mechanism(s) to allow non-Routers (Clients) to quickly exchange information with Routers/Switches (Servers) – and other infrastructure support systems – so as to query, add, modify or delete routing state in the network

Overall Summary

- Critical need to make globally optimized routing/forwarding and configuration changes to the entire network.
- Can only be done by augmenting routing information (from the Devices and Control Plane) with network-wide traffic utilization patterns, routing and security policies.
- Only once this information is coalesced can operators make accurate, rapid (automated) changes to ‘forwarding patterns’ on the network.

BACKUP SLIDES

