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# Overlay Multicast in VXLAN EVPN

Understanding fundamental concepts and architecture

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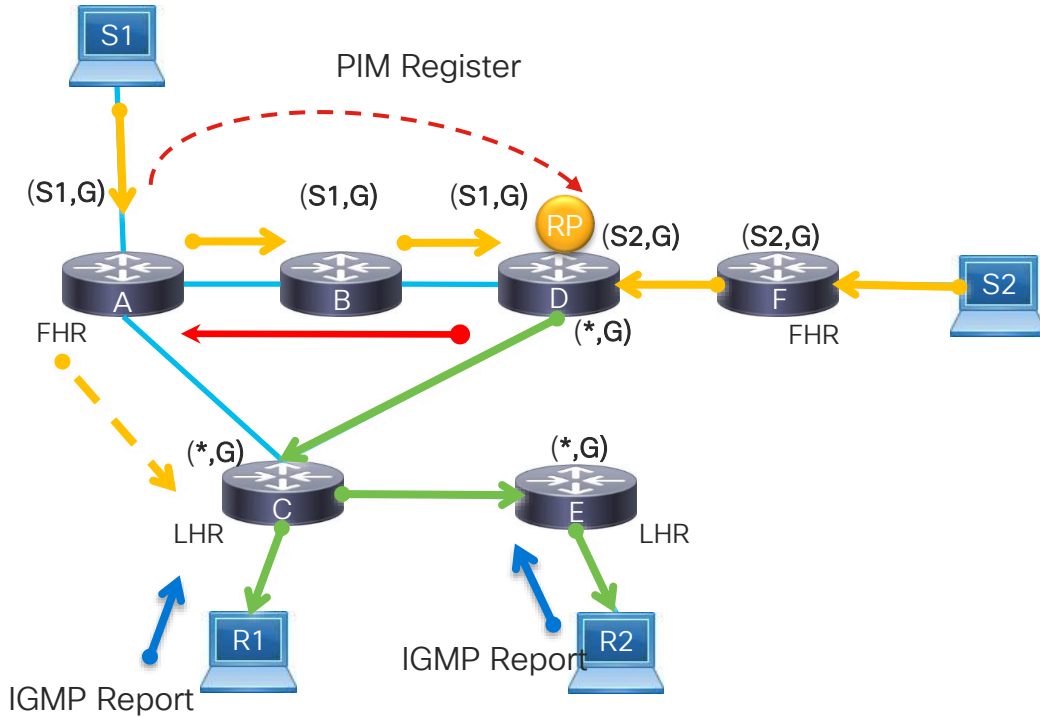
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# Multicast Routing Concepts



# Multicast Distribution Tree (MDT)

## Shared Tree – PIM SM



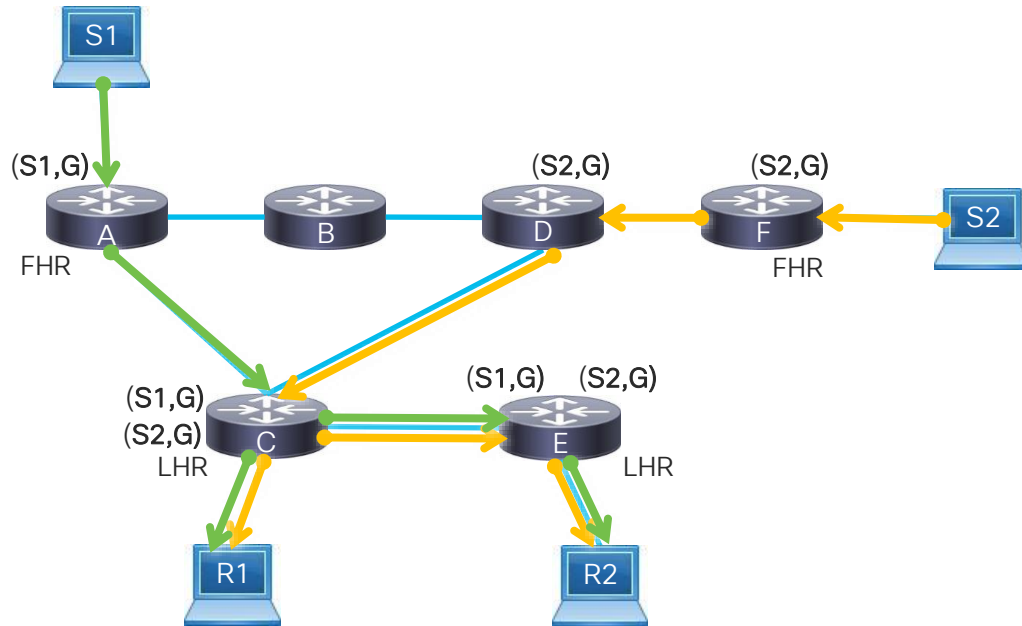
\*Usually optimized by switching to the source tree (default behavior)

- ← - - FHR Generates PIM register to notify RP about new source (unicast tunnel)
- ← ● RP generates PIM **register-stop (S1,G)** to notify FHR that the registration is complete
- ← ● IGMP Report
- (\*,G) (AnySource, Group)
- RP PIM Rendezvous Point
- ← Source Tree
- ← Shared Tree
- ← - - SPT Switchover

- Every node should know who is the RP
- (\*,G) consumes less memory, but may introduce sub-optimal path from source to all receivers\*

# Multicast Distribution Tree (MDT)

## Shortest Path Tree – PIM SSM



(S,G) (Source, Group)

← Source Tree (S2, G)

← Source Tree (S1, G)

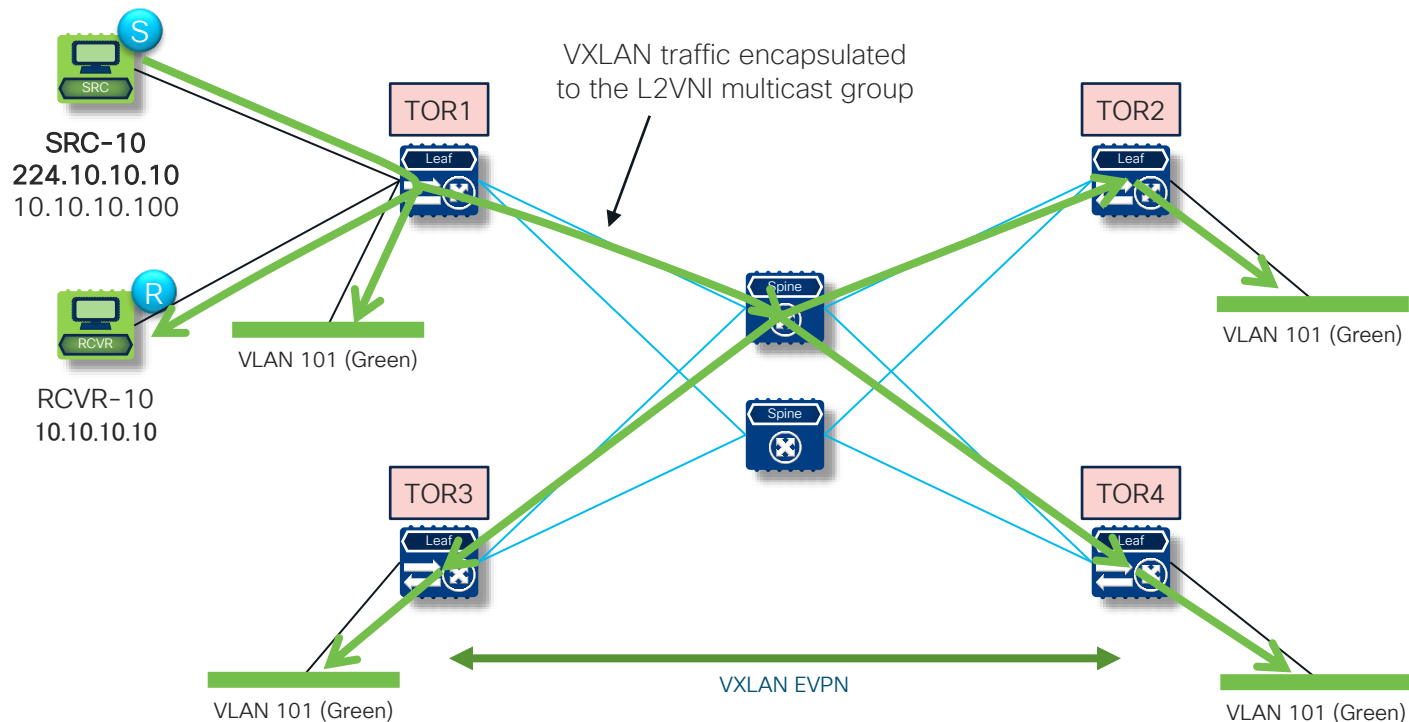
- No need for RP
- (S,G) consumes more memory, but is always optimal. Group address can be reused

# VXLAN EVPN Multicast Forwarding



# Same Subnet Forwarding no IGMP Snooping

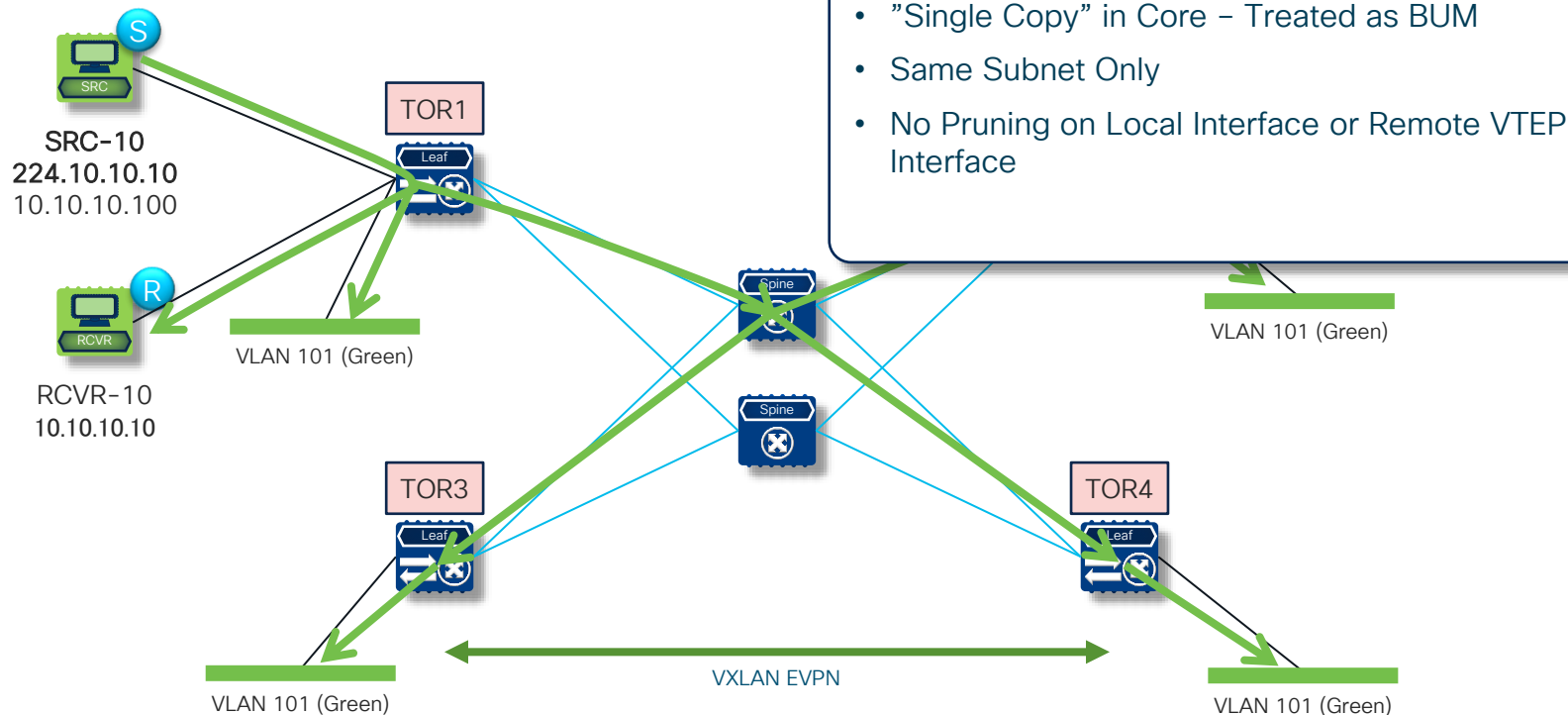
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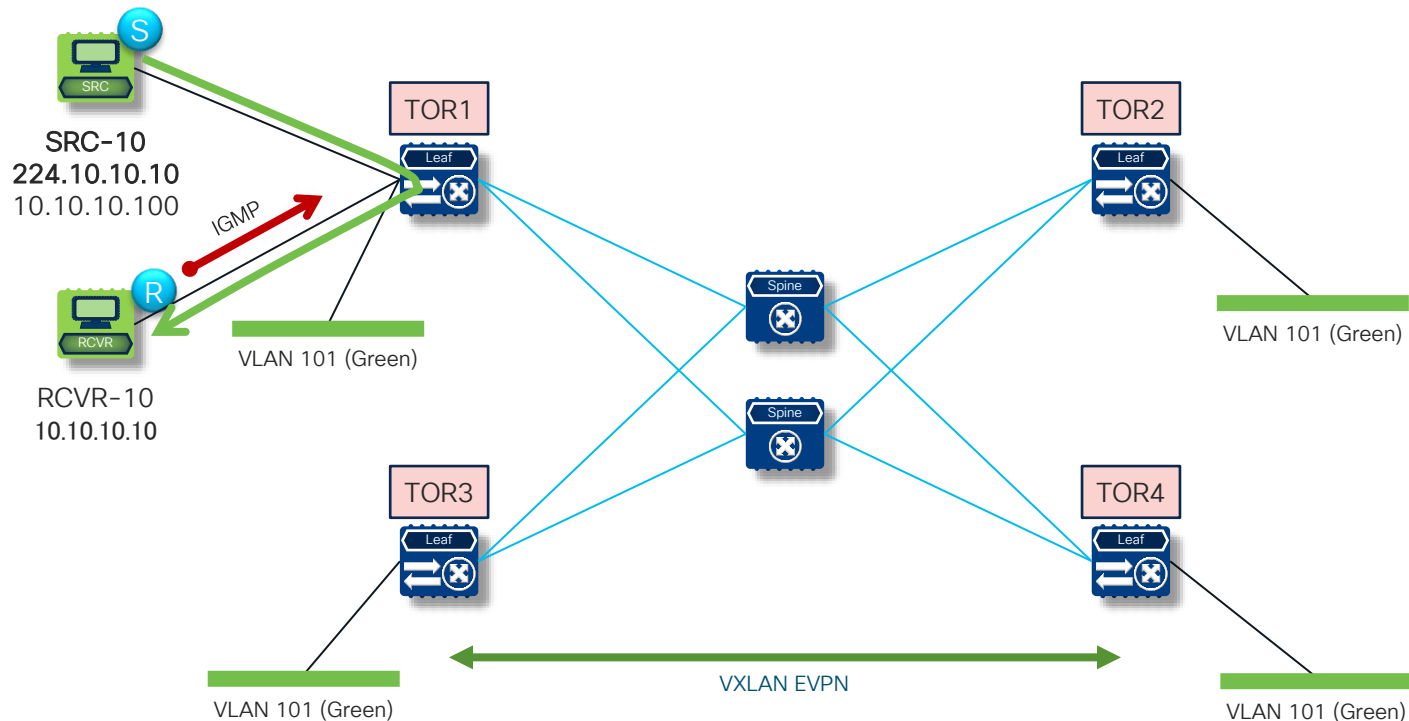
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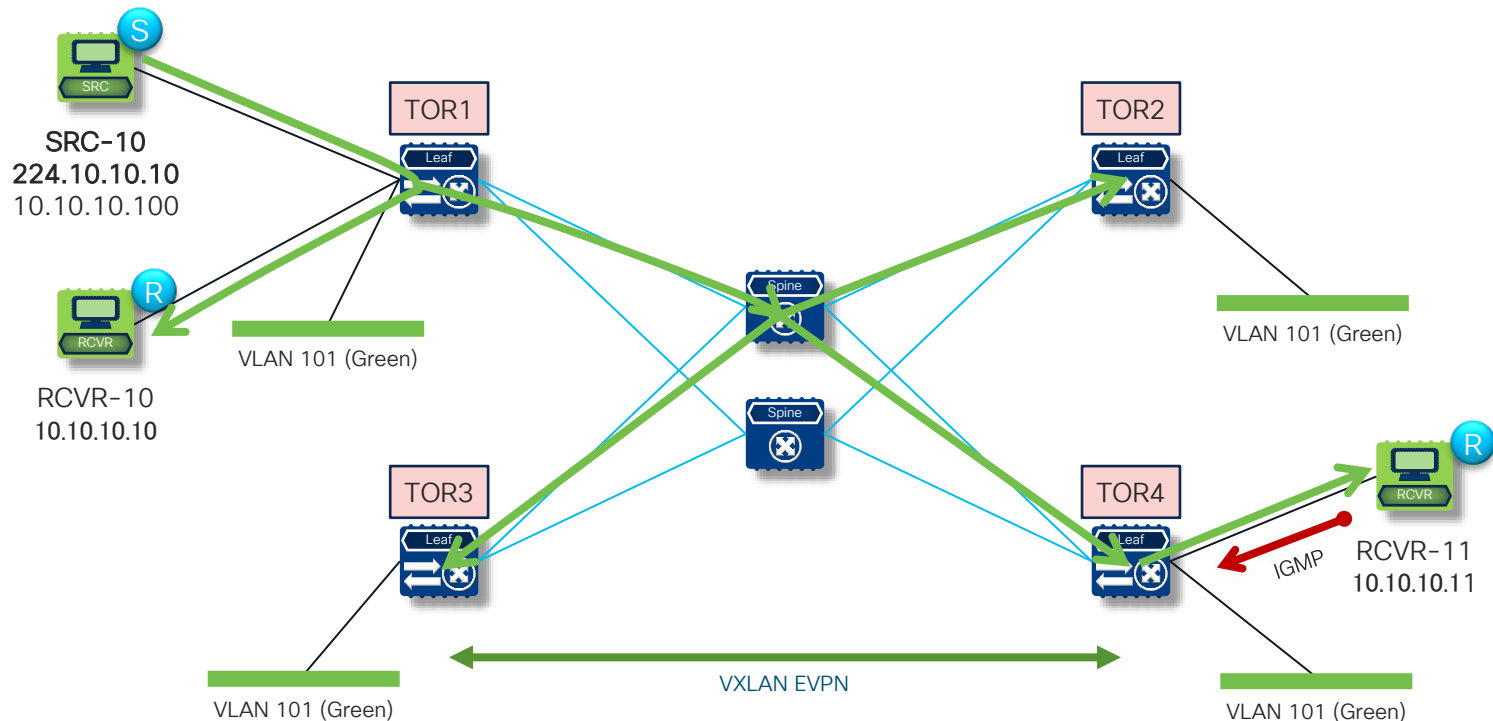
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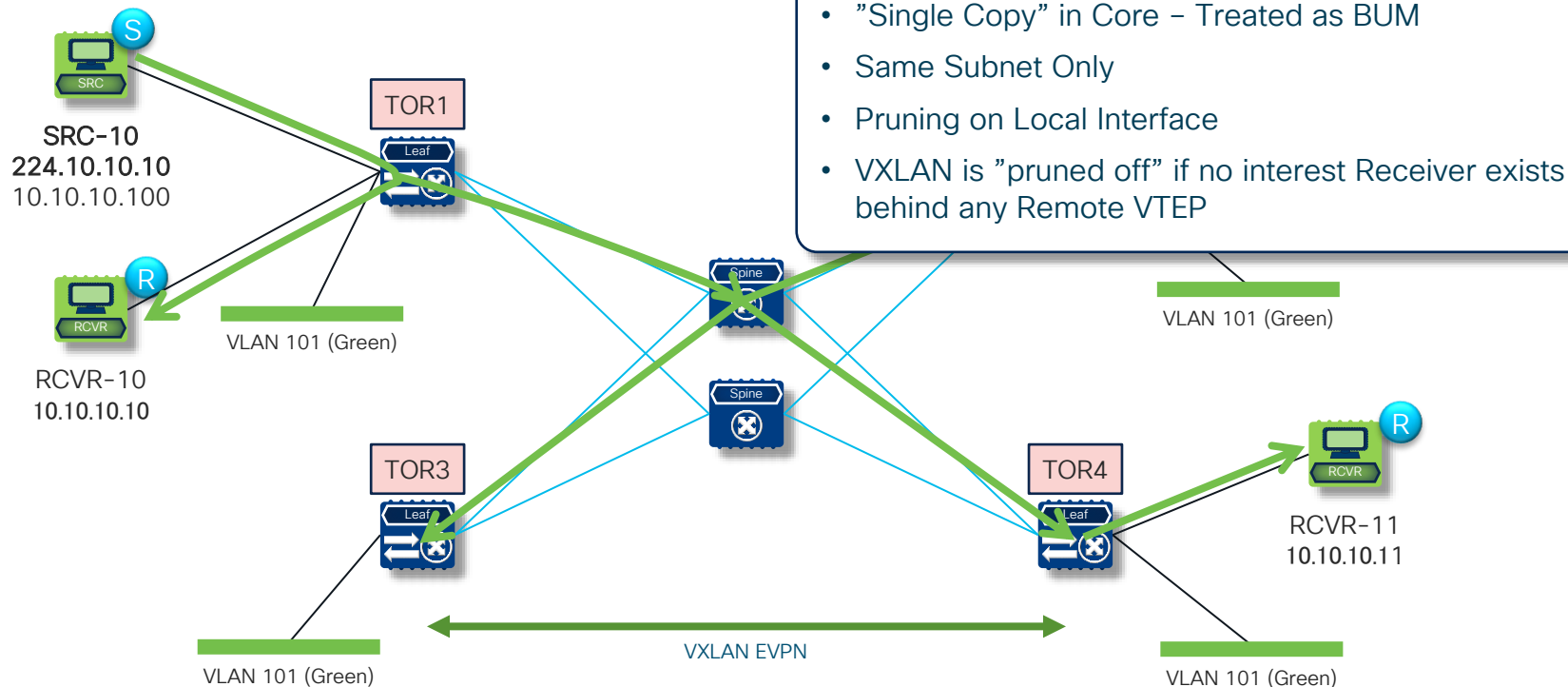
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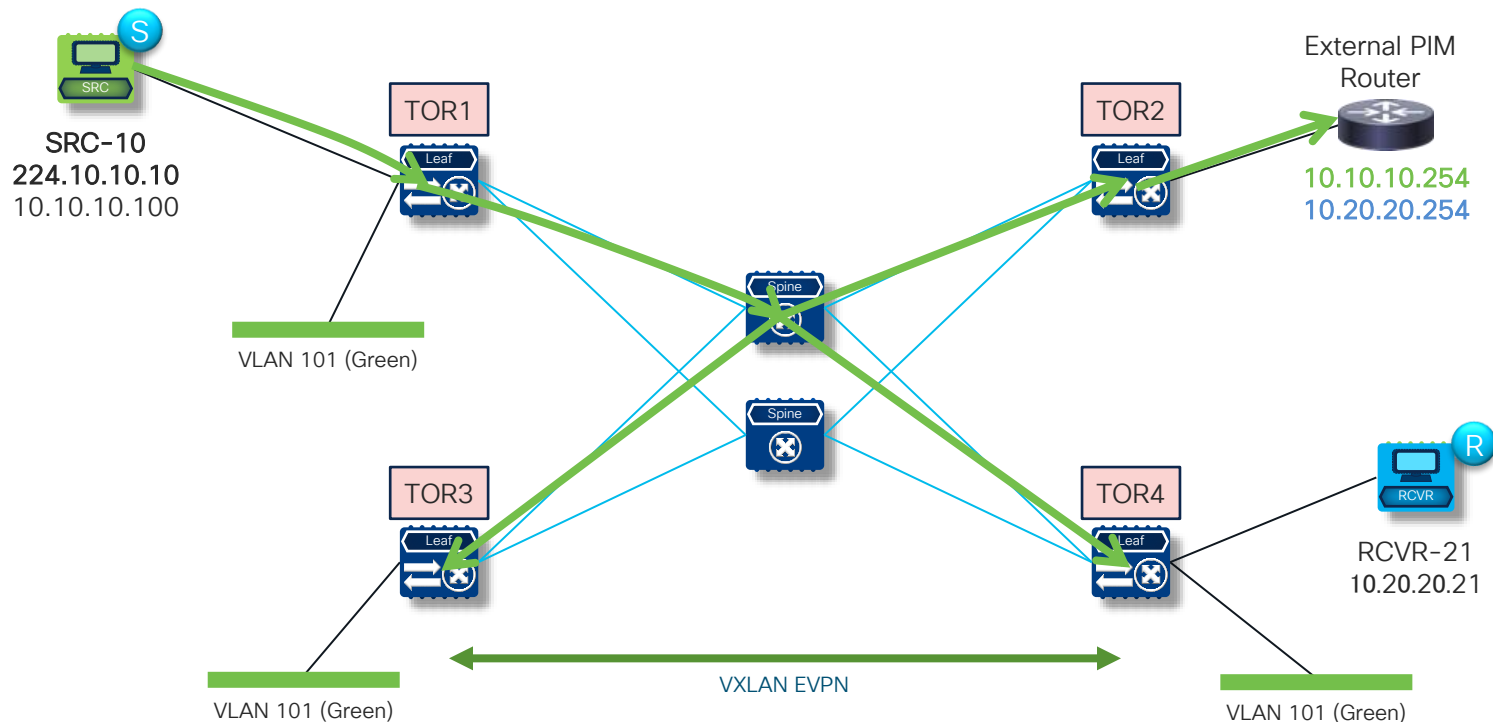
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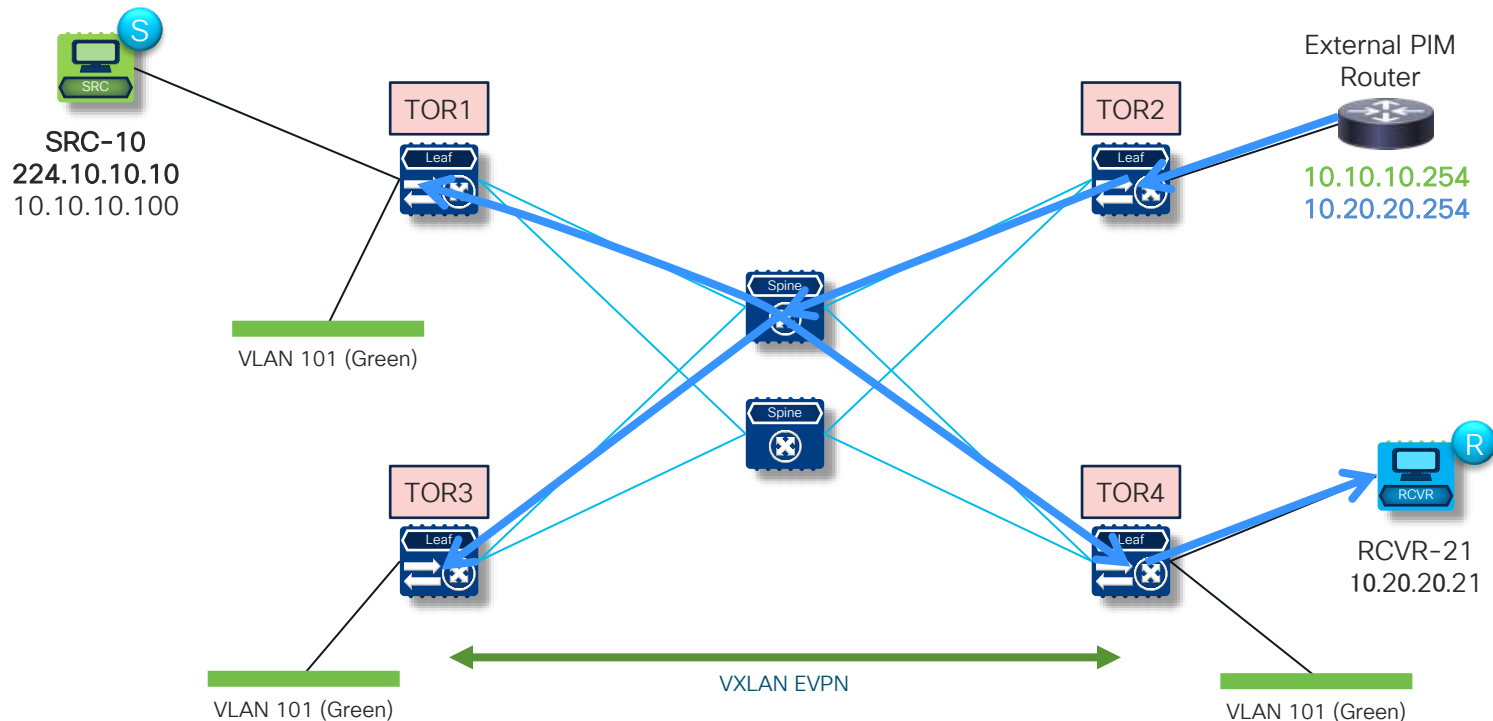
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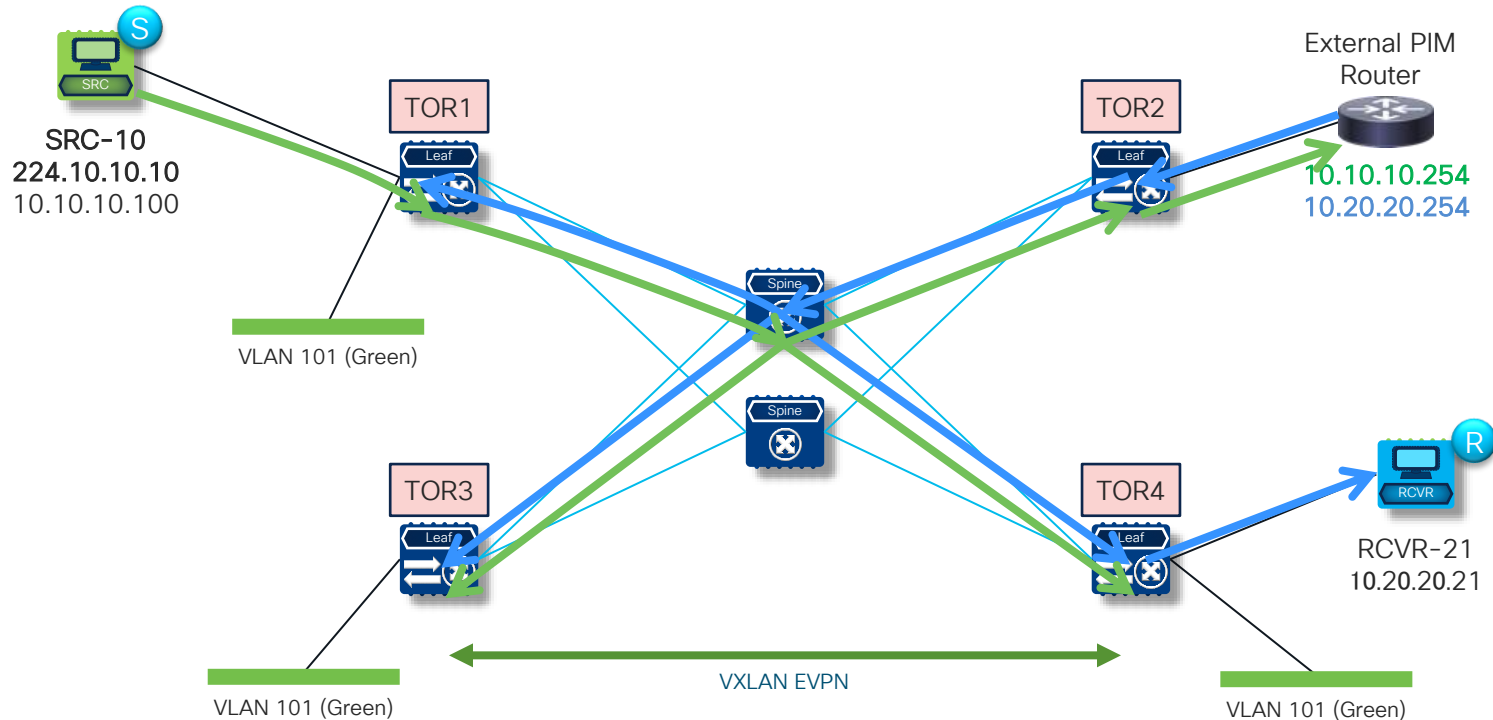
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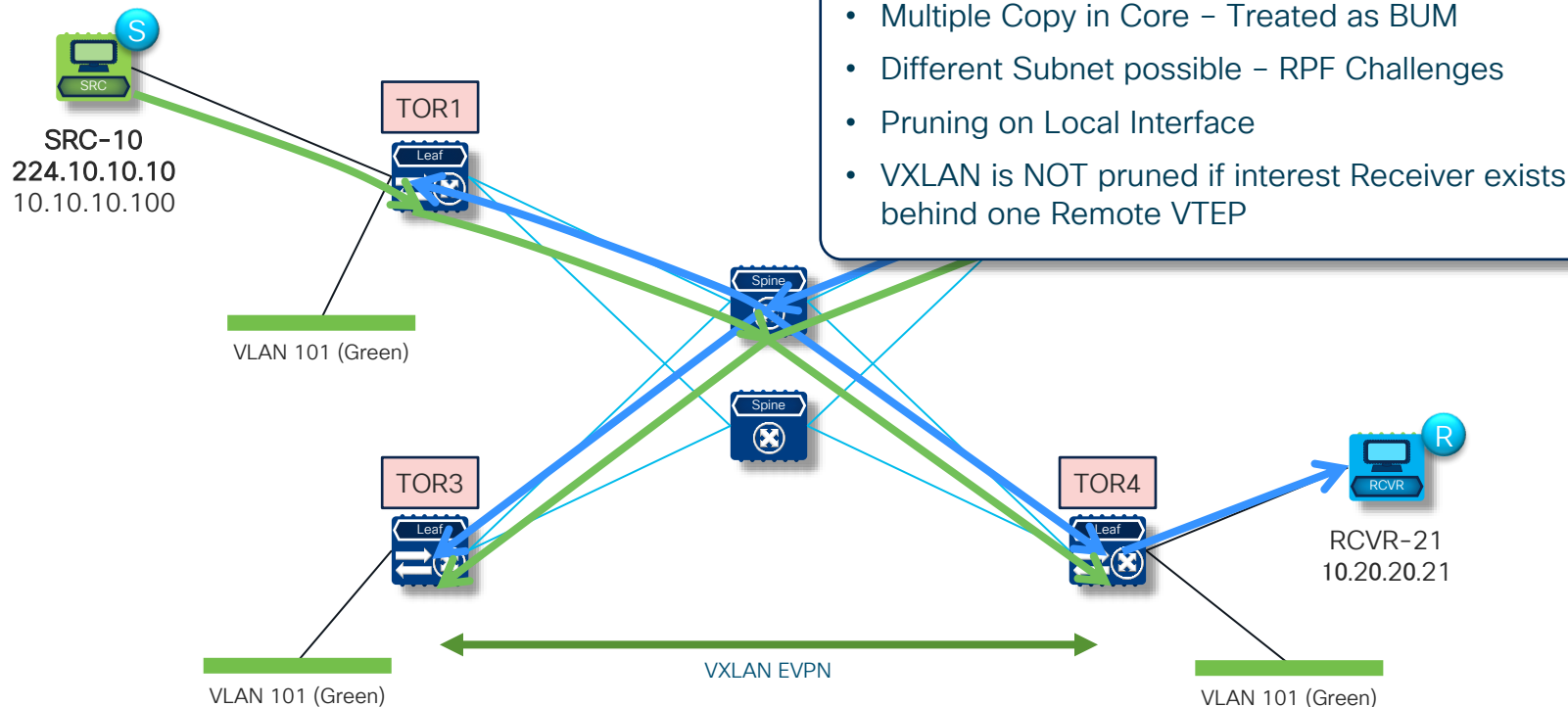
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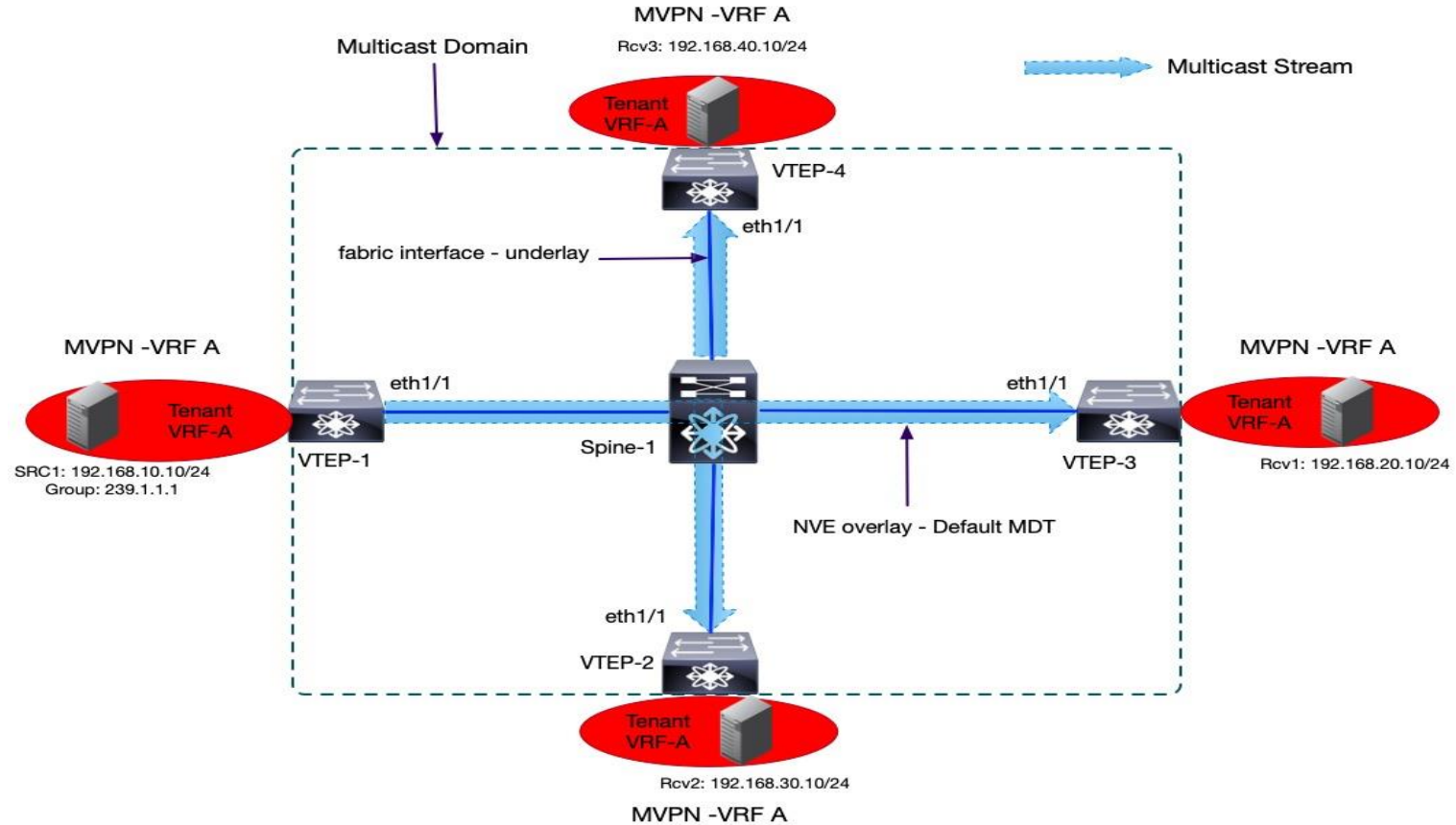




# MP-BGP NGMVPN Concepts



# MP-BGP NGMVPN Terminology



# MP-BGP NGMVPN Control Plane

- MP-BGP is used to exchange both **unicast (AF EVPN)** and **multicast (AF MVPN)** route information in a VXLAN BGP EVPN fabric.
- Function:
  - “who are the members of my multicast domain?”.
  - “Which tunnel do I send my multicast traffic on?”
  - “Which multicast groups can receivers subscribe to and who are the sources for those groups?”
- Nexus 9000 NXOS implementation based on **RFC 6513** and **6514**

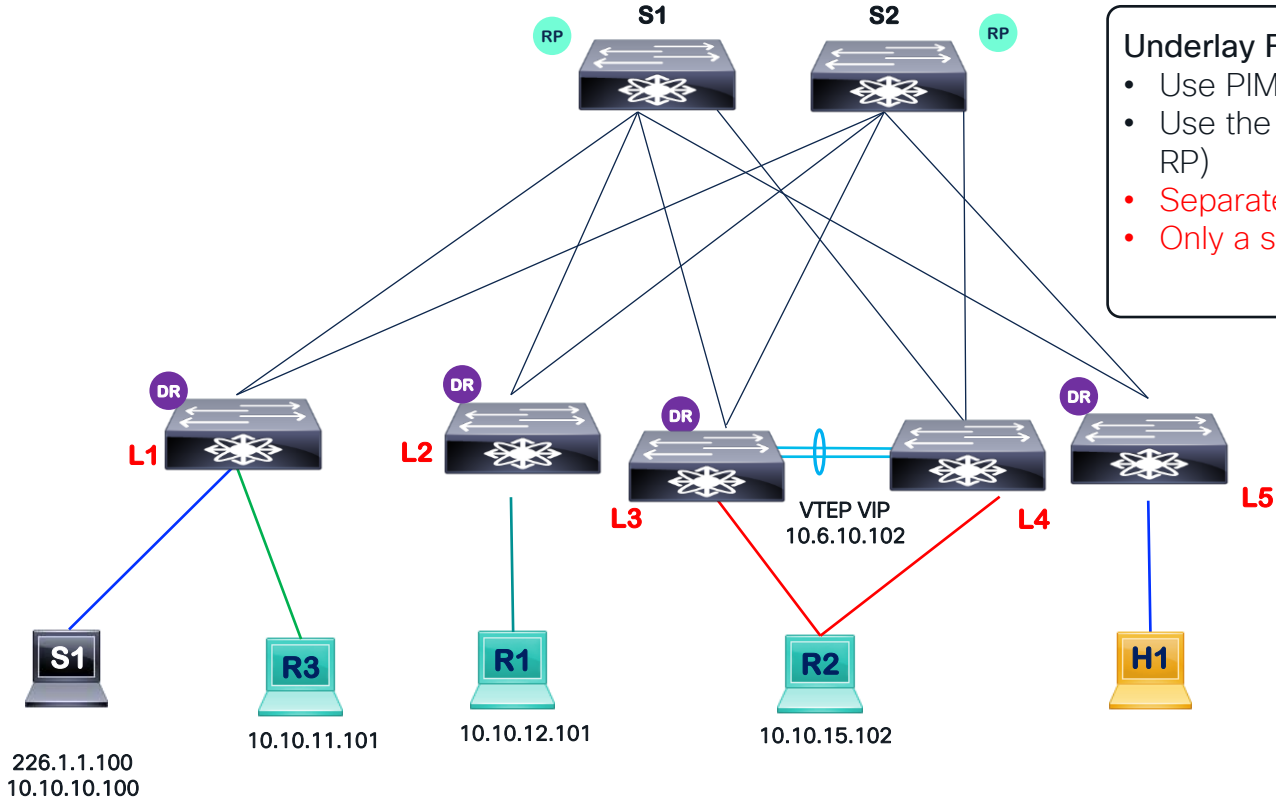
# MP-BGP NGMVPN Packet Types

Route Type	Name	Description
5	Source Active AD Route	Originated by the FHR/VTEP with active source. Triggered by FHR/VTEP receiving multicast traffic on tenant VRF interface. Used to advertise the existence of an attached source for a specific multicast stream.
6	Shared Tree Join Route	Originated by the LHR/VTEP with an active receiver. Triggered by receiving shared tree join (C-*, C-G) on tenant VRF interface. Used in L3 mode with external RP.
7	Source Tree Join Route	Originated by the LHR/VTEP with an active receiver. Triggered by receiving a PIM join on tenant VRF interface and in response to an MVPN Type 5 route.

# VXLAN EVPN TRM Architecture

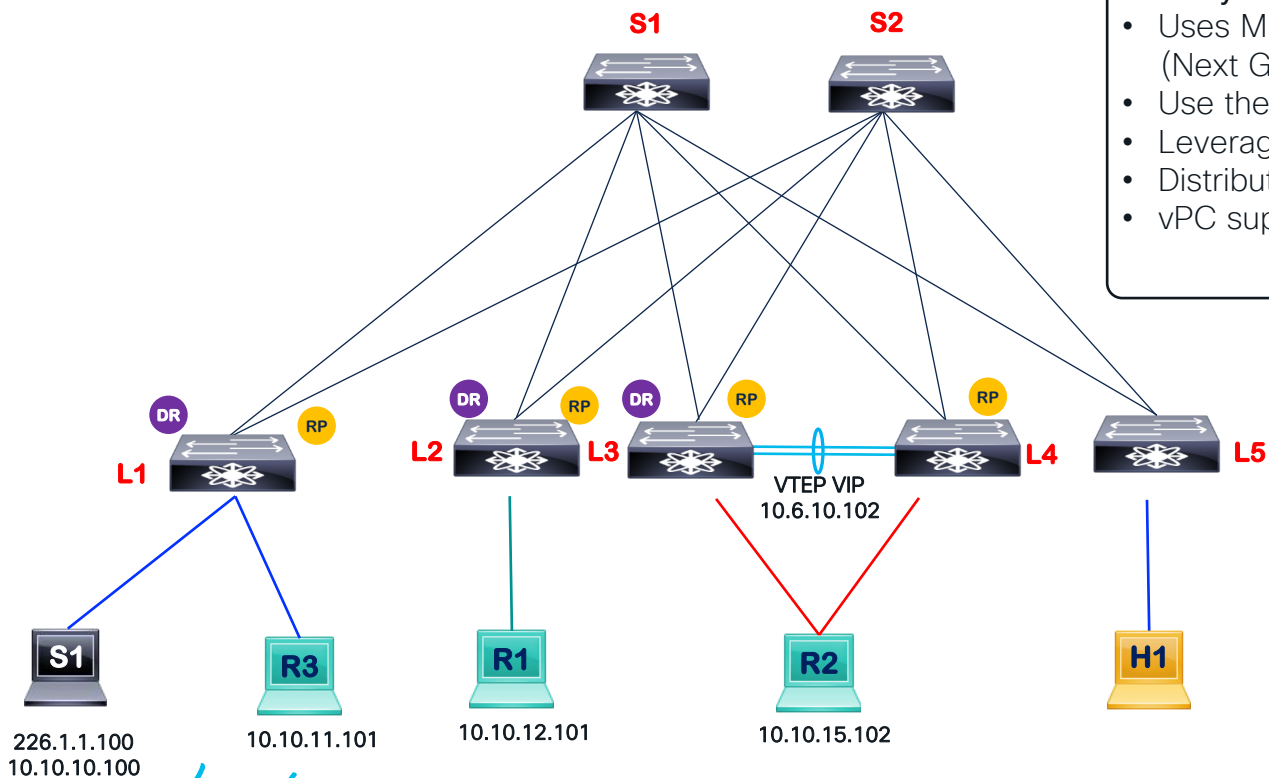


# VXLAN EVPN TRM Underlay Routing



RP Underlay Rendezvous Point  
DR Designated Router

# VXLAN EVPN TRM Overlay Routing



## Overlay Functional Details:

- Uses MP-BGP based **ngMVPN** control plane (Next Gen Multicast VPN)
- Use the Router Reflector in the Spine
- Leverages **RP-less** (in fabric RP) configuration
- Distributed Anycast Designated Router (DR)
- vPC support and non TRM VTEP Integration

226.1.1.100  
10.10.10.100

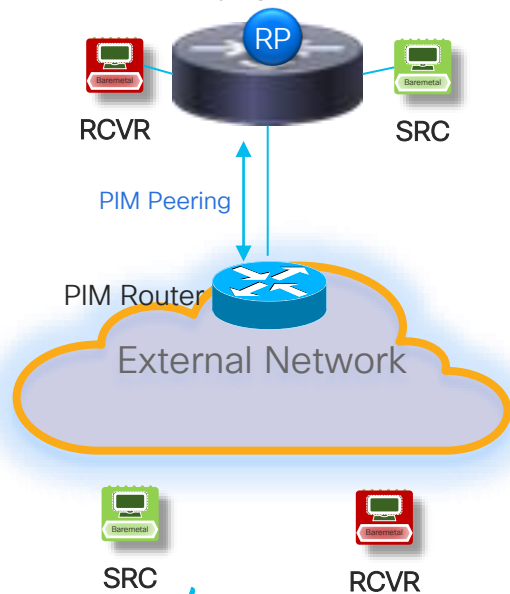
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# Tenant Routed Multicast

## RP Deployment Models

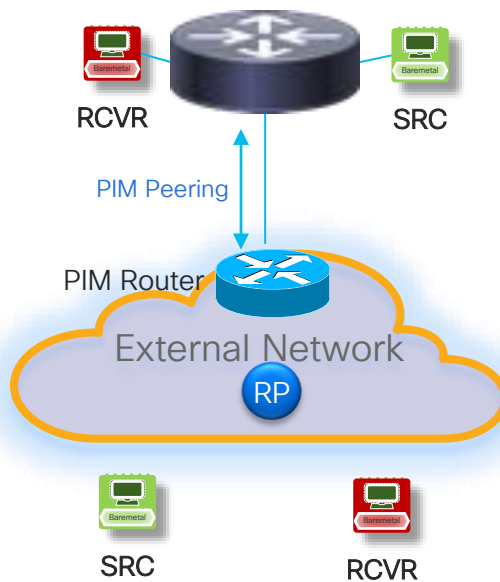
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VXLAN EVPN Fabric as logical PIM Router (playing also the RP role)



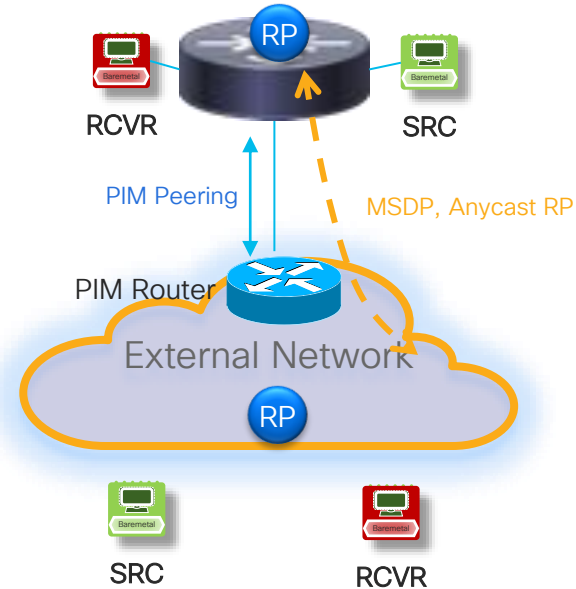
### External RP

VXLAN EVPN Fabric as logical PIM Router



### RP Anywhere

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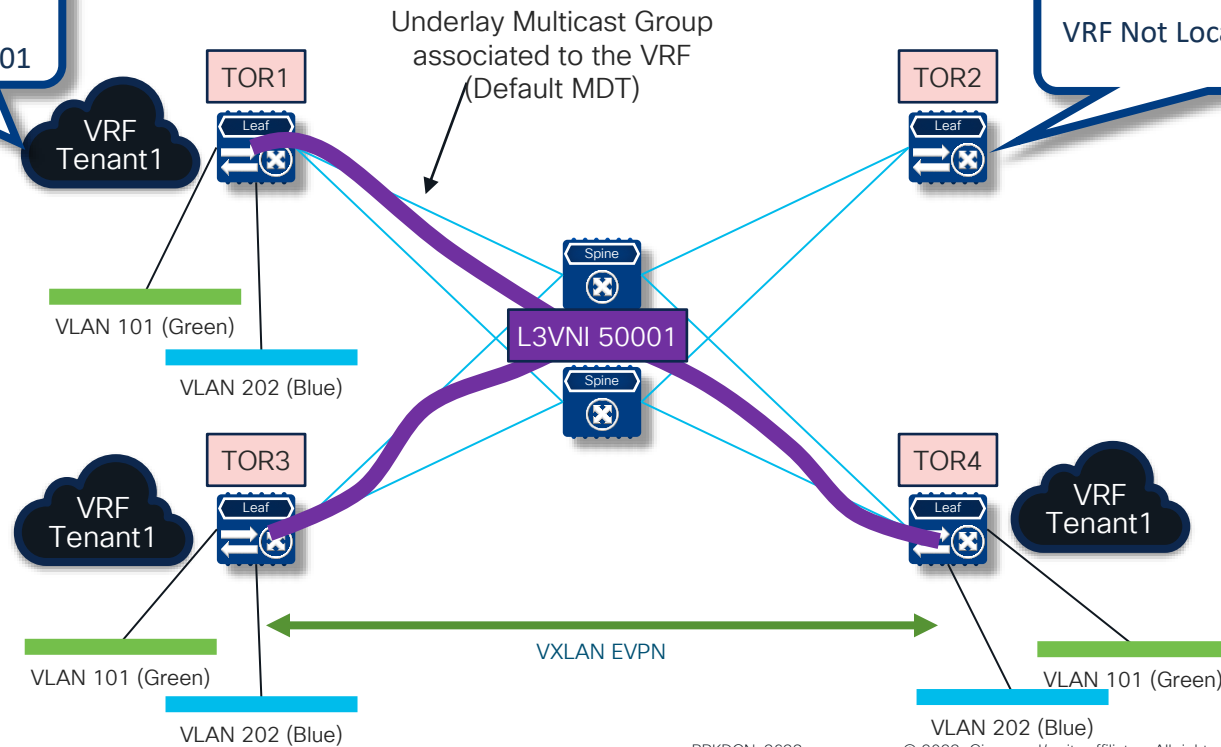
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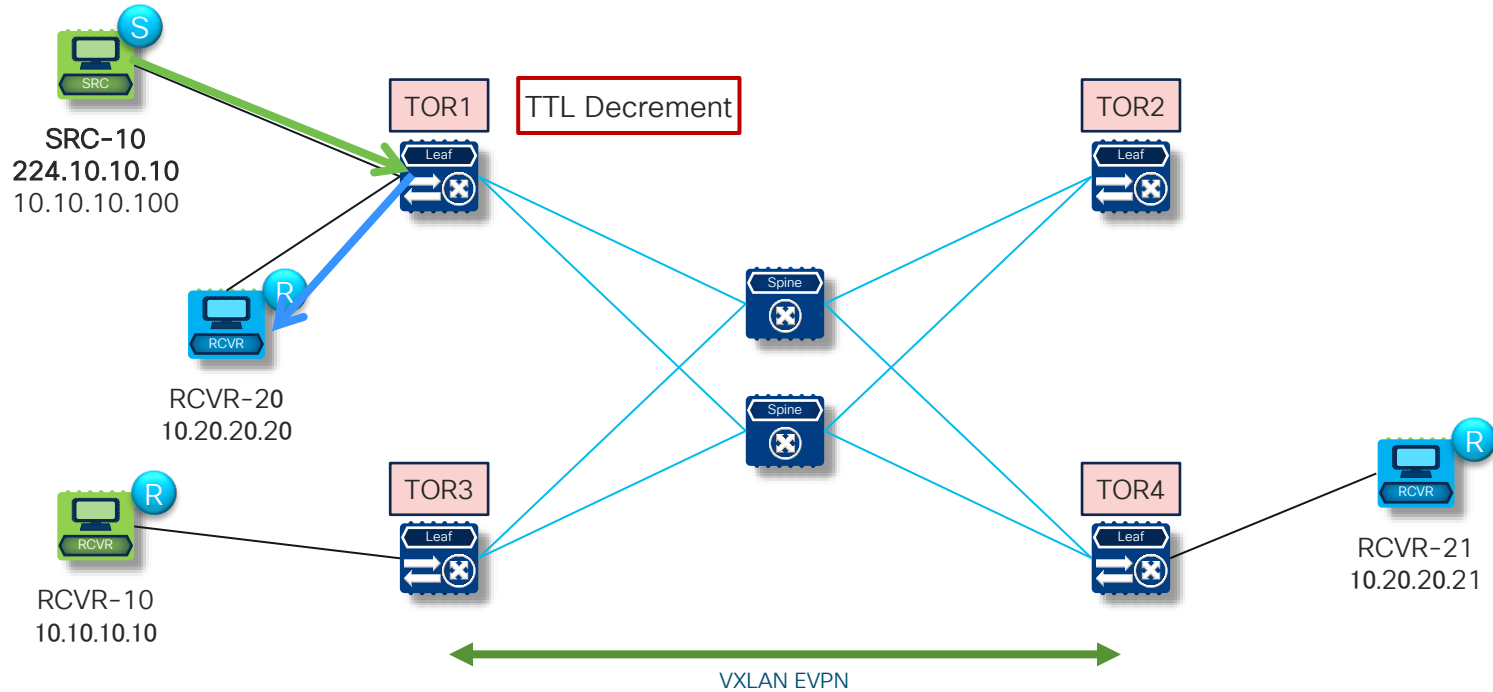
## Always Route Approach

Layer-3 VNI: 50001  
Default MDT: **239.1.1.2**  
Route-Target: 65502:50001



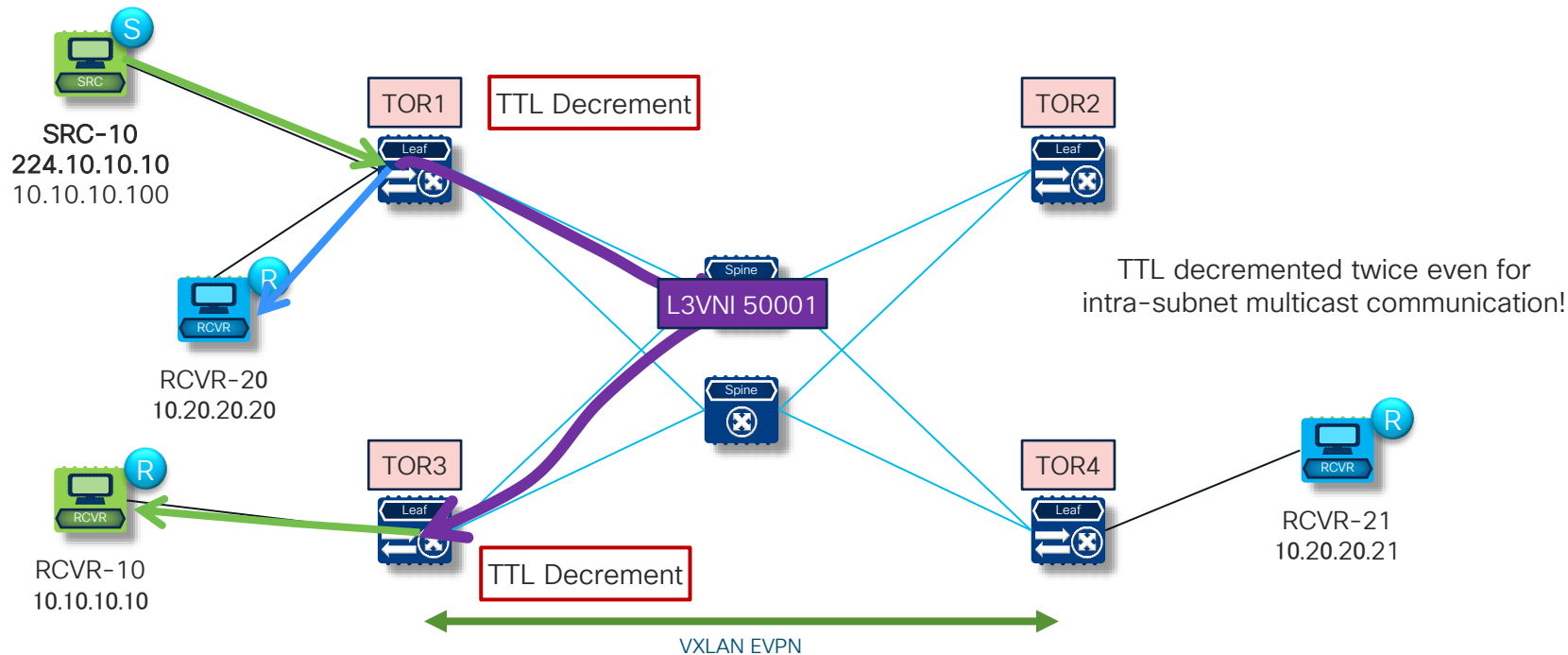
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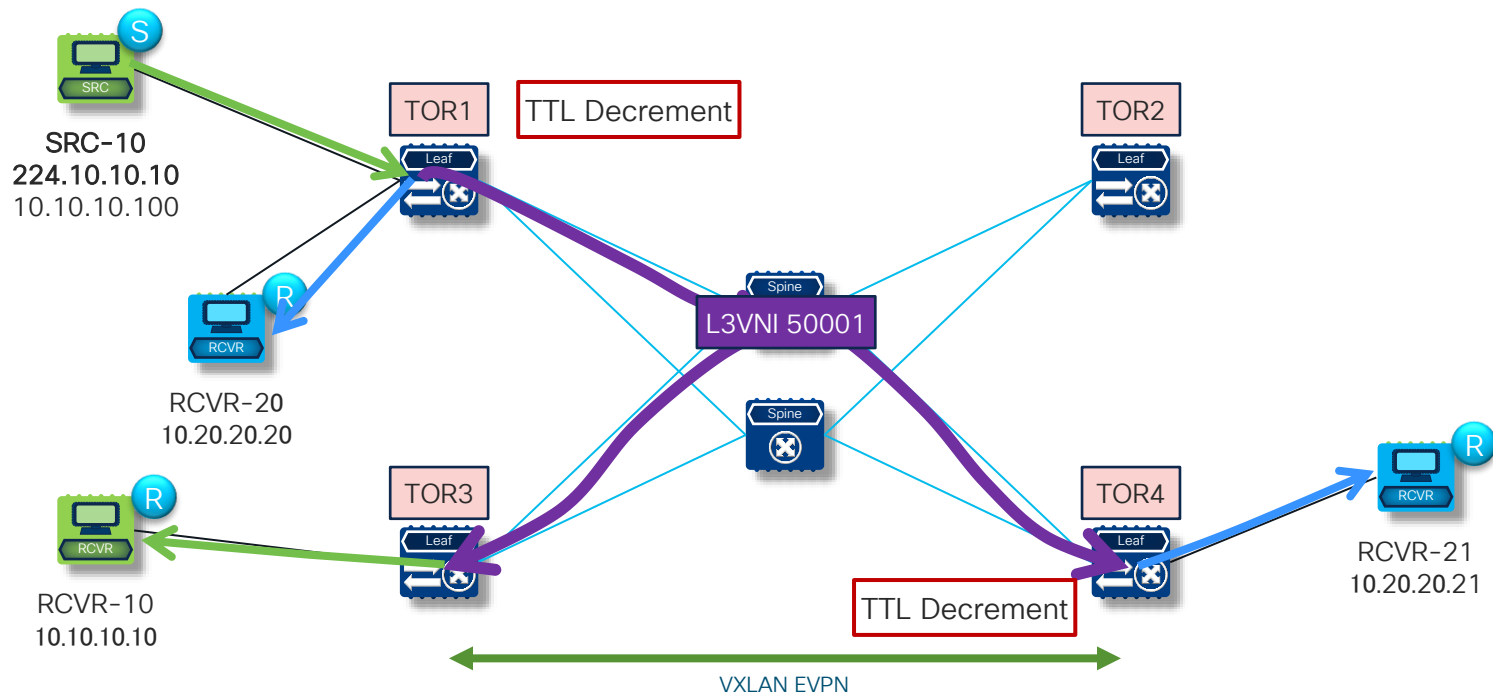
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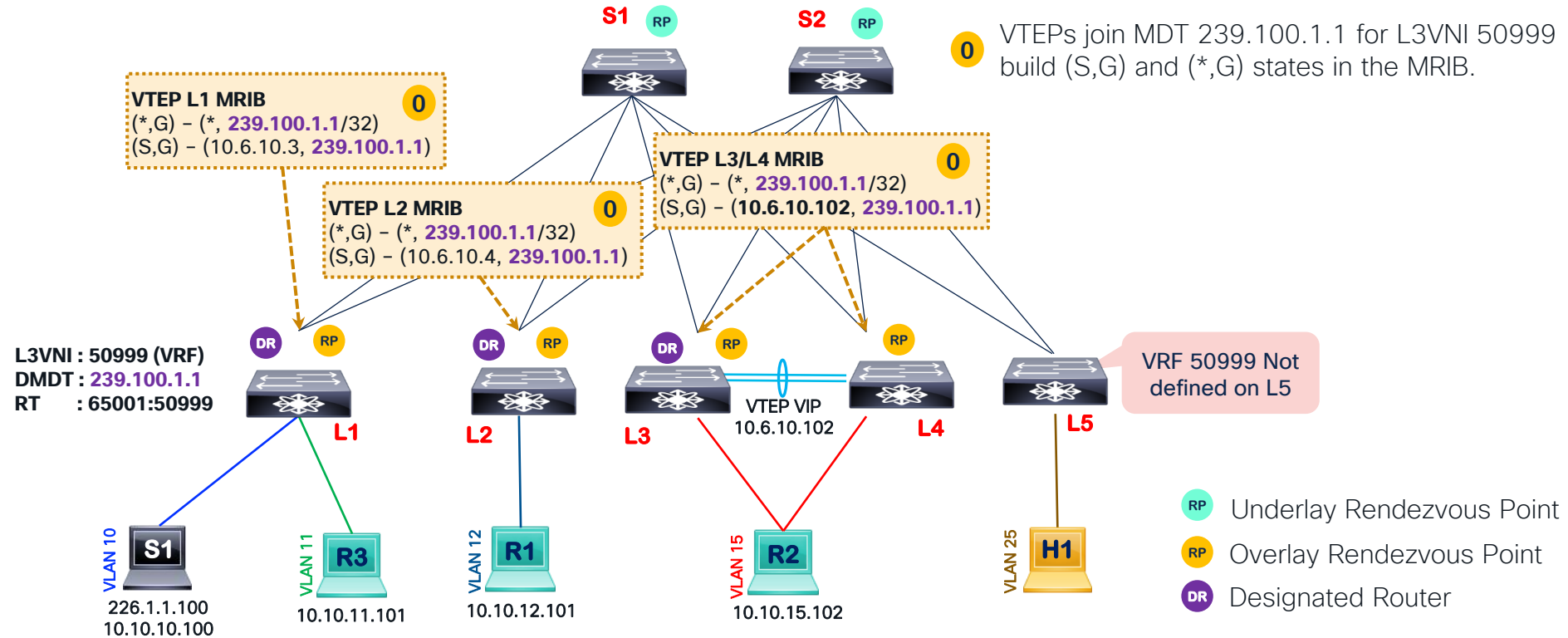
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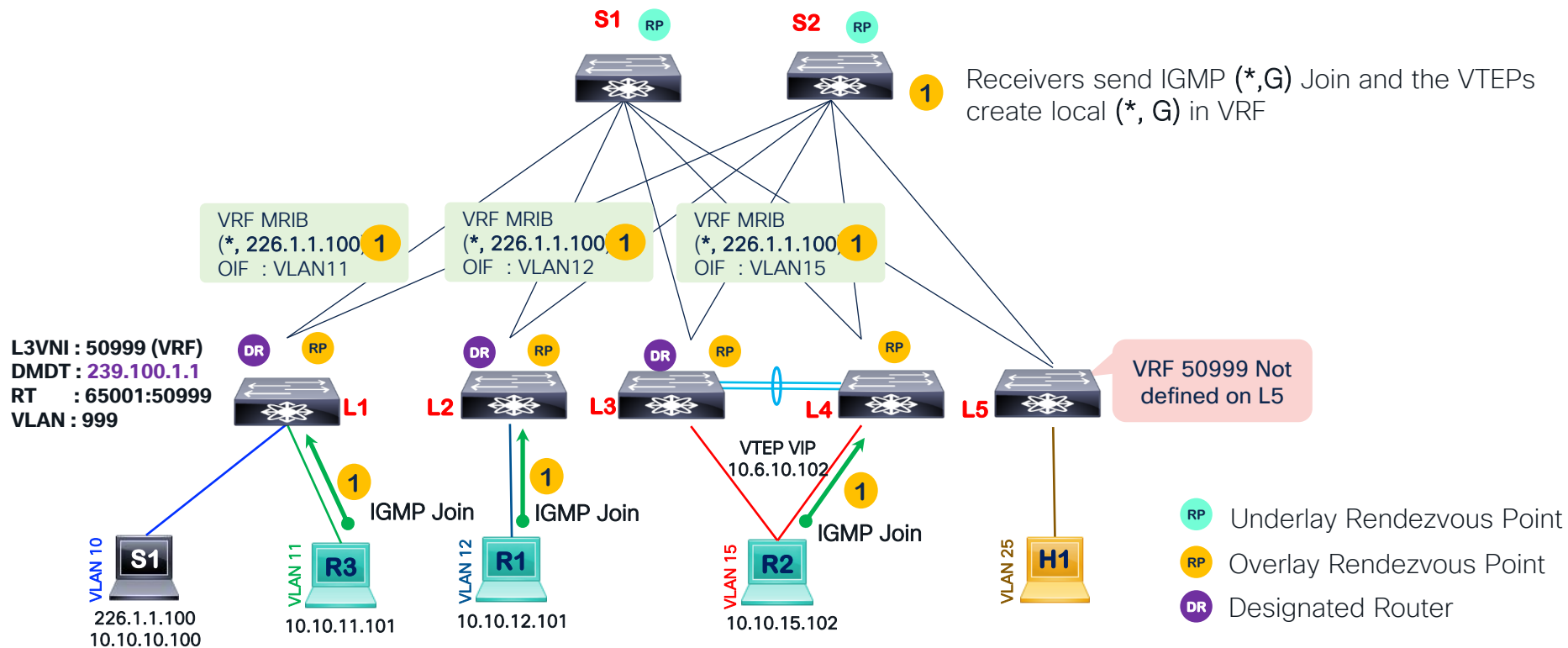
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## Underlay Multicast State



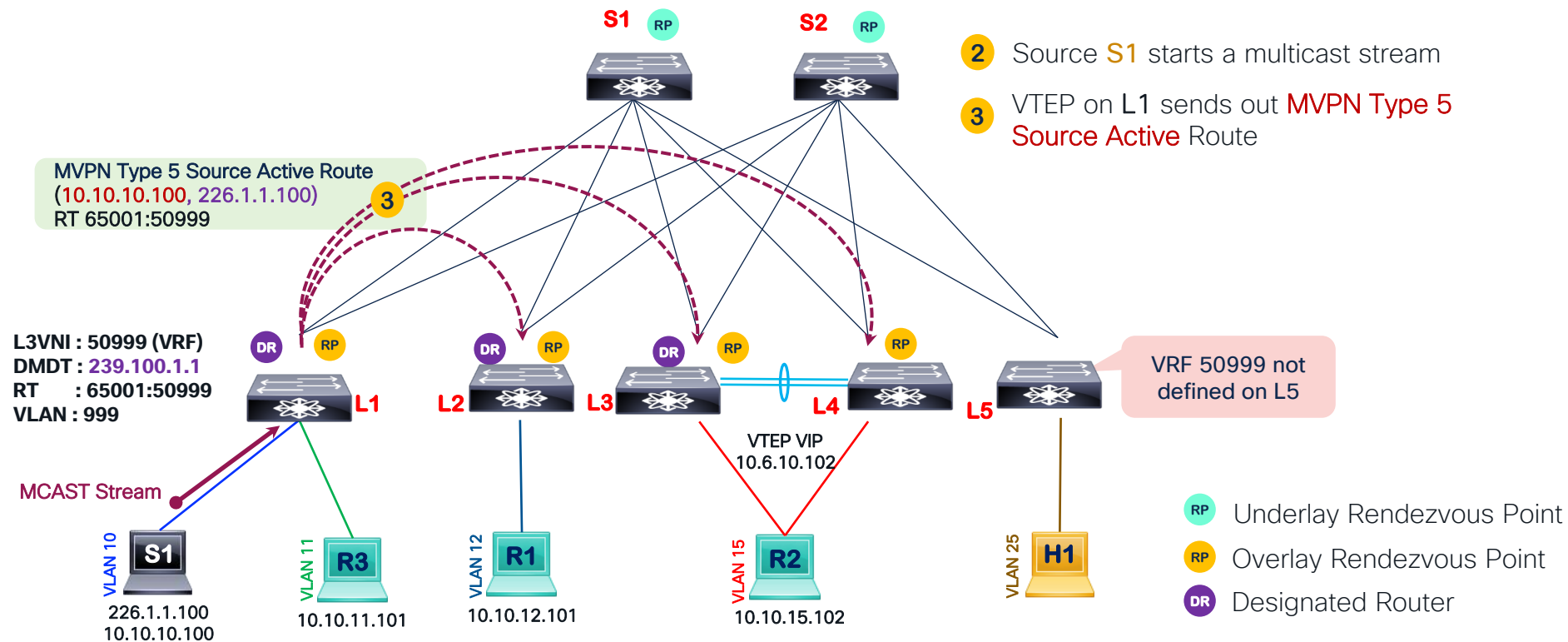
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## Packet Walk



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# VRF Route Import

## Extended Community

**abcpod-1-dc1-bgw1# show bgp l2vpn evpn route-type 2 vrf tenant-1**

**Route Distinguisher: 10.6.10.4:3 (L3VNI 50999)**

BGP routing table entry for [2]:[0]:[0]:[48]:[0050.0000.0c00]:[32]:[10.10.10.100]/272, version 109

Paths: (1 available, best #1)

Flags: (0x000202) (high32 00000000) on xmit-list, is not in l2rib/evpn, is not in HW

Advertised path-id 1

Path type: internal, path is valid, is best path, no labeled nexthop

Imported from 10.6.10.2:32782:[2]:[0]:[0]:[48]:[0050.0000.0c00]:[32]:[10.10.10.100]/272

AS-Path: NONE, path sourced internal to AS

10.6.11.2 (metric 81) from 10.6.10.1 (10.6.10.1)

Origin IGP, MED not set, localpref 100, weight 0

Received label 30015 50999

**Extcommunity: RT:65001:30015 RT:65001:50999 Route-Import:10.6.11.2:999**

# MPVPN Route Type 5

MP-BGP RIB Leaf 1 (FHR)

```
abcpod-1-dc1-leaf1# show bgp ipv4 mvpn route-type 5 detail vrf Tenant 1
```

Route Distinguisher: 10.6.10.2:3 (L3VNI 50999)

BGP routing table entry for [5][10.10.10.100][226.1.1.100]/64, version 7

Paths: (1 available, best #1)

Flags: (0x000002) (high32 00000000) on xmit-list, is not in mvpn

Advertised path-id 1

Path type: local, path is valid, is best path, no labeled nexthop

AS-Path: NONE, path locally originated

0.0.0.0 (metric 0) from 0.0.0.0 (10.6.10.2)

Origin IGP, MED not set, localpref 100, weight 32768

Extcommunity: RT:65001:50999

Path-id 1 advertised to peers:

10.6.10.1

Overlay  
Multicast  
Group

Multicast  
Source IP

MVPN  
Type 5  
Route

Route  
Target  
AS:L3VNI

# MPVPN Route Type 5

## MP-BGP RIB Leaf 2 (LHR)

abcpod-1-dc1-leaf2# show bgp ipv4 mvpn route-type 5 detail vrf tenant-1

Route Distinguisher: 10.6.10.3:3 (L3VNI 50999)

BGP routing table entry for [5][10.10.10.100][226.1.1.100]/64, version 10

Paths: (1 available, best #1)

Flags: (0x000002) (high32 00000000) on xmit-list, is not in mvpn, is not in HW

Overlay  
Multicast  
Group

Multicast  
Source IP

MVPN  
Type 5  
Route

Advertised path-id 1

Path type: internal, path is valid, is best path, no labeled nexthop

**Imported from 10.6.10.2:3:[5][10.10.10.100][226.1.1.100]/64**

AS-Path: NONE, path sourced internal to AS

10.6.11.2 (metric 81) from 10.6.10.1 (10.6.10.1)

Origin IGP, MED not set, localpref 100, weight 0

**Extcommunity: RT:65001:50999**

Originator: 10.6.10.2 Cluster list: 10.6.10.1

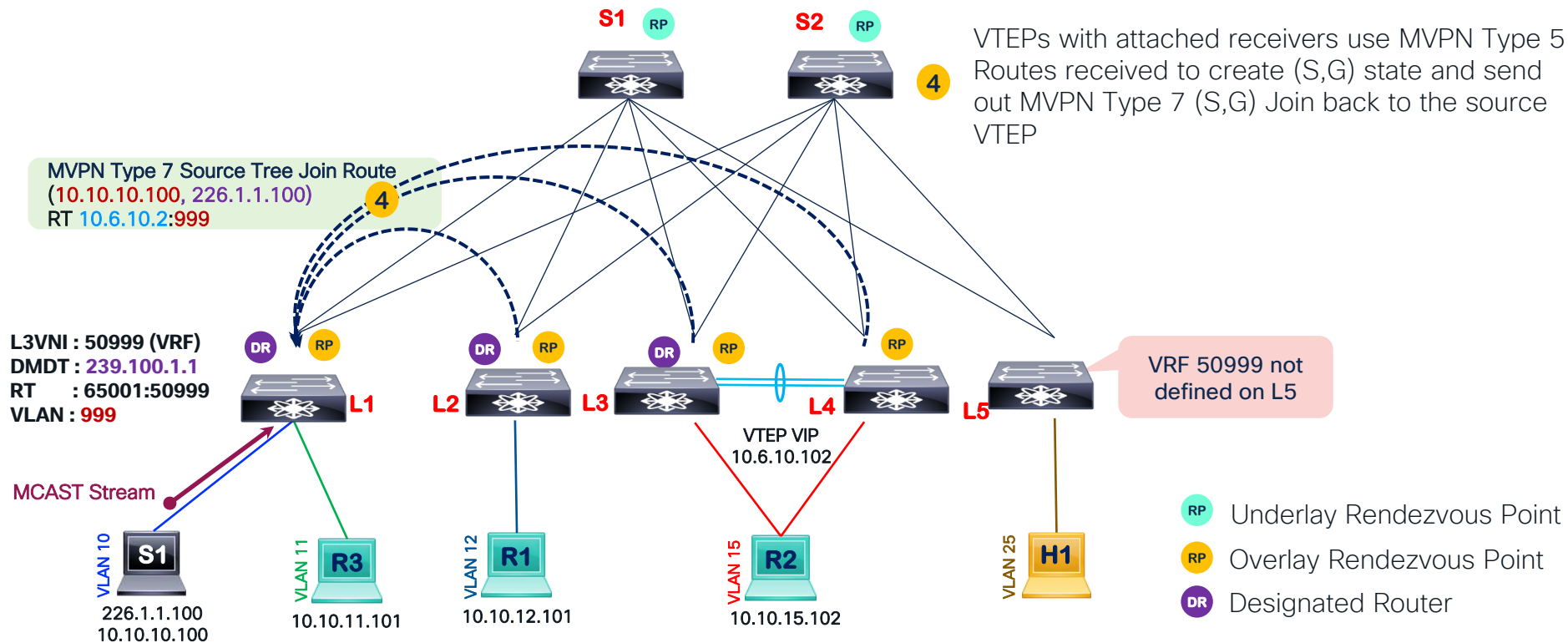
Import  
based on  
MVPN Type5  
received

Where the  
source is  
attached

Route  
Target  
AS:L3VNI

# TRM Routing with Anycast RP

## Packet Walk



# MPVPN Route Type 7

MP-BGP RIB Leaf 1 (FHR)

`abcpod-1-leaf1# show bgp ipv4 mvpn route-type 7`

Route Distinguisher: `10.6.10.2:3` (L3VNI 50999)

BGP routing table entry for `[7][10.10.10.100][226.1.1.100][65001]/96`, version 824

Paths: (1 available, best #1)

Flags: (0x00001a) (high32 00000000) on xmit-list, is in mvpn, is not in HW

Advertised path-id 1

Path type: internal, path is valid, is best path, no labeled nexthop, in rib

Imported from `10.6.10.3:32782:[7][10.10.10.100][226.1.1.100][65001]/96`

AS-Path: NONE, path sourced internal to AS

10.6.10.3 (metric 3) from 10.6.10.1 (10.6.10.1)

Origin IGP, MED not set, localpref 100, weight 0

Extcommunity: `RT:10.6.11.2:999`

Multicast  
Source IP

Overlay  
Multicast  
Group

MVPN  
Type 7  
Route

From  
where the  
import  
happened

VRI defines  
who will  
import

# TRM Routing with Anycast RP

## Packet Walk

L1 MRIB  
(10.10.10.100,  
226.1.1.100)  
IIF : VLAN10  
OIF : VLAN999

5

Multicast Stream over  
MDT (239.100.1.1)

5

Source VTEP adds the L3VNI SVI its OIF list in its MRIB

6

Source VTEP forwards copy of the stream over the MDT to the VTEP with receivers

L3VNI : 50000 (VRF)  
DMDT : 239.100.1.1  
RT : 65001:50999  
VLAN : 999

VRF 50999 not  
defined on L5

MCAST Stream

VLAN 10  
S1  
226.1.1.100  
10.10.10.100

VLAN 11  
R3  
10.10.11.101

VLAN 12  
R1  
10.10.12.101

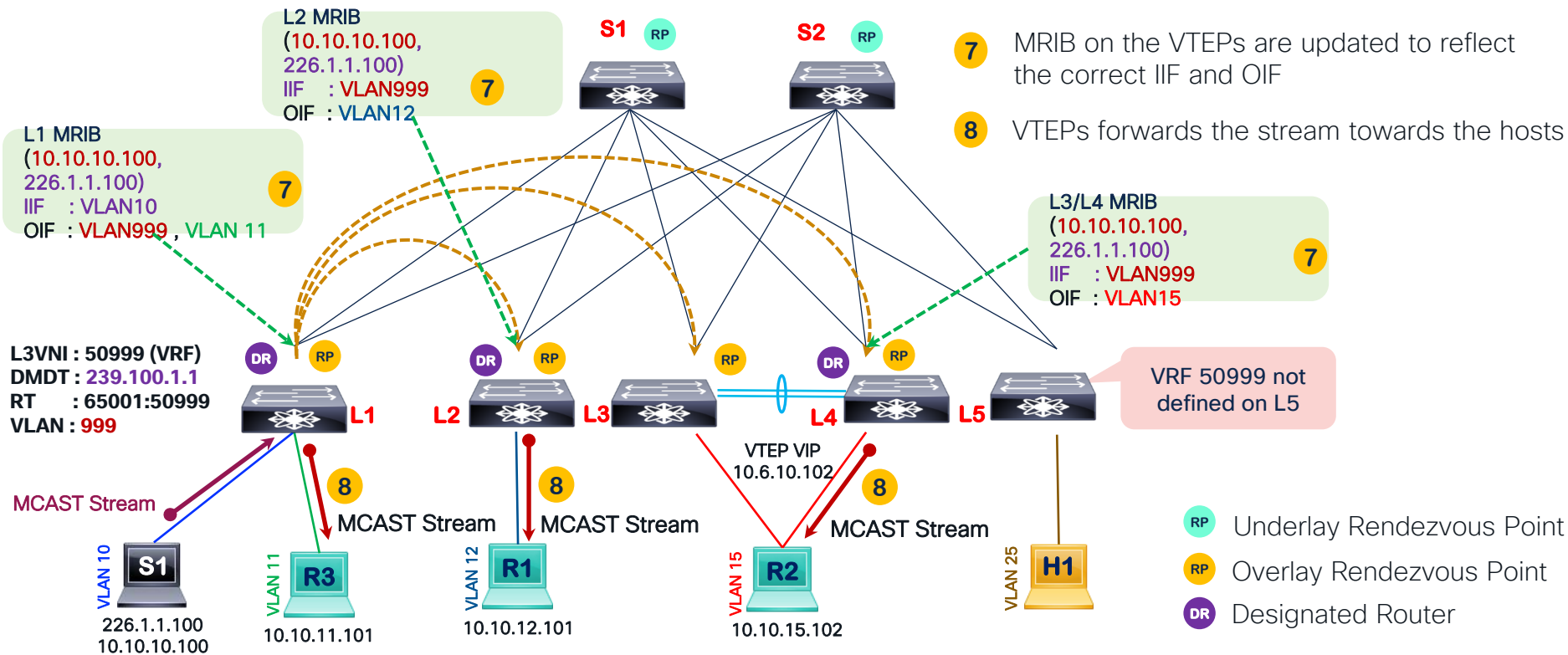
VLAN 15  
R2  
10.10.15.102

VLAN 25  
H1

- RP Underlay Rendezvous Point
- RP Overlay Rendezvous Point
- DR Designated Router

# TRM Routing with Anycast RP

## Packet Walk



# TRM Packet Encapsulation

## Multicast In Multicast

Underlay SIP	Underlay DIP	VNI	Overlay SIP	Overlay DIP
10.6.11.2 NVE-PIP	239.100.1. 1 Default- MDT	50999 L3 VNI	10.10.10.1 00	226.1.1.10 0

MCAST Stream





# Configuring VXLAN EVPN TRM



# VXLAN EVPN TRM Configuration Guidelines

- TRM uses an “Always Route” approach in the overlay.
- TRM requires an IPv4 underlay.
- TRM is only supported when PIM Any Source Multicast (ASM) is used in the underlay
- TRM is not supported with PIM BiDir in the underlay
  - PIM BiDir is supported for Unicast in the underlay
- TRM also supports IPv6 Multicast in the overlay as of NXOS 10.2.1
  - MLD snooping with VxLAN VLANs with TRM
- TRM only supports PIM ASM and PIM SSM in the overlay
- 224.0.0.0/24 subnet (local scope) is excluded from TRM and is always bridged
- TRM also supports Multi-site VXLAN BGP EVPN for IPV4 and IPv6 in the overlay.

# VXLAN EVPN TRM with Anycast RP

**Step 1:** Enable the feature for the routing processes required for VXLAN BGP EVPN and TRM on the nodes.

```
nv overlay evpn
feature bgp
feature pim
feature interface-vlan
feature vn-segment-vlan-based
feature nv overlay
feature ngmvpn
```

**"feature ngmvpn"** will enable the Next-Generation Multicast VPN (ngMVPN) control-plane allowing you to enable MVPN address family under BGP routing process.

nv overlay evpn, feature nv overlay and feature vn-segment-vlan-based are VXLAN EVPN unicast-routing features that must be enabled.

# VXLAN EVPN TRM with Anycast RP

Step 2: Enable the MVPN address family under the BGP routing process.

```
router bgp 65501

  neighbor 10.100.100.201
    remote-as 65501
    update-source loopback0
    address-family l2vpn evpn
      send-community both
    address-family ipv4 mvpn
      send-community both
    address-family ipv6 mvpn
      send-community both
```

**"address-family ipv4/v6 mvpn"** enables ngMVPN Address-Family for Multicast signalization. "send community both" ensures both standard and extended communities are exchanged for this address-family. The RT and SOO are extended communities in MVPN routes.

# VXLAN EVPN TRM with Anycast RP

**Step 3:** Enable PIM multicast routing on the distributed anycast gateway SVI interfaces on the VTEPs.

VRF  
Tenant1

```
interface vlan10
  vrf member Tenant1
  ip address 10.10.10.1/24 tag 12345
  ip pim sparse-mode
  ip pim neighbor-policy NONE*
  fabric forwarding mode anycast-gateway

interface vlan20
  vrf member Tenant1
  ip address 20.20.20.1/24 tag 12345
  ip pim sparse-mode
  ip pim neighbor-policy NONE*
  fabric forwarding mode anycast-gateway

interface vlan30
  vrf member Tenant1
  ip address 30.30.30.1/24 tag 12345
  ip pim sparse-mode
  ip pim neighbor-policy NONE*
  fabric forwarding mode anycast-gateway
```

**"ip pim sparse-mode"** enables IGMP and PIM on the SVI VLAN used as gateways for the sources and receivers on the VTEPs.

Create a **"ip pim neighbor-policy"** to avoid forming PIM neighbor relationship with PIM Routers within the VLAN (Don't use Distributed Anycast Gateway for PIM Peering).

# VXLAN EVPN TRM with Anycast RP

**Step 4:** Enable PIM multicast routing under the L3 VNI SVI, specify RP address and enable MVPN address family for the tenant VRF.


```
vlan 2501
  vn-segment 50001

interface vlan2501
  vrf member Tenant1
  ip forward
  ip pim sparse-mode

interface loopback250
  vrf member Tenant1
  ip address 10.51.51.254/32 tag 12345
  ip pim sparse-mode

ip multicast overlay-spt-only

vrf context Tenant1
  ip pim rp-address 10.51.51.254
  vni 50001
  rd auto
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    route-target both auto
    route-target both auto evpn
    route-target both auto mvpn
```



**"ip pim sparse-mode"** enables Multicast Routing on the Tenant.

**"ip address 10.51.51.254"** defines the Overlay Multicast Rendezvous-Point (RP) IP address in the respective VRF. This IP address has to be advertised in the BGP EVPN control-plane of the VRF (i.e. redistribute).

**"ip multicast overlay-spt-only"** is needed for defining the distributed RP.

**"ip pim rp-address"** defines the Overlay Multicast Rendezvous-Point (RP) in the VRF

**"route-target both auto mvpn"** defines the BGP Route-Target that is added as an Extended Community attribute to the Customer Multicast (C-Multicast) routes (ngMVPN Route-Type 6 and 7). Auto option in generating Route-Targets (RT) constructs RTs using the 2-byte Autonomous System Number and Layer-3 VNI (ASN:VNI).

# VXLAN EVPN TRM with Anycast RP

**Step 5:** Associate the VRF/L3VNI with the default MDT multicast group under the NVE interface.



VRF  
Tenant1

```
interface nve1
source-interface loopback1
host-reachability protocol bgp
member vni 30010
  mcast-group 239.1.1.1
member vni 30020
  mcast-group 239.1.1.1
member vni 30030
  mcast-group 239.1.1.2
member vni 50001 associate-vrf
  mcast-group 239.10.1.1
```

**"mcast-group"** maps a multicast group to the L3VNI. The NVE becomes a multicast routed port for multicast traffic in the VRF and the NVE interface on the VTEP becomes the source/receiver for the multicast group in the default MDT tree.

# Data MDT





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# Data MDT Configuration

```
vrf context tenant1
```



```
address-family ipv4 unicast
```

```
route-target both auto mvpn
```

```
route-target both auto evpn
```

```
[no] mdt data vxlan <group-range-1> [threshold <value>] [route-map <policy-name_1>] [seq <sequence-number>]'
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```
address-family ipv6 unicast
```

```
route-target both auto mvpn
```

```
route-target both auto evpn
```

```
[no] mdt data vxlan <group-range-1> [threshold <value>] [route-map <policy-name_1>] [seq <sequence-number>]'
```

# Data MDT Guidelines

- Switchover to Data MDT can be immediate or based on the traffic bandwidth (threshold-based configuration).
- ASM and SSM group ranges are supported for Data MDT.
- Data MDT supports IPv4 and IPv6 overlay multicast traffic.
- Data MDT config per L3 VRF.
- Ensure that the total number of underlay groups (L2 BUM, default MDT, and data MDT groups) is 512.

# Summary



# Key Takeaways

- VXLAN EVPN TRM uses **open standard** VXLAN data plane with MP-BGP NGMVPN control plane for tenant multicast routing.
- A **single MP-BGP control plane protocol** is used for both unicast (AF EVPN) and multicasting (AF MVPN) routing in tenants in a VXLAN BGP EVPN Fabric.
- VXLAN EVPN TRM forwards using an **"Always Route"** approach.
- VXLAN EVPN TRM supports **various RP deployments models** including Anycast RP, External RP and RP Anywhere allowing redundancy and ease of migration of RPs.
- IGMP maintains its current function as Host Reporting protocol.
- PIM operates in the tenant for tenant multicast domain and underlay for Default MDT for the tenant.
- Data MDT optimizes forwarding only to remote VTEPs with attached receivers.

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