## **BGP FSM Error Subcode**

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- We will split the draft into two separate documents
  - One for FSM Error Subcode
  - One for Session Information Capability
- This presentation is mainly about FSM Error Subcode

# **Problem Statement**

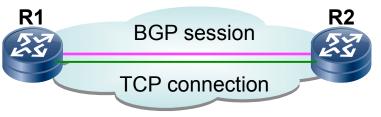
- Subcodes for Cease have been defined in RFC 4486
- Currently there is no subcode for BGP Finite State Machine Error
- Different problems can be notified as FSM Error
  - Receive unexpected message in particular FSM state
  - Some problem of underlying TCP connection
- Introduce FSM Error Subcodes will provide more detailed information and help fault diagnosing

## **BGP FSM Subcode**

- Receive unexpected message
  - Subcode 1: Receive unexpected message (Keepalive/Update/ Route-Refresh) in OpenSent State
  - Subcode 2: Receive unexpected message (Open/Update/Route-Refresh) in OpenConfirm State
  - Subcode 3: Receive unexpected message (Open) in Established
    State
  - Type of received unexpected message is carried in the Data field of Notification

# BGP FSM Subcode (Cont.)

• Subcode 4: TCP Related Error



- Some problem in R1's TCP: connection closed without sending a FIN
- R2 will experience "Holdtimer Expires" event, but does not know the root cause
  - Problem of BGP session? Or,
  - Problem of underlying connection?
- It is helpful for R2/operator to know this is a TCP related fault
  - Fault diagnosing
  - Improve performance of BGP

### Part 2 - Session Information Capability

#### Is this a problem?

 Information about TCP related error cannot be sent to peer, because the connection is already down



# Next Steps

- Split current draft into two drafts
- Comments & feedbacks from IDR
- Improve the drafts

#### **BGP Session Information Capability**

- One possible way to notify TCP related error
  - Capability Code: TBA
  - Length: variable
  - Value: one or more informational entries
    - A generic tool to carry session information
- Currently defined information type
  - BGP Session Last FSM Flap Cause
    - Mainly for error notification that cannot be advertised before
      underlying connection down
  - BGP Peer/Speaker Description
    - Can be used for BGP peer address description mapping
    - Less manual configuration