

AutoQoS Technical Presentation



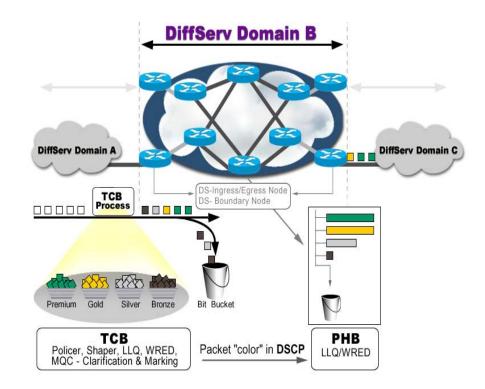
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- Introduction
- Cisco AutoQoS Framework
- Automation with Cisco AutoQoS
- Cisco AutoQoS for the Enterprise Deployment Case Study
- Summary



Introduction – IETF DiffServ Architecture (RFC-2475)

- The idea different service levels for packets
- The service some significant characteristics of packet transmission in one direction across the network (ie: bandwidth and latency)



A New Paradigm for Automating the Delivery of Network Quality of Service

Key takeaways

Simpler Quality of Service (QoS) deployments – reduces operator errors

Cheaper QoS deployments – up to a 2/3 reduction in cost

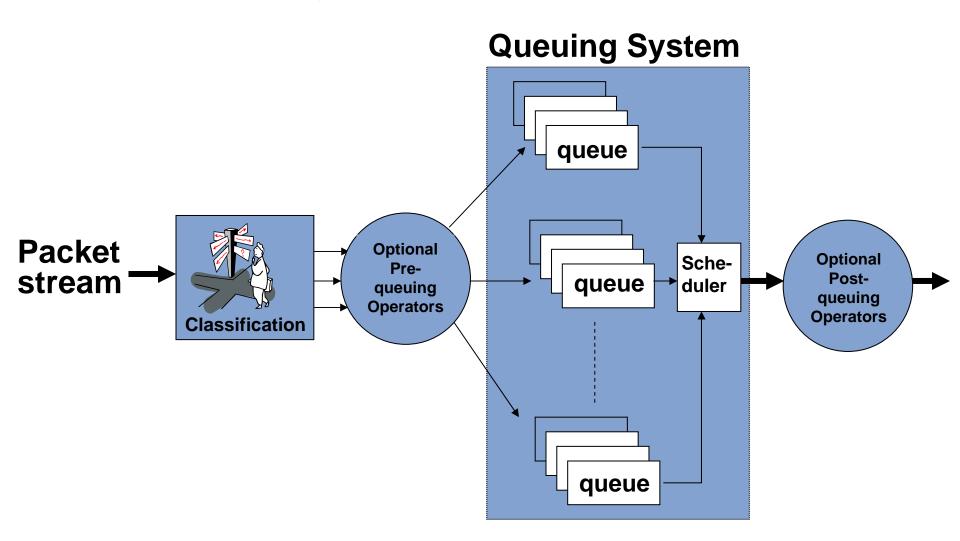
Faster QoS deployments – up to a 2/3 reduction in deployment time

A New Paradigm for Automating the Delivery of Network Quality of Service

- Cisco AutoQoS: QoS for voice, video, and data
 - Protect business-critical data applications in the Enterprise
 - IP telephony and real-time video require QoS
 - QoS deployment can be challenging
 - Cisco AutoQoS makes QoS deployments simpler, cheaper, and faster
- Cisco AutoQoS allows customers to retain complete control over QoS configuration

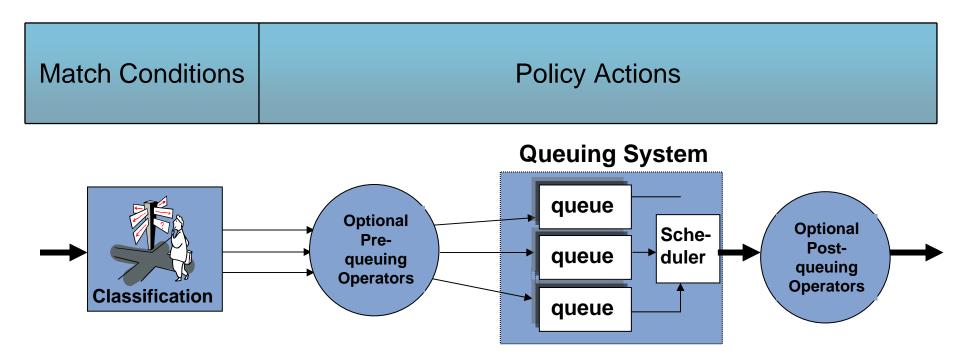


Cisco IOS QoS Behavioral Model





Specify Match Conditions and Policy Actions



Classification	Pre-queuing	Queuing and Scheduling	Post-queuing
Classify traffic	Immediate actions	 Congestion management and avoidance 	Link efficiency mechanisms



Operators for Traffic Classification and QoS Policy Actions

Match Conditions keyword: class-map	Policy Actions keyword: policy-map		
Classification	Pre-queuing	Queuing and Scheduling	Post-queuing
 Classify traffic 	Immediate actions	 Congestion management and avoidance 	Link efficiency mechanisms
Match one or more attributes (partial list): ACL list COS Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP) Input-interface Media Access Control (MAC) address Packet length Precedence Protocol VLAN	 Mark (Set QoS values) Police Drop Count Estimate bandwidth 	 Queue-limit Random-detect Bandwidth Fair-queue Priority Shape 	Compress header Fragment (Link Fragmentation and Interleaving, Layer 2)

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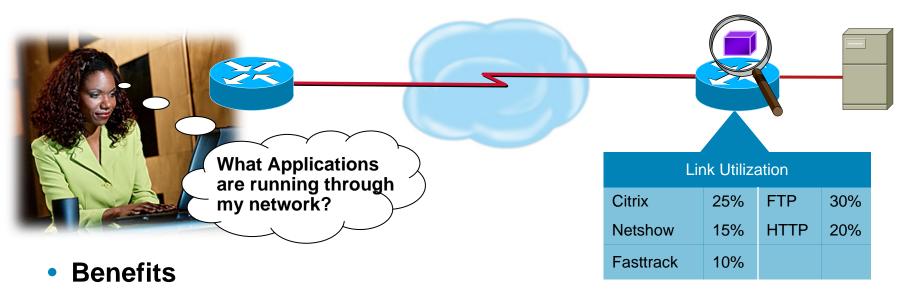
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Cisco AutoQoS – Enterprise Framework DiffServ Functions Automated

- Automation and simplification of the existing user interface to expedite deployment of QoS features for voice, video, and data
- Fine-tuning of Cisco AutoQoS generated parameters by user, if desired

DiffServ Function	Cisco IOS QoS Features	Behavior
Classification	Network Based Application Recognition (NBAR), IP precedence Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP), port	Classification of voice, video, and data traffic based on packet attributes; up to 10 classes of service
Marking	Class-based marking	Set Layer 2 and Layer 3 attributes to separate packets into classes
Congestion management	Percentage-based Low Latency Queuing (LLQ), Class-Based Weighted Fair Queuing (CBWFQ) Weigted Round Robin (WRR)	Provide EF treatment to voice, AF treatment for video & ERP data and BE treatment to default
Shaping	Class-based Shaping or Frame Relay Traffic Shaping (FRTS)	Shape to Committed Information Rate (CIR) to prevent burst and smooth traffic to configured rate
Congestion avoidance	Weighted Random Early Detection (WRED)	Intelligent packet drop decisions to prevent tail drops across multiple TCP sessions
Link efficiency mechanism	Header compression, link fragmentation and interleaving	Reduce Voice over IP (VoIP) bandwidth requirement and jitter experienced by voice packets

Cisco AutoQoS Framework – Network Based Application Recognition



Identifies Layer 4 to Layer 7 applications and protocols

Stateful and deep packet inspection

Protocol discovery analyzes application traffic patterns in real time, identifies traffic running on the network and provides statistics

Currently supports more than 98 protocols and applications





IP Packet TCP/UDP Packet Data Packet

ToS

Protocol

Source IP Addr

Dest IP Addr

Src Port

Dst Port

FFFF0000MoonbeamFFFF

- Name Name the match criteria up to 24 characters
 - lunar_light
- Offset Specify the beginning byte of string or value to be matched in the data packet, counting from <u>zero</u> for the first byte
 - Skip first 8 bytes
- Format Define the format of the match criteria
 - ASCII, hex or decimal
 - ascii
- Value The value to match in the packet
 - if ASCII, up to 16 characters
 - Moonbeam
- [Source or destination port] Optionally restrict the direction of packet inspection; defaults to both directions if not specified
 - [source | destination]
- TCP or UDP Indicate the protocol encapsulated in the IP packet
 tcp
- Range or selected port number(s)
 - "range" with start and end port numbers, up to 1000
 - 1 to 16 individual port numbers
 - range 2000 2999

Example

ip nbar custom lunar_light
 8 ascii Moonbeam tcp
 range 2000 2999

class-map solar system

match protocol lunar_light

policy-map astronomy
 class solar_system
 set ip dscp AF21

interface <>

service-policy output astronomy

Cisco AutoQoS Framework – NBAR RTP Payload Type Classification

Eases classification of voice and video traffic

VoIP, streaming / real time video, audio / video conferencing, fax over IP

- Distinguishes between Real-Time Transport Protocol (RTP) packets based on payload type and CODECS
- Removes dependencies on UDP port range and DSCP markings

CODEC	Payload Type
G.711 (Audio)	0 (mu-law) 8 (a-law)
G.721 (Audio)	2
G.722 (Audio)	9
G.723 (Audio)	4
G.728 (Audio)	15
G.729 (Audio)	18
H.261 (Video)	31
MPEG-1 (A/V)	14 (Audio), 32 (Video), 3
MPEG-2 (A/V)	(A-V)
Dynamic	96 - 127

Cisco AutoQoS Framework – Percentage Based Policies

Problems

Fixed CIR imposes scalability issues

Service policies differ by interface, with a wide range of interface bandwidths

Solution

Configure policies in terms of a percentage of available bandwidth resources

Cisco AutoQoS Framework – Percentage Based Policies

Advantages

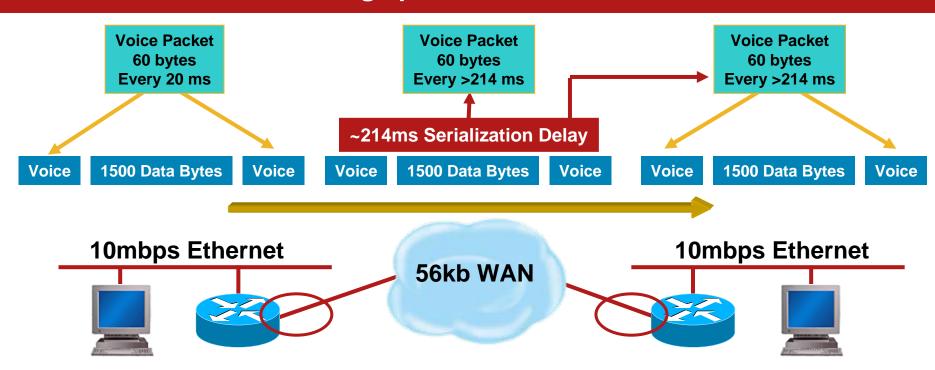
Increased scalability and manageability

Same policy map can be applied on multiple interfaces and on interfaces with varying bandwidth

Build once, apply many policies

Cisco AutoQoS Framework – MLPPP Link Fragmentation & Interleaving

Problem: large packets "freeze out" voice



- Implemented via Multilink Point-to-Point Protocol (MLP) over frame relay,
 Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM), and leased lines
- Fragments are interleaved with the real-time packets, reducing the serialization delay experienced by voice packets

Benefit: reduce the jitter in voice calls

Cisco AutoQoS Framework – RTP Header Compression

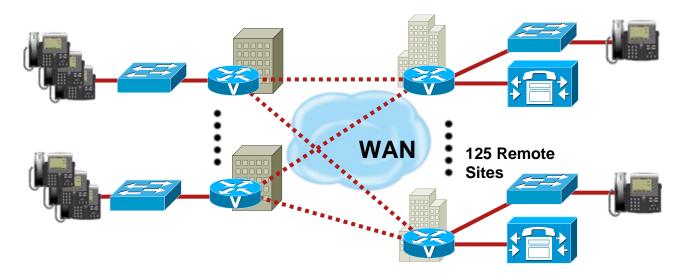
PROBLEM: Header = 2 X Payload			
CODEC	PPP 6 Bytes of Header	ATM 53 Bytes Cells with a 48 Byte Payload	Frame-Relay 4 Bytes of Header
G.711 at 50 pps	82.4 kbps	106 Kbps	81.6 kbps
G.711 at 33 pps	75.5 kbps	84 Kbps	75 kbps
G.729A at 50 pps	26.4 khps	42.4 Kbps	25.6 kbps
G.729A at 33 pps	20 kbps	28 Kbps	19.5 kbps

BENEFIT: Reduction in Voice Bandwidth Requirement			
CODEC	PPP 6 Bytes of Header	ATM 53 Bytes Cells with a 48 Byte Payload	Frame-Relay 4 Bytes of Header
G.711 at 50 pps	68 kbps	N/A	67 kbps
G.711 at 33 pps	66 kbps	N/A	65.5 kbps
G.729A at 50 pps	12 khns	N/A	11.2 kbps
G.729A at 33 pps	10.5 kbps	N/A	10 kbps

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Automation with Cisco AutoQoS – Provisioning the WAN for V/V/D



- Build Modular QoS Command Line Interface (MQC) policies for voice, video, & data Automatic application discovery and intelligent classification (trust / untrust)
 High- and low-speed QoS policies
- Automatically enable QoS features specific to underlying transport protocol (FR, ATM, PPP, FR-to-ATM)

Enable Traffic Shaping where required Enable LFI (FRF.12, MLP) where required Enable CRTP

Monitoring and SNMP Alerts

Automation with Cisco AutoQoS - Deploying QoS for the Enterprise WAN

- Simplifies QoS configuration for voice, video, and data into two simple steps
- Automatically discovers statistics for all applications and protocols using NBAR / DSCP
- Automatically provisions up to 10 classes of service

Automation with Cisco AutoQoS - Deploying QoS for the Enterprise WAN

- Generated parameters and configuration can be usermodified
- Intelligent policy generation
 - Based on underlying network environment and site specific network traffic profile
 - Automatically enables link-specific QoS settings, if required

Automation with Cisco AutoQoS - Deploying QoS for the Enterprise WAN

- Supported on frame relay, ATM, High-Level Data Link Control (HDLC), PPP and frame relay-to-ATM links
- Provides Remote Monitoring (RMON) alerts, if packets are dropped
- Provisioning and monitoring support added via Security Device Manager (SDM)
- Command Line Interface

```
auto discovery qos [trust] - Untrusted Mode by default
auto qos
show auto qos [interface <interface-name>]
show auto discovery [interface <interface-name>]
```

Deploying Cisco AutoQoS for the Enterprise WAN: A Two-Step Approach

Comprehensive QoS deployment in two steps

Run AutoDiscovery to profile traffic

Collects data from the offered traffic for several days, a week, etc., as desired: default is 3 days

Uses NBAR-based protocol discovery Performs statistical analysis

Generate and deploy MQC-based QoS policies

Maps applications to their corresponding DiffServ classes

Assigns appropriate values for bandwidth and scheduling parameters

Procedure

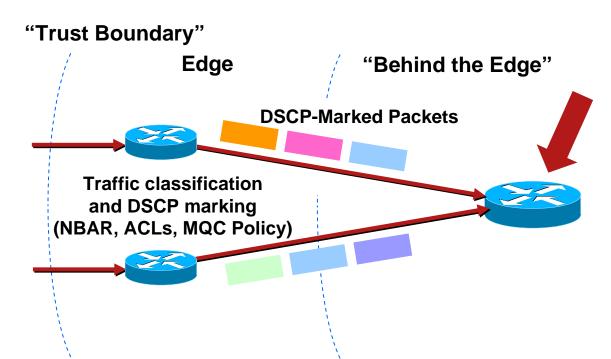
1. Invoke "auto discovery gos <trust>" on the applicable link in "trust" or "untrust" mode

Use "show auto discovery qos" to view data collection in progress and recommended QoS policy

2. Automatically configure the link with "auto gos" command

Use "show auto qos" to display the QoS policy settings deployed

Deploying QoS for the Enterprise WAN - "Trust" Option for AutoDiscovery



ACL = Access Control List

DSCP = Differentiated Services Code Point

MQC= Modular QoS Command Line Interface

NBAR = **Network Based Application Recognition**

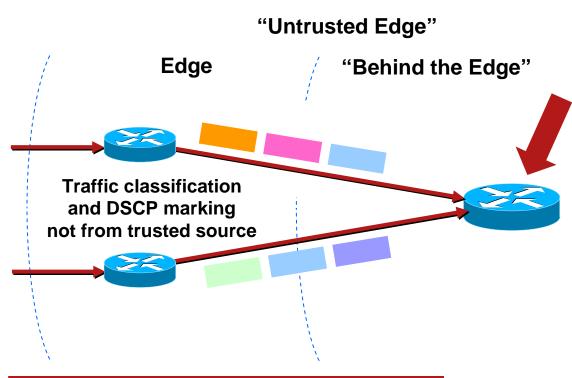
>auto discovery trust

 Use when DSCP values are already assigned

AutoDiscovery does not inspect and reclassify traffic

QoS policy based on statistics for DSCP-marked traffic received by router

Deploying QoS for the Enterprise WAN - "Untrust" Option for AutoDiscovery



ACL = Access Control List

DSCP = Differentiated Services Code Point

MQC= Modular QoS Command Line Interface

NBAR = Network Based Application

Recognition

>auto discovery

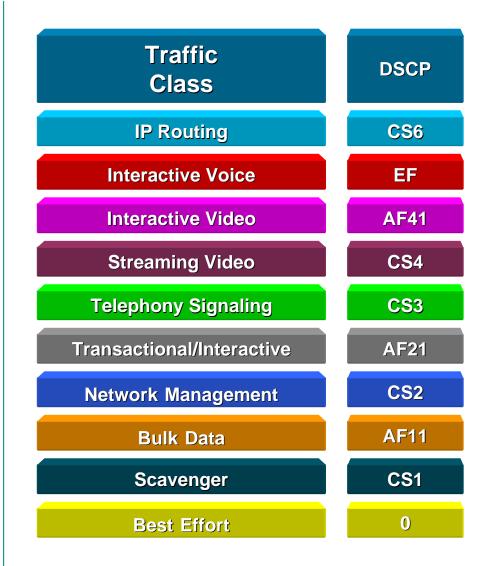
- This is the default mode for enabling AutoDiscovery
- Use when DSCP values and markings are not trusted

AutoDiscovery inspects the traffic based on application properties using NBAR

QoS policy based on statistics obtained using NBAR protocol discovery

Deploying QoS for the Enterprise WAN – Cisco AutoQoS DiffServ Class Provisioning

AutoDiscovery	Cisco AutoQoS Policy
Application and protocol-types	Cisco AutoQoS class- maps Match statements
Offered bit rate (average and peak)	Minimum bandwidth to class queues, scheduling and WRED





QoS Configuration *Without* **Cisco AutoQoS**

Without Cisco AutoQoS

Configuring QoS for voice, video and data on a low-speed FR WAN link

class-map VoIP-Bearer match protocol rtp audio class-map Video match protocol rtp video Class-map Transactional match protocol citrix Classify the traffic of match protocol sqlnet interest for QoS policy policy-map QoS-Policy class VoIP-Bearer **Frame** priority percent 25 Relay **Define QoS policy** compress header ip treatment set ip dscp ef class Video bandwidth remaining percent 50 compress header ip set ip dscp af41 Class Transactional bandwidth remaining percent 25 random-detect set ip dscp af21 class class-default fair-queue

QoS Configuration *Without* Cisco AutoQoS (Cont.)

Without Cisco AutoQoS

```
Policy-map Parent
 class class-default
   shape average 256000
   service-policy QoS-Policy
interface Serial4/0
  encapsulation frame-relay
                                                                     Frame
                                                                      Relay.
                                             Apply QoS policy
interface Serial4/0.1 point-to-point
bandwidth 256
ip address 10.1.71.1 255.255.255.0
 frame-relay interface-dlci 100
  class FR-Policy
                                        Define ACLs to classify
                                            VoIP signaling
Map-class frame-relay FR-policy
  frame-relay fragmentation 320
  service-policy output Parent
Access-list 101 permit tcp any any eq 1720
                                                                \\H.323
Access-list 101 permit tcp any any range 11000 11999 \\H.323
Access-list 101 permit udp any any eq 2427
                                                               \\MGCP
Access-list 101 permit udp any any eq 2428
                                                               \\MGCP
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QoS Configuration *With* **Cisco AutoQoS**

With Cisco AutoQoS

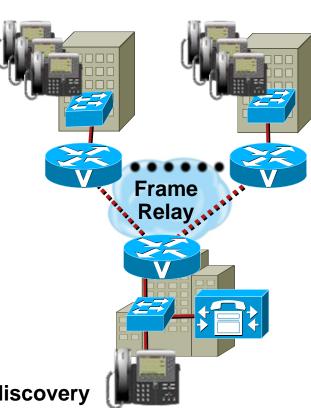
Specify BW, IP address and FR DLCI

interface Serial4/0 point-to-point
Encapsulation frame-relay
bandwidth 256
ip address 10.1.71.1 255.255.255.0
frame-relay interface-dlci 100
 auto discovery qos ←

Enable AutoDiscovery

AutoDiscovery notes

- Enable on an interface of interest
- Do not change interface bandwidth when running auto discovery
- Cisco Express Forwarding must be enabled





QoS Configuration *With* Cisco AutoQoS (Cont.)

With Cisco AutoQoS

show auto discovery gos

Review the generated QoS policy/statistics

AutoQoS Discovery enabled for applications

Discovery up time: 2 days, 55 minutes

AutoQoS Class information:

Class VoIP:

Recommended Minimum Bandwidth: 517 Kbps/50% (PeakRate)

Detected applications and data:

Application/ AverageRate PeakRate Total Protocol (kbps/%) (kbps/%) (bytes) rtp audio 76/7 517/50 703104

Class Interactive Video:

Recommended Minimum Bandwidth: 24 Kbps/2% (AverageRate)

Detected applications and data:

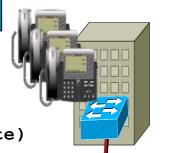
Total Application/ AverageRate PeakRate Protocol (kbps/%) (bytes) (kbps/%) rtp video 24/2 5337/52 704574

Class Transactional:

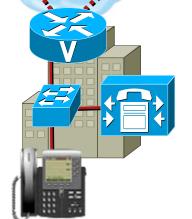
Recommended Minimum Bandwidth: 0 Kbps/0% (AverageRate)

Detected applications and data:

Application/	AverageRate	PeakRate	Total
Protocol	(kbps/%)	(kbps/%)	(bytes)
citrix	36/3	74/7	30212
sqlnet	12/1	7/<1	1540









Cisco AutoQoS Discovery -**Suggested Policy**

With Cisco AutoQoS

```
Suggested AutoOoS Policy for the current uptime:
 class-map match-any AutoQoS-Voice-Et3/1
  match protocol rtp audio
 class-map match-any AutoQoS-Inter-Video-Et3/1
  match protocol rtp video
 class-map match-any AutoQoS-Signaling-Et3/1
  match protocol sip
  match protocol rtcp
 class-map match-any AutoQoS-Transactional-Et3/1
  match protocol citrix
 class-map match-any AutoQoS-Bulk-Et3/1
  match protocol exchange
policy-map AutoQoS-Policy-Et3/1
 class AutoQoS-Voice-Et3/1
  priority percent 1
  set dscp ef
 class AutoQoS-Inter-Video-Et3/1
  bandwidth remaining percent 1
  set dscp af41
 class AutoQoS-Signaling-Et3/1
  bandwidth remaining percent 1
  set dscp cs3
```

Suggested policy is based on AutoDiscovery statistics

Options

- Continue AutoDiscovery (policy) may change)
- Copy and change the policy (offline)

class AutoQoS-Transactional-Et3/1 bandwidth remaining percent 1 random-detect dscp-based set dscp af21 class AutoQoS-Bulk-Et3/1 bandwidth remaining percent 1 random-detect dscp-based set dscp af11 class class-default fair-queue



QoS Configuration With Cisco AutoQoS (Cont.)

With Cisco AutoQoS

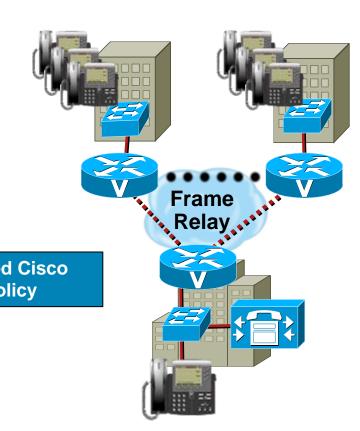
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interface Serial4/0 point-to-point
bandwidth 256
ip address 10.1.71.1 255.255.255.0
frame-relay interface-dlci 100
  auto gos +
                               Apply generated Cisco
                                  AutoQoS policy
 policy-map AutoQoS-Policy-Se4/0-Parent
                                                             Frame
                                                            Relay
    class class-default
    shape average 256000
     service-policy AutoOoS-Policy-Se4/0
  class-map match-any AutoQoS-Transactional-Se4/0
   match protocol sqlnet
   match protocol citrix
  class-map match-any AutoQoS-Voice-Se4/0
   match protocol rtp audio
  class-map match-any AutoQoS-Inter-Video-Se4/0
   match protocol rtp video
```



QoS Configuration With Cisco AutoQoS (Cont.)

With Cisco AutoQoS

```
policy-map AutoQoS-Policy-Se4/0
   class AutoQoS-Voice-Se4/0
    priority percent 70
    set dscp ef
   class AutoQoS-Inter-Video-Se4/0
    bandwidth remaining percent 10
    set dscp af41
   class AutoQoS-Transactional-Se4/0
 bandwidth remaining percent 1
    set dscp af21
   class class-default
                                       Apply generated Cisco
                                          AutoQoS policy
    fair-queue
interface Serial4/0 point-to-point
  frame-relay interface-dlci 100
   class AutoQoS-FR-Serial4/0-100
map-class frame-relay AutoQoS-FR-Serial4/0-100
frame-relay cir 256000
frame-relay mincir 256000
frame-relay fragment 320
service-policy output AutoQoS-Policy-Se4/0-Parent
```





QoS Configuration <u>With</u> Cisco AutoQoS (Cont.)

With Cisco AutoQoS

Monitoring drops in LLQ

- Thresholds are activated in RMON alarm table to monitor drops in voice class
- Default drop threshold is 1bps

rmon event 33333 log trap AutoQoS description "AutoQoS

SNMP traps for Voice Drops" owner AutoQoS

rmon alarm 33350 cbQoSCMDDropBitRate.2881.2991 30
Absolute rising-threshold 1 33333 falling-threshold 0
Owner AutoQoS

Frame Relay

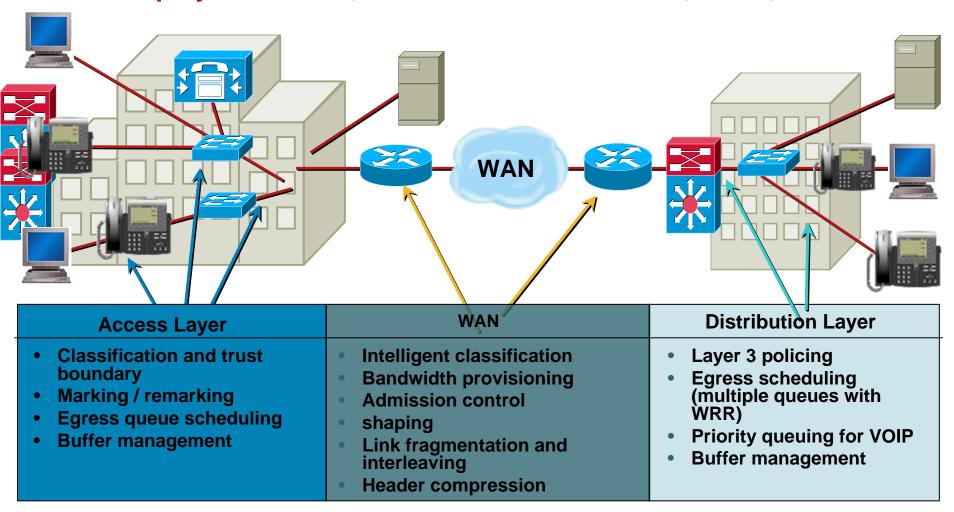
RMON event configured and generated by Cisco AutoQoS

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QoS Deployment for Converged Networks

Goal: deploy consistent, end-to-end QoS for voice, video, and data



QoS Deployment for Converged Networks Manual Approach without Cisco AutoQoS

In the WAN

Identify applications and protocols of interest

Untrusted edge versus trusted edge

Remark traffic based on classification

Determine application to class of service mappings, and what queuing should be enabled

Determine class bandwidth requirements

QoS Deployment for Converged Networks– Manual Approach without Cisco AutoQoS

In the WAN

Configure transport specific features

Traffic shaping, MLPPP and TX-ring settings

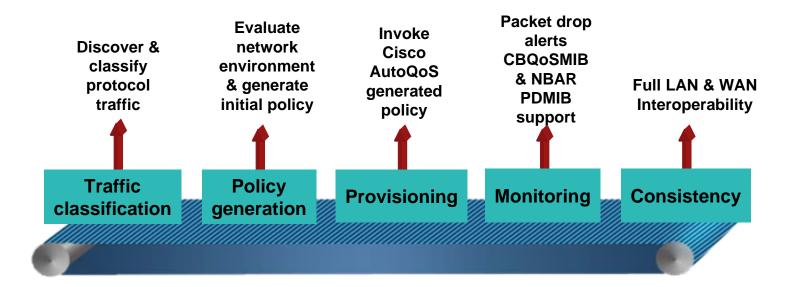
Enable bandwidth specific QoS features

Header compression and fragmentation settings (MLP/LFI or FRF.12)

Configure alarm and event settings for monitoring purposes

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QoS Deployment for Converged Networks– Automation with Cisco AutoQoS

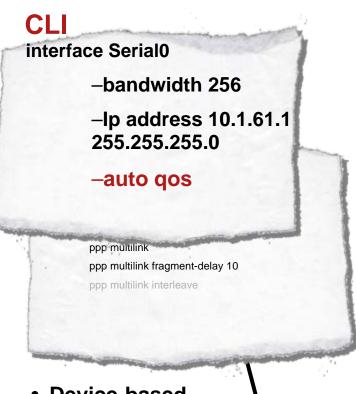


Accomplish all of the above in five steps

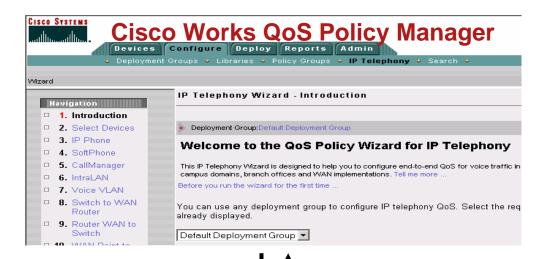
- Configure interface / sub-interface bandwidth
- 2. Configure IP address
- 3. Enable AutoDiscovery (trust, untrust)
- 4. Review and invoke Cisco AutoQoS generated policy
- 5. Fine-tune parameters, if required

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QoS Deployment for Converged Networks – Monitoring & Reporting with QPM 3.0

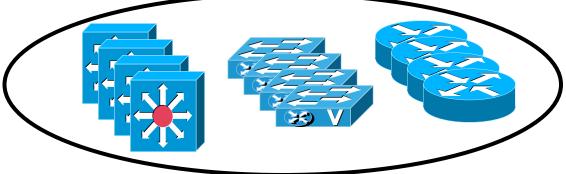


- **Device-based**
- Single command
- Intelligent classification
- Reporting via syslog & traps

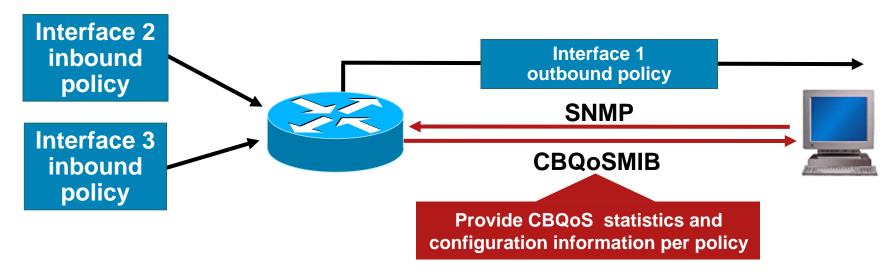


- Central web-based tool
- QoS config guidance
- Templates, customize
- Deployment control
- File export

- Monitoring
- Reports
- Troubleshooting
- Multi-device, global



QoS Deployment for Converged Networks – Class-Based QoS MIB (CBQoSMIB)



- Primary accounting mechanism for MQC-based QoS
- Statistics for active MQC configuration on a per-policy/ per-interface or PVC basis
- Monitor pre- and post- policy bit rates
 For example, "How many packets are being dropped or marked?"
- Read access only, no SNMP configuration
- Support introduced in Cisco IOS® Software Release 12.1(5)T

ftp://ftp.cisco.com/pub/mibs/v2/CISCO-CLASS-BASED-QOS-MIB.my

QoS Deployment for Converged Networks - Cisco NBAR Protocol Discovery MIB

Benefits

Real-time applications statistics

Per-interface, per-application, bi-directional (input and output) statistics: bit rate (bps), packet bounts (pps), byte counts

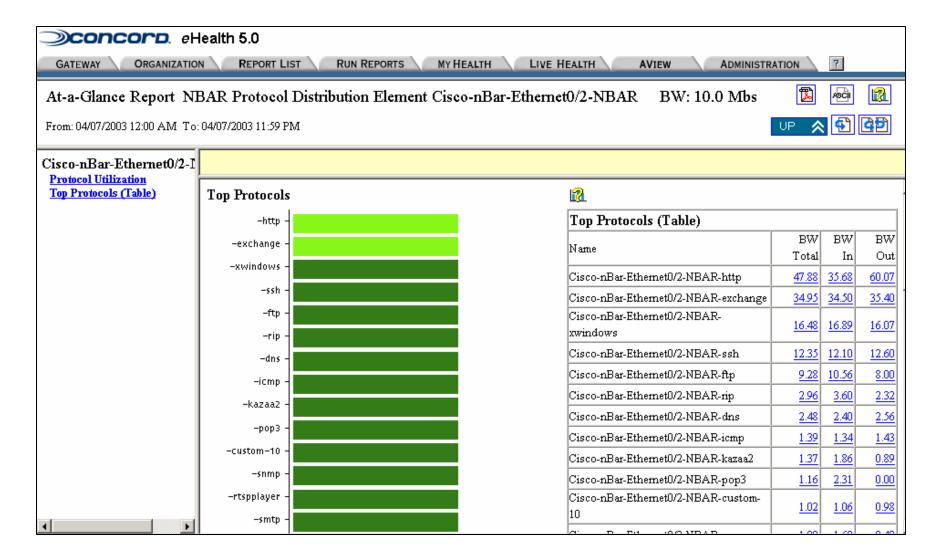
User can set thresholds on individual protocols on an interface, or on a statistic regardless of protocol

If the threshold is breached, the information is stored for prolonged period of time

A notification (trap) is generated and sent to the user with a summary of threshold information

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Cisco NBAR Protocol Discovery MIB Top Application Bandwidth Usage



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Highlights – Cisco AutoQoS in the WAN

 Simplifies QoS configuration for voice, video, and data with a two-step process

AutoDiscovery

Provisioning

End-to-end simplification, automation, and intelligence

Classifies VoIP bearer and signaling traffic, real-time and streaming video and data traffic

Provisioning based on Cisco best practices

 Generated parameters and configuration can be modified by the user

Highlights – Cisco AutoQoS in the WAN (Cont.)

- Intelligent policy generation
 - Based on available bandwidth, traffic profile and underlying L2 technology
 - Automatically provisions up to 10 different classes of service
 - Decides on fragmentation settings (FRF.12, MLP/LFI) and enables RTP header compression, if required
- Supported on FR, ATM, HDLC, PPP and FR-to-ATM links
- Provides RMON alerts, for packet drops in VoIP class

The Cisco Advantage – Comprehensive QoS Functionality

- First to ship advanced Differentiated Services (DiffServ) toolkit in 2000
- Comprehensive QoS language framework via MQC
- First to ship intelligent, application-level classification (NBAR)
- Complete QoS monitoring and reporting support with Cisco Works QPM 3.0, Concord, and SDM
- Broadest QoS hardware support (switches and routers)
- Full interoperability across the LAN and WAN DiffServ nodes
- Provides complete end-to-end DiffServ solution



First to ship QoS automation & simplification

Availability

	Hardware	Software
Switches	Cisco Catalyst® 2950El Cisco Catalyst 3550	Release 12.1(12c)EA1
	Cisco Catalyst 4500 Series	Release 12.1(19)E
	Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series	Cisco Catalyst Operating System 7.5.1
Routers	Cisco 1700 Series Cisco 1800 Series Cisco 2600XM Series Cisco 2800 Series Cisco 3700 Series Cisco 3800 Series Cisco 7200 Series Cisco 7500 Series	Cisco AutoQoS VoIP: Release 12.2(15)T Cisco AutoQoS Enterprise: Release 12.3(7)T

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Cisco IOS Software Release 12.4 mainline

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6350/prod_bulletin09186a0080457b39.html