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# Path to an Intent based Transport SDN Infrastructure:

Segment Routing and EVPN Network  
Evolution Strategies and Usecases

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# Agenda

- The Case for Intent based Network Transport
- Transport Network Evolution
- BGP VPN Services Evolution
- Application Driven, SDN Ready Transport Networks
- Summary

# Glossary

- SR – Segment Routing
- SRTE – Segment Routing Traffic Engineering
- PCE – Path Computation Element
- SR-PCE – Segment Routing Path Computation Element
- PCC – Path Computation Client
- PCEP – Path Computation Element Protocol
- BGP-LS – BGP Link State Protocol
- NSO – Network Services Orchestrator
- EPE – Egress Peer Engineering (SR SID for eBGP Peers)
- ODN – On Demand Next Hop

# The Case for Intent based Transport Network



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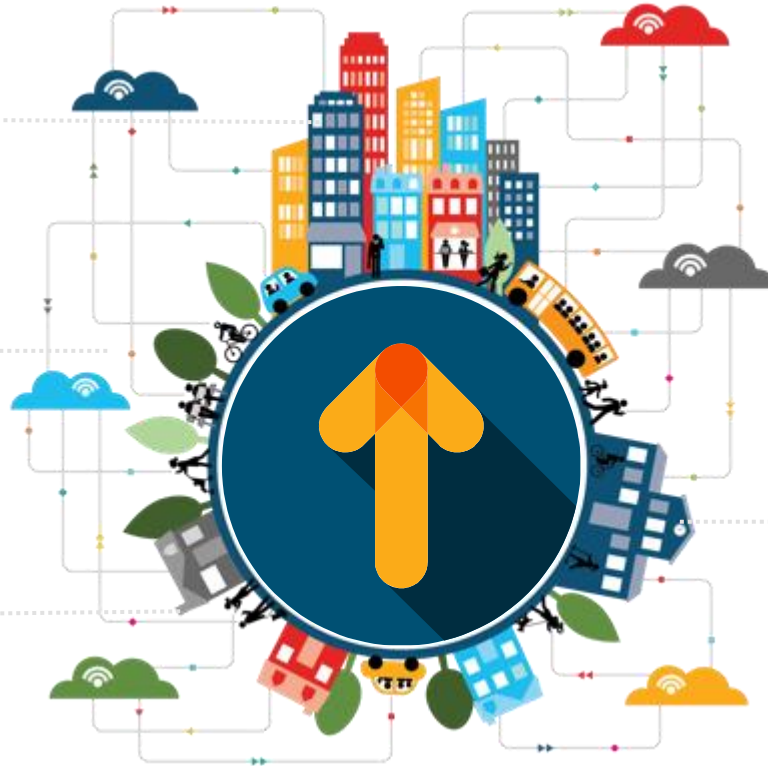
# Forecast – Growth Ahead !!

## 14.6B M2M

Connections by 2022  
(51% of total)

## 12x Growth VR/AR

## 3.6x more devices than people



## 28.5B

### Connected Devices

3.6 devices/person  
85gbps pp/mo

## More !!!!

Avg Broadband Speed to Double!!  
5.7 billion mobile users in 2022\*\*  
3X global traffic increase\*\*

# More Services .... More Service Requirements !!



## Bulk Update

High Bandwidth  
SW Updates  
Sporting Events



## IOT

M2M Non-Critical  
Low intensity Bursts  
Smart Services



## Entertainment

AR, VR, Gaming  
Upsell Opportunities  
User Experience



## Mission Critical

Ultra Reliable Low Latency  
Public Health  
Self Driving Cars



## Private Network

Create your own Slice  
Industry Verticals  
Security, 5G

## Drivers for Intent based networks !!!

# What is Intent !!

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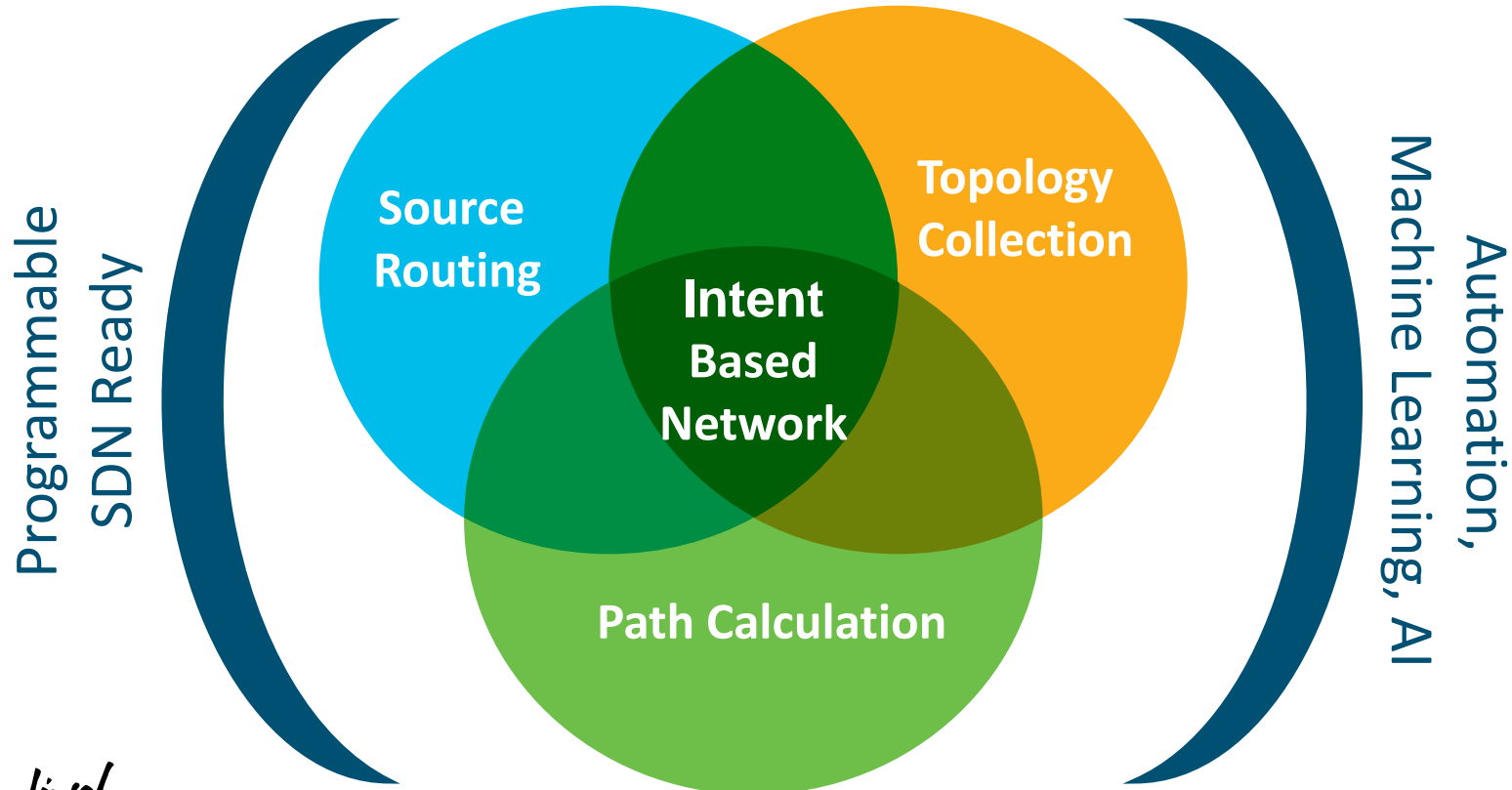
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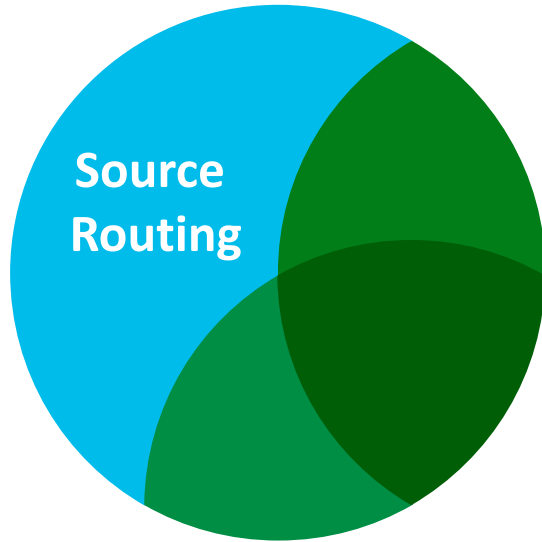
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***in-'tent* – *networking***: use of application specific algorithm(s), with specific constraints, directing packets to traverse a particular set of links and/or nodes in an effort to provide a pre-determined SLA

# Evolving Transport Networks For SDN



# What Makes up an Intent Based Network?



## What, Why and How

- Ability to specify path of the packet by the source; not send to Next Hop and hope for the best
- Allows for path control at the source; make possible an “Intent based Path”
- Implemented using Segment Routing

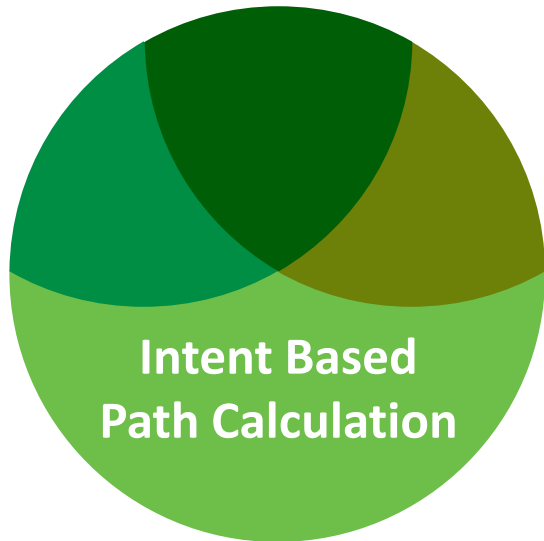
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- Mechanism to learn detailed multi-domain topology with link-level attributes
- Required to create an end to end path across domains based on a “forwarding intent”
- BGP Link State (BGP-LS) used to learn IGP/BGP topology with all relevant link/node attributes
- Topology information may be passed to external applications for “Software Defined” path calculation

# What Makes up an Intent Based Network?



## What, Why and How

- With topology info and source-routing, an “intent-based” path can be calculated
- Ability to provide pre-defined SLA
- Dynamically adjust traffic path when network state changes (e.g. latency change on a link)
- Path calculation can be done on Headend or on centralized “Path Computation Element” (PCE)
- PCE can provide calculated path to nodes

# Why Intent Based Networking?

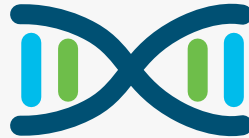
A Foundation for Network Transformation



SDN Ready  
Transport



5G Ready  
Architecture



App driven  
Forwarding



Efficient  
Operation



Make and Save  
Money

# Transport Network Evolution



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# Network Evolution and Simplification Journey

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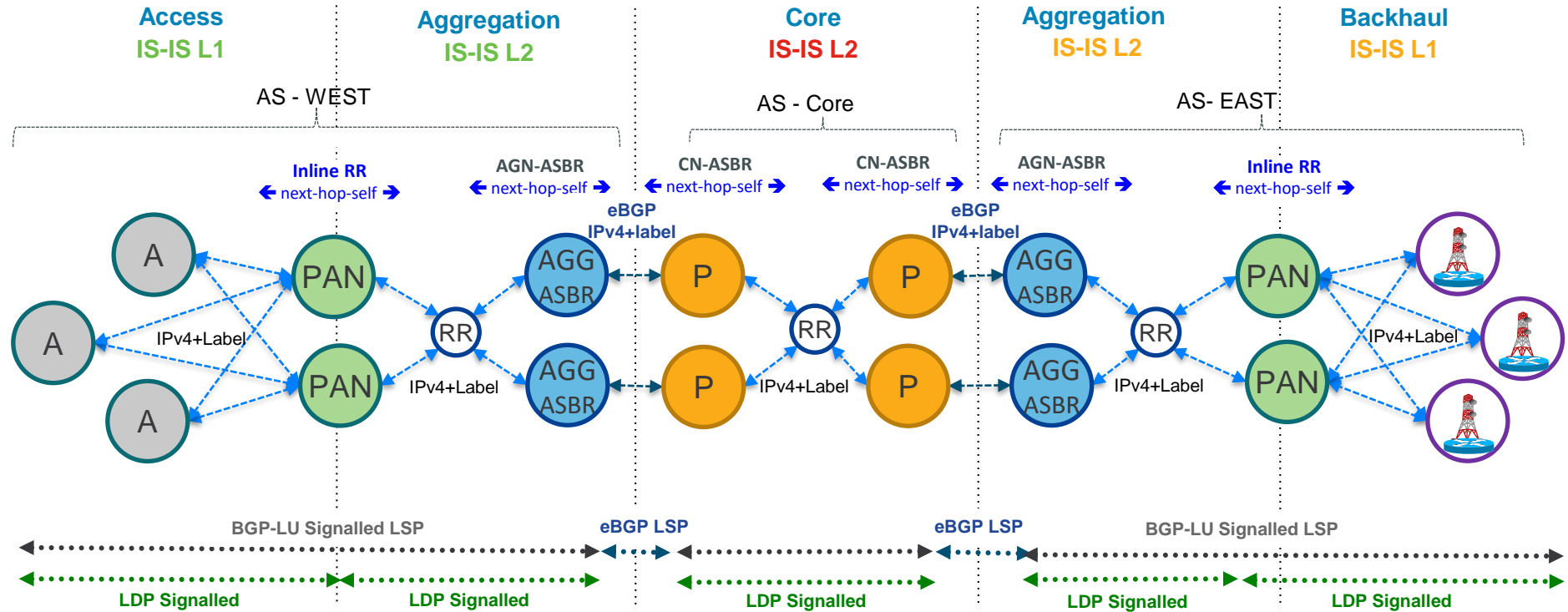
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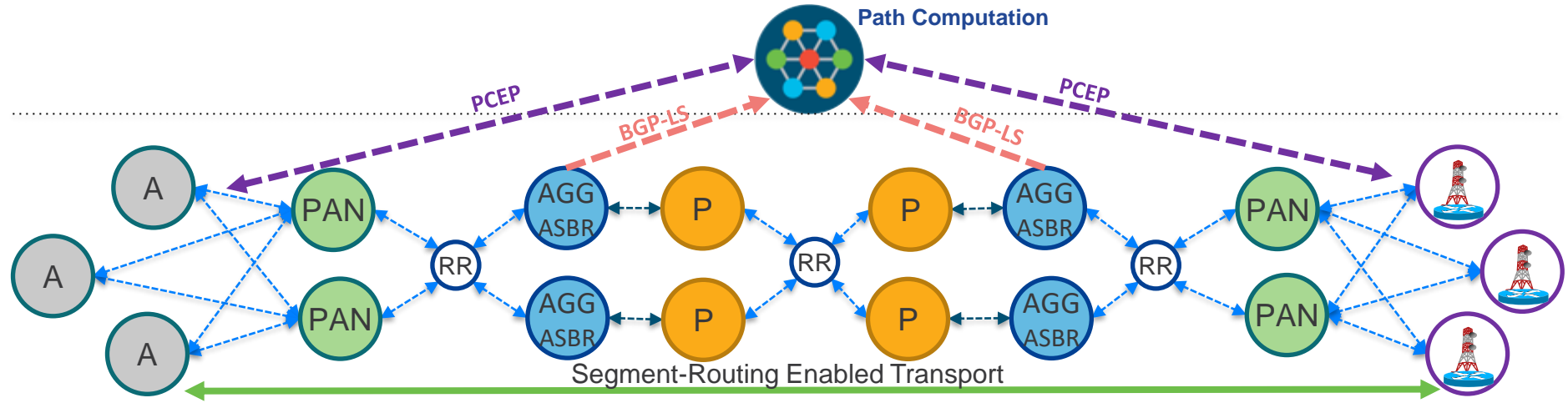
# Where We Are ...

## Current Unified MPLS Baseline



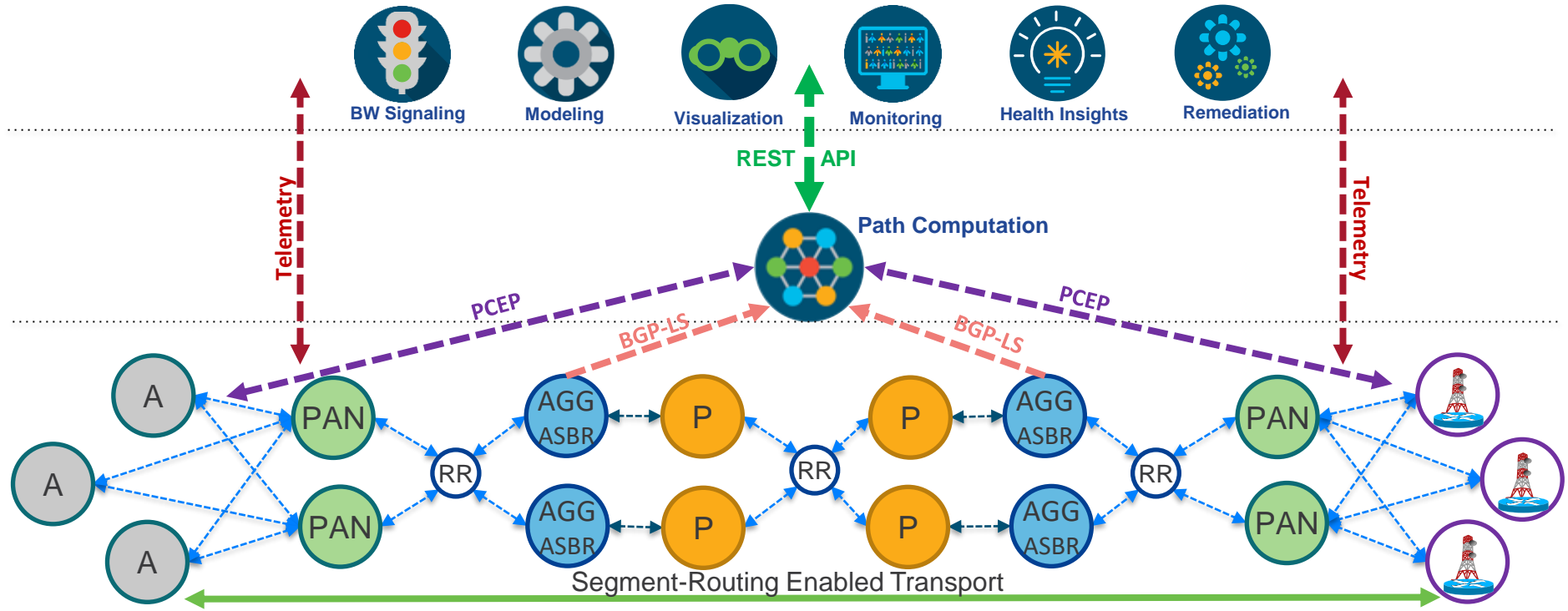
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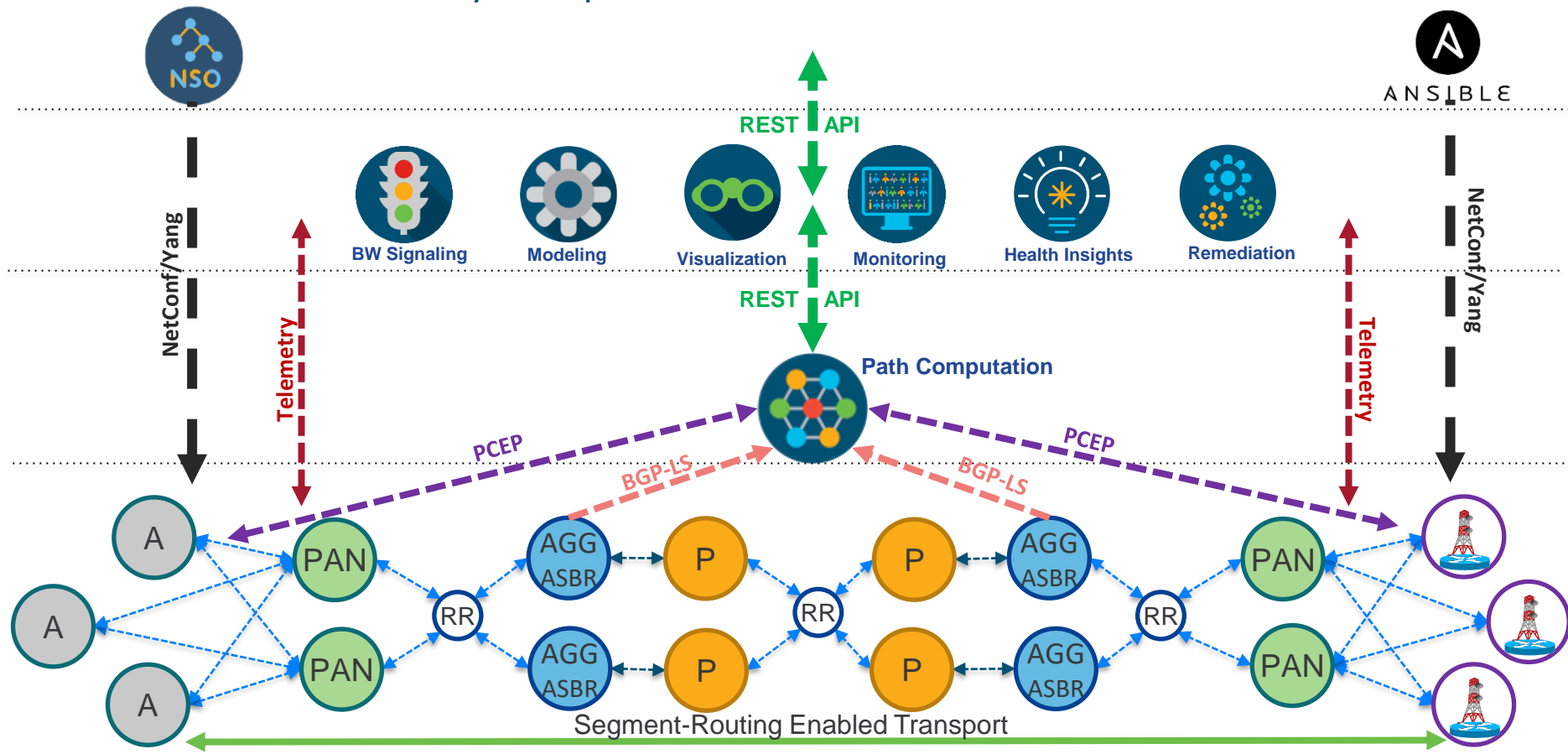
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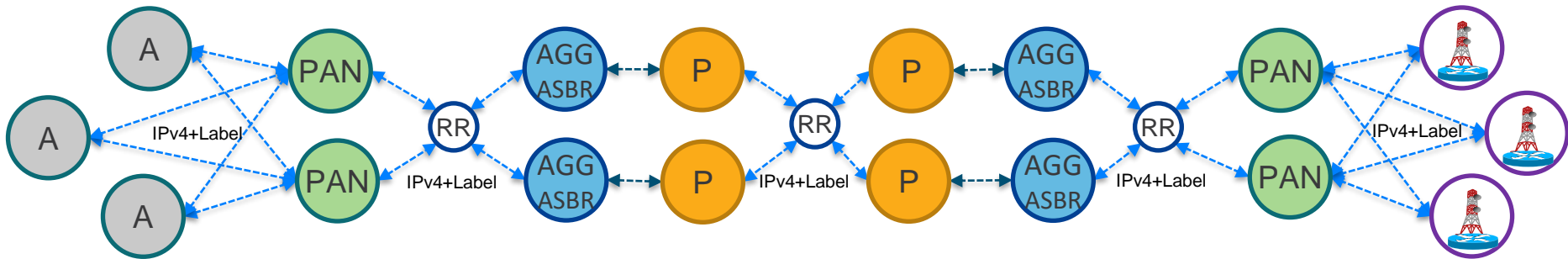




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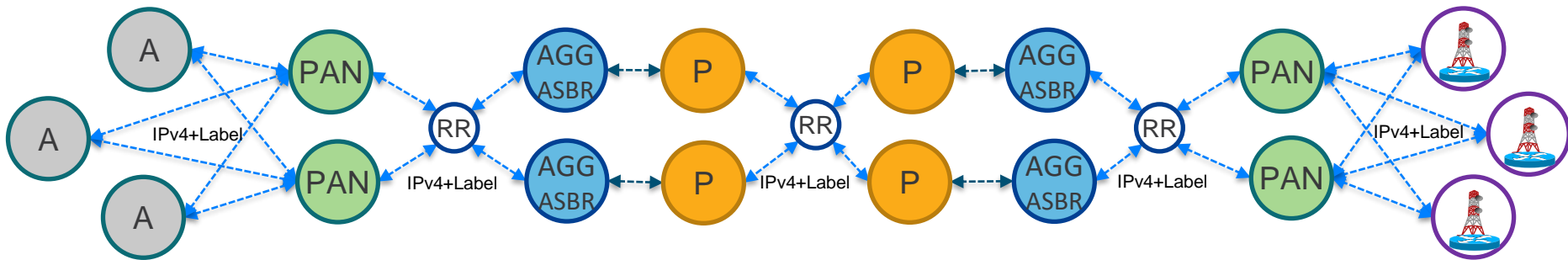


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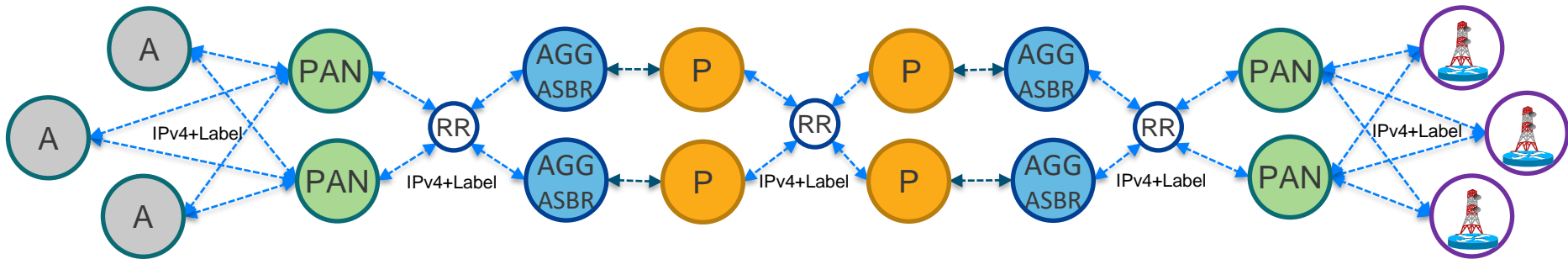
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router isis 1
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    metric-style wide
    segment-routing mpls [sr-prefer]
!
interface Loopback0
  passive
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    prefix-sid index 1
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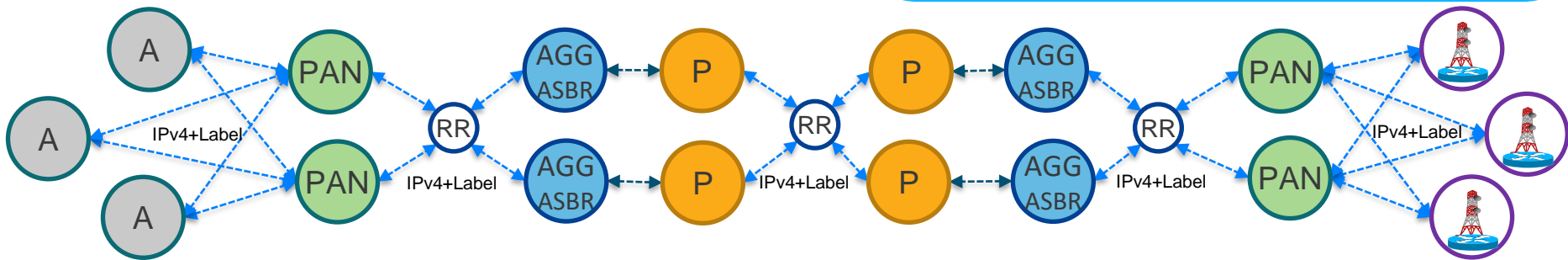


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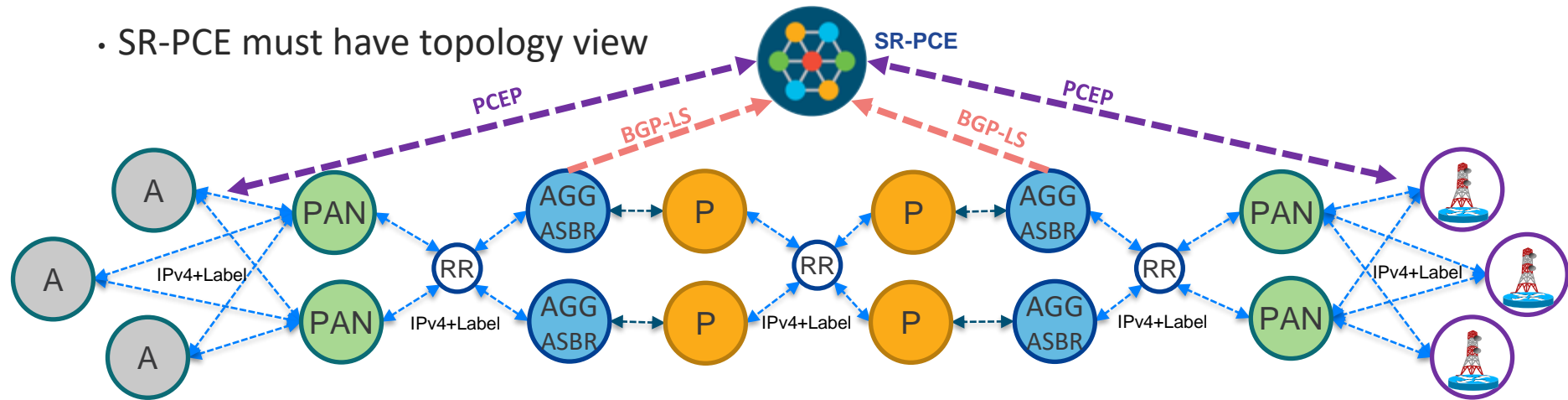
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segment-routing
traffic-eng
policy POLICY1
color 20 end-point ipv4 1.1.1.4
candidate-paths
preference 100
dynamic
metric
type latency
affinity
exclude-any name high_cost_link
```



# Centralized Traffic Control and Compute

## PCE-PCC Relationship

- Offload Intent Based Path computation
- SR-PCE, as Xrv9K device, can take requests to compute path
- Requesting node in called Path Computation Client (PCC)
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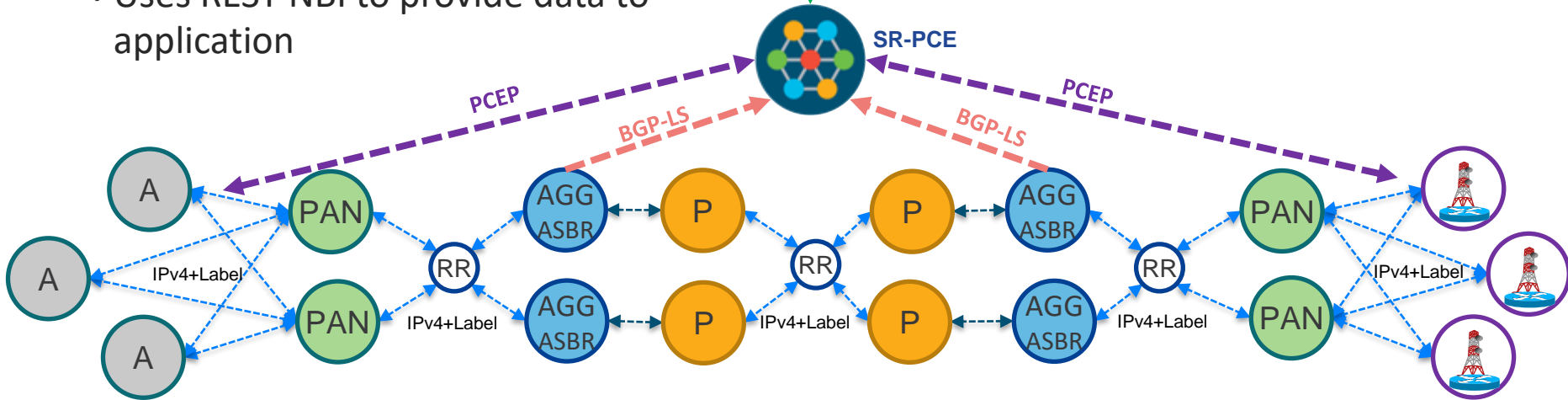
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```
address ipv4 6.1.1.100
rest
```

**segment-routing  
traffic-eng**

**pcc**

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source-address ipv4 6.1.1.1
pce address ipv4 6.1.1.100
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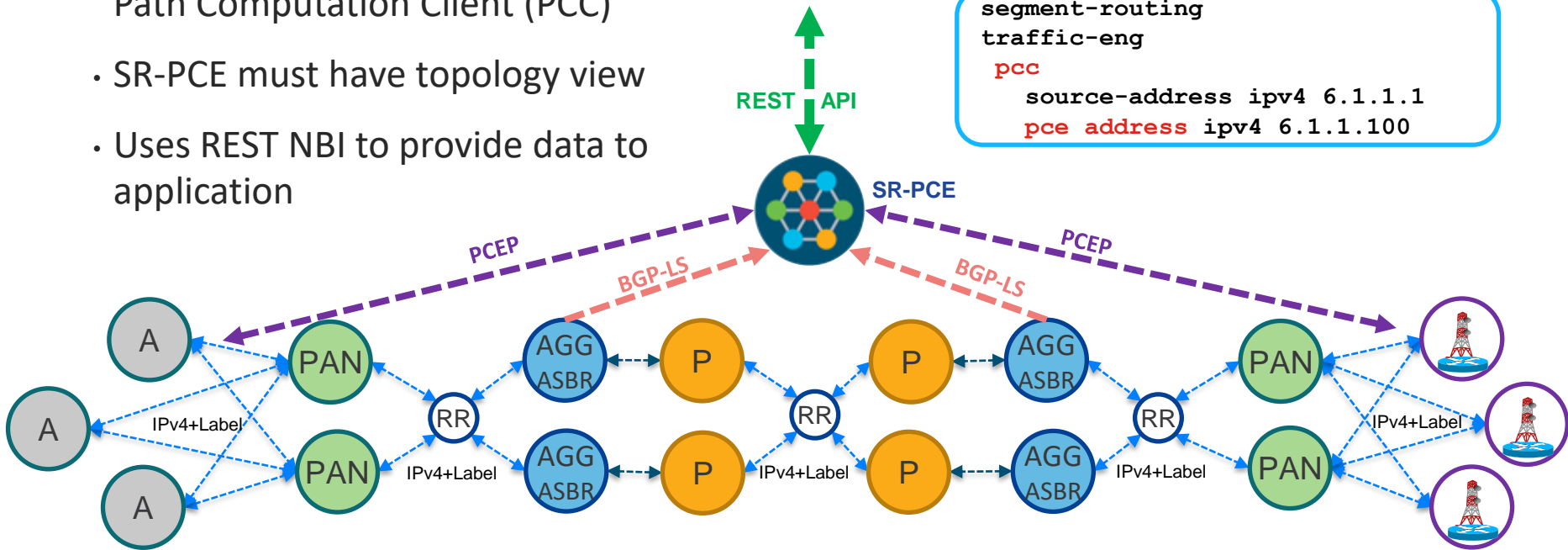
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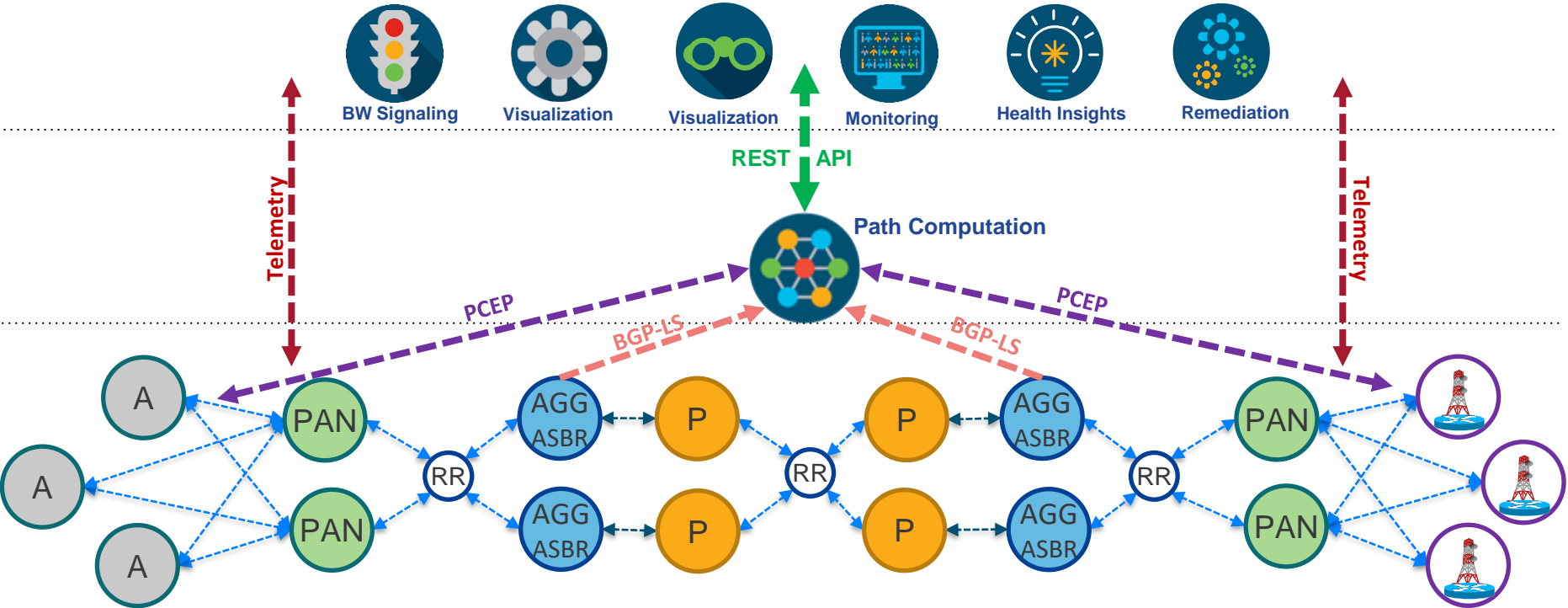
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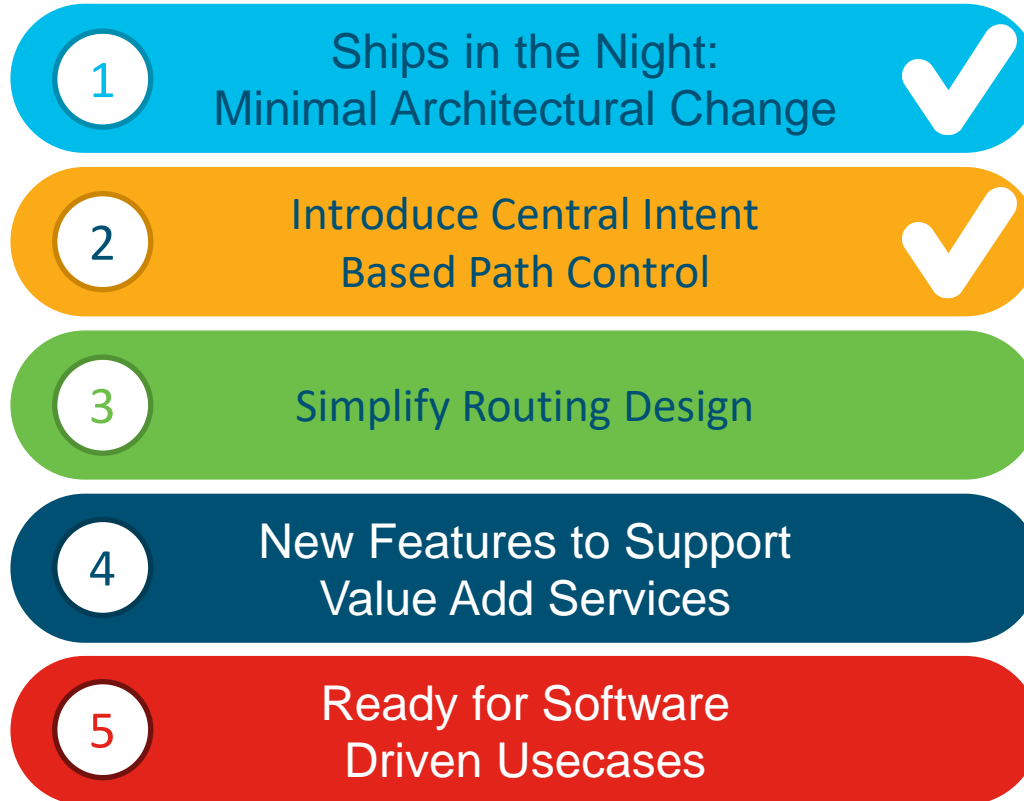
# Intent Based Programmable Network: Transport now Ready for SDN



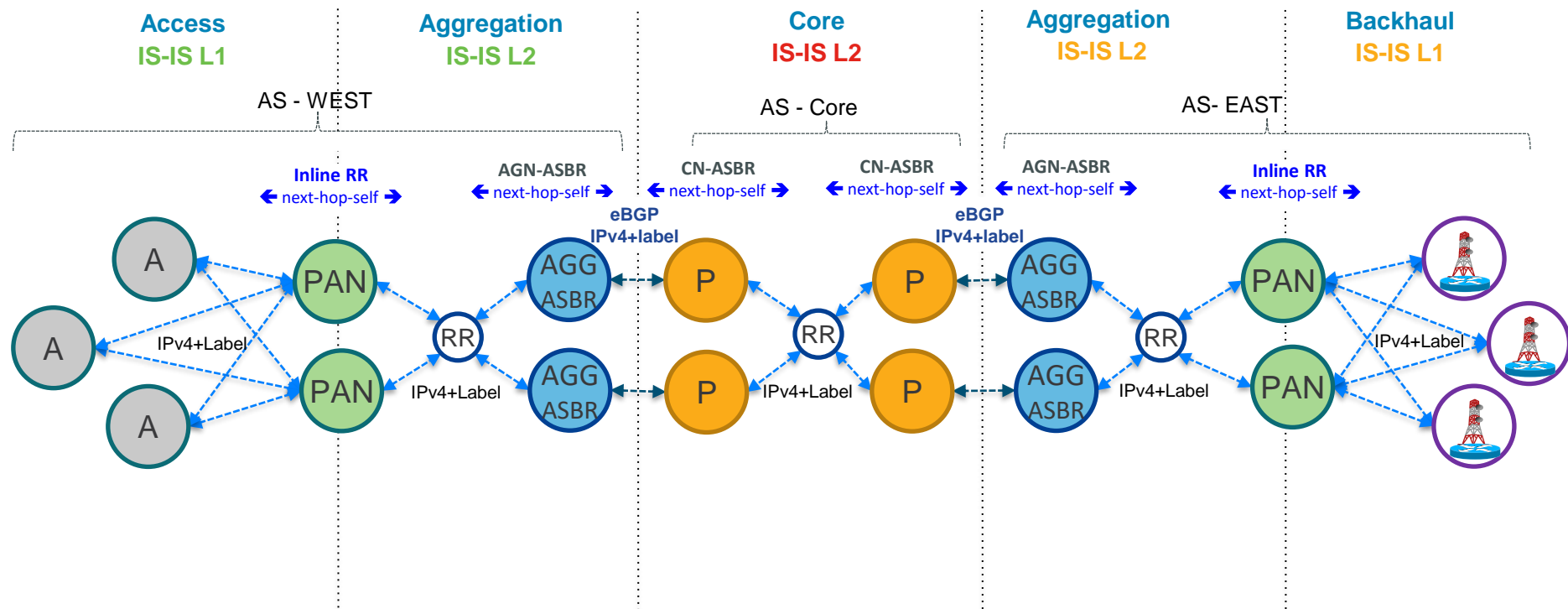


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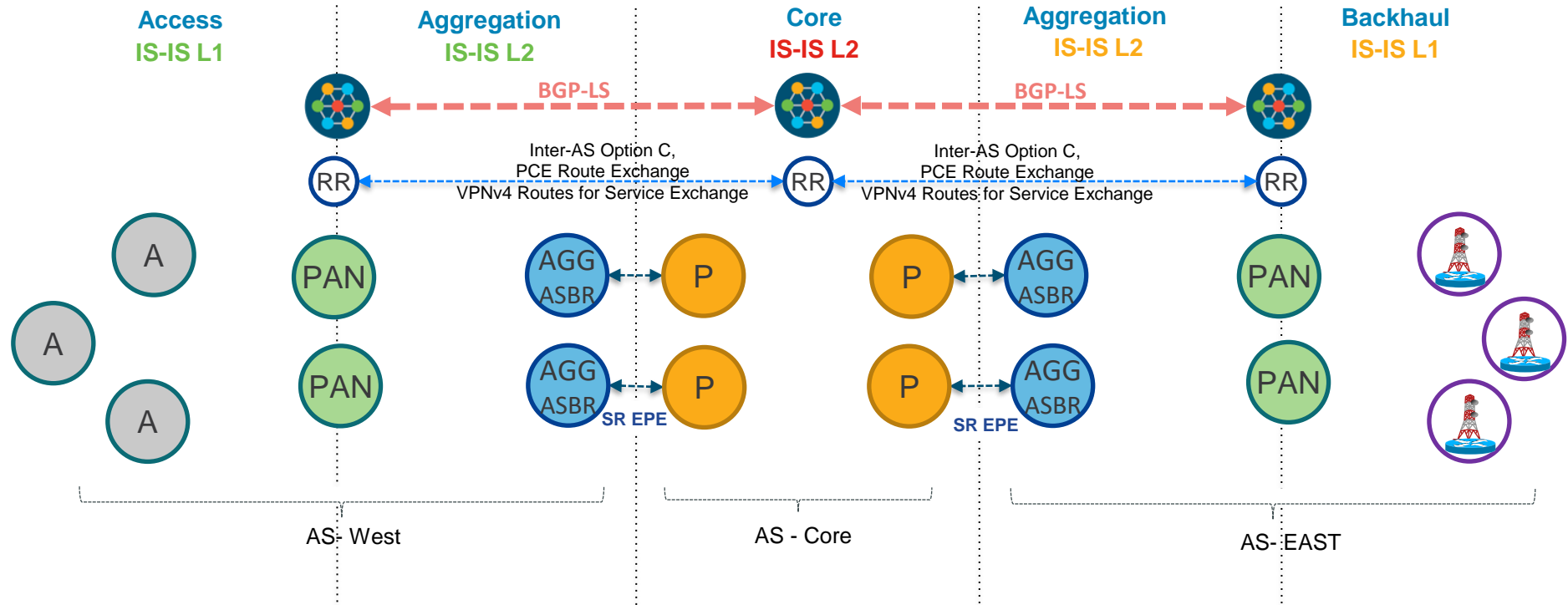
## Multi-Step Network Evolution



# Reminder: BGP-LU, with MPLS-LDP Design



# Simplify Routing with SR-PCE Usage



# What Just Happened?



Access Nodes don't need BGP/IGP route to remote service nodes



Simplified, scalable routing: No L1/L2 leaking, No BGP-LU routes



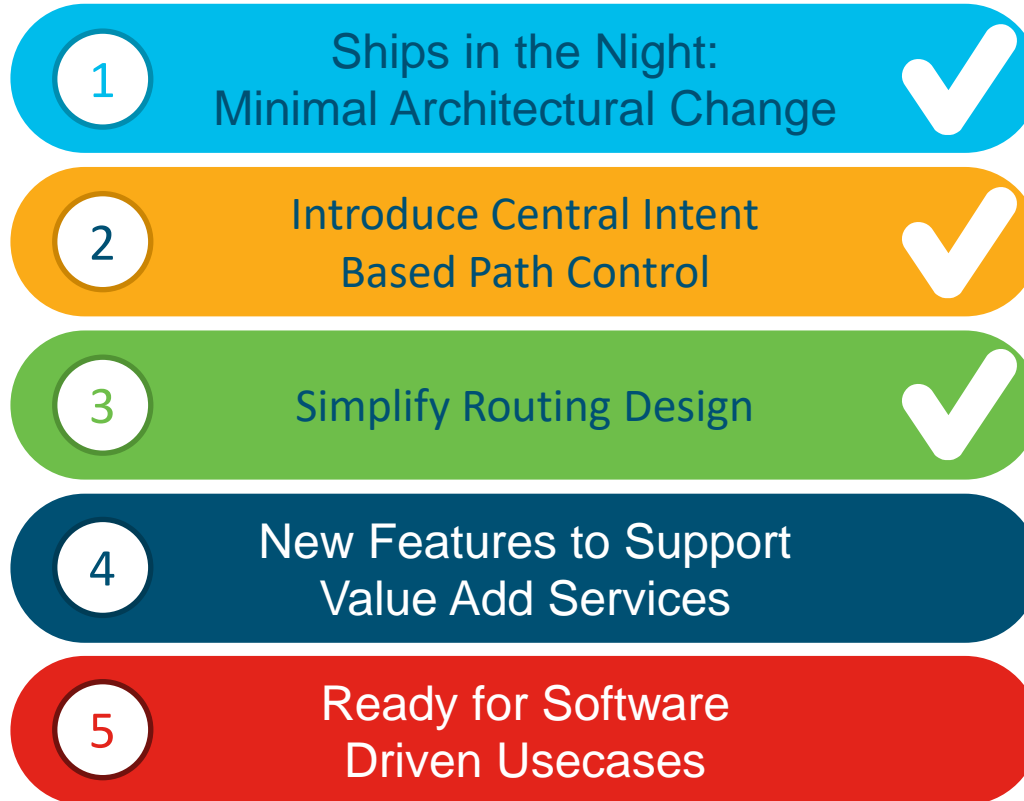
PCE could be part of both L1/L2 areas and have reachability to Access Nodes



RR could be part of both area to provide VPNv4 Route Exchange

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# On-Demand Next Hop (ODN)

## Value Proposition

### Config Simplification

- No need for a per-destination intent policy
- ODN works as a “template”
- Specify only intent and color
- Intent applies to all routes/dest that matches the color

### OnDemand Policy Instantiation

- Intent can be pre-configured
- No policy is instantiated or programmed
- Policy only instantiated when a route is received for that Intent
- Policy removed, once the route goes away, freeing up resources
- Very helpful for bursty, sporadic traffic  
.. Like IOT

# Flex Algo & Segment Routing TE

## Segment Routing (SR):

Use Default IGP Metric to forward traffic (**Default Algo**)  
Ability to define a SID-List at the source for traffic forwarding



## Segment Routing Traffic Engineering (SRTE):

**Intent** based forwarding that goes beyond IGP Best Path forwarding  
Uses SID List to influence forwarding path



## Flex-Algo

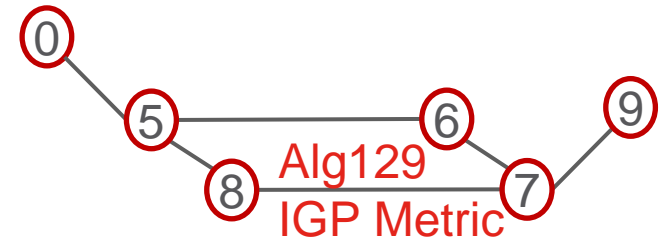
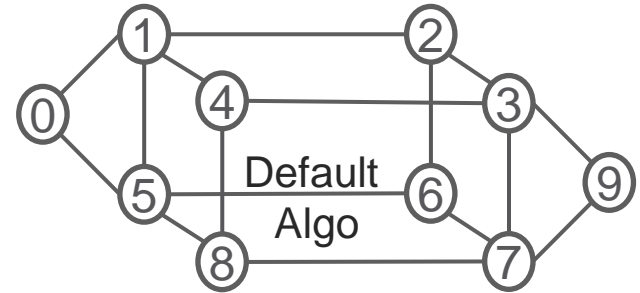
“Intent” become additional fwdg logic (i.e. algo) in IGP, enabling domain level forwarding tables  
IGP distributes multiple metrics/Affinities – SPF, Low Latency, Constrained Nodes/Link etc  
A Network node may or may not participate in Flex Algo, allowing sub-topologies to be created  
Multiple Algo’s may be operational in a given Network topology

# Network Slicing through Flex-Algo

```
router isis 1
net 49.0001.0000.0000.0002.00
flex-algo 128
  metric-type latency

!
interface Loopback0
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  prefix-sid index 2
  prefix-sid algorithm 128 absolute 16802

segment-routing
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  dynamic
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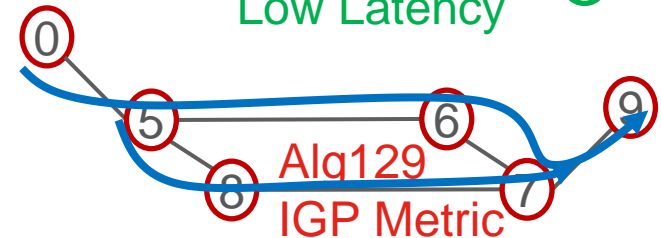
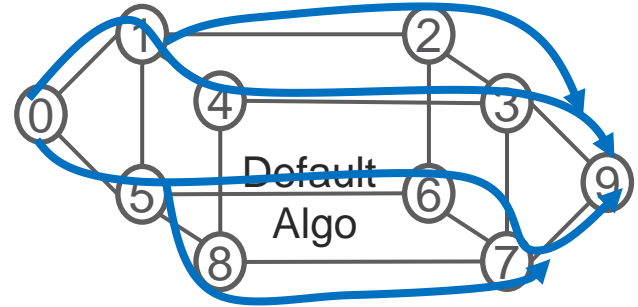




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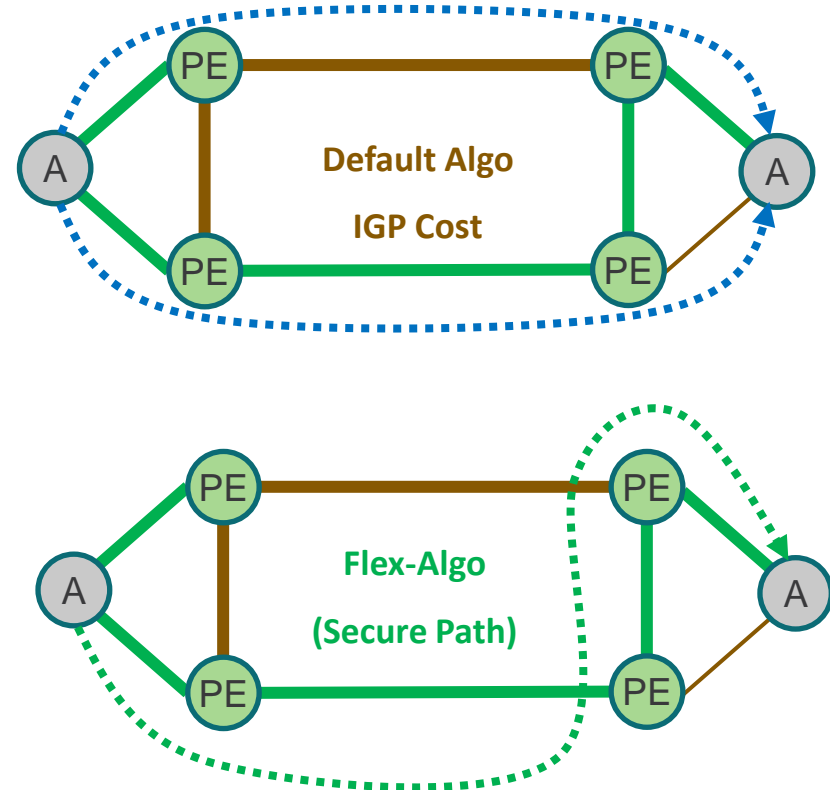
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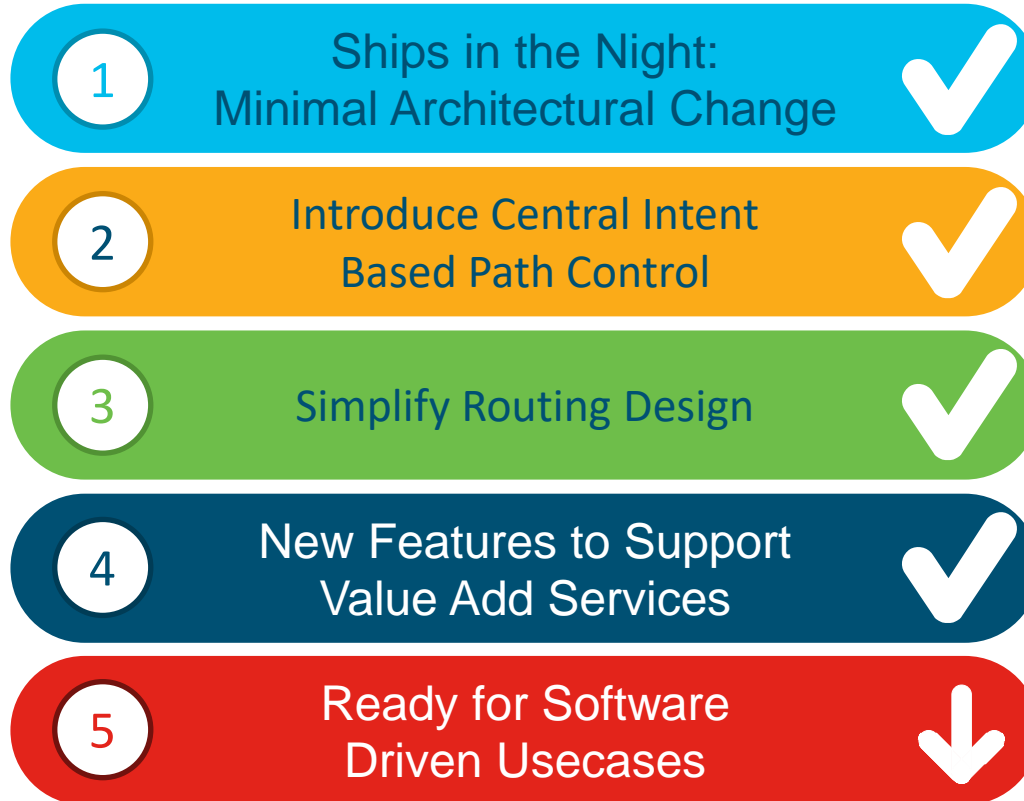
# Intent Statement: Secure Slice Usecase

1. Financial customer asks for a secure path E2E
2. Requests link-level encryption for any of its traffic
3. Using Lowest Latency possible is still part of their “intent”
4. **Your solution:** You will create a “Secure Network slice” using Flex algo that would avoid non-encrypted links



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Constraints  
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# VPN Services Evolution



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# VPN Services Over Segment Routing

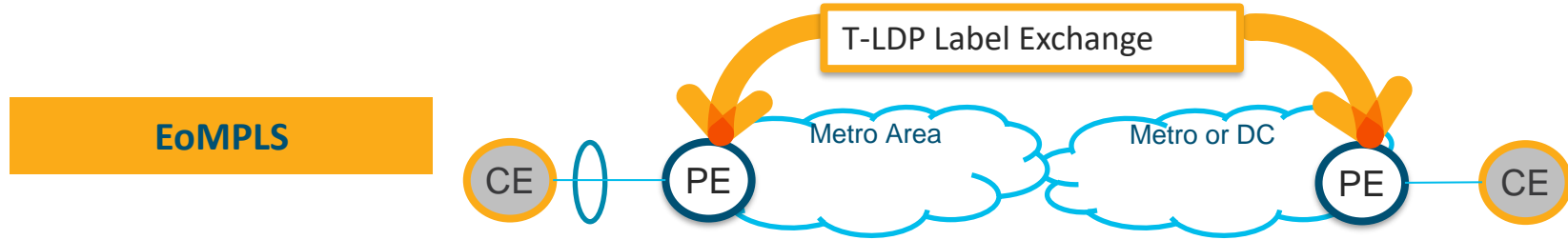
## Layer 3 VPN

- Utilizes Multi-Protocol BGP (i.e. no dependency on LDP)
- Segment Routing/Intent Based Forwarding enhances L3VPN Service

## Layer 2 VPN

- Point to Point – EoMPLS
- Multi-point VPLS/H-VPLS
- If using LDP Signaling, services L2VPN services need to evolve for Segment Routing based network

# Point to Point L2VPN → EVPN Evolution



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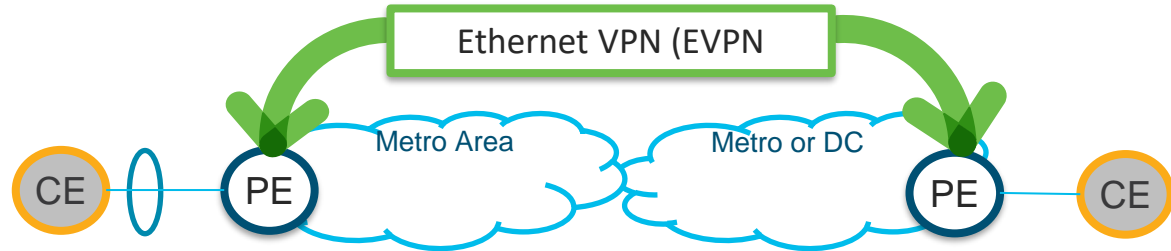
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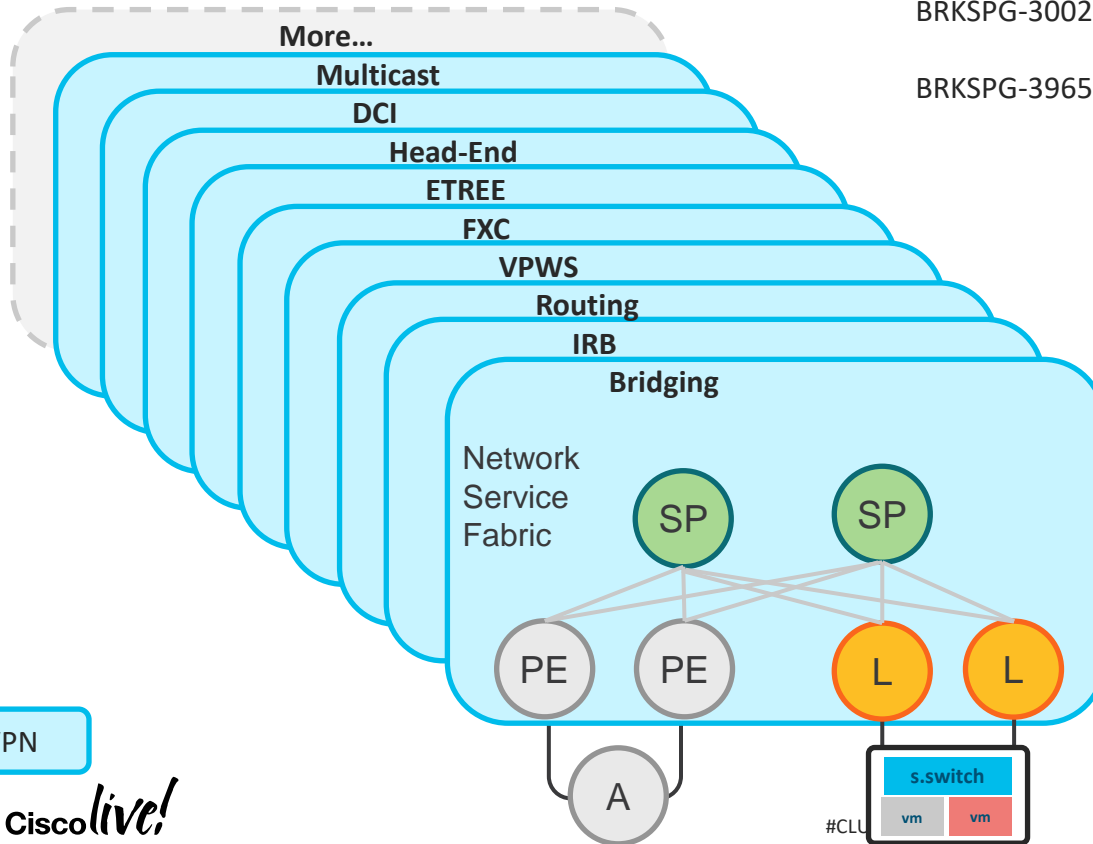
EVPN VPWS



# Service Unification Through EVPN\*

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with EVPN

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IOS-XR Configuration examples for  
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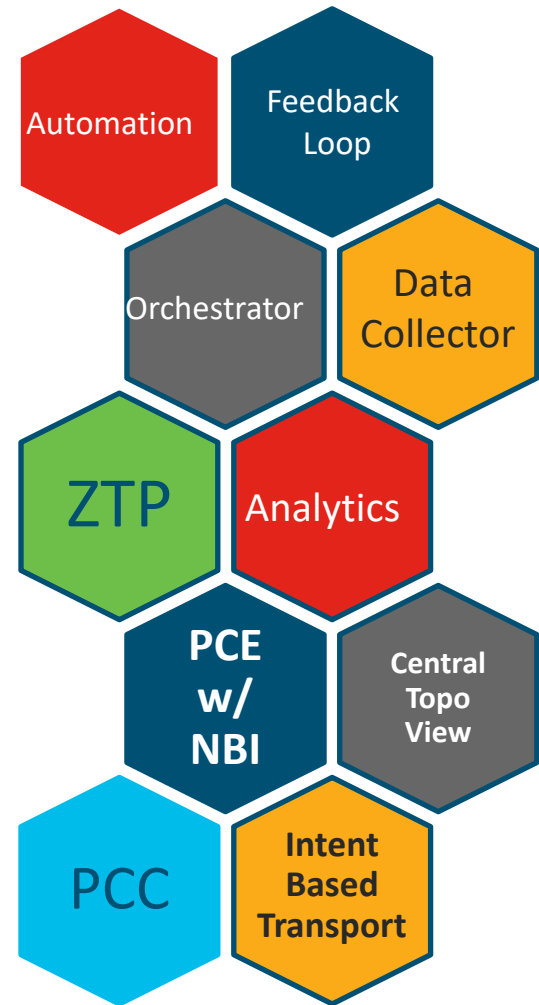
# Application Driven, SDN Ready Transport Network Useases



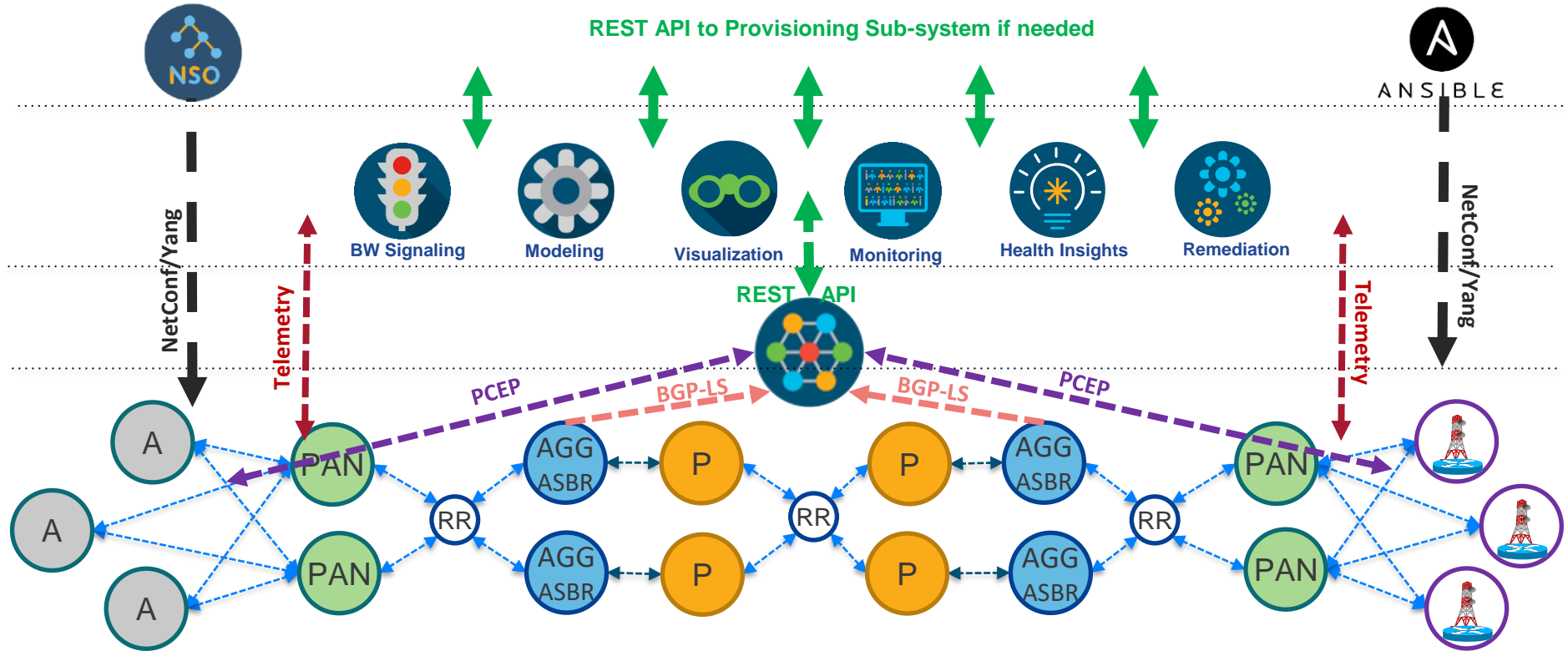
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# A Recipe For Transport SDN

- Network Simplification and intent based transport paves the way
- Individual components for a “Transport SDN” architecture widely available
- Integration between various software components in key
- Applications interact with and actively drive Transport Network



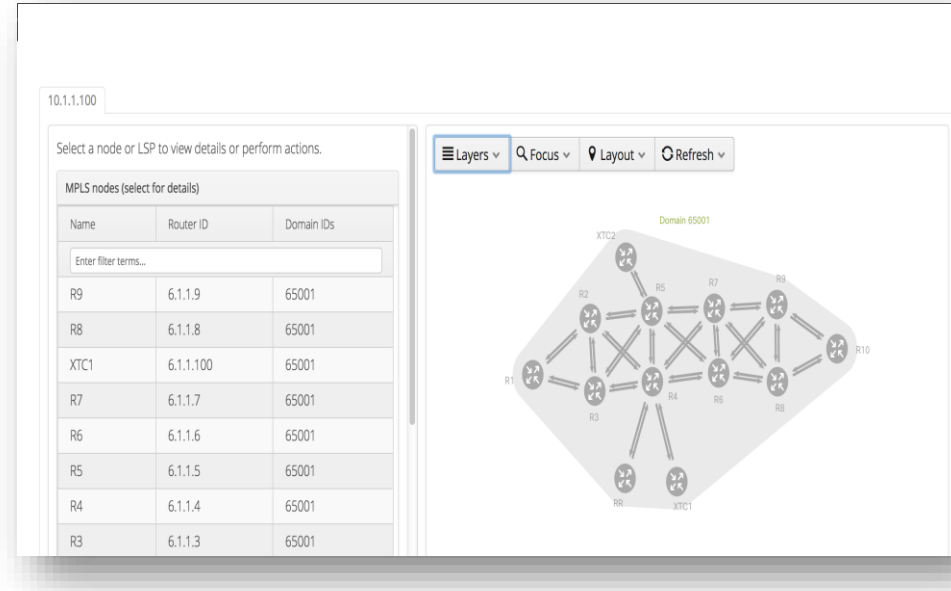
# Intent Based SDN Ready Transport



# Intent Based SDN Ready Transport Use Cases:

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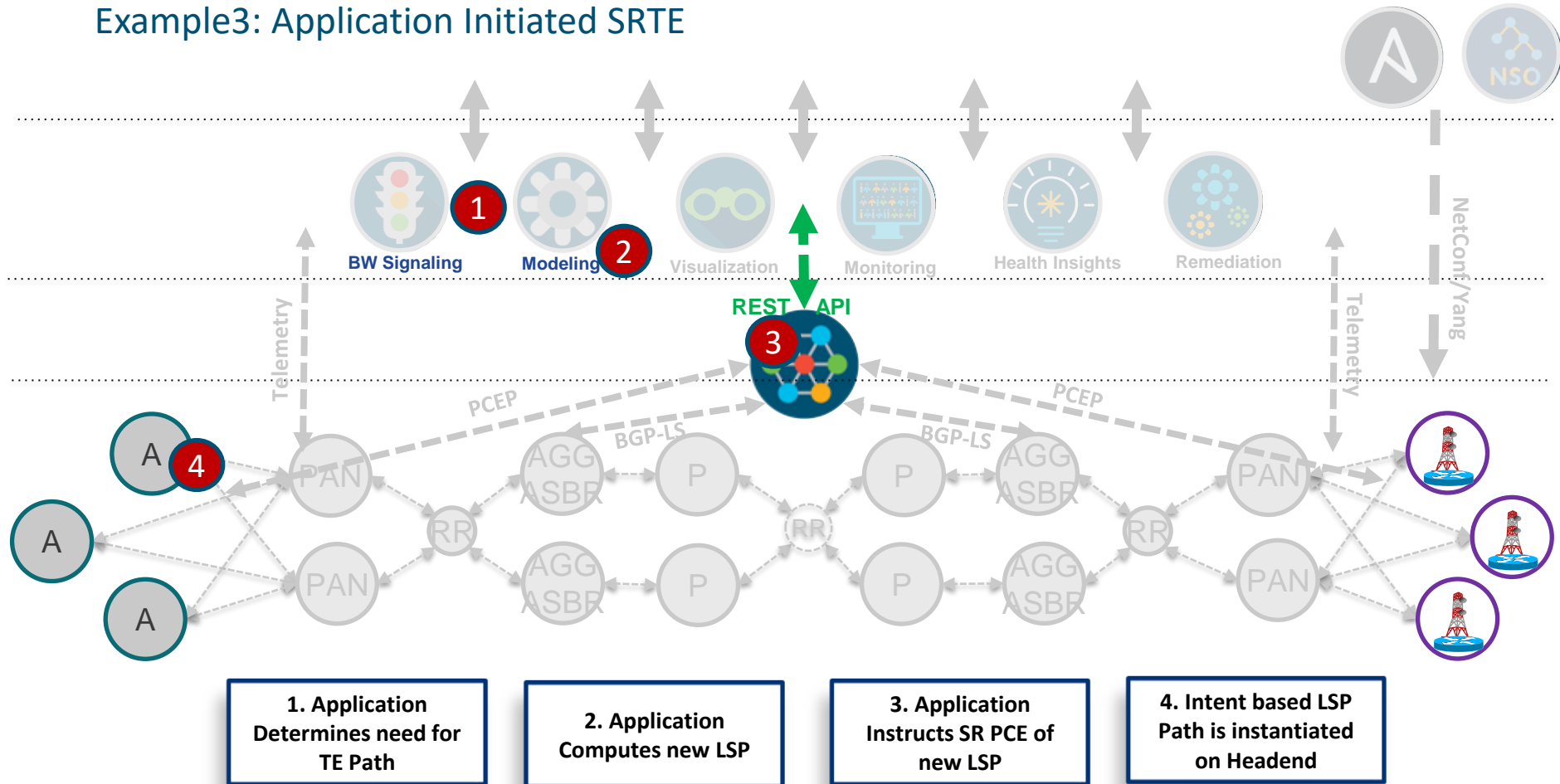
- SR-PCE enables REST API
- External Application gather Topology from SR-PCE
- Visualization includes:
  - Link/Node info
  - SID Allocation
  - Intent Based Path, if defined on nodes/PCE





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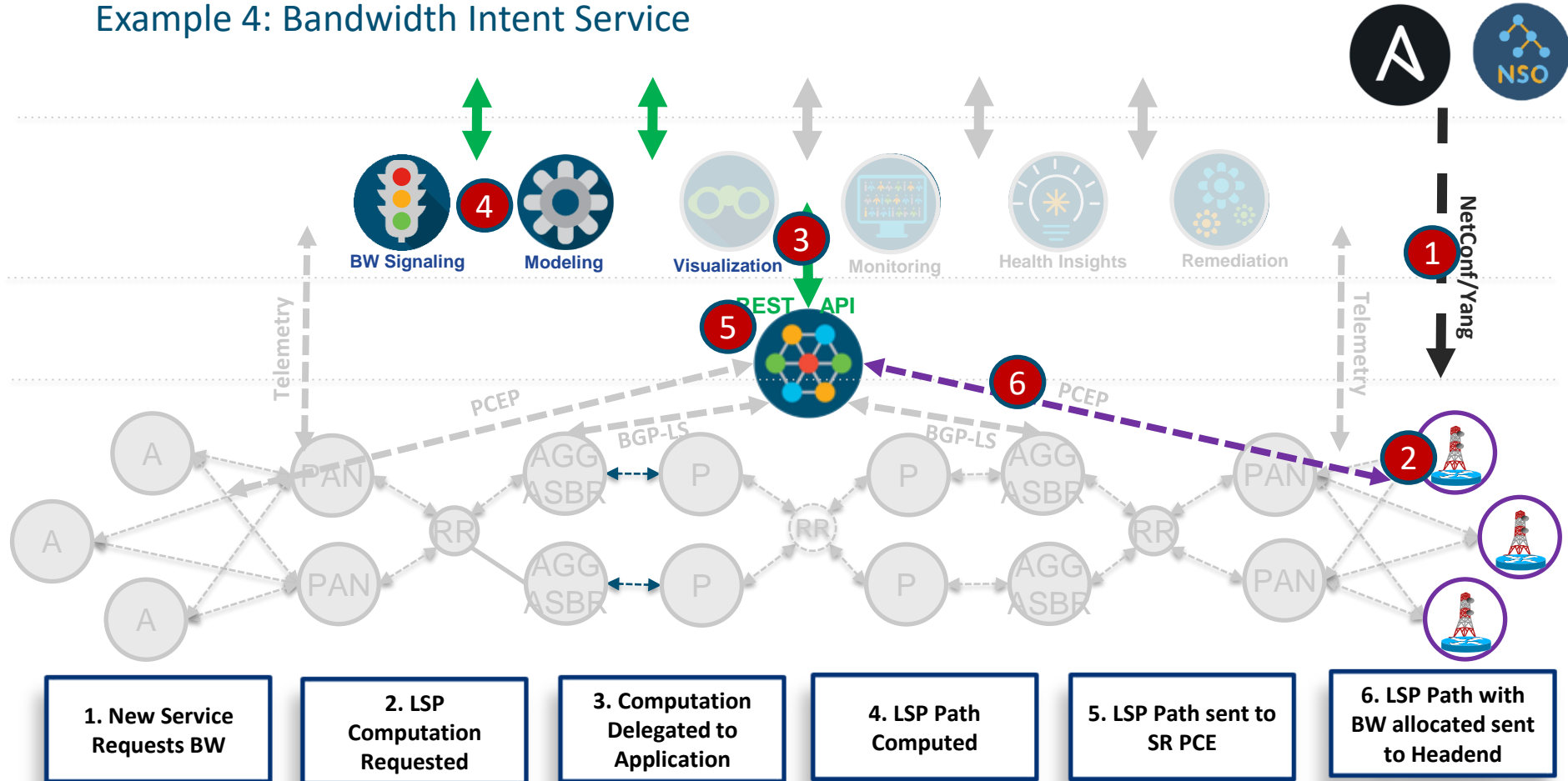
## Example3: Application Initiated SRTE





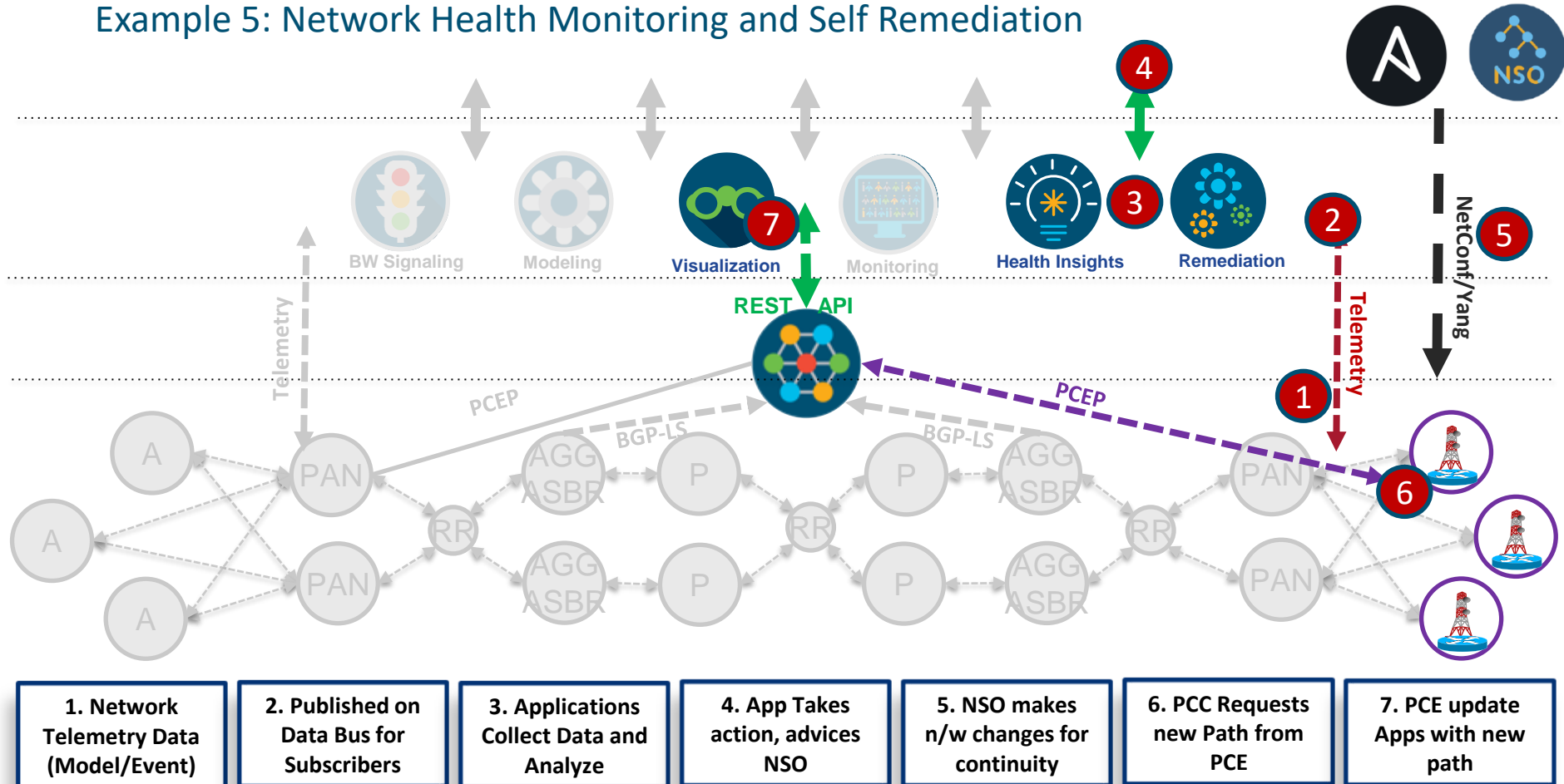
# Intent Based SDN Ready Transport Usecases:

## Example 4: Bandwidth Intent Service



# Intent Based SDN Ready Transport Usecases:

## Example 5: Network Health Monitoring and Self Remediation



# Summary



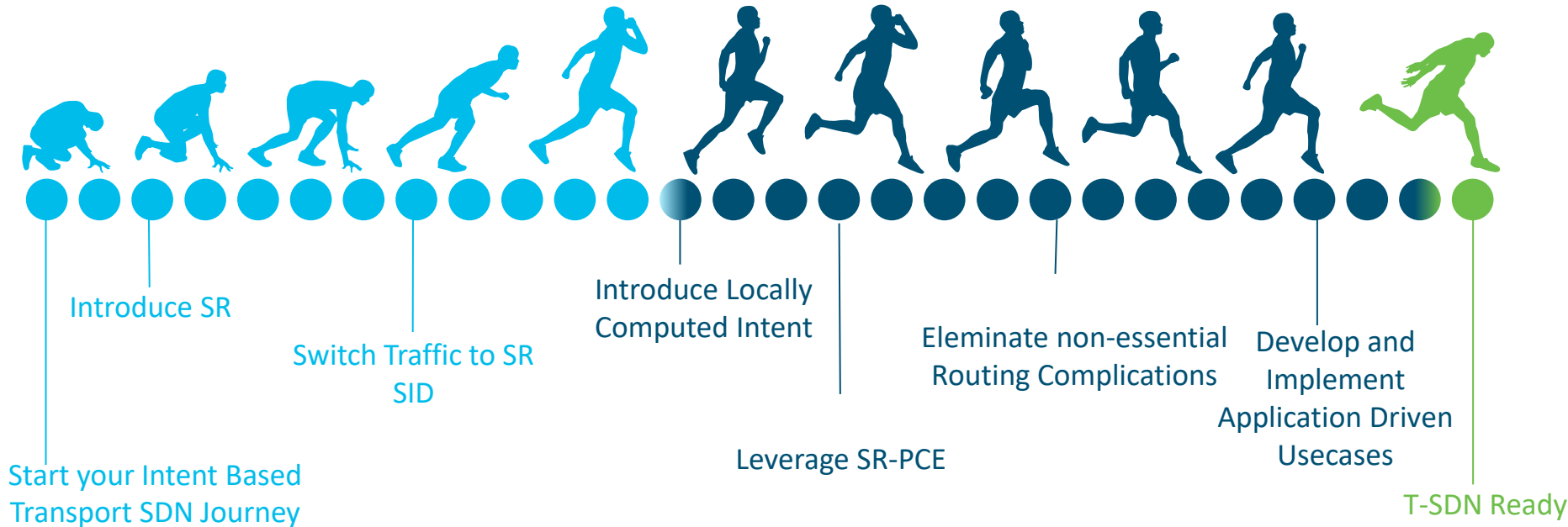
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LABSPG-2109	Ethernet VPN (EVPN) Implementation and Troubleshooting
LABRST-1015	Introduction - Segment Routing for Policy Aware Network

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It all starts with Intent Based Programmable Transport

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