

# Peering 101 and the Peering Simulation Game

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Excerpts from The Internet Peering Playbook: Connecting to the Core of the Internet

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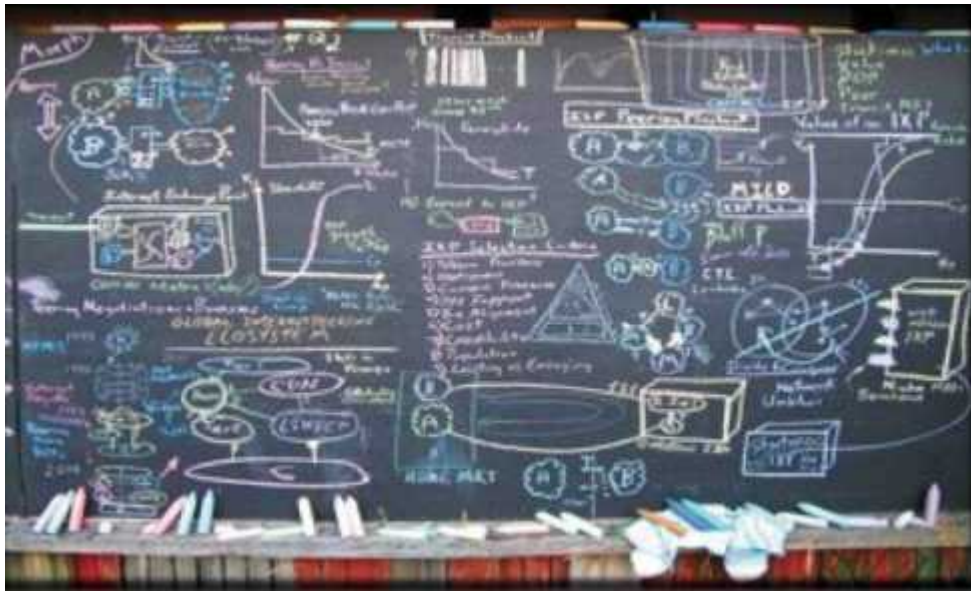
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# New Book

## Playbook



Connecting to the Core of the Internet

**The Emerging Ecosystem** for

**Cloud Computing**

the Author of the Internet Peering White Papers

10 yrs in the making

\$500K Travel

500K freq flyer miles

Every continent

Every Internet Ops Forum

What is your working definition

Of Internet Peering?

Of Internet Transit?

What are the motivations to peer or not?

What are the peering processes?

Who do you peer with?

Who are the players?

What are the Peering Tactics?

WHEN DOES PEERING MAKE SENSE?

After White Paper walkthroughs

Resources to share back to the community

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# DrPeering.net Peering Resources

Internet Service Providers and Peering

A Business Case for Peering

About the White Paper Process

The Art of Peering - The Peering Playbook

The Art of Peering - The IX Playbook

Chief Technical Liaison

Ecosystems: 95th Percentile Measurement for  
Internet Transit

Asia Pacific Peering Guidebook

Evolution of the U.S. Peering

Emerging Video Internet Ecosystems

European vs US Internet Exchange Points

Internet DataCenter Build vs Buy Decision

Internet Service Providers and Peering

Internet Transit Pricing Historical and Projections

Modeling the value of an Internet Exchange Point

NANOG History

Peering: Motivations to Peer

A Study of 28 Peering Policies

Peering Simulation Game

Peering: Top 10 Ways to Contact Peering  
Coordinators

Peering: Top 10 Reasons NOT to peer

Public vs Private Peering - the Great Debate

The Folly of Peering Ratios

Top 9 IX Selection Criteria

Video Internet - The Next Wave of Massive  
Disruption to the U.S. Peering Ecosystem

All freely available

# Peering 101

Connecting to the Edge of the Internet (aka Internet Transit)

Connecting to the Core of the Internet (aka Internet Peering)

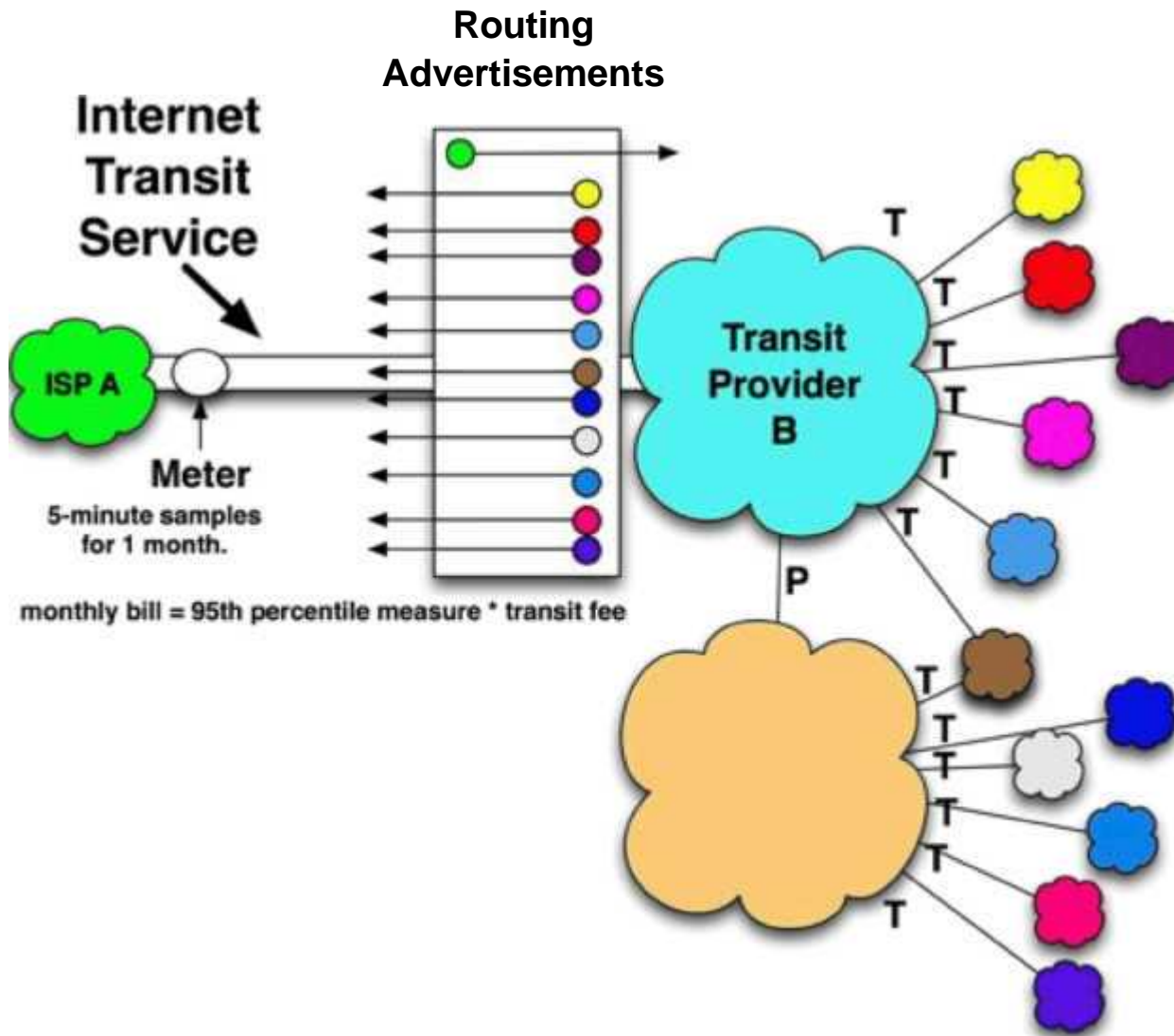
The Economic Benefits of Peering

IXP Operators - Let's talk off-line - lots of material to share

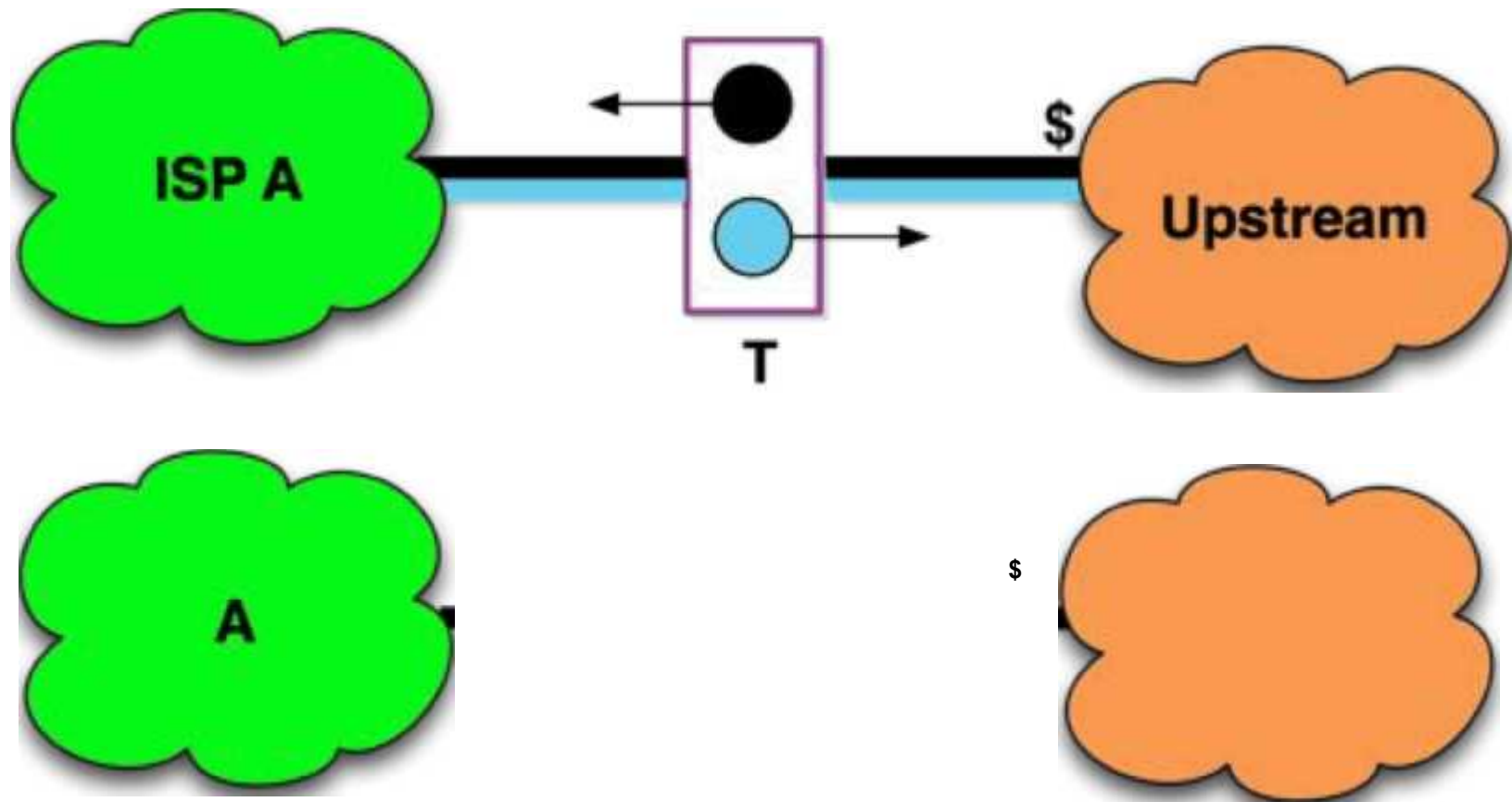
# Connecting to the Edge of the Internet

- **Definition:** *Internet Transit* is the business relationship whereby an Internet Service Provider provides (usually sells) access to the global Internet.
- **Definition:** An *Internet Service Provider (ISP)*, also called a "Transit Provider/" is an entity that provides (usually sells) access to the Internet.

# Internet Transit Service Mode

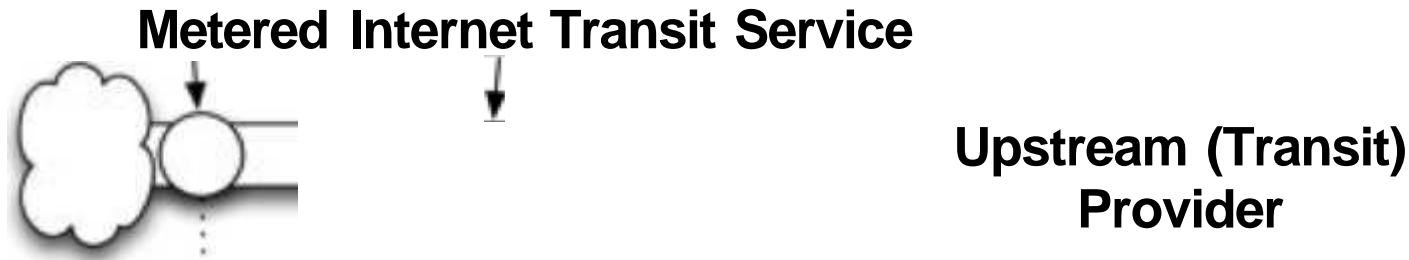


# Equivalent Notation for Transit





# Internet Transit Billing Calculation (95th Percentile Measurement)



5-minute samples

to  
:  
End Of Month Sort

highest

95th Percentile Sample  
(Mbps)

lowest

\* Internet Transit Price (\$/Mbps)

= Monthly Cost of Internet Transit

Trends: Transit Price Drops

Source: [DrPeering.net](http://DrPeering.net)

## Internet Transit Prices (1998-2015)

\$/Mbps

\$1,400

\$1,200

\$1200/Mbps

\$1,000

\$800

\$600

\$400

\$200

\$120/Mbps

\$12/Mbps

\$3.25/Mbps

\$0.94/Mbps

\$0

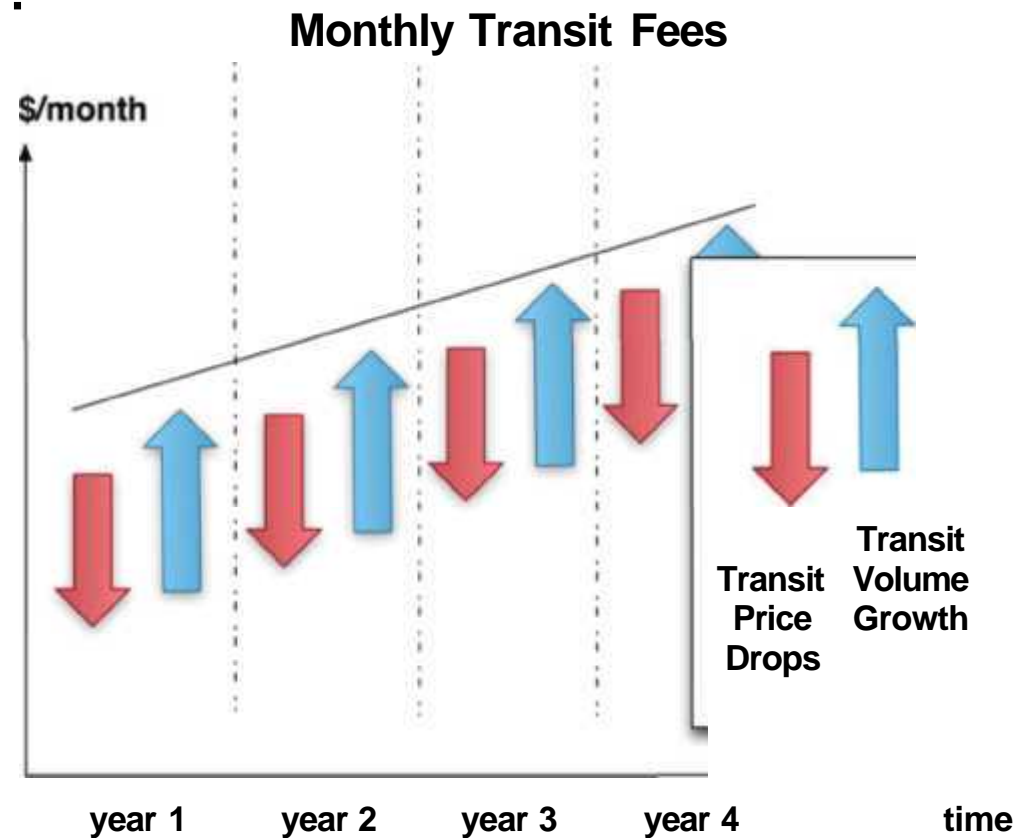
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# Connecting to the Core of the Internet

Internet Peering

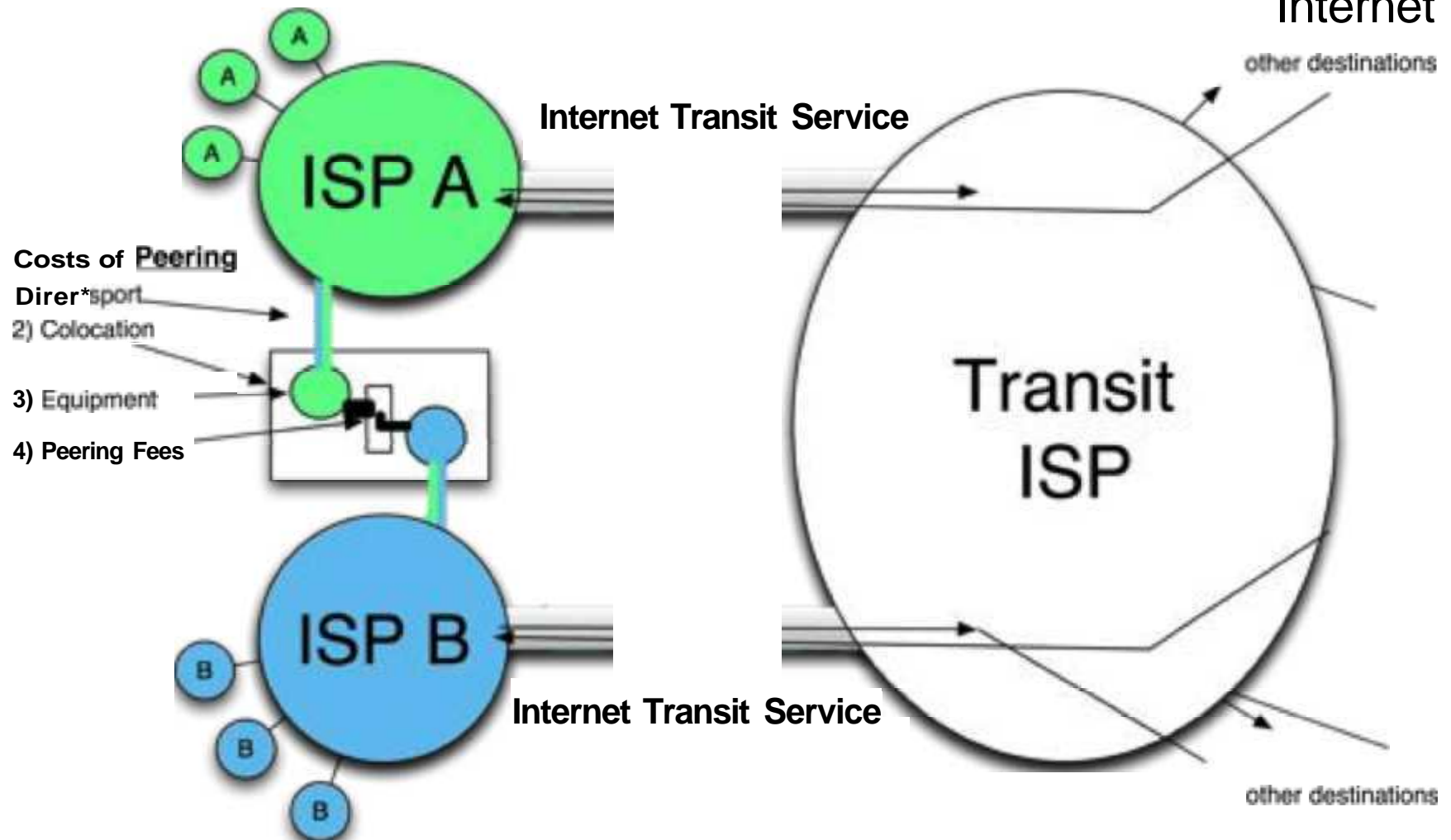
# Why Peering?

"Internet Transit is so inexpensive, why do we need anything else?"



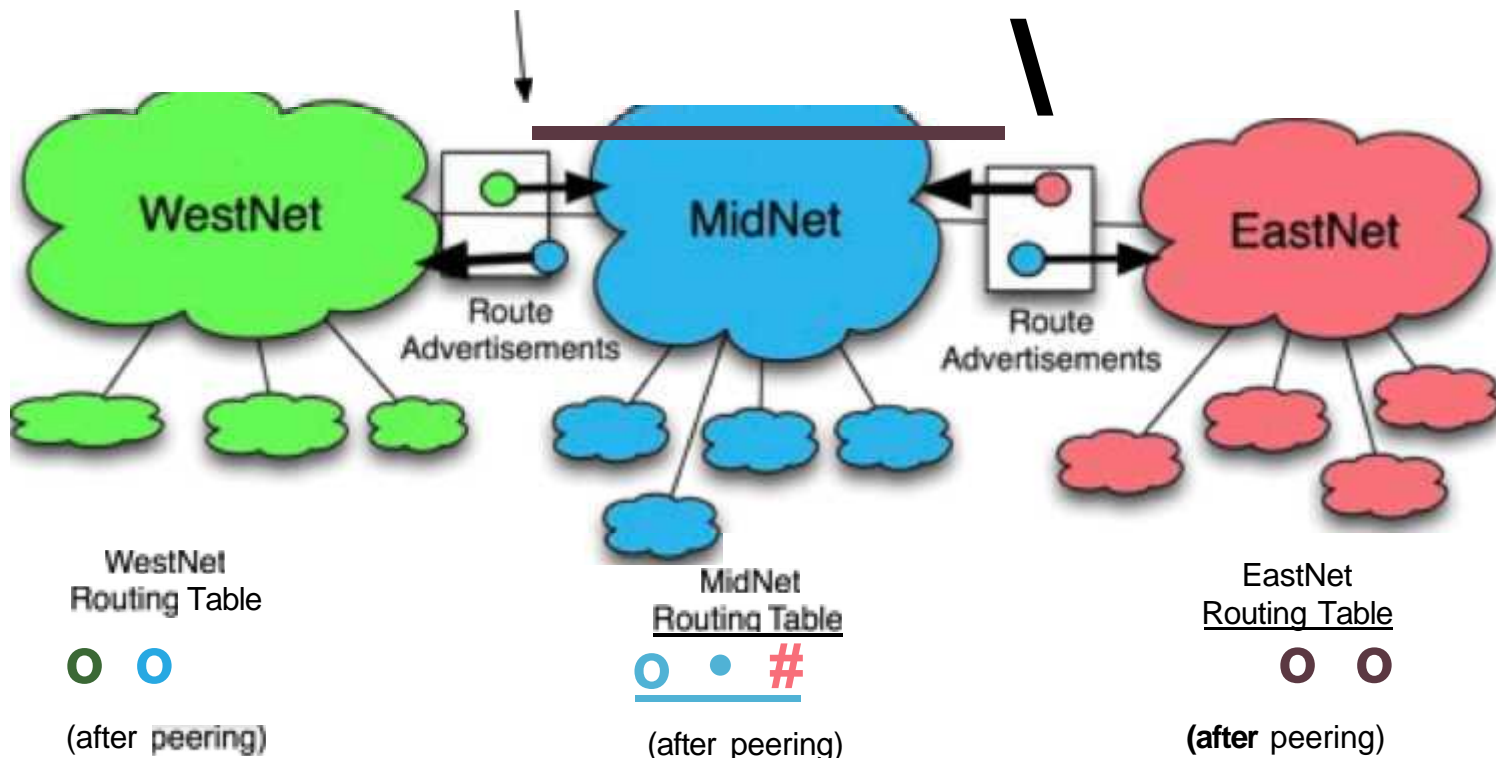
Where is that traffic going?

Global Internet

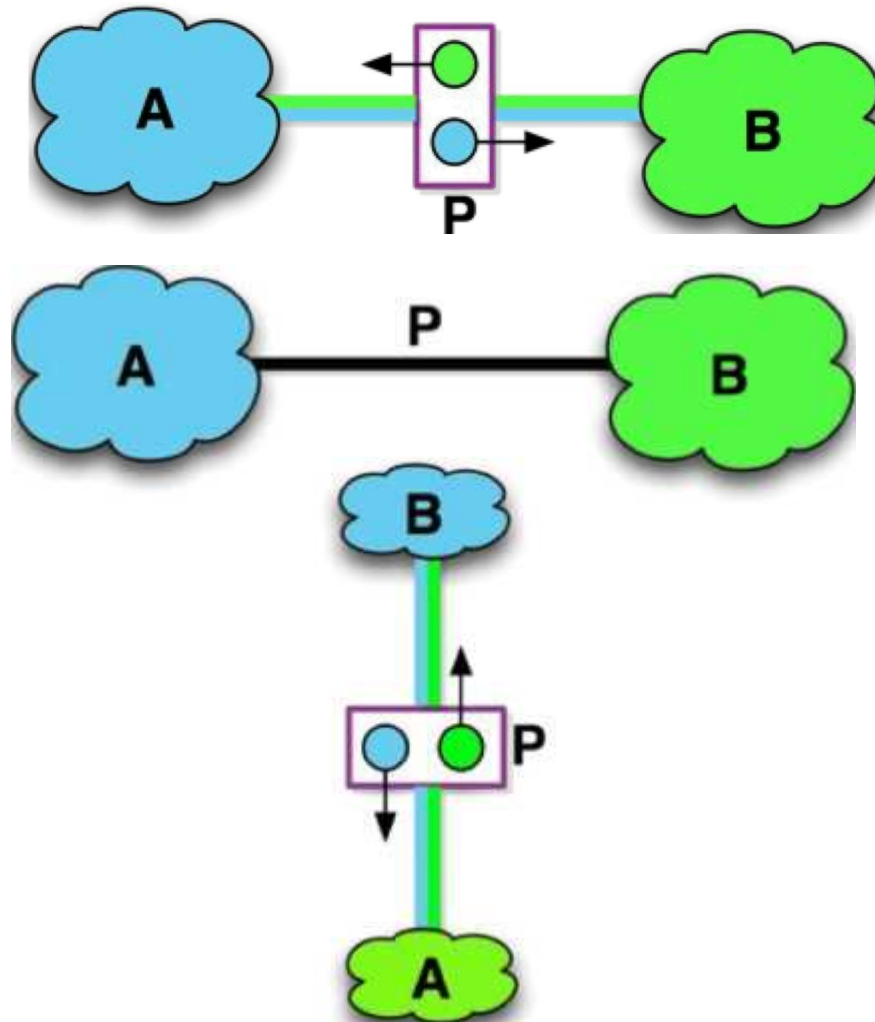


# Internet Peering Definition

**Definition:** *Internet Peering* is the business relationship whereby two companies reciprocally provide access to each other's customers. Peering Peering

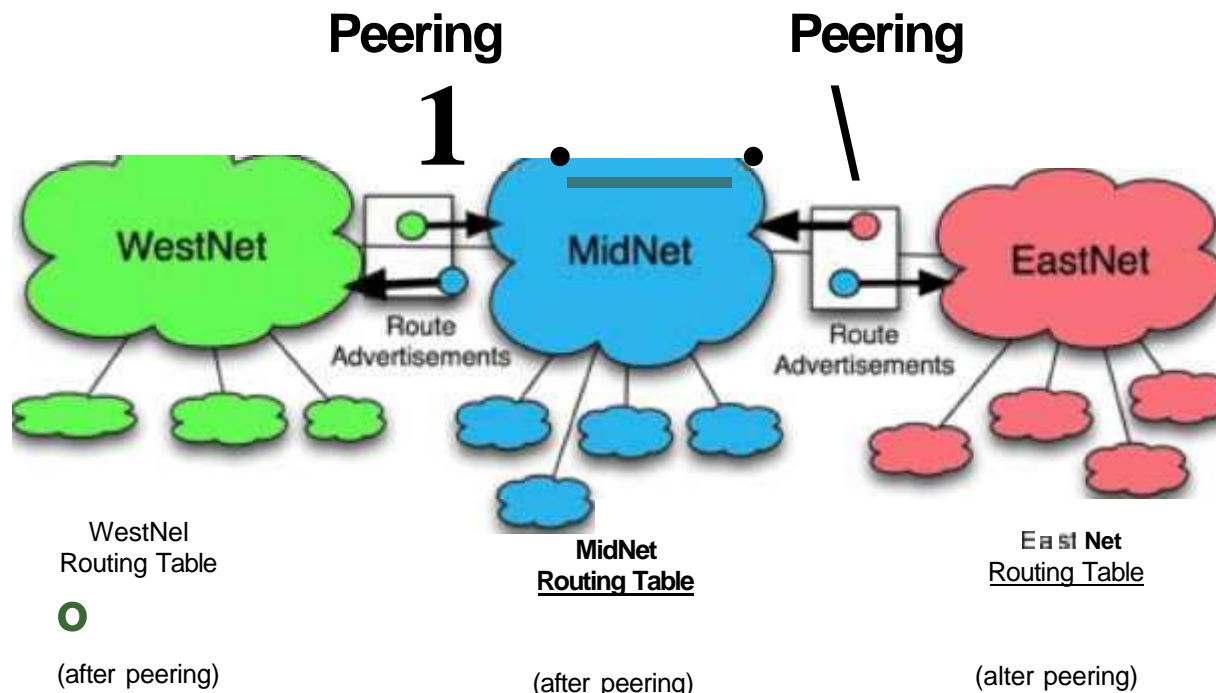


# Internet Peering notation



# 3 Key points about Internet Peering

- 1) Internet Peering is not a transitive relationship
- 2) Internet Peering is not a perfect substitute for Internet Transit
- 3) Internet Peering is typically settlement-free





# Top Five Motivations for Peering

Reduce Transit Costs

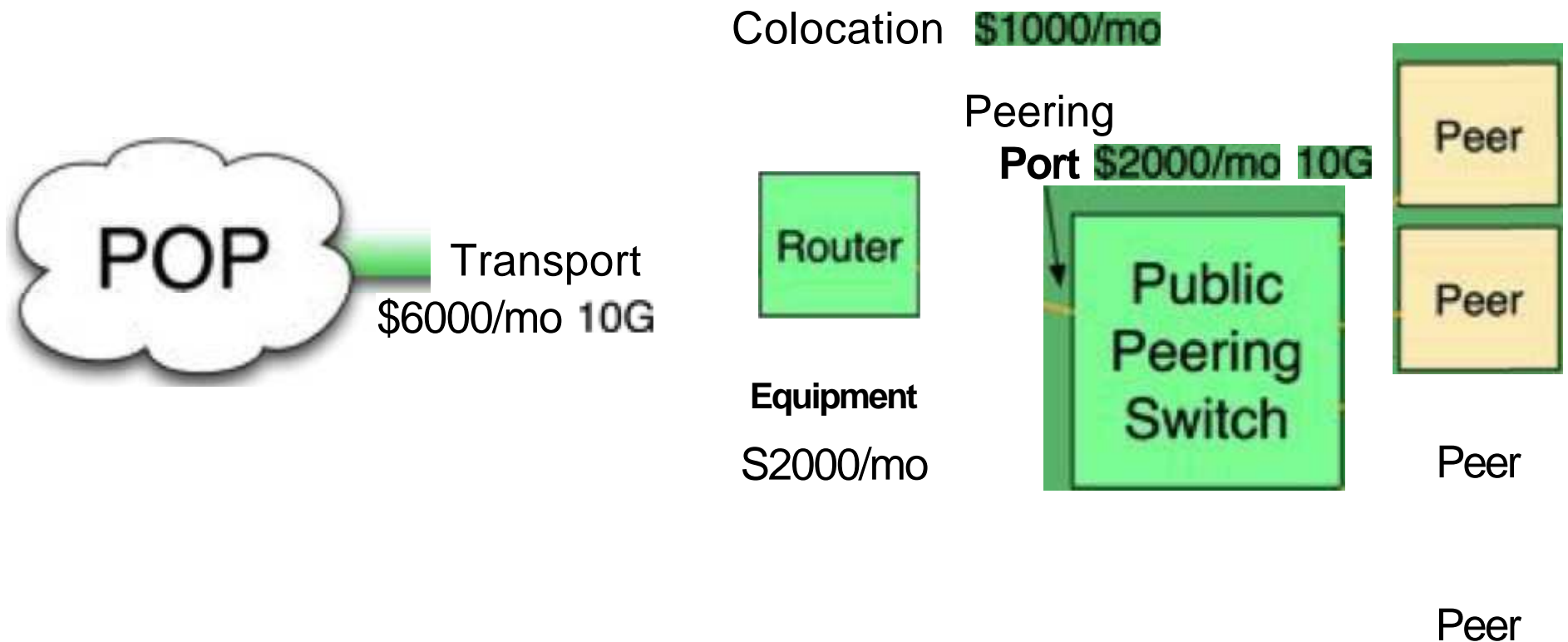
Better End-User Experience

Control Over Routing

Make more \$\$ - Usage Based Billing

Marketing Benefits of Peering

# The Business Case for Peering



Source: 2010 DE-CIX Member Meeting discussions

<b>Mbps</b>	<b>Peering Cost</b>	
100	\$110.00	per Mbps
200	\$55.00	per Mbps
300	\$36.67	per Mbps
400	\$27.50	per Mbps
500	\$22.00	per Mbps
600	\$18.33	per Mbps
700	\$15.71	per Mbps
800	\$13.75	per Mbps
900	<b>\$12.22</b>	per Mbps
1000	\$11.00	per Mbps
1100	\$10.00	per Mbps
1200	\$9.17	per Mbps
1300	\$8.46	per Mbps
<b>1400</b>	\$7.86	per Mbps
1500	\$7.33	per Mbps
1600	\$6.88	per Mbps
1700	\$6.47	per Mbps
1800	\$6.11	per Mbps
1900	\$5.79	per Mbps
2000	\$5.50	per Mbps
2100	\$5.24	per Mbps

# Cost of Peering

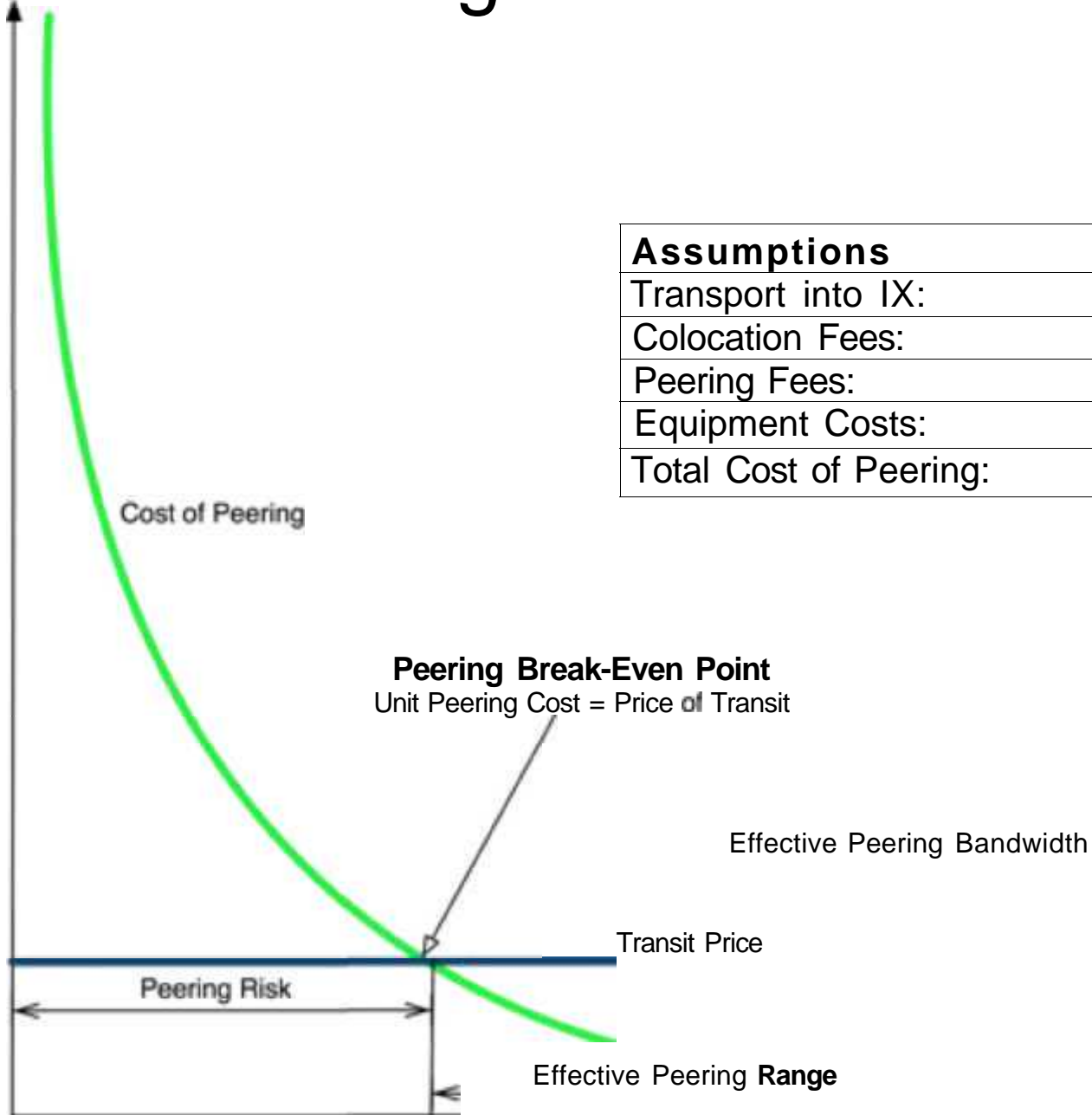
## Assumptions

Transport into IX:	<b>Far</b>	
	\$6,000	per month
Colocation Fees:	\$1,000	per month
Peering Fees:	\$2,000	per month
<u>Equipment Costs:</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>per month</u>
Total Cost of Peering:	\$11,000	per month

"If you can peer 1000Mbps for free, but it costs You \$11,000 per month to build into the Internet Exchange Point, the cost of peering is \$11,000/1000Mbs=\$10/Mbps."

# Peering vs Transit

\$/Mbps



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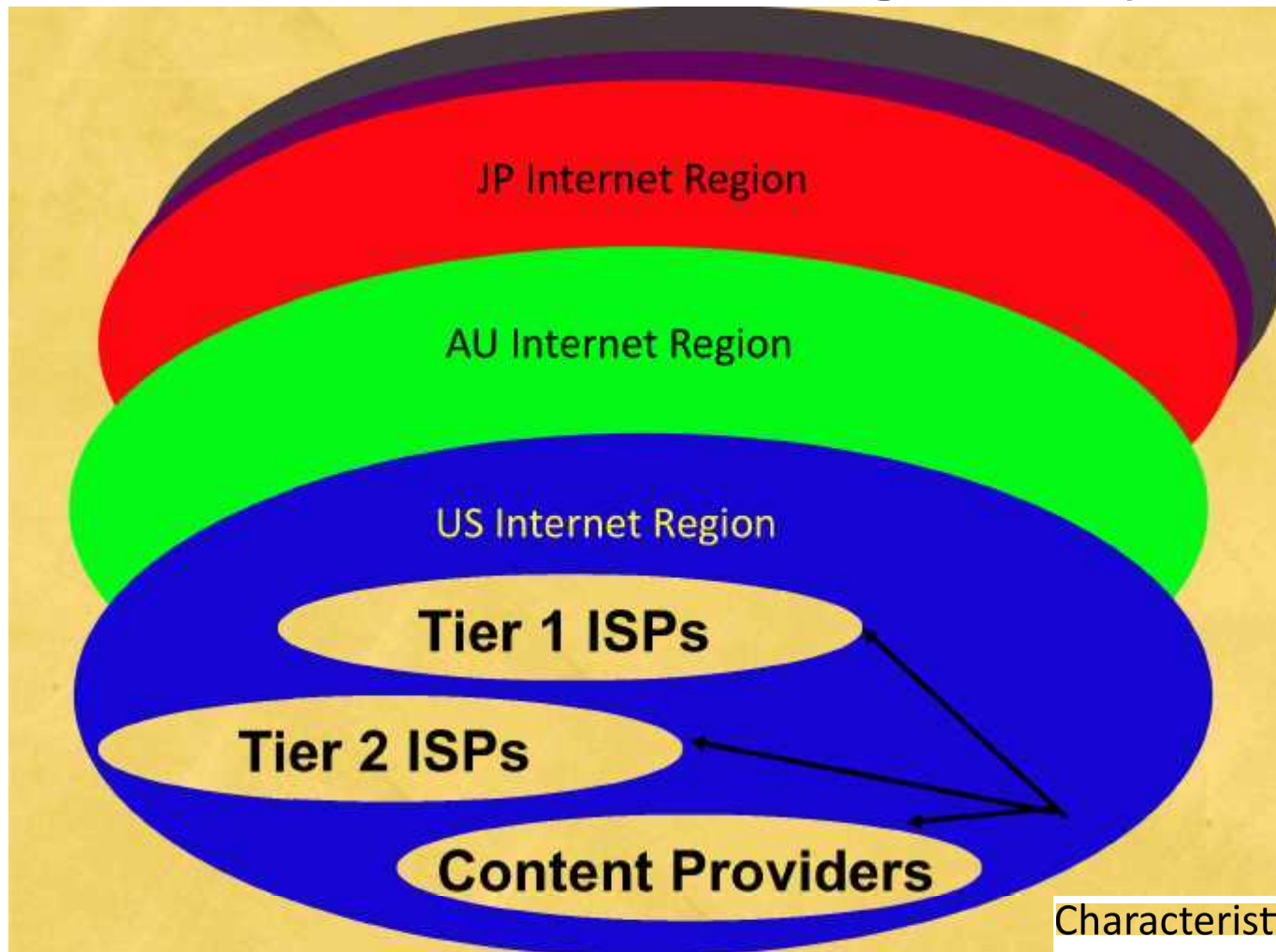
Some context :

# The Internet Peering Ecosystem

Internet viewed as a Global Internet  
Peering Ecosystem

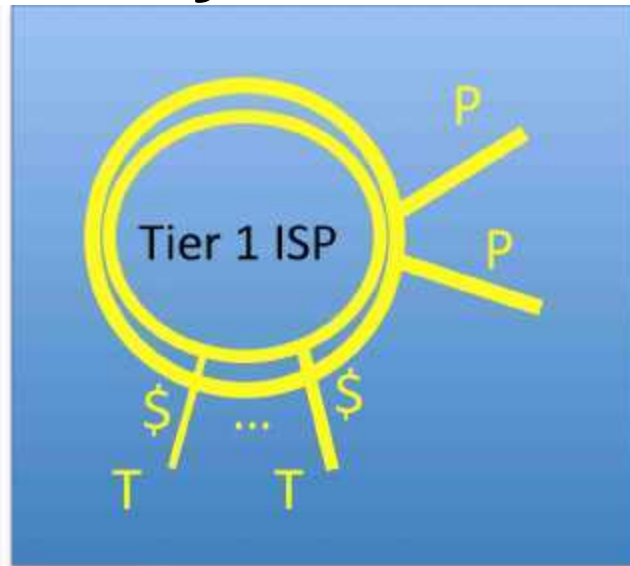
Def: Global Internet Peering Ecosystem consists of a set of interconnected internet regions (countries).

## Global Internet Peering Ecosystem



Characteristics of these  
Ecosystem Organisms?

# Ecosystem Member: Tier 1 ISP

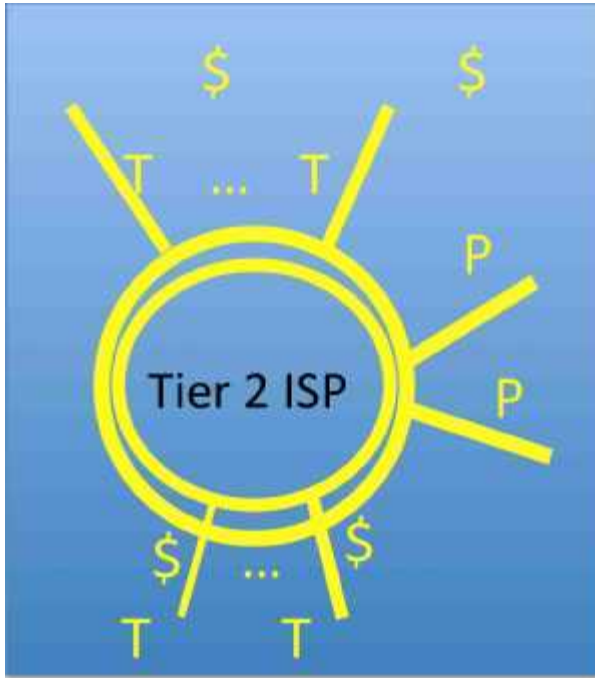


**Def: A Tier 1 ISP is an ISP that has access to the ENTIRE Internet Region Routing Table solely via Free Peering Relationships**

(Doesn't buy transit from anyone to reach any destination in the Internet Region.)

Motivation: Is NOT motivated to Peer in region to reduce transit fees,  
Is NOT motivated to peer with anybody else.

Behavior: "Restrictive" Peering  
\*def: Policy



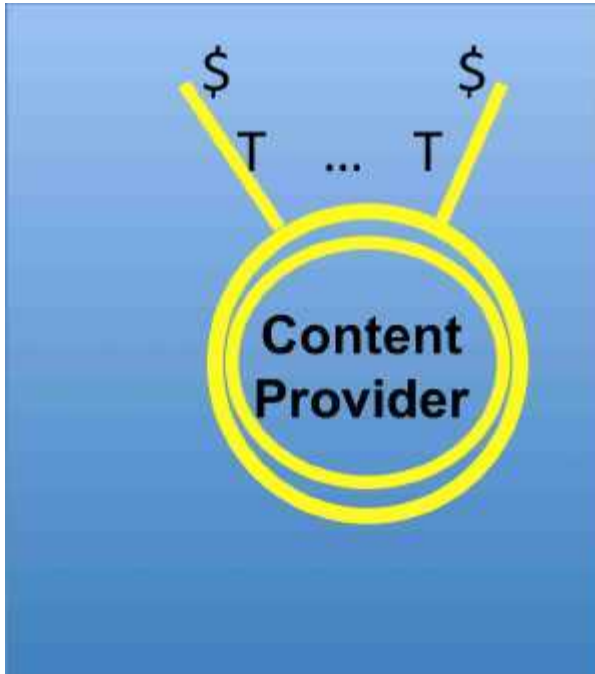
## Ecosystem Member: Tier 2 ISP

**Def:** A **Tier 2 ISP** is an ISP that has to purchase Transit to access some part of the Internet Region.

**Motivation:** Is motivated to Peer in region to reduce transit fees.

**Behavior:** "Open" Peering or  
"Selective" Peering Policy  
Active in Peering Forums





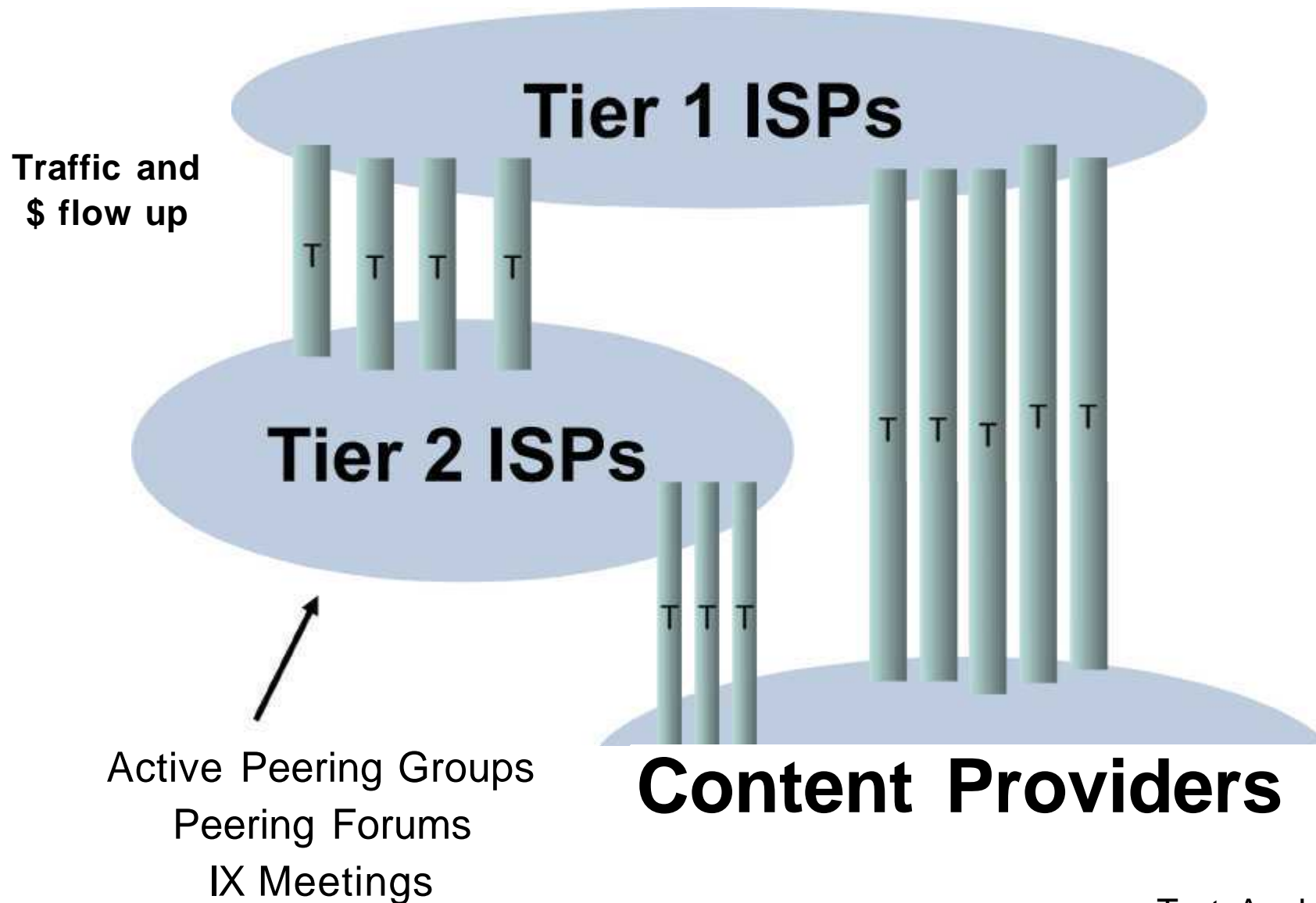
# Content Providers

**Def: A Content Provider focuses on content development and does not sell access to the Internet.**

**Motivation: SLAs w/well known ISP**

**Behavior: "No Peering" Policy**

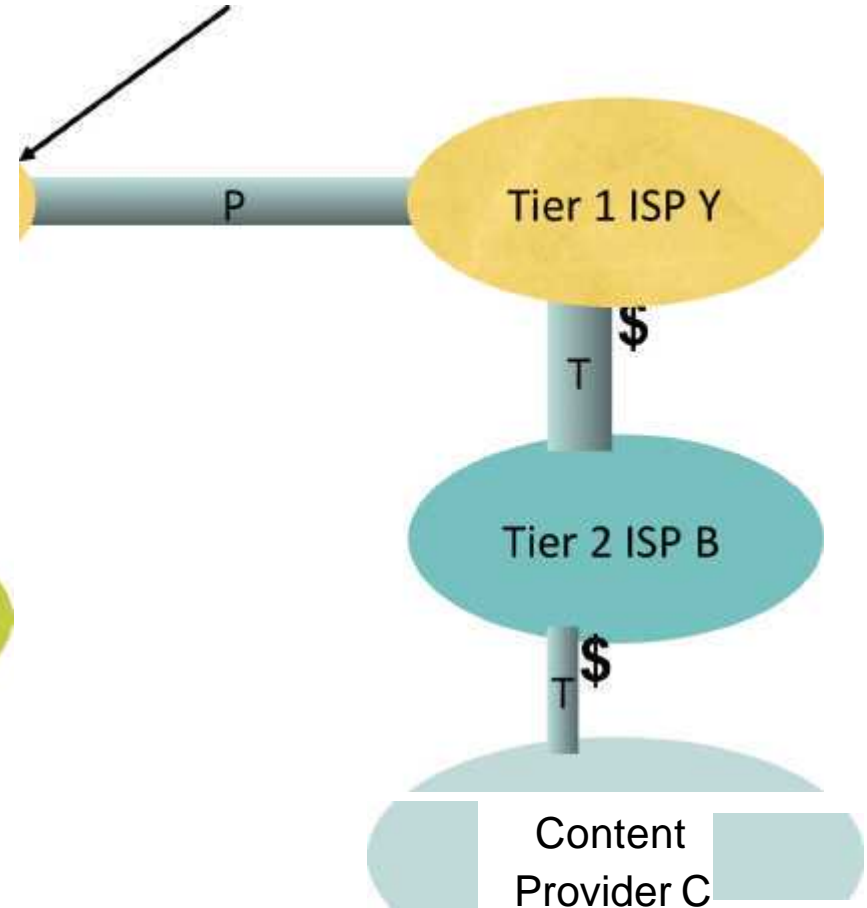
# Internet Peering Ecosystem



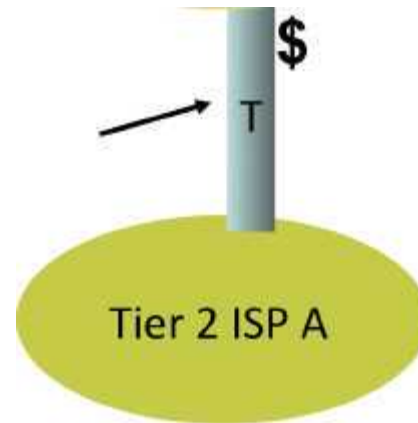
Test: Apply defs.

# Quiz

2) Definition of Peering:

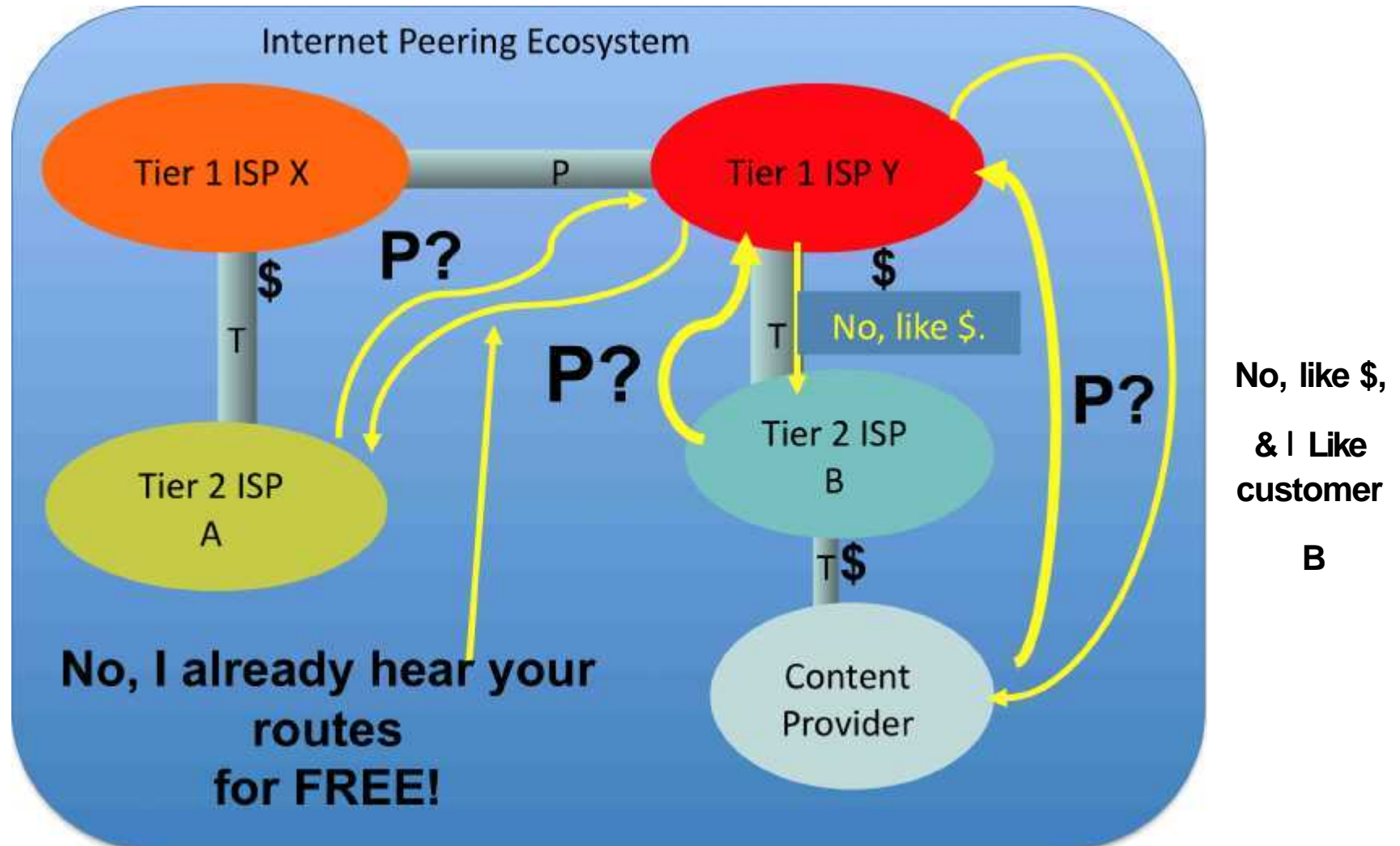


1) Definition of Transit:



- 3) Definition of an “Open” Peering Policy:
- 4) Definition of a “Selective” Peering Policy: \_
- 5) Definition of a “Restrictive” Peering Policy:

# Apply Defs: Peering Dynamics & Motivations



Synch Point:

You have all the definitions needed to predict behavior in the Peering Ecosystem.

# The Peering Simulation Game

Let's exercise these definitions

# The Players

Internet Service Provider A

- Peering Coordinator

Internet Service Provider B

- Peering Coordinator

Internet Service Provider C

- Peering Coordinator

Internet Service Provider D

- Peering Coordinator

# 3 Helpers

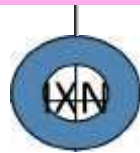
Transit Provider X

Transit Provider Y

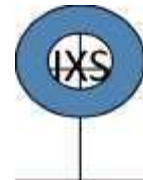
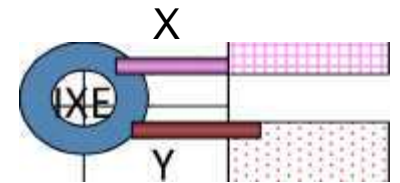
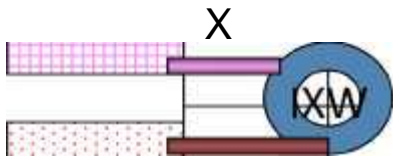
Exchange Point Operator

ran it Provider

# The Peering Game



B



D

Transit Provider Y



# 3 Rules

1. Goal: **Maximize bank holdings**. Make money by acquiring customers and reduce transit costs by peering
2. Play: Roll the dice and expand your network by selecting that many adjacent "squares" of customers

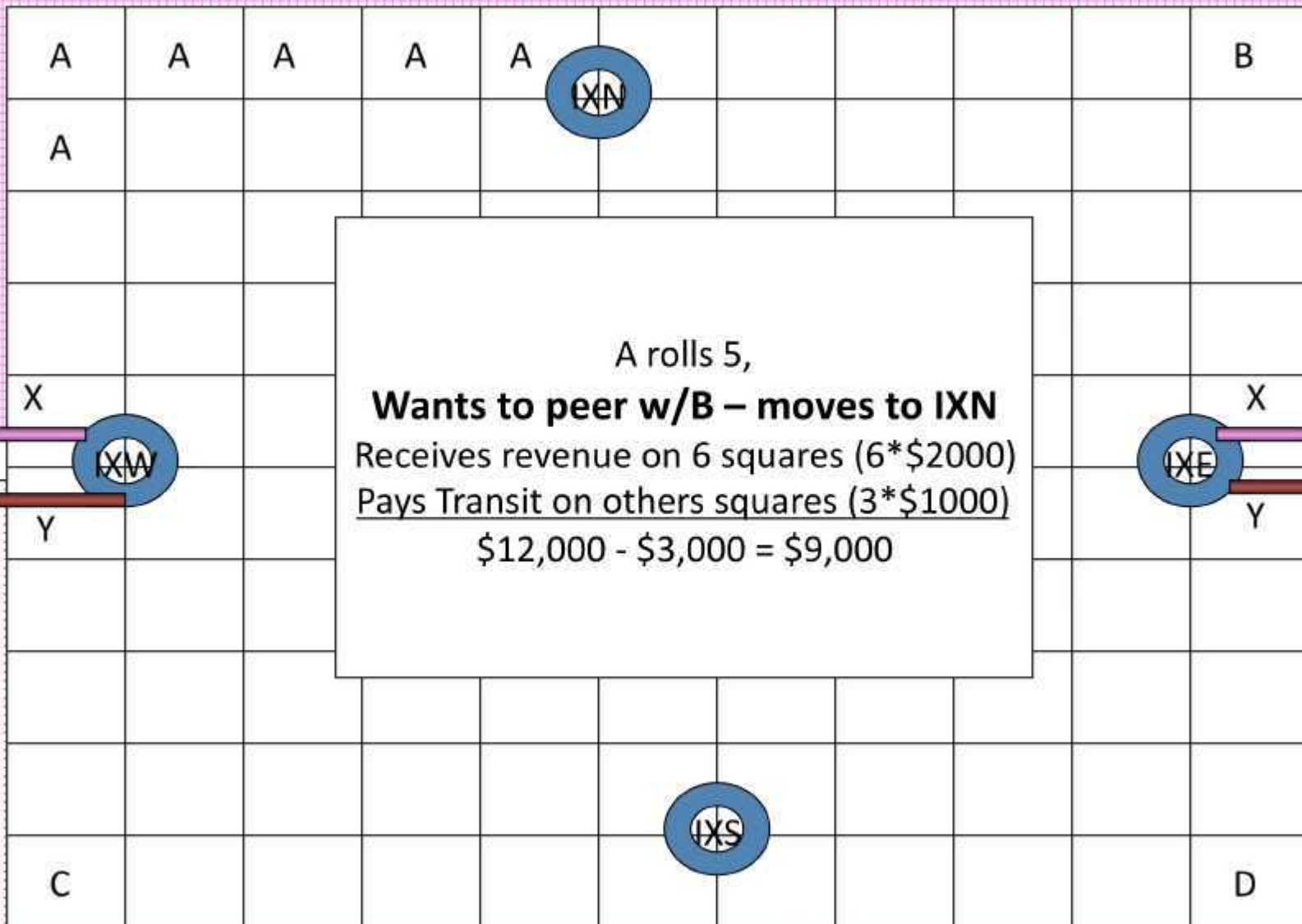
Gain transit revenue of \$200 for each customer square you own

Pay transit fees of \$1000 for each square of traffic that **other** ISPs own

3. If at Exchange Point, two ISPs can **negotiate peering**:
  - \$2000 recurring cost and loss of 2 turns, ISPs negotiates who covers the costs of peering
  - Peering ISPs do not have to pay transit for each others squares starting the next turn

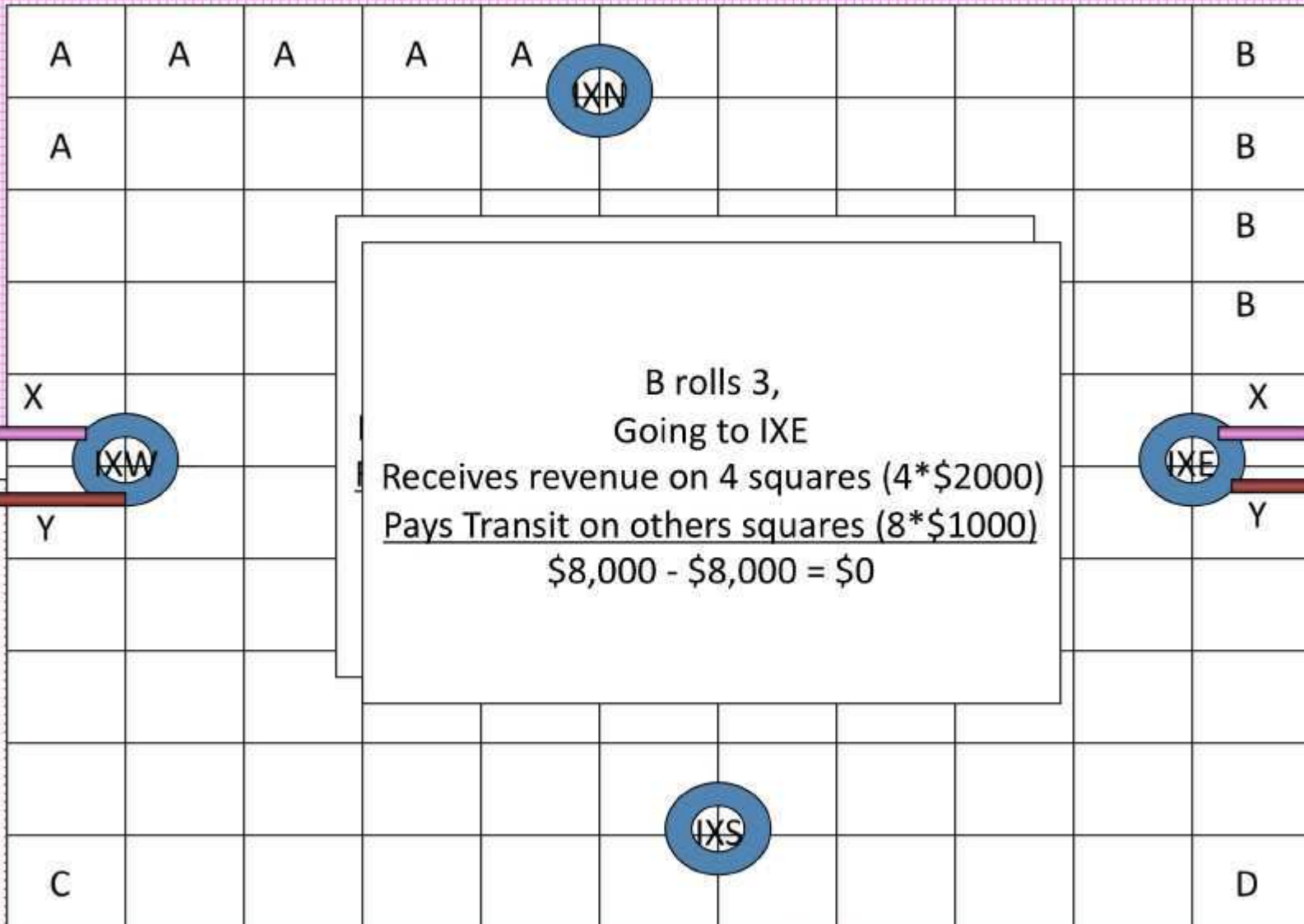
Quick round

Transit Provider X



Transit Provider Y

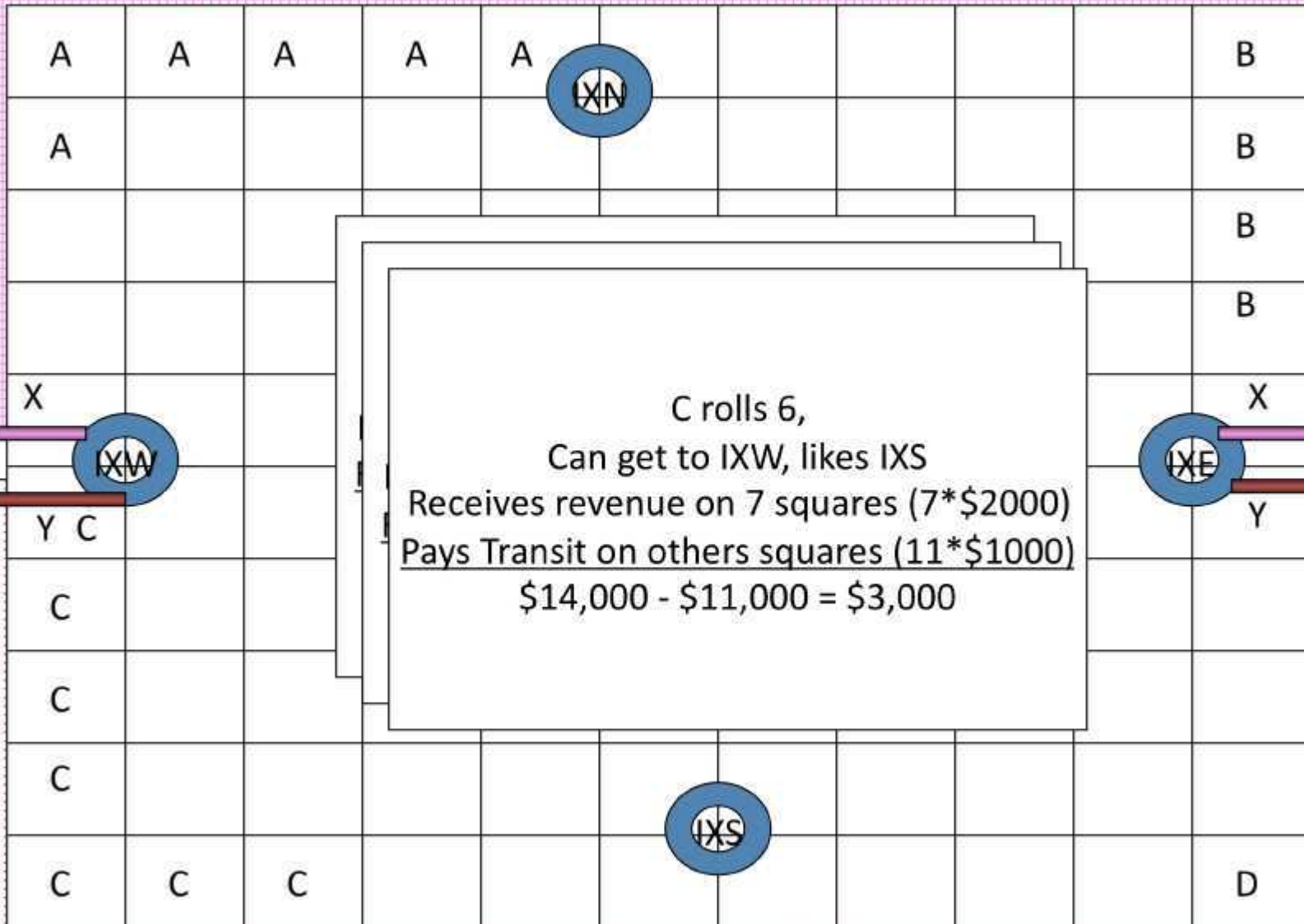
Transit Provider X



Transit Provider Y

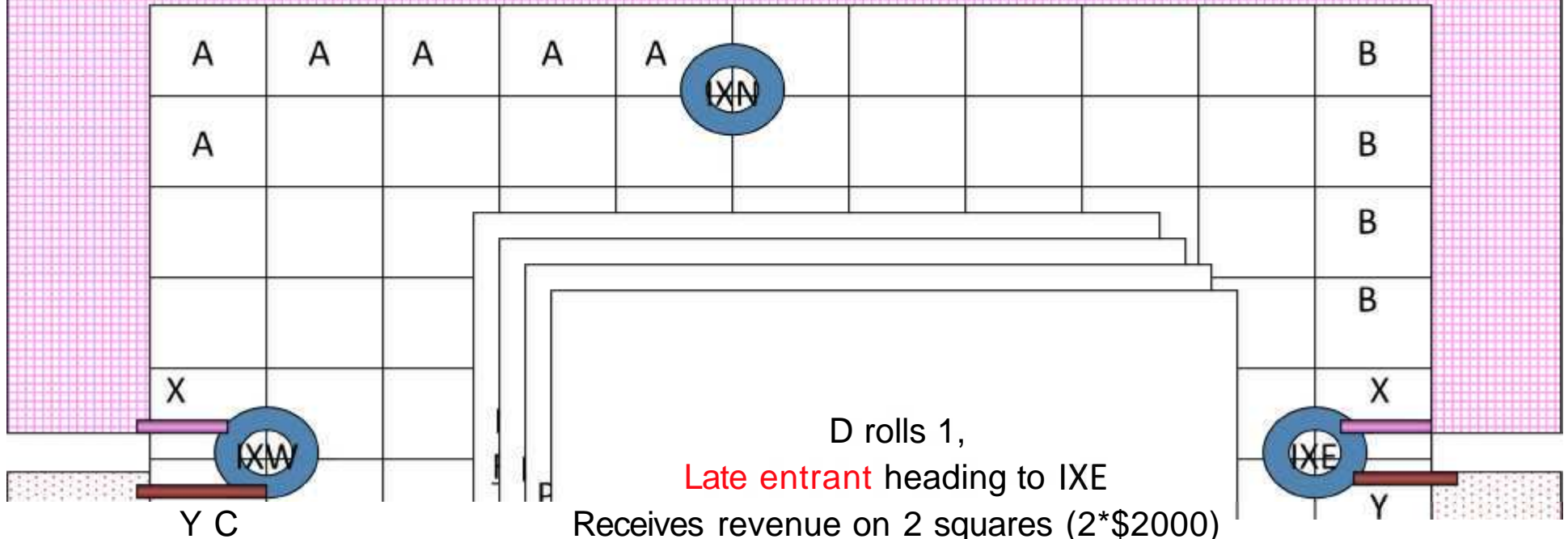


Transit Provider X



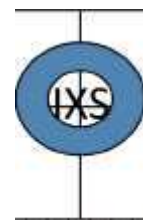
Transit Provider Y

## Transit Provider X



Y C

D rolls 1,  
**Late entrant** heading to IXE  
 Receives revenue on 2 squares (2\*\$2000)  
Pays Transit on others squares (17\*\$1000)  
 $\$4,000 - \$17,000 = -\$13,000$



D

D

Transit Provider Y

# Scoreboard after Round 1

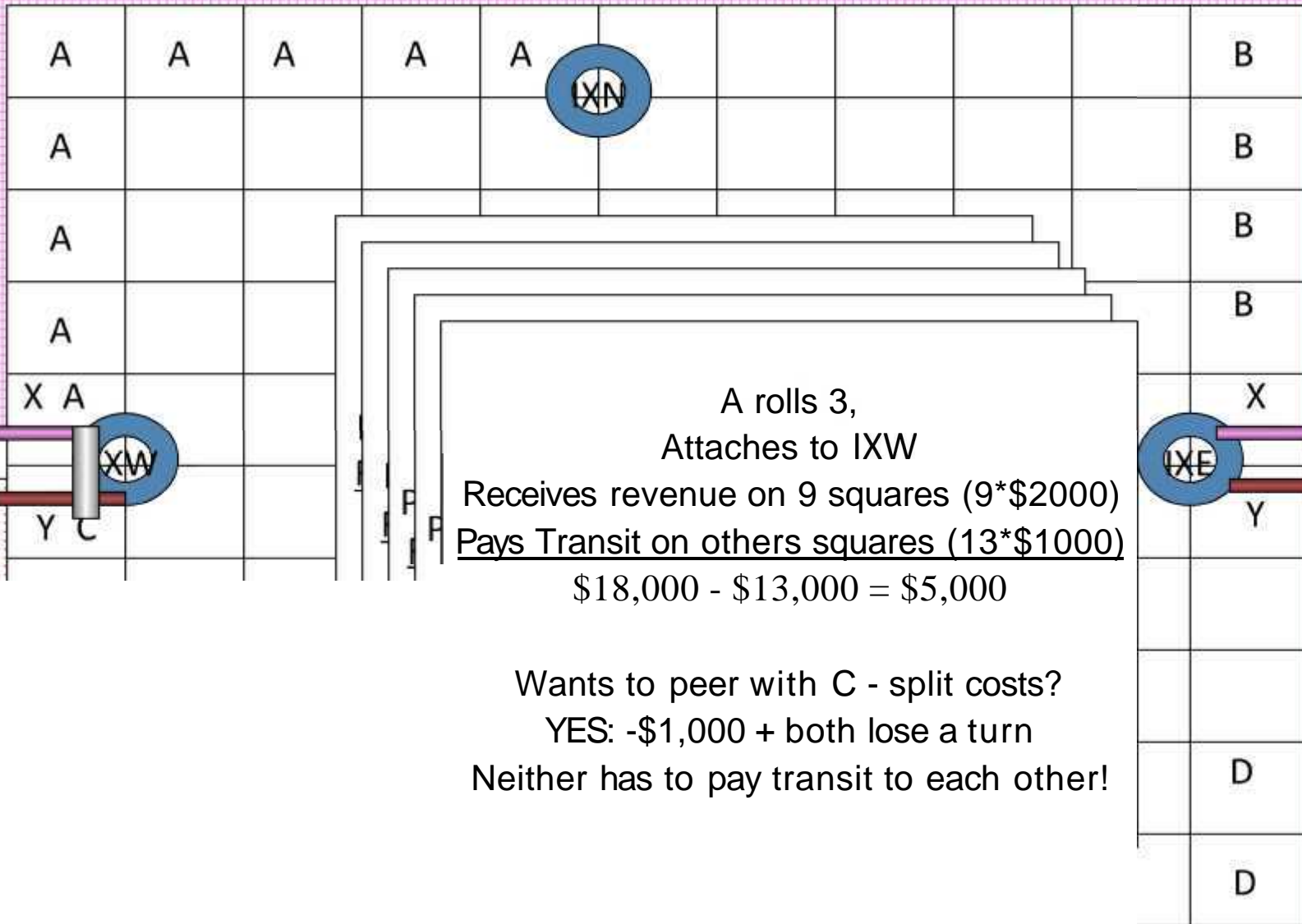
ISP A: \$9,000

ISP B: \$0

ISPC: \$3,000

ISPD: -\$13,000

## Transit Provider X



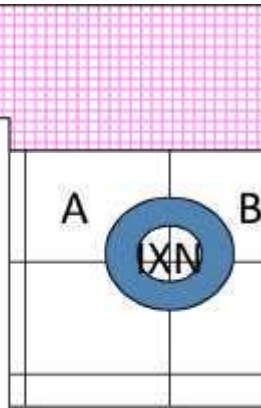
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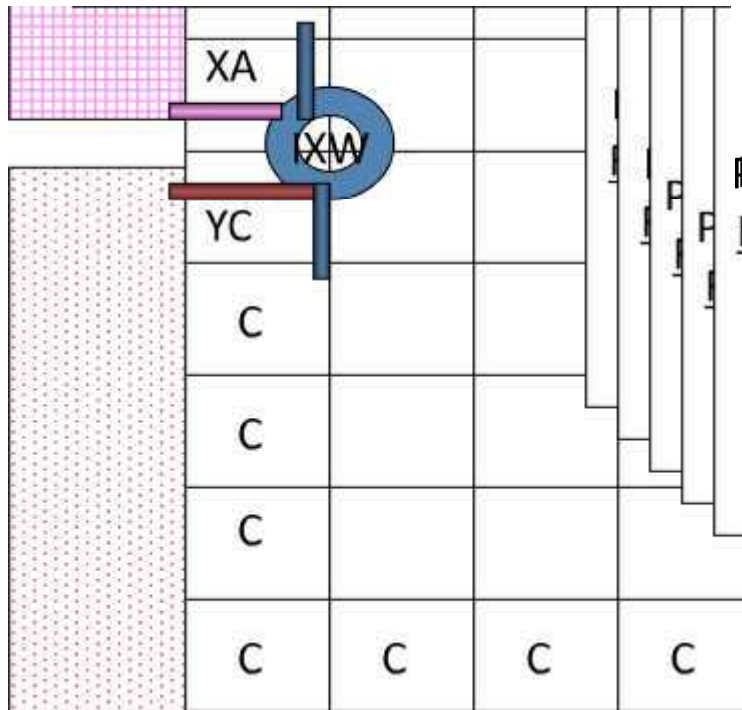
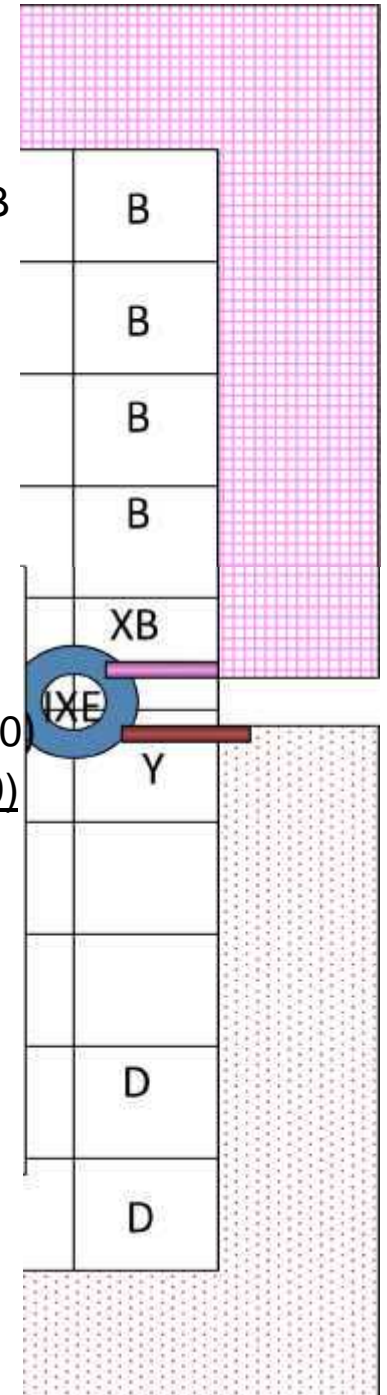
Transit Provider

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A Position  
9 Revenue squares  
1 lost turn  
Peering w/C  
reduced cost \$8000/turn



B B B B



B rolls 6,  
Attaches to IXE\*IXN  
Receives revenue on 10 squares (10\*\$2000)  
Pays Transit on others squares (21\*\$1000)  
 $\$20,000 - \$21,000 = -\$1,000$

Wants to peer with A - split costs?  
NO: You pissed me off,  
Yes: if \$0 & B lose both turns  
Both walk away

Transit Provider Y



# Let's play!

## WELCOME TO **BILLAND**

4 ISPs that have never played before

Open Board

\$35,000 VC Funding

\$25,000 VC Funding

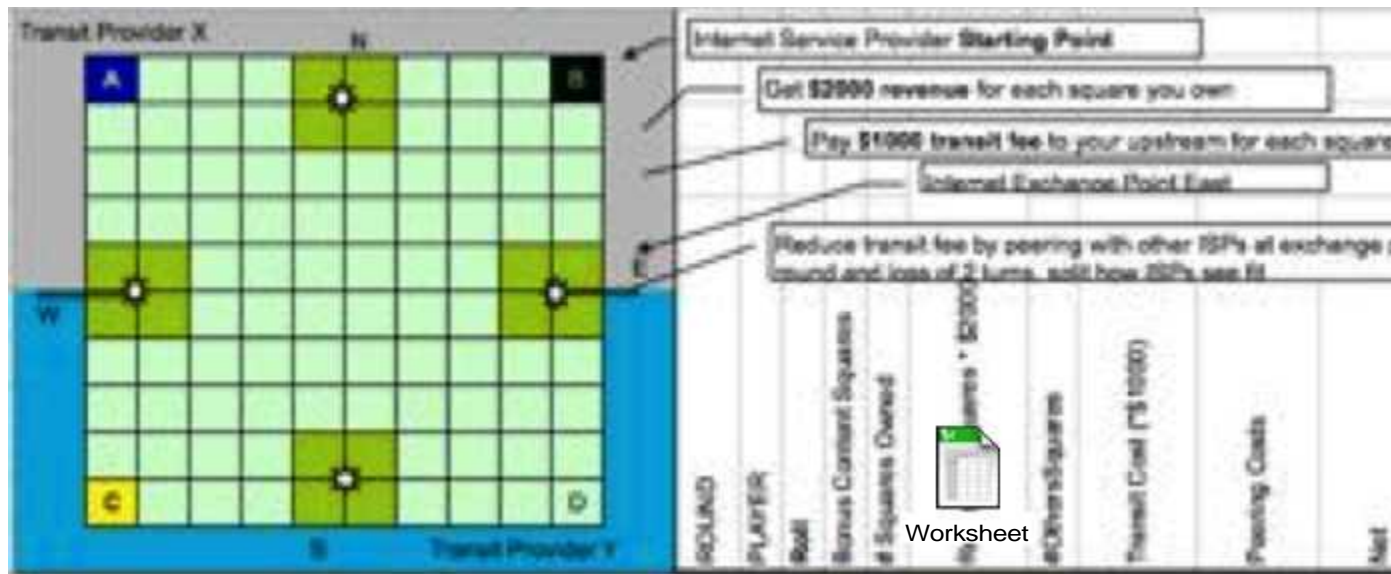
1¥ = \$1000

We want to hear your thought process and peering negotiations

Winner- prize

WINNER: At 5:25?PM we will stop and assume that every roll was a "3" from that point on out to 12 rounds..

# Play the Peering Simulation Game...



I'M

i

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(of NOT) (rel. Cost of)

At end of game we

roll a 31

(account at the end)

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Worksheet