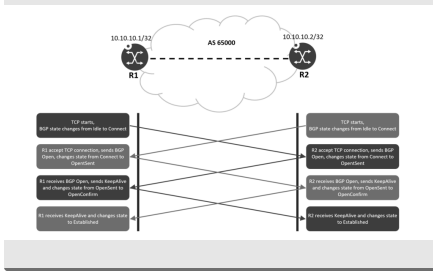


BGP Operation	
Phase 1 - TCP	Phase 2 - BGP Capabilities Exchange
Both BGP routers attempt a TCP session on port 179.	After the TCP Session is established - BGP Speakers exchange messages.

Finite State Machine



FSM		
Phase	State Name	Next Successful State
TCP	Idle(Start)	Connect
TCP	Connect	OpenSent
TCP	Active(If TCP fails)	OpenSent
BGP	OpenSent	OpenConfirm
BGP	OpenConfirm	Established!

BGP Messages	
Open - Initial request for a BGP session	
Update - Exchange NLRI between peers	
Notification - Indicate an error and closes session	
KeepAlive - Response to Open Messages & Maintains TCP session	
RouteRefresh - Requests a BGP peer resend the routes it advertised at session establishment.	

BGP Timers	
Connect Retry	120 seconds
Hold Time	90 seconds
Keep Alive	30 seconds

Attributes	
Attributes	Description
Origin	Origin telling you where the NLRI comes from (IGP, EGP, or Incomplete)
AS-Path	AS-Path telling you how many AS that have been traversed by the NLRI to the destination
Next-Hop	Next-Hop telling which protocol that can be used by the NLRI to reach the destination
Local-Pref	Local-Pref like metric in iBGP topology. The NLRI/prefix that have highest Loc-Pref is choose as active route in route table, default value Loc-Pref 100
Atomic-Aggregate	The purpose of the atomic-aggregate is to alert BGP speaker that route aggregation has been performed. Its set automatically to indicate a loss of AS path information when a router aggregate receive a set of prefix from other ASes
Aggregator	BGP speaker performing route aggregation may add the aggregator attribute to indicate its own ASN and router-ID
Community	Community like a label for the NLRI/Prefix, its very useful when you want to grouping some prefix
MED (Multi Exit Discriminator)	MED like metric in eBGP topology, the NLRI/prefix that have smallest MED value is choose active route in route table, by default no MED value configuration
Originator-ID	The Originator ID is set to perform loop prevention when the router configure as a RR (Route Reflector), Originator-ID carries the router ID of the route originator in the local AS
Cluster-List	Cluster-List carries a sequence of Cluster-ID that the route has traversed

Attributes	
Well-Known Mandatory	Must be present in every BGP Update
Well-Known Discretionary	Recognized by all BGP implementations, but may or may not be present in the Update message



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