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Distributed Stream Configuration in Industrial Automation

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Status Quo - Configuration Model Selection in P60802

There have been several contributions covering: Coexistence, Convergence, Intercommunication, Gaps, ... of TSN configuration models

- [60802-stanica-convergence-coexistence-0718-v03.pptx](#) *Coexistence of the TSN configuration models*
- [60802-Hantel-TSN-Interdomain-Communications-0718.pdf](#) *Interdomain – Fully Distributed Requirements*
- [60802-Steindl-ConfigurationModelAlignment-0918-v02.pdf](#) *Configuration Model Alignment*
- [60802-chen-TSN-management-0119-v00.pdf](#) *Alignment to current configuration considerations*

Therein all models (distributed, centralized, hybrid) are considered relevant

→ **All models are optional in Profile Draft D1-0**

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Criteria to select configuration options

All configuration approaches have pros and cons.

What are criteria to be considered for the selection of a configuration option in Industrial Automation?

- All relevant Use Cases have to be fulfilled.
- Support of:
 - (1) Convergence of multiple time sensitive applications
 - (2) Latency and availability (QoS) of different levels
 - (3) Dynamic stream (re-)establishment
 - (4) Abstract network interface (UNI) for stream establishment
 - (5) Bandwidth utilization / throughput
 - (6) Scalability from entry level to high end

This contribution provides considerations about the **distributed configuration** approach only!

Distributed Stream Configuration in Industrial Automation

- (1) Workflow of Distributed Stream Configuration**
- (2) LRP/RAP enhancements for Distributed Stream Configuration**
- (3) Summary of selection criteria contributions of Distributed Stream Configuration**

Workflow of distributed configuration (1)

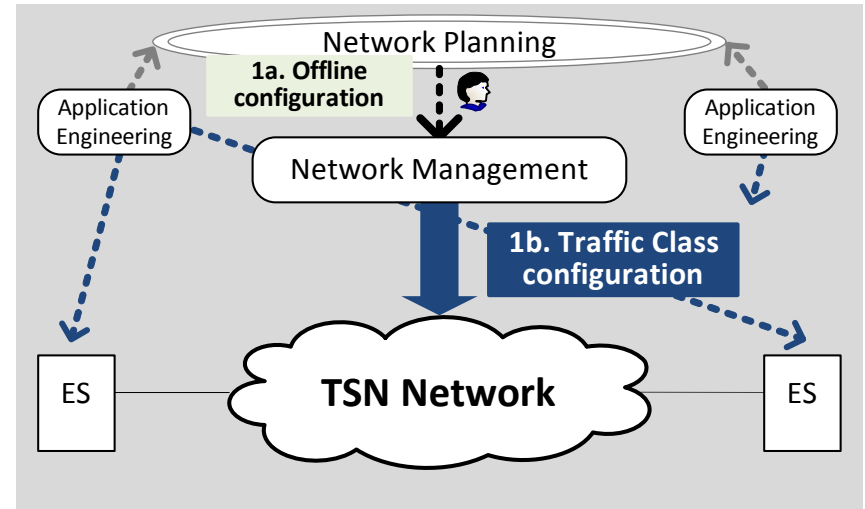
Step 1: Network planning and engineering

- End-station / application requirements determine network planning
- Network layout and setup can be configured offline
- Multiple managed (e.g. by profile or policy) Traffic Classes for streams with different QoS requirements are configured in the bridges of the network

→ A **convergent** TSN network is established for

- multiple time sensitive applications
- with different latency and availability (QoS) requirements

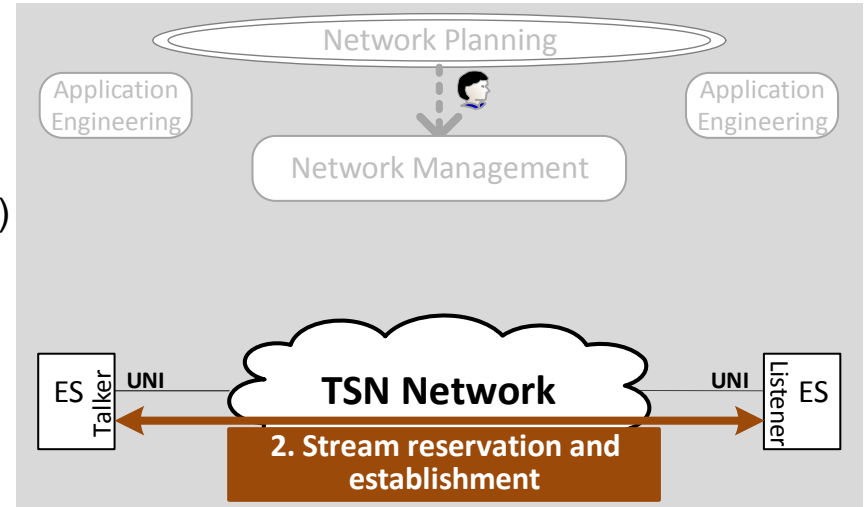
- Applications are configured by Application Engineering



Workflow of distributed configuration (2)

Step 2: Stream reservation and establishment (a)

- Streams are characterized by
 - unique StreamID (control), and
 - unique StreamDA (per VLAN), and
 - TSpec (MaxFrameSize, MaxIntervalFrames, ...)
- Talker-UNI**: Periodic Talker attribute declaration;
 - Peer-to-peer attribute **propagation with accumulated max latency per hop** (in accordance to the traffic selection algorithm assigned by management) on an active loop free topology.
- Listener-UNI**: Periodic Listener attribute declaration;
 - Peer-to-peer attribute propagation back to the talker defines the stream path with **bandwidth and resource control per hop**.

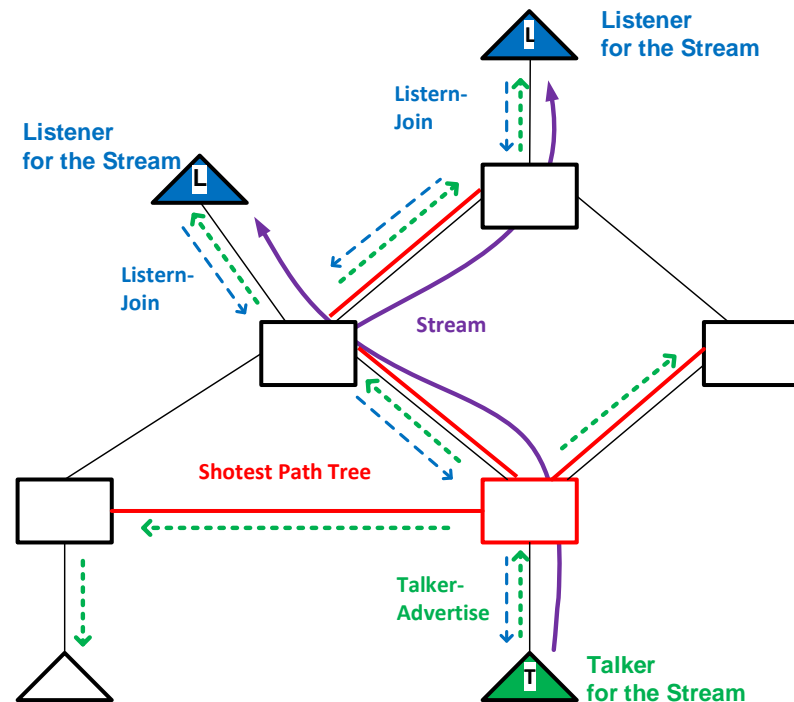


- Lifetime control by periodic attribute refresh.
- Diagnostic information for end-stations and bridges.

Workflow of distributed configuration (3)

Step 2: Stream reservation and establishment (b)

- New **attached end-stations** get stream class information from the network (**domain attribute**), can check and adapt to it.
 - New Talkers acquire unique StreamID / StreamDA and declare Talker advertise attribute
 - New Listeners acquire StreamID by e.g. higher layer protocol and declare Listener join attribute
- Streams of **removed** end-stations are released after the refresh timeout expired (if not actively removed)
→ **Dynamic (ad hoc) stream establishment/release** without network/traffic impact on established streams **is built-in**
- New **attached bridges** get stream class information from the network (**domain attribute**), expand the TSN domain if suitably configured.

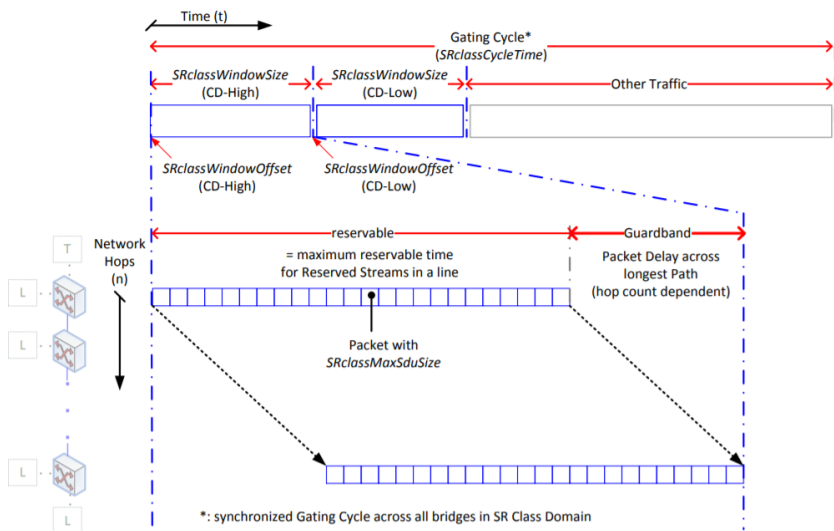


See e.g. UC21: Dynamic plugging and unplugging of machines (subnets), or UC27 DCS device level reconfiguration

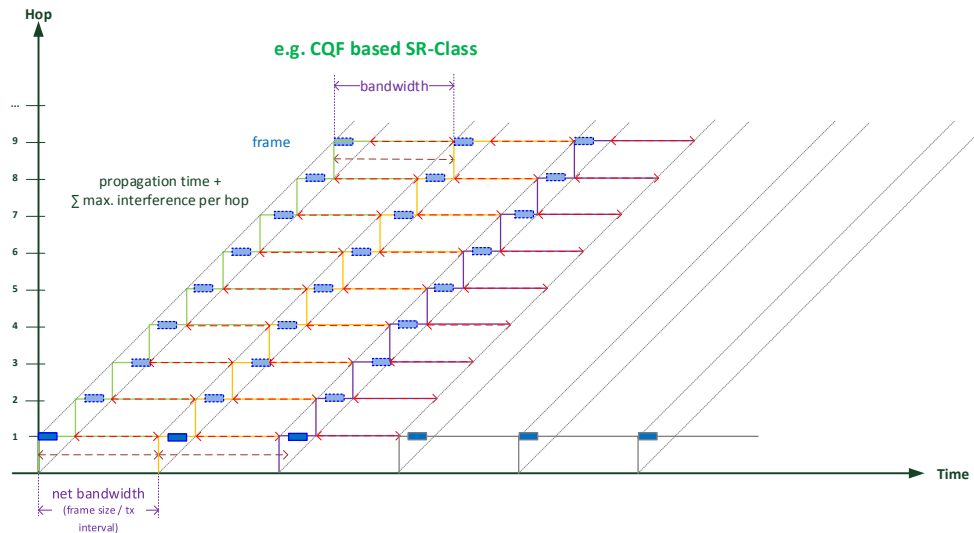
LRP/RAP enhancements for Distributed Stream Configuration (1)

- all **IEEE 802.1** queuing/transmission selections can be combined with distributed stream reservation *for e.g UC02: Isochronous Control Loops with guaranteed low latency*

E.g. Reservation combined with TAS



e.g. Reservation combined with CQF, ...



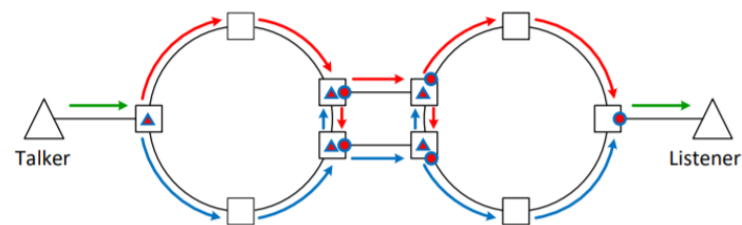
See also <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2018/laision-LNI40-Testbed-TSN-0918-v00.pdf>

LRP/RAP enhancements for Distributed Stream Configuration (2)

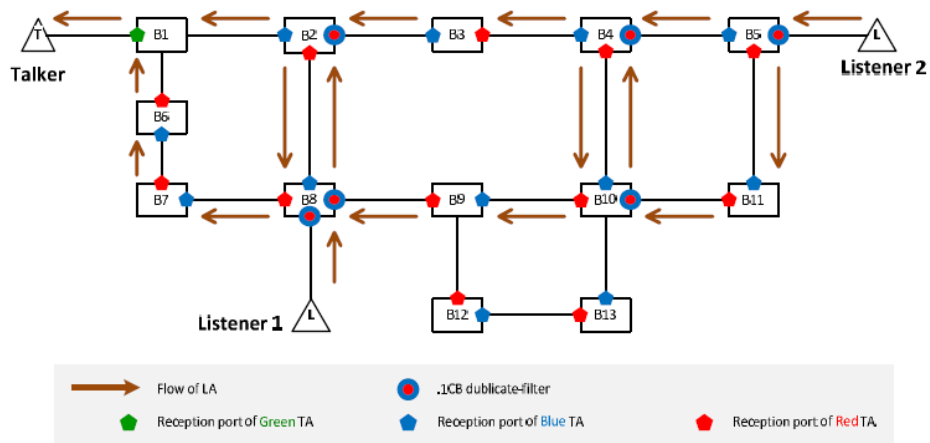
- stream transmission over **redundant paths** (e.g. 802.1CB FRER) can be combined with distributed stream reservation

See *UC07: Redundant networks*

with “autoconfig” in constrained topologies, or



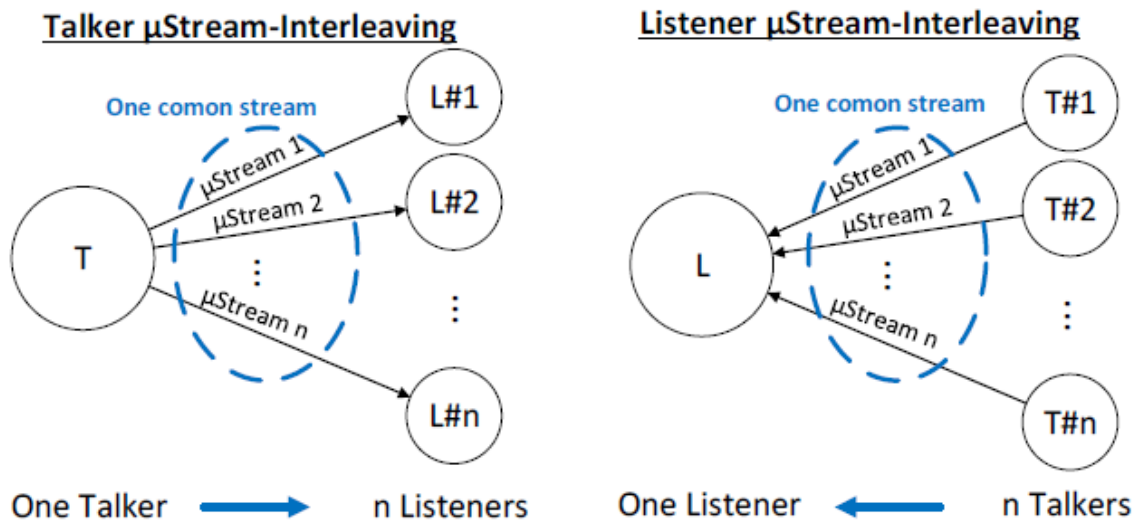
ISIS-PCR based in any meshed network



See <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2017/new-chen-RAP-white-paper-update-1117-v02.pdf>

LRP/RAP enhancements for Distributed Stream Configuration (4)

- improved bandwidth utilization by **Aggregation**: combines multiple μ Streams into one common Stream
See UC17: Machine to Machine/Controller to Controller Communication, e.g. with Supervisory PLC



See: <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dd-chen-flow-aggregation-0119-v03.pdf>

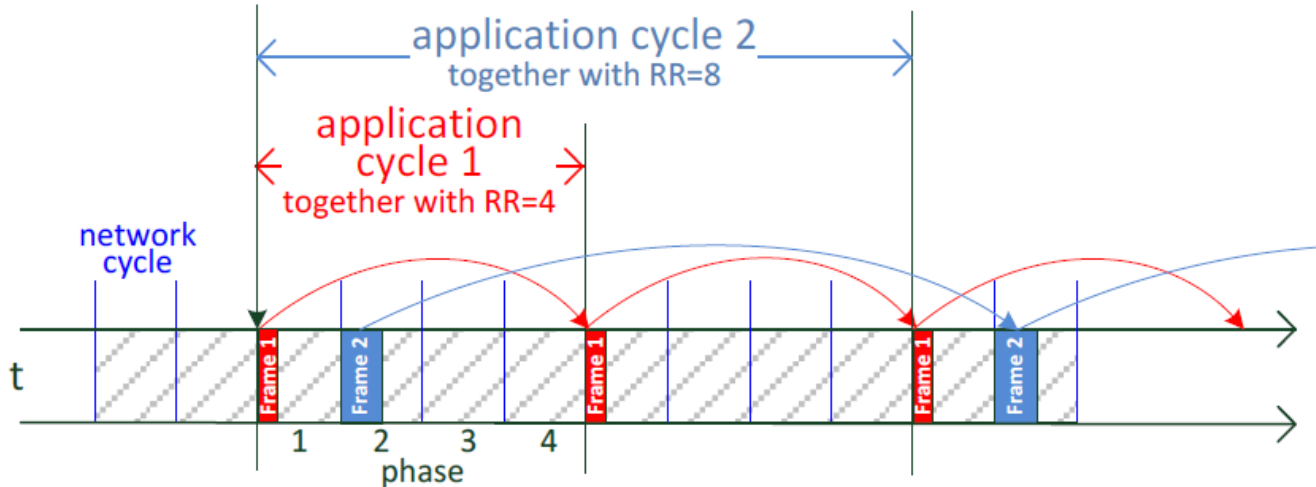
Additional LRP/RAP enhancement required for Distributed Stream Configuration (5)

- improved bandwidth utilization by **ReductionRatio** for application cycle times of $2^n * \text{network cycle time}$

See UC4: Reduction Ratio of network cycle or

UC06: Drives without common application cycle but common network cycle

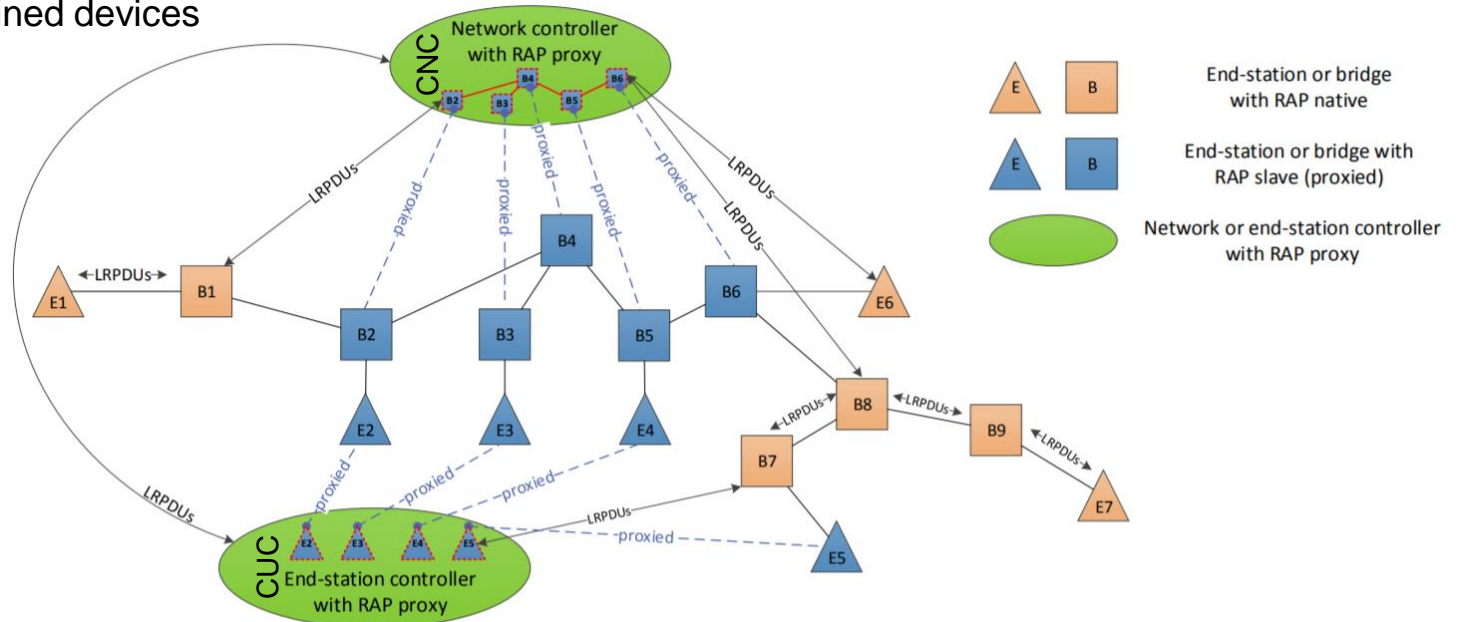
Requires RR and Phase as additional information in the TSpec!



See: <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2018/60802-industrial-use-cases-0918-v13.pdf>

LRP/RAP enhancements for Distributed Stream Configuration (6)

- **proxying capabilities** can be combined with distributed stream reservation to support
 - Centralized components (CUC/CNC)
 - Constrained devices

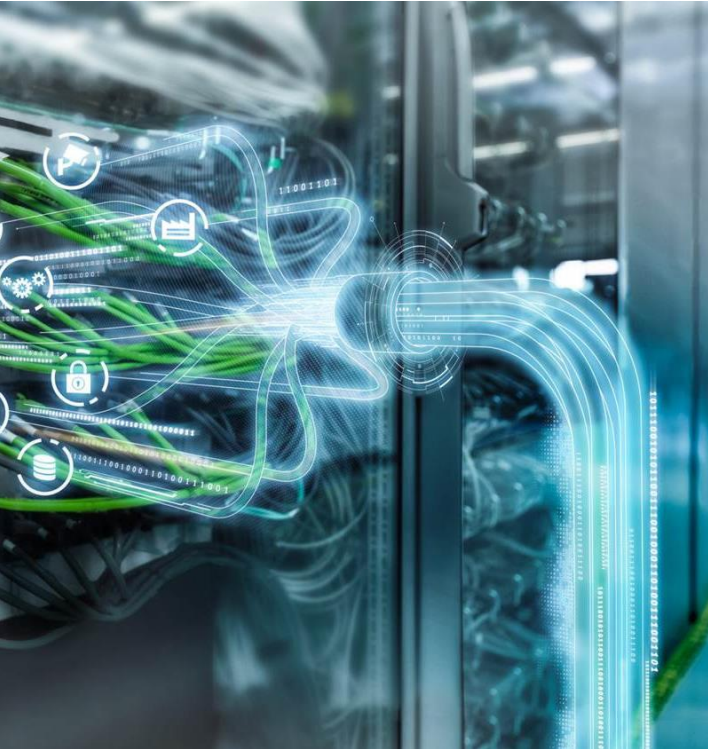


See <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2018/cs-chen-RAP-LRP-interaction-0918-v01.pdf> and <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2018/dd-finn-RAP-LRP-MSRP-Qcc-0918-v03.pdf>

Summary of selection criteria contributions for Distributed Stream Configuration

- (1) **Convergent** TSN networks are designed by network planning and established by network management.
- (2) **Latency and availability** requirements of different Traffic Types are included in network planning and management.
- (3) **Dynamic (ad hoc) stream establishment/release** without network/traffic impact on established streams is built-in.
- (4) **Talker-/Listener UNI** serve as abstract User Network Interface for stream reservation with QoS properties.
- (5) **Efficient use of bandwidth**, i.e. high number of reservable streams with given QoS is achieved by
 - IEEE 802.1 traffic queuing/selection mechanisms, and
 - aggregation / reduction ratio
 - even with mixed link speeds.
- (6) **Scalability** is given from entry level to high end:
 - from constrained to meshed topologies – including FRER support
 - from constrained to non-constrained devices – with proxying as an option
 - bounded latency can be guaranteed independent of chosen topology – with traffic shaping
 - expandable to layer 3 support

Thank You



Questions?