

Enabling Multi-grade LSPs in GMPLS Networks

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Outline

- Overview of current MPLS/GMPLS status
- P&R (protection and restoration) extensions
- Introduction of extra-class LSP
- Issue of misconnections
- Summary



What MPLS provides now

- •L3/L2 VPNs
- •TE (Traffic Engineering)
 - Load balancing
 - Traffic Monitoring
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- •Fast Reroute (resiliency, fast recovery)
- •Multi-service, Multi-media on a single network
 - •Distributed IX(Internet eXchange)

Current status of GMPLS

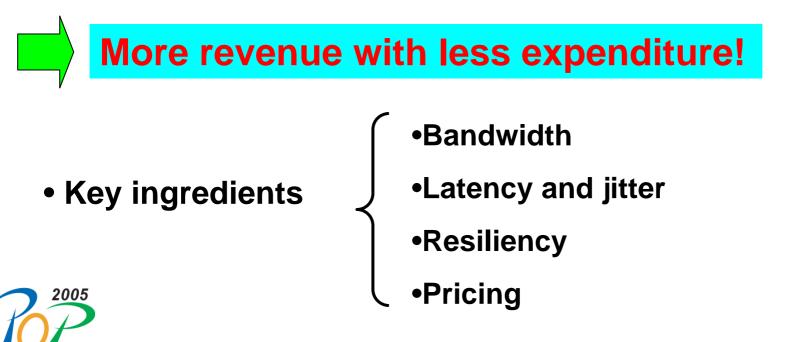
- Based on MPLS, multiple *switching capabilities*
- Basic protocols are almost standardized (RSVP-TE, OSPF-TE, IS-IS TE)
- New features
 - •LMP
 - •Fault Recovery (P&R)
 - •Multi-layers (regions)



Multi-grade LSPs

Enabling multi-grade service on one network allows...

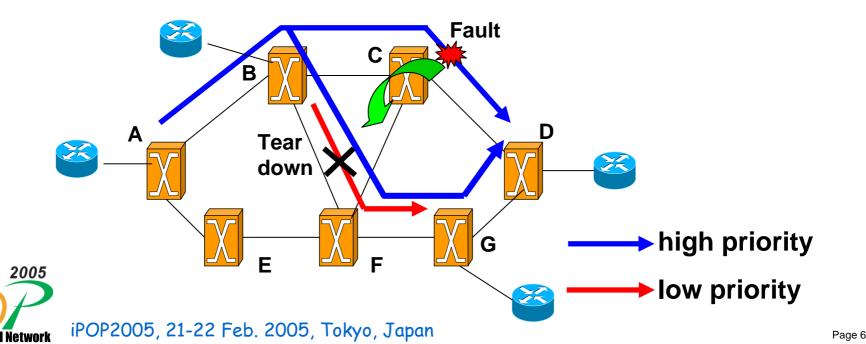
- Flexible service offerings
- Efficient use of idle resources
- Graded pricing to meet diverse customer requirements



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Priority Mechanism (MPLS)

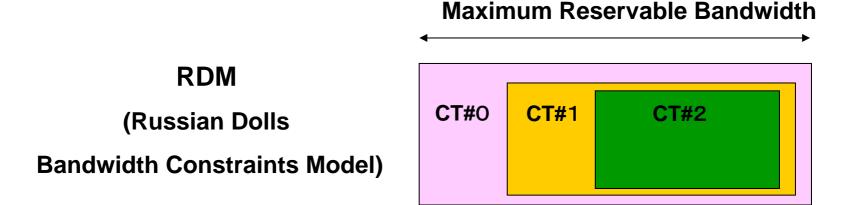
- Higher priority LSP preempts lower priority LSP during network congestion/failure
- Required for maintaining QoS: bandwidth, latency
- •Preempted (lower priority) LSP torn down or re-routed (shortly disrupted)



DSTE: Diffserv-aware TE (MPLS)

Separate bandwidth accounting for each traffic type (class type)

- e.g. VoIP traffic for one class type
- •To guarantee end-end QoS (bandwidth, latency, jitter)



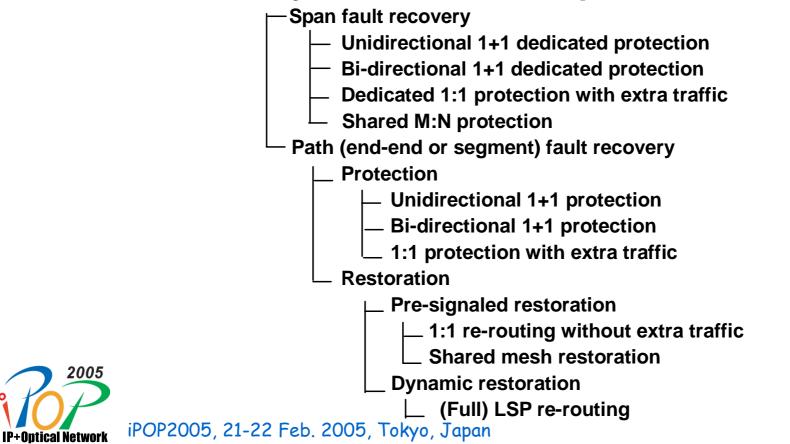


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P&R (Protection and Restoration) Mechanisms

- GMPLS signaling extensions for full LSP or LSP segment recovery
- Various recovery mechanisms are provided



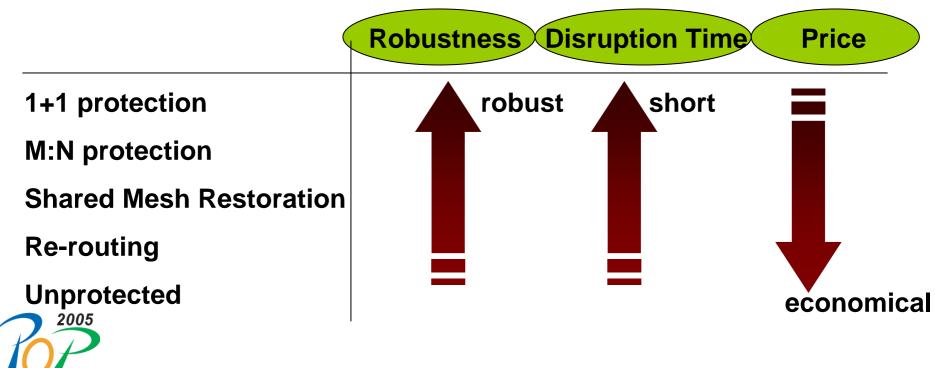
P&R provides Class of Resiliency

Ingredients of class

Availability (robustness)

•Time to recover (service disruption time)

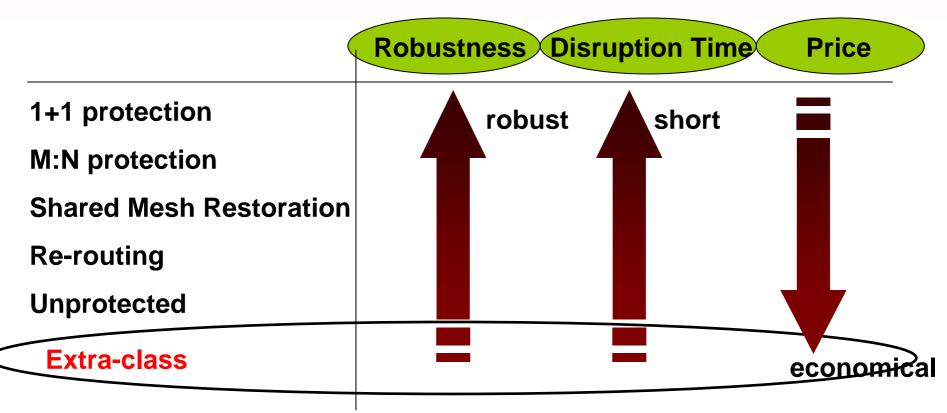
•Resource efficiency (price)



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A further possible "Class" of Resiliency

"Extra-class LSP" -- more stable than a mere lower priority LSP



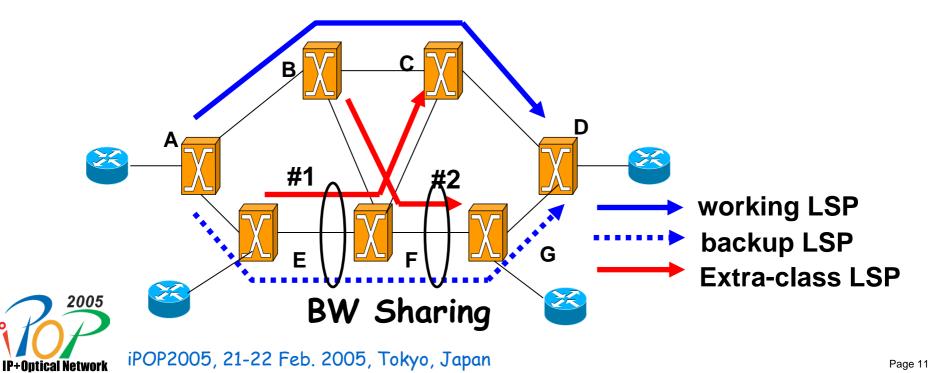


Defining Extra-class LSPs

• Utilizes backup resources in *shared mesh* restoration

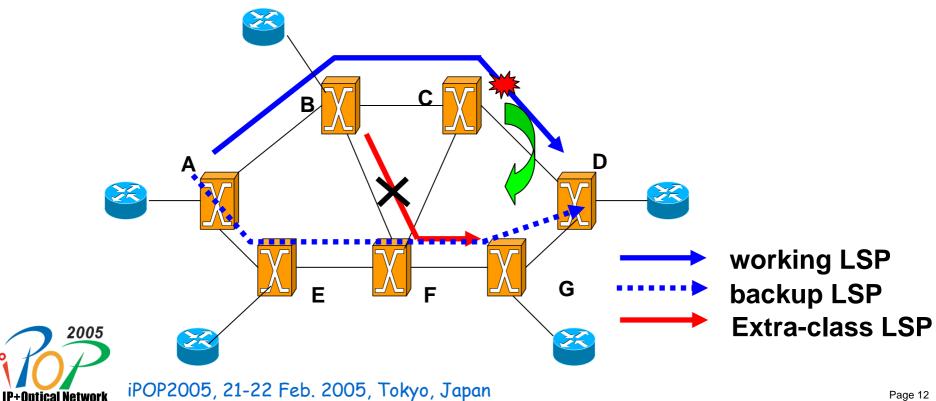
Up to 50% of bandwidth is reserved for backup LSP but not really used to carry traffic until a failure occurs!

 \Rightarrow Could use it for low-priority traffic like "extra traffic"



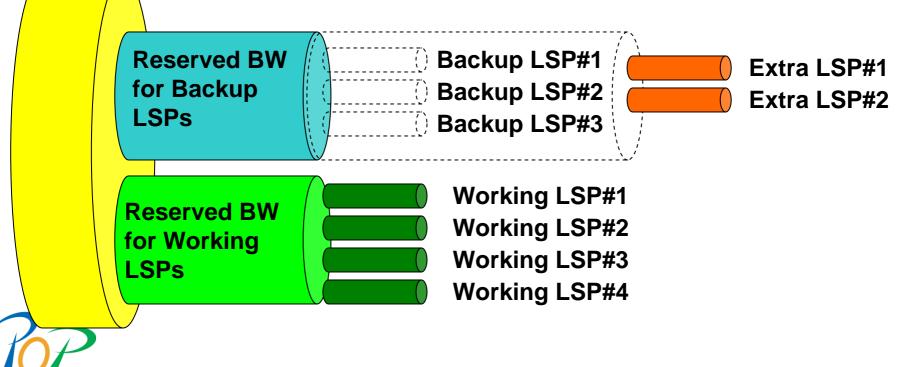
Defining Extra-class LSPs

- Established by GMPLS signaling as well as working/backup LSP
- Preempted only on failure of working LSPs whose backup LSPs share the resource



Extra-class LSP - Bandwidth model

- Uses (shares) bandwidth reserved for backup LSPs
- Preempted only when the backup LSPs are activated by switch- over (triggered by network failure)
- Not preempted by the setting up of any working LSP



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Extra-class LSP - GMPLS Extensions

• A bit (indicator) requesting Extra-class LSP in signaling

- Routing extension is required as well as for P&R (shared mesh restoration)
 - Available bandwidth for Extra-class LSP

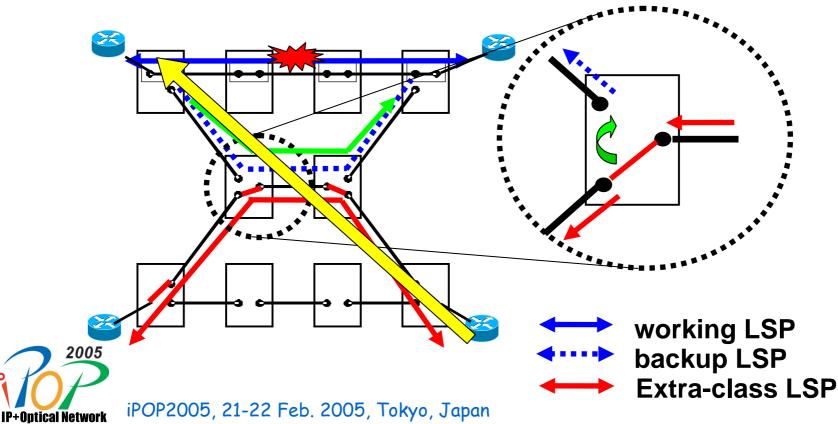
• Resource efficiency must be accounted for in CSPF



Misconnection problem

•Unintended connection during...

- Switch-over preemption in shared mesh restoration
- Setup preemption of higher priority LSP



Solutions

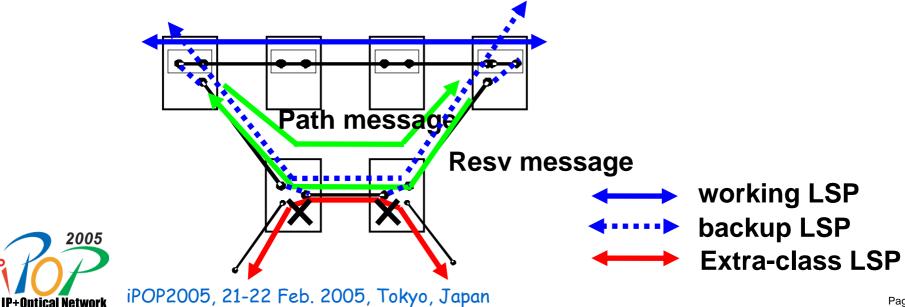
Two-way activation scheme

•Path message to disconnect Extra-class LSP

•Resv message to connect backup LSP

• Distinguish activation Resv msg from Refresh msg

•Use Protection Object in Resv message



Summary

- MPLS enables multi-grade services on one network
- GMPLS P&R adds classes of resiliency
- Extra-class LSP allows additional class of resiliency
- Misconnections arise in multi-grade networks (multipriority or extra-class LSPs)
 - Various solutions proposed



Thank you for your attention











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