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BGP EVPN Overview

- Ethernet VPN
- ▶ BGP-based control plane for L2 VPN services
- Supports both MPLS and VXLAN data planes
- ► RFC 7432 (MPLS) and RFC 8365 (VXLAN)

L2 vs L3 VPNs

- ► L3 VPN: Virtual/distributed router (learns routes by routing protocols)
- ► L2 VPN: Virtual/distributed switch (learns link addresses in data plane)

L2 VPN Challenges

- ▶ BUM frames (broadcast, unknown, multicast)
- ► MAC mobility
- ► Multi-homing redundancy

L2 VPN Variants

- Pseudowires (VPWS) vs LANs (VPLS)
- 'Physical' LANs vs VLANs
- ► RFC 4664 (framework)

BGP L2VPN History

- ▶ RFC 4761: VPLS with BGP signalling
- ► L2VPN AFI 25, VPLS SAFI 65
- ▶ NLRI for auto-discovery and label distribution
- ► MAC learning in data plane
- Later replaced by EVPN

EVPN Advantages

- ▶ Data plane MAC learning replaced by control plane
- MACs advertised via BGP routes
- ► Redundancy and load balancing with multi-homing
- Reduced flooding through proxy ARP/ND
- MAC mobility

EVPN-MPLS

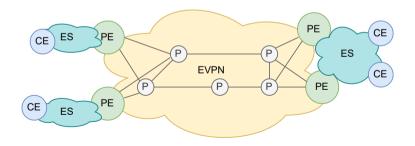
- Original EVPN implementation over MPLS data plane
- Uses MPLS labels for forwarding
- ► ISP and enterprise use cases
- ▶ Integrates with existing MPLS infrastructure

EVPN-VXLAN

- ► EVPN control plane with VXLAN data plane
- ▶ Uses UDP encapsulation over IP networks
- ► Popular in data center environments
- ► Enables L2 extension over L3 infrastructure

EVPN and L3VPN Similarities

- ► P/PE/CE routers
- ► Route distinguishers
- ► Route targets
- VRFs vs MAC-VRFs



Terminology

- ► EVPN instance (EVI)
- ▶ Broadcast domain (~ VLAN)
- ► Ethernet tag (~ VLAN ID)
- ► MAC-VRF (~ virtual VLAN-aware bridge in PE)
- Bridge table (per broadcast domain)
- Ethernet segment (ES)
- ► ES identifier (ESI)

EVPN and VLANs

VLAN-Based Service

(1 EVPN instance \sim 1 broadcast domain, no tag) Possible VLAN – EVPN Instance – VLAN mapping

VLAN Bundle Service

(1 EVPN instance \sim N broadcast domains, no tag) Ethernet frames encapsulated with original VLAN ID header

► VLAN-Aware Bundle Service

(1 EVPN instance \sim N broadcast domains identified by tags) Possible VLAN – EVPN Instance and tag – VLAN mapping

BGP EVPN

- Carries EVPN routes between PEs
- ► L2VPN AFI 25, EVPN SAFI 70
- Multiple EVPN route types
- Format: TLV (1B type, 1B length, variable data)
- Route distinguisher first in data
- Route targets as extended communities
- MPLS labels / VXLAN IDs in data

EVPN Route Types

- ► Type 1: Ethernet Auto-Discovery (EAD)
- ► Type 2: MAC/IP Advertisement
- ► Type 3: Inclusive Multicast Ethernet Tag (IMET)
- ► Type 4: Ethernet Segment (ES)
- ► Type 5: IP Prefix (RFC 9136, for L3 services)

Ethernet Auto-Discovery

- ► Represents ethernet segment reachable through PE
- Used for fast convergence and load balancing
- Not required in single-homing setups

Ethernet Auto-Discovery

MAC/IP Advertisement

- ▶ Represents unicast MAC reachable through PE
- ► Optional IP information for ARP/ND proxy
- ► ES identifier for multi-homing
- Ethernet tag ID for VLAN info
- Label for encapsulation

MAC/IP Advertisement

```
RD (8 octets)
|Ethernet Segment Identifier (10 octets) | X
  Ethernet Tag ID (4 octets)
  MAC Address Length (1 octet)
  MAC Address (6 octets)
  IP Address Length (1 octet)
  IP Address (0, 4, or 16 octets)
  MPLS Label1 (3 octets)
  MPLS Label2 (0 or 3 octets)
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MAC/IP Advertisement

- Local data plane MAC learning (bridge table)
- Local IP-MAC learning (neighbor table)
- Other sources (DHCP database)
- MAC announced as Type 2 EVPN route
- Remote PEs install it as MAC entry to appropriate bridge table
- ▶ BGP next hop resolved to get immediate next hop and outer label
- Or used directly in case of VXLAN encapsulation
- When ESI is used, it is first resolved to EAD route, which is used for BGP next hop and labels

ARP/ND Suppression

- ► PE routers act as ARP/ND proxies
- ▶ Based on IP-MAC bindings from MAC/IP advertisements
- ► Reduces broadcast/multicast traffic in network

MAC Mobility

- ► Move of MACs between ethernet segments (and PEs)
- Usually handled by withdrawal and following advertisement
- ▶ Problem: new advertisement before old one was withdrawn
- MAC mobility extended community with sequence number
- New advertisement raises sequence number from the old one

Fast convergence and load balancing

- ► Multiple PEs connected to a segment
- ► Each announces EAD route and there are many MAC/IP advertisements
- ▶ Remote PEs can resolve any EAD route regardless of who advertised MAC
- ▶ When link on one PE fails just one EAD is withdrawn

Inclusive Multicast Ethernet Tag

- ► Represents BUM destination reachable through PE
- ► Announced for all VLANs in EVPN instance regardless of known MACs
- ▶ BUM frames are sent to all destinations known from IMET routes
- ▶ PMSI Tunnel attribute (RFC 6514) describes method of delivery
- ▶ Ingress replication or multiple variants of multicast encapsulation

Inclusive Multicast Ethernet Tag

```
RD (8 octets)
Ethernet Tag ID (4 octets)
IP Address Length (1 octet)
Originating Router's IP Address
        (4 or 16 octets)
```

Ethernet Segment Route

- ► Represents ethernet segment reachable through PE
- Used for autodetection of multi-homing setups
- Used for designated forwarder election
- ► Not used in single-homing setups

Ethernet Segment Route

```
RD (8 octets)
|Ethernet Segment Identifier (10 octets)|
  IP Address Length (1 octet)
  Originating Router's IP Address
           (4 or 16 octets)
```

Designated Forwarder Election

- ▶ Only one PE per ES should propagate BUM packets
- Otherwise they are duplicated
- ▶ Election based on a set of ES routes for given ES
- ► Non-elected PEs block egress BUM delivery

