RSVP FOR QOS:

What role for the IETF?

Terminology

- RSVP has two major historical uses: making QoS reservations, and traffic engineering
- RSVP-TE is agreed term for the latter
 - plenty of community support for RSVP-TE in the IETF (CCAMP)
- I'll use RSVP-QoS to refer to the QoS usages of RSVP
 - this includes but is not limited to Intserv
 - RSVP can perform admission control for Diffserv too
 - Extensions to the Intserv architecture also in scope

Five Concerns

- Is there deployment & implementation of RSVP-QoS?
- Is there a community to work at IETF on standardization of RSVP-QoS?
- Does RSVP-QoS have showstopper technical issues?
- What relationship between RSVP-QoS and RSVP-TE?
- What about NSIS?

RSVP-QoS Implementation

- 1998 survey listed 37 host or router implementations of RSVP for QoS
- □ Today we know of:
 - Cisco (host and router)
 - Espial (VoD)
 - Tandberg (videoconferencing)
 - Bitband (VoD)
 - Avaya (VOIP)
 - Microsoft (current support unclear)

RSVP Deployment

- RSVP solves several real, current QoS problems
 - Applications where it's better to block the "last straw" session than give degraded service to all sessions (e.g. certain VoD deployments)
 - Apps with strong QoS requirements AND per-session policy control (e.g. enterprise videoconferencing)
- We know of a large number of service provider and enterprise deployments (>15, not all public, various deployment stages)
 - Swedish Road Traffic Authority (IP video)
 - Neuf (VoD, planned)
 - FT/Orange (Admission control for L3VPN)
 - Raytheon (planned)
 - Wells Fargo (evaluating)
 - Intel (evaluating)

Community Interest

- Well, that's one reason we're here today
- □ For the record:
 - Recent RSVP-QoS drafts/RFCs have at least 10 different authors representing 5 different companies^{1,2}
- Two recent internet drafts
 - draft-guillou-tsvwg-rsvp-vod (VOD for SP triple play)
 - draft-lavers-rsvp-usage (Enterprise RSVP requirements)

- 1. Remember when IETF only cared about individuals, not companies?
- 2. Anyone who thinks that all Cisco employees speak with one voice isn't paying attention

Community Interest(2)

Support expressed in recent email (mini-BOF list):

- Ferit Yegenoglu (Lockheed Martin)
- Allan Guillou (SFR)
- Chris Christou (BAH)
- Sanjay Mehta (Espial)
- Roberta Maglione (TI)

Technical Issues

- Router Alert
 - Limits applicability to certain scenarios, not a deal-breaker
 - See draft-intarea-router-alert-considerations
- Scalability
 - RSVP-TE implementation tested to 30k+ LSPs
 - RSVP-QoS implementation tested to 50k+ sessions
 - Hierarchical CAC models (RFC3175, RFC4804) can scale further
 - Even parts of Integrated Services scale
 - E.g., NPs have 64K policers today

Relationship to RSVP-TE

- RSVP effort split between CCAMP, MPLS and TSVWG
- Community of interested parties is divided
 Lack of feedback in features that may be of use
- □ Good synergy in many features
 - Basic RSVP features useful to CCAMP
 - Refresh reduction, non-IP-RAO signaling from CCAMP useful to RSVP
- Some duplicated effort and mechanisms between RSVP-TE and RSVP-QoS
 - Preemption priority (POLICY vs SESSION_ATTRIBUTE)
 - Resource sharing (RSID vs Association)

Summary and Recommendations

- RSVP-QoS has enough applicability & interest to warrant continued standardization
 - Reasonable set of SPs, enterprise users, and vendors involved
- Better to do this in the IETF than elsewhere
 - Especially given relationship to RSVP-TE
- Relationship to RSVP-TE needs more attention. Possible steps:
 - Require cross-posting of –QoS drafts to CCAMP, and –TE drafts to <future RSVP home>
 - Last call drafts in both places
 - Use expert review process
 - Design team of RSVP-* experts to keep an eye on consistency

Backup Material