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# Packet Forwarding & QoS Implementation on NCS 500

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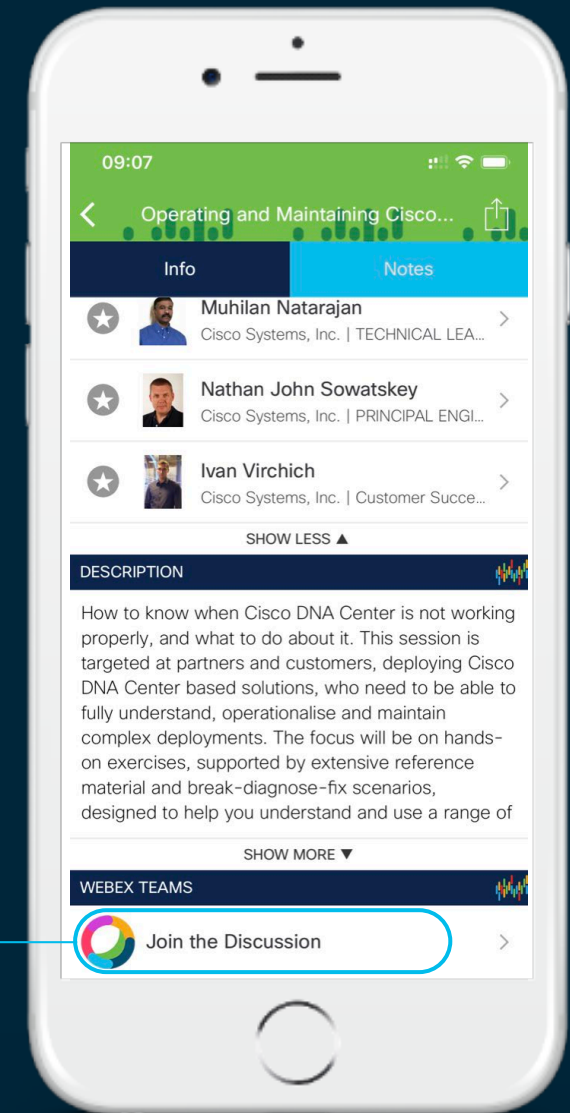
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# Session Takeaway

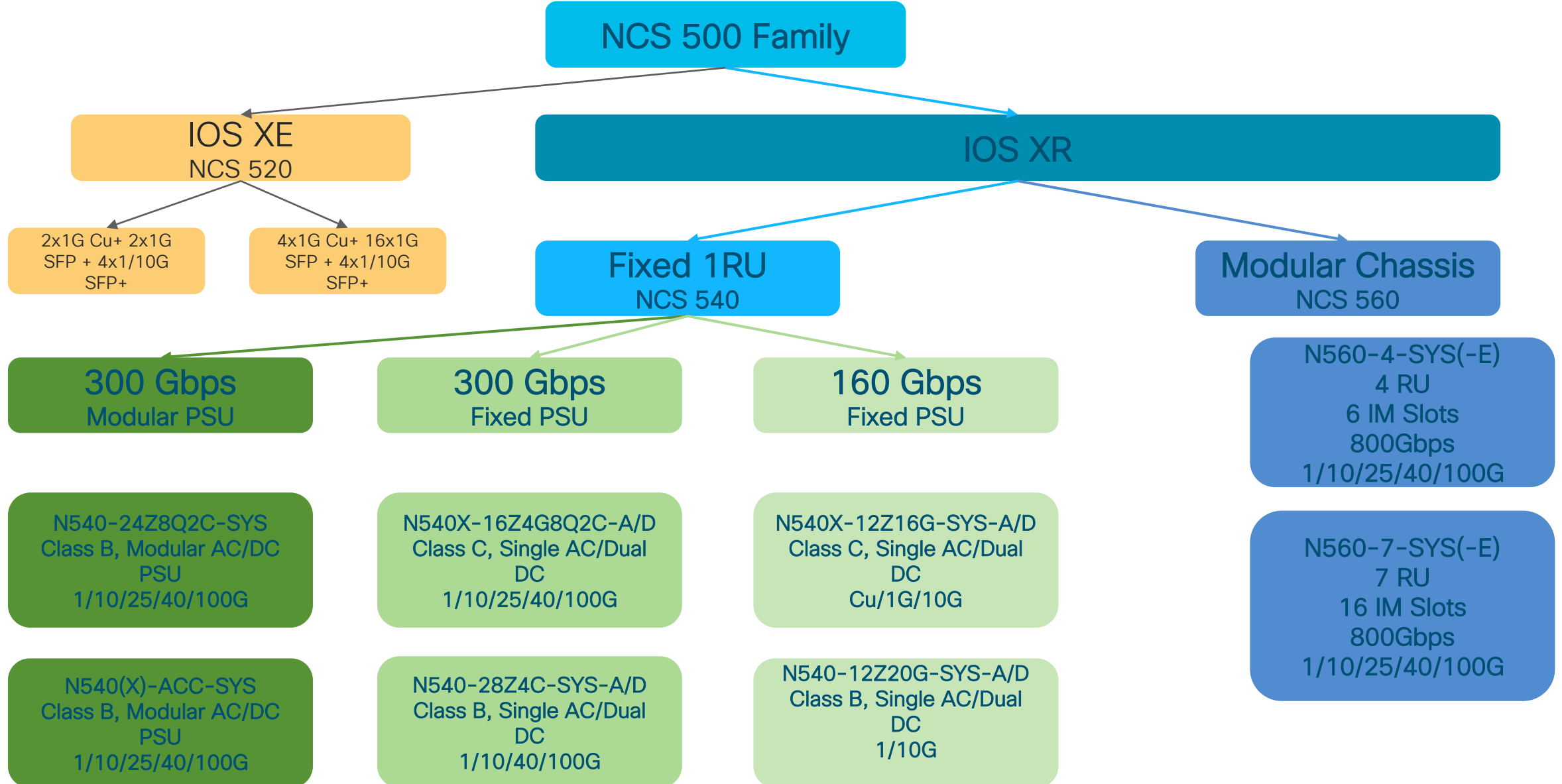
You can simply deliver QoS in your access network  
with NCS 500 !!

# Agenda

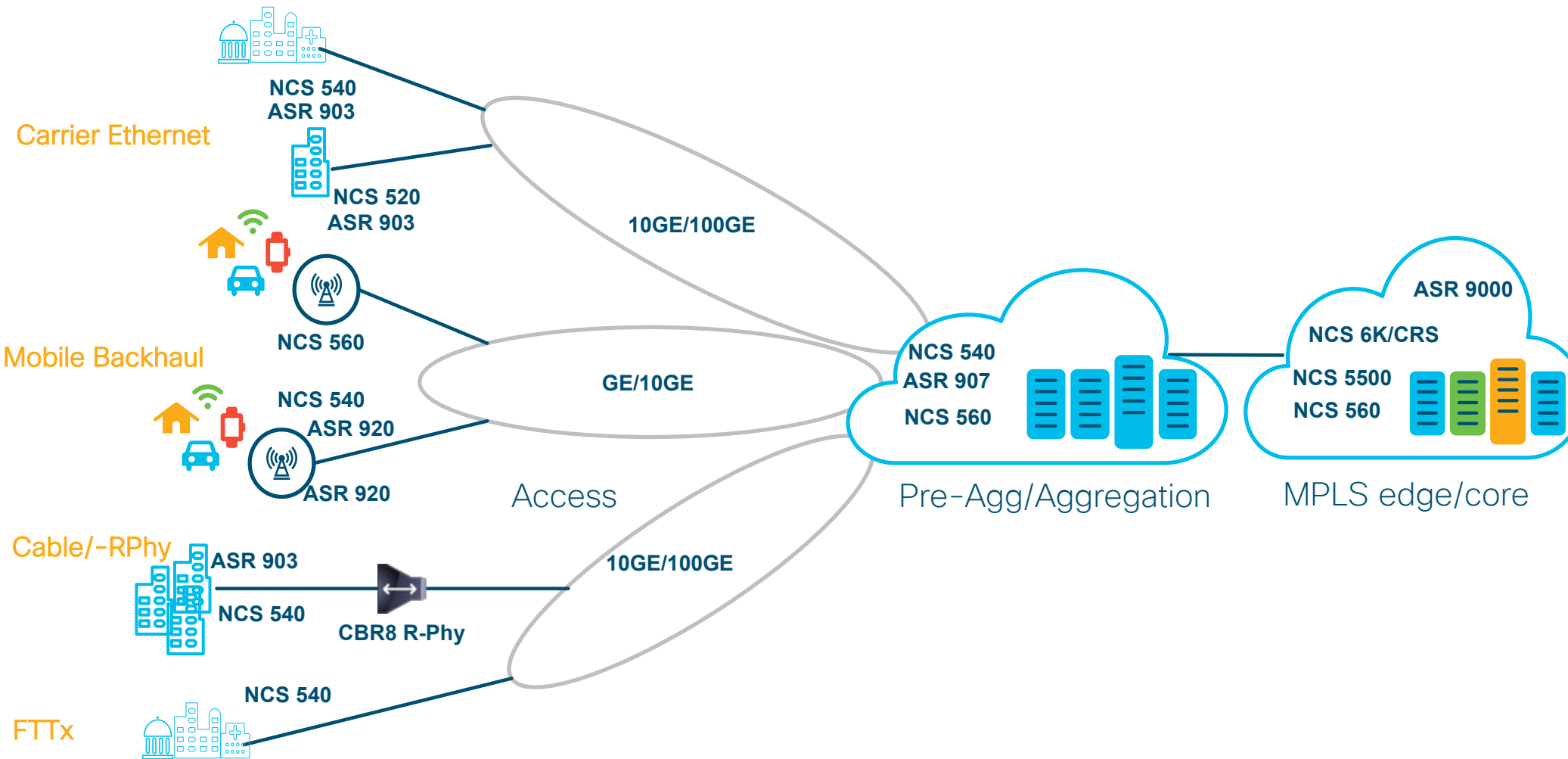
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# NCS 500 Family & Internal Architecture

# The NCS 500 Family



# NCS 500 in the Network



## Highlights

IOS XR

Dense fixed and modular XR portfolio



Small form factor with low power



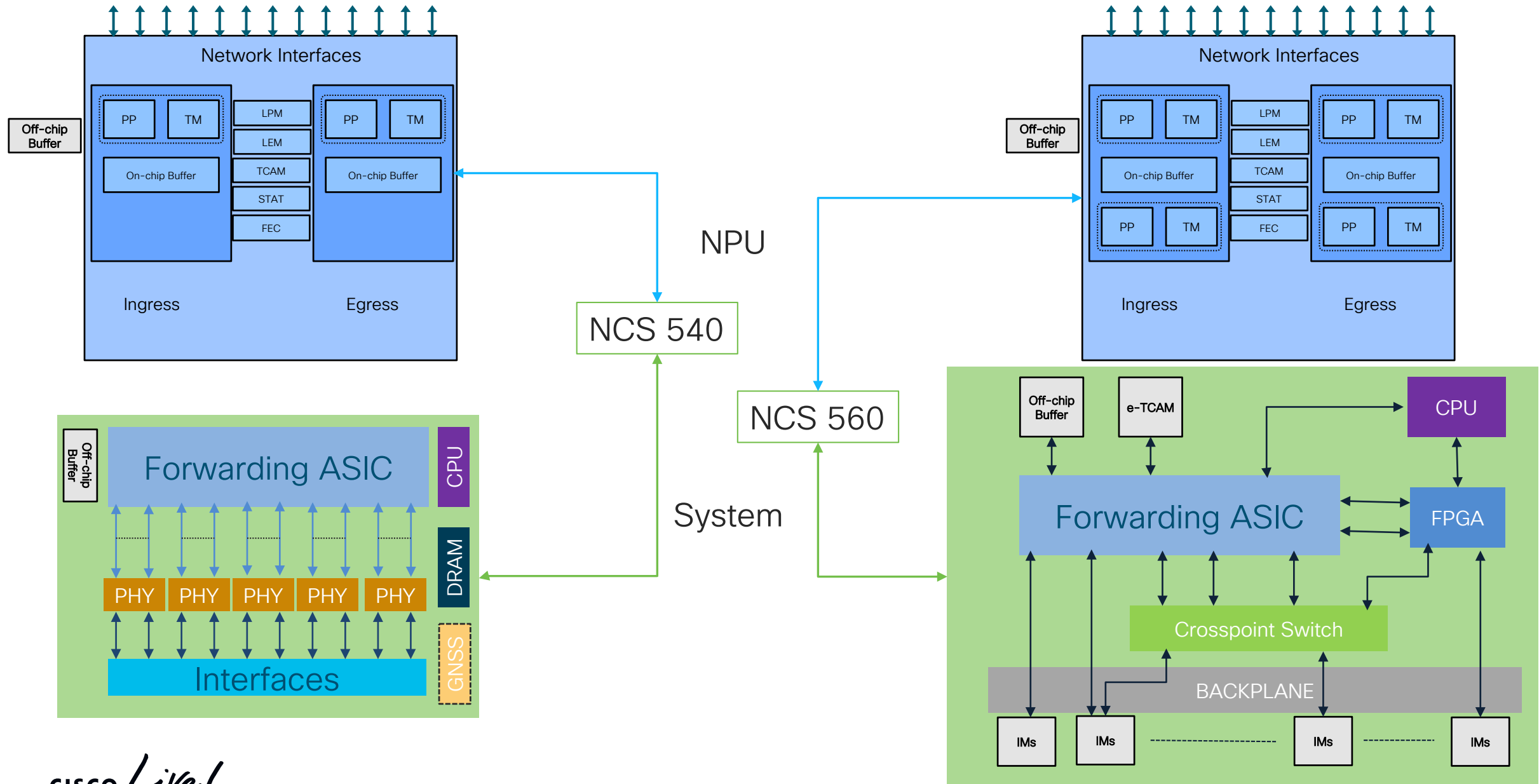
Secure

Wide Range of BW

Indoor/outdoor deployments



# NCS 500 Architecture



# Refreshing The Basics

# Why QoS !

## Services

- ✓ Access is the starting point
- ✓ Connectivity starts here



## Satisfaction

- ✓ Delivery with Guranted SLA
- ✓ Ease of Enhancement



- ✓ Connectivity with guarantee
- ✓ Prioritization
- ✓ Best Effort



## SLA



## Revenue

- ✓ Service pricing
- ✓ Add on Bandwidth
- ✓ Utilize Available infrastructure

# Identify Traffic

- Different Traffic Type
  - Latency sensitive/Real Time
  - Best Effort
  - Undesired
  - Control Plane
- Classification
  - Information present in headers
  - IP/PCP/DSCP/EXP etc.
- Marking
  - Simplify the Network QoS
  - Ensure E2E QoS



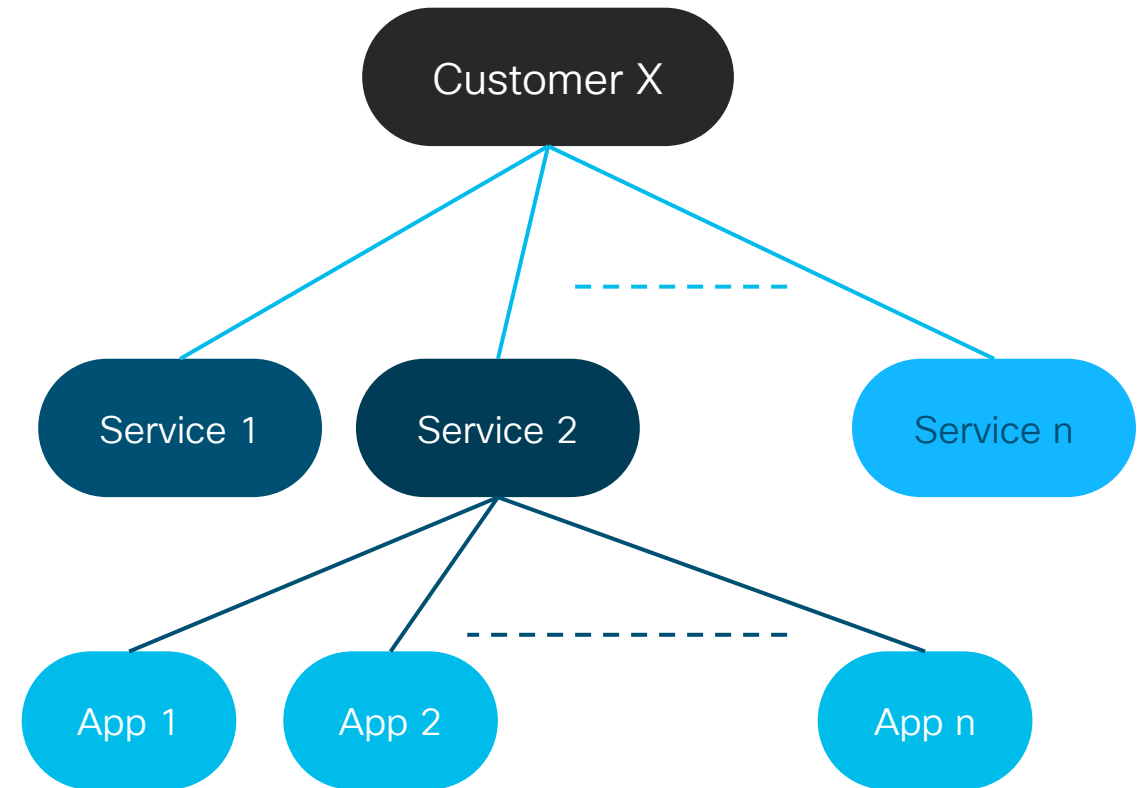
# Manage SLA

- Policers
  - Cap users at the committed rate: 1R2C
  - Give something extra with Best Effort: 2R3C
- Shape/Queues
  - Cap Users with shape
  - Prioritize/schedule different traffic
  - Weight Between BE traffic



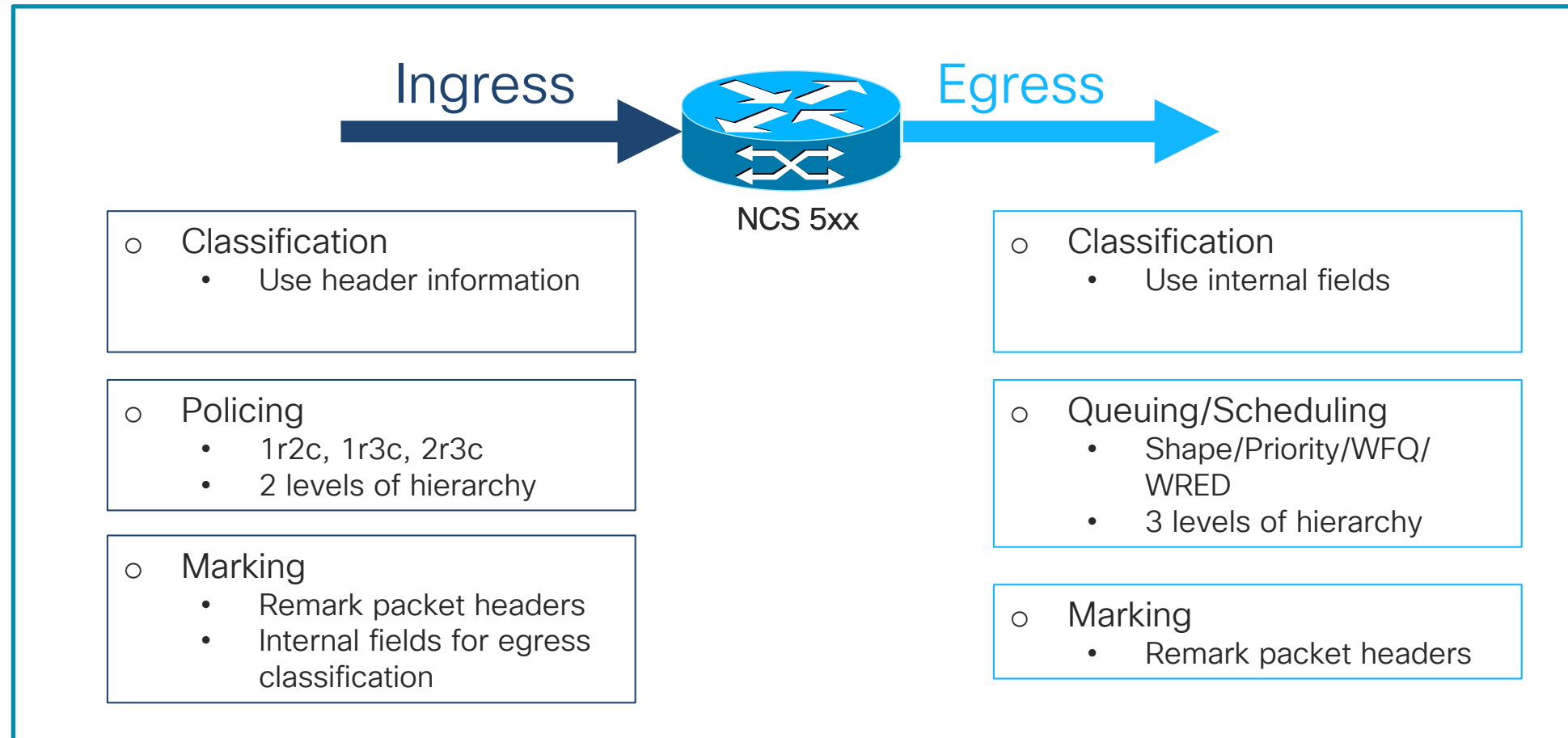
# SLA Levels

- Differentiated QoS Per Application
- Aggregated QoS Per Service
- Differentiated QoS for Per Service
- Aggregated QoS Per Customer



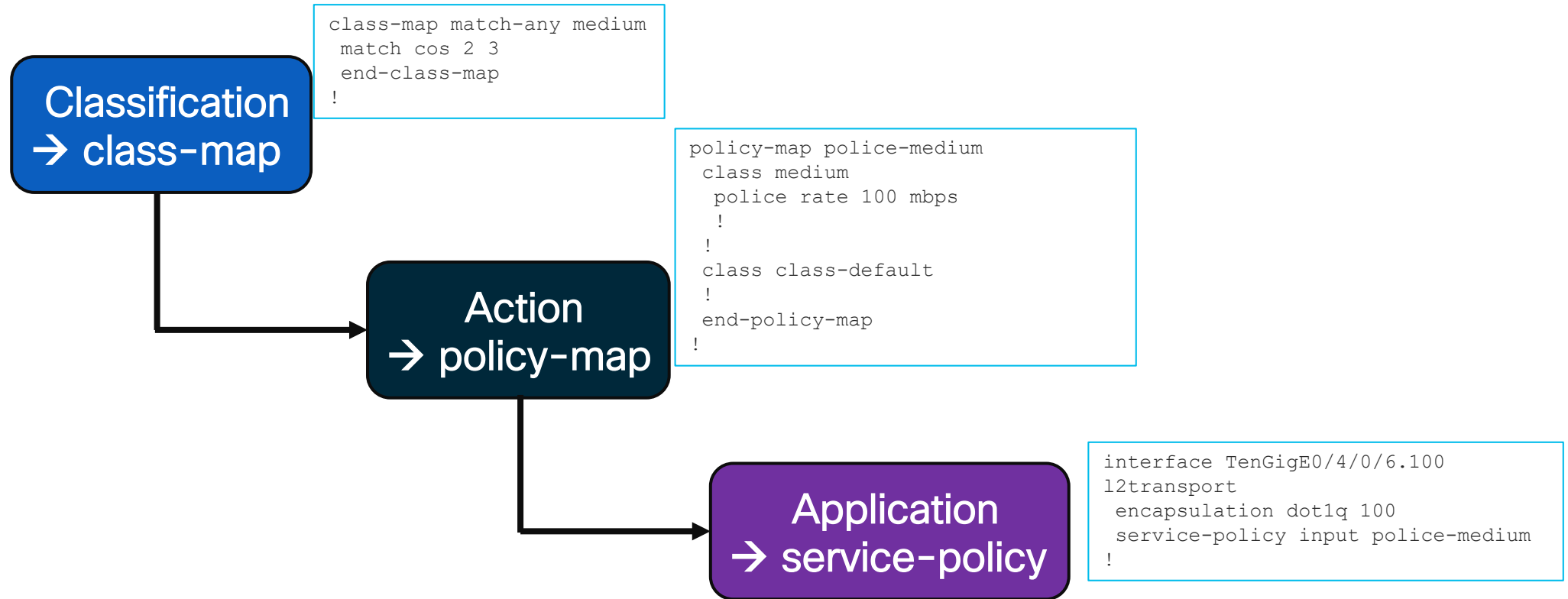
# NCS 500 QoS Overview

# NCS 500 QoS Behavior



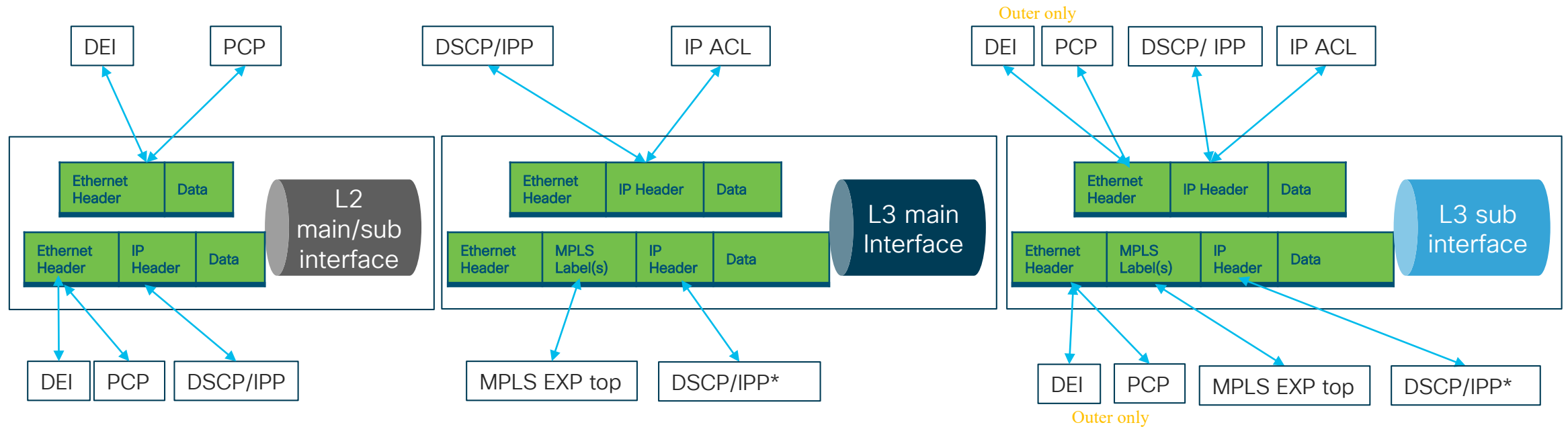


# Modular QoS CLI (MQC)



# Ingress QoS

# Classification

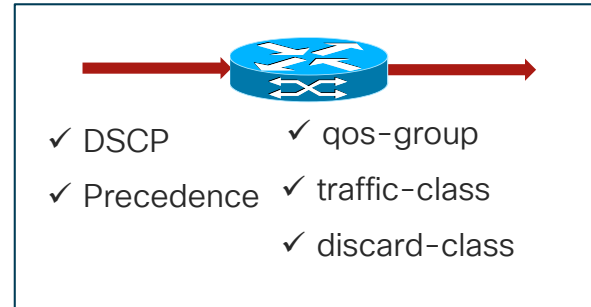
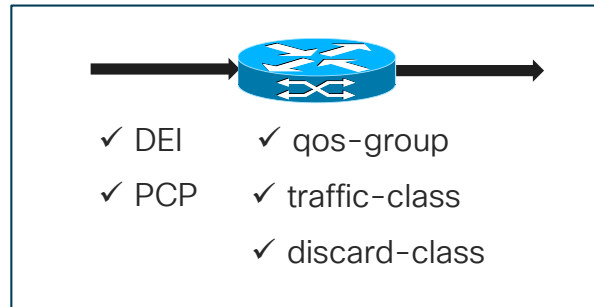


- Match on protocol supported for L3 interface
- Only Single Protocol
- Match-not is not supported for ACLs

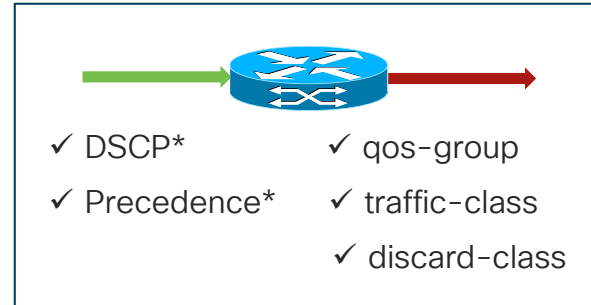
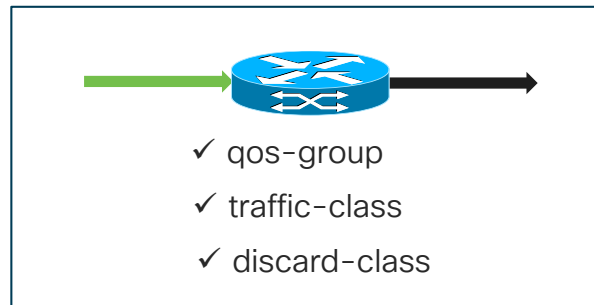
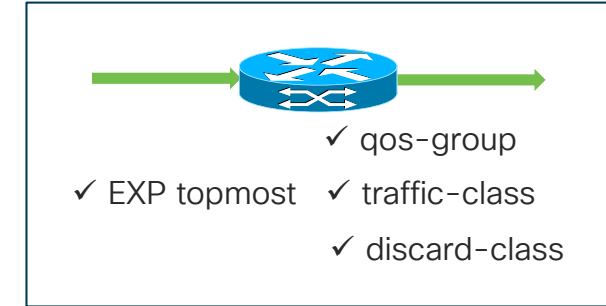
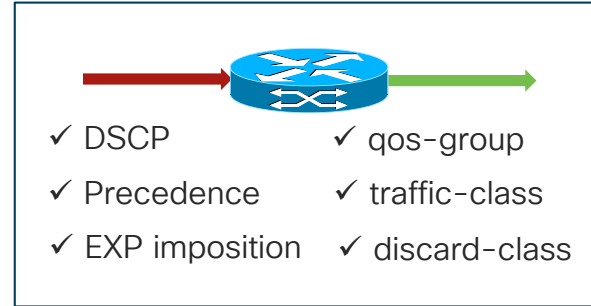
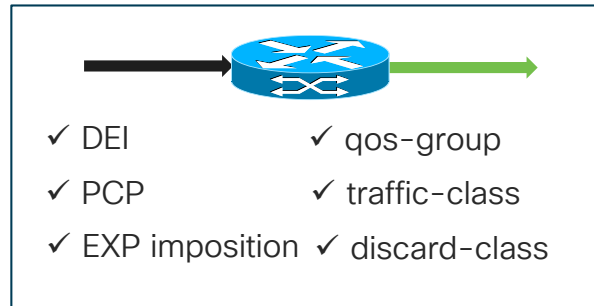
PCP : Priority Code Point (802.1p)  
DEI : discard eligibility indicator  
IPP : IP Precedence

\* With MPLS disposition- ingress short pipe mode

# Supported Marking Matrix



L2  
 IP  
 MPLS



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# Policing Support

- Policer Types

- 1R2C

- ```
police rate 10 mbps burst 12 kbytes
```

- 1R3C

- ```
police rate 10 mbps burst 12 kbytes peak-burst 12 kbytes
```

- 2R3C

- ```
police rate 10 mbps burst 12 kbytes peak-rate 20 mbps  
peak-burst 12 kbytes
```

- Statistics

- Normal Mode

- Green and Red

- Enhanced Mode\*

- ```
hw-module profile stats qos-enhanced
```
    - Green, Yellow & Red

- Hierarchy

- 2 Levels

- Parent:

- Class Default
    - Child conform-aware/non conform-aware

- Child

- Multiple class
    - Color blind

- MEF BWP Reference

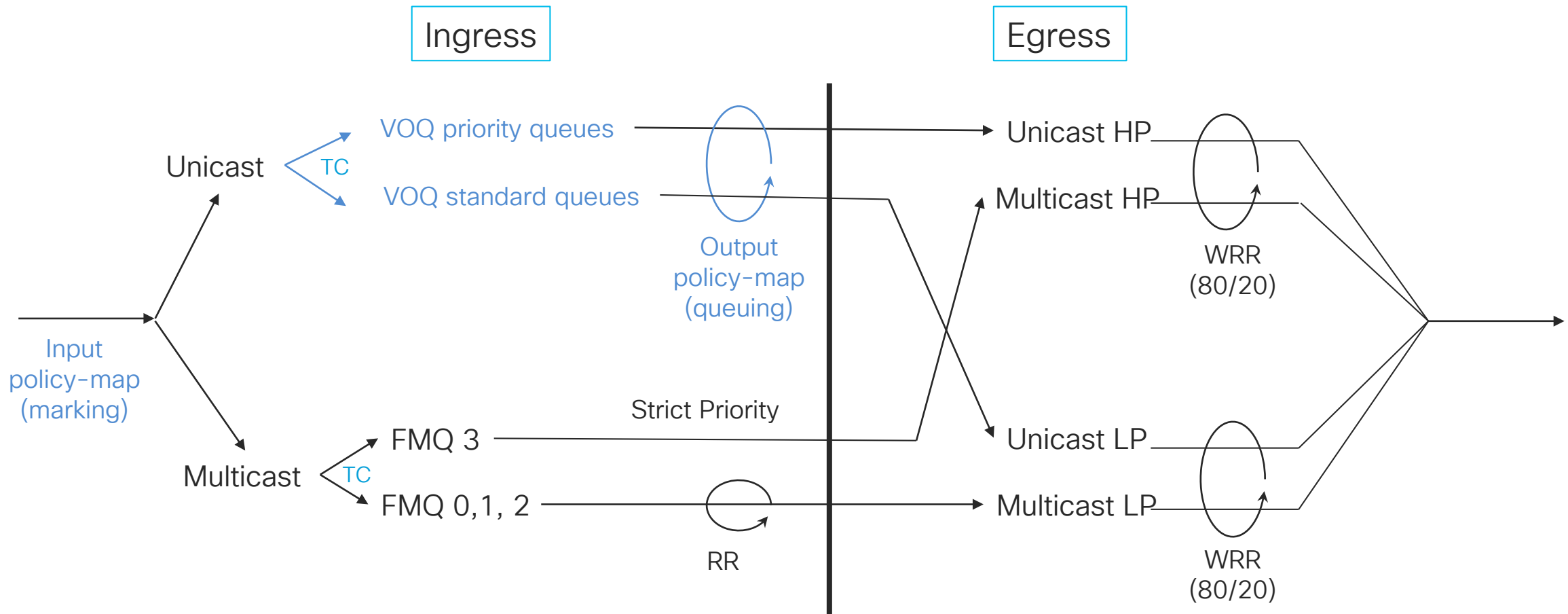
- ```
police rate 10 mbps burst 12 kbytes peak-rate 20 mbps  
peak-burst 12 kbytes
```

CIR CBS EIR\*\* EBS

CM=blind CF=1

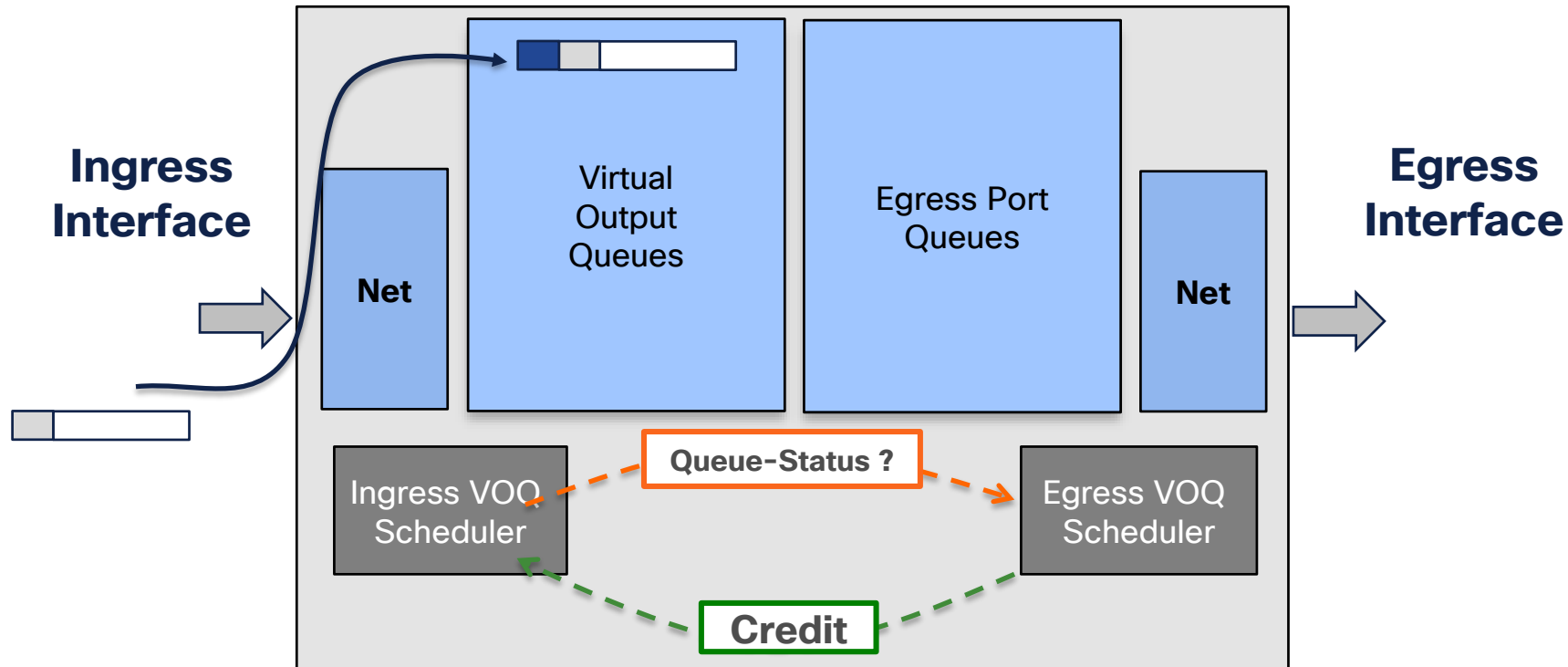
# Egress QoS

# Queues and Schedulers



Blue items are done according to policy-maps. Black items are internal operations.

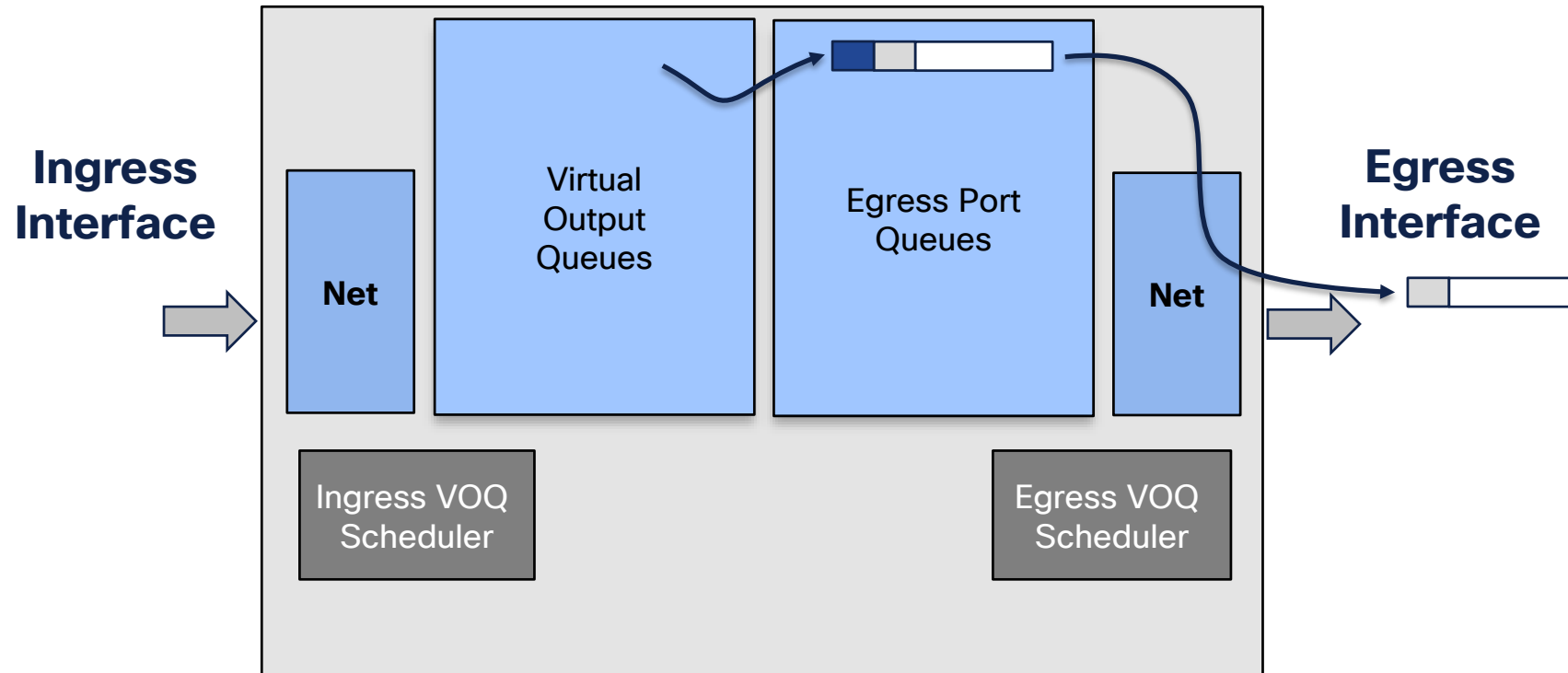
# VOQ-Only Architecture



- Packet is received on ingress interface, classified, and stored in internal buffer
- Ingress VOQ scheduler polls Egress scheduler (maintaining a local VOQ DB)
- Egress answers with a credit-message



# VOQ-Only Architecture contd.

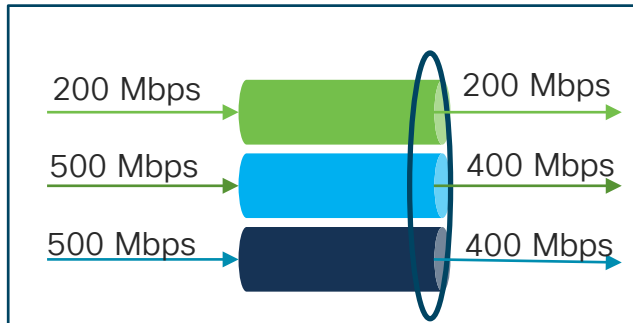
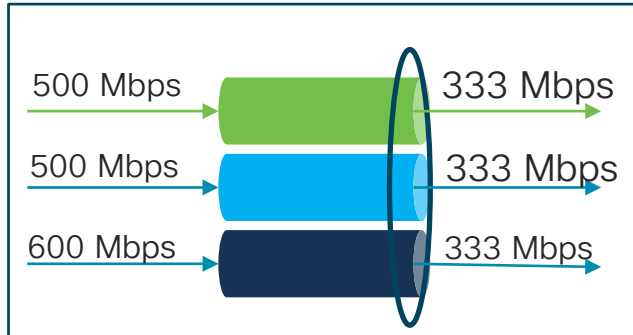


- Packet is stored in the port queue(HP/LP)
- Finally packet is transmitted through the egress interface

# Scheduling Mechanism

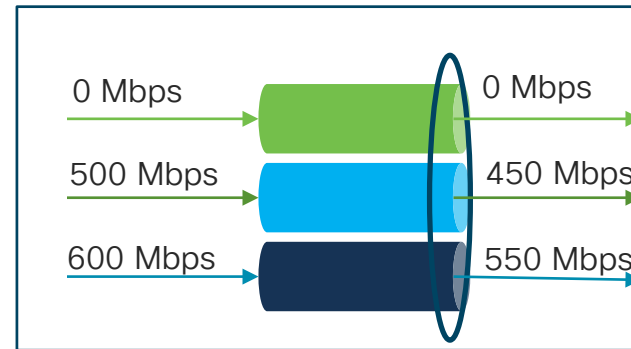
# Fair Scheduling

Profile 1



Profile 3

Profile 3



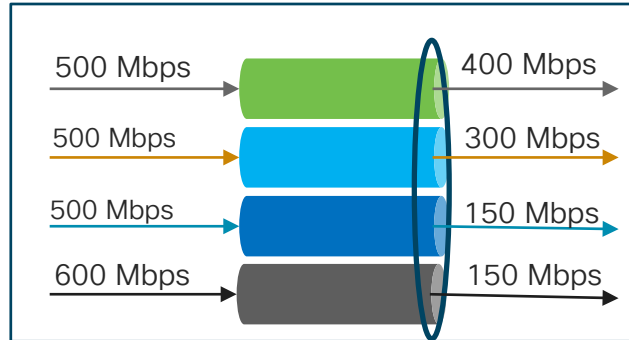
```
policy-map
fair_schedule
  class cos1
    shape average
    percent 50
  !
  class cos2
    shape average
    percent 45
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!
```

- Shape average sets Maximum queue BW
- Traffic is fair among all classes
- Class without shape can consume all bandwidth available

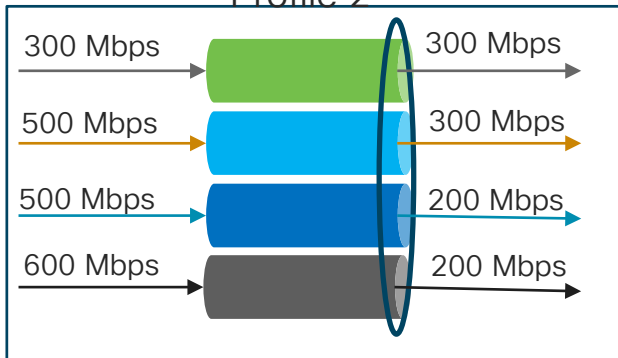
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# Priority Scheduling

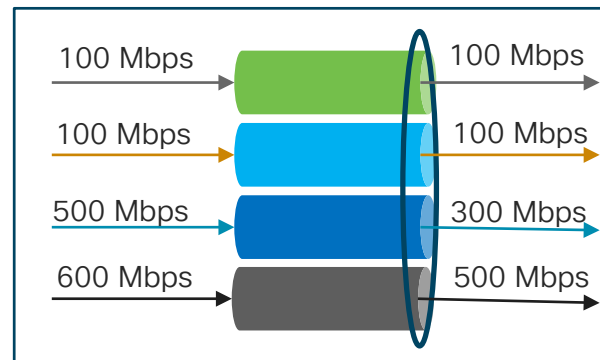
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Profile 2



Profile 3



```

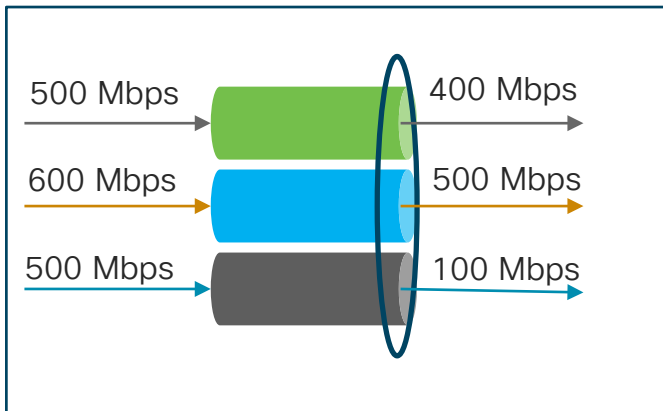
policy-map priority
  class cos1
    shape average percent 40
    priority level 1
    queue-limit 1 bytes
  !
  class cos2
    shape average percent 30
    priority level 2
    queue-limit 500 us
  !
  class cos3
    shape average percent 30
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!
    
```

- Up to 8 priority levels in non h-qos mode
- Up to 4 priority levels in h-qos mode
- Minimum queue limit for latency sensitive priority traffic.
- Fair BW share for non priority classes as shape is configured

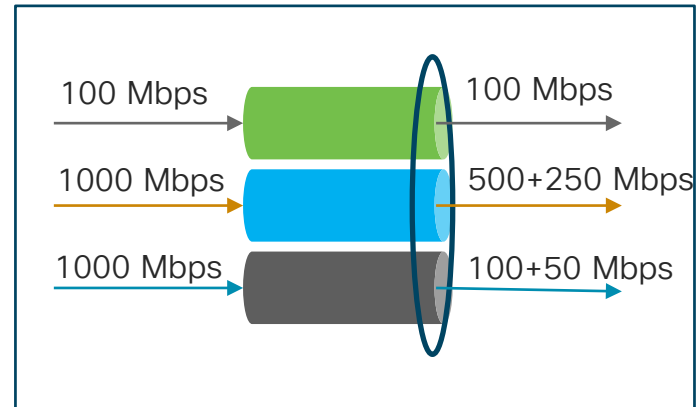
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# Guaranteed Service Rate

Profile 1



Profile 2

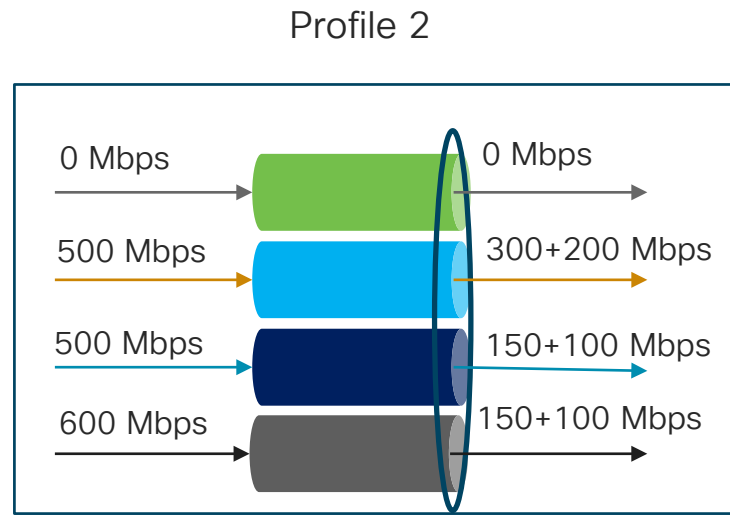
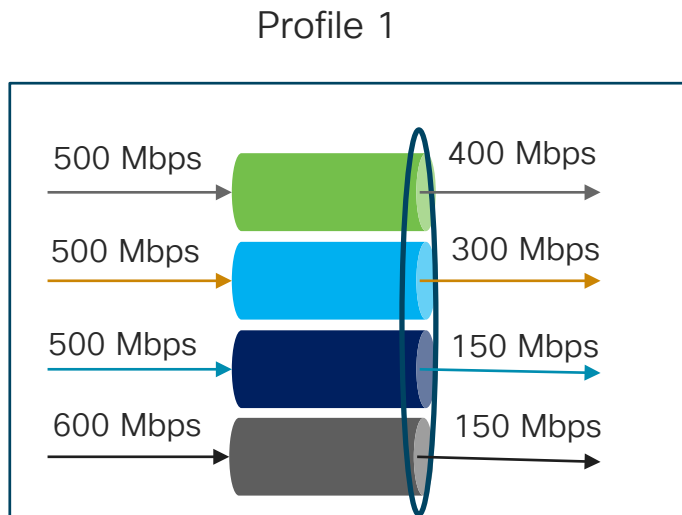


- Bandwidth command sets queue minimum BW
- Inversely weighted bandwidth sharing
- Priority cannot be used in Bandwidth

```
policy-map
guaranteed_sr
  class cos1
    shape average
    percent 40
    priority level 1
    queue-limit 1 bytes
  !
  class cos2
    bandwidth percent 50
  !
  class class-default
    bandwidth percent 10
  !
end-policy-map
!
```

Note: all traffic profile explained assuming a 1Gbps reference BW

# Weighted Queues with Bandwidth Remaining (BWR)



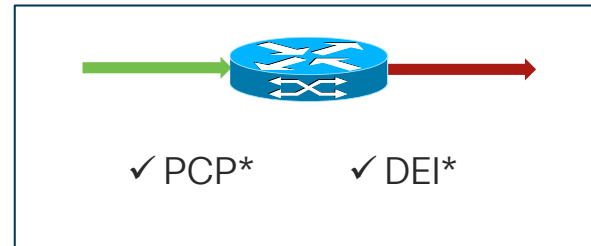
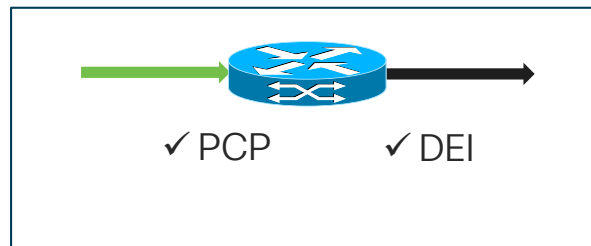
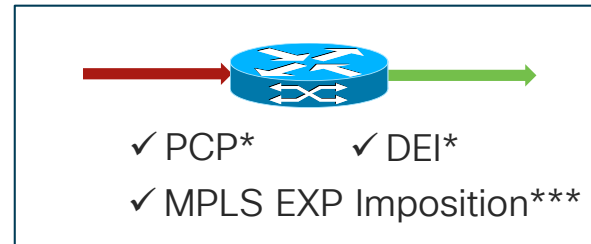
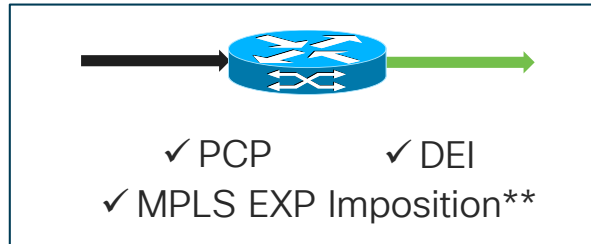
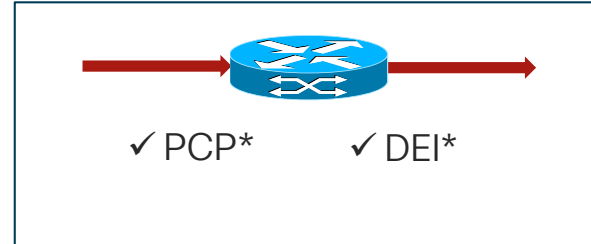
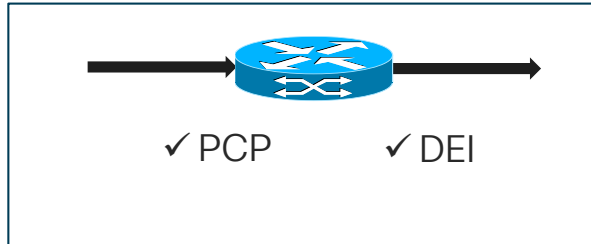
```
policy-map bwr_sr
  class cos1
    shape average percent 40
    queue-limit 1 bytes
    priority level 1
  !
  class cos2
    bandwidth remaining percent 50
  !
  class cos3
    bandwidth remaining percent 25
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!
```

- Bandwidth remaining assigns weight for available bw sharing
- Both BW and BWR in a single policy map is not supported in HQoS mode

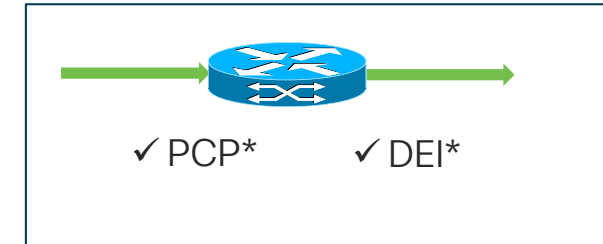
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# Egress Marking

# Marking Support



→ L2  
→ IP  
→ MPLS



Note: Egress Remarking uses “qos-group” as classification criterion

\* L3 sub-intf vlan priority fields  
\*\* Not for EVPN  
\*\*\* 2 labels only, single BGP Label not supported



# Dual Egress Policy

Queuing & Marking handled separately

- Can we Remark along with managing different queues ???

## One Queuing Policy

- Flat or Hierarchical
- Use “traffic-class”
- Statistics

## One Marking policy

- Flat
- Use “qos-group”
- No statistics

# Dual Egress Policy: Example

```
class-map match-any cos1
  match cos 1
end-class-map
!
class-map match-any cos2
  match cos 2
end-class-map
!
policy-map in-classify
  class cos1
    set qos-group 1
    set traffic-class 3
  !
  class cos2
    set qos-group 2
    set traffic-class 5
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
```

```
class-map match-any qos1
  match qos-group 1
end-class-map
!
class-map match-any qos2
  match qos-group 2
end-class-map
!
policy-map egress-marking
  class qos2
    set cos 2
  !
  class qos1
    set cos 1
    set dei 1
  !
  class class-default
    set cos 7
  !
end-policy-map
```

```
class-map match-any tc3
  match traffic-class 3
end-class-map
!
class-map match-any tc5
  match traffic-class 5
end-class-map
!
policy-map egress-queuing
  class tc5
    bandwidth percent 30
  !
  class tc3
    bandwidth percent 20
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!
interface TenGigE0/0/1/0/0
  service-policy output egress-marking
  service-policy output egress-queuing
!
```

# Use Cases

# Session Takeaway

You can simply deliver QoS in your access network  
with NCS 500 !!

# Hierarchical QoS

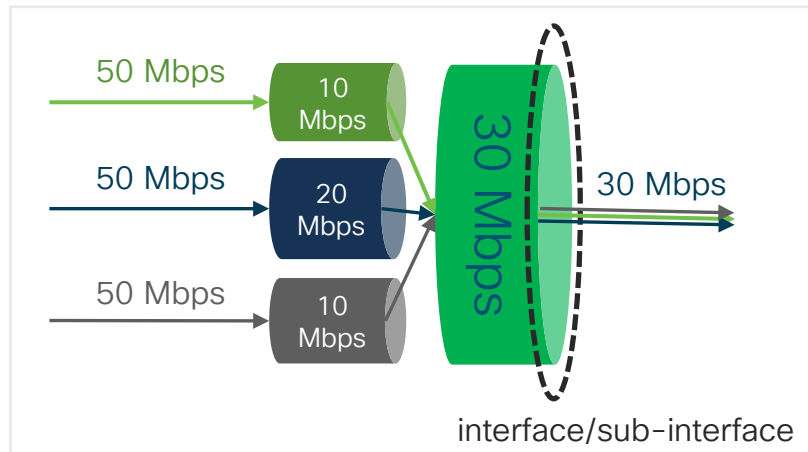
# H-QoS Support Overview

- Ingress (Policing only)
  - 2 levels
  - Parent level:
    - class-default only
    - Child conform-aware Or non conform-aware
  - Child level:
    - Multiple Classes of Service
    - Color blind 2r3c

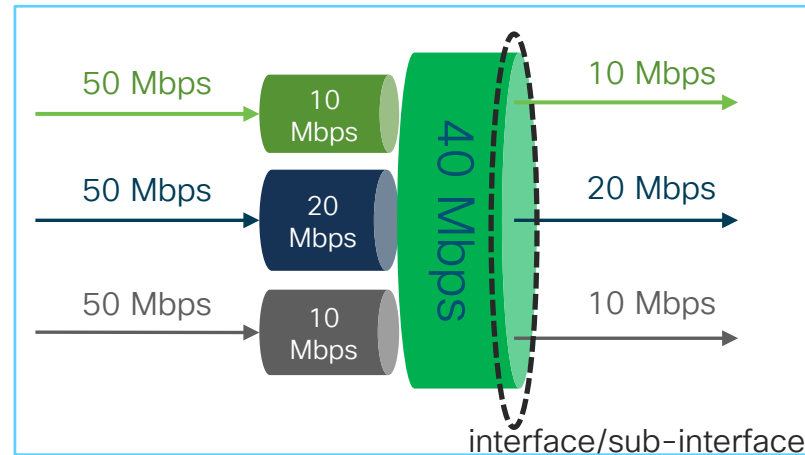
- Egress (Queueing Only)
  - 3 (1+2) levels starting XR 6.6.25
  - 1 level Grand Parent
    - class default shaper at port
  - 2 level nested at sub-interface
    - Parent:
      - Class Default only
    - Child:
      - Multiple Classes of Service (Upto 8)
      - Priority levels
  - "hw-module profile qos hqos-enable" config is necessary

# H-QoS for Ingress Policing

- 2 levels of hierarchy
- Parent level supports class-default
- Parent policer is conform-aware/non conform-aware
- To achieve expected result:  $\sum \text{child CIR} \leq \text{Parent CIR}$



Profile with  $\sum \text{child CIR} > \text{Parent CIR}$   
Parent non-conform aware



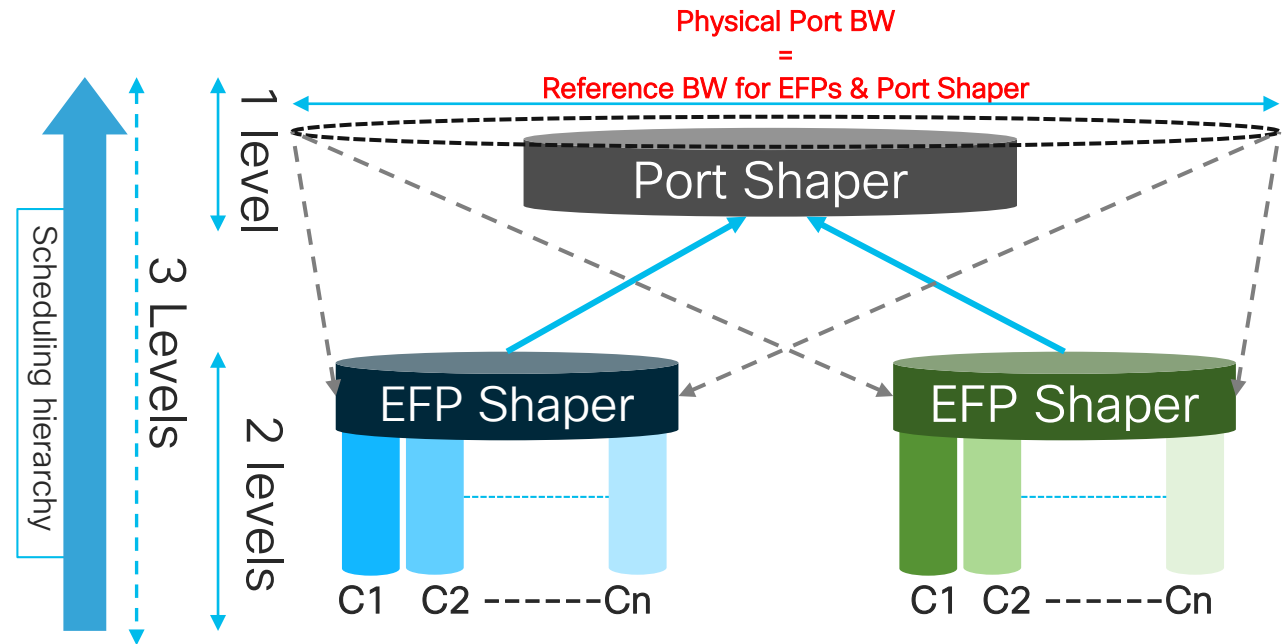
Profile with  $\sum \text{child CIR} < \text{Parent CIR}$

```
policy-map parent-policer
  class class-default
    service-policy child-policer
    police rate 40 mbps
  !
!
end-policy-map
!

policy-map child-policer
  class cos3
    police rate 10 mbps
  !
  !
  class cos4
    police rate 20 mbps
  !
  !
  class class-default
    police rate 10 mbps
  !
!
end-policy-map
!
```

# 3-level H-QoS for Egress Queueing

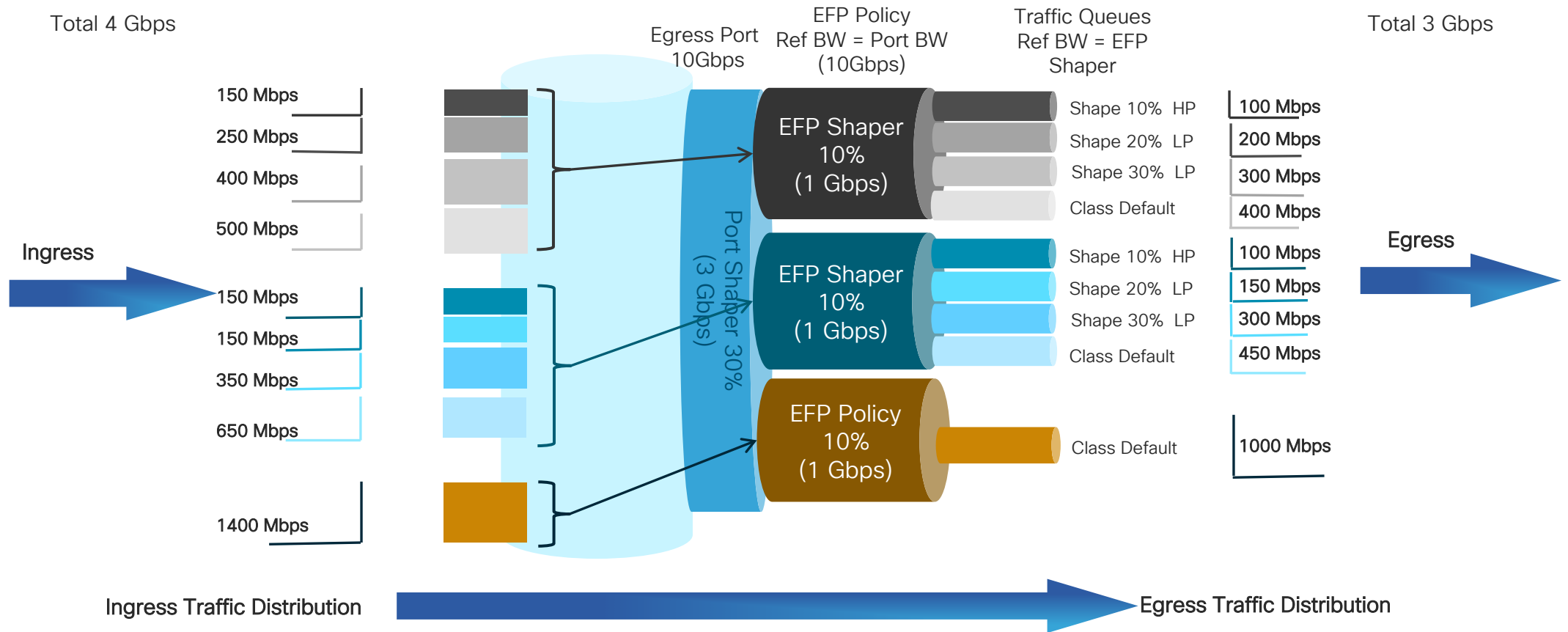
- Implemented in an 1+2 Model
- Port shaper at Grand Parent Level (1 level class default only)
- EFP shaper with 2 levels
  - Parent “class default” only
  - Child multiple traffic classes
- EFP shaper reference BW is same as Port BW
  - Allows to oversubscribe Port/Port Shaper





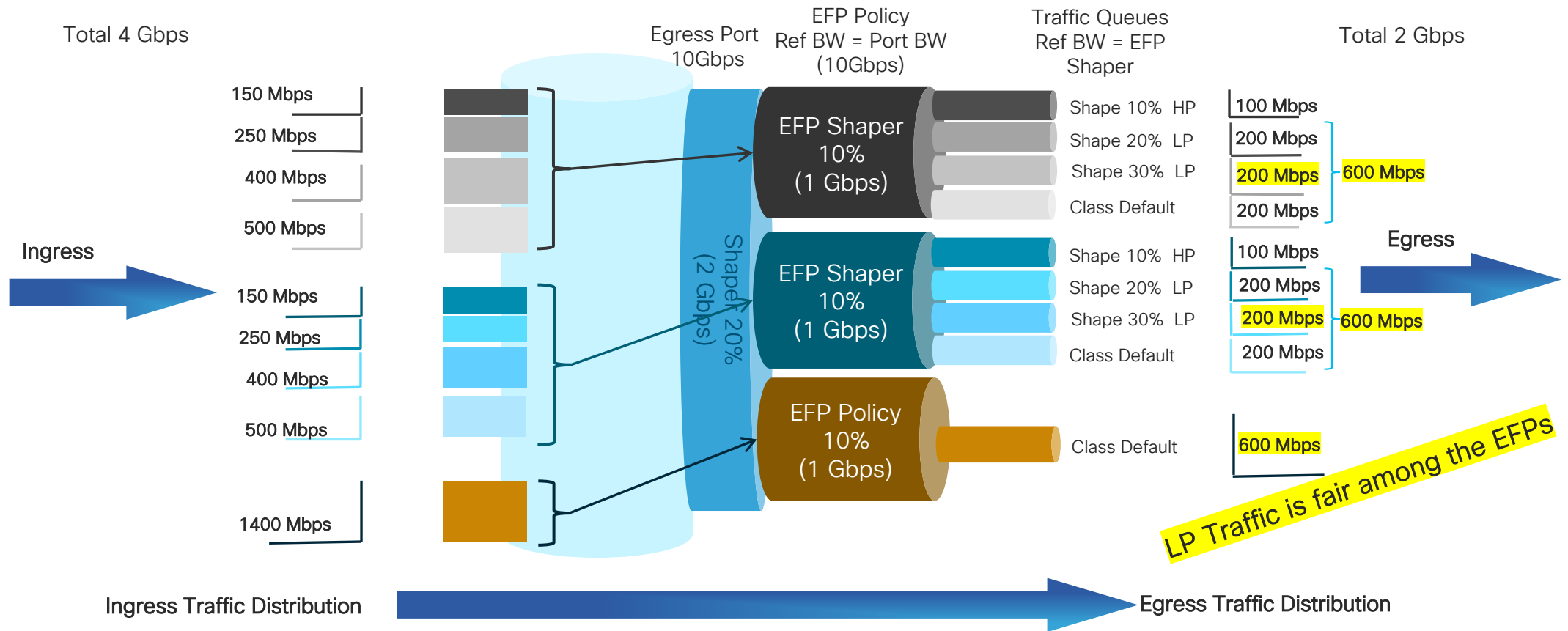
# 3- Level H-QoS Behavior

Scenario 1:  $\sum(\text{Child shape rate}) < \text{Port Shaper}$



# 3-Level H-QoS Behavior

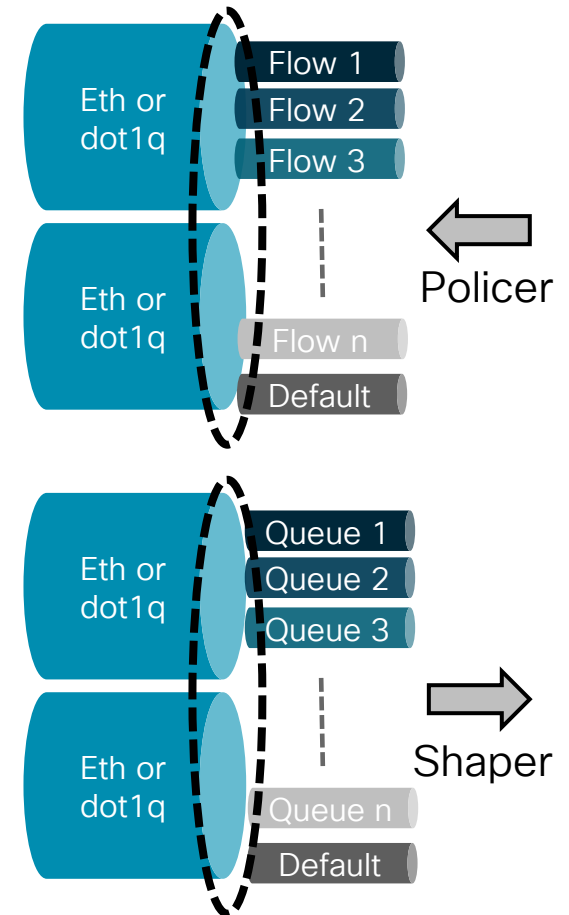
Scenario2:  $\sum(\text{Child shape rate}) > \text{Port Shaper}$



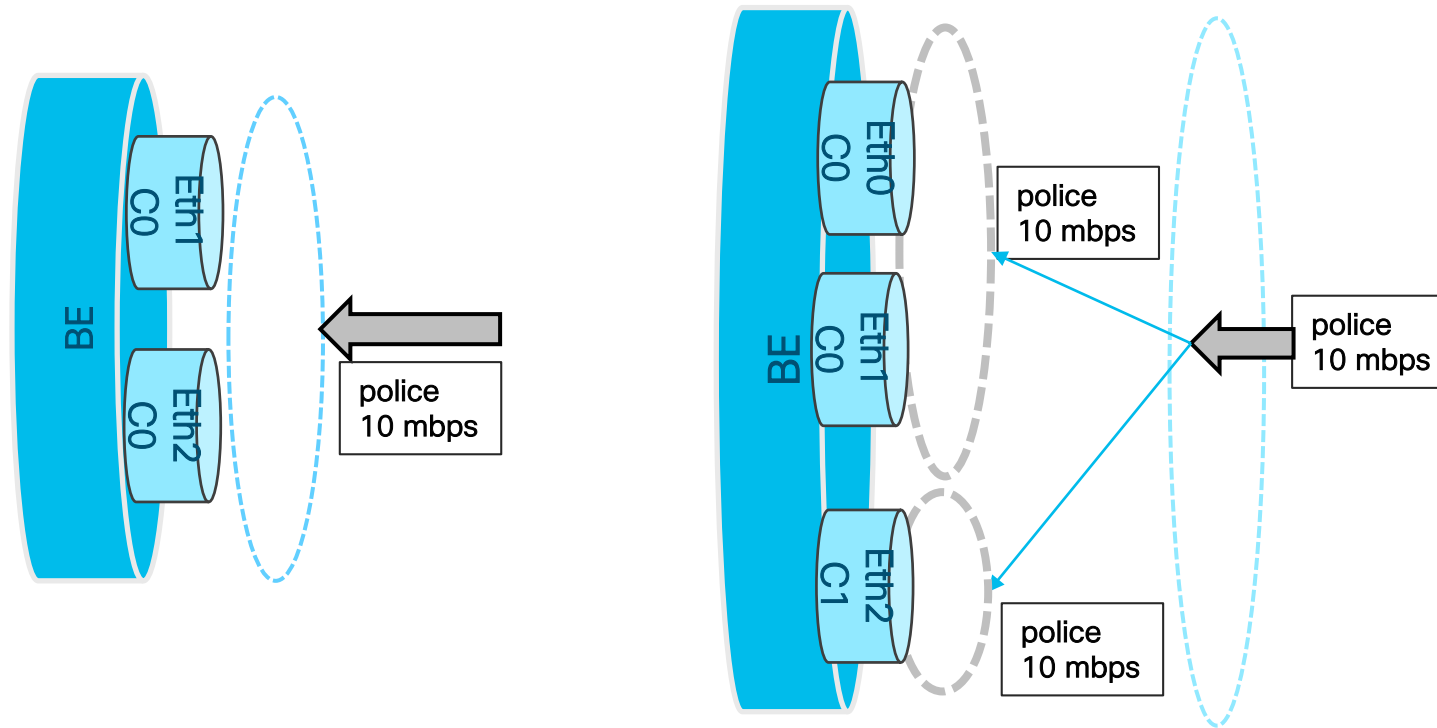
# QoS on Bundles

# Bundle QoS

- Ingress Support
  - Policing only
  - Aggregate Behavior per core
- Egress Support
  - Queuing /Scheduling only
  - Distributed Behavior
  - Same policy replicated for all members
- QoS policy is configured under LAG bundle interface
  - The actual configured QOS policy is programmed onto each link bundle member (port)



# Bundle QoS: Ingress Policing



| NPU Core# | NCS 560-7 IM Slots# | NCS 560-4 IM Slots# |
|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 0         | 0-7                 | 0,2,4               |
| 1         | 8-15                | 1,3,5               |

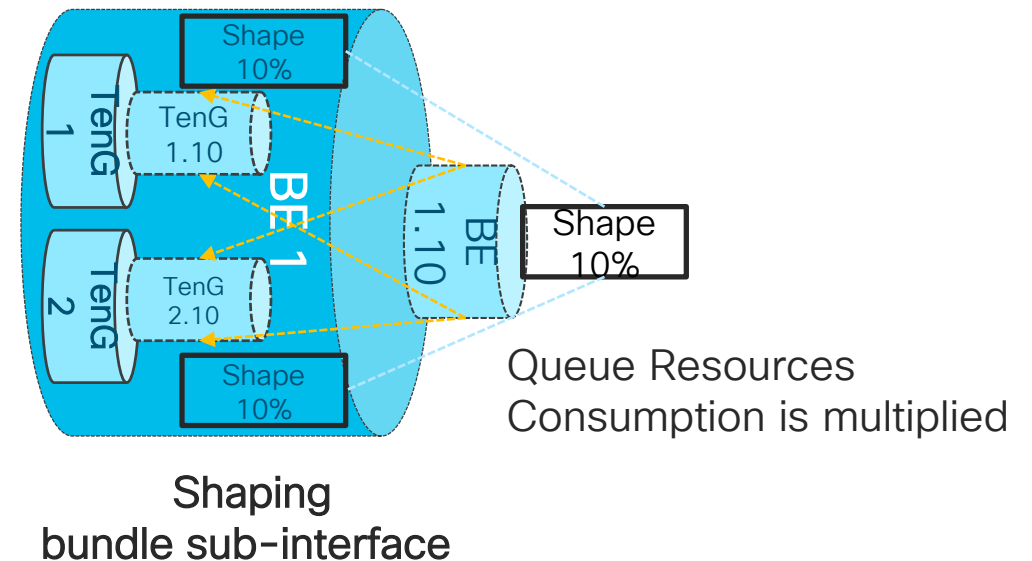
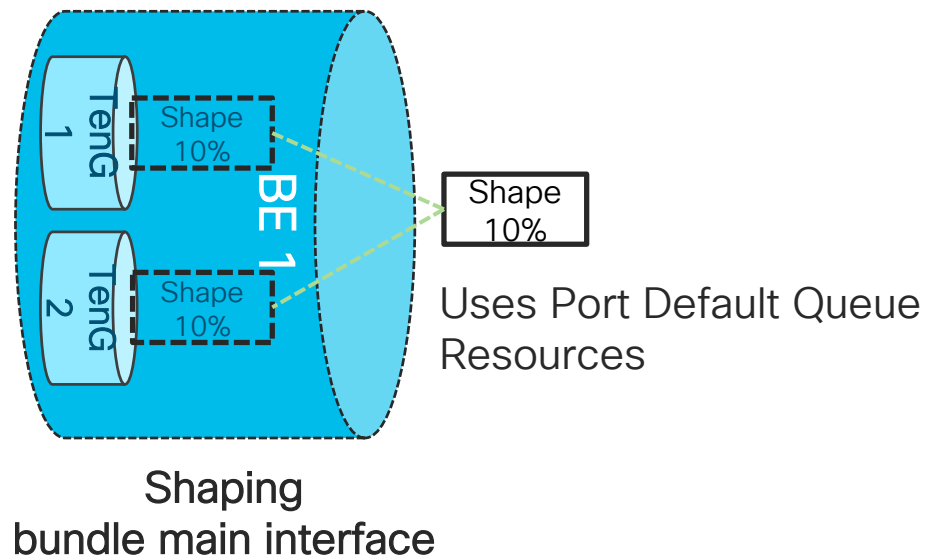
CLI to identify NPU core distribution:  
`show controllers npu voq-usage interface all`  
`instance all location <>`

- Aggregate policer Per Core (absolute rate allowed)
- Members on the same NPU core
  - aggregate behavior

- Consume single Policer entry
- Members across different NPU core
  - No Aggregate Behavior
  - Policer consumption is doubled

# Bundle QoS: Egress Shaping

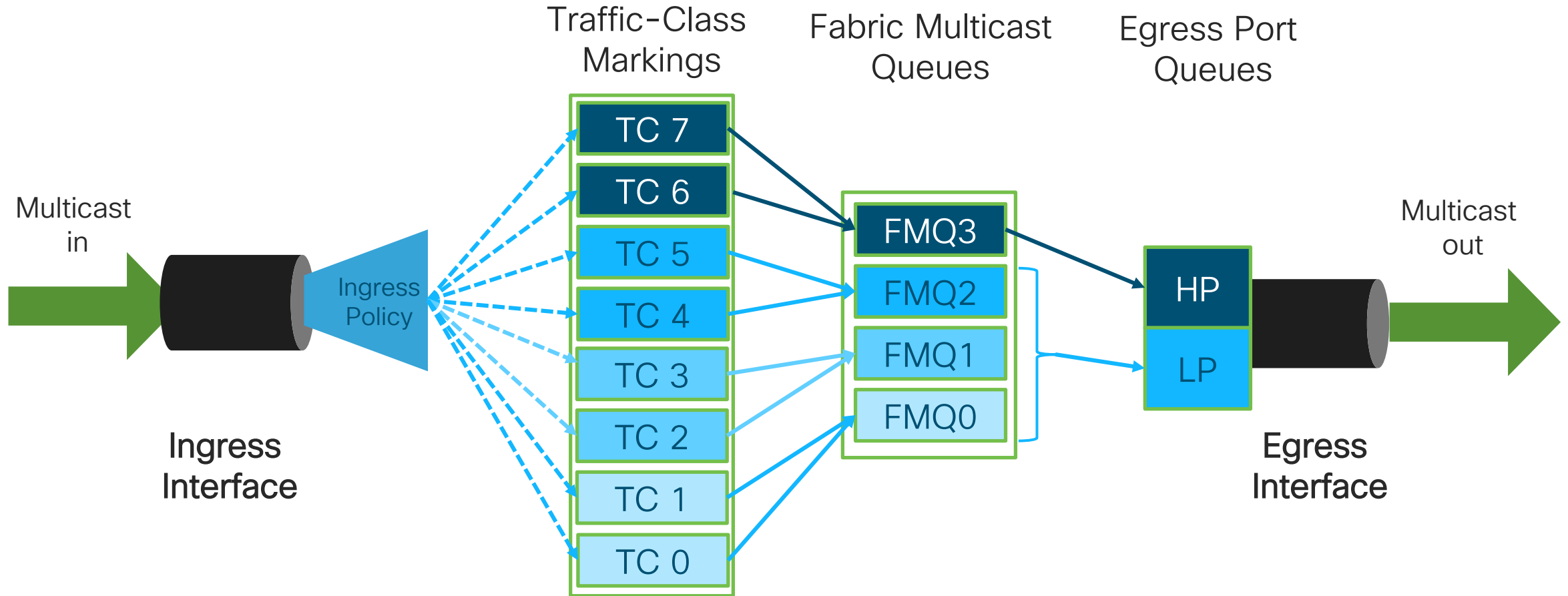
- Aggregate Rates not allowed/Recommended
  - Percent/per thousand shape rates allowed
  - Policy replicated into each member
  - Aggregate Behavior achieved of traffic is load balanced evenly



# Managing Multicast QoS

# Fabric Multicast Queues (FMQ)

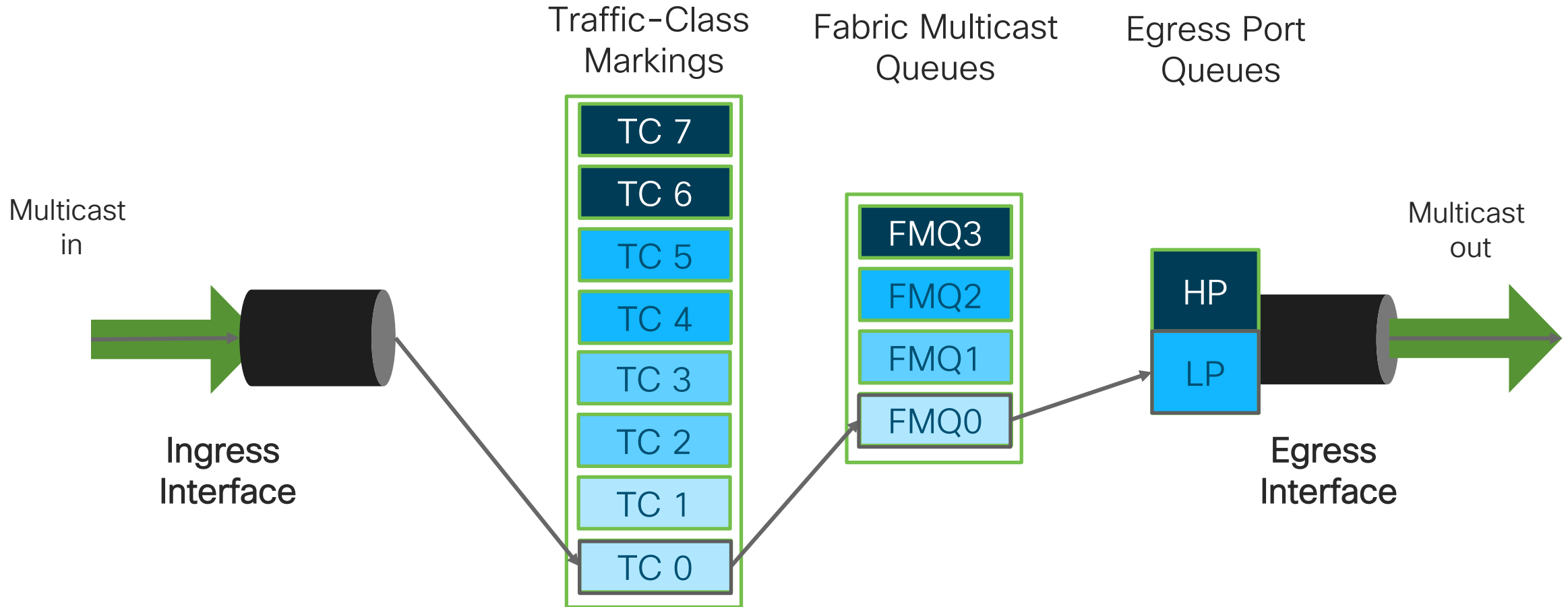
## Multicast Packet Path





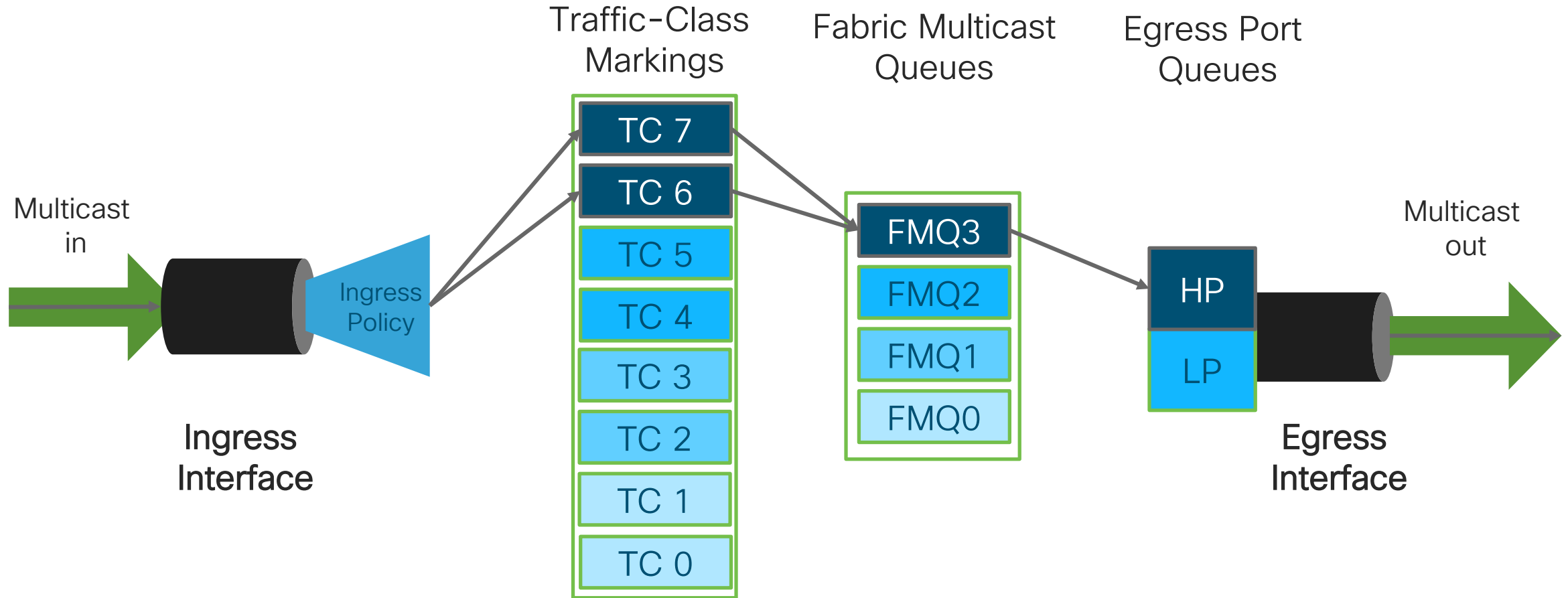
# Default Behavior

## No Ingress Policy



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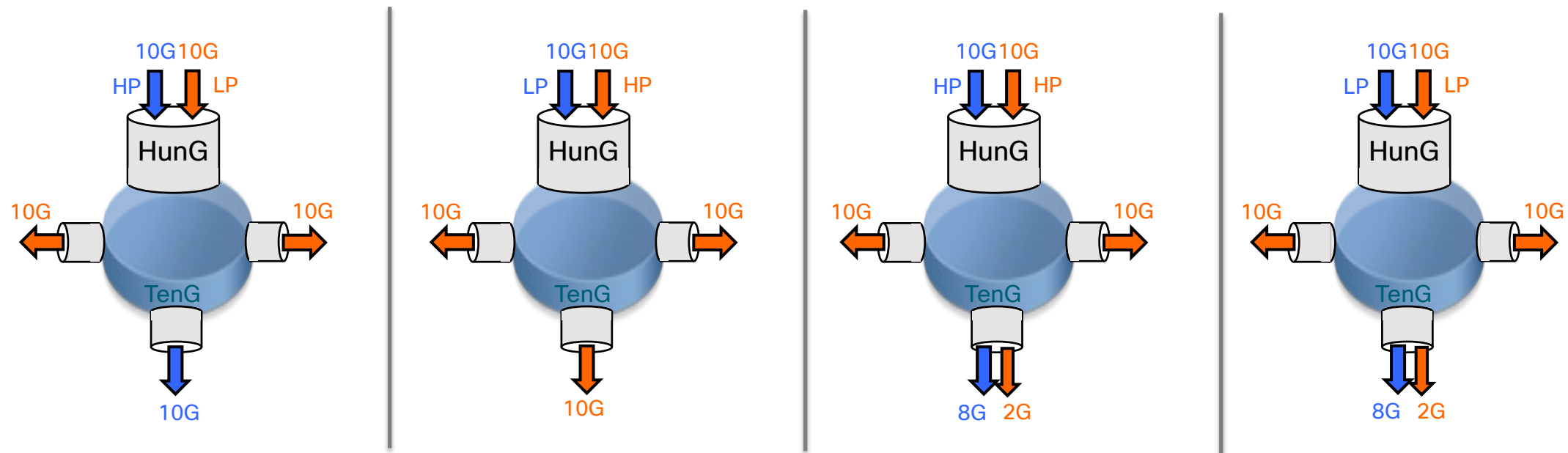
## Managing Priority Multicast



# Unicast vs Multicast

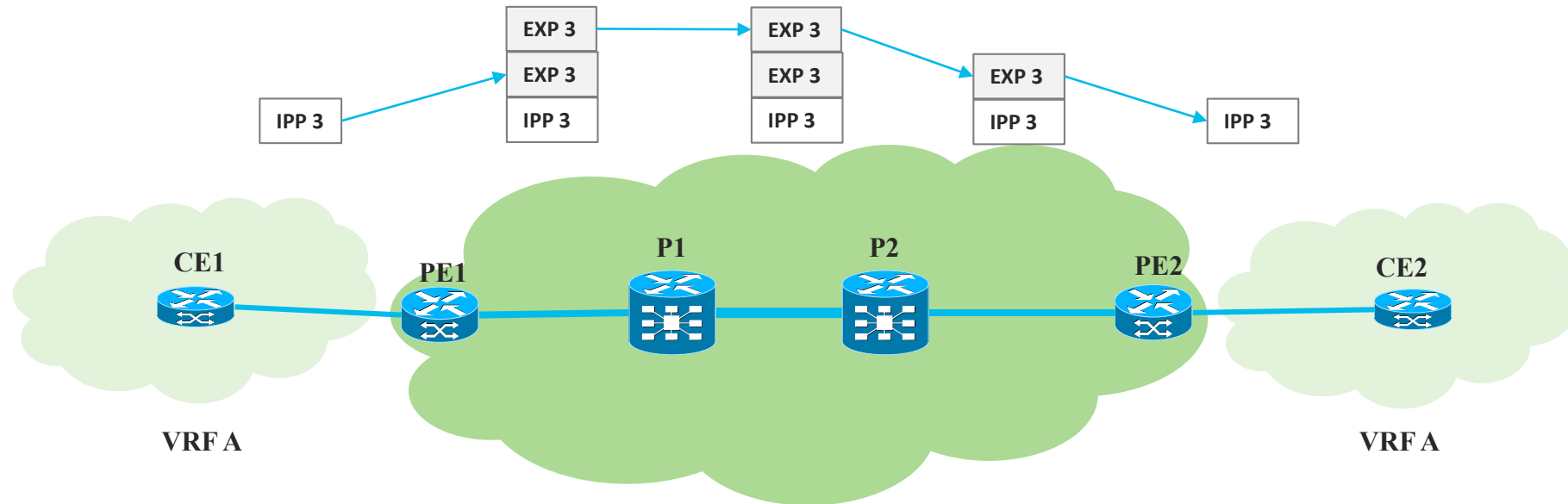


- HP Traffic is always preferred
- When in competition for same priority level 80:20 ratio maintained



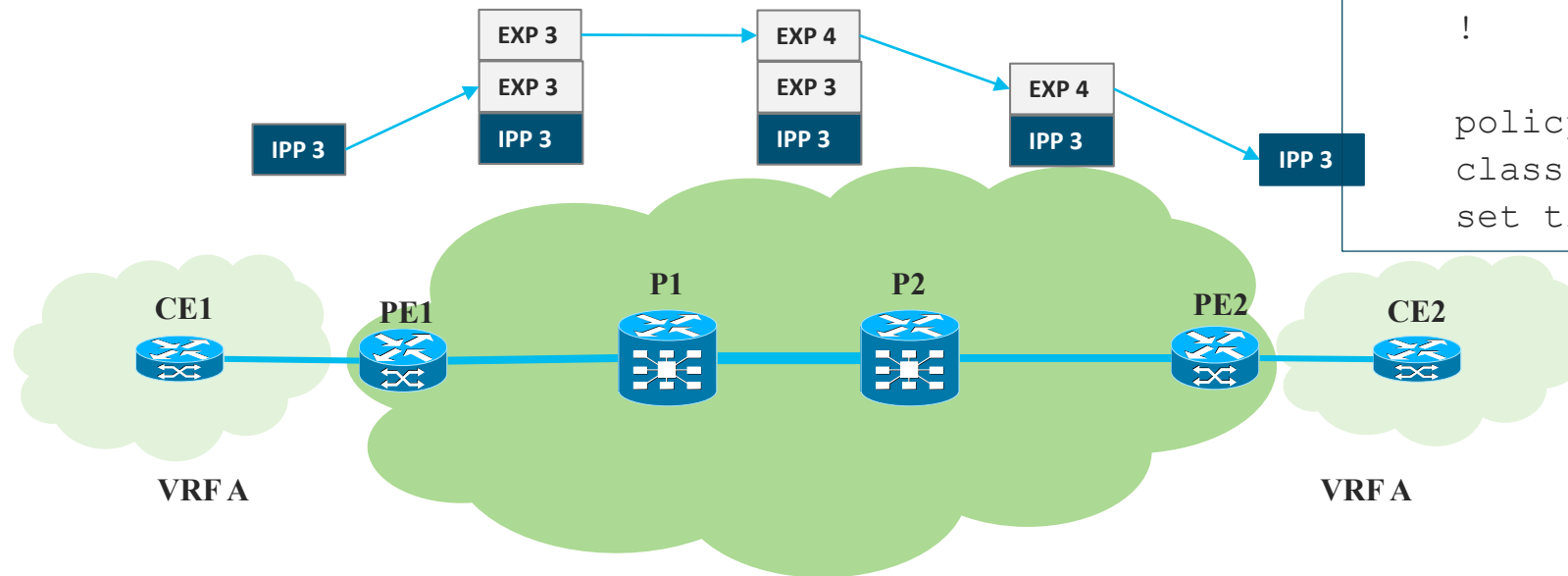
# Diffserv Tunneling Modes

# Uniform Mode



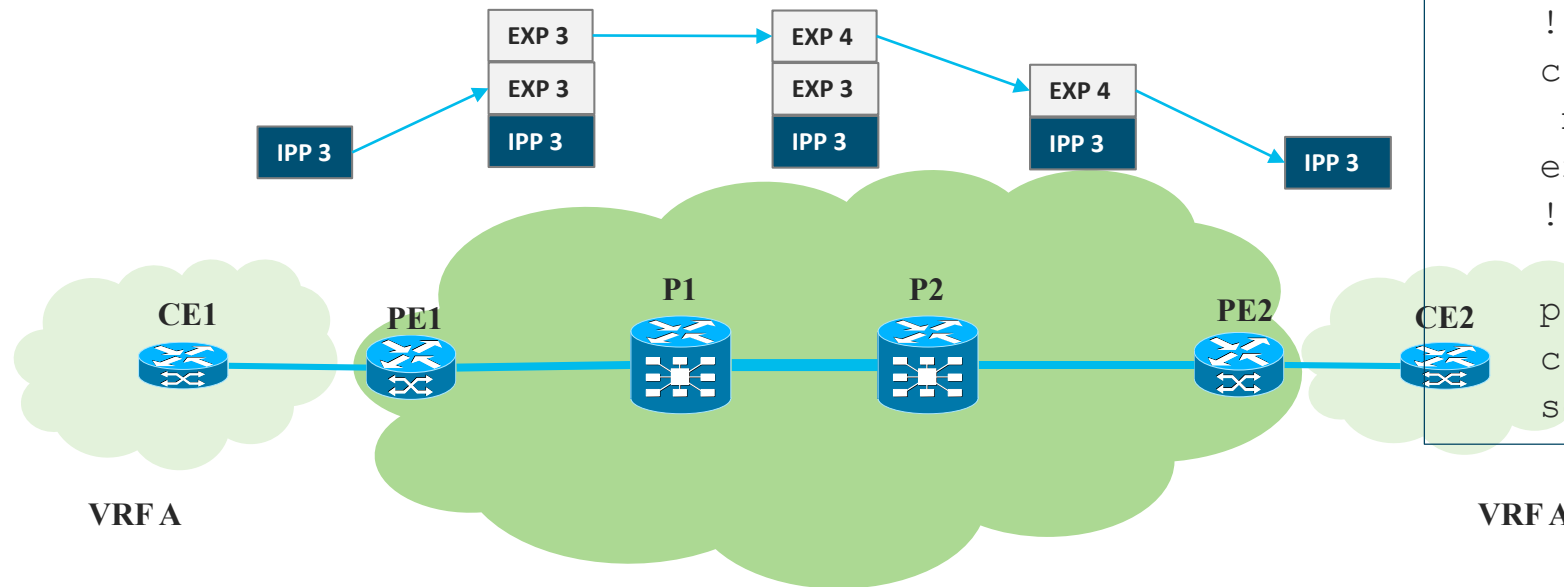
- IP Precedence and MPLS EXP is same across the Network.
- When a label is popped, PHB value is copied to new exposed label/DSCP
- Default Behavior on NCS 5xx

# Pipe Mode



- DSCP & Precedence Preserved from CE to CE
- At egress PE , EXP-Precedence copy must be disabled using "mpls-ip-ttl-propagate disable"
- EXP=map (EXP) at P nodes
- EXP value is used for queuing decisions at Egress PE

# Short Pipe Mode



```
class-map match-any in_pipe
  match mpls disposition class-
map child_pipe
end-class-map
!
class-map match-any child_pipe
  match precedence 3
end-class-map
!
policy-map ingress-classifier
class in_pipe
  set traffic-class 5
```

- DSCP/Precedence Preserved from CE to CE
- At egress PE , EXP-Precedence copy must be disabled using "mpls-ip-ttl-propagate disable"
- EXP=map (EXP) at P nodes
- DSCP/Precedence value is used for queuing/scheduling decisions at Egress PE
- DSCP/Precedence match at egress using "match mpls disposition"

# QOS behavioral differences between ASR9xx and NCS5xx



# Key differences -Summary

## ASR 920/RSP2

- Classifications:
  - Allows egress classification based on packet header information
  - Allows match EFP (vlan)
- Policing:
  - Policing supported with priority at Egress
- Priority Queuing:
  - 2 levels only (P1&P2)

## RSP3

- Classifications:
  - Egress classification based on “qos-group”
  - Allows match EFP (vlan)
- Policing:
  - Only on ingress
- Priority Queuing:
  - 2 levels only(P1&P2)

## NCS 5xx

- Classifications:
  - Egress classification based on “qos-group”, “traffic-class”, “discard-class”
- Policing:
  - Only on ingress
- Priority Queuing:
  - 7 levels (P1-P7)

# Policer Implementation (2r3c)

- In ASR9xx Policer default action can be changed by configuration

- Default action :

- Conform: transmit      Exceed: drop      Violate: drop

- In NCS 5xx Policer default action cannot be changed

- Default action :

- Conform: transmit (discard-class 0)

Exceed: transmit (discard-class 1)

Violate: drop

## ASR 9xx

```
policy-map 2r3c
description 2R3C policer on ASR9xx
class class-default
  police cir 3000000 pir 6000000
  conform-action transmit
  exceed-action transmit
  violate-action drop
!
end
```

## NCS 5xx

```
policy-map 2r3c
description 2R3C policer on ncs5xx
class class-default
  police rate 3 mbps peak-rate 6 mbps
!
!
end-policy-map
!
```

# Implementing conditional marking

- ASR 9xx uses single policy in ingress for Conditional marking
- NCS 5xx uses ingress and egress policy simultaneously to achieve same results
- NCS 5xx uses qos-group and discard-class together to mark traffic based on policing

## ASR 9xx

```
policy-map conditional-mark
  description mark PCP based on policing results ASR9xx
  class class-default
    police cir 3000000 pir 6000000
      conform-action set-cos-transmit 5
      exceed-action set-cos-transmit 4
      violate-action drop
  !
end
```

## NCS 5xx

```
policy-map conditional-mark
  description policer marks qos group on ingress-NCS5xx
  class class-default
    police rate 3 mbps peak-rate 6 mbps
  !
  set qos-group 5
  !
end-policy-map
!
```

```
class-map match-all exceed-qos
  match qos-group 5
  match discard-class 1
end-class-map
!
class-map match-all conform-qos
  match qos-group 5
  match discard-class 0
end-class-map
!
policy-map conditional-mark
  class conform-qos
    set cos 5
  !
  class exceed-qos
    set cos 4
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!
```

# Managing priority traffic-class

- Objective is to have a low latency priority traffic and restrict it to 25% of the link bw
- Priority traffic is identified by DSCP value EF

## ASR 920/RSP2

```
class-map match-all dscp
  match dscp ef
!

policy-map egress_priority
  class dscp
    priority level 1 percent 25
    queue-limit <value>
!

policy-map priority-policing
  class dscp
    police cir percent 25
    queue-limit <value>
    priority
!
end
```

## RSP3

```
class-map match-any ingress_dscp
  match dscp ef
  end-class-map
!

policy-map set_qg_from_dscp
  class ingress_dscp
    set qos-group 5
!
  class class-default
!
end-policy-map
!

class-map match-any egress_qg
  match qos-group 5
  end-class-map
!

policy-map egress_priority
  class egress_qg
    priority level 1 percent 25
    queue-limit <value>
  class class-default
!
end
```

## NCS 5xx

```
class-map match-any ingress_dscp
  match dscp ef
  end-class-map
!

policy-map set_tc_from_dscp
  class ingress_dscp
    set traffic-class 5
!
  class class-default
!
end-policy-map
!

class-map match-any egress_tc
  match traffic-class 5
  end-class-map
!

policy-map egress_priority
  class egress_tc
    shape average percent 25
    priority level 1
    queue-limit <value>
!
  class class-default
!
end-policy-map
!
end
```

# Implementing hierarchical QoS

- ASR 9xx implements 3 level HQoS using nested policies
- NCS 5xx implements 3 level HQoS using 1+2 model

## ASR920/RSP2

- Grand-Parent policy
  - Class-default only
  - Applied to Port
- Parent Policy
  - match-efp
  - referred in grand-parent policy
- Child Policy
  - Match dscp/cos/qos-group
  - Referred in parent policy

## RSP3

- Grand-Parent policy
  - Class-default only
  - Applied to Port
- Parent Policy
  - match-efp
  - referred in grand-parent policy
- Child Policy
  - Match qos-group
  - Referred in parent policy

## NCS 5xx

- Grand-Parent policy
  - Class-default only
  - Applied to Port
- Parent Policy
  - Class-default only
  - Applied to sub-interface (EFP)
- Child Policy
  - Match traffic-class
  - Referred in parent policy

Examples in next two slides

# Example : Implementing hierarchical QoS: RSP3 (XE)

- 'qos-group' is set using ingress-policy

```
class-map match-any qgroup1
  match qos-group 1

class-map match-any efp2
  match service instance ethernet 2
class-map match-any efp1
  match service instance ethernet 1

policy-map egress-child
  class qgroup1
    priority percent 30
  !

policy-map egress-efp
  class efp1
    shape average 200m
    service-policy egress-child
  class efp2
    shape average 300m
    service-policy egress-child
  !

policy-map 3-hqos
  class class-default
    shape average 800m
    service-policy egress-efp
  !

interface GigabitEthernet0/1/2
  no ip address
  negotiation auto
  service-policy output 3-hqos
  service instance 1 ethernet
    encapsulation dot1q 1
    bridge-domain 1
  !
  service instance 2 ethernet
    encapsulation dot1q 2
    bridge-domain 2
  !
```

# Example: Implementing hierarchical QoS: NCS 500 (XR)

- 'traffic-class' is set using ingress-policy

```
class-map match-any tc1
  match traffic-class 1

policy-map egress-child
  class tc1
    shape average percent 30
    priority level 1
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!

policy-map egress-efp1
  class class-default
    service-policy egress-child
    shape average 200 mbps
  !
end-policy-map
!

policy-map egress-efp2
  class class-default
    service-policy egress-child

    shape average 300 mbps
  !
end-policy-map
!

policy-map grand-parent
  class class-default
    shape average 800 mbps
  !
end-policy-map
!

interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
  service-policy output grand-parent
  negotiation auto
!

interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.1 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 1
  service-policy output egress-efp1
!

interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2.2 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 2
  service-policy output egress-efp2
!
```

# Implementing QoS Short-Pipe: ASR 920/RSP2 (XE)

- Egress policy can match dscp / precedence directly
- Egress queuing is based on dscp / precedence

```
class-map match-any dscp_ef
  match dscp ef

policy-map egress-child
  class dscp_ef
    shape average percent 30
    queue-limit 20000 us
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!
```



# Implementing QoS Short-Pipe: NCS 500 (XR)

- Ingress policy uses **mpls-disposition** to match dscp /precedence
- 'traffic-class' is set using ingress-policy
- Egress queuing is based on traffic-class match (tc=map[dscp])

```
class-map match-any child_pipe
  match dscp ef
end-class-map
!

class-map match-any in_pipe
  match mpls disposition class-map
child_pipe
end-class-map
!

policy-map ingress-classifier
class in_pipe
set traffic-class 5
```

```
class-map match-any tc5
  match traffic-class 5
end-class-map
!

policy-map egress-child
class tc5
  shape average percent 30
  queue-limit 20ms
!
class class-default
!
end-policy-map
!
```

# Summary

# Summary

- QoS Requirements for Access
  - Police/shape/schedule
  - Hierarchy
- How NCS 500 Delivers QoS
  - Police & Remark on ingress
  - Shape/Schedule and remark on egress
  - Multiple levels of hierarchy
- Compared to ASR900
  - QoS delivery is intact
  - Change in configuration/implementation due to ASIC/OS difference

# Session Takeaway

You can simply deliver QoS in your access network  
with NCS 500 !!

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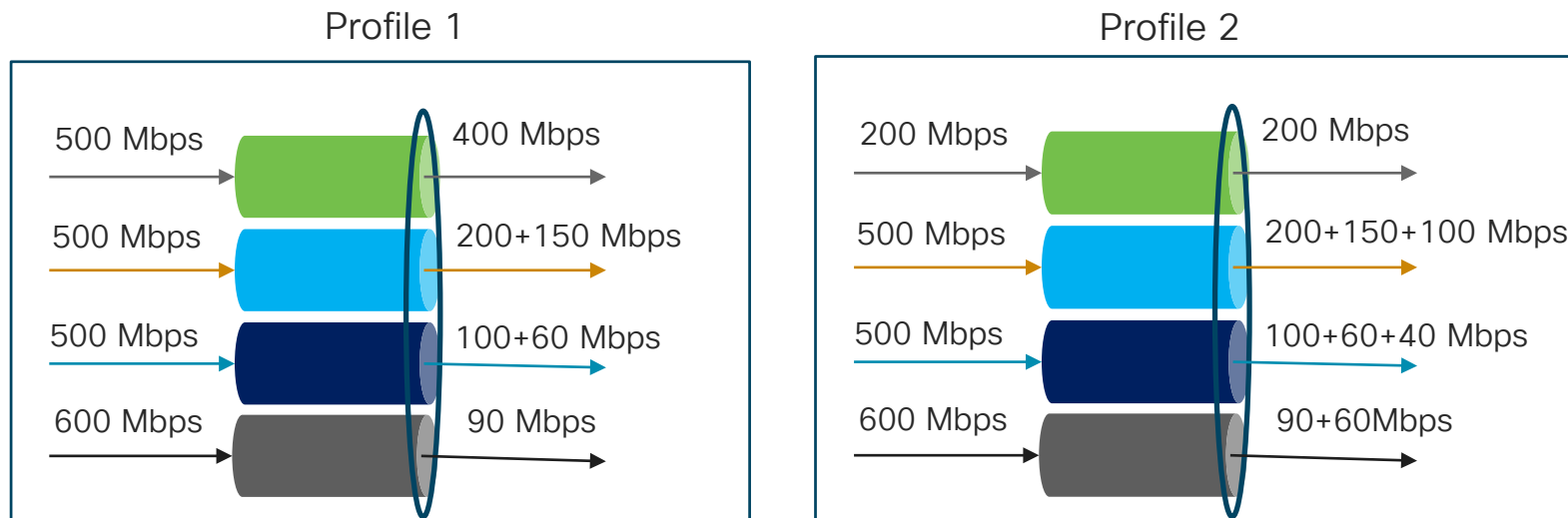


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# Appendix

# Guaranteed Service Rate with Weight



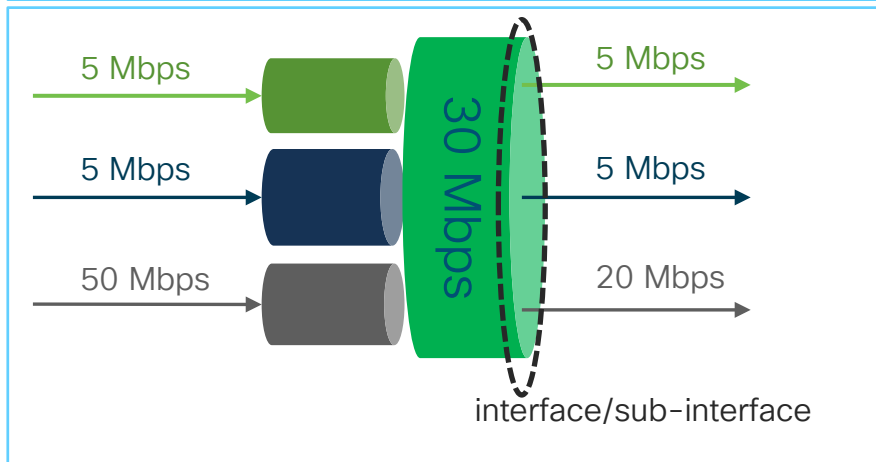
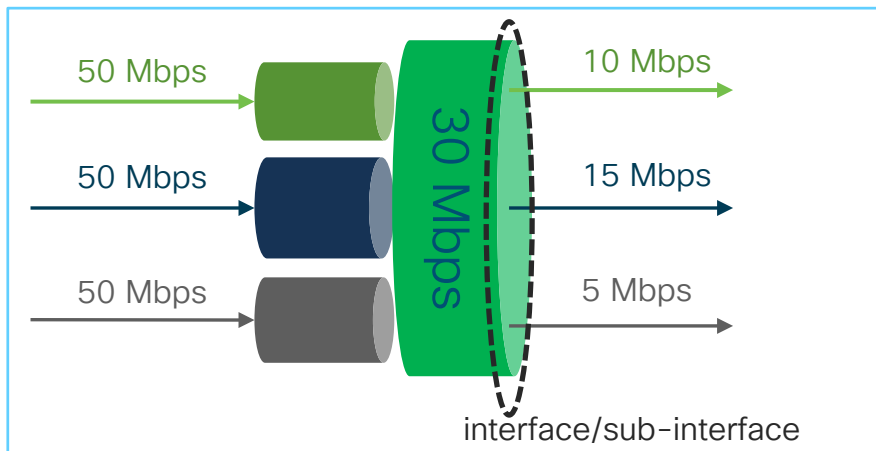
```
policy-map gsr_bwr
  class cos1
    shape average percent 40
    queue-limit 1 bytes
    priority level 1
  !
  class cos2
    bandwidth remaining percent 50
    bandwidth percent 20
  !
  class cos3
    bandwidth remaining percent 20
    bandwidth percent 10
  !
  class class-default
  !
end-policy-map
!
```

- Bandwidth remaining assigns weight for available bw sharing
- Both BW and BWR in a single policy map is not supported in HQoS mode

Note: all traffic profile explained assuming a 1Gbps reference BW

# Parent Conform Aware-Ingress Policing

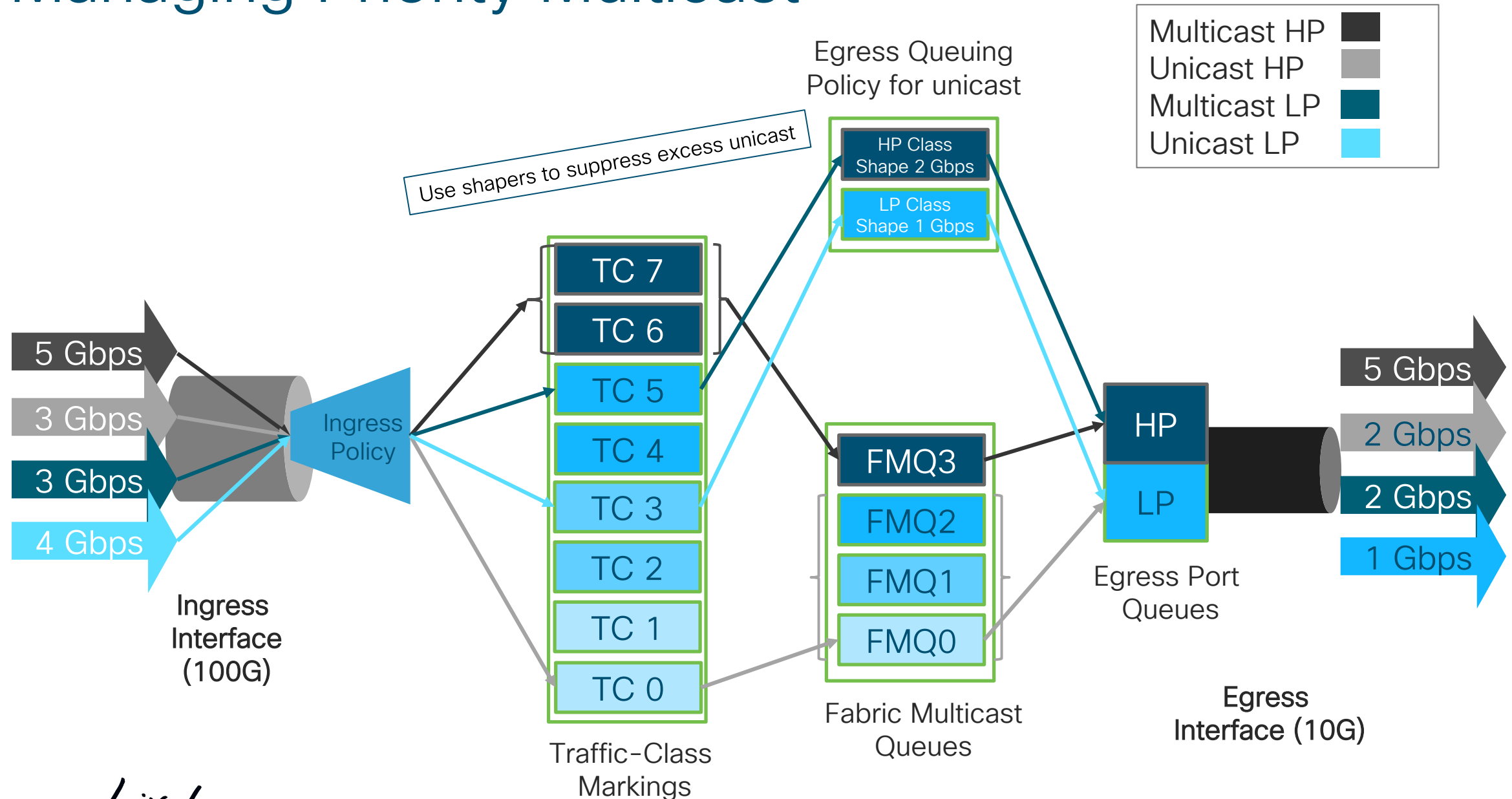
- $\sum \text{child CIR} \leq \text{Parent CIR}$
- $\sum \text{child CIR} + \sum \text{child EIR} > \text{Parent CIR}$



```
policy-map parent-policer
  class class-default
    service-policy child-policer
    police rate 30 mbps
  !
!
end-policy-map
!
policy-map child-policer
  class cos3
    police rate 10 mbps peak-rate 30 mbps
  !
  class cos4
    police rate 15 mbps peak-rate 30 mbps
  !
  class class-default
    police rate 5 mbps peak-rate 30 mbps
  !
end-policy-map
!

hw-module profile qos conform-aware-policer
```

# Managing Priority Multicast





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