

Lab – DDOS Attack Mitigation



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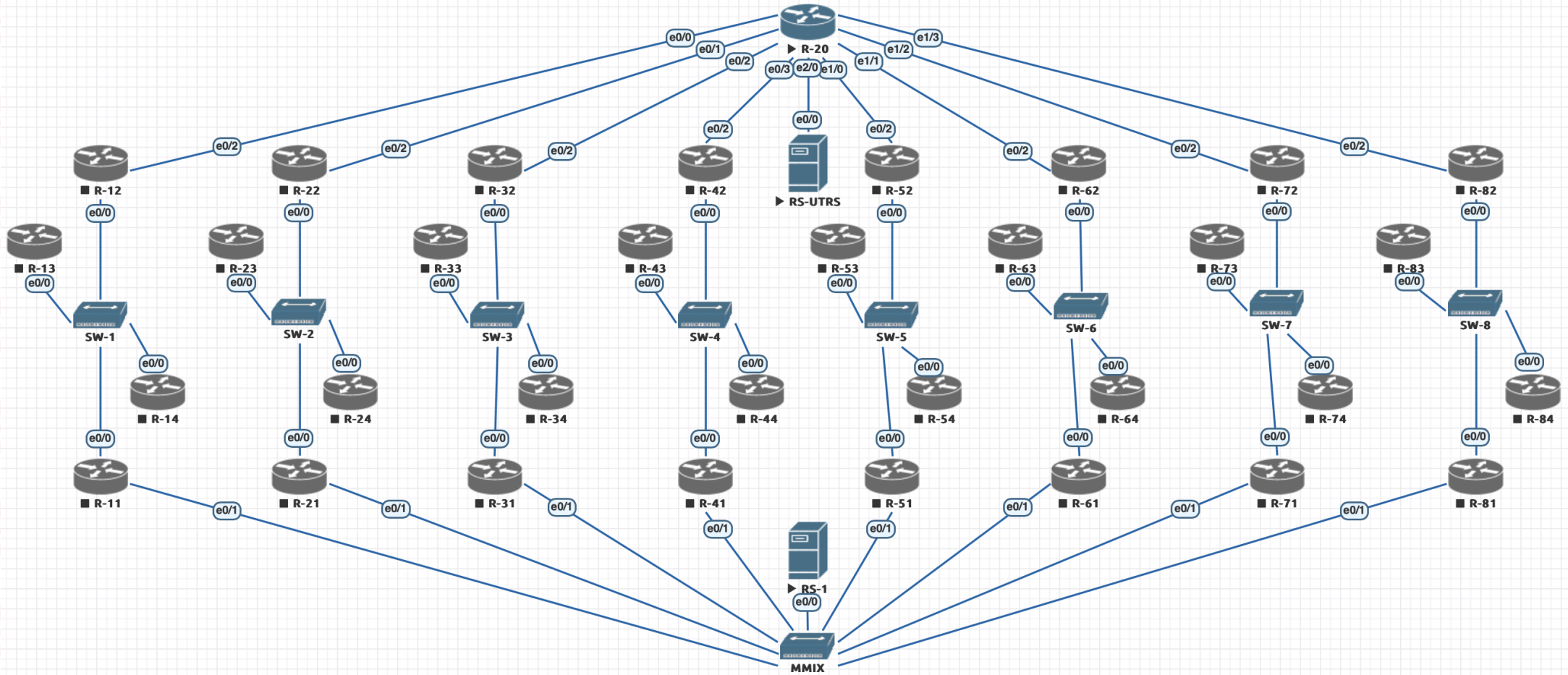
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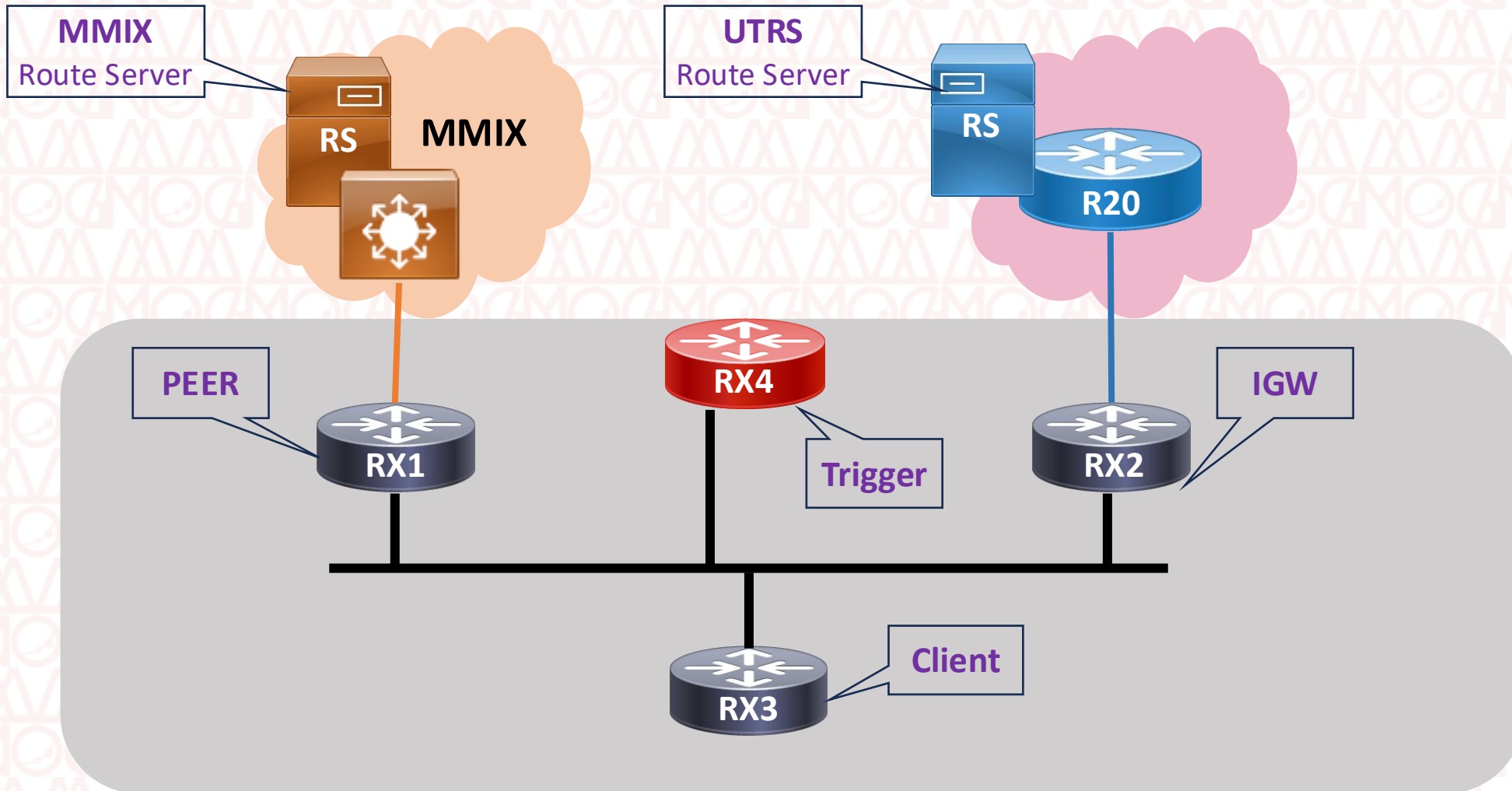
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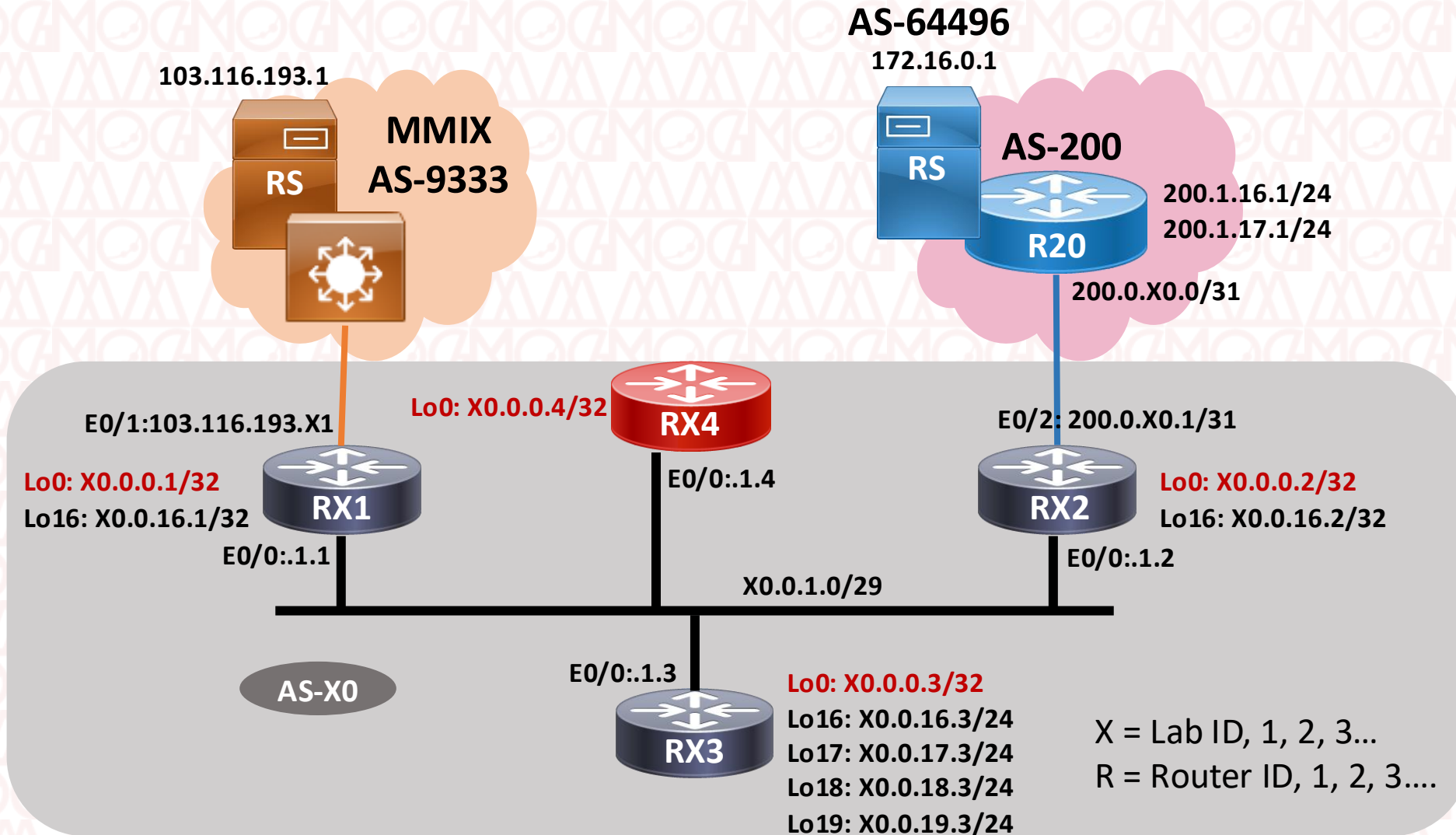
LAB – DDOS Overall Diagram



LAB – DDOS Functioning Diagram



LAB – DDOS Diagram - Details



Basic Configurations

Prefix-list

bgp communities

route-map

1. create prefix-lists of the following



1. allow host only.
2. deny default-gateway.
3. allow all IPs.
4. allow all IP longer than /24 (starting /25)
5. allow prefixes of
 - 10.0.18.0/24
 - 10.0.19.0/24
6. allow prefixes of
 - 10.0.16.0/24
 - 10.0.17.0/24
 - 10.0.18.0/24
 - 10.0.19.0/24

1. create prefix-lists - Answers



1. allow host only.

```
ip prefix-list PRF-HOST permit 0.0.0.0/32
```

2. deny default-gateway.

```
ip prefix-list PRF-DGW deny 0.0.0.0/0
```

3. allow all IPs.

```
ip prefix-list PRF-ALL permit 0.0.0.0/0 le 32
```

4. allow all IP prefixes longer than /24 (starting /25)

```
ip prefix-list PRF-25 permit 0.0.0.0/0 ge 25
```

5. allow prefixes of 10.0.18.0/24 and 10.0.19.0/24

```
ip prefix-list PRF-18-19 permit 10.0.18.0/23 le 24
```

6. allow prefixes of 10.0.16.0/24 to 10.0.19.0/24

```
ip prefix-list PRF-16 permit 10.0.16.0/22 le 24
```

2. BGP community & route-map



@Create a standard community list

```
ip community-list standard <NAME> permit <aa:nn>
```

@Route-map

```
route-map <NAME> permit/deny <seq>
  match
  set
```

@route-map - Example

```
route-map RM-TRANSIT-IN permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list PRF-MINE
  match as-path 10
  set community no-advertise
  set local-preference 200
```

@route-map - binding

```
router bgp 10
  neighbor 200.0.2.1 route-map RM-TRANSIT-IN out
  redistribute static route-map RTBH
```


2. show bgp using regular expressions



@ show bgp all prefixes from local AS

@ show bgp prefixes originated from AS200 that is directly connect to our AS.

@ show bgp prefixes that transit directly connected AS200.

@ show bgp prefixes that transit AS200.

2. show bgp using regular expressions



@ show bgp all prefixes from local AS

```
R11# show ip bgp regexp ^$
```

@ show bgp prefixes originated from AS200 that is directly connect to our AS.

```
R11# show ip bgp regexp ^200$
```

@ show bgp prefixes that transit directly connected AS200.

```
R11# show ip bgp regexp ^200_
```

@ show bgp prefixes that transit AS200.

```
R11# show ip bgp regexp _200_
```



Sr.	Exercises
1	RTBH, Global Black Hole, within an ISP
2	RTBH, Community Method, Regional Black Hole, within an ISP
3	RTBH, Black Hole with IX Peers at MMIX
4	UTRS,
5	Next-hop
6	Sinkhole

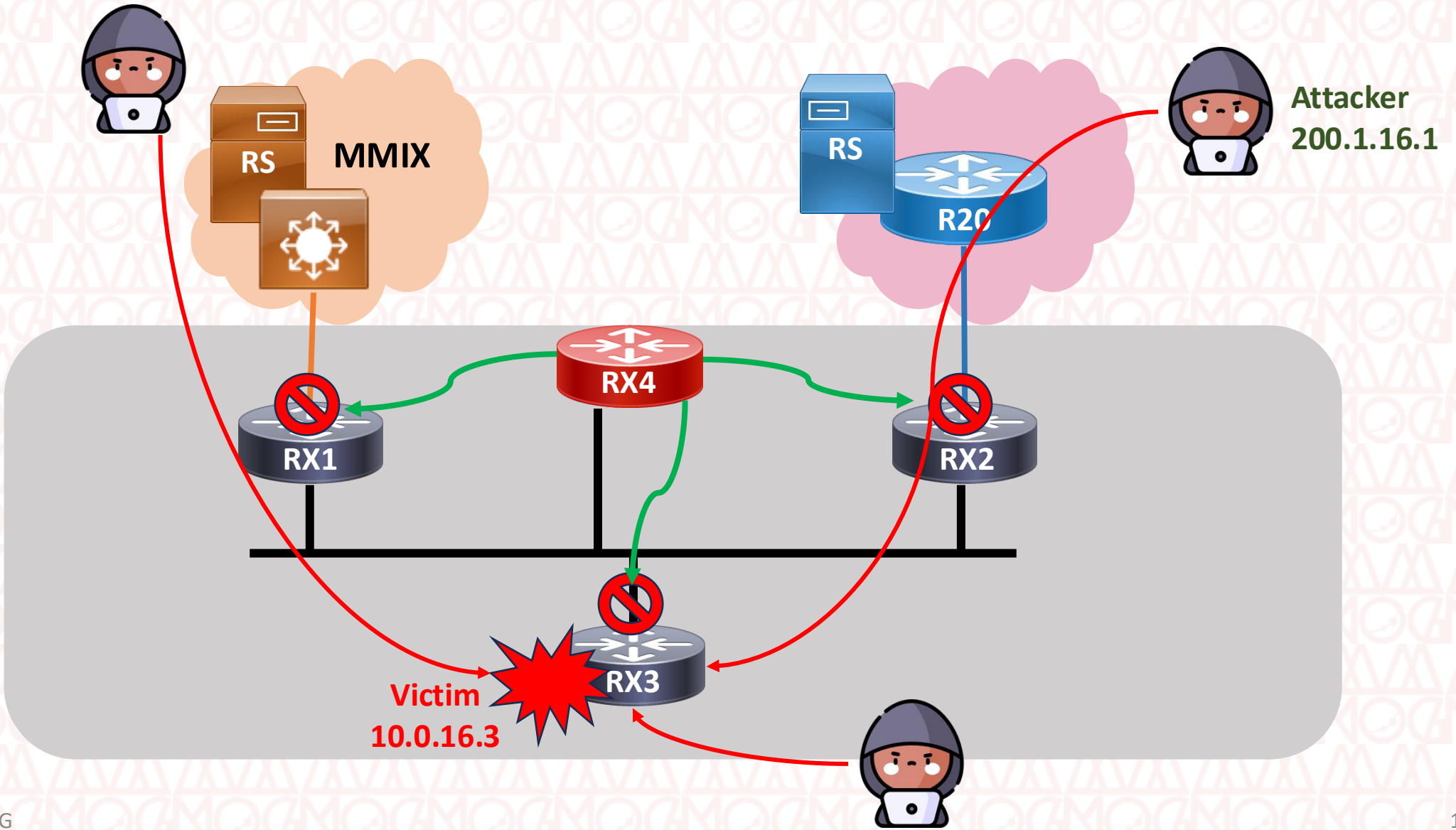
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RTBH

Remote Trigger Black Hole

Global Black Hole

within an ISP





Using Trigger Machine

The route map black-hole-trigger is applied prior to redistributing static routes into BGP. The following occurs in the route map before

- redistributing the route to iBGP peers:
- Match on a tag value of 66.
- Set the next hop to 192.0.2.1.
- The local-preference is set to 200.
- The origin is set to IGP.
- The community is set to no-export.

1. Prepare Null Interfaces and Trigger Machine



```
Rx1(config)#
```

```
ip route 192.0.2.1 255.255.255.255 null 0
interface Null0
no ip unreachable
```

```
Rx2(config)#
```

```
ip route 192.0.2.1 255.255.255.255 null 0
interface Null0
no ip unreachable
```

```
Rx3(config)#
```

```
ip route 192.0.2.1 255.255.255.255 null 0
interface Null0
no ip unreachable
```

```
Rx4(config)#
```

```
ip route 192.0.2.1 255.255.255.255 null 0
interface Null0
no ip unreachable
```

```
! Create a route-map for Trigger
```

```
Rx4(config)#
```

```
route-map RTBH permit 10
match tag 66
set local-preference 200
set origin igp
set community no-export
set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
```

```
! Config BGP
```

```
router bgp 10
redistribute static route-map RTBH
```

2. Trigger Test (Destination Attack & Source Attack)



! Assume IP X0.0.16.3 is under attack. Trigger that IP for black hole.

!check ping test by outside router to this victim IP before config.

!Trigger null routing.

Rx4 (config) #

```
ip route 10.0.16.3 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 66
```

!Check routing tables of the Routers. Should noticed null routed route.

!AT Rx1, Rx2, Rx3

show ip bgp

Network	Next Hop	Metric	LocPrf	Weight	Path
*>i 10.0.16.0/24	10.0.0.3	0	100	0	i
*>i 10.0.16.3/32	192.0.2.1	0	200	0	i

! Assuming IP 200.1.16.1 is an attacker. Cut packets responding to source IP of attacker.

!check ping test to 200.1.16.1 before config.

Rx4 (config) #

```
ip route 200.1.16.1 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 66
```


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RTBH

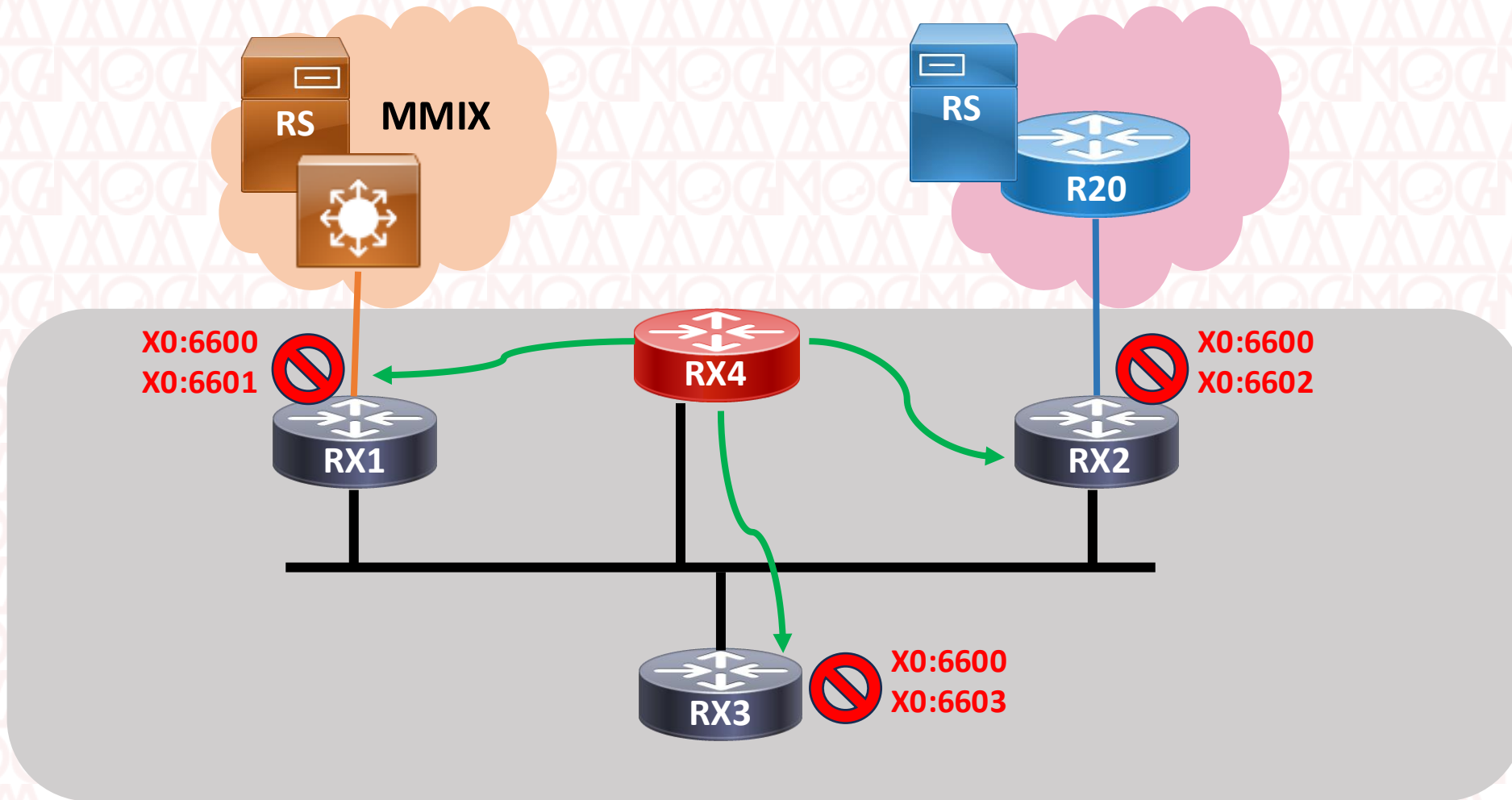
Community Method

Regional Black Hole

within an ISP

We will define the following community value for regional Black hole filtering.

Description	Community	Remark
Black Hole at All	X0:6600	Drop Attack at all edge Routers
Black Hole at RX1	X0:6601	Drop Attack at Peer Router
Black Hole at RX2	X0:6602	Drop Attack at Gateway Router
Black Hole at RX3	X0:6603	Drop Attack at Client Router



1. Community Based route-map at Trigger Machine



RX4 (config) #

```
route-map RTBH permit 60
match tag 6600
set local-preference 200
set origin igp
set community 10:6600 no-export
set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
route-map RTBH permit 61
match tag 6601
set local-preference 200
set origin igp
set community 10:6601 no-export
set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
```

router bgp 10

neighbor IBGP send-community

```
route-map RTBH permit 62
match tag 6602
set local-preference 200
set origin igp
set community 10:6602 no-export
set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
route-map RTBH permit 63
match tag 6603
set local-preference 200
set origin igp
set community 10:6603 no-export
set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
```

2. Preparation at Edged Machines



! At Rx3, create community list

! At Rx2, create community list

! At Rx1, create community list

```
ip community-list standard CM-RTBH-YES permit 10:6600
ip community-list standard CM-RTBH-YES permit 10:6601
ip community-list standard CM-RTBH-NO permit 10:6602
ip community-list standard CM-RTBH-NO permit 10:6603
```

```
! 10:6600
! 10:6601
! 10:6602
! 10:6603
```

```
! 10:6600
! 10:6603
! 10:6601
! 10:6602
```

! Create route-map

```
route-map RM-IBGP-IN deny 10
  match community CM-RTBH-NO
route-map RM-IBGP-IN permit 20
  match community CM-RTBH-YES
  set community no-advertise
route-map RM-IBGP-IN permit 1000
```

! Bind route-map to BGP session

```
router bgp 10
  neighbor IBGP route-map RM-IBGP-IN in
```

3. Test Trigger for Black holes



! Create static routes for triggering.

Rx4 (config) #

```
ip route 10.0.16.60 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 6600 ! Black hole at all Routers
ip route 10.0.16.61 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 6601 ! Black hole at Peer Router
ip route 10.0.16.62 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 6602 ! Black hole at IGW
ip route 10.0.16.63 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 6603 ! Black hole at Client Router
```

! Check the result

R11#sh ip bgp 10.0.16.60

BGP routing table entry for 10.0.16.60/32, version 74

Paths: (1 available, best #1, table default, not advertised to any peer)

Not advertised to any peer

Refresh Epoch 14

Local

192.0.2.1 from 10.0.0.4 (10.0.0.4)

Origin IGP, metric 0, **localpref 200**, valid, internal, best

Community: **no-advertise**

rx pathid: 0, tx pathid: 0x0

4. Check Results



```
R11#sh ip bgp
  Network      Next Hop      Metric LocPrf Weight
Path
*> 10.0.16.60/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
*> 10.0.16.61/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
```

```
R12#sh ip bgp
  Network      Next Hop      Metric LocPrf Weight
Path
*> 10.0.16.60/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
*> 10.0.16.62/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
```

```
R13#sh ip bgp
  Network      Next Hop      Metric LocPrf Weight
Path
*> 10.0.16.60/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
*> 10.0.16.63/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
```

```
R14#sh ip bgp
  Network      Next Hop      Metric LocPrf Weight
Path
*> 10.0.16.60/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
*> 10.0.16.61/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
*> 10.0.16.62/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
*> 10.0.16.63/32 192.0.2.1      0  200 32768 i
```

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RTBH

Community Method

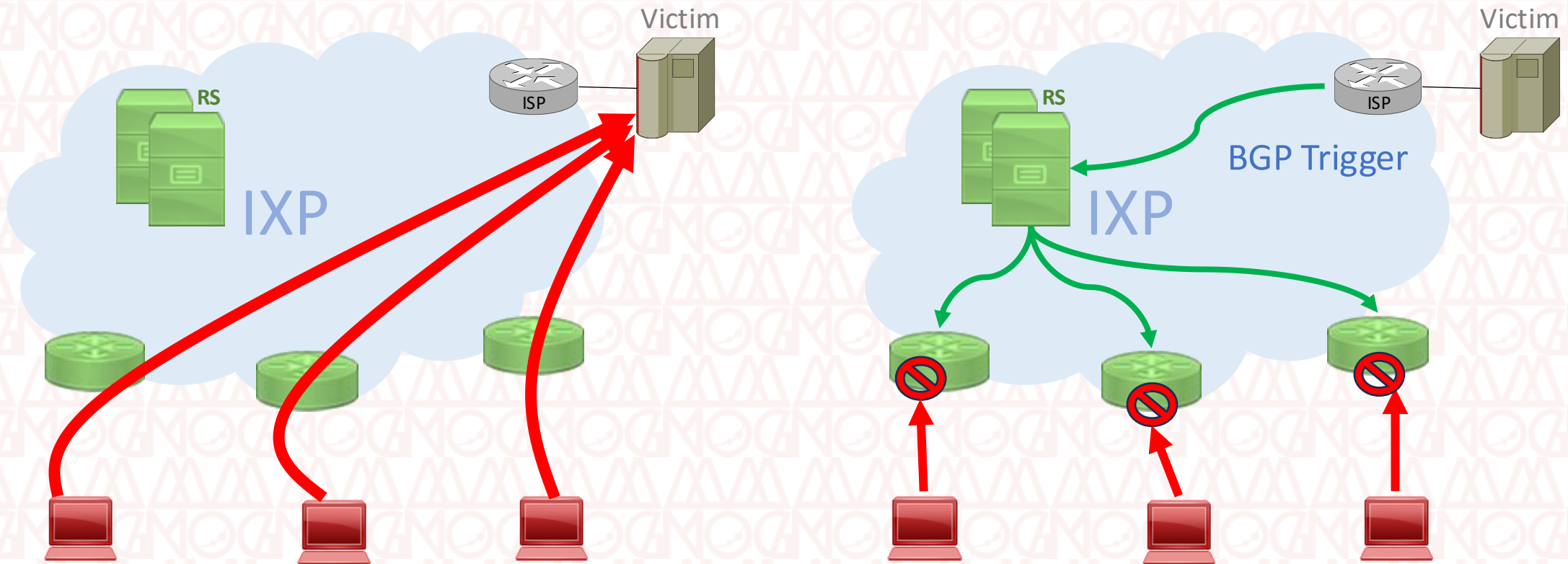
Black Hole with IX peers

MMIX

RTBH – with an Exchange



MMIX Supports Remote Trigger, black-hole filtering (RTBH)



RTBH BGP Communities supported by MMIX



IXP	Community	Next-Hop Address	Trigger IP Size
Yangon	9654:66	103.116.194.66	/32
Mandalay	9333:66	103.116.193.66	/32

1. Prepare at Peer Machine RX1



! Activate RTBH at Peer Router Rx1. – done on previous exercise.

!## If there is no inbound filtering on peering session with MMIX,
! just need to configure a static null route and stop retransmission

```
Rx1 (config) #
```

```
ip route 103.116.193.66 255.255.255.255 null 0
```

```
!
```

```
interface Null0
```

! Done on previous exercise

```
no ip unreachable
```

```
!Create Prefix, community list and inbound route-map
```

```
ip prefix-list PRF-HOST permit 0.0.0.0/0 ge 32
```

```
ip community-list standard CM-RTBH-MMIX permit 9333:66
```

```
!
```

1. Prepare at Peer Machine RX1 - Continue



RX1 (config) #

```
! Modify MMIX Inbound route-map
route-map RM-MMIX-IN permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list PRF-HOST
  match community CM-RTBH-MMIX
  set community no-advertise
route-map RM-MMIX-IN permit 100
```

```
! Modify MMIX outbound route-map
route-map RM-MMIX-OUT permit 5
  match ip address prefix-list PRF-HOST
  match community CM-RTBH-MMIX
route-map RM-MMIX-OUT permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list PRF-MMIX
```

```
! Modify BGP session
router bgp 10
  neighbor 103.116.193.1 send-community
  neighbor 103.116.193.1 route-map RM-MMIX-OUT out
  neighbor 103.116.193.1 route-map RM-MMIX-IN in
```

2. Prepare for MMIX RTBH at Trigger Machine



```
RX4 (config)#  
! Modify existing route-map for MMIX remote trigger.  
route-map RTBH permit 93  
  match tag 9333  
  set local-preference 200  
  set origin igp  
  set community 9333:66  
  set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
```

! Be aware that no more 'no-export' bgp community in this route-map

3. Test Trigger for Black holes



! Create static routes for triggering.

Rx4 (config)#

```
ip route 10.0.18.93 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 9333 ! RTBH announce to IX Peers
```

! Check the result

RX1#sh ip bgp nei 103.116.193.1 advertised-routes

Network	Next Hop	Metric	LocPrf	Weight	Path
*>i 10.0.18.93/32	192.0.2.1	0	200	0	i
*>i 10.0.18.0/24	10.0.0.3	0	100	0	i
*>i 10.0.19.0/24	10.0.0.3	0	100	0	i

Total number of prefixes 3

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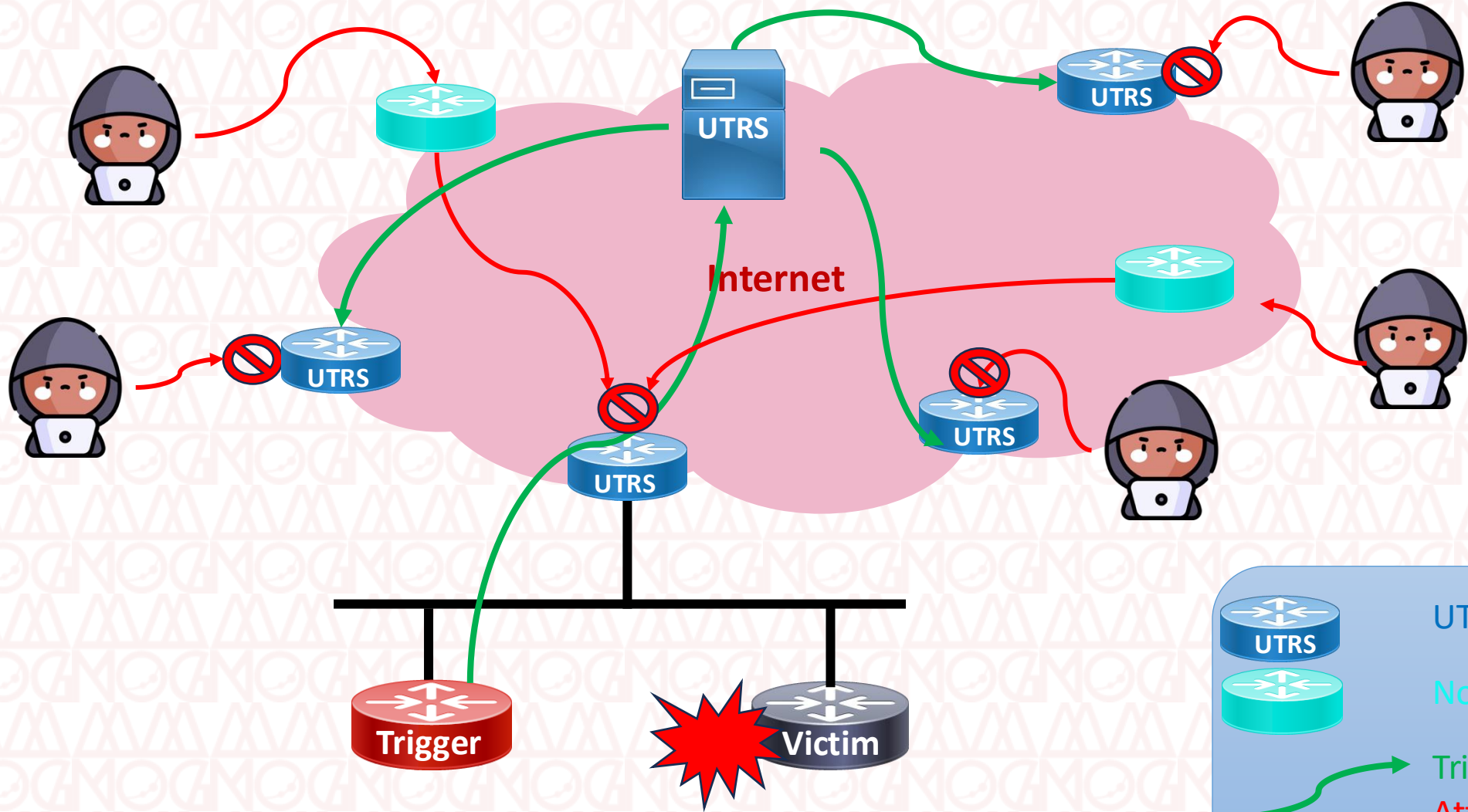
UTRS

Unwanted Traffic Removal Service

Global Back Hole

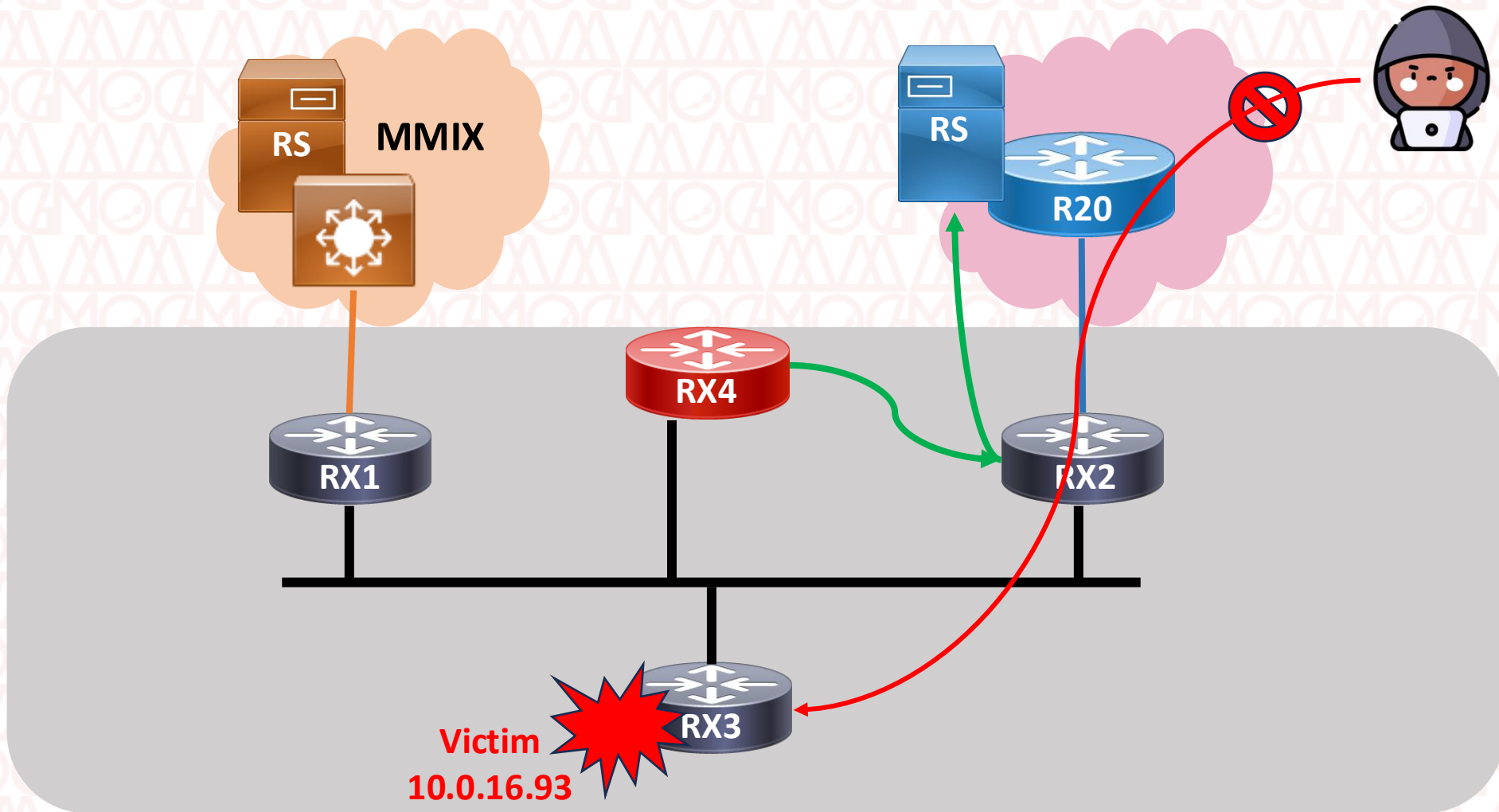
International community

UTRS Concept Topology Diagram



Legend:

- Blue UTRS router icon: UTRS Enable
- Cyan Non-UTRS router icon: Non-UTRS
- Green arrow: Trigger Attack
- Red arrow: Attack





- UTRS local AS number: 64496
- UTRS local addresses: [provided at provisioning]
- TCP MD5 password: [provided at provisioning]
- Next-hop: 192.0.2.1
- Community: NO_EXPORT
- Community: 64496:0
- Multi-hop
- passive

1. Configuration @RX2 (International Gateway Router)



RX2(config)#

```
ip prefix-list PRF-25 permit 0.0.0.0/0 ge 25
ip community-list standard CM-UTRS permit 64496:0
```

!

```
route-map RM-UTRS-IN permit 10
match ip address prefix-list PRF-25
match community CM-UTRS
set community no-advertise
```

!

```
route-map RM-UTRS-OUT permit 10
match ip address prefix-list PRF-25
match community CM-UTRS
```

!

RX2(config)#

```
router bgp 10
neighbor 172.16.0.1 remote-as 64496
neighbor 172.16.0.1 update-source loopback 16
neighbor 172.16.0.1 ebgp-multihop 255
neighbor 172.16.0.1 password utrs
neighbor 172.16.0.1 transport connection-mode passive
neighbor 172.16.0.1 route-map RM-UTRS-OUT out
neighbor 172.16.0.1 route-map RM-UTRS-IN in
```

Note: UTRS' RS_IP and Password are not real ones but only for this exercise.

This Lab doesn't include 'flowsec' feature supported by UTRS

2. Configuration @ RX4 (Trigger Machine)



```
RX4(config)#  
route-map RTBH permit 96  
match tag 64496  
set local-preference 200  
set origin igp  
set community 64496:0  
set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
```

3. Trigger to UTRS



```
RX4 (config) # ip route 10.0.16.96 255.255.255.255 null 0 tag 64496
```

! After other LAB advertise, you will see the route

```
R12#sh ip bgp regexp ^64496_
```

	Network	Next Hop	Metric	LocPrf	Weight	Path
*>	20.0.16.96/32	192.0.2.1			0	64496 20 i

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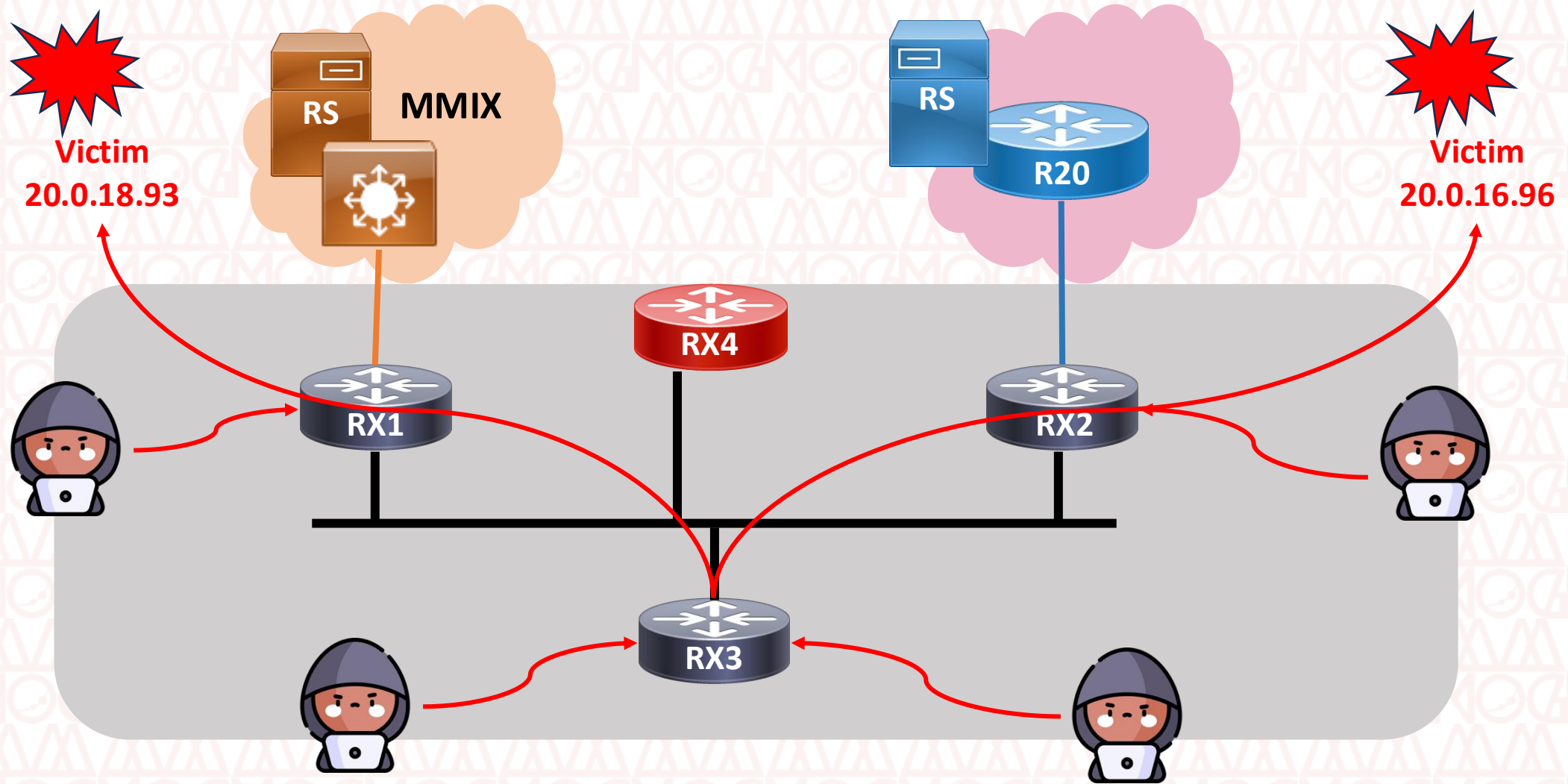
External Trigger

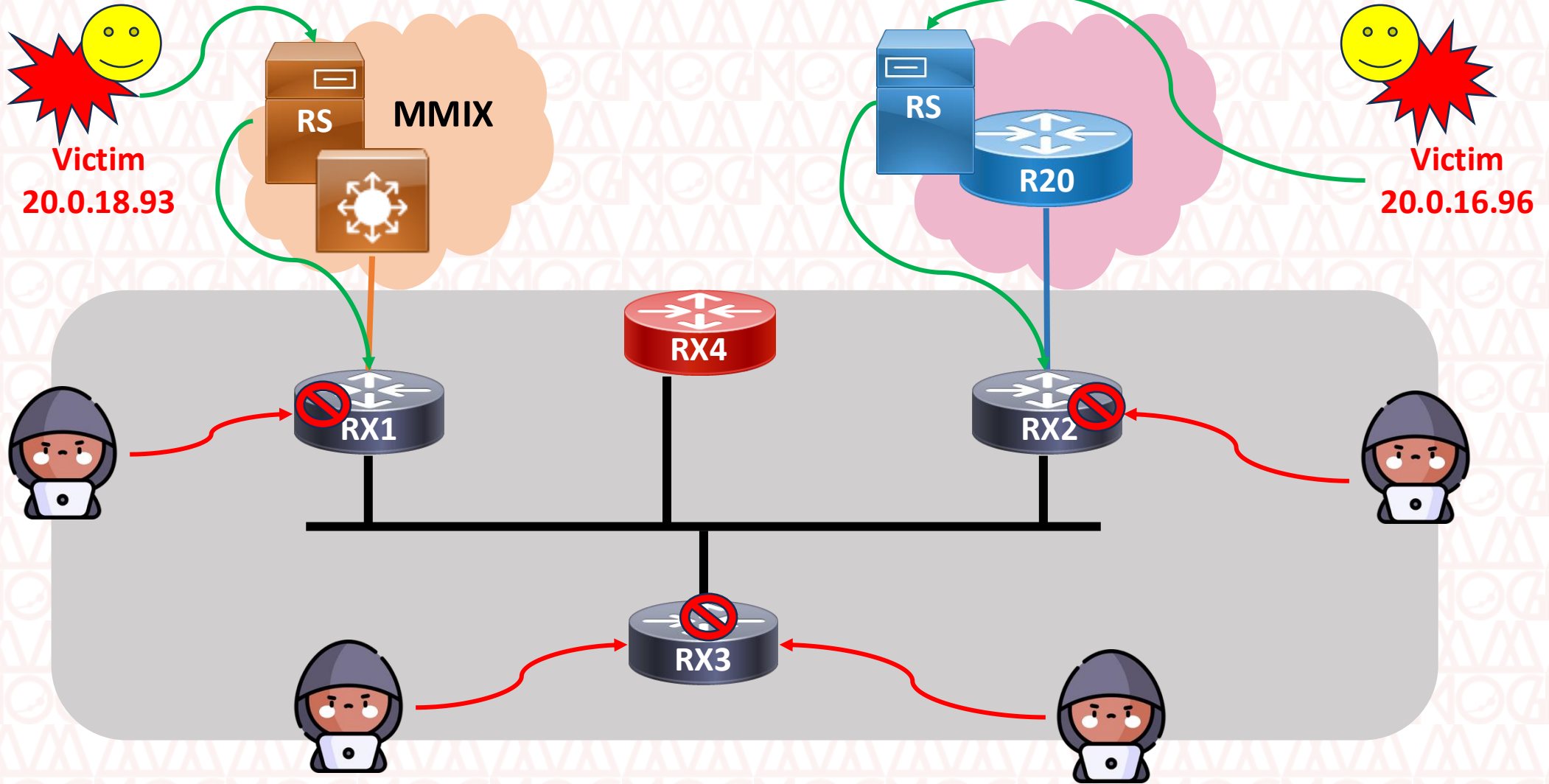
next-hop update

IBGP

Edge Routers defense

Attack to others from inside network





1. Remove regional defense



! Exiting Config of RX1

```
route-map RM-MMIX-IN permit 10
match ip address prefix-list PRF-HOST
match community CM-RTBH-MMIX
set community no-advertise
```

! Remove 'no-advertise'

```
route-map RM-MMIX-IN permit 10
no set community
```

! Exiting Config of RX2

```
route-map RM-UTRS-IN permit 10
match ip address prefix-list PRF-25
match community CM-UTRS
set community no-advertise
```

! Remove 'no-advertise'

```
route-map RM-UTRS-IN permit 10
no set community
```

! Check Result at RX3, will notice next-hops are not null IPs.

```
RX3# sh ip bgp regexp _20_
      Network          Next Hop          Metric LocPrf Weight Path
 *>i 20.0.18.93/32     10.0.0.1           0      100      0 20 i
 *>i 20.0.16.96/32     10.0.0.2           0      100      0 64496 20 i
```

! Why? iBGP 'Next-Hop-Self'.

! Need to change next-hop for RTBH.

2. Exclude Trigger IPs from 'next-hop-self'



!Need to change next-hop

RX1 (config) #

```
route-map RM-IBGP-OUT permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list PRF-HOST
  match community CM-RTBH-MMIX
  set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
route-map RM-IBGP-OUT permit 100
!
router bgp 10
  neighbor IBGP route-map RM-IBGP-OUT out
```

!Need to change next-hop

RX2 (config) #

```
route-map RM-IBGP-OUT permit 10
  match ip address prefix-list PRF-25
  match community CM-UTRS
  set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
route-map RM-IBGP-OUT permit 100
!
router bgp 10
  neighbor IBGP route-map RM-IBGP-OUT out
```

! Check Result at RX3, will notice next-hops are changed.

R13#sh ip bgp regexp 20

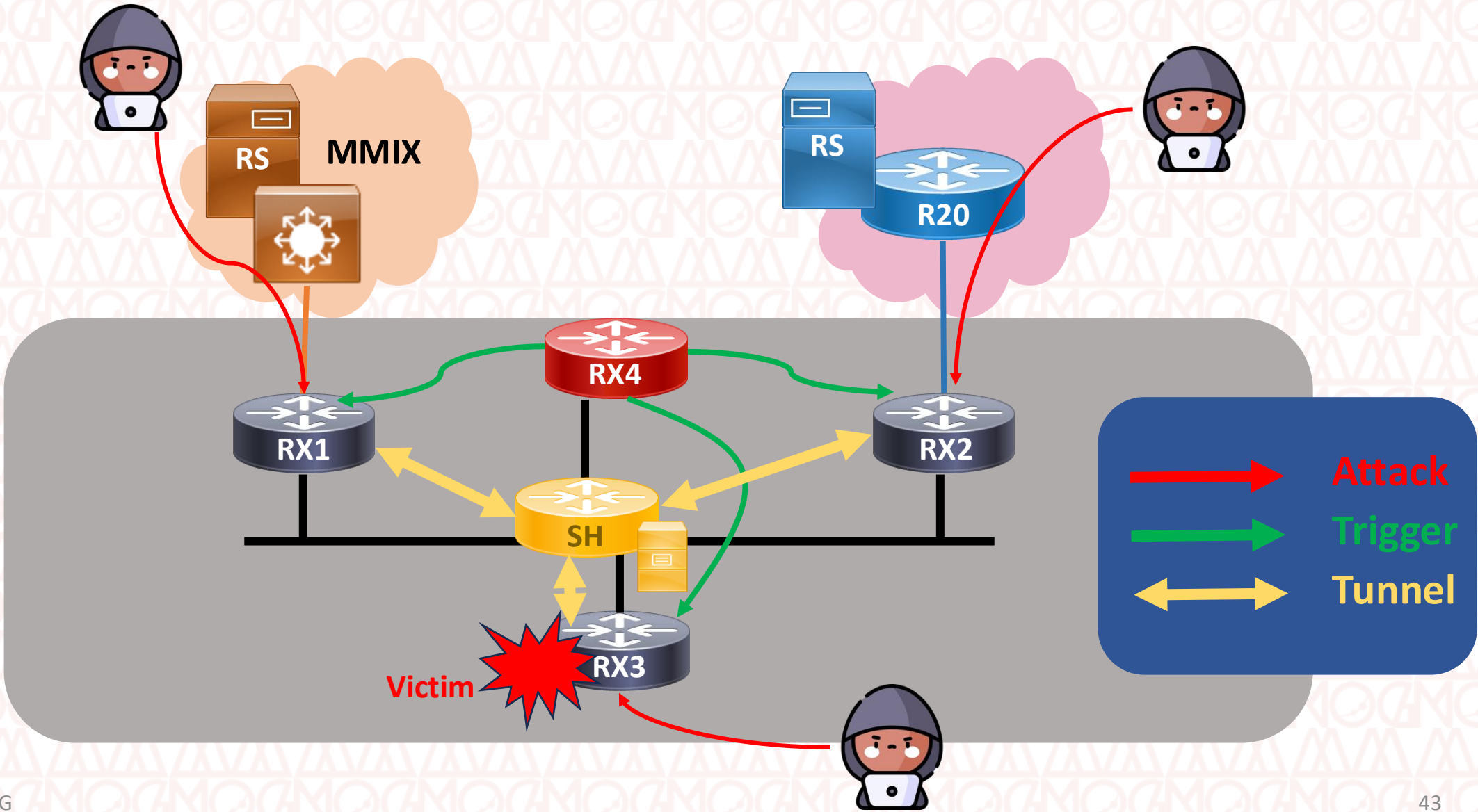
Network	Next Hop	Metric	LocPrf	Weight	Path
*>i 20.0.16.0/24	10.0.0.2	0	100	0	200 20 i
*>i 20.0.18.93/32	192.0.2.1	0	100	0	20 i
*>i 20.0.16.96/32	192.0.2.1	0	100	0	64496 20 i
*>i 20.0.17.0/24	10.0.0.2	0	100	0	200 20 i
*>i 20.0.18.0/24	10.0.0.1	0	100	0	20 i
*>i 20.0.19.0/24	10.0.0.1	0	100	0	20 i

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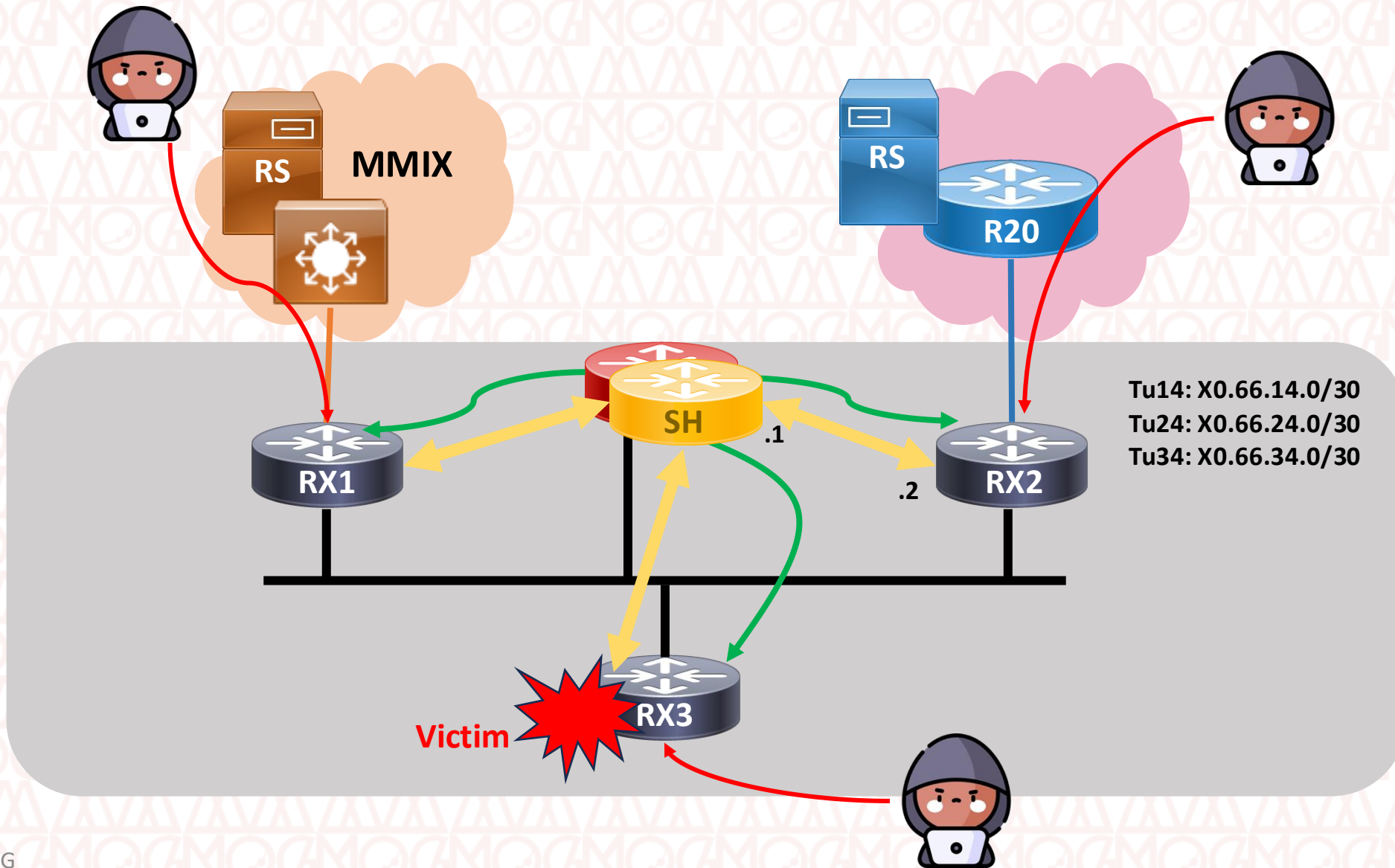
Sinkhole

Quarantine or Redirection of Attack Traffic

Sinkhole Network



Sinkhole Network - LAB



1. Setup Tunnel interfaces



! Tunnel interface @RX2

RX2 (config) #

```
interface Tunnel24
 ip address 10.66.24.2 255.255.255.252
 tunnel source Loopback0
 tunnel destination 10.0.0.4
```

! Tunnel interface @RX4

RX4 (config) #

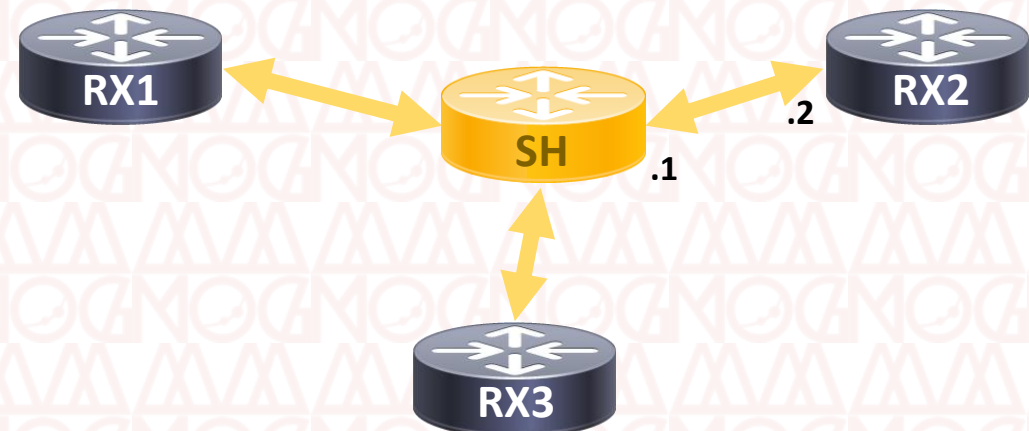
```
interface Tunnel24
 ip address 10.66.24.1 255.255.255.252
 tunnel source Loopback0
 tunnel destination 10.0.0.2
```

! Rate limit @Rx2

RX2 (config) #

```
rate-limit output 8000 17916 17916 conform-action transmit exceed-action drop
```

Same for Rx1 & Rx3



2. Next-Hop advertisement changes

! Existing route-map of RX4

```
route-map RTBH permit 62
match tag 6602
set local-preference 200
set origin igp
set community 10:6602 no-export
set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
```

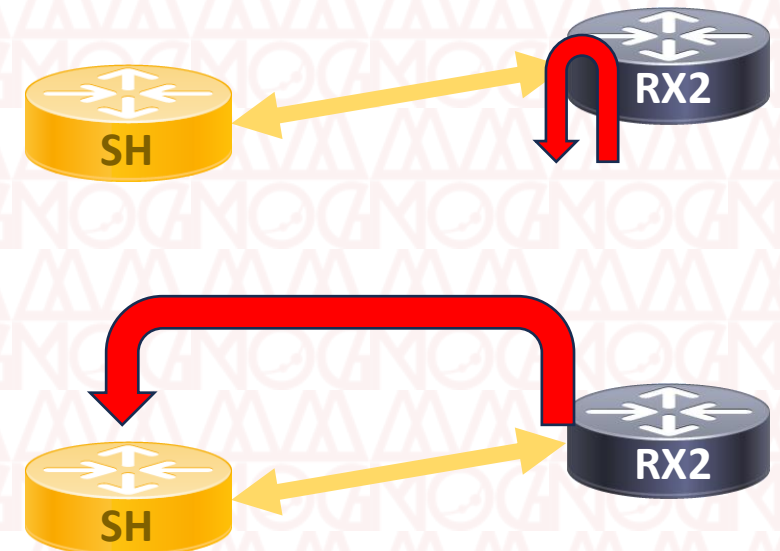
! Next-hop Config after changes

```
route-map RTBH permit 62
match tag 6602
set local-preference 200
set origin igp
set community 10:6602 no-export
set ip next-hop 10.66.24.1
```

! Next-Hop to be interface of SH

RX4 (config)

```
route-map RTBH permit 62
no set ip next-hop 192.0.2.1
set ip next-hop 10.66.24.1
```



! Next-hop Config after changes

```
R12#sh ip bgp 10.0.16.62
```

```
BGP routing table entry for 10.0.16.62/32, version 174
```

```
! skipped
```

```
  192.0.2.1 from 10.0.0.4 (10.0.0.4)
```

```
    Origin IGP, metric 0, localpref 200, valid, internal, best
```

```
    Community: no-advertise
```

```
    rx pathid: 0, tx pathid: 0x0
```

! Next-hop Config after changes

```
R12#sh ip bgp 10.0.16.62
```

```
BGP routing table entry for 10.0.16.62/32, version 174
```

```
! skipped
```

```
  10.66.24.1 from 10.0.0.4 (10.0.0.4)
```

```
    Origin IGP, metric 0, localpref 200, valid, internal, best
```

```
    Community: no-advertise
```

```
    rx pathid: 0, tx pathid: 0x0
```



References:

Cisco White Paper :

“REMOTELY TRIGGERED BLACK HOLE FILTERING—DESTINATION BASED AND SOURCE BASED”

Team CYMRU:

“DDOS MITIGATION SERVICE – UTRS – SERVICE THREAT HUNTING”

More Learning:

Flowsec – DDOS protection for ISP

RPF – Reverse Path Forwarding

Sinkhole

Thank you

Q&A

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