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                              **SRv6 and MPLS interworking**

## Abstract

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

## Requirements Language

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## 1. Introduction

The incremental deployment of SRv6 into existing networks require SRv6 to interwork and co-exist with SR-MPLS/MPLS. This document introduces interworking scenarios and building blocks for solutions to inter connect them.

This document assumes SR-MPLS-IPv4 for MPLS domains but the design equally works for SR-MPLS-IPv6, LDP-IPv4/IPv6 and RSVP-TE-MPLS label binding protocols.

### 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, the document looks 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.

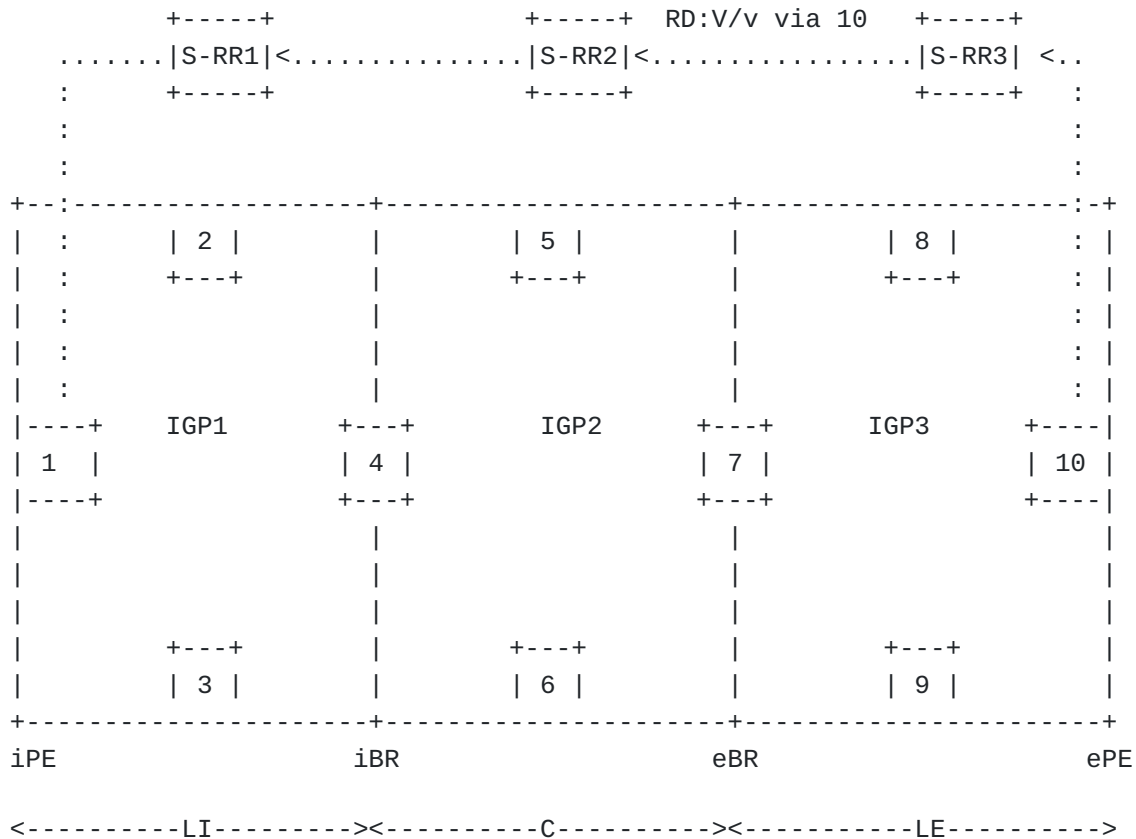


Figure 1: Reference multi-domain network topology

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

Below scenarios cover various cascading of SRv6 and MPLS networks, e.g., SR-MPLS-IPv4 <-> SRv6 <-> SR-MPLS-IPv4 <-> SRv6 <-> SR-MPLS-IPv4 etc, though not all combinations are described for brevity.

## **2.1. IW scenarios**

### **2.1.1. Transport IW**

Provider edge devices run MPLS based [[RFC4364](#)] or SRv6 Service SID based [[RFC9252](#)] BGP L3(e.g.VPN) or L2(e.g.EVPN) services through service Route Reflectors. Service endpoint signaling through borders routers and corresponding forwarding state provide interworking over intermediate transport domain.

#### **\*SRv6 over MPLS (6oM)**

- LI and LE domains are SRv6 data plane, C is MPLS data plane
- L3/L2 BGP SRv6 services [[RFC9252](#)] extend between PEs. The ingress PE encapsulates the payload in an outer IPv6 header where the SRv6 Service SID is the last segment or destination address(DA).
- Transport IW border nodes forward SRv6 encapsulated traffic destined to egress PE over MPLS C domain.

#### **\*MPLS over SRv6 (Mo6)**

- LI and LE domains are MPLS data plane, C is SRv6 data plane
- L3/L2 BGP MPLS services [[RFC4364](#)], [[RFC7432](#)]. The ingress PE encapsulates the payload in an MPLS service label and sends it through MPLS LSP to egress PE.
- Transport IW nodes forward encapsulated label stack to egress PE over SRv6 C domain.

Note: Easiest and most probable deployment is ships in the night i.e. supporting dual stack and IPv4 MPLS in each domain.

### **2.1.2. Service IW**

L3/L2 service signaling discontinuity i.e. SRv6 service SID based PE interworks with BGP MPLS based PE for service connectivity. L3/L2

service BGP signaling and forwarding state provide interworking over intermediate domain.

\*SRV6 to MPLS(6toM): The ingress PE encapsulates the payload in an outer IPv6 header where the destination address is the SRv6 Service SID[[RFC9252](#)]. Payload is delivered to egress PE with MPLS service label[[RFC4364](#)] that it advertised with service prefixes.

\*MPLS 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  $A_k::1/128$ .

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

A SID list is represented as  $\langle S1, S2, S3 \rangle$  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  $\langle S1, S2, S3 \rangle$  with SegmentsLeft = SL

Note the difference between the  $\langle \rangle$  and  $()$  symbols:  $\langle S1, S2, S3 \rangle$  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  $\langle S1, S2, S3 \rangle$  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:

```
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:

```
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 [ietf-spring-srv6-network-programming] section 4.
S07. }
```

### 4.2. End.DPM

The "Endpoint with decapsulation and MPLS label push" behavior.

The End.DPM SID MUST be the last segment and a SID instance is associated with label stack.

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

```

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.DPM SID, N does:

```

S01. Remove the outer IPv6 Header with all its extension headers
S02. Push the MPLS label stack associated with S
S03. Submit the packet to the MPLS engine for transmission

```

## 5. SRv6 Policy Headend Behaviors

### 5.1. H.Encaps.M: H.Encaps applied to MPLS label stack

The H.Encaps.M behavior encapsulates a received MPLS Label stack [RFC3032] 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 [RFC4023].

### 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 [RFC4023].

## 6. Interconnecting Binding SIDs

Binding Segment (BSID) is bound to SR policy [RFC8402]. Further an SR-MPLS label can be bound to an SRv6 Policy and an SRv6 SID can be bound to an SR-MPLS Policy. The IW SR-PCE solution [Section 7.1.1](#) leverage these BSIDs as segments of SR policy on headend domain to represent intermediate domain of different dataplane type. In summary, an intermediate domain of different data plane type is represented by BSID of ingress domain data plane type in SID list.

## 7. Interworking Procedures

[Figure 1](#) shows reference multi-domain network topology and [Section 2](#) its description. The procedure in this section are illustrated using the topology.

Following is assumed for data plane support of various nodes:

- \*Nodes 2,3,5,6,8,9 are provider(P) routers which need to support single data plane type.
- \*1 and 10 are PEs. They support single data plane type in overlay and underlay.
- \*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

### 7.1. Transport IW

As described in [Section 2.1.1](#), transport IW requires:

- \*For 6oM, tunnel traffic destined to SRv6 Service SID of egress PE over MPLS C domain.
- \*For Mo6, tunnel MPLS label stack bound to IPv4 loopback address of egress PE over SRv6 C domain.

This draft enhances two well-known solutions to achieve above:

- \*An SR-PCE [[RFC8664](#)] multi-domain On Demand Next-hop (ODN) SR policy [[RFC9256](#)] stitching end to end across different data plane domains using interconnecting binding SIDs. These procedures can be used when overlay prefixes are signaled with a color extended community [[RFC9012](#)].
- \*BGP Inter-Domain routing procedures advertising PE locator or IPv4 Loopback address for best effort end to end connectivity.

#### 7.1.1. SR-PCE multi-domain On Demand Nexthop

This procedure provides a best-effort path as well as a path that satisfies the intent (e.g. low latency), across multiple domains. Service routes (VPN/EVPN) are received on ingress PE with color extended community from egress PE. A Color is a 32-bit numerical



value that associates an SR Policy with an intent [[RFC9256](#)]. Ingress PE does not know how to compute the traffic engineered path through the multi-domain network to egress PE and requests SR-PCE for it. The SR-PCE is aware of interworking requirement at border nodes as its fed with BGP-LS topological information from each domain. It programs intermediate domain data plane specific policy on border nodes for the given intent and represents it in end to end path SID list on ingress PE leveraging [Section 6](#).

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

#### 7.1.1.1. 6oM

Service prefix (e.g. VPN or EVPN) is received on head-end (node 1) with color extended community (C1) from egress PE (node 10) with SRv6 service SID. The PCE computes (C1,10) path via node 2, 5 and 8. It programs an SR policy at border node 4 with segment list node 5 and 7 bounded to an End.BM BSID [[RFC8986](#)]. 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):

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.

#### 7.1.1.2. 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). The PCE computes color-aware C1 path via node 2, 5 and 8. It programs a SRv6 policy bound to MPLS BSID at border node 4 with SRv6 segment list along required color-aware path with last segment of behavior End.DTM [Section 4.1](#). SR-PCE responds back to node 1 with MPLS segment list 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.

### 7.1.2. BGP inter domain routing procedures

Procedures described below build upon BGP 3107 [[I-D.ietf-mppls-seamless-mppls](#)] and [[RFC4798](#)] to advertise transport reachability for PE IPv4 loopbacks or SRv6 locators across a multi-domain network. The procedures leverage existing BGP AFI/SAFIs BGP IPv6 Unicast (2/1) and BGP-LU (1/4, 2/4). Nexthop self on border routers provide independence of intra domain tunnel technology in different domains.

The sections below describe 6oM and Mo6 IW with BGP procedures for best effort paths to a locator or loopback prefix. The procedures are equally applicable to intent aware paths, i.e., locator assigned for a given intent, for instance from an IGP-FlexAlgo. They are also applicable to color-aware routes [[I-D.ietf-idr-bgp-car](#)] recursing over intent aware intra-domain paths.

#### 7.1.2.1. 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.

\*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.

\*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.

\*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 [[RFC9252](#)]. Alternatively, it may leak remote locators in LI IGP domain such that P routers also have reachability

\*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.N  
@4: IPv6 Table: B:4:END:: => Update DA with B:10:DT4::,set IPv6.NH=IPv4,  
@4: IPv6 Table: B:10::/48 => push MPLS label 2 (Explicit NULL), push MPL  
@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

#### 7.1.2.2. 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 self-performed on border routers.

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

##### 7.1.2.2.1. Tunnel BGP LU LSP across SRv6 C domain

Intuitive solution for an MPLS-minded operator

- \*Existing BGP-LU label cross-connect on border routers for each PE IPv4 loopback address.
- \*The lookups at the ingress border router are based on BGP3107 label as usual
- \*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.
- \*Ingress border router forwarding perform 3107 label swap and H.Encaps.M with DA = SRv6 SID associated with DTM behavior
- \*Similar to MPLS-over-IP

Existing BGP LU updates between border routers signal SRv6 SID associated with DTM behavior.

[[I-D.agrawal-bess-bgp-srv6-mpls-interworking](#)] proposes "SRv6 tunnel for label route" TLV of the BGP Prefix-SID Attribute to signal SRv6 SID to tunnel MPLS packet with label in NLRI at the top of its label stack through SRv6/IPv6 domain. Below describes the control plane and corresponding FIB state to achieve such tunneling:

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 tunnel for label route" 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 tunnel for label route" 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 tunnel for label route" 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:

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@1: IPv4 VRF: V/v => out label=vpn_label, next hop=IPv4 address of node
@1: IPv4 table: IPv4 address of node 10 => out label=16010, next hop=nod
@1: IPv4 table: IPv4 address of node 4 => out label=16004, next hop=inte
@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 la
@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

```

During transition when MPLS data plane is still enabled in C domain, an ABR that does not understand "SRv6 tunnel for label route" TLV in BGP Prefix-SID Attribute or based on operator configured local policy can continue MPLS encapsulation using label in NLRI and LSP to next hop.

#### 7.1.2.2.2. Label and SRv6 SID translation per BGP LU route

For each PE IPv4 loopback address, existing BGP 3107 label cross-connect on area border router is replaced by label to SRv6 SID cross-connect or vice versa. In effect, it creates a translation between from 3107 label to SRv6 SID at ingress of SRv6 domain and SRv6 SID to 3107 label on egress.

- \*For each BGP LU route (IPv4 loopback address of PE) received from LE domain on egress border router, allocate SRv6 SID of DPM behavior bound to the PE address. Lookup of SRv6 SID result in decapsulation of IPv6 header and push of BGP LU outgoing label and MPLS LSP to next hop.

- \*Advertise BGP route to PE address with SRv6 SID to ingress border router.

- \*Ingress border router allocate local label and advertise to LI domain.

- \*The lookups at the ingress border router are based on BGP 3107 label as usual. Lookup results SRv6 SID of DPM behavior signaled by egress border node. Decap BGP3107 label and perform H.Encaps.M with DA = SRv6 SID.

Section 2.2 of [[I-D.agrawal-bess-bgp-srv6-mpls-interworking](#)] describes how existing BGP advertisement can signal SRv6 SID associated with DPM behavior from egress to ingress border router.

## 7.2. 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.

#### 7.2.1. 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.

- \*A border router between SRv6 domain and SR-MPLS-IPv4 domain is suitable for Gateway role.

- \*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 [Section 2.1.1](#).

- \*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 [[RFC9252](#)].

- \*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](#)].

- \*L2/L3 prefix received from a domain is locally installed in service instance and re advertised to other domain with modified service encapsulation information.

- \*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.

- \*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.



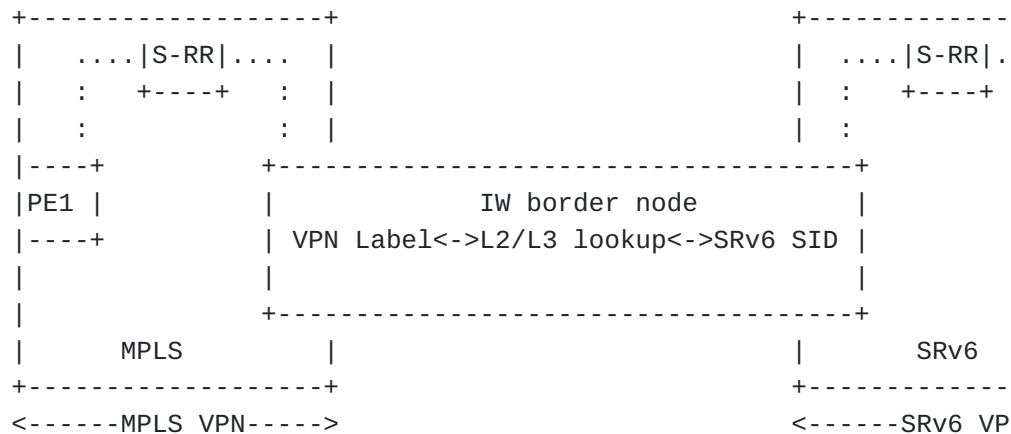


Figure 2: Gateway IW

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

#### 7.2.2. Translation between Service labels and SRv6 service SIDs

This is similar to inter-as option B procedures described in [RFC4364] just that service label cross-connect on border router is replaced with service label to SRv6 service SID or vice verse translation on IW node.

- \*IW node does not need service instance like VRF or EVI.
- \*IW node exchange BGP L2/L3 service prefix with SRv6 based Service PEs via set of service RRs. This BGP session will learn/advertise L3/L2 service prefixes with SRv6 service SID in prefix SID attribute [RFC9252].
- \*IW node exchange BGP L2/L3 service prefix with MPLS based service PEs via set of distinct service RRs. This BGP session will learn/advertise L3/L2 service prefixes with service labels [RFC4364] [RFC7432].
- \*IW node allocates SRv6 SID of behavior End.DPM that result in pushing service label and MPLS label stack to service nexthop for BGP L2/L3 service learnt from MPLS PE. It advertises the service to SRv6 domain.
- \*IW node allocates service label that results in H.Encaps with IPv6 header DA set to SRv6 SID signaled in BGP L2/L3 service learnt from SRv6 PE. Advertises the service to MPLS domain with allocated service label.



## 10. IANA Considerations

### 10.1. SRv6 Endpoint Behaviors

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

Value	Hex	Endpoint behavior	Reference
TBD	TBD	End.DTM	<this document>
TBD	TBD	End.DPM	<this document>

## 11. Security Considerations

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