Daisy: Practical Anomaly Detection in large BGP/MPLS and BGP/SRv6 VPN Networks

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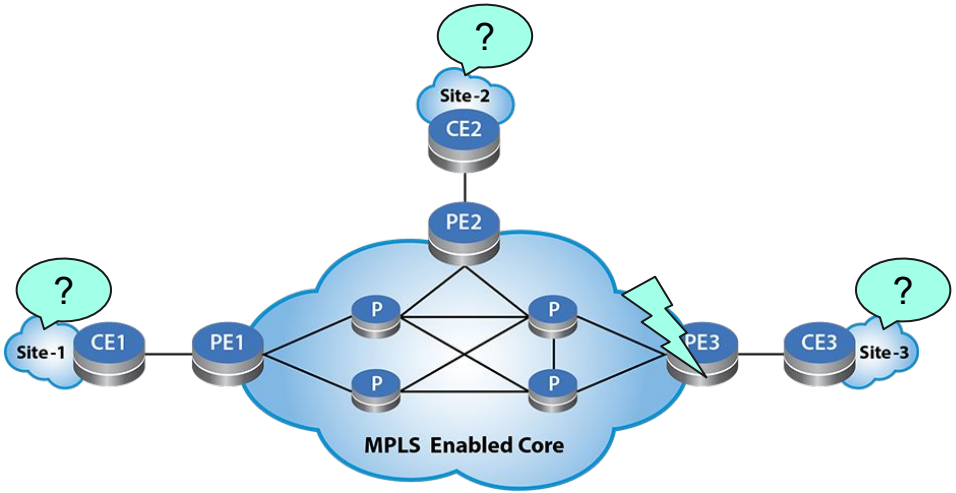
Agenda

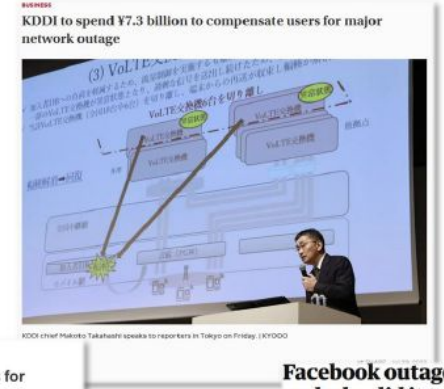
- Anomalies in BGP/MPLS and BGP/SRv6 VPN Networks
- Daisy Architecture
- IETF gaps
- Ongoing works

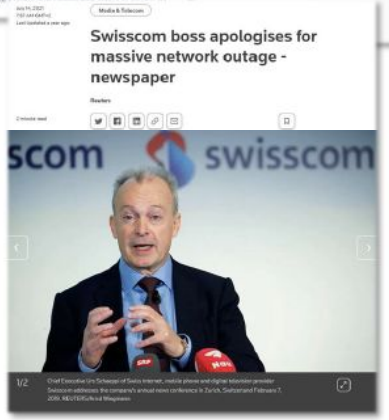
Anomalies in a BGP/MPLS and BGP/SRv6 VPN Networks



- An anomaly is an event occuring in the network that makes the customer unhappy
  - **Provider inflicted (incident)**
  - **Provider self-inflicted (upgrade)**
  - (Customer inflicted)

Internet outages on the News





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Reasons to be good at detecting issues

- Issues happen to all networks
  - It’s how you deal with them that matter
- Service interruptions
  - make you look bad
  - cost you money
- Incident, **Detection**, ***Analysis***, Fix

Project

- Project funded by Swisscom
- Research and Open Source Development
  - Network information collection
    - Research
    - Standardisation
    - Implementation
  - Network measurements
    - Research
    - Standardisation
    - Implementation
  - Scalable Anomaly Detection Solution
    - Research
    - Implementation

Requirement 1

It needs to work !

Architecture Components

- Customer profiling
- Standard Data collection
- Correlation
- Anomaly detection
- Incident reporting

Architecture Components: Customer profiling (1)

- Customers differ in behavior
  - Flat vs Day/Night cycles
  - Customers with regular drops
- Profiles of similar behavior
  - Obtained with clustering
- Anomaly detection recipes based on profile

Architecture Components: Standard Data collection (2)

- Dimensions
  - Data-plane (IPFIX: RFC7011)
    - Traffic counters (5-tuple)
    - Packet drops
  - Control-plane (BMP: RFC7864)
    - BGP Update events
    - BGP Withdraw events
    - BGP Peer Down events
  - Management-plane (*YANG Push*: RFC8639, RFC8641)
    - Interface state changes
    - Interface counters

Architecture Components: Data correlation (3)

- Mapping Traffic counters to customer sites
  - IPFIX / BMP correlation
- Mapping interfaces to customers
  - IPFIX / YANG Push / BMP correlation

Architecture Components: Anomaly detection (4)

- For a Customer Profile,
  - we apply a set of independent strategies
  - NOC is alerted if one strategy detects an issue for the customer
- A strategy is one way to capture service health
  - e.g. “Did I just see a traffic collapse and BGP withdraws?”
  - Organized as a set of pipelines
- A pipeline is a sequence of conditionally executed checks
  - e.g. “Unusual customer traffic volume?”
    → “Check each customer site traffic levels”
- Checks are one dimensional observations
  - e.g. “Deviation from expected TCP traffic volume”
  - Define your own

Architecture Components: Incident reporting (5)

- When an alert is raised for a customer
  - Submit a ticket to the Network Operations Center (NOC)
  - Give the NOC details about the executed rules
    - Raw data
    - Details on the *checks*
- Permanent storage for replayability
  - What if scenarios
  - Experimenting with new strategies (bring your own)

IETF gap filling

- YANG push: Streaming large amounts of data from the router without stressing the router
  - draft-ietf-netconf-udp-notif-10
- New core network technology: SRv6
  - draft-ietf-opsawg-ipfix-srv6-srh-14
- New metrics: on-path delay
  - draft-ietf-opsawg-ipfix-on-path-telemetry-04

Other IETF Contributions

- YANG push:
  - draft-ahuang-netconf-notif-yang
  - draft-tgraf-netconf-notif-sequencing
  - draft-tgraf-yang-push-observation-time
  - draft-tgraf-netconf-yang-notifications-versioning
- On-path delay in iOAM DEX:
  - draft-ahuang-ippm-ioam-on-path-delay
  - draft-ahuang-ippm-dex-timestamp-ext

Ongoing works

- Analysis of real scenarios of onboarded customers in production (Swisscom)
  - **6** outages have been detected from real production data
    - **3** in real time
    - **3** in replay mode
- Exploration of new dimensions
  - anticipating vendor support
- The specific case of Internet Services
- Progressing with Standardization

Questions?

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