# IEEE 802.1aq Standard

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## IEEE 802.1aq Standard-Definition

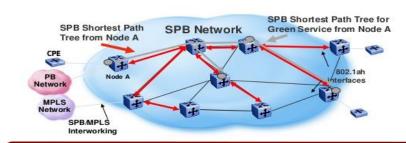
Shortest Path Bridging (SPB)

Provides much larger Layer 2 Topolog

Improves efficiency

Designed to eliminate human error

Shortest Path Bridging (SPB) IEEE 802.1ag & RFC 6329



#### SPB is a Spanning-Tree Protocol replacement for Ethernet and introduces:

- **Network Efficiency** 
  - No blocked ports Network reconvergence in 100s of milliseconds
- Fast resiliency Simplicity

- Well-known networking paradigm (link state)
- **Customized Broadcast** One-touch provisioning
- Broadcast only to need-to-know nodes
- Dynamic auto-discovery of end-points

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Sponsoring Organizations & Key Stakeholders

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### Concerns

IEEE late delivery

2006-2013

Limited availability

Avaya, AlLu, Huawei

HP

Scalability

**Metro Ethernet** 

Sochi Winter games



#### Standards?

International Organization for Standardization

Safe, reliable and good quality

Strategic tools that reduce costs by minimizing waste and increasing productivity

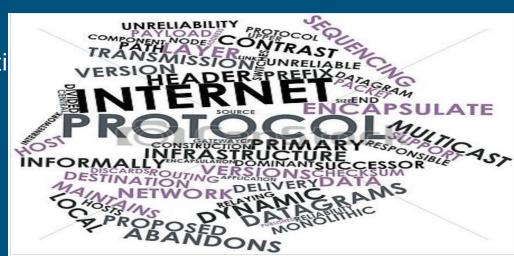
### Need for SPB?

STP- Spanning Tree Protocol

High traffic stress

Demand for more speed

Too complex and not enough functi



## Guidelines for a Standard

Idea/Need



**Technical committees** 



Multi Stakeholder Ballot



Consensus

## Competing Standards

#### Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)

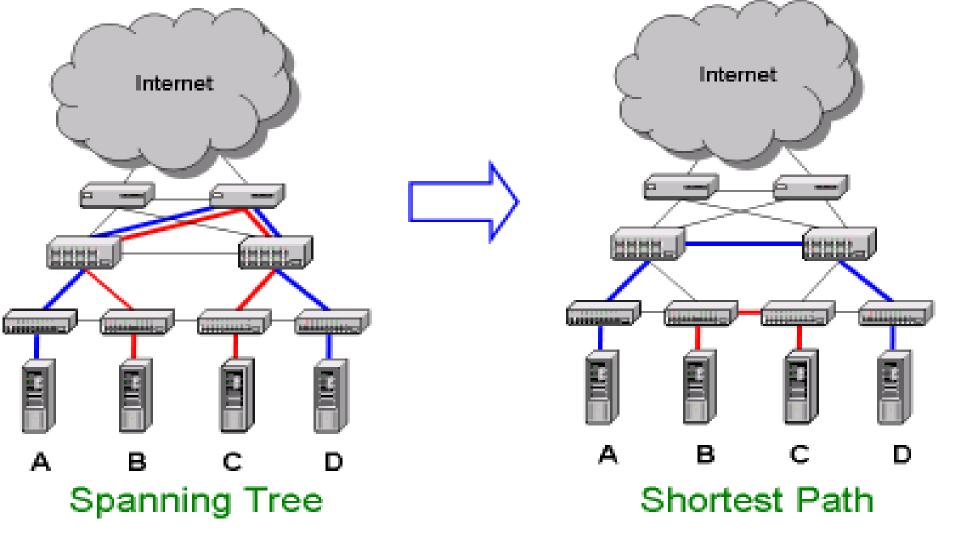
TRILL- Transparent Interconnection of Lots of Links (2011)

#### **PROS**

- it runs directly over <u>Layer</u>
  2, so it can be run
  without configuration
- it is easy to extend by defining new <u>TLV</u>

#### CONS

- uses two different mechanisms to forward packets
- susceptible to out-oforder packets when the MAC state transitions



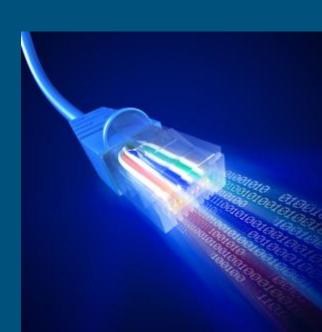
## **Future**

Cloud- 25Gbps/50Gbps

Ethernet- 2.5Gbps

Cars

400Gbps?



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