

Quality of Service: the IST TEQUILA and MESCAL view

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Equil Need for Edge-to-Edge and Inter-Domain QoS Frameworks

- We believe that QoS is necessary but most aspects of the approach also work for over-provisioning
- While the fundamental elements for QoS are in place (PHB support in routers), there is lack of edge2edge and interdomain QoS frameworks
 - IETF Per-Domain Behaviours (PDBs)
 - IST TEQUILA Service Level Specifications (SLSs)
 - Both address edge2edge QoS
- Important: need for inter-domain SLSs
 - Customer to (local) ISP, peer-to-peer between ISPs
- TEQUILA looked at intra-domain SLSs/QoS, MESCAL will look at the inter-domain problem



Two-level Approach to QoS: SLS Subscription & Invocation

- Subscriptions allow an ISP to provision their domain accordingly for expected traffic through:
 - MPLS, CSPF/ECMP, over-provisioning
- Makes it much easier to admit SLS invocations and manage congestion
 - "First plan, then take care" approach
- In case of a single supported traffic class (i.e. BE:-), TE with monitoring results in better resource utilisation and hence in later physical infrastructure upgrade

