Path Segment in MPLS Based Segment Routing Network draft-cheng-spring-path-segment-03

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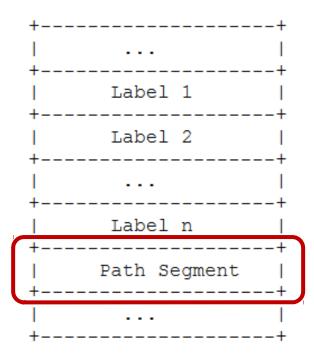
Motivation

- For SR-MPLS, an SR path is represented as a stack of labels
 - SR path states only maintained at the ingress node
 - When a packet reaches the egress node, some or all of the labels have been popped off, the egress node can not determine from which SR path the packet is received.
- Path identification at egress is a pre-requisite of:
 - Performance measurement
 - Bidirectional path correlation
 - ...

Path Segment is introduced for SR path identification.

Path Segment Review

- A Path Segment (PSID) is assigned by the egr ess node of an SR path, it uniquely identifies t he SR path at the egress node.
 - Could be from either SRLB or SRGB
- Inserted at the ingress and immediately follow s the last label of the SR path
 - The SR path can be either a sub-path or an end-toend path.
- The Path Segment MUST be popped off at the egress node of the SR path
 - Means PHP MUST NOT be enabled.



Updates Since Version 00

- New co-author (Rakesh Gandhi)
- Remove the "two label" option for SR path identification
 - According to the mailing list discussions;
 - Only keep the "one label" solution;
- Add the support to "Nesting of Path Segment"
 - According to Sasha's suggestion
 - By using BSID with Path Segment (PSID), it can:
 - Reduce the depth of the label stack
 - Support both sub-path and end-to-end monitoring
 - Detail in next slides
- Document structure adjustment, editorial changes

Nesting of Path Segments

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Sub-path (A->B) Sub-path (B->C) Sub-path (C->D)
  |<---->|<---->|
                  E2E Path(A->D)
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~A->B SubPath~
|s-PSID(A->B)| ~B->C SubPath~
\mid BSID(B\rightarrow C) \mid \mid s-PSID(B\rightarrow C) \mid
| BSID(C->D) | | BSID(C->D) | \sim C->D SubPath\sim
|e-PSID(A->D)| |e-PSID(A->D)| |e-PSID(A->D)| |e-PSID(A->D)|
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- BSID: Binding SID
- e-PSID: end-to-end Path SID
- s-PSID : sub-Path SID

Next Steps

- Solicit more reviews/comments, refine the draft accordingly.
- The draft is the foundation of several ongoing work.
 - Path Segment based PM
 - Bidirectional SR policy
 - PCEP extesnion for Path Segment
 - SR-policy extension for Path Segment
- Paralell work
 - SRv6 Path Segment
- Huawei is implementing Path Segment based PM and Bidirectional SR path.
 - According to some SPs requirements
- Request for WG adoption.

Thanks