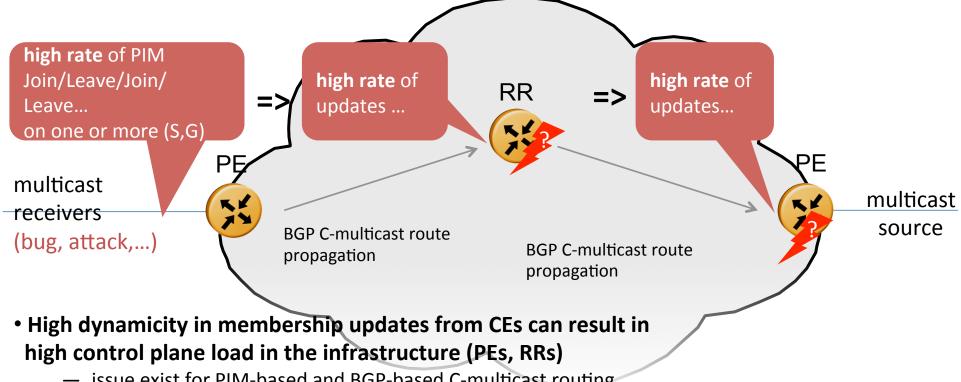
# Multicast state damping

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- issue exist for PIM-based and BGP-based C-multicast routing
- This is not only in theory: we can significantly load the CPU of upstream routers in the lab
- Rate limiting Join/Prune messages received at the edge?
  - too crude: unpredictable impact on legitimate uses of the service (or limited efficiency)
- Applying BGP route damping?
  - as is, it has too much impact on the service delivered
- Cases in which we need to address this problem:
  - multicast in VPNs and multicast in the global routing table (similar)

## Solution proposed

- Principle: delay the propagation of prunes
  - if too much Join/Prune activity on (C-S,C-G), stop propagating Prune(C-S,C-G) toward the upstream router, for some time
  - for BGP C-mcast routing, it means: delay before withdrawing the route
- Benefit:
  - if the number of (C-S,C-G) is limited, this result in an upper bound of the average rate of Join/Prunes sent to the upstream ⇒ protects the upstream router from excessive Join/prune activity
  - all Join/Prunes take effect locally as they did before
    ⇒ no impact on the service delivered
- Side effect:
  - average increase of bandwidth in the core
    - traffic present on a P-tunnel for a longer time
  - minor increase => acceptable trade-off

# Proposed procedures [1/2]

- We could apply dampening on VRF PIM states
  - we are proposing generic PIM damping in mboned
  - it does not allow to protect against dynamicity coming from inter-AS C-multicast route redistribution
  - it does not provide the option of protecting upstream PEs at the RRs
- We recommend using BGP route damping, with a few twists:
  - [keep the principle of exponential decay, increments, high/low threshold]
  - when a BGP C-multicast route is damped, keep advertising it (instead of withdrawing it)
  - use specific damping parameters and default values for C-multicast routes
    - and require times to be configurable in seconds

# Proposed procedures [2/2]

- Selective provider tunnels bound to a specific S-PMSI also follow group membership dynamicity
  - (C-S,C-G) S-PMSI
  - but also true for wildcard S-PMSI
- ⇒ the state of the provider tunnels need also be damped
- There are different ways to do it
  - build damping in the P-tunnel protocols (mLDP, PIM)
  - damp Leaf A-D route (applies to P2MP RSVP-TE only)
  - join/leave P-tunnel based on BGP C-multicast routes, not based on VRF C-PIM states

## Conclusions, next steps

- To do:
  - ASM states
  - default and max values
- Feedback welcome on the principle and proposed procedures
- We would like this draft to find a home
  - problem and proposed solution are similar for VPN and non-VPN cases
  - mboned looks like a better home than PIM or L3VPN (even if these WGs would have to be involved)
  - the alternative is to progress the two separately