LC-PCN – The Load Control PCN solution

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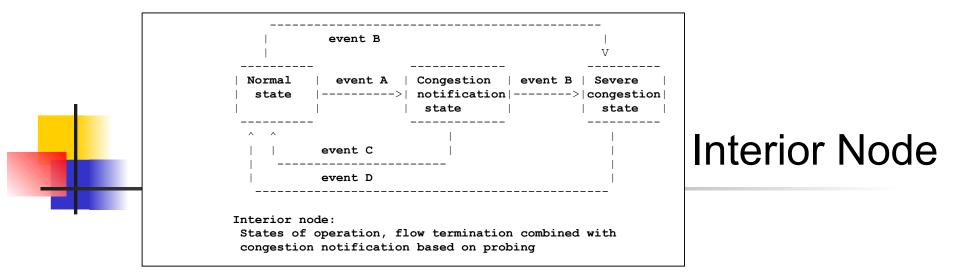
Outline

- Overview of LC-PCN solution
- Comparison with other PCN schemes
- Conclusions and next steps

- Applied in a PCN domain and used for unidirectional and bidirectional flows
- Supports admission control (based on probing), flow termination and ECMP handling during admission control and flow termination

Diffserv configuration:

- Interior: Meter, Marking Action, Packet Classification:
 - Marked excess rate = (Metered excess rate / N), where N >1 and same in whole PCN domain Configuration
- Egress: Identifies probe packets and measures excess rate and defines which new flows should be rejected and which ongoing should be selected for termination
- Ingress generates probe packets and uses information from egress to reject/admit the new flow and to stop selected ongoing flows



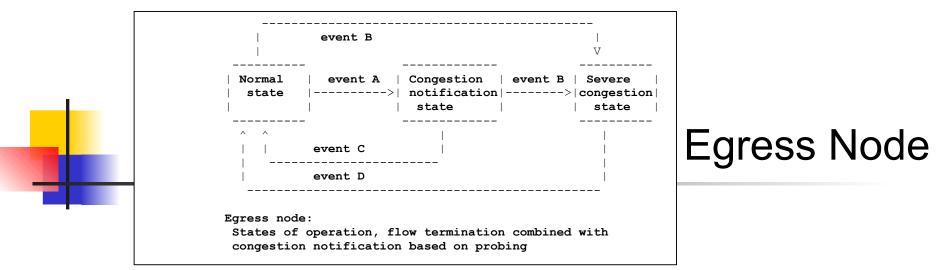
- Normal state: no congestion
- Severe congestion state = Flow Termination (FT) state
- Congestion notification state = Admission control (AC) state

Events when one encoding state used for admission control and flow termination

 Event A: Measured Rate per PHB (MR) > congestion notification rate (i.e., configured admissible rate (C-A-R))

("encoded DSCP" rate = 1/N * excess rate (rate above C-A-R))

- Event B: MR > severe congestion detection (i.e., congestion termination rate: C-T-R) ("encoded DSCP" rate = 1/N * excess rate (rate above C-T-R))
- Event C: MR \leq C-A-R
- Event D: MR \leq severe congestion restoration rate (C-T-R)
- Event E: (same as event D) but not in the figure and only used when two encoding states are used for AC and FT states



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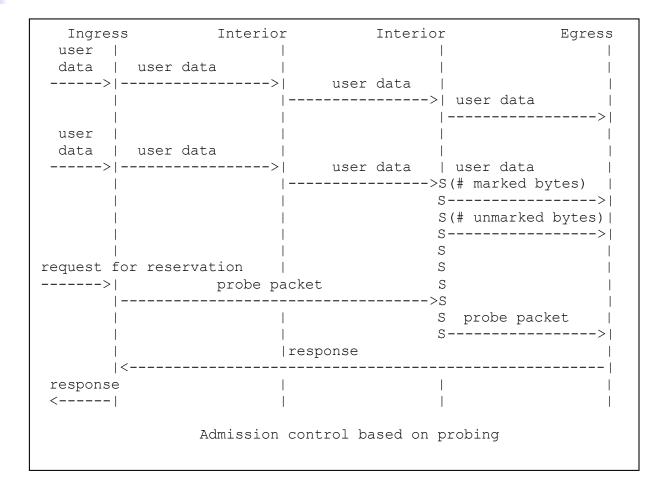
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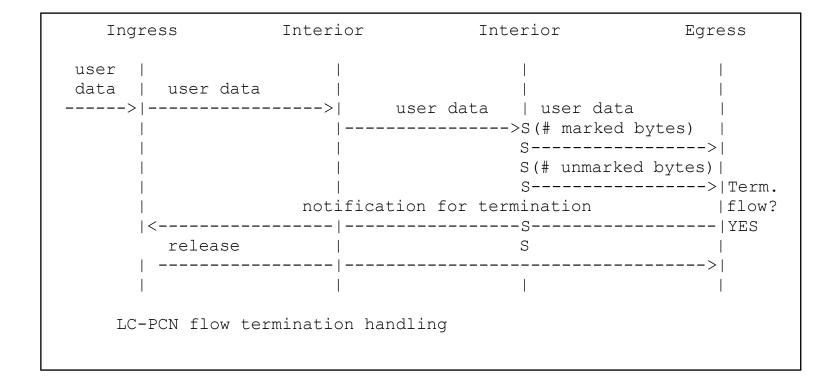
• Event A: (MRE > C-A-R) AND (MRE \leq C-T-R)

where, MRE = Measured rate of "encoded DSCP" * N, C-A-R = congestion notification rate,

C-T-R = severe congestion detection

- Event B: MRE > C-T-R
- Event C: MRE \leq C-A-R
- Event D: MRE \leq C-T-R
- Event E: (same as event D) but not in the figure and only used when two encoding states are used for AC and FT states





Comparison with other PCN schemes

	LC-PCN	CL-PHB	Single Marking	3SM
PCN features	NC, AC, FT, ECMP-AC, ECMP-FT (measurements per byte)	NC, AC, FT	NC, AC, FT	NC, AC, FT, ECMP- AC, ECMP-FT
Operation at Ingress	AC: Generate probes and reject if negative notification FT: Terminate selected flows	AC: CLE > C-A-R => reject FT: Termination BW (TBW)= Input load –SAR Terminate flows according to TBW	AC: same as CL- PHB <u>FT:</u> SPR = u* SAR Termination BW (TBW)= Input load –SPR Terminate flows according to TBW	<u>AC:</u> Either due to negative notification or generate probes and reject if negative probe notification <u>FT:</u> If S = 0, same as CL-PHB If S>0 => terminate selected
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- NC = Not congested, AC = Admission Control, FT = Flow Termination
- ECMP-AC = ECMP solution used during AC, ECMP-TC = ECMP used during FT
- CLE = Congestion Level Estimation, SAR = Sustainable Admission Rate, SPR = Sustainable Preemption Rate

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INTERIOR	Option 1 (two encodings): MR>C-A-R=>AM MR>C-T-R=>TM Option 2 (one encoding): MR>C-A-R=>TM MR>C-T-R=>TM TM= 1/N Excess MR (applied when MR even above Maximum Capacity)	MR>C-A-R=>AM MR>C-T-R=>TM (applied when MR not above Maximum capacity)	MR>C-A-R=>AM (applied when MR not above Maximum capacity)	MR>C-A-R=>AM MR>C-T-R=>TM (applied when MR not above Maximum capacity)
E G R E S S	Option 1 (two encodings): <u>AC</u> : MRE-AC = AM <u>FT</u> : TBW = TM*N: (MRE-TM> C-T-R) <u>Option 2 (one encoding):</u> <u>AC</u> : MRE-AC=TM*N reject: probe marked+MRE-AC>C-A-R <u>FT</u> :TBW=TM*N: (MRE-TM> C-T-R) Select flows according to TBW, send TBW to ingress	<u>AC:</u> CLE=(AM+TM)/total Send CLE to ingress <u>FT:</u> SAR= rate unmarked packets Send SAR to ingress	<u>AC:</u> CLE= AM/total Send CLE to ingress <u>FT:</u> SAR = rate unmarked packets Send SAR to ingress	AC: Reject either MRE-AC>C-A-R or probe marked. Send notification to ingress <u>FT:</u> If S= 0, see CL- PHB; If S>0 => Select all TM marked flows to terminate

Conclusions and next steps

LC-PCN at ingress:

- Generate probe packets and and reject if probe is marked, accept otherwise
- Terminates selected flows
- LC-PCN at interior:
 - packets TM marked according to excess rate
 - All packets that are not TM marked are Affected Marked (used for ECMP)
 - Probing used to solve ECMP during AC
 - Similar to 3SM and single marking
- LC-PCN at Egress:
 - Excess rate measurements and probing is used to admit a reservation request or not
 - Selects only (TM and Affected Marked) marked flows to be terminated according to the calculated termination bandwidth (TBW)
 - Solves ECMP problem
 - similar to 3SM when S>0 and when S the same in whole PCN domain

Conclusions and next steps

Evaluate if and how the LC-PCN scheme can be combined/integrated with the other PCN WG schemes