Consider the BGP network composed of 4 routers depicted in Figure on the right. Two of these routers, R1 and R4 are egress routers and maintain eBGP sessions with external neighbors.

R1 is configured to associate a local-preference of 100 to externally-learned routes, while R4 is configured to associate a local-preference of 200 to externally-learned routes.

R2 and R3 are internal routers. All four routers are connected in an iBGP full-mesh. OSPF is used as intra-domain routing protocol. The link weights are indicated in the figure, e.g. the (R1, R2) link is configured with a weight of 20. The Figure also indicates the propagation delay for each link (e.g., it takes 5ms for a packet to propagate between R1 and R2).



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Solution: Since the externally-learned route at R4 has a higher local-preference than the one at R1 (200 vs. 100), all routers select the route from R4. We get the following next-hops:

- R1: R2
- R2: R3
- R3: R4
- R4: <external>



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Solution: Since both externally-learned routes are now equally preferred, the routers consider the next criteria in the decision process. Finally, they will select the route with the lower IGP metric to the BGP next-hop. We get the following next-hops:

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# **BGP** Policies

The Internet topology is shaped according to business relationships



2 ASes only connect if they have a business relationship



2 Main business relationships today

### There are 2 main business relationships today:

- customer/provider
- peer/peer

**Customers pay providers to get Internet connectivity** 



The amount paid is based on peak usage, usually according to the 95th percentile rule



Every 5 minutes, DT records the # of bytes sent/received

At the end of the month, DT

- sorts all values in decreasing order
- removes the top 5% values
- bills wrt highest remaining value

### Most ISPs discounts traffic unit price when pre-committing to certain volume

commi	t	unit price (\$)	Minimum monthly bil (\$/month)
10	Mbps	12	120
100	Mbps	5	500
1	Gbps	3.50	3,500
10	Gbps	1.20	12,000
100	Gbps	0.70	70,000

Examples taken from The 2014 Internet Peering Playbook

### Internet Transit Prices have been continuously declining during the last 20 years

Internet Transit Pricing (1998-2015) Source: http://DrPeering.net					
1998	\$1,200.00	per Mbps			
1999	\$800.00	per Mbps	33%		
2000	\$675.00	per Mbps	16%		
2001	\$400.00	per Mbps	41%		
2002	\$200.00	per Mbps	50%		
2003	\$120.00	per Mbps	40%		
2004	\$90.00	per Mbps	25%		
2005	\$75.00	per Mbps	17%		
2006	\$50.00	per Mbps	33%		
2007	\$25.00	per Mbps	50%		
2008	\$12.00	per Mbps	52%		
2009	\$9.00	per Mbps	25%		
2010	\$5.00	per Mbps	44%		
2011	\$3.25	per Mbps	35%		
2012	\$2.34	per Mbps	28%		
2013	\$1.57	per Mbps	33%		
2014	\$0.94	per Mbps	40%		
2015	\$0.63	per Mbps	33%		

Peers don't pay each other for connectivity, they do it out of common interest



DT and ATT exchange *tons* of traffic. they save money by directly connecting to each other



# **Providers transit traffic for their customers** AT&T Salt. Spectrum HURRICANE ELECTRIC UCLA USC









- A advertises path Aw to B and to C
- B chooses not to advertise B-Aw to C!
  - B gets no "revenue" for routing C-B-Aw, since none of C, A, w are B's customers
  - C does not learn about C-B-Aw path
- C will route C-Aw (not using B) to get to w

# Customers DO NOT transit traffic between their providers **AT&T** Salt. HURRICANE ELECTRIC Spectrum Forbidden UCLA USC

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- A,B,C are provider networks
- x,w,y are customers (of provider networks)
- x is dual-homed: attached to two networks
- policy to enforce: x does not want to route from B to C via x
  - .. so x will not advertise to B a route to C

# Route policies are defined by constraining which BGP routes are selected and exported



which path to use?

which path to advertise?

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Always prefer DT over AT&T



### **Business relationships condition route selection**

For a destination p, prefer routes coming from



# Route policies are defined by constraining which BGP routes are selected and exported



## Do not Export UHM Routes to AT&T AS20 AS10 swisscom 128.171.0.0/16 Path: 40 at&t AS40 AS50 Deutsche Telekom

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### **Business relationships constrain route exportation**

send to

customer peer provider

customer from peer provider

### Routes from customers are propagated to everyone else



### Routes from peers and providers are only propagated to customer



# Example





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Is (G,D,A,B,E,H) a valid path?

## Example



Will (G,D,A,B,E,H) actually see packets?

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To implement their selection policy, operators define input filters which manipulates the LOCAL-PREF

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