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Abstract

This document defines extensions to the BGP-LS to distribute/push the segment information to its administrative SR domain and describes some use cases.

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[1.](#) Introduction

In those networks with a central controller, it may be beneficial to allocate and manage SIDs for the network since the controller has the whole link-state database in mind. This document proposes BGP extensions to allocate SIDs in a centralized manner instead of distribution way.

[2.](#) Terminology

- o MPP: MPLS Path Programming
- o RR: Route Reflector
- o SID: Segment Identifier
- o SR-Path: Segment Routing Path

3. Motivation

3.1. Allocating Segment in BGP Networks

It is possible that BGP may be the only routing protocol in some networks, such as the one described in [\[I-D.ietf-rtgwg-bgp-routing-large-dc\]](#). If Segment Routing [\[I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing\]](#) is going to be used for in the dataplane, it will be better to allocate SIDs in a centralized manner since no IGP flooding mechanism to advertise now.

In order to allocating SIDs, the centralized allocator SHOULD collect BGP network topology database ahead, which at least consists of BGP speakers, prefixes and adjacencies among them. No concrete technique for collecting this database has been specified in this document.

3.2. Allocating Segment in IGP Networks

In the scenario SR & LDP interoperation described in [\[I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing-ldp-interop\]](#), if mapping entries are allocated in a centralized manner, e.g. a controller, it is possible that Binding SIDs will be populated to a designated SRMS through a protocol instead of IGP, no matter whether the SRMS is a dedicated server or function module.

4. Protocol Extensions

This section defines a new Protocol-ID called as BGP-Segment-Allocation (TBA) in the BGP-LS specification. The use of a new Protocol-ID allows separation and differentiation between the NLRIs carrying Segment Allocation information from the NLRIs carrying IGP link-state information as defined in [\[I-D.ietf-idr-ls-distribution\]](#).

4.1. Node NLRI for Segment Allocation

This section describes the Node NLRI used for allocating the Node-SID. The Node NLRI Type uses descriptors and attributes already defined in [\[I-D.ietf-idr-ls-distribution\]](#). The format of the Node NLRI Type is 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
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Protocol-ID |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                                     Identifier                                     |
|                                     (64 bits)                                     |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
//          Local Node Descriptors          //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

```

Where:

- o Protocol-ID set to the new Protocol-ID: BGP-Segment-Allocation
- o Node Descriptors defined in [[I-D.ietf-idr-ls-distribution](#)] can be reused

This NLRI MAY contain BGP-LS-SR TLV 1033 (SID/Label Binding) as its attribute.

4.2. Link NLRI for Segment Allocation

This section describes the Link NLRI used for allocating the Adj-SID. The format of the Link NLRI Type is 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
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Protocol-ID |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                                     Identifier                                     |
|                                     (64 bits)                                     |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
//          Local Node Descriptors          //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
//          Remote Node Descriptors          //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
//          Link Descriptors                  //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

```

Where:

- o Protocol-ID set to the new Protocol-ID: BGP-Segment-Allocation
- o Node Descriptors and Link Descriptors defined in [[I-D.ietf-idr-ls-distribution](#)] can be reused.

Following TLV will be used in Link Attribute:

- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1034: SR Capabilities
- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1035: SR Algorithm
- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1099: Adj-SID
- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1036: Peer-SID
- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1037: Peer-Set-SID

4.3. Prefix NLRI for Segment Allocation

This section describes the Prefix NLRI used for Allocating the Prefix-SID. The format of the Link NLRI Type is 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
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Protocol-ID |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                               Identifier                               |
|                               (64 bits)                               |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
//      Local Node Descriptors      //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
//      Prefix Descriptors      //
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

```

Where:

- o Protocol-ID set to the new Protocol-ID: BGP-Segment-Allocation
- o Node Descriptors and Prefix Descriptors defined in [\[I-D.ietf-idr-ls-distribution\]](#) can be reused.

Following TLV will be used in Prefix Attribute:

- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1034: SR Capabilities
- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1035: SR Algorithm
- o BGP-LS-SR TLV 1158: Prefix SID

5.1.1. Node-SID Distribution via a Prefix NLRI

A Node-SID represents a Node and has a global significance, something like a loopback of a router. Like an operator assigns a loopback's to their routers, it's expected that the Node-SID value will be assigned to every node. The assigned value can be an absolute or Index value and must be globally unique. In order to push a Node-SID for a router(e.g., N7), Controller advertise a Prefix NLRI to all the routers of the BGP-SR Network, where:

- o Protocol-ID set to the new Protocol-ID: BGP-Segment-Allocation
- o Local Node Descriptors contains
 - * BGP Router-ID: 7.7.7.7
 - * Local ASN: AS7
 - * BGP-LS Identifier: 70000
- o Prefix Descriptors
 - * 7.7.7.7/32
- o Prefix Attribute contains
 - * BGP-LS-SR TLV 1034: SR Capabilities
 - * BGP-LS-SR TLV 1035: SR Algorithm
 - * BGP-LS-SR TLV 1158: Prefix SID, With the N-flag (node-SID flag) set.
 - * Other Prefix Attributes.

5.1.2. Adj-SID Distribution via a Link NLRI

In order to push a Adj-SID for a router(e.g., N7 connects to N8), Controller advertise a Link NLRI to all the routers of the BGP-SR Network, where:

- o Protocol-ID set to the new Protocol-ID: BGP-Segment-Allocation
- o Local Node Descriptors contains
 - * BGP Router-ID: 7.7.7.7
 - * Local ASN: AS7

- * BGP-LS Identifier: 70000
- o Remote Node Descriptors contains
 - * BGP Router-ID: 8.8.8.8
 - * Local ASN: AS8
 - * BGP-LS Identifier: 80000
- o Link Descriptors
 - * BGP session IPv4 local address: 7.7.7.7
 - * BGP session IPv4 peer address: 8.8.8.8
- o Link Attribute contains
 - * BGP-LS-SR TLV 1034: SR Capabilities
 - * BGP-LS-SR TLV 1035: SR Algorithm
 - * BGP-LS-EPE TLV 1036: Peer-Node-SID
 - * Other Prefix Attributes.

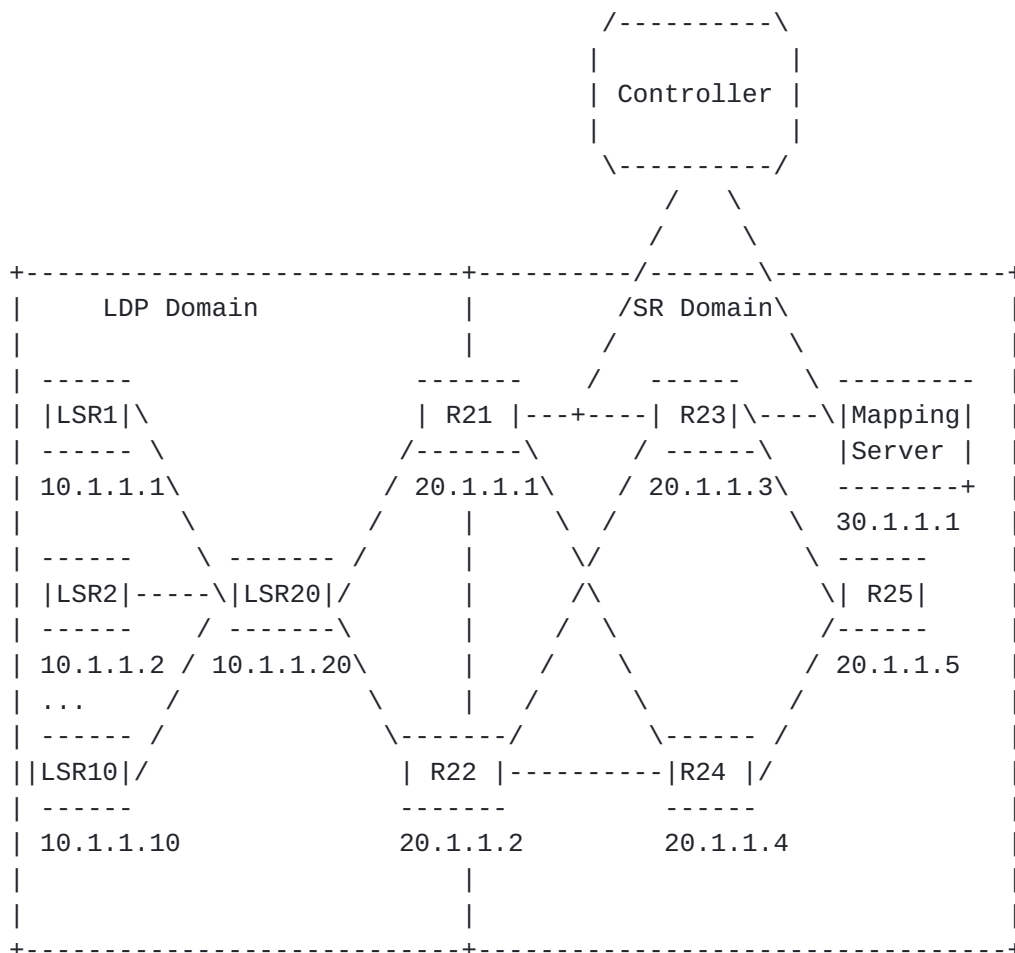
In the similar way, the controller can distribute Peer-Adj-SID and Peer-Set-SID.

5.2. Allocating Segments for IGP Networks

In IGP networks deployed with SR, the method defined in [\[I-D.ietf-idr-ls-distribution\]](#) to populate the topology database and the SRGB to the controller.

A controller may use the extensions defined in this document to populate mapping entries to the SRMS. Then the SRMS will advertise this mapping to all the SR Nodes via IGP.

In the following figure, LSR1-10 and LSR20 are only running LDP and R21-to-R25 Routers are SR capable Routers. R21 and R22 will be running both SR and LDP as they are on the border between SR and LDP. The whole network is running single IGP let's say IS-IS.



The Node-SIDs and their corresponding label value mapping could be like this:

Prefix	Index Value	Range
10.1.1.1/32	1001	10
10.1.1.20/32	1020	1
20.1.1.1/32	2001	5

The controller will advertise a node NLRI to Mapping Server, where:

- o Protocol-ID set to the new Protocol-ID: BGP-Segment-Allocation
- o Local Node Descriptors contains
 - * Mapping Server's node descriptor
- o Node Attribute contains

6. IANA Considerations

TBD.

7. Security Considerations

TBD.

8. Acknowledgements

TBD.

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