BGP Best Current Practices
Configuring BGP

Where do we start?
IOS Good Practices

• ISPs should start off with the following BGP commands as a basic template:
  
  ```
  router bgp 64511
  bgp deterministic-med
  distance bgp 200 200 200
  no synchronization
  no auto-summary
  ```

• If supporting more than just IPv4 unicast neighbours
  
  ```
  no bgp default ipv4-unicast
  ```
  is also very important and required

Replace with public ASN

Make ebgp and ibgp distance the same
Cisco IOS Good Practices

• BGP in Cisco IOS is **permissive** by default
• Configuring BGP peering without using filters means:
  – All best paths on the local router are passed to the neighbour
  – All routes announced by the neighbour are received by the local router
  – Can have disastrous consequences
• **Good practice is to ensure that each eBGP neighbour has inbound and outbound filter applied:**
  
  ```
  router bgp 64511
  neighbor 1.2.3.4 remote-as 64510
  neighbor 1.2.3.4 prefix-list as64510-in in
  neighbor 1.2.3.4 prefix-list as64510-out out
  ```
What is BGP for??

What is an IGP not for?
BGP versus OSPF/ISIS

• Internal Routing Protocols (IGPs)
  – examples are ISIS and OSPF
  – used for carrying infrastructure addresses
  – NOT used for carrying Internet prefixes or customer prefixes
  – design goal is to minimise number of prefixes in IGP to aid scalability and rapid convergence
BGP versus OSPF/ISIS

• BGP used internally (iBGP) and externally (eBGP)

• iBGP used to carry
  – some/all Internet prefixes across backbone
  – customer prefixes

• eBGP used to
  – exchange prefixes with other ASes
  – implement routing policy
BGP versus OSPF/ISIS

• DO NOT:
  – distribute BGP prefixes into an IGP
  – distribute IGP routes into BGP
  – use an IGP to carry customer prefixes

• YOUR NETWORK WILL NOT SCALE
Aggregation
Aggregation

• Aggregation means announcing the address block received from the RIR to the other ASes connected to your network

• Subprefixes of this aggregate may be:
  – Used internally in the ISP network
  – Announced to other ASes to aid with multihoming

• Unfortunately too many people are still thinking about class Cs, resulting in a proliferation of /24s in the Internet routing table
  – Note: Same is happening for /48s with IPv6
Configuring Aggregation – Cisco IOS

• ISP has 101.10.0.0/19 address block

• To put into BGP as an aggregate:
  
  ```
  router bgp 64511
  
  network 101.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  
  ip route 101.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0
  ```

• The static route is a “pull up” route
  
  – more specific prefixes within this address block ensure connectivity to ISP’s customers
  
  – “longest match lookup
Aggregation

• Address block should be announced to the Internet as an aggregate
• Subprefixes of address block should NOT be announced to Internet unless for traffic engineering
  – See BGP Multihoming presentations
• Aggregate should be generated internally
  – Not on the network borders!
Announcing Aggregate – Cisco IOS

• Configuration Example

```plaintext
router bgp 64511
  network 101.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 102.102.10.1 remote-as 101
  neighbor 102.102.10.1 prefix-list out-filter out

  ip route 101.10.0.0 255.255.224.0 null0

  ip prefix-list out-filter permit 101.10.0.0/19
  ip prefix-list out-filter deny 0.0.0.0/0 le 32
```
Announcing an Aggregate

• ISPs who don’t and won’t aggregate are held in poor regard by community

• Registries publish their minimum allocation size
  – Anything from a /20 to a /22 depending on RIR
  – Different sizes for different address blocks

• No real reason to see anything longer than a /22 prefix in the Internet
  – BUT there are currently (June 2012) >216000 /24s!

• But: APNIC changed (Oct 2010) its minimum allocation size on all blocks to /24
  – IPv4 run-out is starting to have an impact
• Customer has /23 network assigned from AS100’s /19 address block
• AS100 announces customers’ individual networks to the Internet
Aggregation – Bad Example

• Customer link goes down
  – Their /23 network becomes unreachable
  – /23 is withdrawn from AS100’s iBGP
• Their ISP doesn’t aggregate its /19 network block
  – /23 network withdrawal announced to peers
  – starts rippling through the Internet
  – added load on all Internet backbone routers as network is removed from routing table

Customer link returns
  – Their /23 network is now visible to their ISP
  – Their /23 network is re-advertised to peers
  – Starts rippling through Internet
  – Load on Internet backbone routers as network is reinserted into routing table
  – Some ISP’s suppress the flaps
  – Internet may take 10-20 min or longer to be visible
  – Where is the Quality of Service???
Aggregation – Example

- Customer has /23 network assigned from AS100’s /19 address block
- AS100 announced /19 aggregate to the Internet
Aggregation – Good Example

• Customer link goes down
  – their /23 network becomes unreachable
  – /23 is withdrawn from AS100’s iBGP

• /19 aggregate is still being announced
  – no BGP hold down problems
  – no BGP propagation delays
  – no damping by other ISPs

• Customer link returns
  • Their /23 network is visible again
    – The /23 is re-injected into AS100’s iBGP

• The whole Internet becomes visible immediately

• Customer has Quality of Service perception
Aggregation – Summary

• Good example is what everyone should do!
  – Adds to Internet stability
  – Reduces size of routing table
  – Reduces routing churn
  – Improves Internet QoS for everyone

• Bad example is what too many still do!
  – Why? Lack of knowledge?
  – Laziness?
Separation of iBGP and eBGP

- Many ISPs do not understand the importance of separating iBGP and eBGP
  - iBGP is where all customer prefixes are carried
  - eBGP is used for announcing aggregate to Internet and for Traffic Engineering
- Do NOT do traffic engineering with customer originated iBGP prefixes
  - Leads to instability similar to that mentioned in the earlier bad example
  - Even though aggregate is announced, a flapping subprefix will lead to instability for the customer concerned
- **Generate traffic engineering prefixes on the Border Router**
The Internet Today (June 2012)

Current Internet Routing Table Statistics
- BGP Routing Table Entries 412487
- Prefixes after maximum aggregation 174439
- Unique prefixes in Internet 200548
- Prefixes smaller than registry alloc 175889
- /24s announced 215907
- ASes in use 41153
Efforts to improve aggregation

• The CIDR Report
  – Initiated and operated for many years by Tony Bates
  – Now combined with Geoff Huston’s routing analysis
    • www.cidr-report.org
    • (covers both IPv4 and IPv6 BGP tables)
  – Results e-mailed on a weekly basis to most operations lists around the world
  – Lists the top 30 service providers who could do better at aggregating

• RIPE Routing WG aggregation recommendation
  – RIPE-399 — www.ripe.net/ripe/docs/ripe-399.html
Efforts to Improve Aggregation

The CIDR Report

• Also computes the size of the routing table assuming ISPs performed optimal aggregation

• **Website allows searches and computations of aggregation to be made on a per AS basis**
  
  – Flexible and powerful tool to aid ISPs
  
  – Intended to show how greater efficiency in terms of BGP table size can be obtained without loss of routing and policy information
  
  – Shows what forms of origin AS aggregation could be performed and the potential benefit of such actions to the total table size
  
  – Very effectively challenges the traffic engineering excuse
Status Summary

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Plot: BGP Table Size

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Plot: AS count
Plot: Average announcements per origin AS
Report: ASes ordered by originating address span
Report: ASes ordered by transit address span
Report: Autonomous System number-to-name mapping (from Registry WHOIS data)
Aggregation Suggestions

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Importance of Aggregation

• Size of routing table
  – Router Memory is not so much of a problem as it was in the 1990s
  – Routers can be specified to carry 1 million+ prefixes

• Convergence of the Routing System
  – This is a problem
  – Bigger table takes longer for CPU to process
  – BGP updates take longer to deal with
  – BGP Instability Report tracks routing system update activity
    – bgpupdates.potaroo.net/instability/bgpupd.html
The BGP Instability Report

50 Most active ASes for the past 7 days

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Receiving Prefixes
Receiving Prefixes

• There are three scenarios for receiving prefixes from other ASNs
  – Customer talking BGP
  – Peer talking BGP
  – Upstream/Transit talking BGP

• Each has different filtering requirements and need to be considered separately
Receiving Prefixes: From Customers

- ISPs should only accept prefixes which have been assigned or allocated to their downstream customer.
- If ISP has assigned address space to its customer, then the customer IS entitled to announce it back to his ISP.
- If the ISP has NOT assigned address space to its customer, then:
  - Check in the five RIR databases to see if this address space really has been assigned to the customer.
  - The tool: whois --h jwhois.apnic.net x.x.x.0/24
    - (jwhois queries all RIR databases)
Receiving Prefixes: From Customers

- Example use of whois to check if customer is entitled to announce address space:

  ```
  $ whois -h whois.apnic.net 202.12.29.0
  netname: APNIC-AP
  descr: Asia Pacific Network Information Centre
  descr: Regional Internet Registry for the Asia-Pacific
  descr: 6 Cordelia Street
  descr: South Brisbane, QLD 4101
  descr: Australia
  country: AU
  admin-c: AIC1-AP
  tech-c: NO4-AP
  mnt-by: APNIC-HM
  mnt-irt: IRT-APNIC-AP
  changed: hm-changed@apnic.net
  status: ASSIGNED PORTABLE
  changed: hm-changed@apnic.net 20110309
  source: APNIC
  ```

Portable – means its an assignment to the customer, the customer can announce it to you
Receiving Prefixes:
From Customers

- Example use of whois to check if customer is entitled to announce address space:

```
$ whois -h whois.ripe.net 193.128.0.0
inetnum:        193.128.0.0 - 193.133.255.255
netname:        UK-PIPEX-193-128-133
descr:          Verizon UK Limited
country:        GB
org:            ORG-UA24-RIPE
admin-c:        WERT1-RIPE
tech-c:         UPHM1-RIPE
status:         ALLOCATED UNSPECIFIED
remarks:        Please send abuse not...
mnt-by:         RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-lower:      AS1849-MNT
mnt-routes:     AS1849-MNT
mnt-routes:     WCOM-EMEA-RICE-MNT
mnt-irt:        IRT-MCI-GB
source:         RIPE # Filtered
```

ALLOCATED – means that this is Provider Aggregatable address space and can only be announced by the ISP holding the allocation (in this case Verizon UK)
Receiving Prefixes from customer: Cisco IOS

• For Example:
  – downstream has 100.50.0.0/20 block
  – should only announce this to upstreams
  – upstreams should only accept this from them

• Configuration on upstream

  router bgp 100
    neighbor 102.102.10.1 remote-as 101
    neighbor 102.102.10.1 prefix-list customer in
  !
  ip prefix-list customer permit 100.50.0.0/20
Receiving Prefixes: From Peers

• A peer is an ISP with whom you agree to exchange prefixes you originate into the Internet routing table
  – Prefixes you accept from a peer are only those they have indicated they will announce
  – Prefixes you announce to your peer are only those you have indicated you will announce
Receiving Prefixes: From Peers

• Agreeing what each will announce to the other:
  – Exchange of e-mail documentation as part of the peering agreement, and then ongoing updates
  OR
  – Use of the Internet Routing Registry and configuration tools such as the IRRToolSet
    www.isc.org/sw/IRRToolSet/
Receiving Prefixes from peer: Cisco IOS

• For Example:
  – Peer has 220.50.0.0/16, 61.237.64.0/18 and 81.250.128.0/17 address blocks

• Configuration on local router

```
router bgp 100
    neighbor 102.102.10.1 remote-as 101
    neighbor 102.102.10.1 prefix-list my-peer in

! ip prefix-list my-peer permit 220.50.0.0/16
ip prefix-list my-peer permit 61.237.64.0/18
ip prefix-list my-peer permit 81.250.128.0/17
ip prefix-list my-peer deny 0.0.0.0/0 le 32
```
Receiving Prefixes: From Upstream/Transit Provider

• Upstream/Transit Provider is an ISP who you pay to give you transit to the **WHOLE** Internet

• Receiving prefixes from them is not desirable unless really necessary
  – Traffic Engineering – see BGP Multihoming presentations

• Ask upstream/transit provider to either:
  – originate a default-route
    OR
  – announce one prefix you can use as default
Receiving Prefixes:
From Upstream/Transit Provider

• Downstream Router Configuration

  router bgp 100
  network 101.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 101.5.7.1 remote-as 101
  neighbor 101.5.7.1 prefix-list infilter in
  neighbor 101.5.7.1 prefix-list outfilter out

  ip prefix-list infilter permit 0.0.0.0/0

  ip prefix-list outfitter permit 101.10.0.0/19
Receiving Prefixes:
From Upstream/Transit Provider

• Upstream Router Configuration

  router bgp 101
  neighbor 101.5.7.2 remote-as 100
  neighbor 101.5.7.2 default-originate
  neighbor 101.5.7.2 prefix-list cust-in in
  neighbor 101.5.7.2 prefix-list cust-out out

  !
  ip prefix-list cust-in permit 101.10.0.0/19
  !
  ip prefix-list cust-out permit 0.0.0.0/0
Receiving Prefixes: From Upstream/Transit Provider

• If necessary to receive prefixes from any provider, care is required.
  – Don’t accept default (unless you need it)
  – Don’t accept your own prefixes

• For IPv4:
  – Don’t accept private (RFC1918) and certain special use prefixes:
    http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc5735.txt
  – Don’t accept prefixes longer than /24 (?)

• For IPv6:
  – Don’t accept certain special use prefixes:
    http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc5156.txt
  – Don’t accept prefixes longer than /48 (?)
Receiving Prefixes: From Upstream/Transit Provider

- Check Team Cymru’s list of “bogons”
  www.team-cymru.org/Services/Bogons/http.html

- For IPv4 also consult:
  www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc6441.txt

- For IPv6 also consult:
  www.space.net/~gert/RIPE/ipv6-filters.html

- Bogon Route Server:
  www.team-cymru.org/Services/Bogons/routeserver.html
  - Supplies a BGP feed (IPv4 and/or IPv6) of address blocks which should not appear in the BGP table
Receiving IPv4 Prefixes

router bgp 100
  network 101.10.0.0 mask 255.255.224.0
  neighbor 101.5.7.1 remote-as 101
  neighbor 101.5.7.1 prefix-list in-filter in

  !
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 0.0.0.0/0 ! Default
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 0.0.0.0/8 le 32 ! Network Zero
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 10.0.0.0/8 le 32 ! RFC1918
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 100.64.0.0/10 le 32 ! RFC6598 shared address
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 101.10.0.0/19 le 32 ! Local prefix
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 127.0.0.0/8 le 32 ! Loopback
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 169.254.0.0/16 le 32 ! Auto-config
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 172.16.0.0/12 le 32 ! RFC1918
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 192.0.2.0/24 le 32 ! TEST1
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 192.168.0.0/16 le 32 ! RFC1918
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 198.18.0.0/15 le 32 ! Benchmarking
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 198.51.100.0/24 le 32 ! TEST2
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 203.0.113.0/24 le 32 ! TEST3
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 224.0.0.0/3 le 32 ! Multicast
  ip prefix-list in-filter deny 0.0.0.0/0 ge 25 ! Prefixes >/24
  ip prefix-list in-filter permit 0.0.0.0/0 le 32
Receiving IPv6 Prefixes

```
router bgp 100
    network 2020:3030::/32
    neighbor 2020:3030::1 remote-as 101
    neighbor 2020:3030::1 prefix-list v6in-filter in

ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter permit 2001::/32
    ! Teredo
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter deny 2001::/32 le 128
    ! Teredo subnets
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter deny 2001:db8::/32 le 128
    ! Documentation
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter permit 2002::/16
    ! 6to4
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter deny 2002::/16 le 128
    ! 6to4 subnets
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter deny 2020:3030::/32 le 128
    ! Local Prefix
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter deny 3ffe::/16 le 128
    ! Old 6bone
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter permit 2000::/3 le 48
    ! Global Unicast
ipv6 prefix-list v6in-filter deny ::/0 le 128
```
Receiving Prefixes

• Paying attention to prefixes received from customers, peers and transit providers assists with:
  – The integrity of the local network
  – The integrity of the Internet

• Responsibility of all ISPs to be good Internet citizens
Prefixes into iBGP
Injecting prefixes into iBGP

- Use iBGP to carry customer prefixes
  - don’t use IGP

- Point static route to customer interface

- Use BGP network statement

- As long as static route exists (interface active), prefix will be in BGP
Router Configuration: network statement

• Example:

interface loopback 0
   ip address 215.17.3.1 255.255.255.255
!
interface Serial 5/0
   ip unnumbered loopback 0
   ip verify unicast reverse-path
!
ip route 215.34.10.0 255.255.252.0 Serial 5/0
!
router bgp 100
   network 215.34.10.0 mask 255.255.252.0
Injecting prefixes into iBGP

• Interface flap will result in prefix withdraw and reannounce
  – use “ip route . . . permanent”

• Many ISPs redistribute static routes into BGP rather than using the network statement
  – Only do this if you understand why
Router Configuration: redistribute static

• Example:
  ip route 215.34.10.0 255.255.252.0 Serial 5/0
  
  router bgp 100
    redistribute static route-map static-to-bgp
  
  route-map static-to-bgp permit 10
    match ip address prefix-list ISP-block
    set origin igp
  
  ip prefix-list ISP-block permit 215.34.10.0/22 le 30
Injecting prefixes into iBGP

• Route-map ISP-block can be used for many things:
  – setting communities and other attributes
  – setting origin code to IGP, etc

• Be careful with prefix-lists and route-maps
  – absence of either/both means all statically routed prefixes go into iBGP
Summary

• Best Practices Covered:
  – When to use BGP
  – When to use ISIS/OSPF
  – Aggregation
  – Receiving Prefixes
  – Prefixes into BGP
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