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Abstract

This document describes SRv6 and MPLS/SR-MPLS interworking and coexistence procedures.

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1. Introduction

Many of the deployments require SRv6 insertion in the brownfield networks. The incremental deployment of SRv6 into existing networks require SRv6 to interwork and co-exist with SR-MPLS/MPLS. This document discusses solutions for the various interworking scenarios.

1.1. Requirements Language

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2. Interworking(IW) scenarios

A multi-domain network (Figure 1) can be generalized as a central domain C with many leaf domains around it. Specifically, document look at a service flow from an ingress PE in an ingress leaf domain (LI), through the C domain and up to an egress PE of the egress leaf domain (LE). Each domain runs its own IGP instance. A domain has a single data plane type applicable both for its overlay and its underlay.

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Figure 1: Reference multi-domain network topology

Document assumes SR-MPLS-IPv4 for MPLS data plane. Note: Procedures in the document equally work for SR-MPLS-IPv6, LDP-IPv4/IPv6 and RSVP-TE-MPLS.

<u>2.1</u>. IW scenarios

There are various SRv6 and SR-MPLS-IPv4 interworking scenarios possible.

Below scenarios cover various cascading of SRv6/MPLS network, e.g., SR-MPLS-IPv4 <-> SRv6 <-> SR-MPLS-IPv4 <-> SRv6 <-> SR-MPLS-IPv4, etc.

2.1.1. Transport IW

L3/L2 service continuity over a different intermediate transport.

- o SRv6 over SR-MPLS-IPv4 (60M)
 - * LI and LE domains are SRv6 data plane, C is SR-MPLS-IPv4 data plane

- * L3/L2 BGP SRv6 services [<u>I-D.ietf-bess-srv6-services</u>] between PEs. The ingress PE encapsulates the payload in an outer IPv6 header where the destination address(DA) is the SRv6 Service SID.
- * Tunnel traffic destined to egress PE SRv6 locator over SR-MPLS-IPv4 C domain.
- o SR-MPLS-IPv4 over SRv6 (Mo6)
 - * LI and LE domains are SR-MPLS-IPv4 data plane, C is SRv6 data plane
 - * L3/L2 BGP MPLS services [<u>RFC4364</u>], [<u>RFC7432</u>]. The ingress PE encapsulates the payload in an MPLS service label and sends it MPLS LSP to next hop.
 - * Tunnel MPLS LSP to egress PE next hop over SRv6 C domain.

2.1.2. Service IW

Service discontinuity over a different intermediate transport i.e. L2/L3 BGP SRv6 PE interworking with L2/L3 BGP MPLS PE for service connectivity.

- o SRv6 to SR-MPLS-IPv4 (6toM): The ingress PE encapsulates the payload in an outer IPv6 header where the destination address is the SRv6 Service SID[I-D.ietf-bess-srv6-services]. Payload is delivered to eqress PE with MPLS service label[RFC4364] that it advertised with service prefixes.
- o SR-MPLS-IPv4 to SRv6 (Mto6): The ingress PE encapsulates the payload in an MPLS service label. Payload is delivered to egress PE with IPv6 header with destination address as SRv6 service SID that it advertised with service prefixes.

3. Terminology

The following terms used within this document are defined in [RFC8402]: Segment Routing, SR-MPLS, SRv6, SR Domain, Segment ID (SID), SRv6 SID, Prefix-SID.

Domain: Without loss of the generality, domain is assumed to be instantiated by a single IGP instance or a network within IGP if there is clear separation of data plane.

Node k has a classic IPv6 loopback address Ak::1/128.

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A SID at node k with locator block B and function F is represented by B:k:F::

A SID list is represented as <S1, S2, S3> where S1 is the first SID to visit, S2 is the second SID to visit and S3 is the last SID to visit along the SR path.

(SA, DA) (S3, S2, S1; SL) represents an IPv6 packet with:

IPv6 header with source address SA, destination addresses DA and SRH as next-header

SRH with SID list <S1, S2, S3> with SegmentsLeft = SL

Note the difference between the <> and () symbols: <S1, S2, S3> represents a SID list where S1 is the first SID and S3 is the last SID to traverse. (S3, S2, S1; SL) represents the same SID list but encoded in the SRH format where the rightmost SID in the SRH is the first SID and the leftmost SID in the SRH is the last SID. When referring to an SR policy in a high-level use-case, it is simpler to use the <S1, S2, S3> notation. When referring to an illustration of the detailed packet behavior, the (S3, S2, S1; SL) notation is more convenient.

4. SRv6 SID behavior

This document introduces a new SRv6 SID behavior. This behavior is executed on border routers between the SRv6 and MPLS domain.

4.1. End.DTM

The "Endpoint with decapsulation and MPLS table lookup" behavior.

The End.DTM SID MUST be the last segment in a SR Policy, and a SID instance is associated with an MPLS table.

When N receives a packet destined to S and S is a local End.DTM SID, N does:

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S01. When an SRH is processed {
S02. If (Segments Left != 0) {
S03. Send an ICMP Parameter Problem to the Source Address,
        Code 0 (Erroneous header field encountered),
        Pointer set to the Segments Left field,
        interrupt packet processing and discard the packet.
S04. }
S05. Proceed to process the next header in the packet
S06. }
When processing the Upper-layer header of a packet matching a FIB
entry locally instantiated as an End.DTM SID, N does:
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S01. If (Upper-Layer Header type == 137(MPLS) ) {
S02. Remove the outer IPv6 Header with all its extension headers
S03. Set the packet's associated FIB table to T
S04. Submit the packet to the MPLS FIB lookup for
    transmission according to the lookup result.
S05. } Else {
S06. Process as per [RFC8986] section 4.1.1
S07. }
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Note: IANA has allocated the Internet Protocol number 137 [<u>RFC4023</u>] for MPLS-in-IP.

5. SRv6 Policy Headend Behaviors

<u>5.1</u>. H.Encaps.M: H.Encaps applied to MPLS label stack

The H.Encaps.M behavior encapsulates a received MPLS Label stack [<u>RFC3032</u>] packet in an IPv6 header with an SRH. Together MPLS label stack and its payload becomes the payload of the new IPv6 packet. The Next Header field of the SRH MUST be set to 137 [<u>RFC4023</u>].

5.2. H.Encaps.M.Red: H.Encaps.Red applied to MPLS label stack

The H.Encaps.M.Red behavior is an optimization of the H.Encaps.M behavior. H.Encaps.M.Red reduces the length of the SRH by excluding the first SID in the SRH of the pushed IPv6 header. The first SID is only placed in the Destination Address field of the pushed IPv6 header. The push of the SRH MAY be omitted when the SRv6 Policy only contains one segment and there is no need to use any flag, tag or TLV. In such case, the Next Header field of the IPv6 header MUST be set to 137 [<u>RFC4023</u>].

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<u>6</u>. Interworking Procedures

Figure 1 shows reference multi-domain network topology and <u>Section 2</u> its description. The procedure in this section are illustrated using the topology.

Following is assumed for data plane support of various nodes:

- o Nodes 2,3,5,6,8,9 are provider(P) routers which need to support single data plane type.
- o 1 and 10 are PEs. They need to support single data plane type both for overlay and underlay.
- o Border routers 4 and 7 need to support both the SRv6 and SR-MPLS-IPv4 data plane.

A VPN route is advertised via service RRs (S-RR) between an egress PE(node 10) and an ingress PE (node 1).

For illustrations, the SRGB range starts from 16000 and prefix SID of a node is 16000 plus node number

6.1. Transport IW

As described in <u>Section 2.1.1</u>, transport IW requires:

- Tunnel traffic destined to SRv6 Service SID bound to SRv6 locator of egress PE over SR-MPLS-IPv4 C domain.
- o Tunnel MPLS LSP bound to IPv4 loopback address of egress PE over SRv6 C domain.

This draft enhances two well-known solutions to achieve above tunneling: a controller(SR-PCE) and BGP inter domain routing based approach. The SR-PCE based solution is applicable to both best effort as well as deployments where intents are required (e.g., On-Demand Next-hop like deployments scenarios) by L3/L2 services. The BGP signaling covers the best effort case.

Specifically, the draft proposes the following two ways:

o An SR-PCE [<u>RFC8664</u>] multi-domain On Demand Next-hop (ODN) SR policy [<u>I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing-policy</u>] stitching end to end across different data plane domains. These procedures can be used when overlay prefixes are signaled with a color extended community [<u>I-D.ietf-idr-tunnel-encaps</u>].

o BGP Inter-Domain routing procedures advertising PE locator/IPv4 Loopback address for best effort end to end connectivity. These procedures can be used when overlay prefixes don't have color extended community.

6.1.1. SR-PCE multi-domain On Demand Nexthop

This procedure provides a best-effort as well as a path that satisfies the intent (e.g. low latency), across multiple domains. A Color is a 32-bit numerical value that associates an SR Policy with an intent [I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing-policy]. In this case, based on the intent, the PCE computes and programs end to end path using SR-Policy(C,PE). The PCE is also aware of interworking requirement at border nodes, as each domain feeds topological information to the PCE through BGP LS feeds. Intermediate domain of different data plane type is represented by Binding SID (BSID) [<u>RFC8402</u>] of ingress domain type in SID list. In summary, an intermediate domain of different data plane is replaced by a BSID of the data plane nature of headend.

Below sections describe 6oM and Mo6 IW with SR-PCE

6.1.1.1. 6oM

Refer Section 2.1.1 for 6oM scenario. Service prefix (e.g. VPN or EVPN) is received on head-end(node 1) with color extended community(C1) from egress PE(node 10) and SRv6 service SID. Head-end does not know how to compute the traffic engineered path through the multi-domain network to node 10. Node 1 requests SR-PCE to compute a path to node 10 providing intent (e.g. low latency). The PCE computes low latency path via node 2, 5 and 8. The PCE identifies the end-to-end path is not consistent data plane and kicks in interworking procedures at the border router(node 4). It programs a SR policy with MPLS segment list at 4 along required SLA path(node 5 and 7) bounded to an End.BM BSID [<u>RFC8986</u>]. SR-PCE responds back to node 1 with SRv6 segments along required SLA including End.BM at node 4 to traverse SR-MPLS-IPv4 C domain.

For example, SR-PCE create SR-MPLS policy (C1,7) at node 4 with segments <16005,16007>. It is bound to End.BM behavior with SRv6 BSID as B:4:BM-C1-7::

The data plane operations for the above-mentioned interworking example are described in the following:

Node 1 performs SRv6 function H.Encaps.Red with VPN service SID and SRv6 Policy (C1,10):

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Packet leaving node 1 IPv6 ((A:1::, B:2:E::) (B:10::DT4, B:8:E::, B:4:BM-C1-7:: ; SL=3))

Node 2 performs End function Packet leaving node 2 IPv6 ((A:1::, B:4:BM-C1-7::) (B:10::DT4, B:8:E::, B:4:BM-C1-7:: ; SL=2))

Node 4(border rout4er) performs End.BM function Packet leaving node 4 MPLS (16005,16007,2)((A:1::, B:8:E::) (B:10::DT4, B:8:E::, B:4:BM-C1-7-:: ; SL=1)).

Node 7 performs a native IPv6 lookup on due PHP behavior for 16007 Packet leaving node 7 IPv6 ((A:1::, B:8:E::) (B:10::DT4, B:8:E::, B:4:BM-C1-7:: ; SL=1))

Node 8 performs End(PSP) function Packet leaving node 8 IPv6 ((A:1::, B:10::DT4))

Node 10 performs End.DT function and lookups IP in VRF and send traffic to CE.

6.1.1.2. Mo6

Refer Section 2.1.1 for Mo6 scenario. MPLS Service prefix (e.g. VPN or EVPN) is received on head-end(node 1) with color extended community(C1) from egress PE(node 10). Head-end does not know how to compute the traffic engineered path through the multi-domain network to node 10. Node 1 requests SR-PCE to compute a path to node 10 providing intent(eg: low latency). The PCE computes low latency path via node 2, 5 and 8. The PCE identifies the end-to-end path is not consistent data plane and kicks in interworking procedures at the border router(node 4). It programs a SRv6 policy bound to MPLS BSID at node 4 with SRv6 SID segment list along required SLA path with last segment of behavior End.DTM. End.DTM behavior decapsulates the IPv6 header and looks up top MPLS label in MPLS table. SR-PCE responds back to node 1 with MPLS segment list along required SLA path including MPLS BSID of SRv6 policy at node 4 to traverse SRv6 core domain.

For example, SR-PCE create SRv6 policy (C1,7) at node 4 with segments <B:5:E::,B:7:DTM::>. It is bound to MPLS BSID 24407.

The data plan operations for the above-mentioned interworking example are described in the following:

1. Node 1 performs MPLS label stack encapsulation with VPN label and SR-MPLS Policy (C1,10):

Packet leaving node 1 towards 2 (Note: PHP of node 2 prefix SID): MPLS packet (16004,24407,16008,16010,vpn label)

- 2. Node 2 forwards traffic towards 4 (PHP of 16004) Packet leaving node 2 MPLS packet (24407,16008,16010,vpn label)
- 3. Node 4 steers MPLS traffic into SRv6 policy bound to 24407 Packet leaving node 4 IPv6(A:4::, B:5:E::) (B:7:DTM:: ; SL=1)NH=137) MPLS((16008,16010,vpn_label)
- 4. Node 7 receive IPv6 packet with DA=B:7:DTM::. It performs DTM behavior to remove IPv6 header and perform 16008 lookup in MPLS table. Packet leaves node 7 towards node 8(PHP of 16008) MPLS packet (16010, vpn label)
- 5. Node 8 forwards traffic towards 10 (PHP of 16010) Packet leaving node 8 MPLS packet (vpn_label)
- 6. Node 10 performs vpn_label lookup and send traffic to CE.

6.1.2. BGP inter domain routing procedures

BGP 3107 [I-D.ietf-mpls-seamless-mpls] like procedures to advertise PE locators and IPv4 loopbacks transport reachability in multi-domain network with next hop self on border routers.

Below sections describe 6oM and Mo6 IW with BGP procedures

6.1.2.1. 6oM

Refer Section 2.1.1 for 6oM scenario. SRv6 based L3/L2 BGP services are signaled with SRv6 Service SID between PEs through Service RRs with no color extended community. Ingress PEs need reachability to remote locator to send traffic to SRv6 service SID.

- o Egress border router learns local PE locators through IGP. These should be redistributed in BGP like any IPv6 global prefixes. Alternatively, locator is advertised by PE in the BGP ipv6 unicast address family (AFI=2, SAFI=1) to border nodes.
- o Egress border router advertise LE domain PE locators in BGP IPv6 LU[AFI=2/SAFI=4] with local label (explicit NULL) to ingress border router with IPv4 next hops. These next hops have SR-MPLS-IPv4 LSP paths built in C domain. It may advertise summary prefix covering all locators in LE domain.

- o If ingress border router advertise remote locators in LI domain to ingress PE in BGP address family (AFI=2, SAFI=1), it attaches local End behavior as SRv6 SID in Prefix-SID attribute TLV type 5 [I-D.ietf-bess-srv6-services]. Alternatively, it may leak remote locators in LI IGP domain such that P routers also have reachability
- o Ingress PE learn remote locator over BGP ipv6 address family AFI=2, SAFI=1 or through LI IGP. When learnt through BGP, SRv6 SID carried in Prefix-SID attribute TLV 5 tunnels traffic to ingress border node in LI domain as P routers(node 2 and 3) will not be aware of remote locator

Control plane example:

- 1. Routing Protocol(RP) @10:
 - * In ISIS advertise locator B:10::/48
 - * BGP AFI=1, SAFI=128 originates a VPN route RD:V/v via B:10::1 and Prefix-SID attribute B:10:DT4::. This route is advertised to service RR.
- 2. RP @ 7:
 - * ISIS redistribute B:10::/48 into BGP
 - * BGP Originates B:10::/48 in AFI=2/SAFI=4 with next hop node 7 and label explicit null among border routers.
- 3. RP @ 4:
 - * BGP learns B:10::/48 with next hop node 7 and outgoing label.
 - * BGP advertise B:10::/48 in AFI=2/SAFI=1 with next hop B:4::1 and Prefix-SID attribute tlv type 5 carrying local End behavior function B:4:END:: to node 1
 - * Alternatively, BGP redistributes remote locator or summary route in LI domain IGP.
- 4. RP @ 1:
 - * BGP learns B:10::/48 via B:4::1 and Prefix-SID attribute TLV type 5 with SRv6 SID B:4:END::
 - * Alternatively, B:10::/48 or summary route reachability is learned through ISIS

* BGP AFI=1, SAFI=128 learn service prefix RD:V/v, next hop B:10::1 and PrefixSID attribute TLV type 5 with SRv6 SID B:10:DT4

FIB state

@1: IPv4 VRF V/v => H.Encaps.red <B:4:END::, B:10:DT4::> with SRH, SRH.NH=IPv4 @4: IPv6 Table: B:4:END:: => Update DA with B:10:DT4::,set IPv6.NH=IPv4, pop the SRH @4: IPv6 Table: B:10::/48 => push MPLS label 2 (Explicit NULL), push MPLS Label 16007 @7: MPLS label 2 => pop and lookup next IPv6 DA @7: IPv6 Table B:10::/48 => forward via ISIS path to 10 @10: IPv6 Table B:10:DT4:: => pop the outer header and lookup the inner IPv4 DA in the VRF

6.1.2.2. Mo6

Refer Section 2.1.1 for Mo6 scenario. MPLS based L3/L2 BGP services are signaled with IPv4 next-hop of PE through Service RRs with no color extended community. Ingress PE need labelled reachability to remote PE IPv4 loopback address advertised as next hop with service routes.

BGP LU [RFC8277] advertise IPv4 PE loopbacks. Next hop selfperformed on border routers.

Following are options and protocol extensions to tunnel IPv4 PE loopback LSP through SRv6 C domain

6.1.2.2.1. Tunnel BGP LU LSP across SRv6 C domain

Intuitive solution for an MPLS-minded operator

- o Existing BGP-LU label cross-connect on border routers for each PE IPv4 loopback address.
- o The lookups at the ingress border router are based on BGP3107 label as usual
- o Just the SR-MPLS IGP label to next hop is replaced by an IPv6 tunnel with DA = SRv6 SID associated with DTM behavior in C domain.
- o Ingress border router forwarding perform 3107 label swap and H.Encaps.M with DA = SRv6 SID associated with DTM behavior
- o Similar to MPLS-over-IP

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Following section describes how existing BGP LU updates between border routers may carry SRv6 SID associated with DTM behavior to tunnel LSP across SRv6 C domain

6.1.2.2.1.1. SRv6 label route tunnel TLV

This document introduces a new TLV called "SRv6 label route tunnel" TLV of the BGP Prefix-SID Attribute to achieve signaling of SRv6 SIDs to tunnel MPLS packet with label in NLRI at the top of its label stack through SRv6/IPv6 domain. Behavior which may be encoded but not limited to is End.DTM. SRv6 label route tunnel TLV signals "AND" semantics i.e. push label signaled in NLRI and perform H.Encaps.M with DA as SRv6 SID signaled in TLV.

- o Reminder: RFC 8669 introduced Prefix-SID attribute with TLV type 1 for label index and TLV type 3 for Originator SRGB for AFI=1/2 and SAFI 4 (BGP LU)
- o This document extends the BGP Prefix-SID attribute [RFC8669] to carry new "SRv6 label route tunnel" TLV. This document limits the usage of this new TLV to AFI=1/2 SAFI 4. The usage of this TLV for other AFI/SAFI is out of scope of this document.
- o "SRv6 label route tunnel" TLV is encoded exactly like SRv6 Service TLVs in Prefix-SID Attribute [I-D.ietf-bess-srv6-services] with following modification:
 - 1. TLV Type (1 octet): This field is assigned values from the IANA registry "BGP Prefix-SID TLV Types". It is set to 7 for "SRv6 label route tunnel" TLV.
 - 2. No transposition scheme is allowed i.e. transposition length MUST be 0 in SRv6 SID Structure Sub-Sub-TLV
- o Possibility of label encapsulation when dataplane has LSP to next hop irrespective of SRv6 SID signaled in "SRv6 label route tunnel" of Prefix-SID attribute. This allows existing implementation to keep operating(legacy ingress border routers).

Control plane example

- 1. Routing Protocol(RP) @10:
 - * ISIS originates its IPv4 PE loopback with Node SID 16010
 - * BGP AFI=1,SAFI=4 originate IPv4 loopback address with next hop node 10 and optionally label index=10 in Label-Index TLV of Prefix-SID attribute.

BGP AFI=1, SAFI=128 originates a VPN route RD:V/v next hop node 10. This route is advertised to service RR.

2. RP @ 7:

- * ISIS v6, advertise locator B:7::/48 in C domain
- * BGP learns node 10 IPv4 loopback address with outgoing label. It allocates local label (based on label index if present) and programs label swap to outgoing label and MPLS LSP to next hop.
- * BGP AFI=1, SAFI=4 advertise IPv4 loopback address of node 10 to node 4. NLRI label is set to local label and SRv6 SID B:7:DTM:: carried in SRv6 SID Information Sub-TLV of "SRv6 label route tunnel" TLV in Prefix-Sid attribute. If received, label index=10 in Label-Index TLV of Prefix-SID attribute is also signaled.
- 3. RP @ 4:
 - * ISIS v4 originates its IPv4 loopback with prefix SID 16004 in LI domain.
 - BGP learns node10 IPv4 loopback address from node 7 with outgoing label. It allocate local label (based on label index if present) and programs label swap and H.Encaps.M.red with IPv6 header destination address as SRv6 SID received in "SRv6 label route tunnel" TLV of Prefix-Sid attribute i.e. B:7:DTM::.
 - BGP AFI=1, SAFI=4 advertise IPv4 Loopback address of node 10 to node 1. NLRI label is set to local label and do not signal "SRv6 label route tunnel" TLV in Prefix-SID attribute.
- 4. RP @ 1:
 - * BGP learns IPv4 loopback address of node 10 from node 4 with outgoing label. It programs route to push outgoing label and MPLS LSP to next hop i.e. node 4
 - * BGP AFI=1, SAFI=128 learn service prefix RD:V/v, next hop IPv4 loopback address of node 10 and service label.

Forwarding state at different nodes:

@1: IPv4 VRF: V/v => out label=vpn_label, next hop=IPv4 address of node 10 @1: IPv4 table: IPv4 address of node 10 => out label=16010, next hop=node4 @1: IPv4 table: IPv4 address of node 4 => out label=16004, next hop=interface to reach 2 @4: MPLS Table: 16010 => out label=16010, H.Encaps.M.red with DA=B:7:DTM:: @4: IPv6 table: B:7::/48 => next hop=interface to reach 5 @7: SRv6 My SID table: B:7:DTM:: => decaps IPv6 header and lookup top label. @7: MPLS table: 16010 => out label=16010, next hop=interface to reach 8 @10: MPLS table: vpn label => pop label and lookup the inner IPv4 DA in the VRF

6.1.2.2.2. Label and SRv6 SID cross connect for BGP LU route

- o Allocate SRv6 SID associated with behavior that is decap variant of End.BM in [RFC8986] for each BGP LU route(IPv4 loopback address of PE) received from LE domain on egress border router
- o Lookup of SRv6 SID result in decaps of IPv6 header and push of BGP LU outgoing label and MPLS LSP to next hop
- o Advertise BGP LU route with SRv6 SID to ingress border router
- o Ingress border router allocate local label and performs pop and H.Encaps.M.Red with DA=per PE SRv6 SID on receiving packet with local label

BGP protocol extension will be detailed in future version.

6.2. Service IW

As described in Section 2.1.2 Service IW need BGP SRv6 based L2/L3 PE interworking with BGP MPLS based L2/L3 PE.

There are a number of different ways of handling this scenario as detailed below.

6.2.1. Gateway Interworking

Gateway is router which supports both BGP SRv6 based L2/L3 services and BGP MPLS based L2/L3 services for a service instance (e.g. L3 VRF, EVPN EVI). It terminates service encapsulation and perform L2/ L3 destination lookup in service instance.

- o A border router between SRv6 domain and SR-MPLS-IPv4 domain is suitable for Gateway role.
- o Transport reachability to SRv6 PE and gateway locators in SRv6 domain or MPLS LSP to PE/gateway IPv4 Loopbacks can be exchanged in IGP or through mechanism detailed in <u>Section 2.1.1</u>.

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- o Gateway exchange BGP L2/L3 service prefix with SRv6 based Service PEs via set of service RRs. This session will learn/advertise L3/ L2 service prefixes with SRv6 service SID in prefix SID attribute [I-D.ietf-bess-srv6-services].
- o Gateway exchange BGP L2/L3 service prefix with MPLS based Service PEs via set of distinct service RRs. This session will learn/ advertise L3/L2 service prefixes with service labels [RFC4364] [RFC7432].
- o L2/L3 prefix received from a domain is locally installed in service instance and re advertised to other domain with modified service encapsulation information.
- o Prefix learned with SRv6 service SID from SRv6 PE is installed in service instance with instruction to perform H.Encaps. It is advertised to MPLS service PE with service label. When gateway receives traffic with service label from MPLS service PE, it perform destination lookup in service instance. Lookup result in instruction to perform H.Encaps with DA being SRv6 Service SID learnt with prefix from SRv6 PE.
- o Prefix learned with MPLS service label from MPLS service PE is installed in service instance with instruction to perform service label encapsulation and send to MPLS LSP to nexthop. It is advertised to SRv6 service PE with SRv6 service SID of behavior (e.g. DT4/DT6/DT2U) [RFC8986]. When gateway receives traffic with SRv6 Service SID as DA of IPv6 header from SRv6 service PE, it perform destination lookup in service instance after decaps of IPv6 header. Lookup result in instruction to push service label and send it to nexthop.

Couple of border routers can act as gateway for redundancy. It can scale horizontally by distributing service instance among them.

6.2.2. Translation between Service labels and SRv6 service SID

This is similar to inter-as option B control plane procedures described in [RFC4364].

This would be described in future version of draft.

7. Migration and co-existence

In addition, the draft also addresses migration and coexistence of the SRv6 and SR-MPLS-IPv4. Co-existence means a network that supports both SRv6 and MPLS in a given domain. This may be a transient state when brownfield SR-MPLS-IPv4 network upgrades to SRv6

(migration) or permanent state when some devices are not capable of SRv6 but supports native IPv6 and SR-MPLS-IPv4.

These procedures would be detailed in a future revision

8. Availability

- o Failure within domain are taken care by existing FRR mechanisms [I-D.ietf-rtgwg-segment-routing-ti-lfa].
- o Procedures listed in [I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing-policy] provides protection in SR-PCE multi-domain On Demand Nexthop (ODN) SR policy based approach.
- o Convergence on failure of border routers can be achieved by well known methods for BGP inter domain routing approach:
 - * BGP Add Path provide diverse path visibility
 - * BGP backup path pre-programming
 - * Sub-second convergence on border router failure notified by local IGP.

9. IANA Considerations

9.1. BGP Prefix-SID TLV Types registry

This document introduce a new TLV Type of the BGP Prefix-SID attribute. IANA is requested to assign Type value in the registry "BGP Prefix-SID TLV Types" as follows

Value Type Reference -----SRv6 label route tunnel TLV <this document> TBD

9.2. SRv6 Endpoint Behaviors

This document introduces a new SRv6 Endpoint behavior "End.DTM". IANA is requested to assign identifier value in the "SRv6 Endpoint Behaviors" sub-registry under "Segment Routing Parameters" registry.

Value	Ì	Hex		Endpoint behavior	Ì	Reference	I
TBD	Ì	TBD		End.DTM	Ì	<this document=""></this>	Ì

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<u>10</u>. Security Considerations

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