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Abstract

This document provides the Path Computation Element communication Protocol (PCEP) extensions for the support of Routing and Wavelength Assignment (RWA) in Wavelength Switched Optical Networks (WSON). Path provisioning in WSONs requires a routing and wavelength assignment (RWA) process. From a path computation perspective, wavelength assignment is the process of determining which wavelength can be used on each hop of a path and forms an additional routing constraint to optical path computation.

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1. Terminology

This document uses the terminology defined in [[RFC4655](#)], and [[RFC5440](#)].

2. Requirements Language

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [BCP 14](#) [[RFC2119](#)] [[RFC8174](#)] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

3. Introduction

[[RFC5440](#)] specifies the Path Computation Element (PCE) Communication Protocol (PCEP) for communications between a Path Computation Client (PCC) and a PCE, or between two PCEs. Such interactions include path computation requests and path computation replies as well as notifications of specific states related to the use of a PCE in the context of Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) and Generalized MPLS (GMPLS) Traffic Engineering.

A PCC is said to be any network component that makes such a request and may be, for instance, an Optical Switching Element within a Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM) network. The PCE, itself, can be located anywhere within the network, and may be within an optical switching element, a Network Management System (NMS) or Operational Support System (OSS), or may be an independent network server.

This document provides the PCEP extensions for the support of Routing and Wavelength Assignment (RWA) in Wavelength Switched Optical Networks (WSON) based on the requirements specified in [[RFC6163](#)] and [[RFC7449](#)].

WSON refers to WDM based optical networks in which switching is performed selectively based on the wavelength of an optical signal. The devices used in WSONs that are able to switch signals based on signal wavelength are known as Lambda Switch Capable (LSC). WSONs can be transparent or translucent. A transparent optical network is made up of optical devices that can switch but not convert from one wavelength to another, all within the optical domain. On the other hand, translucent networks include 3R regenerators (Re-amplification, Re-shaping, Re-timing) that are sparsely placed. The main function of the 3R regenerators is to convert one optical wavelength to another.

A Lambda Switch Capable (LSC) Label Switched Path (LSP) may span one or several transparent segments, which are delimited by 3R regenerators typically with electronic regenerator and optional wavelength conversion. Each transparent segment or path in WSON is referred to as an optical path. An optical path may span multiple fiber links and the path should be assigned the same wavelength for each link. In such case, the optical path is said to satisfy the wavelength-continuity constraint. Figure 1 illustrates the relationship between a LSC LSP and transparent segments (optical paths).

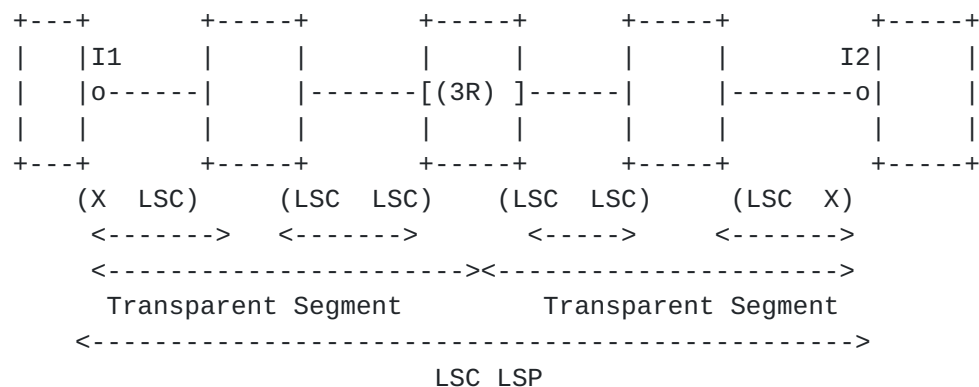


Figure 1 Illustration of a LSC LSP and transparent segments

Note that two optical paths within a WSON LSP do not need to operate on the same wavelength (due to the wavelength conversion capabilities). Two optical paths that share a common fiber link cannot be assigned the same wavelength; Otherwise, the two signals would interfere with each other. Note that advanced additional multiplexing techniques such as polarization based multiplexing are not addressed in this document since the physical layer aspects are not currently standardized. Therefore, assigning the proper wavelength on a path is an essential requirement in the optical path computation process.

When a switching node has the ability to perform wavelength conversion, the wavelength-continuity constraint can be relaxed, and a LSC Label Switched Path (LSP) may use different wavelengths on different links along its route from origin to destination. It is, however, to be noted that wavelength converters may be limited due to their relatively high cost, while the number of WDM channels that can be supported in a fiber is also limited. As a WSON can be composed of network nodes that cannot perform wavelength conversion, nodes with limited wavelength conversion, and nodes with full wavelength conversion abilities, wavelength assignment is an additional routing constraint to be considered in all optical path computation.

For example (see Figure 1), within a translucent WSON, a LSC LSP may be established between interfaces I1 and I2, spanning 2 transparent segments (optical paths) where the wavelength continuity constraint applies (i.e. the same unique wavelength must be assigned to the LSP at each TE link of the segment). If the LSC LSP induced a Forwarding Adjacency / TE link, the switching capabilities of the TE link would

be (X X) where X refers to the switching capability of I1 and I2. For example, X can be Packet Switch Capable (PSC), Time Division Multiplexing (TDM), etc.

This document aligns with GMPLS extensions for PCEP [[PCEP-GMPLS](#)] for generic properties such as label, label-set and label assignment noting that wavelength is a type of label. Wavelength restrictions and constraints are also formulated in terms of labels per [[RFC7579](#)].

The optical modulation properties, which are also referred to as signal compatibility, are already considered in signaling in [[RFC7581](#)] and [[RFC7688](#)]. In order to improve the signal quality and limit some optical effects several advanced modulation processing capabilities are used. These modulation capabilities contribute not only to optical signal quality checks but also constrain the selection of sender and receiver, as they should have matching signal processing capabilities. This document includes signal compatibility constraints as part of RWA path computation. That is, the signal processing capabilities (e.g., modulation and Forward Error Correction (FEC)) indicated by means of optical interface class (OIC) must be compatible between the sender and the receiver of the optical path across all optical elements.

This document, however, does not address optical impairments as part of RWA path computation. See [[RFC6566](#)] for the framework for optical impairments.

4. Encoding of a RWA Path Request

Figure 2 shows one typical PCE based implementation, which is referred to as the Combined Process (R&WA). With this architecture, the two processes of routing and wavelength assignment are accessed via a single PCE. This architecture is the base architecture specified in [[RFC6163](#)] and the PCEP extensions that are specified in this document are based on this architecture.

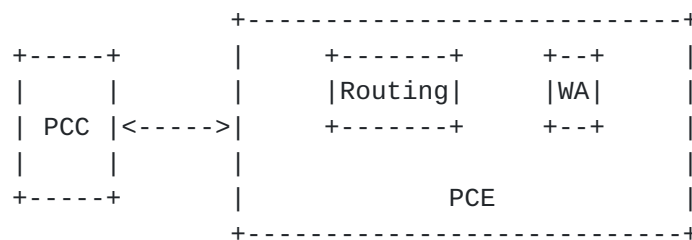


Figure 2 Combined Process (R&WA) architecture

4.1. Wavelength Assignment (WA) Object

Wavelength allocation can be performed by the PCE by different means:

(a) By means of Explicit Label Control [[RFC3471](#)] where the PCE allocates which label to use for each interface/node along the path. The allocated labels MAY appear after an interface route subobject.

(b) By means of a Label Set where the PCE provides a range of potential labels to allocate by each node along the path.

Option (b) allows distributed label allocation (performed during signaling) to complete wavelength assignment.

Additionally, given a range of potential labels to allocate, the request SHOULD convey the heuristic / mechanism used for the allocation.

The format of a PCReq message per [[RFC5440](#)] after incorporating the Wavelength Assignment (WA) object is as follows:

```
<PCReq Message> ::= <Common Header>
                        [<svec-list>]
                        <request-list>
```

Where:

```
<request-list> ::= <request> [<request-list>]
<request> ::= <RP>
                <END-POINTS>
                <WA>
                [other optional objects...]
```

If the WA object is present in the request, it MUST be encoded after the END-POINTS object as defined in [[PCEP-GMPLS](#)]. The WA Object is mandatory in this document. Orderings for the other optional objects are irrelevant.

WA Object-Class is (TBD1) (To be assigned by IANA).

WA Object-Type is 1.

The format of the WA object body is as follows:

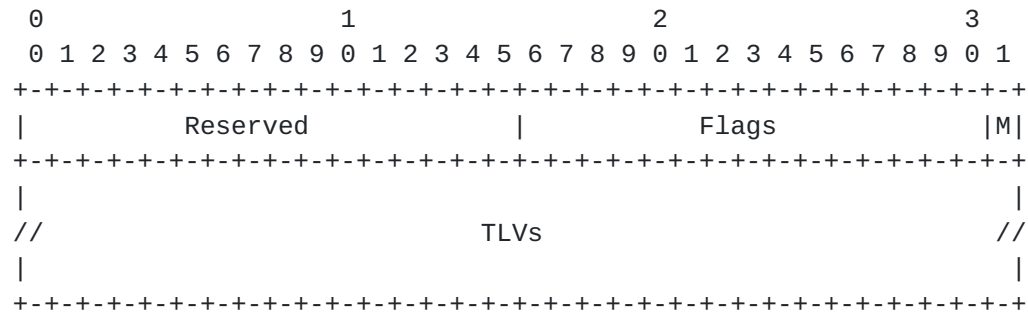


Figure 3 WA Object

- o Reserved (16 bits): Reserved for future use and SHOULD be zeroed and ignored on receipt.
- o Flags (16 bits)

One flag bit is allocated as follows:

- M (Mode - 1 bit): M bit is used to indicate the mode of wavelength assignment. When M bit is set to 1, this indicates that the label assigned by the PCE must be explicit. That is, the selected way to convey the allocated wavelength is by means of Explicit Label Control for each hop of a computed LSP. Otherwise (M bit is set to 0), the label assigned by the PCE need not be explicit (i.e., it can be suggested in the form of label set objects in the corresponding response, to allow distributed WA. If M is 0, the PCE MUST return a Label Set Field as described in [Section 2.6 of \[RFC7579\]](#) in the response. See [Section 5](#) of this document for the encoding discussion of a Label Set Field in a PCRep message.

All unused flags SHOULD be zeroed. IANA is to create a new registry to manage the Flag field of the WA object.

- o TLVs (variable). In the TLVs field, the following two TLVs are defined. At least one TLV MUST be present.

- Wavelength Selection TLV (32 bits): See [Section 4.2](#) for details.
- Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV (Variable): See [Section 4.3](#) for details.

[4.2.](#) Wavelength Selection TLV

The Wavelength Selection TLV is used to indicate the wavelength selection constraint in regard to the order of wavelength assignment to be returned by the PCE. This TLV is only applied when M bit is set in the WA Object specified in [Section 4.1](#). This TLV MUST NOT be used when the M bit is cleared.

The encoding of this TLV is specified as the Wavelength Selection Sub-TLV in [Section 4.2.2 of \[RFC7689\]](#). IANA is to allocate a new TLV type, Wavelength Selection TLV type (TBD2).

[4.3.](#) Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV

For any request that contains a wavelength assignment, the requester (PCC) MUST specify a restriction on the wavelengths to be used. This restriction is to be interpreted by the PCE as a constraint on the tuning ability of the origination laser transmitter or on any other maintenance related constraints. Note that if the LSP LSC spans different segments, the PCE must have mechanisms to know the tunability restrictions of the involved wavelength converters / regenerators, e.g. by means of the Traffic Engineering Database (TED) either via IGP or Network Management System (NMS). Even if the PCE knows the tunability of the transmitter, the PCC must be able to apply additional constraints to the request.

The format of the Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV is as follows:

```
<Wavelength Restriction Constraint> ::=
    (<Action> <Count> <Reserved>
     <Link Identifiers> <Wavelength Restriction>)...

```

Where

```
<Link Identifiers> ::= <Link Identifier> [<Link Identifiers>]

```


See [Section 4.3.1](#). for the encoding of the Link Identifiers Field.

<Link Identifiers> and <Wavelength Restriction> fields MAY appear together more than once to be able to specify multiple restrictions.

IANA is to allocate a new TLV type, Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV type (TBD3).

The TLV data is defined as follows:

```

      0               1               2               3
      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Action           | Count           | Reserved           |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                               Link Identifiers Field          |
//                               . . .                               //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                               Wavelength Restriction Field    |
//                               . . . . .                       //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
~                               . . . . .                       ~
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Action           | Count           | Reserved           |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                               Link Identifiers Field          |
//                               . . .                               //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                               Wavelength Restriction Field    |
//                               . . . . .                       //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

```

Figure 4 Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV Encoding

o Action (8 bits):

- o 0 - Inclusive List indicates that one or more link identifiers are included in the Link Set. Each identifies a separate link that is part of the set.
- o 1 - Inclusive Range indicates that the Link Set defines a range of links. It contains two link identifiers. The first identifier indicates the start of the range (inclusive). The second identifier indicates the end of the range (inclusive). All links with numeric values between the bounds are considered to be part of the set. A value of zero in either position indicates that there is no bound on the corresponding portion of the range.
- o 2-255 - For future use

IANA is to create a new registry to manage the Action values of the Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV.

Note that "links" are assumed to be bidirectional.

- o Count (8 bits): The number of the link identifiers

Note that a PCC MAY add a Wavelength restriction that applies to all links by setting the Count field to zero and specifying just a set of wavelengths.

Note that all link identifiers in the same list MUST be of the same type.

- o Reserved (16 bits): Reserved for future use and SHOULD be zeroed and ignored on receipt.
- o Link Identifiers: Identifies each link ID for which restriction is applied. The length is dependent on the link format and the Count field. See [Section 4.3.1](#). for Link Identifier encoding.
- o Wavelength Restriction: See [Section 4.3.2](#). for the Wavelength Restriction Field encoding.

Various encoding errors are possible with this TLV (e.g., not exactly two link identifiers with the range case, unknown identifier types, no matching link for a given identifier, etc.). To indicate errors associated with this encoding, a PCEP speaker MUST send a PCErr message with Error-Type=TBD8 and Error-value=3. See [Section 5.1](#) for the details.

4.3.1. Link Identifier Field

The link identifier field can be an IPv4 [[RFC3630](#)], IPv6 [[RFC5329](#)] or unnumbered interface ID [[RFC4203](#)].

<Link Identifier> ::=

<IPv4 Address> | <IPv6 Address> | <Unnumbered IF ID>

The encoding of each case is as follows:

IPv4 Address Field

```

0                               1                               2                               3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
| Type = 1      |      Reserved (24 bits)      |
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
| IPv4 address (4 bytes)      |
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+

```

IPv6 Address Field

```

0                               1                               2                               3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
| Type = 2      |      Reserved (24 bits)      |
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
| IPv6 address (16 bytes)      |
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
| IPv6 address (continued)      |
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
| IPv6 address (continued)      |

```

```

+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| IPv6 address (continued) |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

```

Unnumbered Interface ID Address Field

```

      0               1               2               3
    0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Type = 3      |   Reserved (24 bits)   |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                                     TE Node ID (32 bits) |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                                     Interface ID (32 bits) |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

```

- o Type (8 bits): It indicates the type of the link identifier.
- o Reserved (24 bits): Reserved for future use and SHOULD be zeroed and ignored on receipt.
- o Link Identifier: When Type field is 1, 4-bytes IPv4 address is encoded; when Type field is 2, 16-bytes IPv6 address is encoded; when Type field is 3, a tuple of 4-bytes TE node ID and 4-bytes interface ID is encoded.

The Type field is extensible and matches to the IANA registry created for Link Management Protocol (LMP) [RFC4204] for "TE Link Object Class Type name space": <https://www.iana.org/assignments/lmp-parameters/lmp-parameters.xhtml#lmp-parameters-15>.

4.3.2. Wavelength Restriction Field

The Wavelength Restriction Field of the Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV is encoded as a Label Set field as specified in Section 2.6 in [RFC7579] with base label encoded as a 32 bit LSC label, defined in [RFC6205]. The Label Set format is repeated here for convenience, with the base label internal structure included. See [RFC6205] for a description of Grid, C.S, Identifier and n, as well as [RFC7579] for the details of each action.

```

      0               1               2               3

```

```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Action|   Num Labels   |           Length           |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|Grid | C.S  |   Identifier   |           n           |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|   Additional fields as necessary per action   |
|   |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

```

Action (4 bits):

- 0 - Inclusive List
- 1 - Exclusive List
- 2 - Inclusive Range
- 3 - Exclusive Range
- 4 - Bitmap Set

Num Labels (12 bits): It is generally the number of labels. It has a specific meaning depending on the action value.

Length (16 bits): It is the length in bytes of the entire Wavelength Restriction field.

The Identifier has a specific PCEP context. To clarify the interpretation of the Identifier, the following additional explanation is added.

Identifier (9 bits): The value to be included in the "Identifier" field of the WDM label in RSVP-TE signaling, as defined in [section 3.2 of \[RFC6205\]](#). The PCC MAY use the assigned value for the Identifier field in the corresponding LSP-related messages in RSVP-TE signaling.

See Sections [2.6.1](#) - [2.6.3](#) of [\[RFC7579\]](#) for details on additional field discussion for each action.

4.4. Signal Processing Capability Restrictions

Path computation for WSON includes checking of signal processing capabilities at each interface against requested capability; the PCE MUST have mechanisms to know the signal processing capabilities at each interface, e.g. by means of the Traffic Engineering Database (TED) either via IGP or Network Management System (NMS). Moreover, a PCC should be able to indicate additional restrictions to signal processing compatibility, either on the endpoint or any given link.

The supported signal processing capabilities considered in the RWA Information Model [[RFC7446](#)] are:

- o Optical Interface Class List
- o Bit Rate
- o Client Signal

The Bit Rate restriction is already expressed in [[PCEP-GMPLS](#)] in the BANDWIDTH object.

In order to support the Optical Interface Class information and the Client Signal information new TLVs are introduced as endpoint-restriction in the END-POINTS type Generalized endpoint:

- o Client Signal TLV
- o Optical Interface Class List TLV

The END-POINTS type generalized endpoint is extended as follows:

```
<endpoint-restriction> ::=
    <LABEL-REQUEST> <label-restriction-list>

<label-restriction-list> ::= <label-restriction>
    [<label-restriction-list>]

<label-restriction> ::= (<LABEL-SET>|
    [<Wavelength Restriction Constraint>]
    [<signal-compatibility-restriction>])
```

Where

```
<signal-compatibility-restriction> ::=
    [<Optical Interface Class List>] [<Client Signal>]
```

The Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV is defined in [Section 4.3](#).

A new TLV for the Optical Interface Class List TLV (TBD5) is defined, and the encoding of the value part of the Optical Interface Class List TLV is described in [Section 4.1 of \[RFC7581\]](#).

A new TLV for the Client Signal Information TLV (TBD6) is defined, and the encoding of the value part of the Client Signal Information TLV is described in [Section 4.2 of \[RFC7581\]](#).

4.4.1. Signal Processing Exclusion

The PCC/PCE should be able to exclude particular types of signal processing along the path in order to handle client restriction or multi-domain path computation. [\[RFC5440\]](#) defines how Exclude Route Object (XRO) subobject is used. In this draft, we add two new XRO Signal Processing Exclusion Subobjects.

The first XRO subobject type (TBD9) is the Optical Interface Class List Field defined as follows:

```

0                               1                               2                               3

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
|X| Type=TBD9 |      Length      |  Reserved  | Attribute  |
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
//                               Optical Interface Class List                               //
+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+
```

Figure 5 Optical Interface Class List XRO Subobject

Refer to [\[RFC5521\]](#) for the definition of X, Length and Attribute.

Type (7 bits): The Type of the Signaling Processing Exclusion Field. The TLV Type value (TBD9) is to be assigned by the IANA for the Optical Interface Class List XRO Subobject Type.

Reserved bits (8 bits) are for future use and SHOULD be zeroed and ignored on receipt.

The Attribute field (8 bits): [\[RFC5521\]](#) defines several Attribute values; the only permitted Attribute values for this field are 0 (Interface) or 1 (Node).

The Optical Interface Class List is encoded as described in [Section 4.1 of \[RFC7581\]](#).

The second XRO subobject type (TBD10) is the Client Signal Information defined as follows:

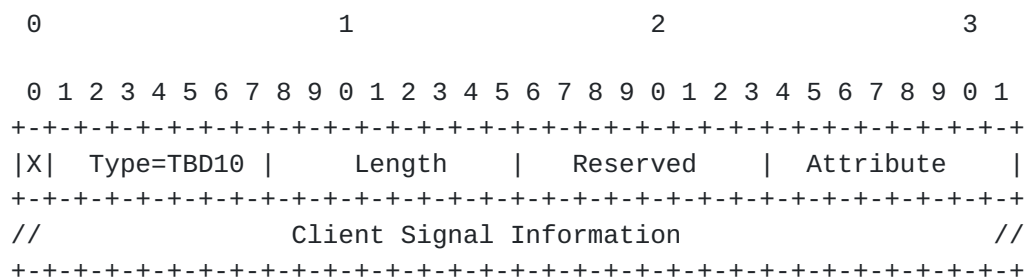


Figure 6 Client Signal Information XRO Subobject

Refer to [\[RFC5521\]](#) for the definition of X, Length and Attribute.

Type (7 bits): The Type of the Signaling Processing Exclusion Field. The TLV Type value (TBD10) is to be assigned by the IANA for the Client Signal Information XRO Subobject Type.

Reserved bits (8 bits) are for future use and SHOULD be zeroed and ignored on receipt.

The Attribute field (8 bits): [\[RFC5521\]](#) defines several Attribute values; the only permitted Attribute values for this field are 0 (Interface) or 1 (Node).

The Client Signal Information is encoded as described in [Section 4.2 of \[RFC7581\]](#).

The XRO needs to support the new Signaling Processing Exclusion XRO Subobject types:

Type	XRO Subobject Type
TBD9	Optical Interface Class List
TBD10	Client Signal Information

4.4.2. Signal Processing Inclusion

Similar to the XRO subobject, the PCC/PCE should be able to include particular types of signal processing along the path in order to handle client restriction or multi-domain path computation. [RFC5440] defines how Include Route Object (IRO) subobject is used. In this draft, we add two new Signal Processing Inclusion Subobjects.

The IRO needs to support the new IRO Subobject types (TBD11 and TBD12) for the PCEP IRO object [RFC5440]:

Type	IRO Subobject Type
TBD11	Optical Interface Class List
TBD12	Client Signal Information

The encoding of the Signal Processing Inclusion subobjects is similar to [Section 4.4.1](#) where the 'X' field is replaced with 'L' field, all the other fields remains the same. The 'L' field is described in [RFC3209].

5. Encoding of a RWA Path Reply

This section provides the encoding of a RWA Path Reply for wavelength allocation request as discussed in [Section 4](#).

5.1. Wavelength Allocation TLV

Recall that wavelength allocation can be performed by the PCE by different means:

- (a) By means of Explicit Label Control (ELC) where the PCE allocates which label to use for each interface/node along the path.

- (b) By means of a Label Set where the PCE provides a range of potential labels to allocate by each node along the path.

Option (b) allows distributed label allocation (performed during signaling) to complete wavelength allocation.

The Wavelength Allocation TLV type is TBD4 (See [Section 8.4](#)). Note that this TLV is used for both (a) and (b). The TLV data is defined as follows:

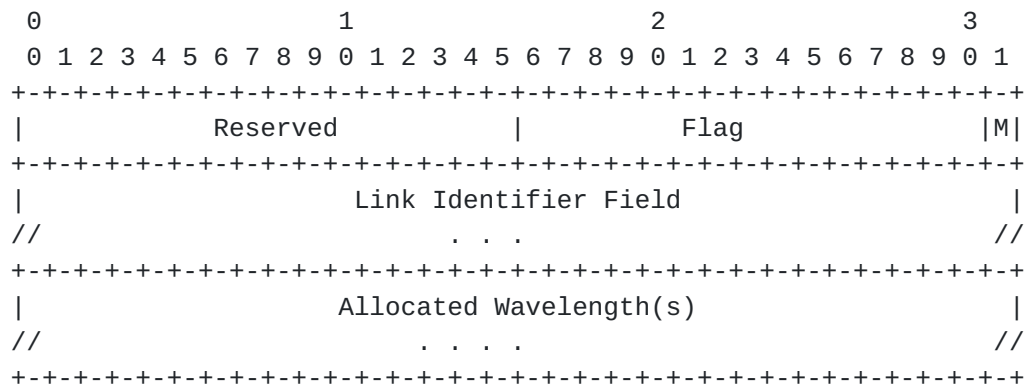


Figure 7 Wavelength Allocation TLV Encoding

o Reserved (16 bits): Reserved for future use.

o Flags (16 bits)

One flag bit is allocated as follows:

- . M (Mode): 1 bit
 - 0 indicates the allocation is under Explicit Label Control.
 - 1 indicates the allocation is expressed in Label Sets.

IANA is to create a new registry to manage the Flag field (TBD14) of the Wavelength Allocation TLV.

Note that all link identifiers in the same list must be of the same type.

- o Link Identifier: Identifies the interface to which assignment wavelength(s) is applied. See [Section 4.3.1](#). for Link Identifier encoding.
- o Allocated Wavelength(s): Indicates the allocated wavelength(s) to be associated with the Link Identifier. See [Section 4.3.2](#) for encoding details.

This TLV is carried in a PCRep message as an attribute TLV [[RFC5420](#)] in the Hop Attribute Subobjects [[RFC7570](#)] in the ERO [[RFC5440](#)].

[5.2. Error Indicator](#)

To indicate errors associated with the RWA request, a new Error Type (TBD8) and subsequent error-values are defined as follows for inclusion in the PCEP-ERROR Object:

A new Error-Type (TBD8) and subsequent error-values are defined as follows:

- o Error-Type=TBD8; Error-value=1: if a PCE receives a RWA request and the PCE is not capable of processing the request due to insufficient memory, the PCE MUST send a PCErr message with a PCEP-ERROR Object (Error-Type=TBD8) and an Error-value (Error-value=1). The PCE stops processing the request. The corresponding RWA request MUST be cancelled at the PCC.
- o Error-Type=TBD8; Error-value=2: if a PCE receives a RWA request and the PCE is not capable of RWA computation, the PCE MUST send a PCErr message with a PCEP-ERROR Object (Error-Type=TBD8) and an Error-value (Error-value=2). The PCE stops processing the request. The corresponding RWA computation MUST be cancelled at the PCC.
- o Error-Type=TBD8; Error-value=3: if a PCE receives a RWA request and there are syntactical encoding errors (e.g., not exactly two link identifiers with the range case, unknown identifier types, no matching link for a given identifier, etc.), the PCE MUST send a PCErr message with a PCEP-ERROR Object (Error-Type=TBD8) and an Error-value (Error-value=3).

5.3. NO-PATH Indicator

To communicate the reason(s) for not being able to find RWA for the path request, the NO-PATH object can be used in the corresponding response. The format of the NO-PATH object body is defined in [\[RFC5440\]](#). The object may contain a NO-PATH-VECTOR TLV to provide additional information about why a path computation has failed.

One new bit flag is defined to be carried in the Flags field in the NO-PATH-VECTOR TLV carried in the NO-PATH Object.

- o Bit TBD7: When set, the PCE indicates no feasible route was found that meets all the constraints (e.g., wavelength restriction, signal compatibility, etc.) associated with RWA.

6. Manageability Considerations

Manageability of WSON Routing and Wavelength Assignment (RWA) with PCE must address the following considerations:

6.1. Control of Function and Policy

In addition to the parameters already listed in [Section 8.1 of \[RFC5440\]](#), a PCEP implementation SHOULD allow configuration of the following PCEP session parameters on a PCC:

- o The ability to send a WSON RWA request.

In addition to the parameters already listed in [Section 8.1 of \[RFC5440\]](#), a PCEP implementation SHOULD allow configuration of the following PCEP session parameters on a PCE:

- o The support for WSON RWA.
- o A set of WSON RWA specific policies (authorized sender, request rate limiter, etc).

These parameters may be configured as default parameters for any PCEP session the PCEP speaker participates in, or may apply to a specific session with a given PCEP peer or a specific group of sessions with a specific group of PCEP peers.

6.2. Liveness Detection and Monitoring

Mechanisms defined in this document do not imply any new liveness detection and monitoring requirements in addition to those already listed in [section 8.3 of \[RFC5440\]](#).

6.3. Verifying Correct Operation

Mechanisms defined in this document do not imply any new verification requirements in addition to those already listed in [section 8.4 of \[RFC5440\]](#).

6.4. Requirements on Other Protocols and Functional Components

The PCEP Link-State mechanism [[PCEP-LS](#)] may be used to advertise WSON RWA path computation capabilities to PCCs.

6.5. Impact on Network Operation

Mechanisms defined in this document do not imply any new network operation requirements in addition to those already listed in [section 8.6 of \[RFC5440\]](#).

7. Security Considerations

The security considerations discussed in [[RFC5440](#)] are relevant for this document, this document does not introduce any new security issues. If an operator wishes to keep private the information distributed by WSON, PCEPS [[RFC8253](#)] SHOULD be used.

8. IANA Considerations

IANA maintains a registry of PCEP parameters. IANA has made allocations from the sub-registries as described in the following sections.

8.1. New PCEP Object: Wavelength Assignment Object

As described in [Section 4.1](#), a new PCEP Object is defined to carry wavelength assignment related constraints. IANA is to allocate the following from "PCEP Objects" sub-registry (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#pcep-objects>):

Object Class Value	Name	Object Type	Reference

TBD1	WA	1: Wavelength Assignment	[This.I-D]

8.2. WA Object Flag Field

As described in [Section 4.1](#), IANA is to create a registry to manage the Flag field of the WA object. New values are to be assigned by Standards Action [[RFC8126](#)]. Each bit should be tracked with the following qualities:

- o Bit number (counting from bit 0 as the most significant bit)
- o Capability description
- o Defining RFC

The following values are defined in this document:

One bit is defined for the WA Object flag in this document:

Codespace of the Flag field (WA Object)

Bit	Description	Reference

15	explicit label control	[This.I-D]

8.3. New PCEP TLV: Wavelength Selection TLV

As described in Sections [4.2](#), a new PCEP TLV is defined to indicate wavelength selection constraints. IANA is to allocate this new TLV from the "PCEP TLV Type Indicators" subregistry (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#pcep-tlv-type-indicators>).

Value	Description	Reference
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 TBD2 Wavelength Selection [This.I-D]

8.4. New PCEP TLV: Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV

As described in Sections 4.3, a new PCEP TLV is defined to indicate wavelength restriction constraints. IANA is to allocate this new TLV from the "PCEP TLV Type Indicators" subregistry (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#pcep-tlv-type-indicators>).

Value	Description	Reference

TBD3	Wavelength Restriction Constraint	[This.I-D]

8.5. Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV Action Values

As described in Section 4.3, IANA is to allocate a new registry to manage the Action values of the Action field in the Wavelength Restriction Constraint TLV. New values are assigned by Standards Action [RFC8126]. Each value should be tracked with the following qualities: value, meaning, and defining RFC. The following values are defined in this document:

Value	Meaning	Reference

0	Inclusive List	[This.I-D]
1	Inclusive Range	[This.I-D]
2-255	Reserved	[This.I-D]

8.6. New PCEP TLV: Wavelength Allocation TLV

As described in Section 5, a new PCEP TLV is defined to indicate the allocation of wavelength(s) by the PCE in response to a request by the PCC. IANA is to allocate this new TLV from the "PCEP TLV Type

Indicators" subregistry

(<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#pcep-tlv-type-indicators>).

Value	Description	Reference

TBD4	Wavelength Allocation	[This.I-D]

8.7. Wavelength Allocation TLV Flag Field

As described in [Section 5](#), IANA is to allocate a registry to manage the Flag field of the Wavelength Allocation TLV. New values are to be assigned by Standards Action [[RFC8126](#)]. Each bit should be tracked with the following qualities:

- o Bit number (counting from bit 0 as the most significant bit)
- o Capability description
- o Defining RFC

One bit is defined for the Wavelength Allocation flag in this - document:

Codespace of the Flag field (Wavelength Allocation TLV)

Bit	Description	Reference

15	Wavelength Allocation Mode	[This.I-D]

8.8. New PCEP TLV: Optical Interface Class List TLV

As described in [Section 4.4](#), a new PCEP TLV is defined to indicate the optical interface class list. IANA is to allocate this new TLV from the "PCEP TLV Type Indicators" subregistry (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#pcep-tlv-type-indicators>).

Value	Description	Reference

TBD5	Optical Interface Class List	[This.I-D]
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8.9. New PCEP TLV: Client Signal TLV

As described in [Section 4.4](#), a new PCEP TLV is defined to indicate the client signal information. IANA is to allocate this new TLV from the "PCEP TLV Type Indicators" subregistry (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#pcep-tlv-type-indicators>).

Value	Description	Reference

TBD6	Client Signal Information	[This.I-D]

8.10. New No-Path Reasons

As described in [Section 5.2](#), a new bit flag are defined to be carried in the Flags field in the NO-PATH-VECTOR TLV carried in the NO-PATH Object. This flag, when set, indicates that no feasible route was found that meets all the RWA constraints (e.g., wavelength restriction, signal compatibility, etc.) associated with a RWA path computation request.

IANA is to allocate this new bit flag from the "PCEP NO-PATH-VECTOR TLV Flag Field" subregistry (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#no-path-vector-tlv>).

Bit	Description	Reference

TBD7	No RWA constraints met	[This.I-D]

8.11. New Error-Types and Error-Values

As described in [Section 5.1](#), new PCEP error codes are defined for WSON RWA errors. IANA is to allocate from the "PCEP-ERROR Object Error Types and Values" sub-registry (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/pcep/pcep.xhtml#pcep-error-object>).

Error-Type	Meaning	Error-Value	Reference

TBD8	WSON RWA Error	1: Insufficient Memory	[This.I-D]
		2: RWA computation Not supported	[This.I-D]
		3: Syntactical Encoding error	[This.I-D]

8.12. New Subobjects for the Exclude Route Object

As described in [Section 4.4.1](#), the "PCEP Parameters" registry contains a subregistry "PCEP Objects" with an entry for the Exclude Route Object (XRO). IANA is requested to add further subobjects that can be carried in the XRO as follows:

Subobject	Type	Reference

TBD9	Optical Interface Class List	[This.I-D]
TBD10	Client Signal Information	[This.I-D]

8.13. New Subobjects for the Include Route Object

As described in [Section 4.4.2](#), the "PCEP Parameters" registry contains a subregistry "PCEP Objects" with an entry for the Include Route Object (IRO). IANA is requested to add further subobjects that can be carried in the IRO as follows:

Subobject	Type	Reference

TBD11	Optical Interface Class List	[This.I-D]
TBD12	Client Signal Information	[This.I-D]

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