

Cisco SD-Access Transit: Advanced Design Principles

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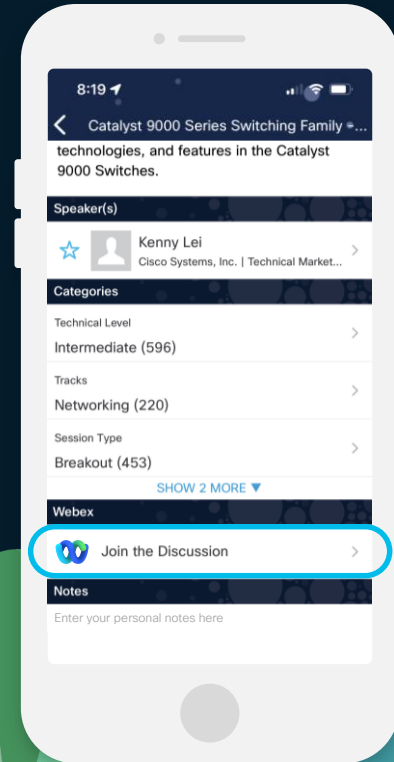
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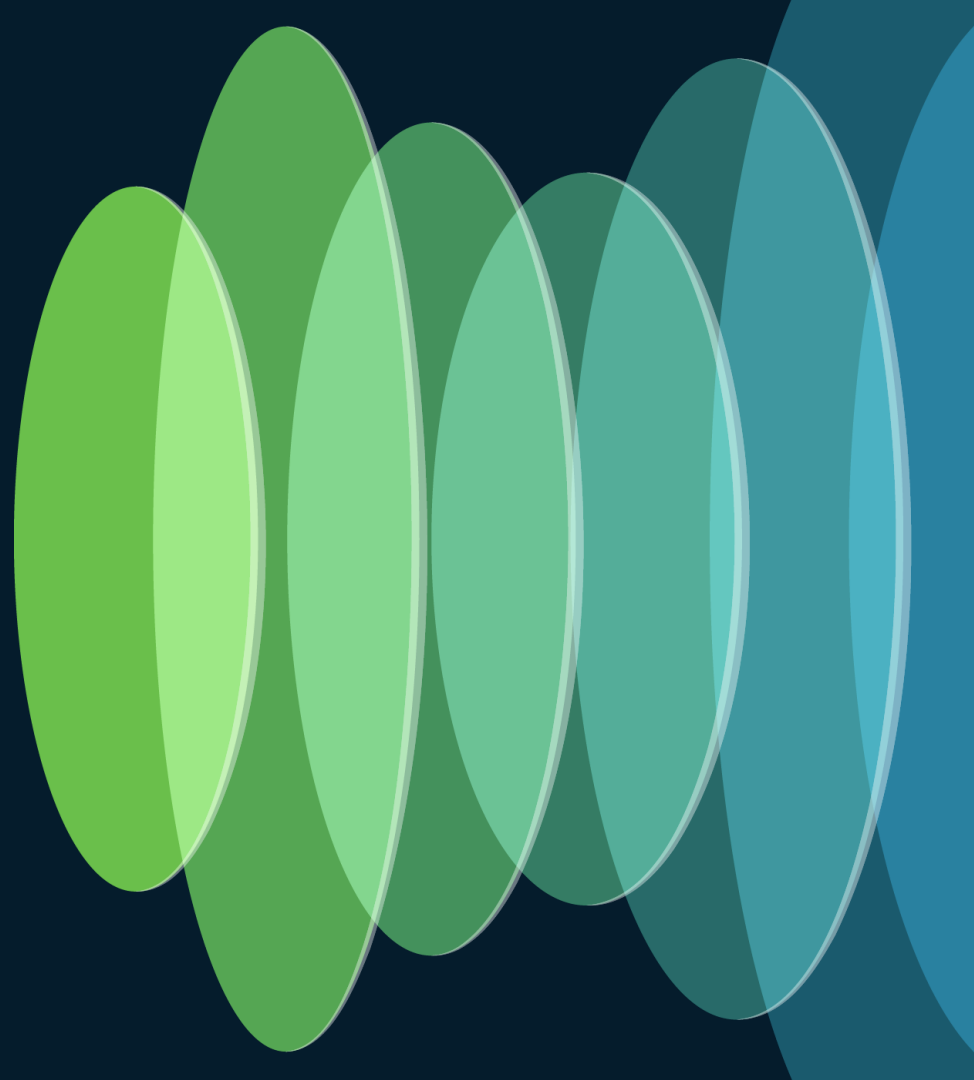




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Introduction



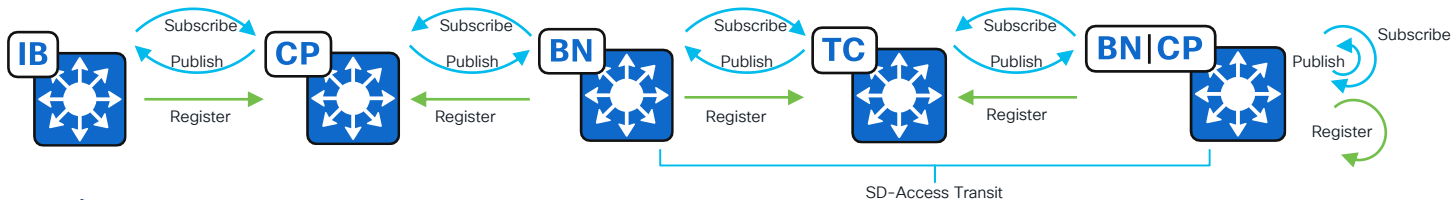
Orientation

- Please note the abstract for this presentation said “Attendees are advised to be familiar with the introductory material discussed in [BRKENS-2810](#) and [BRKENS-2811](#) before attending this session”
- For those wanting to study LISP later:
 - [BRKENS-2828 - LISP Architecture Evolution - New Capabilities Enabling SD-Access](#)
- There are additional slides in the PDF accompanying this presentation marked with a “For your Reference” symbol:



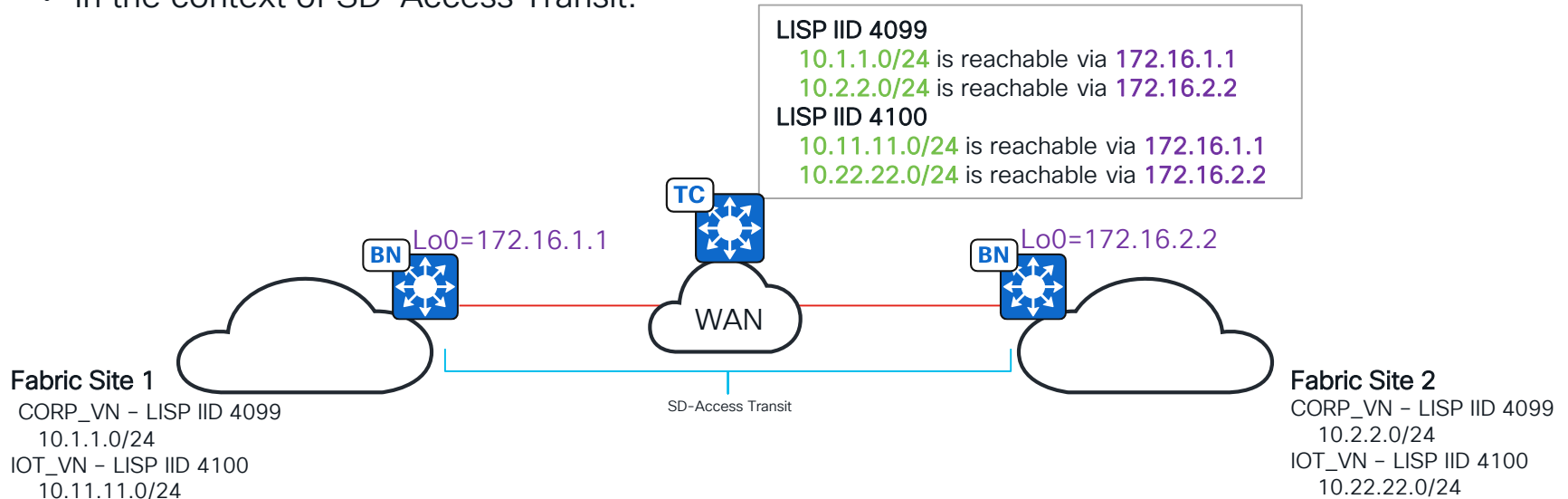
The Context is LISP Publish / Subscribe

- This presentation focuses on the LISP Pub/Sub control plane architecture. Ideas presented may not apply to LISP/BGP.
- Border Nodes:
 - Subscribe to IPv4 and IPv6 reachability information.
 - Register Endpoint IDs.
 - May send map-requests, if there's an Extranet Policy.
- Control Plane Nodes
 - Receive and store Endpoint ID registrations.
 - Publish reachability information to subscribers.
 - May resolve Border Node map-requests, if there's an Extranet Policy.



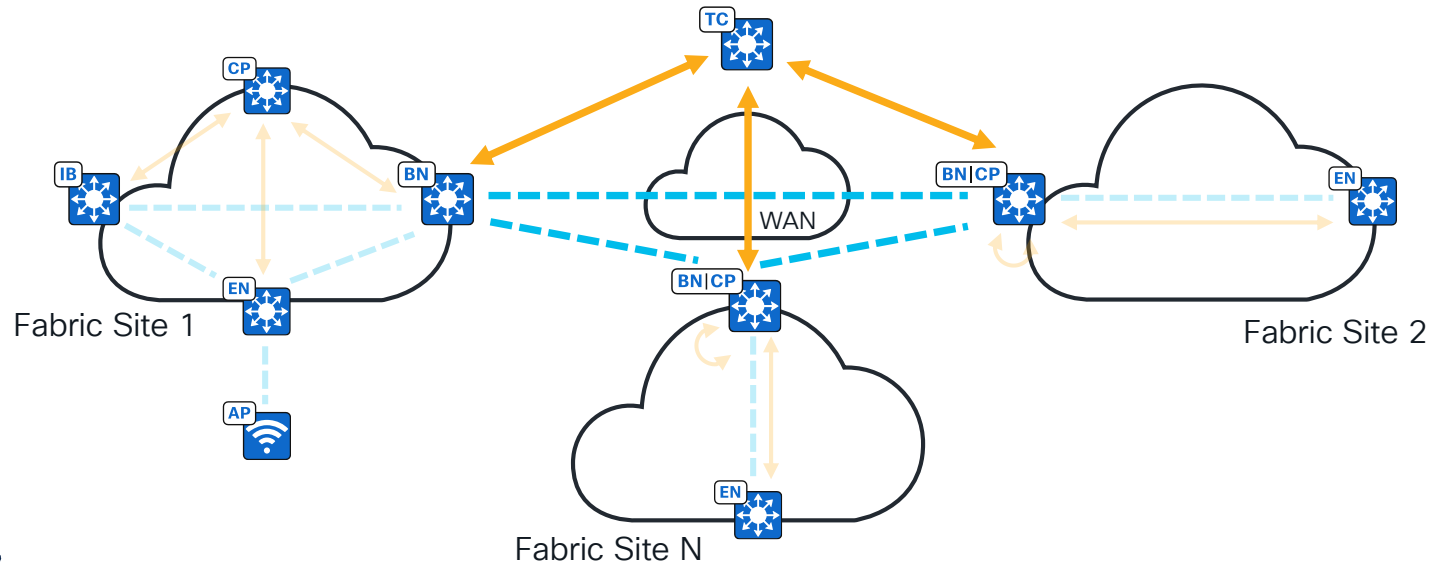
LISP Fundamentals

- LISP is an acronym for Locator ID Separation Protocol.
- An **EID** (Endpoint ID) is mapped to an **RLOC** (Routing Locator).
- An **EID** can be many things: MAC address, IPv4/IPv6 host routes, IPv4/IPv6 summary routes, or network services like default ETR (default route).
- In the context of SD-Access Transit:



What is an SD-Access Transit?

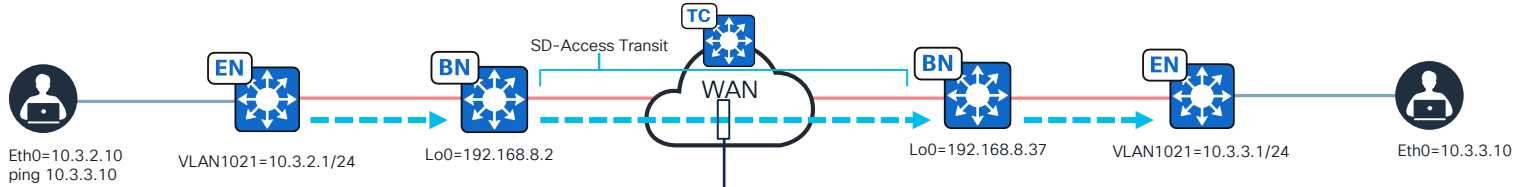
- Catalyst Center automated **LISP/VXLAN** overlays between Fabric Sites that:
 1. Route between Layer 3 Virtual Networks (L3VN) in different Fabric Sites.
 2. Preserve macro-segmentation context (L3VN).
 3. Preserve micro-segmentation context (SGT).



SD-Access Transit Control Plane Node

- Peers LISP with all External Border Nodes connected to the SD-Access Transit.
- Must be a dedicated device, not co-located with other fabric roles.
- 1-4 Transit Control Plane Nodes (TC) per Pub/Sub SD-Access Transit.
- Tracks Fabric Site summary routes and imported routes, does not track endpoint host routes.
 - Example: 10 Fabric Sites with an aggregate of 100 IPv4 Anycast Gateways and 100,000 IPv4 endpoints = 100 summary routes registered to TC.
- Does not need to be in the traffic forwarding path. TC is a LISP database, not a packet forwarder.
- Recommended to use Catalyst 9000 switch from [SD-Access Compatibility Matrix](#) as TC. Switches offer maximum feature flexibility. Routers cannot support Extranet Policy.

SD-Access Transit VXLAN Breakdown



```

+14B > Frame 1: 148 bytes on wire (1184 bits), 148 bytes captured (1184 bits) on interface /tmp/epc_ws/wif_to_ts_pipe, id 0
      > Ethernet II, Src: 00:00:00_00:00:00 (00:00:00:00:00:00), Dst: 00:00:00_00:00:00 (00:00:00:00:00:00)
      > Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.8.2, Dst: 192.168.8.37
      0100 .... = Version: 4
      .... 0101 = Header Length: 20 bytes (5)
      > Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP: CS0, ECN: Not-ECT)
      Total Length: 134
      Identification: 0x0232 (562)
      > 010. .... = Flags: 0x2, Don't fragment
        0... .... = Reserved bit: Not set
        .1.. .... = Don't fragment: Set
        ..0. .... = More fragments: Not set
        ...0 0000 0000 0000 = Fragment Offset: 0
      Time to Live: 62
      Protocol: UDP (17)
      Header Checksum: 0xa8bd [validation disabled]
      [Header checksum status: Unverified]
      Source Address: 192.168.8.2
      Destination Address: 192.168.8.37
+20B > User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 65483, Dst Port: 4789
      > Virtual eXtensible Local Area Network
      > Flags: 0x8800, GBP Extension, VXLAN Network ID (VNI)
      Group Policy ID: 19
      VXLAN Network Identifier (VNI): 4101
      Reserved: 0
+8B > Ethernet II, Src: 00:00:00_00:39:85 (00:00:00:00:39:85), Dst: ba:25:cd:f4:ad:38 (ba:25:cd:f4:ad:38)
+8B > Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.3.2.10, Dst: 10.3.3.10
      > Internet Control Message Protocol
  
```

Don't Fragment = True

VXLAN Source IP

VXLAN Destination IP (RLOC)

SGT ID

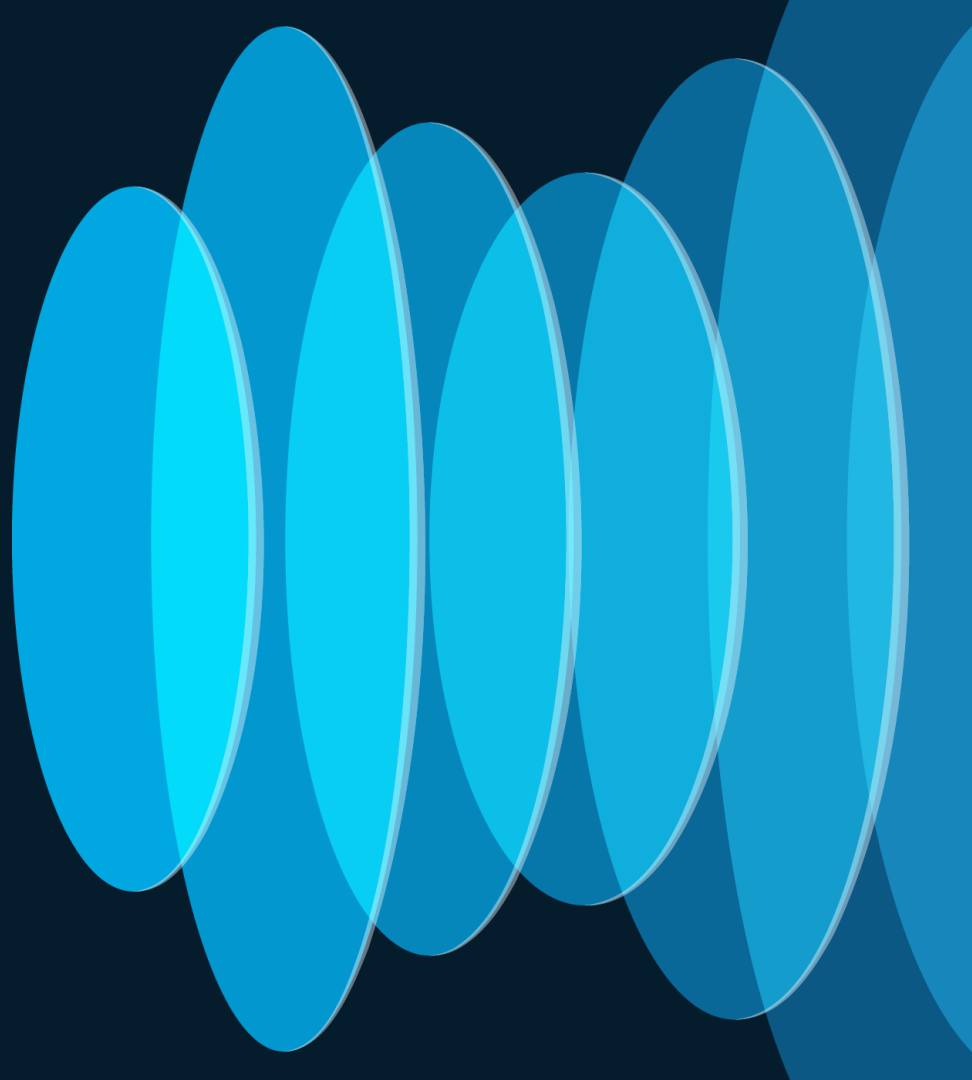
Layer 3 Virtual Network

Original Packet Source IP

Original Packet Destination IP

Original Packet Payload

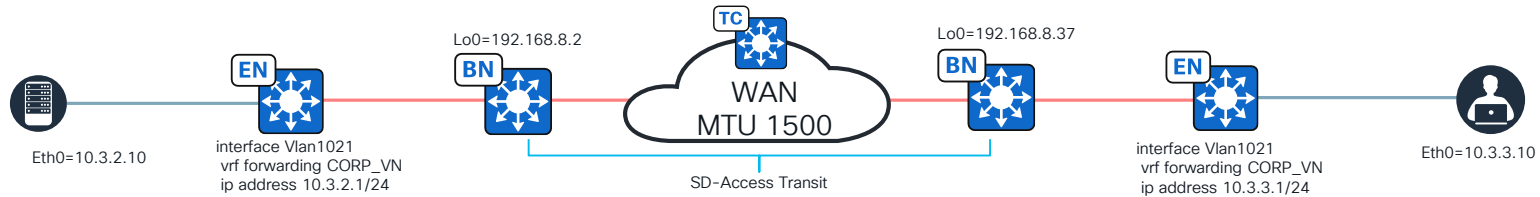
Underlay MTU



Underlay MTU

- All VXLAN has DF bit set as per RFC 7348.
- Underlay (GRT) MTU must accommodate VXLAN encapsulation overhead.
- VXLAN packets that exceed underlay MTU will be silently dropped from the perspective of the originating endpoint.

Consequence of Insufficient Underlay MTU



1. Get somefile.iso from 10.3.2.10

2. Send first fragment of requested file in a 1500B packet to 10.3.3.10

3. Lookup packet destination in CORP_VN

4. Encapsulate in VXLAN, send 1550B packet (DF=1) to 192.168.8.2 in underlay

5. Decapsulate VXLAN

6. Lookup original packet destination in CORP_VN

7. Encapsulate in VXLAN (DF=1), send 1550B packet to 192.168.8.37 in underlay

8. Packet exceeds WAN MTU. DF is bit set, send ICMP T3C4 (Destination Unreachable, Fragmentation Required) to 192.168.8.2

9. 192.168.8.2 receives ICMP T3C4 in underlay. The originating endpoint (10.3.2.10 in CORP_VN) not reachable in underlay. ICMP T3C4 dropped.



Don't Change the Ingress SVI MTU Configuration

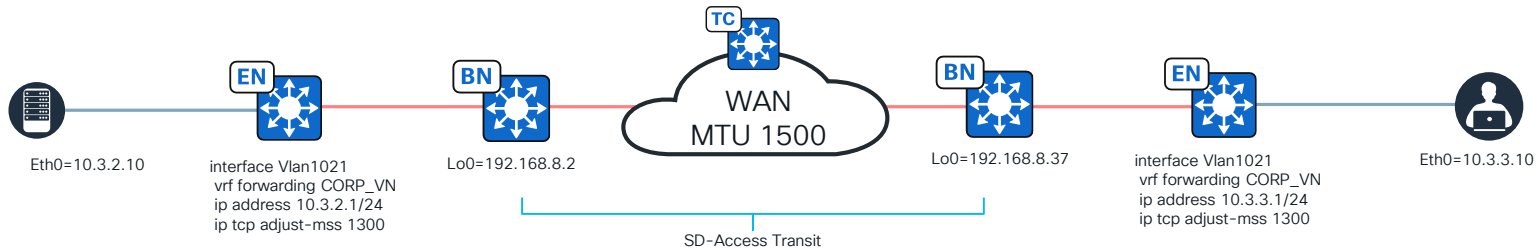
- Do not configure “ip mtu” on overlay ingress SVIs, it will not fragment oversized packets and it will not generate ICMP T3C4 (Destination Unreachable, Fragmentation Required) in response to endpoint Path MTU Discovery attempts.

```
!FABRIC_EDGE_NODE
!  
interface Vlan1021  
  description Configured from Cisco Catalyst Center  
  mac-address 0000.0c9f.f8d5  
  vrf forwarding CORP_VN  
  ip address 10.3.2.1 255.255.255.0  
  ip helper-address 172.31.24.31  
  no ip redirects  
  ip route-cache same-interface  
  no lisp mobility liveness test  
  lisp mobility IOT_VN_VLAN-IPV4  
  ip mtu 1500      << NOT configured by Catalyst Center. Not helpful to add manually.
```

TCP MSS Adjustment

- Restricts TCP packet size to accommodate restrictive underlay MTUs.
- Automated by Catalyst Center 2.3.7 and later:
 1. On selected Anycast Gateways, for traffic to/from endpoints connected to fabric.
 2. On Border Node Layer 3 Handoff IP handoff interfaces, for traffic in/out of a Layer 3 Handoff.
- MSS Adjust can be templated if granularity is desirable, or version is < 2.3.7.
- If a packet crosses multiple interfaces with MSS Adjust configured, then the lowest value is selected. MSS Adjust does not increase MSS.
- MSS Adjust applies to ingress traffic on a given routed interface.

TCP MSS Adjustment



1. Get somefile.iso from 10.3.2.10
2. TCP MSS adjusted down to 1300

3. Send first fragment of requested file in TCP to 10.3.3.10.
Original Packet size ~1334B
(TCP <=1300B + IP 20B + Ethernet 14B)

3. Lookup packet destination
4. Encapsulate in VLXAN (+50B), send ~1384B packet to 192.168.8.2

5. Decapsulate VXLAN
6. Lookup original packet destination in CORP_VN
7. Encapsulate in VXLAN (DF=1), send ~1384B packet to 192.168.8.37 in underlay

8. Standard SD-Access forwarding

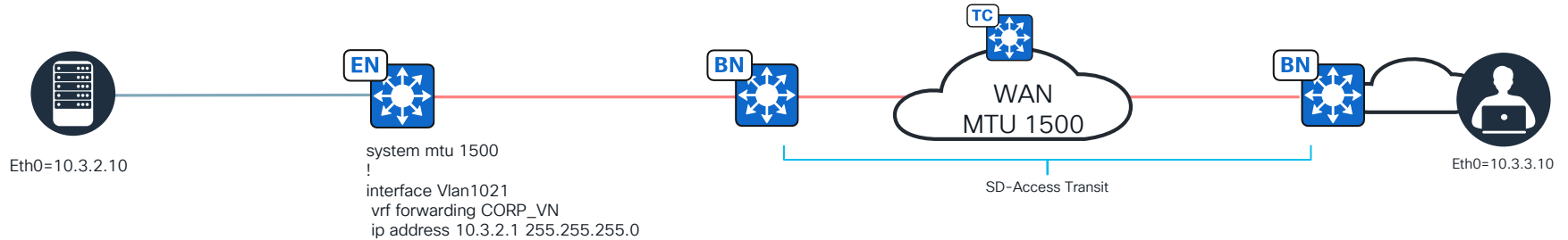
Path MTU Discovery

- PMTUD is implemented by the endpoint to “Discover” the lowest MTU between source and destination.
- Applicable to all upper layer encapsulations (UDP, ICMP, TCP, etc.) riding in IP.
- The packet originator sets IP header DF=1 (Do Not Fragment).
- The ingress SD-Access Fabric Node:
 - Calculates the VXLAN encapsulated packet size.
 - Sends ICMP T3C4 (Destination Unreachable, Fragmentation Required) to packet originator if encapsulated size exceeds Fabric Node egress MTU.
- Fabric Node egress MTU is defined by either a switch system MTU or IP MTU on L3 LISP interface.

```
!FABRIC_EDGE_NODE
!  
system mtu 1500
```

```
!FABRIC_EDGE_NODE
!  
interface LISP0.4099  
vrf forwarding CORP_VN  
ip mtu 1500  
interface LISP0.4101  
vrf forwarding IOT_VN  
ip mtu 1500
```

Path MTU Discovery



1. Send 1500B packet with DF=1 packet to 10.3.3.10



2. Calculate encapsulated VXLAN packet size = 1500 + 50 = 1550

3. Encapsulated VXLAN packet size > system MTU, send ICMP T3C4 from 10.3.2.1 to 10.3.2.10



4. ICMP T3C4 received, reduce packet size and try again

5. Send smaller packet e.g., 1400B with DF=1 to 10.3.3.10



6. Calculate encapsulated VXLAN packet size = 1400 + 50 = 1450, OK to transmit

7. Encapsulate in VXLAN, send for 1450B packet towards destination

8. Standard SD-Access Transit forwarding



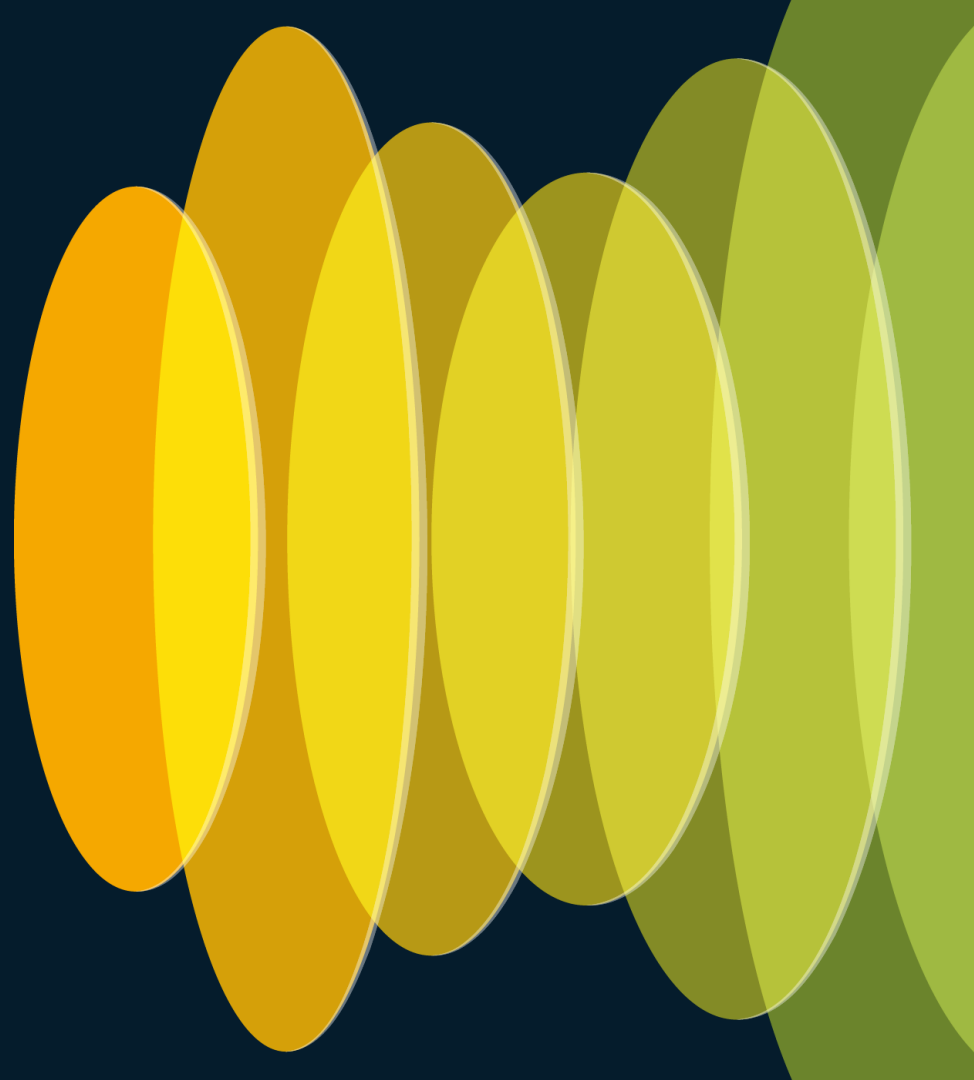
When to use MSS Adjust and PMTUD

- If a network is TCP heavy, then MSS Adjust may be sufficient.
- If network is UDP heavy, then ingress SD-Access switches may need to facilitate PMTUD via system mtu or L3 LISP interface ip mtu.
- If network has a mix of protocols, then both may be necessary.

Great, so the Minimum Underlay MTU is?

- It depends:
 1. On the endpoints. Do they support Path MTU Discovery?
 2. On the applications. Do they generate large packets that exceed the transport MTU?
 3. On the SD-Access fabric configuration. Adjust MSS, System MTU, L3 LISP MTU.
- Theoretically an underlay MTU of 1500B could work with Adjust MSS and PMTUD. There are some basic production deployments with 1500B underlay today.
- Suggested approach:
 - If underlay MTU $\geq 1600B$ then OK to proceed.
 - If underlay MTU $< 1600B$ then pilot, or consult with SD-Access SME. Please share interesting questions or observations with jedolphi@cisco.com or your local Cisco representative.

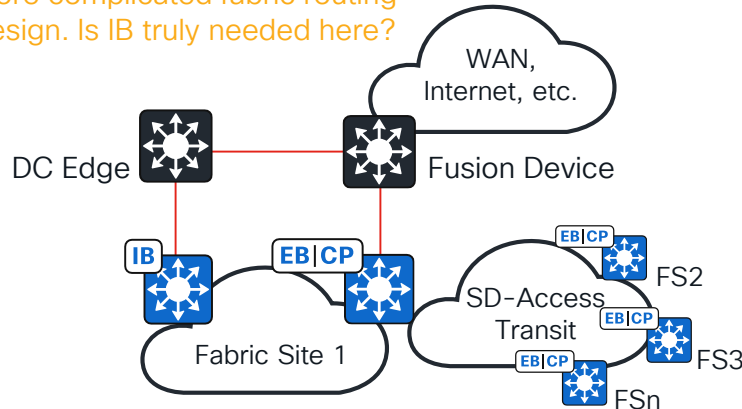
Overlay Route Propagation



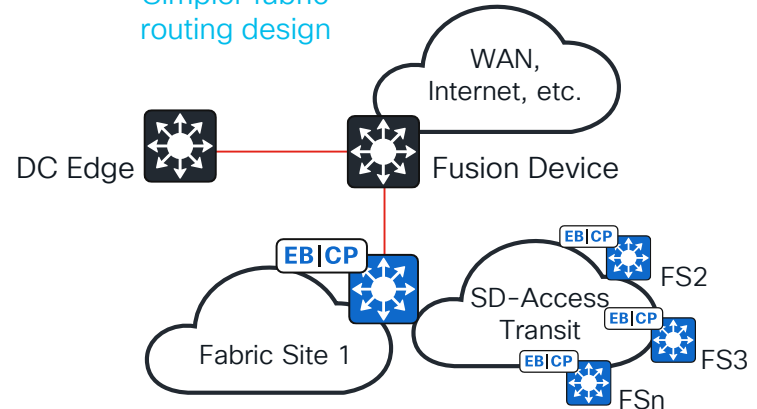
Design for Routing Simplicity

- Make the routing designs as simple as practicable, otherwise you may end up with my hairstyle.

More complicated fabric routing design. Is IB truly needed here?



Simpler fabric routing design



Route Propagation Within the Fabric Domain

Access Networks

Use Case

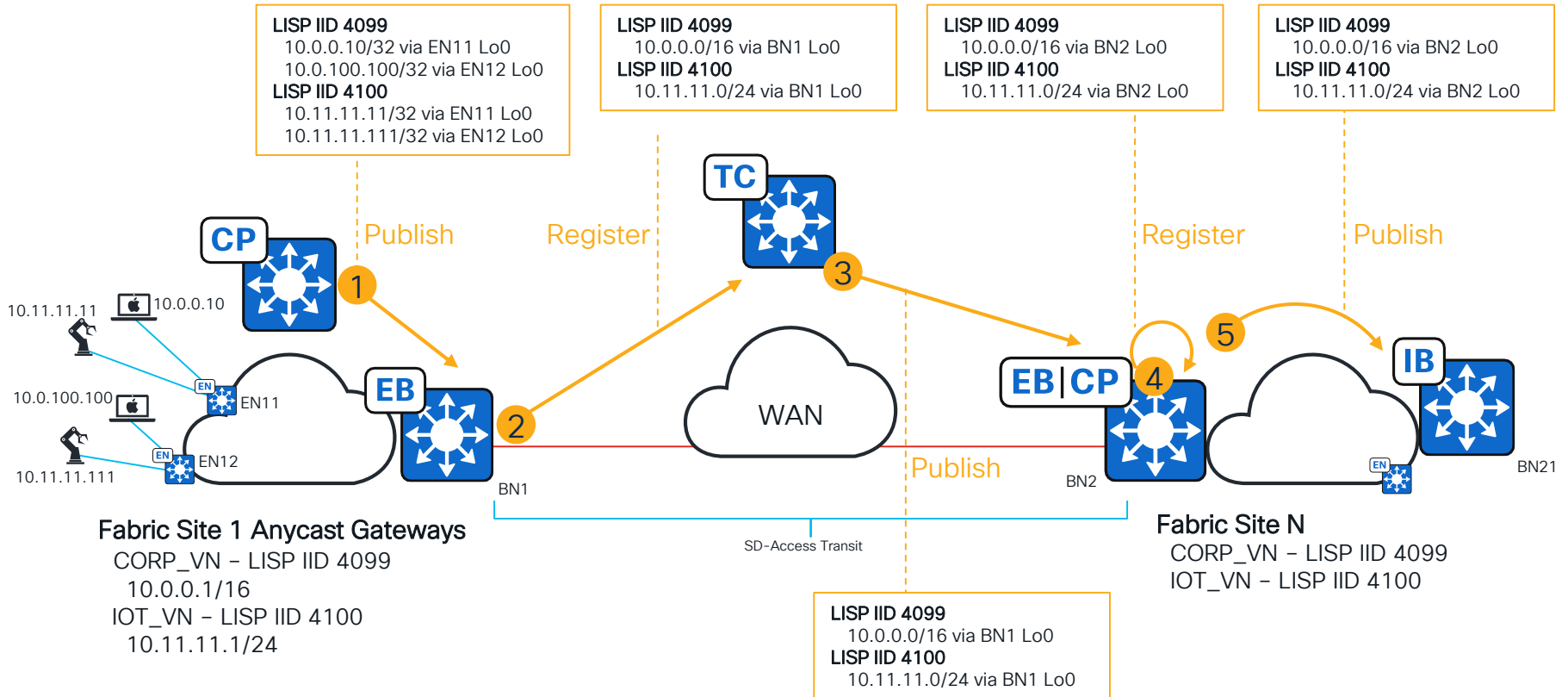
- Site1 endpoints connectivity to SiteN endpoints over SD-Access Transit.

How

- For each L3VN, Site1 Edge Nodes and Fabric WLCs register Endpoint IDs (MAC, IPv4, IPv6) to Site1 CP.
- Site1 CP publishes IPv4 and IPv6 Endpoint IDs to Site1 External Border Nodes and Internal Border Nodes.
- Site1 External Border Nodes register Endpoint ID summary routes to SD-Access Transit CP.
- Transit CP publishes summary routes to SiteN External Border Nodes.
- SiteN External Border Nodes register summary routes to SiteN CP.
- SiteN CP publishes summary routes to SiteN Internal Border Nodes.

Route Propagation Within the Fabric Domain

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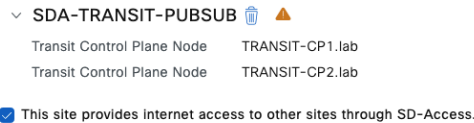
Default Routes

Use Case

- Make Site1 L3VN default route available within Site1 and optionally in SiteN over SD-Access Transit.

How

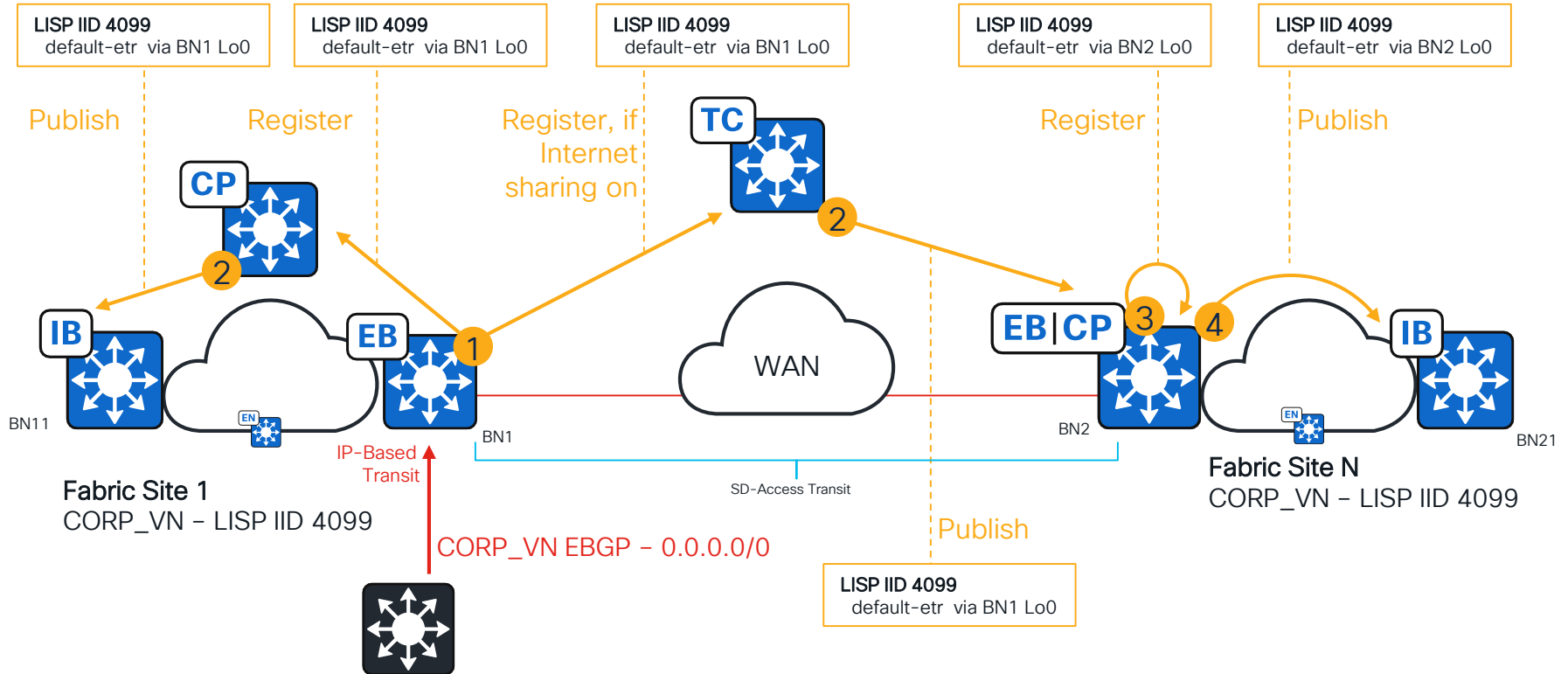
- For each Site1 External Border Node L3VN with 0/0 or ::/0 in RIB, default-etr is registered to the Site1 CP.
- If Internet (default route) sharing is enabled on the Site1 External Border Nodes, then default-etr is registered to Transit CP. 



- Transit CP publishes default-etr to SiteN External Border Nodes.
- SiteN External Border Nodes register default-etr to SiteN CP.
- SiteN CP publishes default-etr to SiteN Internal Border Nodes.

Route Propagation Within the Fabric Domain

Default Routes



Route Propagation Within the Fabric Domain

Imported Routes

Use Case

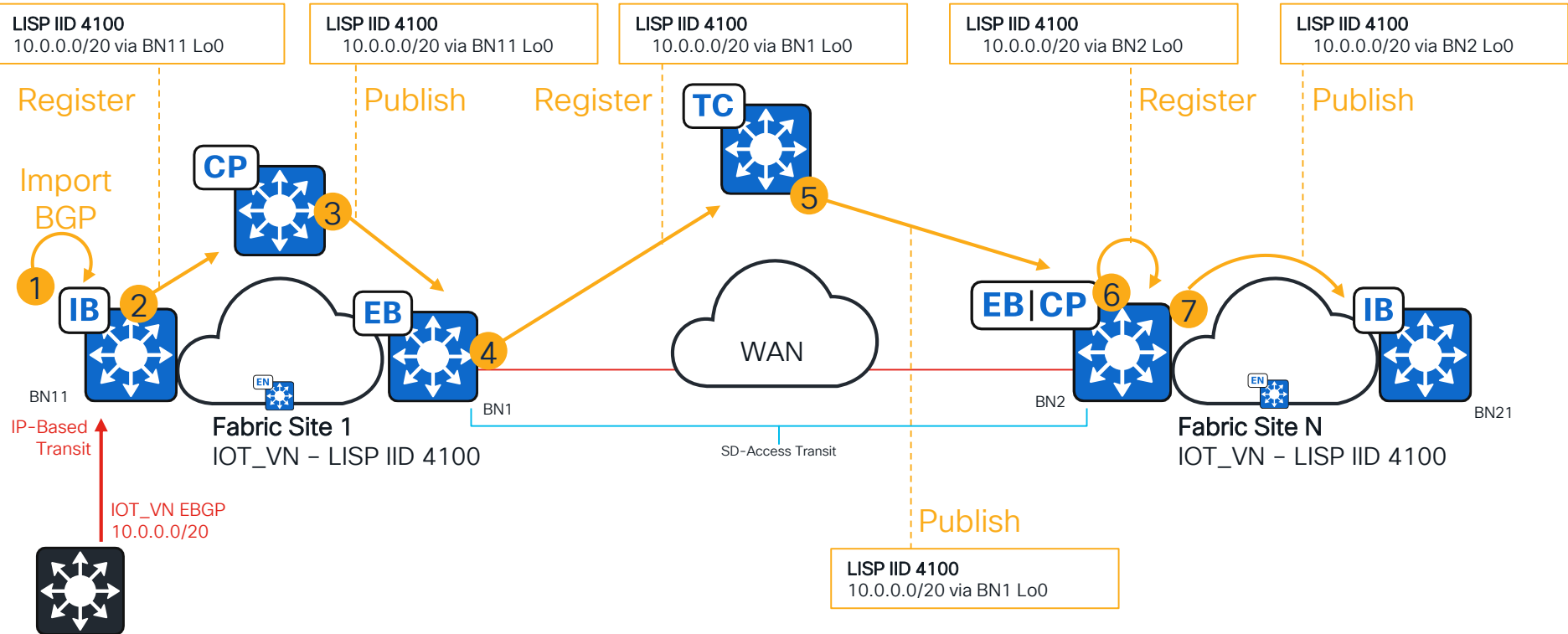
- Import non-default EBGP routes into Site1 for longest-match traffic steering in Site1 and SiteN over SD-Access Transit.

How

- For each L3VN, Site1 Internal Border Nodes import non-default EBGP IPv4 and IPv6 routes into LISP, and register imported routes to Site1 CP.
- Site1 CP publishes imported routes to Site1 External Border Nodes.
- Site1 External Border Nodes register imported routes to Transit CP.
- Transit CP publishes imported routes to SiteN External Border Nodes.
- SiteN External Border Nodes register imported routes to SiteN CP.
- SiteN CP publishes imported routes to SiteN Internal Border Nodes.

Route Propagation Within the Fabric

Imported Routes



Route Propagation to Outside the Fabric Domain

Access Networks

Use Case

- Make endpoints in Site1 reachable to EBGP routing domains outside Site1 and SiteN.

How

- All Border Nodes peering EBGP in Layer 3 Virtual Networks will automatically originate summary routes for SD-Access Anycast Gateways.

```
!BORDER_NODE
router bgp <ASN>
...
address-family ipv4 vrf CORP_VN
...
aggregate-address 10.1.0.0 255.255.255.0 summary-only attribute-map SET_FABRIC_SUBNET_COMMUNITY
redistribute lisp metric 10 route-map LISP_TO_BGP
neighbor 172.29.4.49 remote-as 65125
neighbor 172.29.4.49 update-source Vlan236
neighbor 172.29.4.49 activate
neighbor 172.29.4.49 send-community both
neighbor 172.29.4.49 weight 65535
neighbor 172.29.4.49 route-map DROP_FABRIC_ROUTES in
exit-address-family
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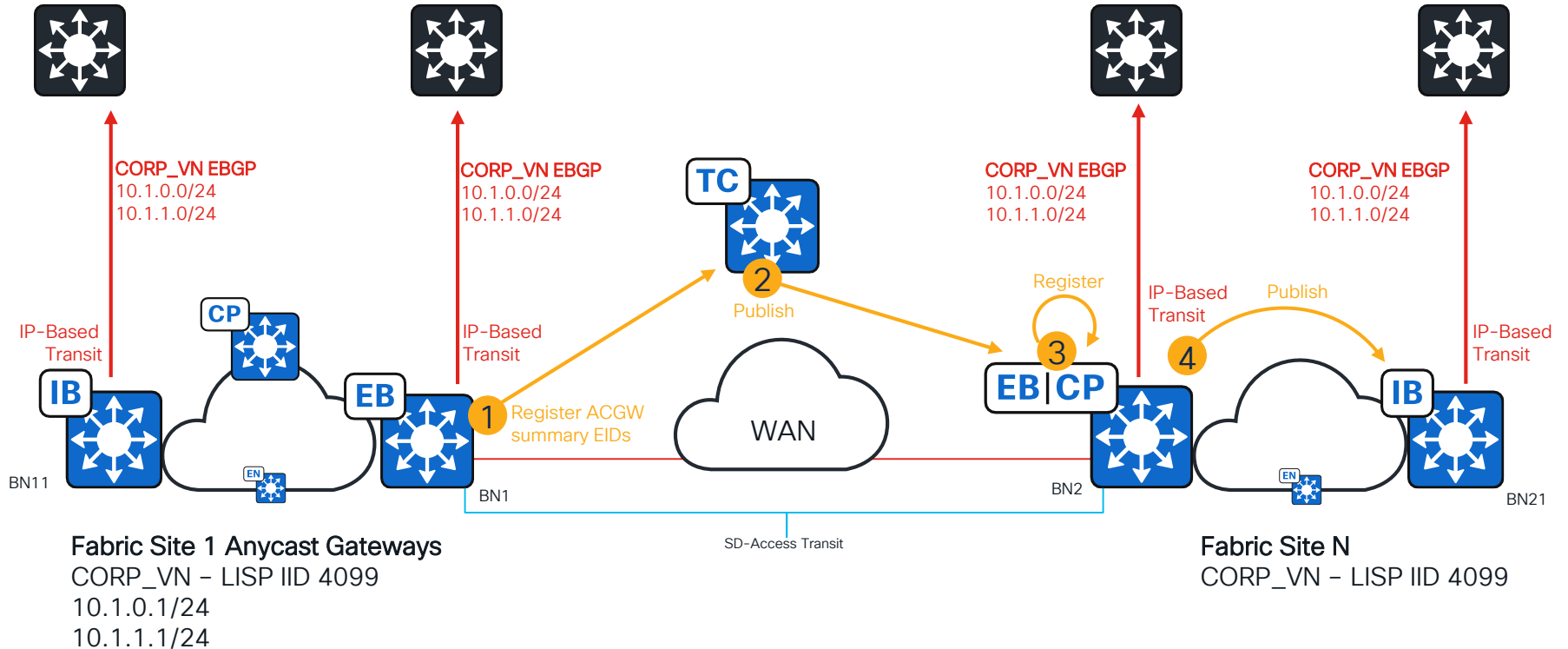
Summary route for local Fabric Site ACGW.

Summary routes for remote ACGWs in Fabric Sites connected to SD-Access Transit.

EBGP peer outside the fabric, aka IP-Based Transit.

Route Propagation to Outside the Fabric Domain

Access Networks



Route Propagation to Outside the Fabric Domain

Default Route

Use Case

- EBGW routing domains outside the fabric need to use an SD-Access Fabric Site as a default route.

How

- Template EBGW default-originate on targeted Border Nodes.
- Design carefully, multiple default routes may lead to unpredictable routing outcomes.

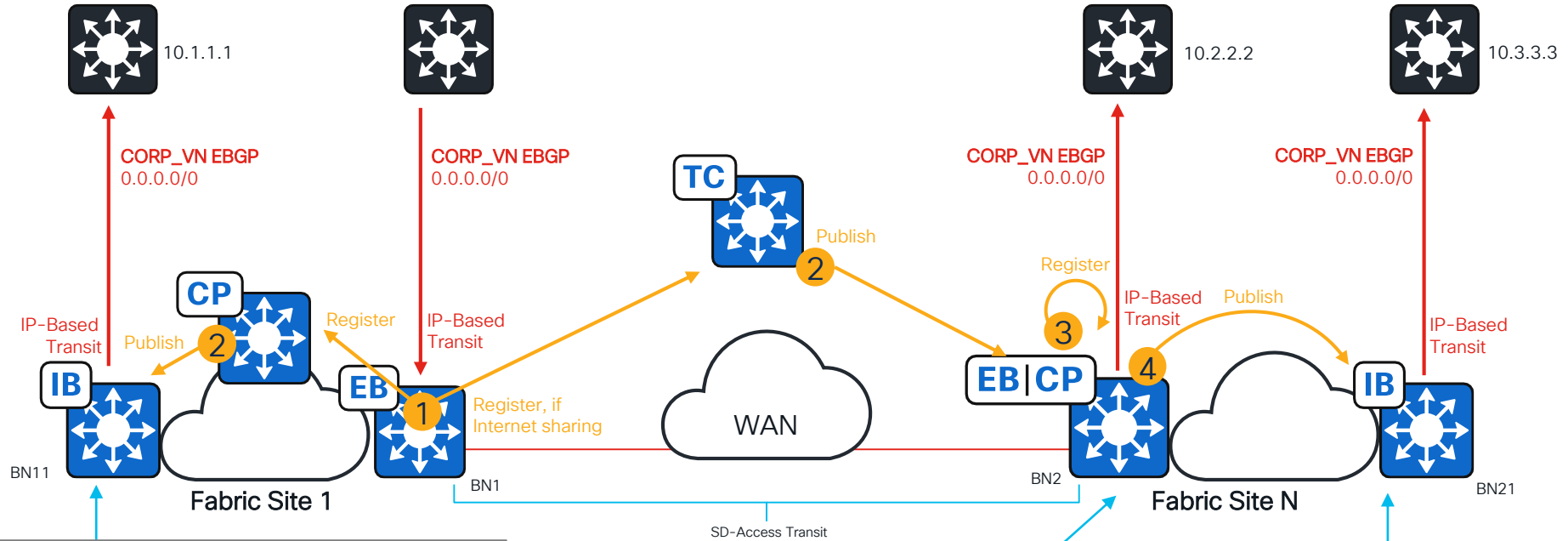
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neighbor 172.29.4.49 weight 65535
neighbor 172.29.4.49 route-map DROP_FABRIC_ROUTES in
neighbor 172.29.4.49 default-information originate
exit-address-family
```

EBGW peer outside the fabric, aka IP-Based Transit

Extra command added by Catalyst Center template

Route Propagation to Outside the Fabric Domain

Default Route



```
router bgp <ASN>  
address-family ipv4 vrf CORP_VN  
neighbor 10.1.1.1 default-information originate
```

```
router bgp <ASN>  
address-family ipv4 vrf CORP_VN  
neighbor 10.2.2.2 default-information originate
```

```
router bgp <ASN>  
address-family ipv4 vrf CORP_VN  
neighbor 10.3.3.3 default-information originate
```



Route Propagation Through the Fabric Domain

Transport between External BGP Autonomous Systems

Use Case

- An EBGP domain connected to SiteN requires connectivity to an EBGP domain connected to Site1 Internal Border Nodes.

How

- SD-Access configuration models do not allow EBGP -> LISP -> EBGP because it eliminates BGP AS Path, which may create BGP loops. It also removes other BGP attributes e.g. communities.
- External BGP route propagation over a Fabric Site, or over SD-Access Transit, is parallel to LISP.
- Within any given Fabric Site a BGP route reflector is automated by Catalyst Center.

Route Propagation Through the Fabric Domain

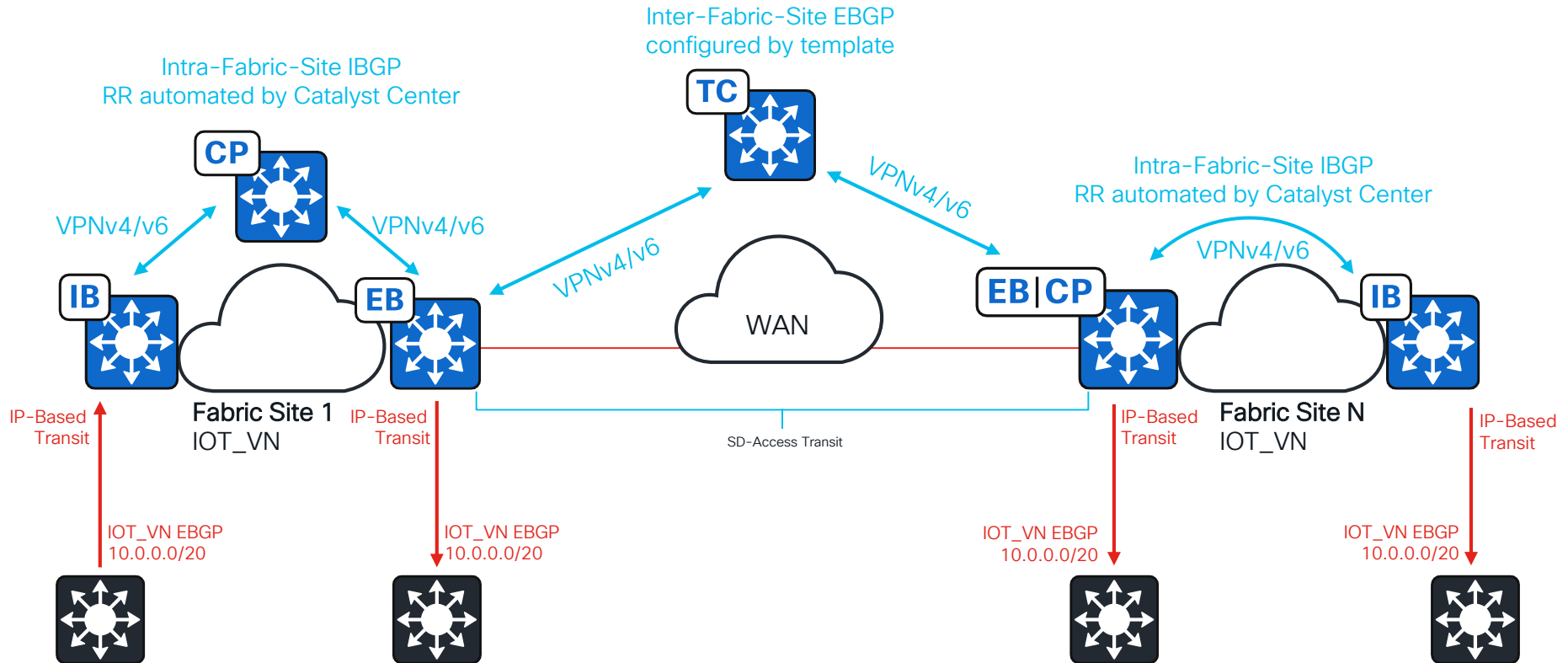
Transport between External BGP Autonomous Systems

How

- Between Fabric Sites connected to SD-Access Transit, if EBGP route propagation is required, then manually template VPNv4/v6 EBGP from External Border Nodes and the SD-Access Transit CPs (TC), or between External Border Nodes and non-Fabric EBGP concentrators.
 - Minimum Catalyst Center version 2.3.7.3.
 - Other VPNv4/v6 EBGP topologies are also possible. Too many permutations to list, please consult an SD-Access SME if variations are necessary.
- Do not modify BGP configuration commands deployed by Catalyst Center, templates should build on the Catalyst Center baseline configurations.
- If unsure, please consult with an SD-Access SME.

Route Propagation Through the Fabric Domain

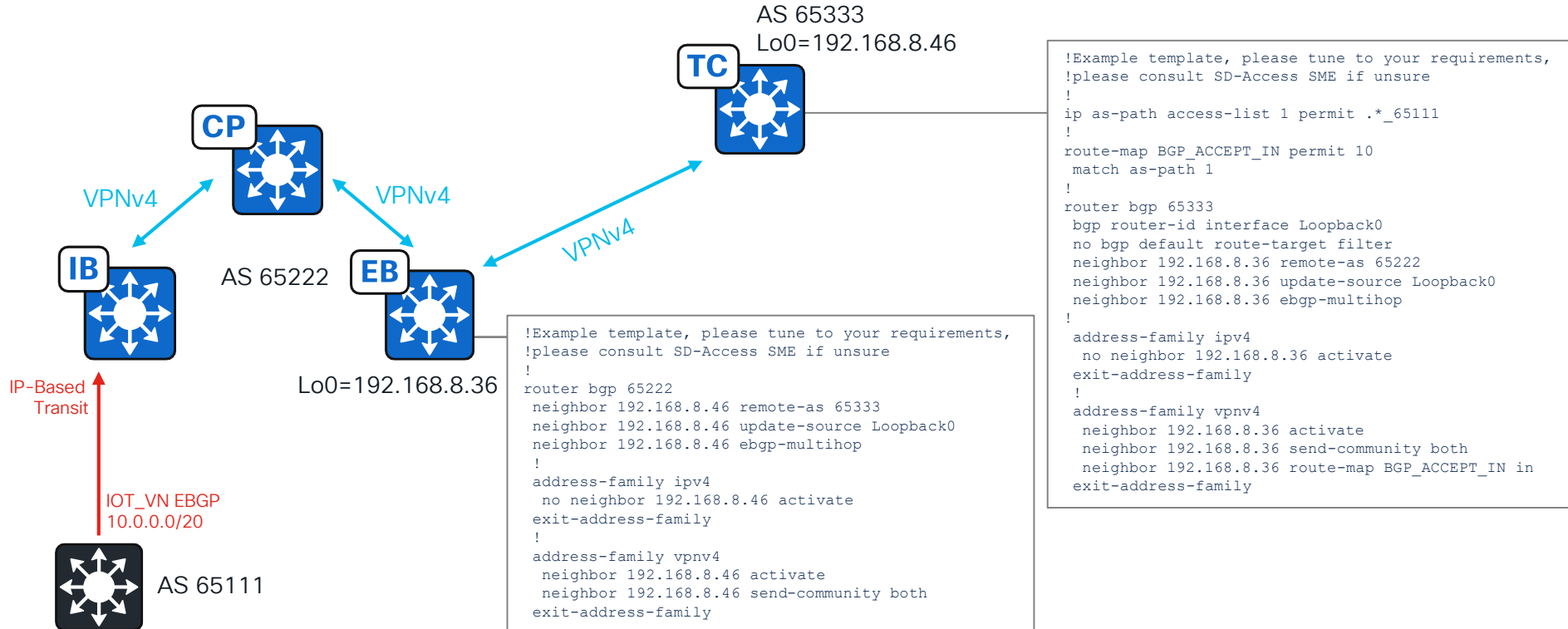
Example: Transport between External BGP Autonomous Systems



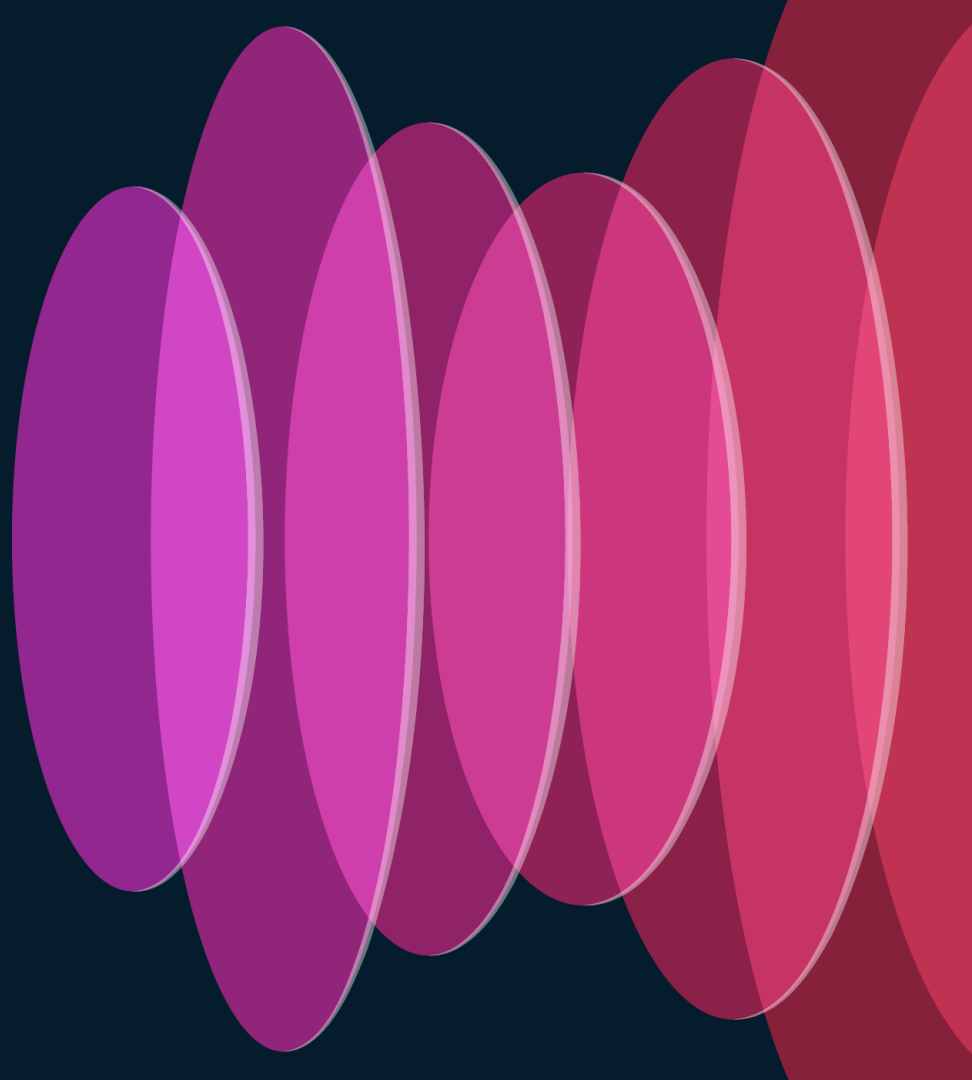
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Example: Transport between External BGP Autonomous Systems



Overlay Routing Rules and Features



Intra-Fabric Site Fast Overlay Convergence

- Overlay convergence times are entirely dependent on the underlay (GRT) IGP performance.
- Underlay should have /32 RLOC and Control Plane Node Lo0 routes.
- On Edge Nodes, anything less specific than /32 RLOC RIB entries will be ignored in SD-Access 2.3.7.3 and later.
- On Border Nodes, default route will be ignored for RLOC reachability. All other routes are valid, which can make summary routes problematic.

```
!FABRIC_EDGE_NODE
!  
router lisp
```

```
...  
  ipv4 locator reachability minimum-mask-length 32
```

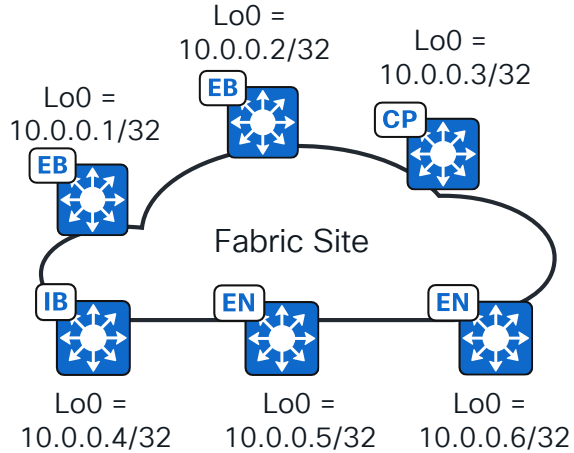
There must be a /32 routes for RLOCs in underlay

```
!BORDER_NODE
!  
router lisp
```

```
...  
  ipv4 locator reachability exclude-default
```

There must be a non-default routes for RLOCs in underlay. RLOC summary routes should not exist if fast convergence is required

Intra-Fabric Site Fast Overlay Convergence



```
INTERMEDIATE_NODE#show ip route ospf (or ISIS, or EIGRP, or static)
O 10.0.0.1 [110/11] via 192.0.2.9, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/10
O 10.0.0.2 [110/11] via 192.0.2.11, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/12
O 10.0.0.3 [110/11] via 192.0.2.13, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/14
O 10.0.0.4 [110/11] via 192.0.2.15, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/16
O 10.0.0.5 [110/11] via 192.0.2.17, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/18
O 10.0.0.6 [110/11] via 192.0.2.19, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/20
O 10.0.0.0/24* [110/11] via 192.0.2.9, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/10
O*E2 0.0.0.0/0 [110/1] via 192.0.2.9, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/10
```

INTERMEDIATE_NODE#


*This will hide a fabric node reload from EB/IB. Overlay traffic may be sent to an RLOC (Lo0) that does not exist, potentially causing unnecessary packet loss.

SD-Access Transit Fast Overlay Convergence

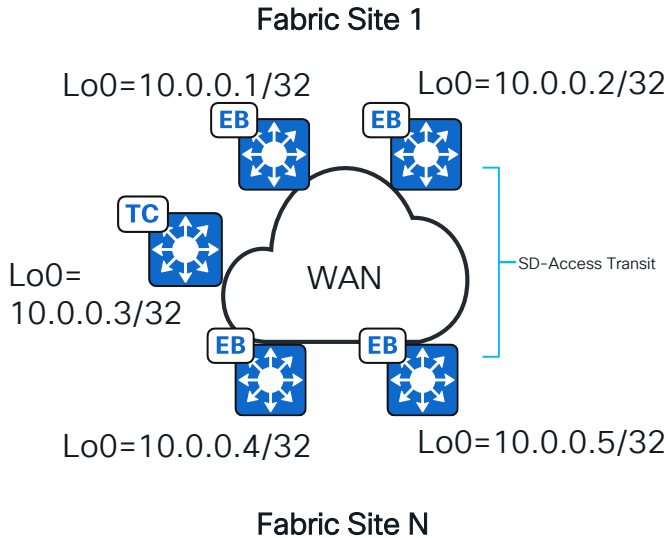
- Overlay convergence times are entirely dependent on the underlay (GRT) IGP performance.
- Underlay between Border Nodes connected to SD-Access Transit should have have /32 Border Node RLOC and Transit Control Plane Node Lo0 routes.
- Edge Node /32s are not required between Fabric Sites, assuming no [Multisite Remote Border](#) (out of scope for this presentation).
- On Border Nodes, summary routes are considered valid for remote BN RLOC reachability, which can make summary routes problematic.

```
!EXTERNAL_BORDER_NODE_CONNECTED_TO_SD-ACCESS_TRANSIT
!  
router lisp  
...  
  ipv4 locator reachability exclude-default
```

There must be non-default routes for SD-Access Transit RLOCs in underlay. RLOC summary routes should not exist if fast convergence required



SD-Access Transit Fast Overlay Convergence



```
WAN_ROUTER#show ip route ospf (or ISIS, or EIGRP, or static, or BGP)
O   10.0.0.1   [110/11] via 192.0.2.1, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/1
O   10.0.0.2   [110/11] via 192.0.2.3, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/3
O   10.0.0.3   [110/11] via 192.0.2.5, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/5
O   10.0.0.4   [110/11] via 192.0.2.7, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/7
O   10.0.0.5   [110/11] via 192.0.2.9, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/9
O   10.0.0.0/24* [110/11] via 192.0.2.1, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/1
O*E2 0.0.0.0/0 [110/1] via 192.0.2.1, 1d00h, HundredGigE1/0/1
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WAN_ROUTER#
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*This will hide an External Border Node failure from other External Border Nodes connected to an SD-Access Transit. If a BN fails then overlay traffic may be sent to an RLOC that does not exist, potentially causing unnecessary packet loss.

Multicast Over SD-Access Transit

- Supported with LISP Pub/Sub, not LISP/BGP.
- Headend replication:
 - Overlay IPv4 multicast encapsulated in underlay IPv4 unicast VXLAN.
 - No multicast routing required in the underlay within Fabric Sites and between Fabric Sites.
 - Underlay Typically simpler to configure and maintain.
- Native replication:
 - Overlay IPv4 multicast encapsulated in underlay IPv4 multicast VXLAN.
 - PIM-SSM required in the underlay within Fabric Sites and between Fabric Sites.
 - More scalable if there are many multicast egress nodes (distributed receivers) connected to the SD-Access Fabric.
- All Fabric Sites sending or receiving Any-Source Multicast over SD-Access Transit should use the same overlay RPs. Talk to an SME for design variations.
- All Fabric Sites sending or receiving ASM or SSM over SD-Access Transit must use the same replication method: Headend or Native.
- More information in [BRKENS-3850 - Demystifying Multicast Operations in a multi-site SD-Access deployment](#)

LISP Next Hop Selection Logic

General notes:

- This section assumes IOS XE 17.12.1 or later.
- By default, Affinity ID is off.
- By default, all LISP priorities are 10.
- If there is multiple equally preferable routes, then traffic is load balanced across all equally preferable RLOCs.

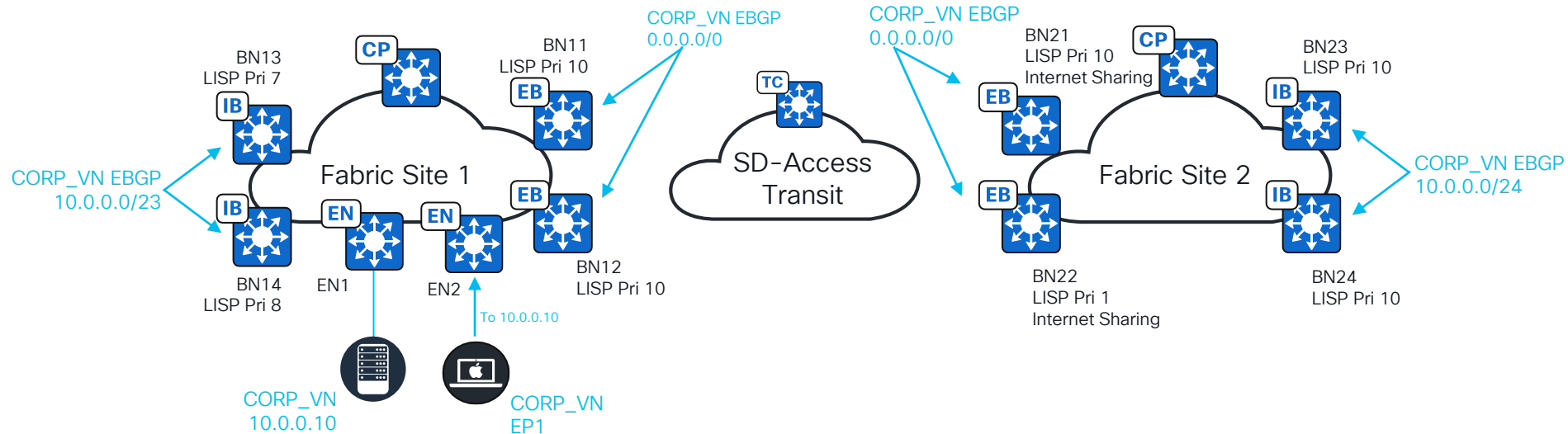
LISP Next Hop Selection Logic

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 - a. Match routes with lowest LISP Priority registered by the local Fabric Site.
 - b. Match routes with lowest LISP Priority learned from SD-Access Transit CP.
2. Match the default routes registered by the local Fabric Site with lowest LISP Priority.
3. Match default routes learned from SD-Access Transit CP with the closest Affinity ID.
4. Match default routes learned from SD-Access Transit CP with the lowest LISP Priority.

Example: LISP Next Hop Selection

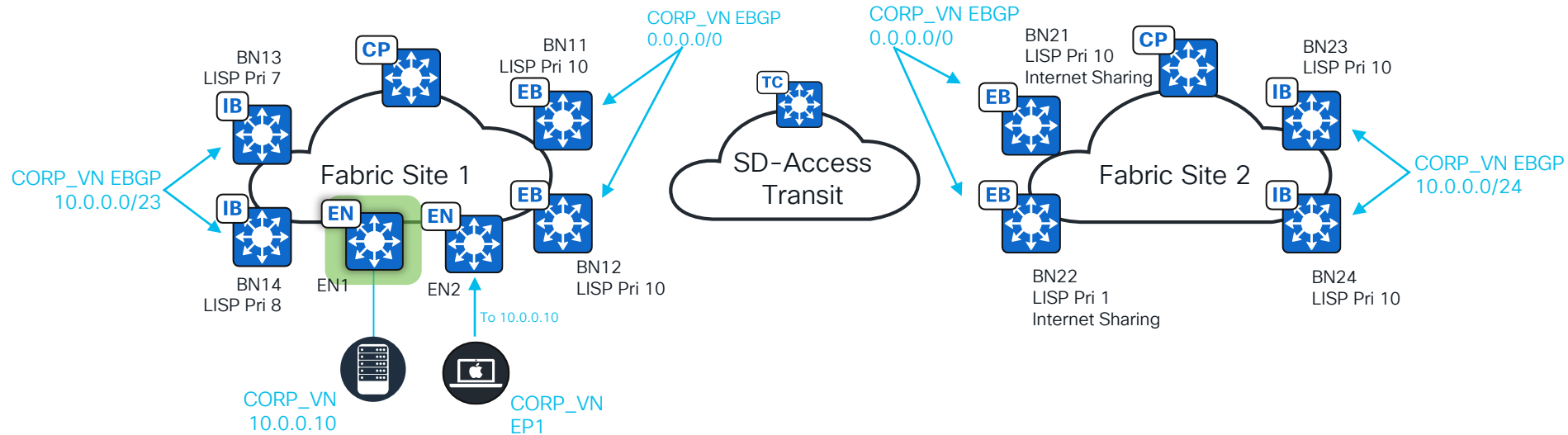
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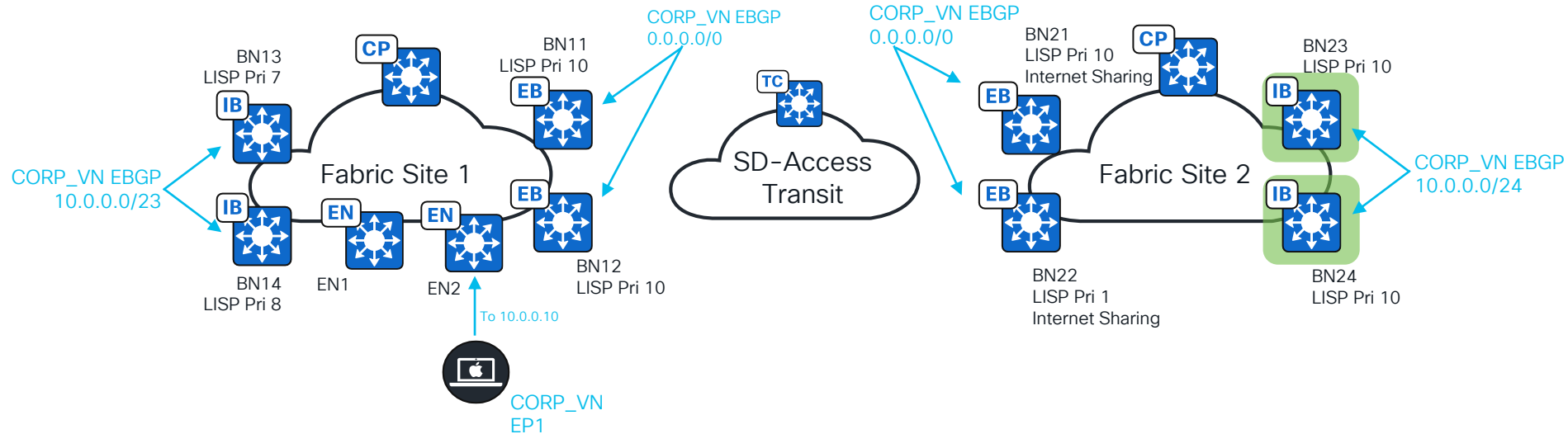
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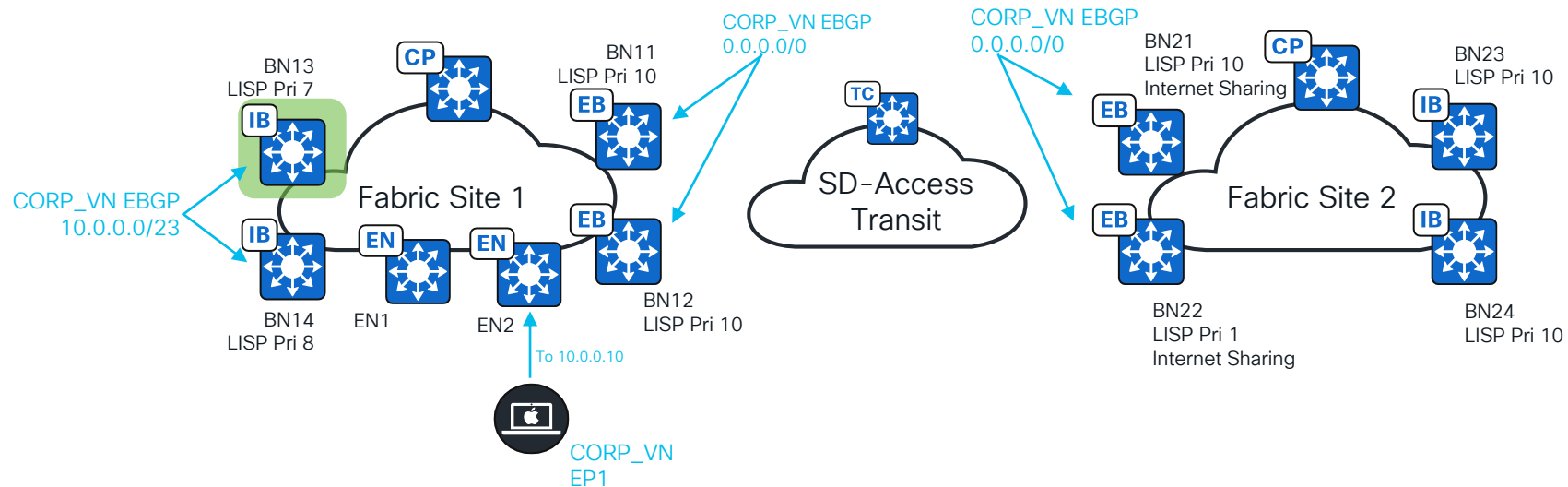
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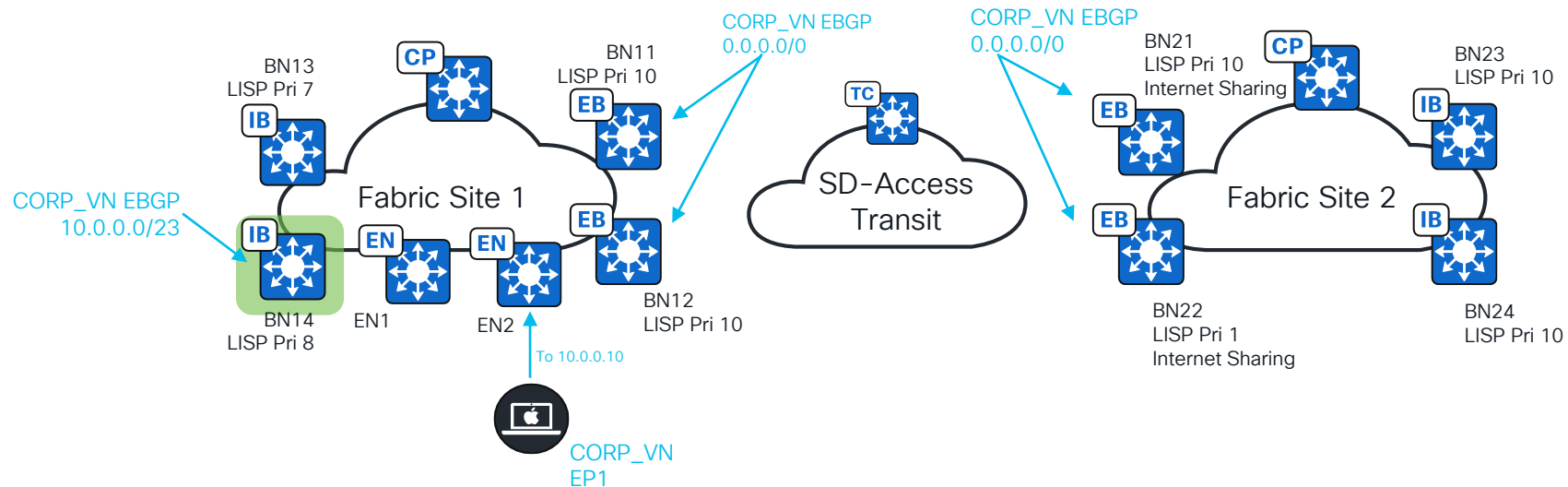
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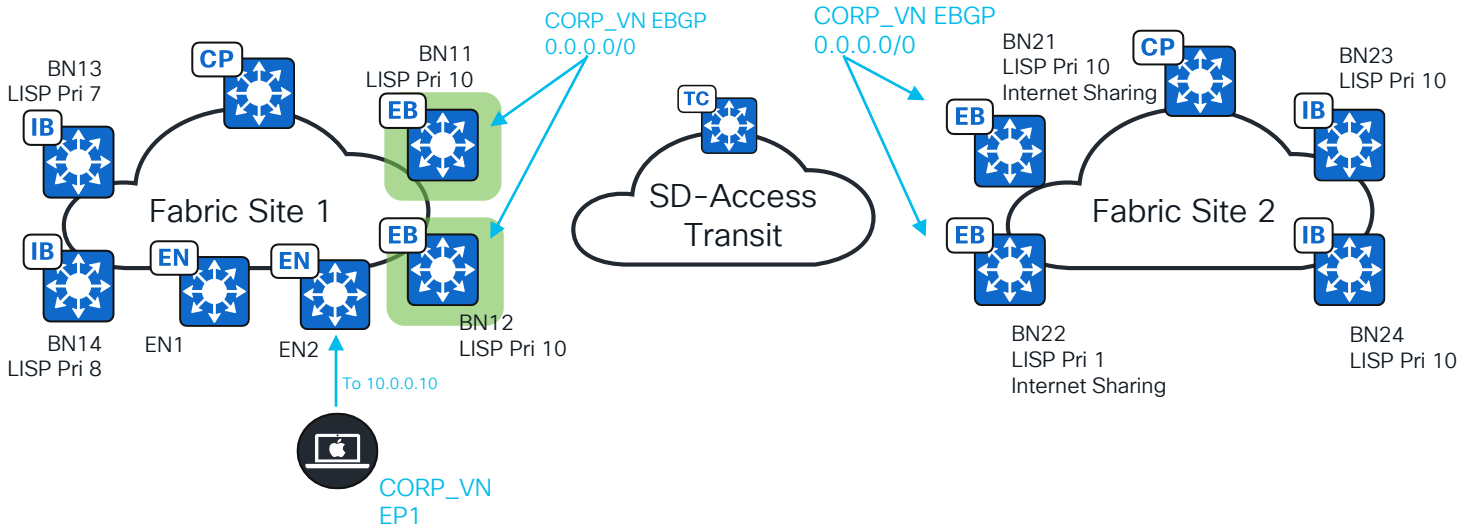
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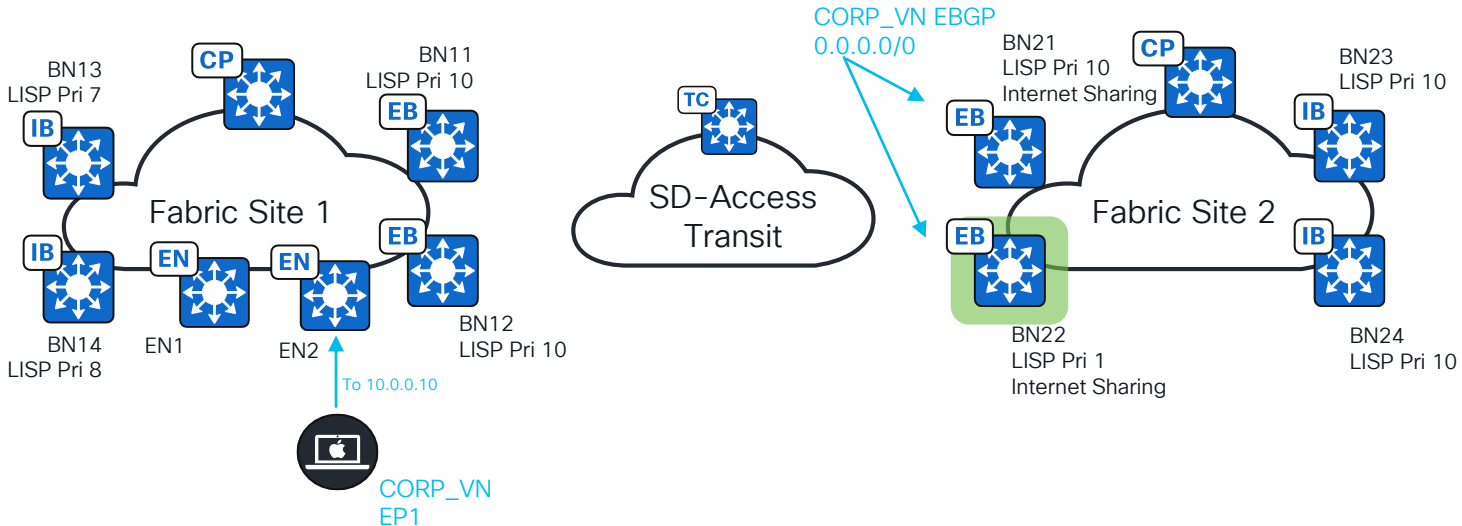
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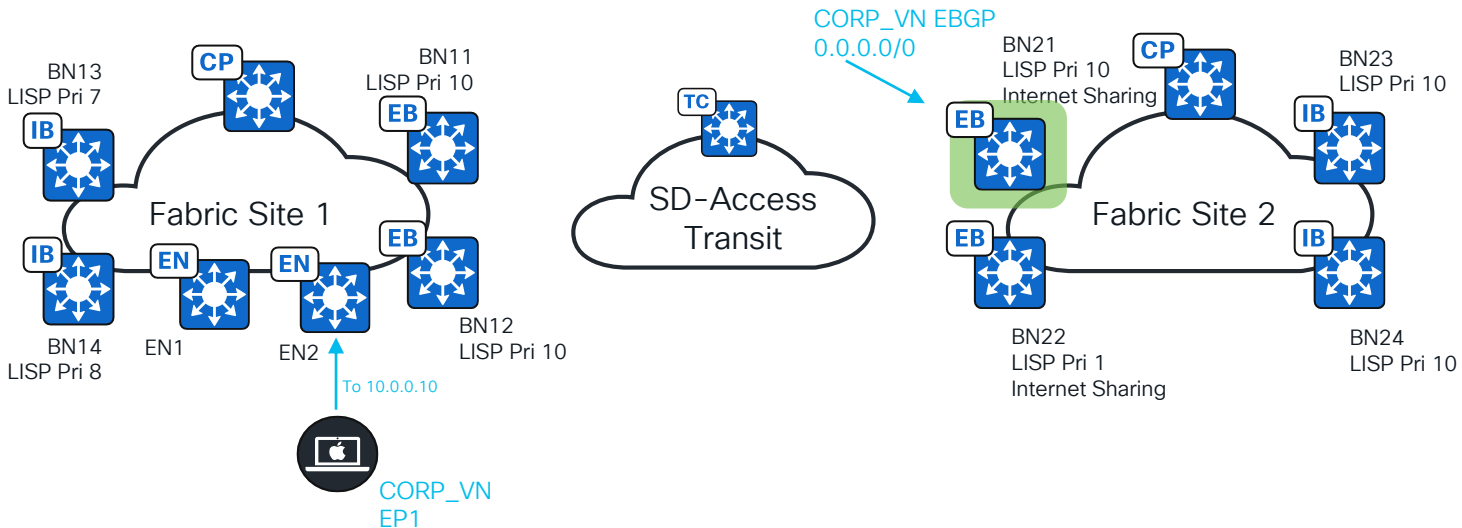
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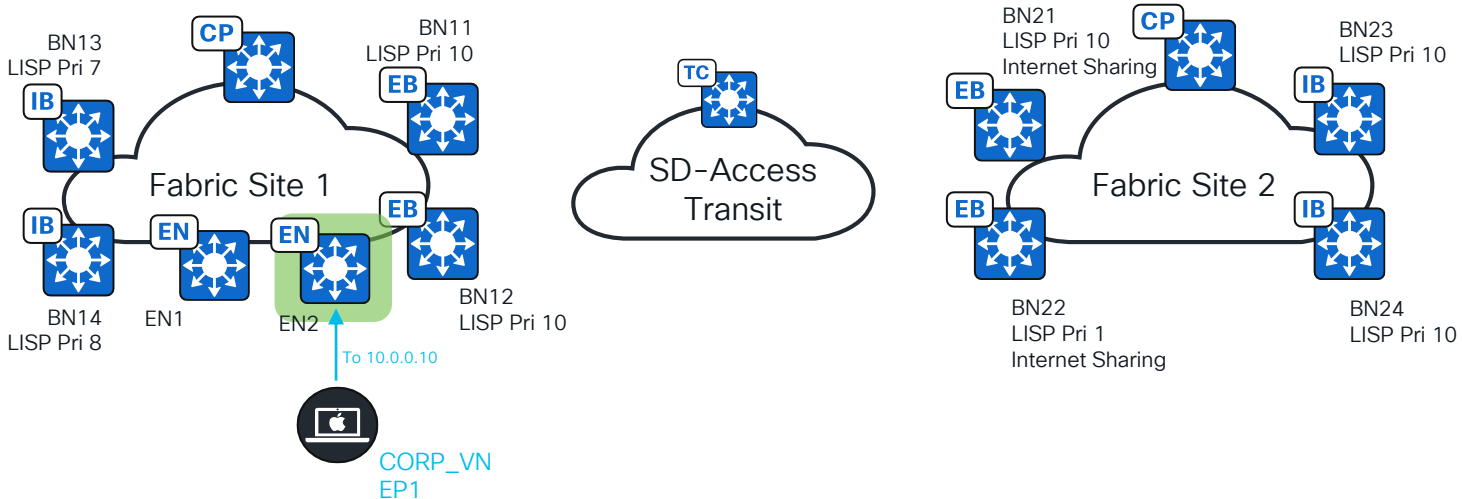
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8. Drop (no route)





Preserve Priority

Use Case

- All traffic for a non-fabric destination connected to multiple Fabric Sites must egress the same Internal Border Nodes e.g. primary DC and secondary DC.

How

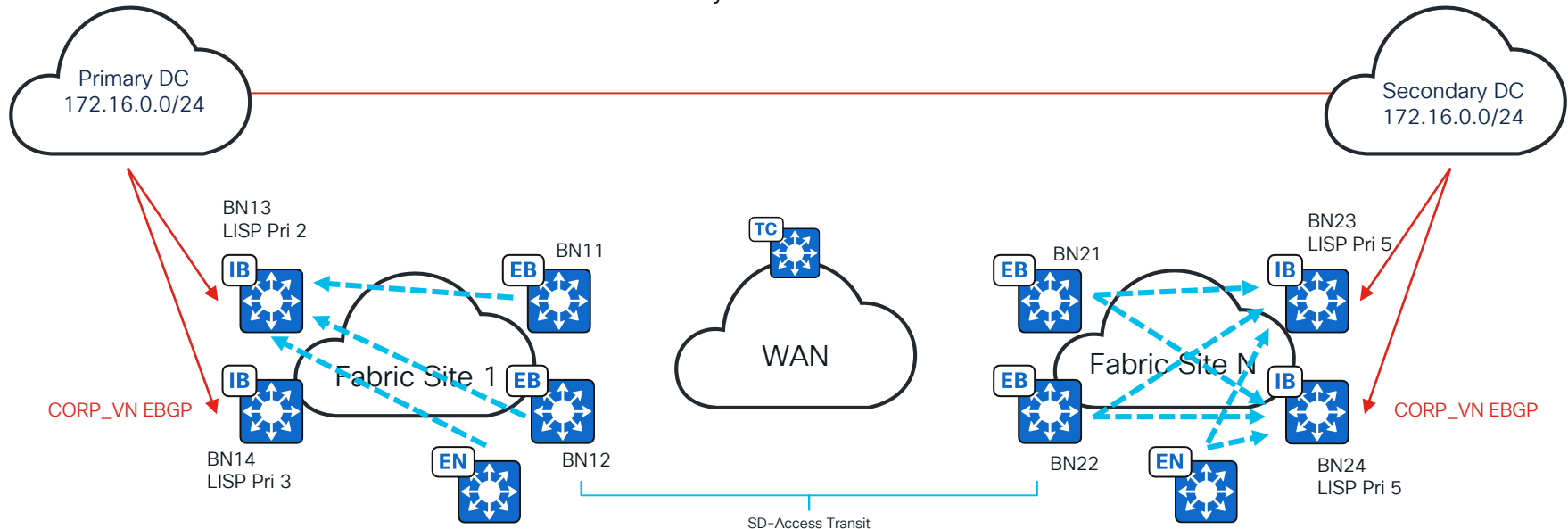
- Off by default.
- When on, the check for non-default routes registered by local or remote Fabric Site is ignored, the lowest LISP priority decides best path for duplicate non-default routes.
- Minimum Catalyst Center 2.3.7.3 and minimum IOS XE 17.12.1.
- Not enabled by SD-Access automation yet, requires templates, speak with your Cisco SME to explore this feature.

Preserve Priority Off



- Preserve Priority is off by default and LISP next hop selection logic will:

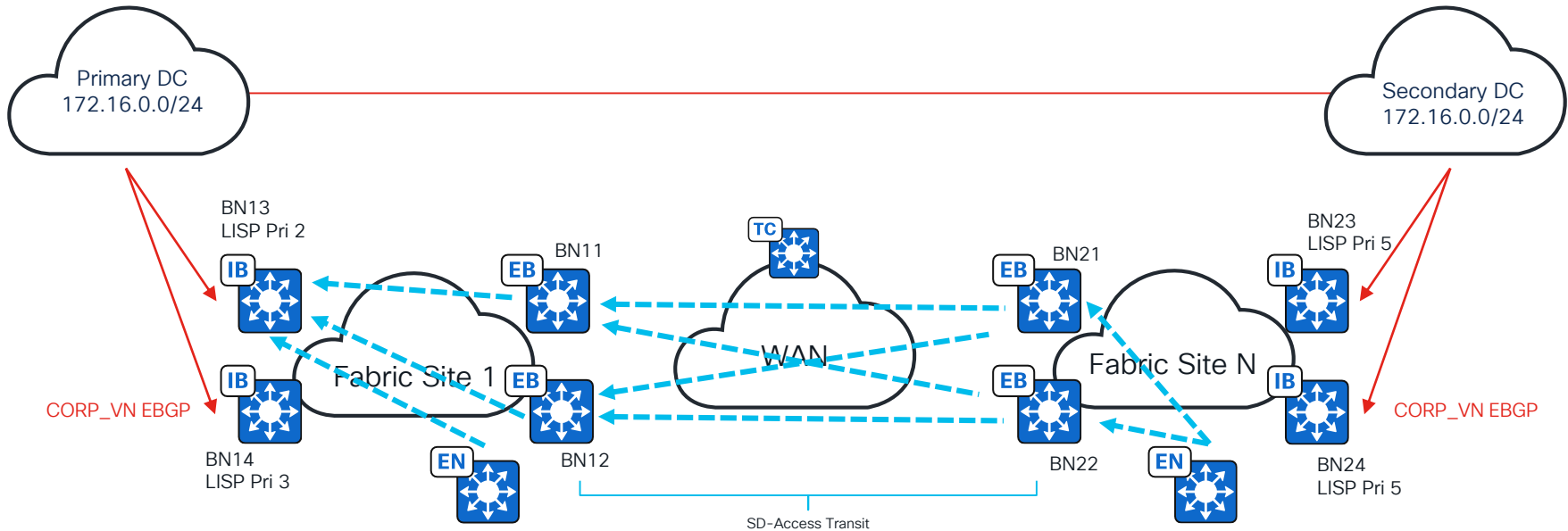
1. Match most specific non-default route. If there are multiple:
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 - b. Match routes with lowest LISP Priority learned from SD-Access Transit CP.



Preserve Priority On



- If Preserve Priority is turned on, LISP next hop selection logic will:
 1. Match most specific non-default route. If there are multiple:
 - a. Match routes with lowest LISP Priority regardless of local site registration or remote site registration.



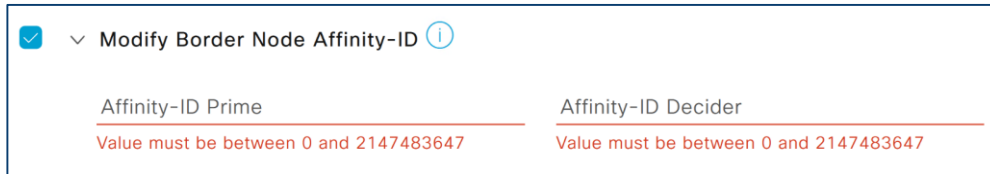
Affinity ID

Use Case

- Each Fabric Site must dynamically select the closest default routes available over SD-Access Transit.

How

- Off by default.
- Applicable to remote default routes reachable over SD-Access Transit.
- Affinity ID comprises two values. In the Catalyst Center UI, there is Affinity ID Prime and Affinity ID Decider:



A screenshot of the Catalyst Center UI showing the configuration for 'Modify Border Node Affinity-ID'. The configuration is displayed in a table-like structure with two columns: 'Affinity-ID Prime' and 'Affinity-ID Decider'. Both fields have a red underline and a red error message below them: 'Value must be between 0 and 2147483647'. The 'Modify Border Node Affinity-ID' header has a checkmark icon and an information icon.

Affinity-ID Prime	Affinity-ID Decider
Value must be between 0 and 2147483647	Value must be between 0 and 2147483647

- For each External Border Node, the lowest relative Affinity ID associated with a default route is selected as most preferable.
- Support for non-default routes is present in LISP but not SD-Access automation yet, please discuss with your Cisco representative.

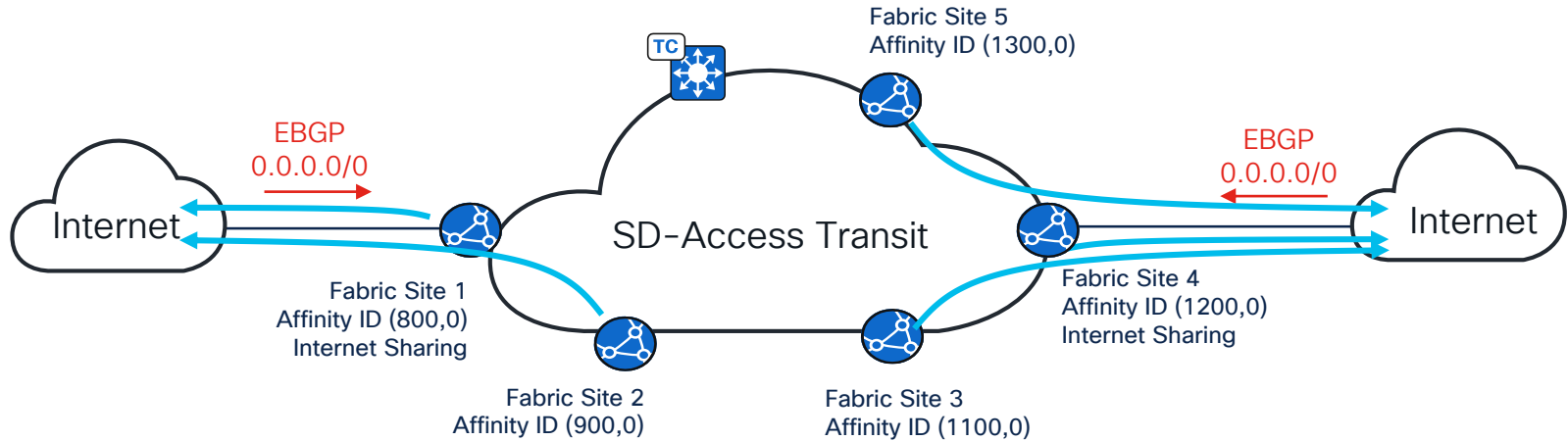
LISP Affinity ID

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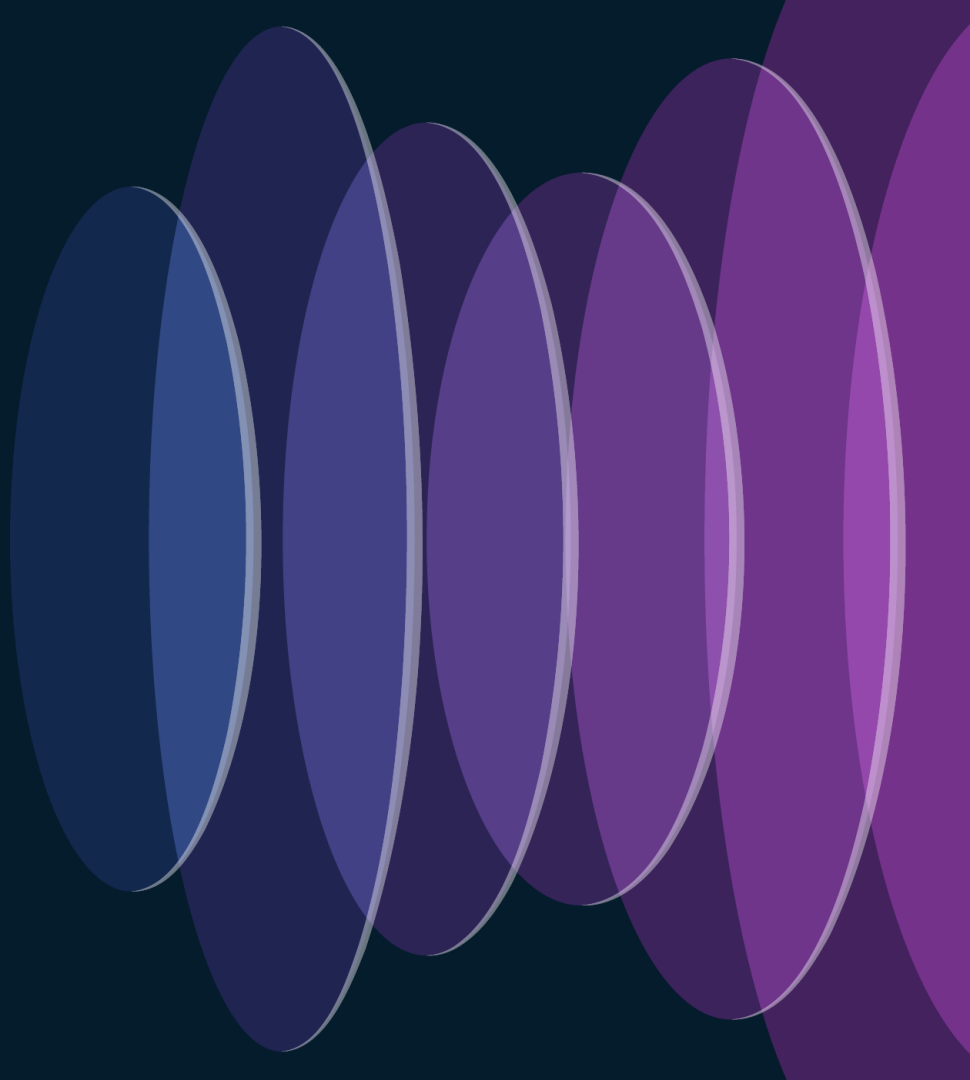


1. Take the absolute value of the Affinity ID Prime of the local Border Node minus the Affinity ID Prime received from another Border Node.
 - a. Repeat this calculation for each Border Node (for each received Affinity ID Prime value).
 - b. The Border Node with the lowest relative Prime value based on this calculation is the most preferred Border Node.
2. If the absolute value of the Affinity ID Prime is equal across two or more devices, only then consider the Affinity ID Decider value.
 - a. Take the absolute value of the Affinity ID Decider of the local Border Node minus the Affinity ID Decider received from another Border Node.
 - b. Repeat this calculation for each Border Node (for each received Affinity ID Decider value).
 - c. The Border Node with the lowest relative Decider value based on this calculation is the most preferred Border Node.
3. If the absolute value of Affinity ID Prime and Affinity ID Decider is equal across two or more devices, only then consider Priority value.
 - a. The Border Node with the lower Priority value is is the most preferred Border Node.
4. If the Priority value is equal across one or more devices, traffic is load-balanced by CEF.

LISP Affinity ID Example



SD-Access Transit Design Myths



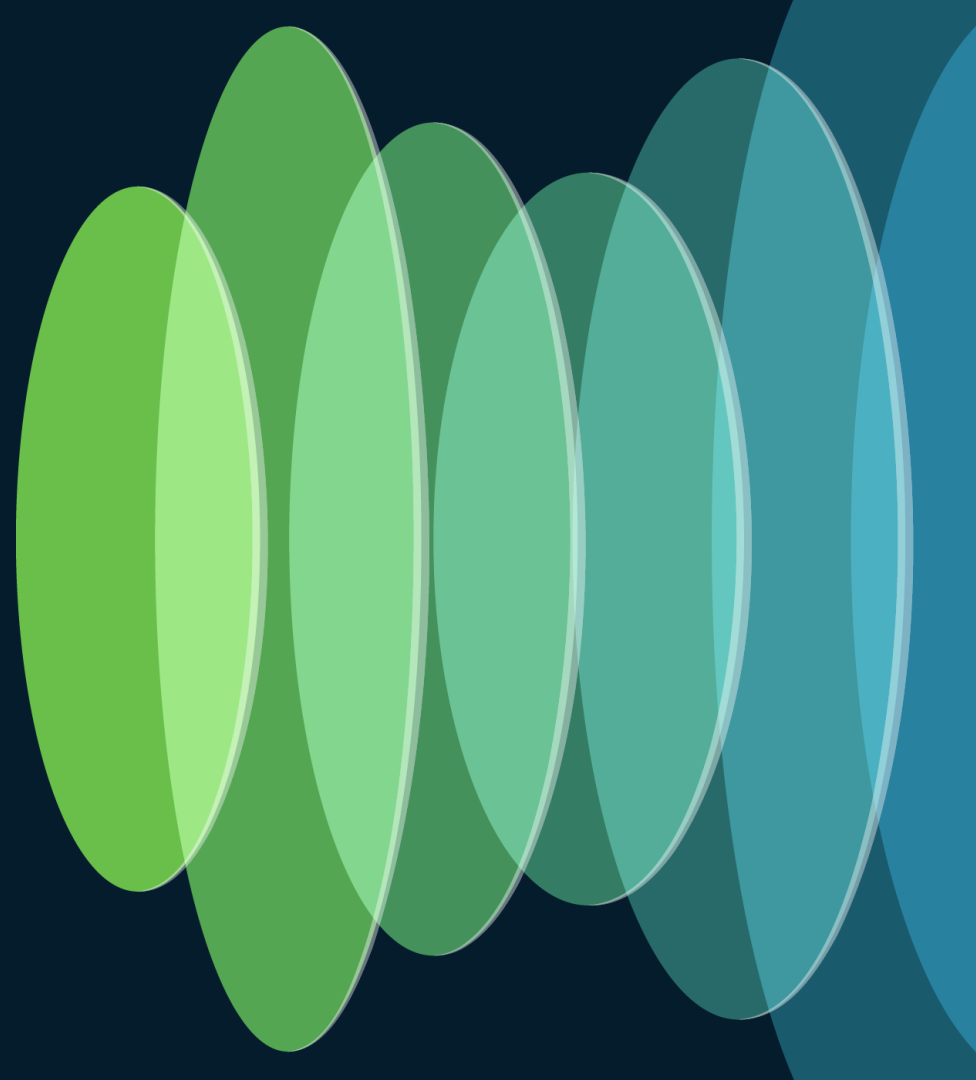
SD-Access Transit Design Myths

- There is no minimum throughput between Fabric Sites, but please be sensible.
- There is no specific type/speed* of WAN link that must be used between Fabric Sites.
- There is no WAN topology restrictions*, all are supported: ring, hub-and-spoke, mesh, partial mesh, daisy chain, etc.
- The Fabric Site and WAN underlay MTU does not have to be a specific value e.g., 9000, 9100, etc. See MTU section of this presentation.
- There is no latency restrictions** between Fabric Sites.
- There is no latency restrictions** between External Border Nodes and SD-Access Transit Control Plane Nodes.

*Noting the WAN-technology-agnostic prerequisites discussed in this presentation: MTU, /32 RLOCs in RIB, multicast routing protocol, etc.

**There is a maximum supported latency within a Fabric Site, and between Catalyst Center and managed devices. Refer to the latest Catalyst Center Data Sheet on [cisco.com](https://www.cisco.com).

Shared SD-Access Transit

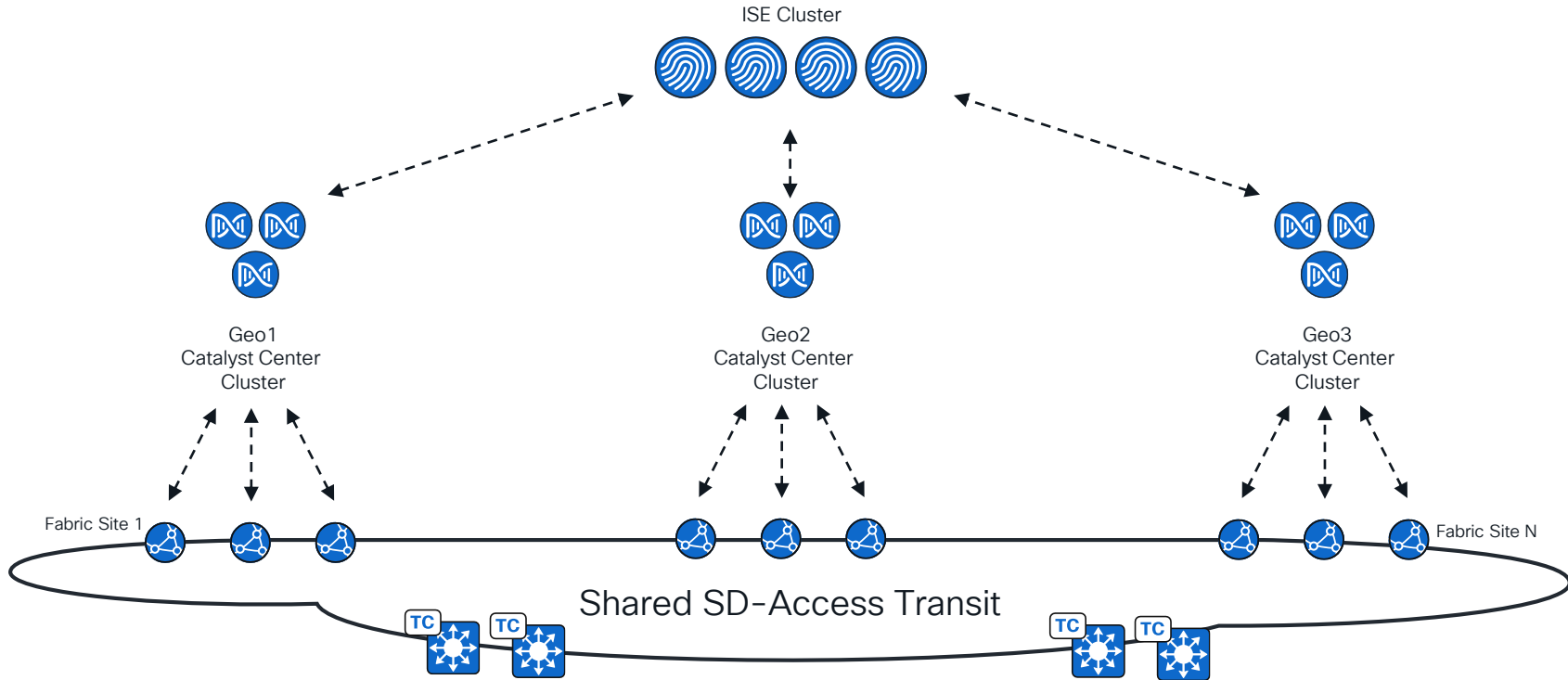




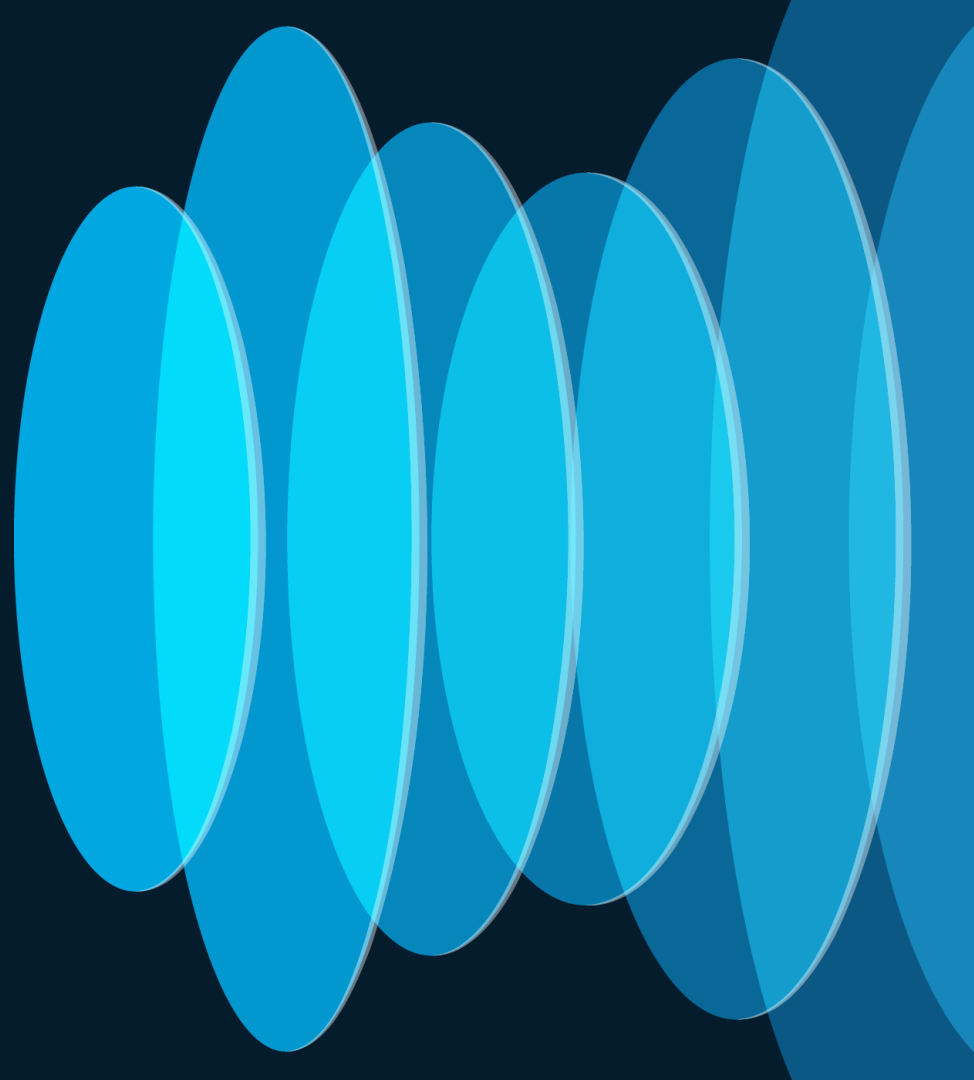
Shared SD-Access Transit

- An SD-Access Transit can be shared amongst multiple Catalyst Center Clusters.
- Requires the [Multiple Catalyst Center to ISE](#) software package which is subject to Controlled Availability. Released by exception after a design review, speak to your Cisco CX or Sales representative.
- Typically used when:
 - Different geographies have dedicated Catalyst Center Clusters, OR,
 - Aggregate scale (devices, sites, endpoints, etc.) exceeds the capabilities of a single Catalyst Center Cluster.

Shared SD-Access Transit

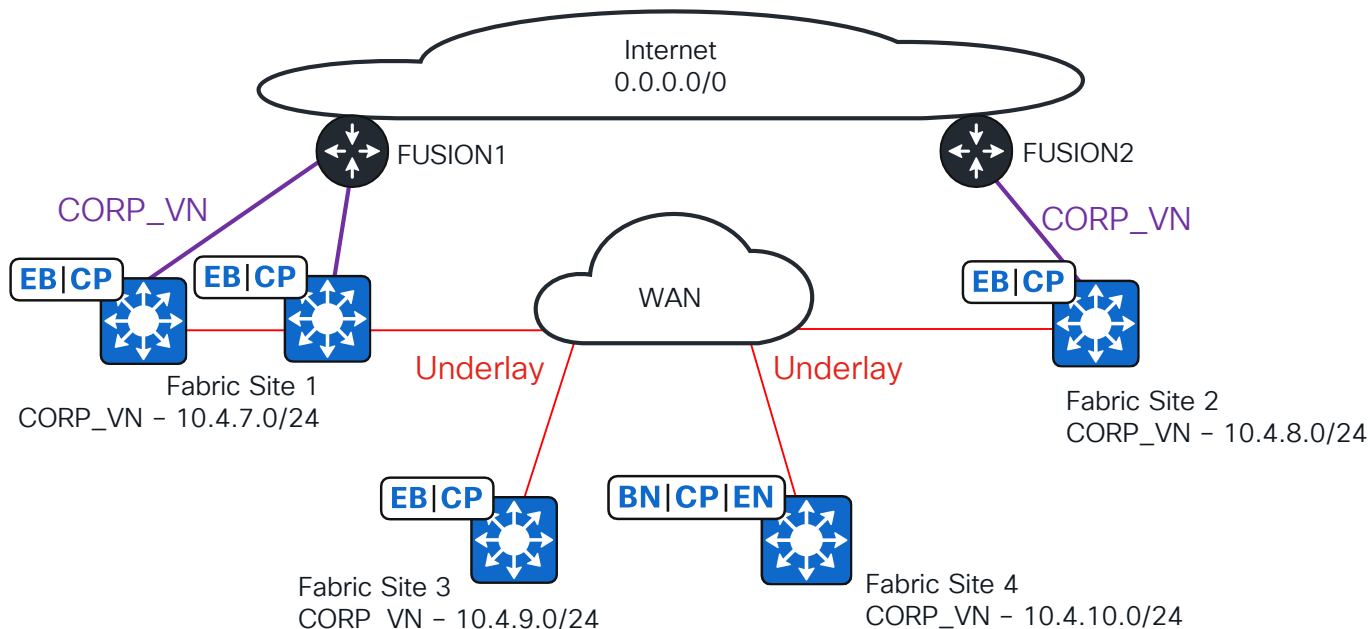


Demo Scenario



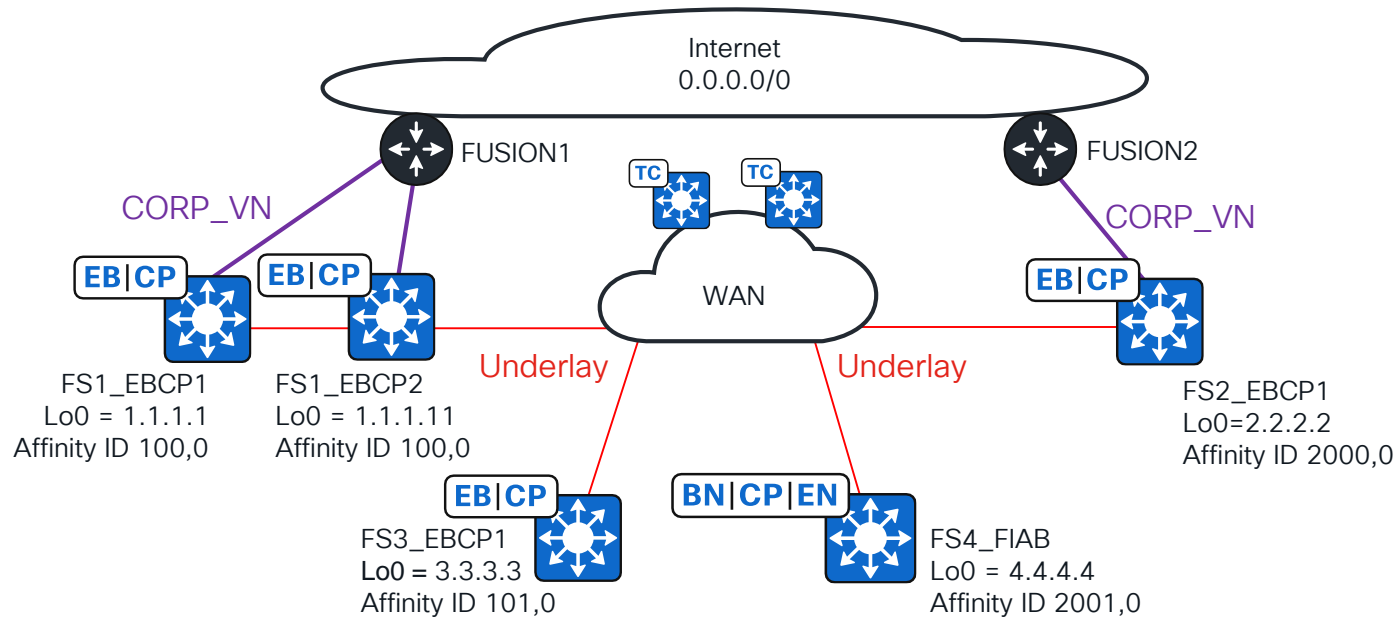
Requirements

- L3VN and SGT preservation between Fabric Sites 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- Fabric Site 1 CORP_VN uses Fabric Site 2 for backup internet access and vice versa.
- Fabric Site 3 CORP_VN uses Fabric Site 1 internet, with backup internet from Fabric Site 2.
- Fabric Site 4 CORP_VN uses Fabric Site 2 internet, with backup default internet from Fabric Site 1.
- Traffic between CORP_VN and internet must be symmetrical.

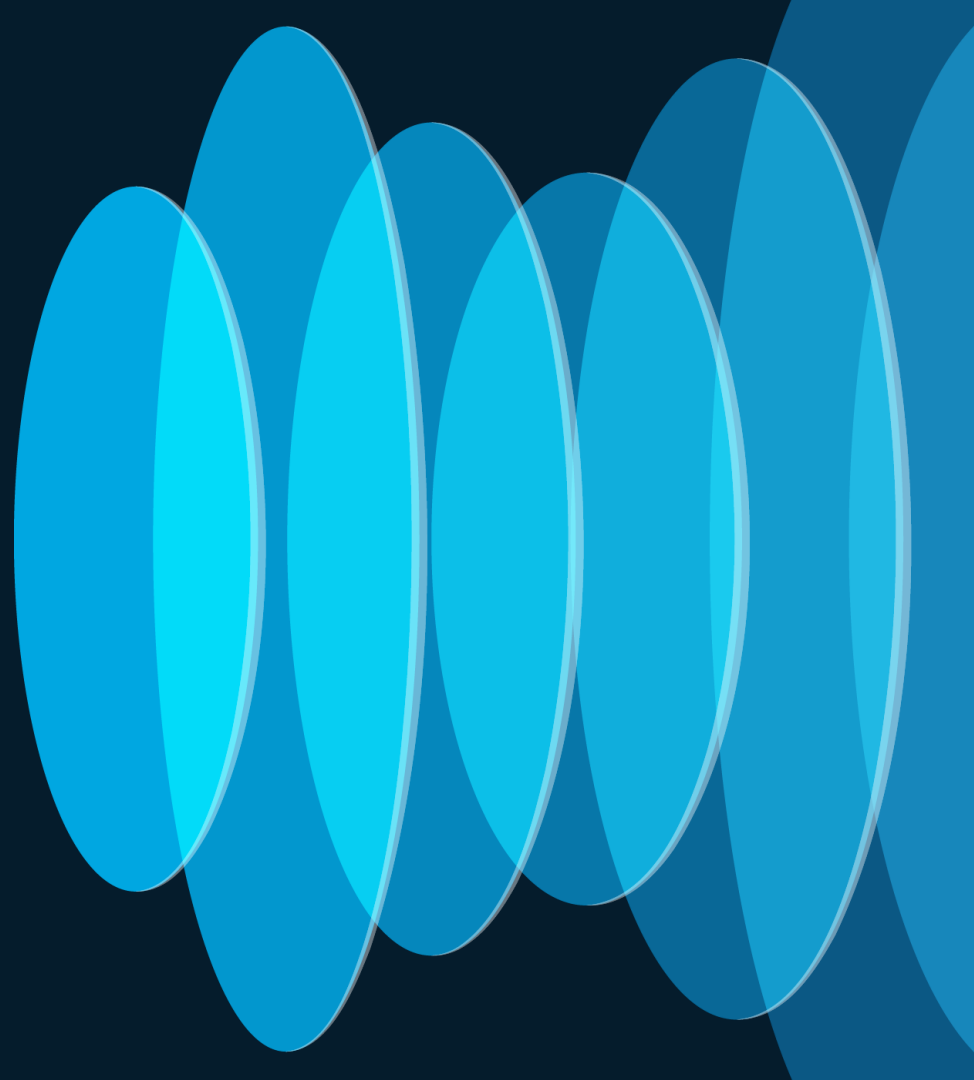


Solution

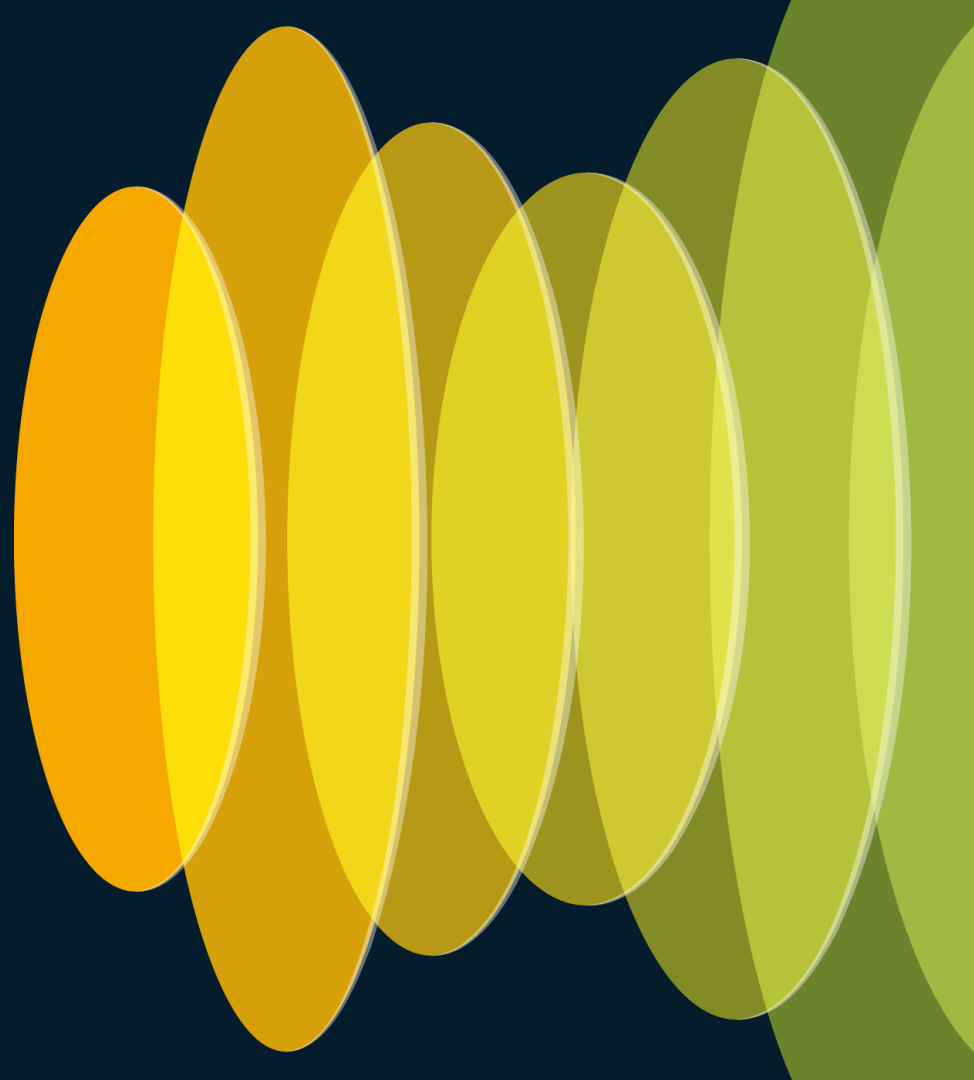
- Interconnect all Fabric Sites with a LISP Pub/Sub SD-Access Transit.
- Assign affinity IDs as shown below.
- On FS1_EBCP1, FS1_EBCP2 and FS2_EBCP1, AS PATH prepend selected routes advertised to FUSION1 and FUSION2.



Demo



Conclusion



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- SD-Access Transit simply automates VN and SGT preservation between Fabric Sites.
- SD-Access Transit offers design flexibility and can solve complex requirements at scale.
- If additional functionality is required, please “Make a Wish” in the Catalyst Center UI. Briefly describe the use case and business value or talk to your Cisco sales/services representative.

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SD-Access LISP Customer Success

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Manufacturing



SCALE

5300 devices | 6200 devices
15K+endpoints | 10K+endpoints

REQUIREMENTS

Zero-Trust Network Access
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6500 devices | 5300 devices
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Segmentation at scale
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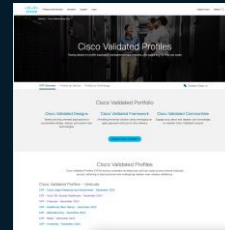
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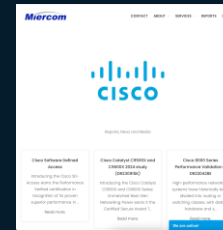
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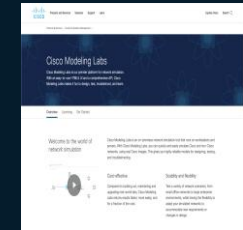
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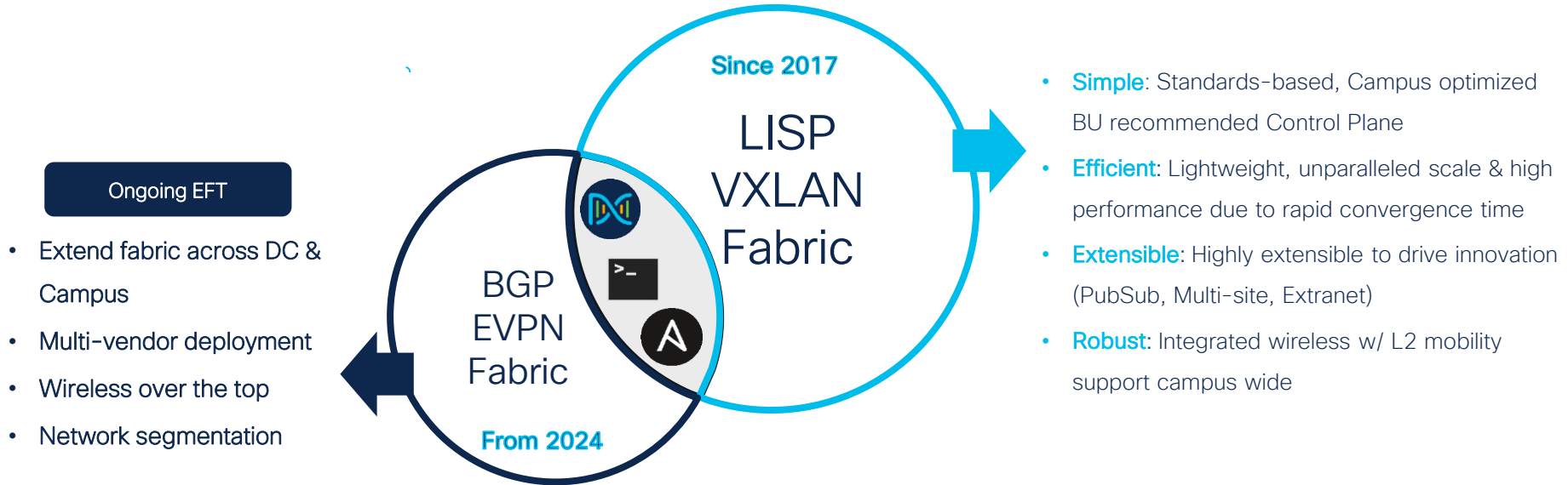
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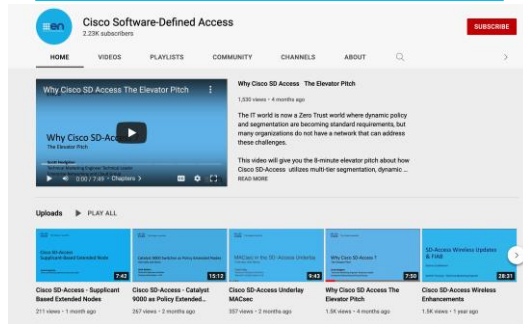
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