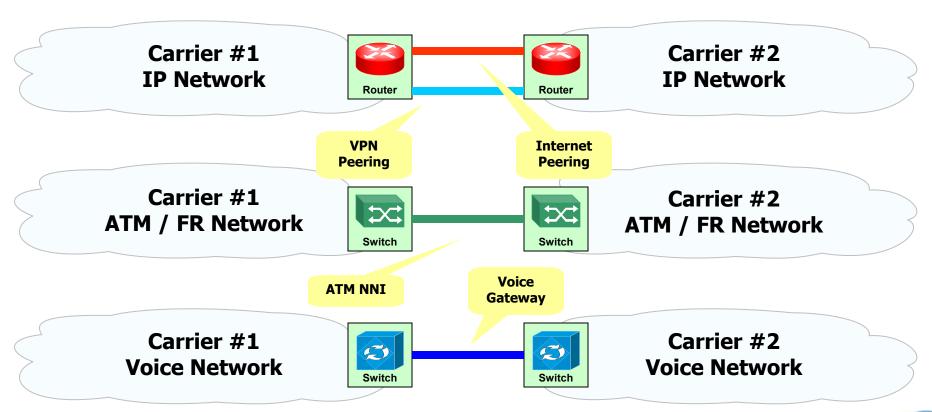
Inter-Carrier MPLS Issues

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Today's Interconnection Architecture

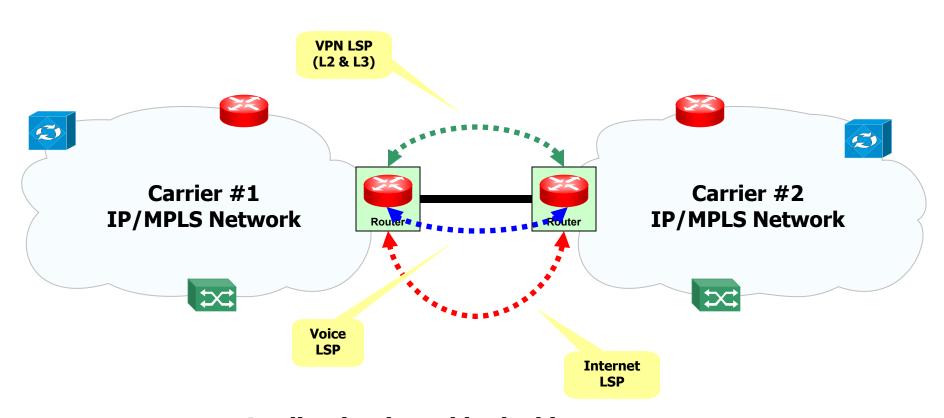




Technology based interconnect using multiple circuits and networks



The Future









Service Provider Issues/Requirements Summary

- Some of the Inter-AS issues/requirements described in the following IETF draft.
 - http://www.ietf.org/internet-drafts/draft-ietf-tewg-interas-mpls-tereq-09.txt
- Performance
 - Optimal E2E Path Computation
 - Security vs Functionality. What is the happy medium?
 - Reoptimization
 - Should a partner have the ability to cause state changes in your network?
 - DS-TE Support
 - How many Service Classes?
 - Best Practice or per-partner agreement?
- High Availability
 - Fast ReRoute and Diverse Path Support
 - One for the vendors !!





Issues and Requirements

- Scalability
 - Aggregation and Hierarchy
 - Let's plan for the future !!
- Management
 - E2E Monitoring and Provisioning
 - What can you see and do on someone else's network?
 - Measurements
 - Consistent E2E model, possibly a 3rd party?
 - SLA metrics, best practice?
 - Interoperability
 - Not only vendor equipment but carrier architectures.
 - Confidentiality
 - Securing a network without compromising functionality.
 - Policy Control
 - Attack mitigation, protecting the control/data planes





Issues and Requirements

- Business Issues
 - Settlements
 - Transit Arrangements



