

Virtual Leased lines:

Applications will always be king!

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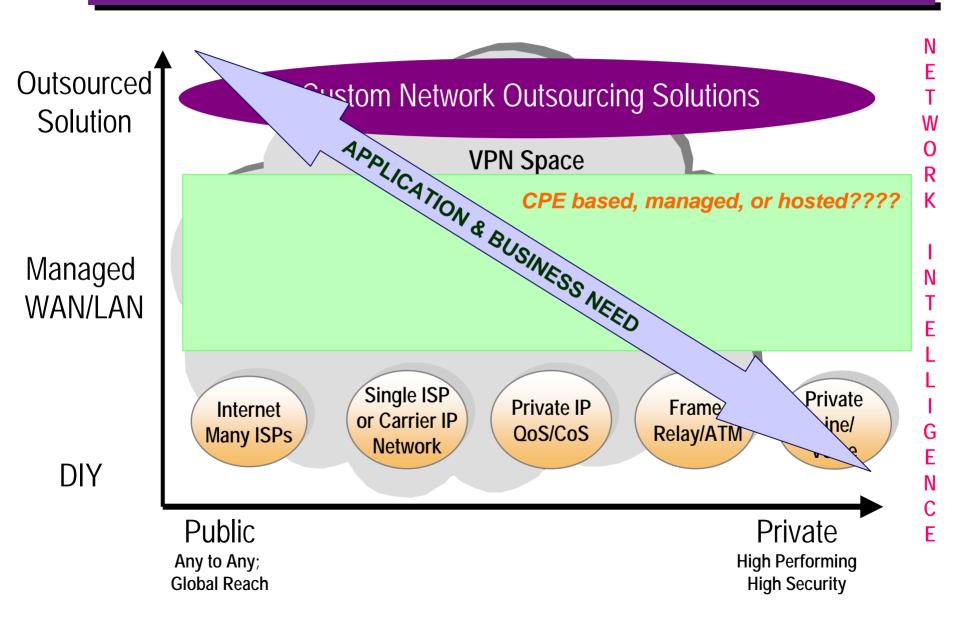
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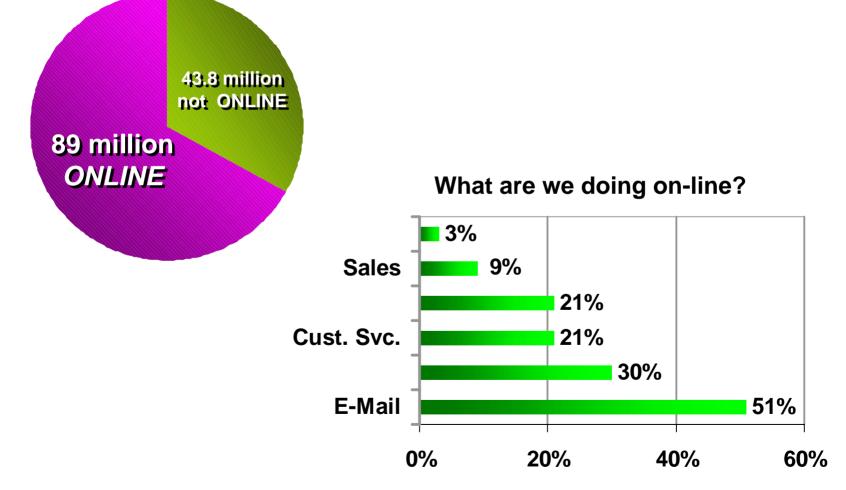
How did all this get started?





Is There Any Substance Behind the Network Growth Numbers?

Number of US Employees Online

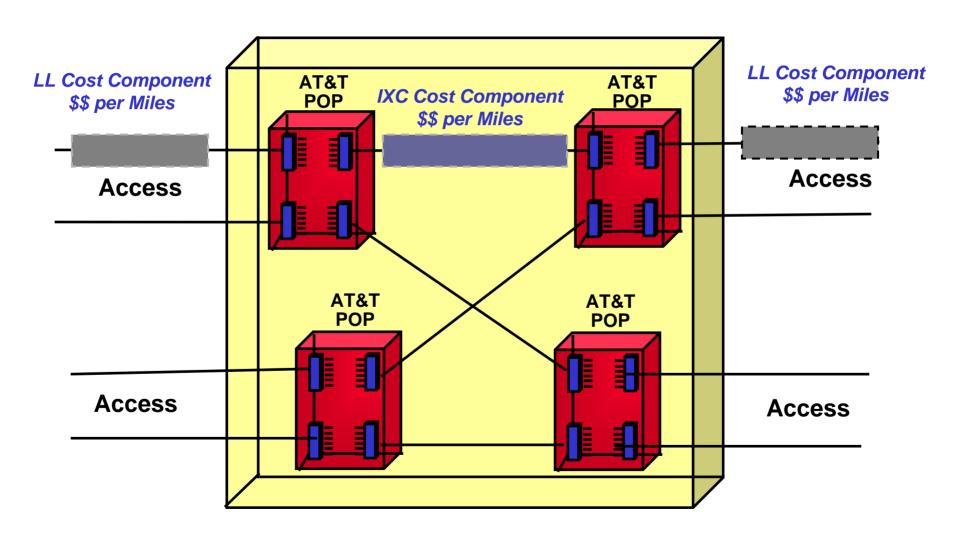


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Private Line Network

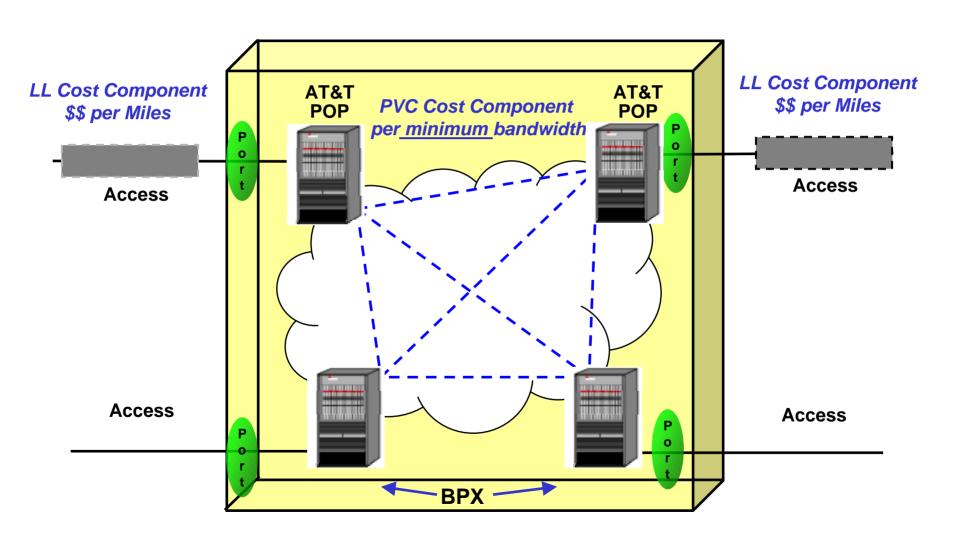
Pay for <u>miles</u> 24X7 and the maximum bandwidth is always there. Point to Point and Multi-Point can expensive





AT&T Frame Relay Network

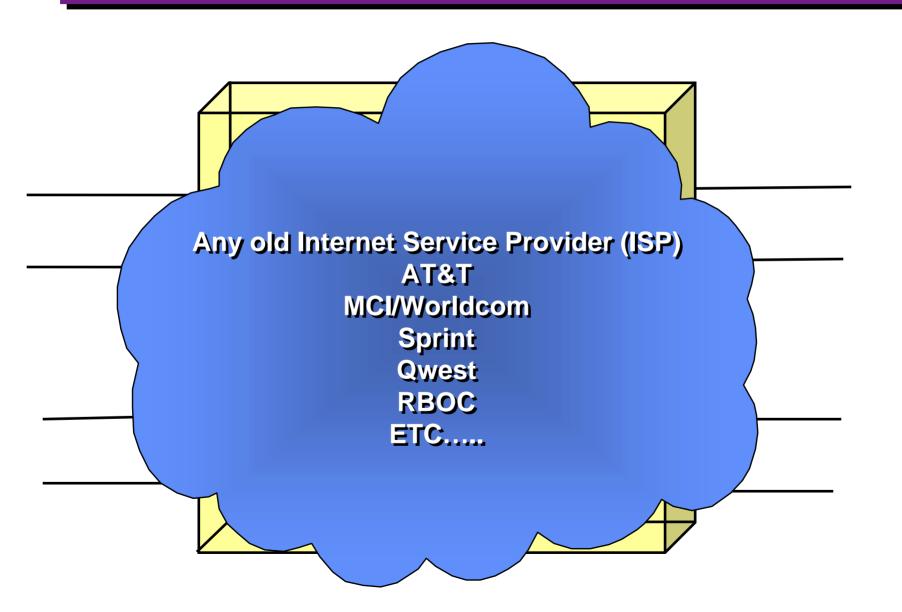
Pay for <u>CIR</u>, operate over 90% of the time at <u>port</u> speed, and "meshing" sites is simplified!





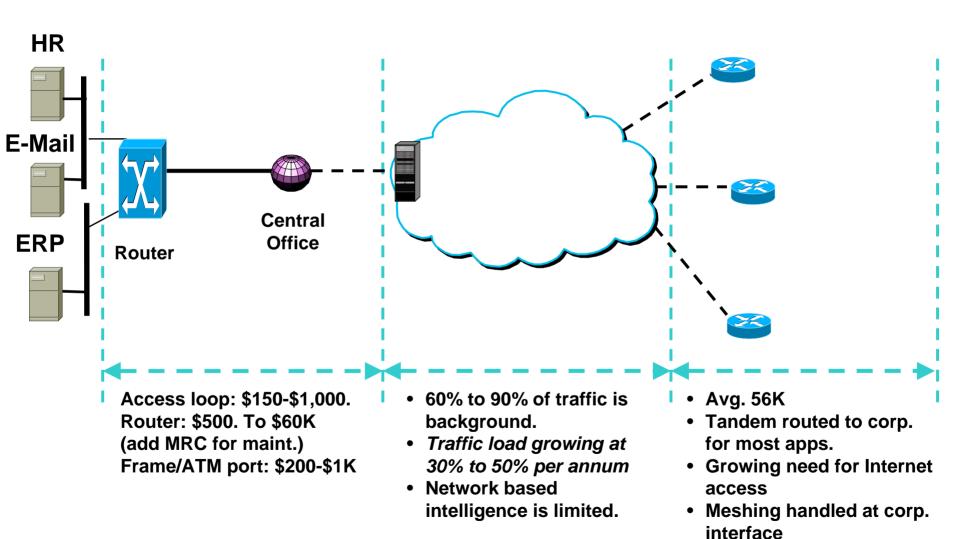
No-one in Particulars Network

Pay \$19.95 per month, want private line security and performance (or at least pretty close), want anyone regardless of how they get on the network to be able to communicate with me. That is...if I want them to...





Building the network for the application and business need: Realities of what the customer is dealing with today!





Frame Relay / ATM VPNs Will Grow

Data traffic is increasing by an average of 30 percent to 50 percent per year for most enterprises.

Therefore, many enterprises are considering replacing their data networks (most of which are frame relay networks in the United States) with what they are told are lower-cost IP VPNs.

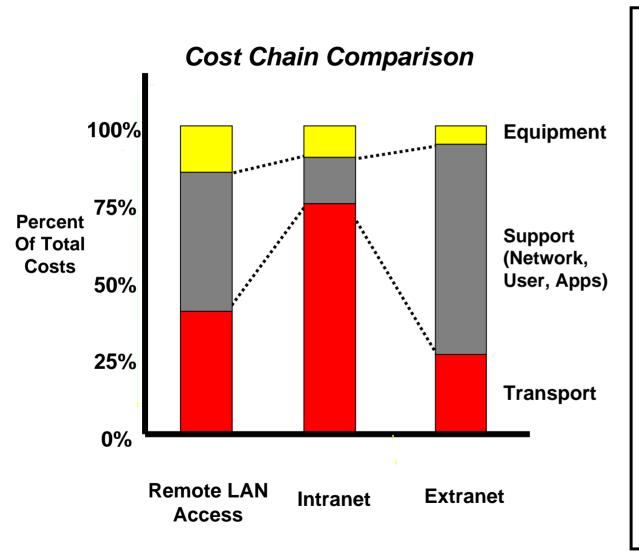
While most realize that the majority of current IP VPNs do not measure up to the quality of frame relay or ATM, they are willing to accept lower-quality technology if they can get a lower price.

The truth, however, is that IP VPNs are not less expensive when total costs are considered.

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All VPNs are Not the Same



Today, the monthly rates for connections are usually about the same between frame relay and IP VPNs; for the latter, however, administration costs are typically five times higher than those of frame relay.

An enterprise with as few as 25 sites on an IP VPN network will require at least one full-time employee to manage the network. By comparison, managing a 25-site frame relay network would take only 20 percent of one employees time.

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Private IP VPNs "The Best of Both Worlds"

	Frame Relay	Internet- Based VPN	Private IP VPN
Any-to-Any Connectivity	Expensive, Difficult	Yes	Yes
QoS and CoS	Yes	No	Yes
Reliability	High	Med	High
Simple Routing	No	Yes	Yes
Disaster Recovery	Manual	Automatic	Automatic
Private IP Addresses	Yes	Tunneled	Yes
Latency/Throughput	Low/High	Variable	Low/High
Secure	Yes	Edge	Yes
Administrative/ Engineering Costs	Low	High	Low



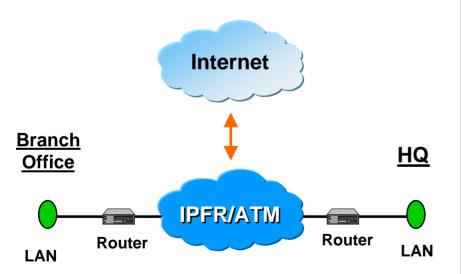
Private IP (IPFR/ATM VPN)

Security

Public IP (Site to Site VPN)

Network is private:

- Not exposed to Internet no premises firewall required
- Not exposed to other customers separated using layer 2 physical/logical security

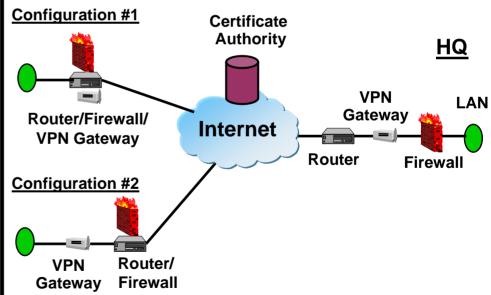


No encryption required since packets can't be viewed by other users

Stateful firewall required at remote site and HQ site

- Intrusion detection must be managed
- Whether or not firewall can be integrated with the router or VPN gateway functions depends on number of connections to be supported.

Branch Office



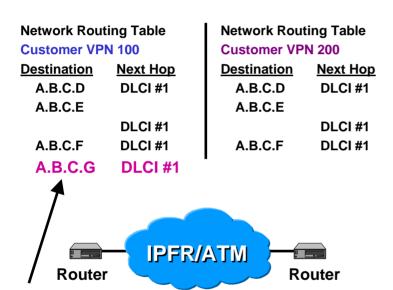
VPN gateway for tunneling and encryption utilized at remote site and HQ.

 Certificate authority or shared secret used for tunnel authentication.



Ease of Use - CPE Administration

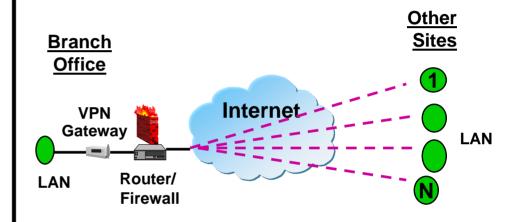
Private IP (IPFR/ATM VPN)



Adding a new site only requires router changes at that site

- Same layer 2 DLCI as other sites
- Network automatically learns about new address via BGP and shows it available to other sites

Public IP (Site to Site VPN)



Possible = $N^2/2$ Connections

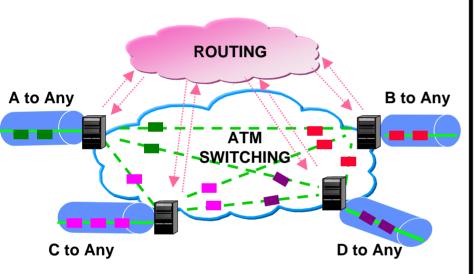
Adding a new site requires that all VPN gateways and firewalls be updated to recognize new site.

 New site must be configured to recognize all other possible connections (e.g. key pair combinations if using digital certificates).



Connectivity

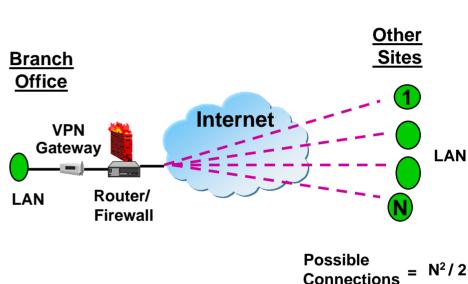
Private IP (IPFR/ATM VPN)



Any-to-any connectivity provided via single connection into MPLS core

 Packets routed at edge of network and switched in core for optimal performance.

Public IP (Site to Site VPN)



Any-to-any connectivity possible through configurations of proper key pair combinations in each VPN gateway

 Configuration requires similar complexity in terms of defining possible connections as building full mesh PVC network with frame relay



Performance

Private IP (IPFR/ATM VPN)

Throughput

- MPLS core allows for provider guaranteed network performance
- CIR guarantees desired level of throughput for each connection. 0K CIR is equivalent to site to site VPN performance.
- No overhead from tunneling and encryption



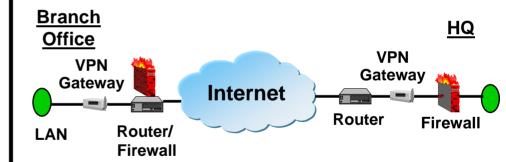
Latency & Jitter

- Latency almost same as frame relay / ATM and guaranteed for each connection
- Network based CoS available 3Q01

Public IP (Site to Site VPN)

Throughput

- Performance not guaranteed
- IP header tax from tunneling and encryption (15% to 25%)



Latency & Jitter

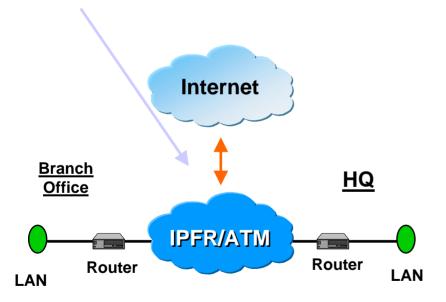
- Latency is a function of congestion and NAPs
- No network based CoS
 - Premises router queuing only



Reliability

Private IP (IPFR/ATM VPN)

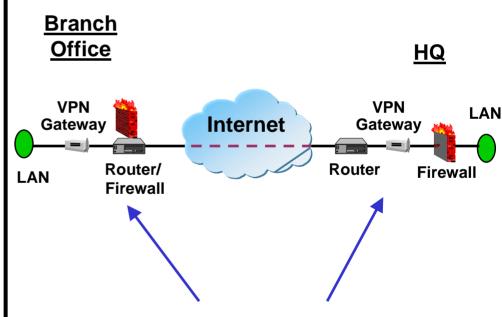
Network is private so not exposed to security attacks from the Internet, which can degrade performance or cause a site to fail



Public IP (Site to Site VPN)

External factors are a reliability variable

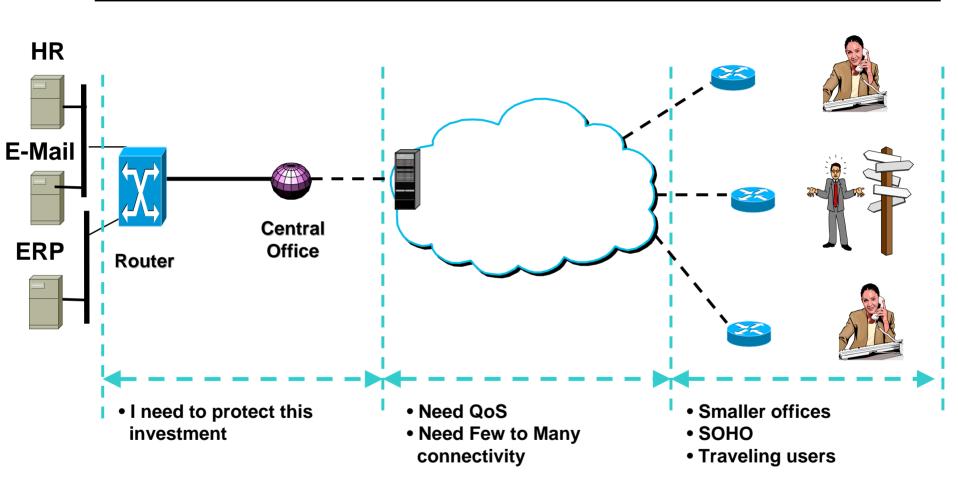
• Sites exposed to security attacks from the Internet.



Extra boxes on premises create more points of failure and more complex troubleshooting.

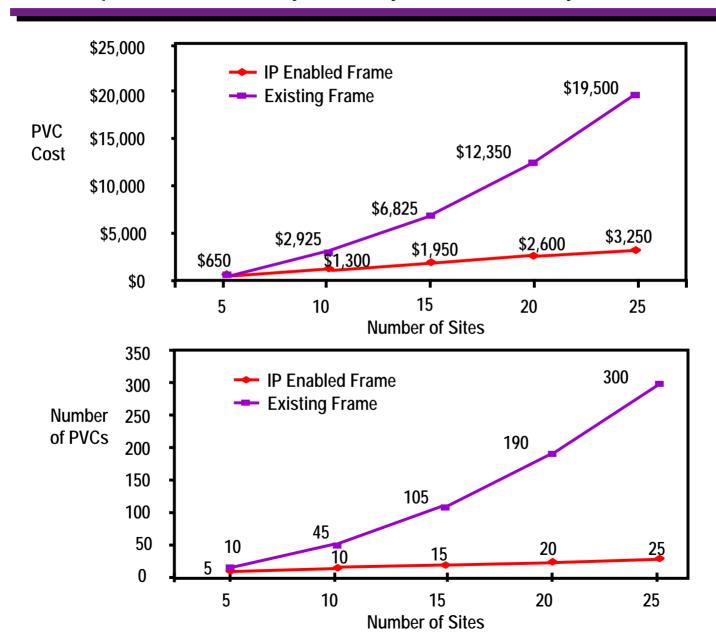


Building the network for the application and business need: Investments to protect and new users with fast pipes.



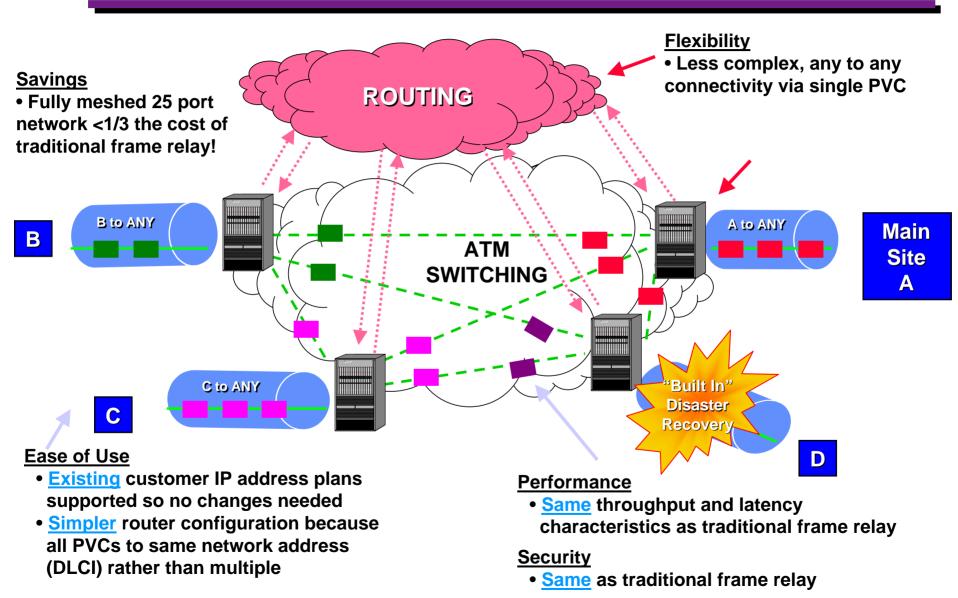


So how do we change the existing network to a VPN? Comparison for Any-to-Any Connectivity



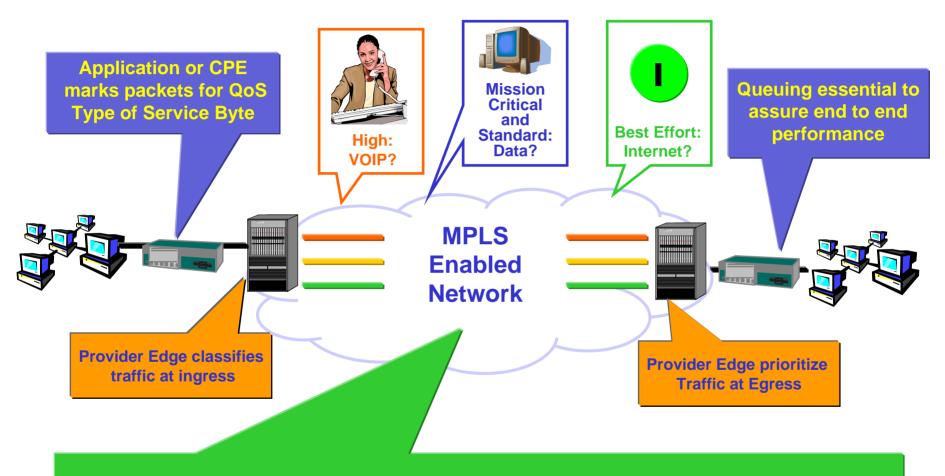


Dynamic meshing, same CPE, same IP addresses, same Port...IP Enabled Frame Relay





IP VPNS...ubiquitous mesh but what about end to end QoS? Next steps: IPFR QoS and MPLS serving the application need



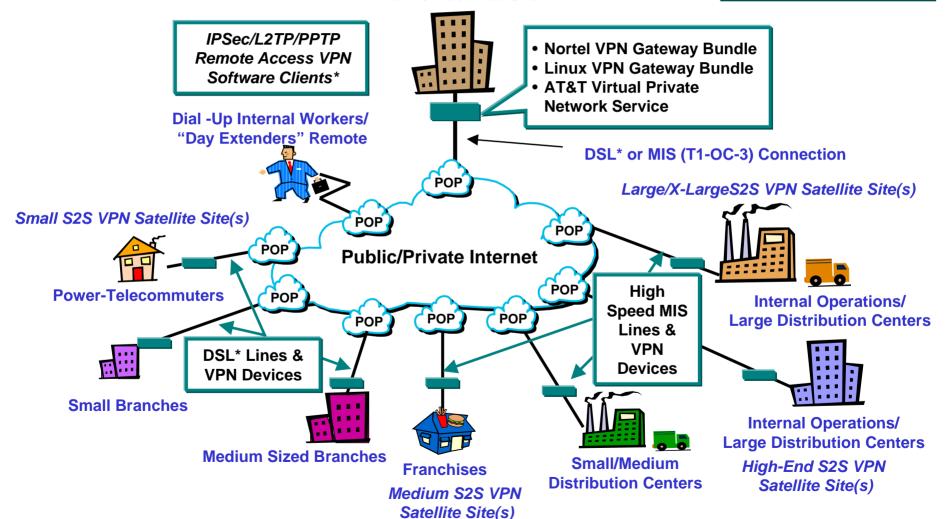
MPLS Enabled Backbone maps Type of Service /DiffServ markings to MPLS Label MPLS DiffServ Aware Label Switch Path incorporates QoS requirements And applies QoS mechanisms to deliver End-to-End QoS



The entire network can be "VPN" or "IP." Are you prepared for the complexity?

Authentication Options
Radius
SecureID
Safeword
Service Manager
PKI

Business HQ/
Main Office: Hub Site



In summary.....

IP is a wonderful, unifying language but, as a transport mechanism, it does not answer many of the needs of the application. The low cost "ubiquity" of IP Internet access can potentially lower network costs "if" it fits the needs of the application and the expertise of the staff.

Layer 2 communications can protect your existing investments, feature enhanced IP functionality, and can reduce your network costs. IP VPN connectivity can be added to the existing platform.

Each and every aspect of the business needs analysis to determine the appropriate policy, performance, and security to ensure that the best possible "Virtual Leases Line" is used.

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