

# Segment Routing based Solution for Hierarchical IETF Network Slices

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# Background

## ✓ Network slicing

partition a physical network into multiple isolated logical networks of varying sizes

## ✓ IETF Network Slice

defined by [I-D.ietf-teas-ietf-network-slices] with general principles of network slicing

## ✓ Network Resource Partition (NRP):

collection of resources in the underlay network. A NRP support one or a group of IETF network slice services

## ✓ hierarchical IETF network slices

a network slice can be further sliced into other network slices. [I-D.dong-teas-hierarchical-ietf-network-slice] describes the possible scenarios :

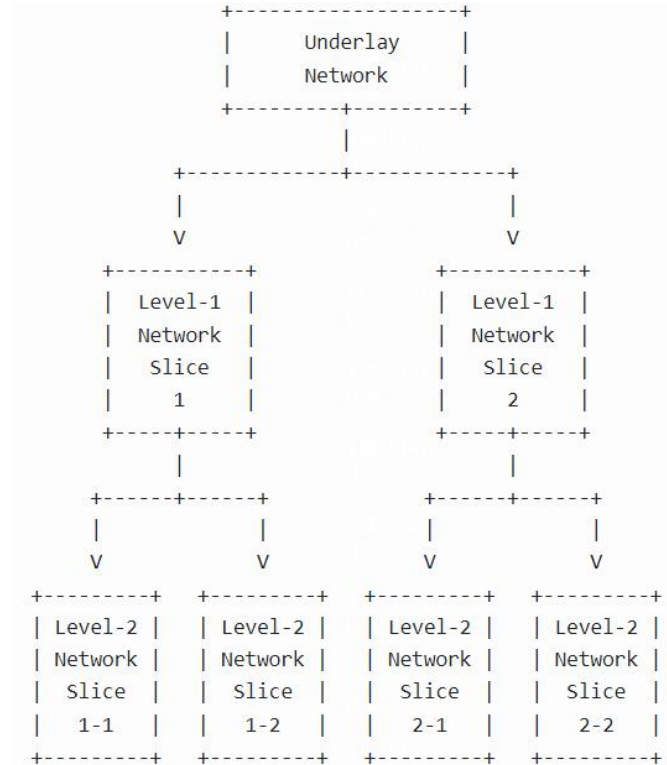
level-1 can be industry slices; level-2 can be customer slices

This draft proposes a **two- level hierarchical IETF network slices solution** based on **Segment routing**.

**Level-1 network slice** : realized by associating Flex-Algo with dedicated sub-interfaces

**Level-2 network slice** :realized by using SR Policy with additional NRP-ID on data plane

## Two-level Hierarchical IETF Network Slices Architecture



# 2 Level hierarchical Slice based on Segment routing

## ✓ Level-1 network slice

**Topology for Level-1 network slice:** associated with a **Flex-Algo**

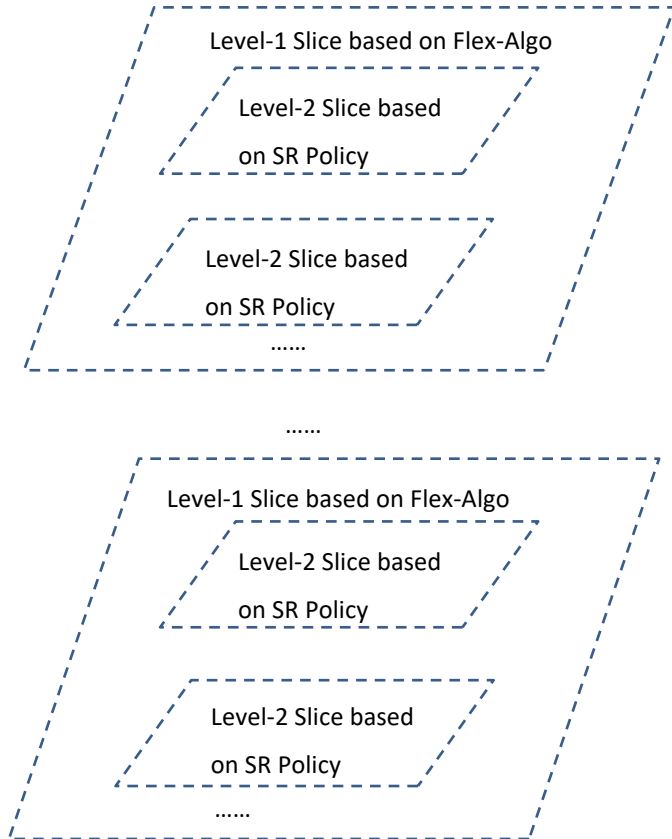
( All the nodes belong to the level-1 NRP participate in the associated Flex-Algo)

**Traffic Forwarding:** Traffics of the level-1 network slices are steered into the Flex-Algo paths by using Prefix-SIDs or SRv6 locators

## ✓ Level-2 network slice

**Topology for Level-2 network slice:** Specify the path on the level-1 NRP through SR policy.

**Traffic Forwarding:** Traffics of the level-2 network slice are steered into the SR Policies



# network resources for the two-level network slices

bandwidth resource of a physical interface is partitioned in a hierarchical manner

## ✓ **Bandwidth for Level-1 network Slice**

is guaranteed by layer-3 sub-interfaces with dedicated bandwidth.

**layer-3 sub-interface** is

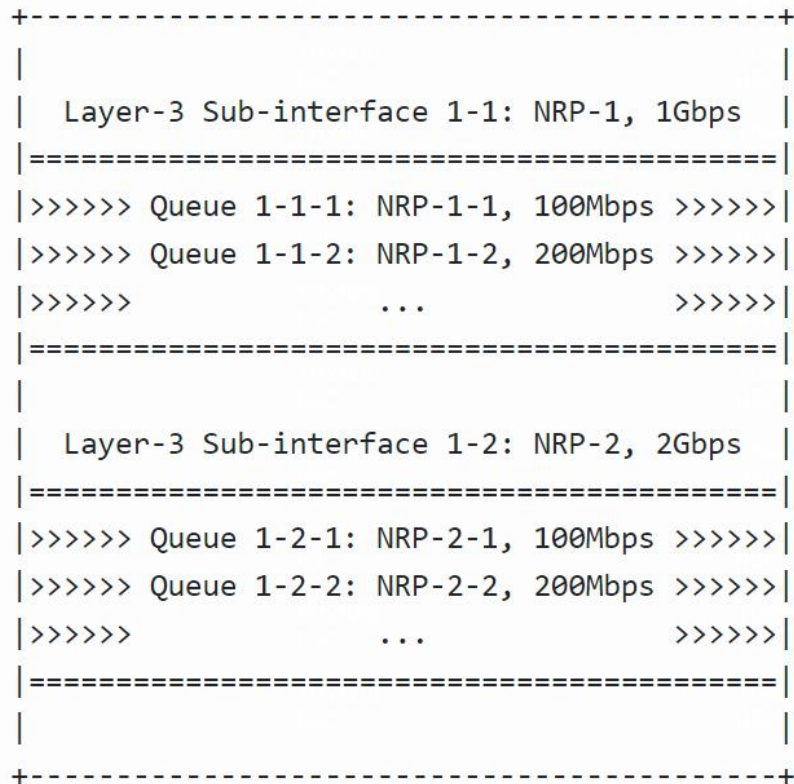
- included by the Flex-Algo which is associated with the level-1 NRP
- excluded by irrelevant Flex-Algos

**Data plane Identifier:** Prefix-SIDs or SRv6 locators associated with Flex-Algo

## ✓ **Bandwidth for Level-2 network Slice**

is guaranteed by HQoS queues with dedicated bandwidth under the layer-3 sub-interface of level-1 NRP

**Data plane Identifier:** NRP-ID associated with HQoS Queue



# NRP vs Network Slice

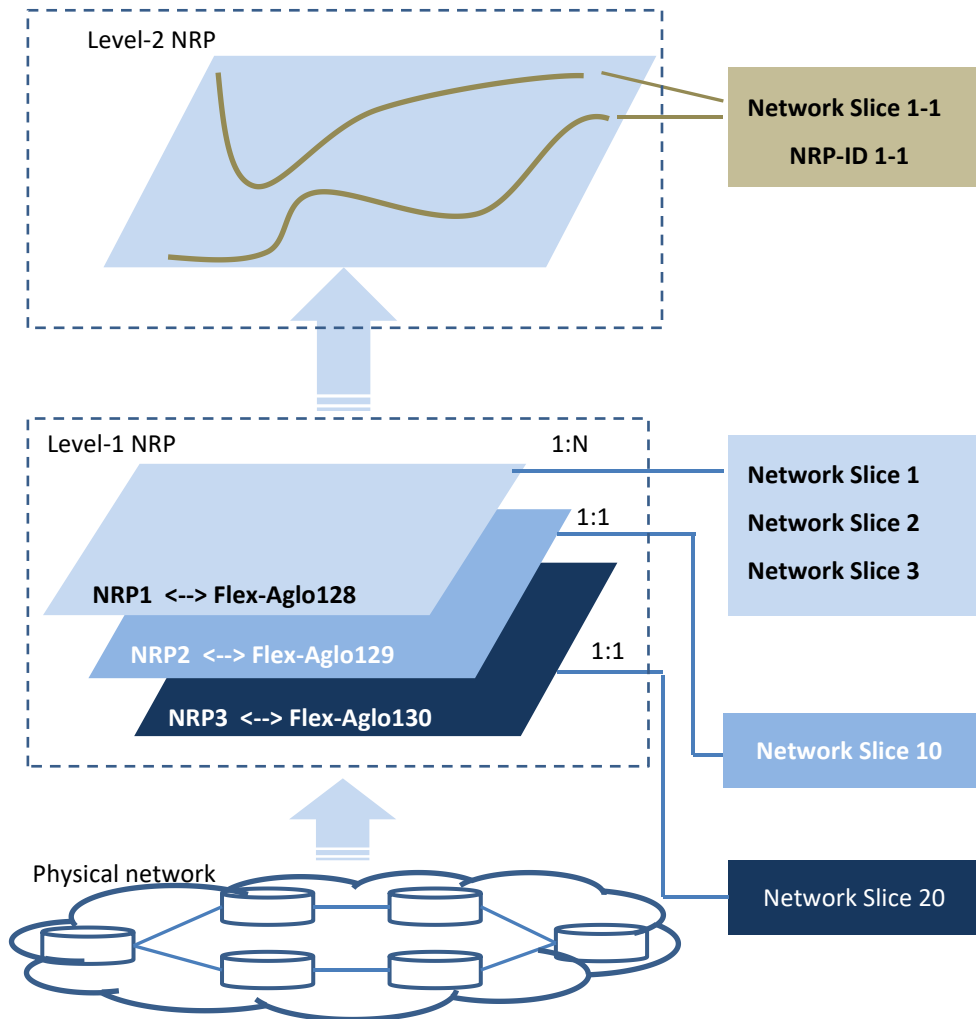
Each NRP can be used to support one or a group of network slice

✓ **Level-1 NRP**

- **1:N.** multiple level-1 network slices share one level-1 NRP  
means these level-1 network slices associate one Flex-Algo
- **1:1.** One Level-1 NRP supports one Level-1 network slice

✓ **Level-2 NRP**

- **1:1.** One Level-2 NRP supports one Level-2 network slice



# Example --- Slice service planning and requirements

## Slice Service Planning

### ✓ 2 Level-1 slice

- **Slice1 for education** -- FlexAlgo 128
- **Slice2 for healthcare.** -- FlexAlgo 129

network slice and NRP are 1:1

## Requirements

### ✓ Slice1

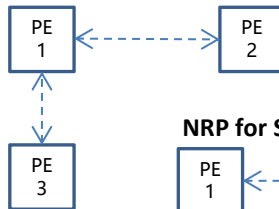
2 customer require **Level-2 slice**

- **University 1.** interconnection between PE1 and PE2 and interconnection between PE1 and PE3
- **University 2.** interconnection between PE1 and PE2

### ✓ Slice2

1 customer requires Level-2 slice

NRP for Slice1-1



Level-2 NRP

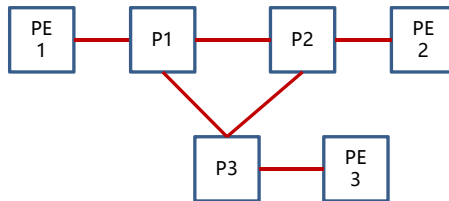
NRP for Slice1-2



NRP for Slice2-1

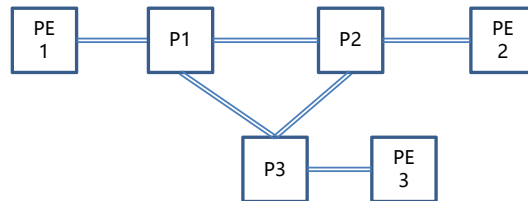
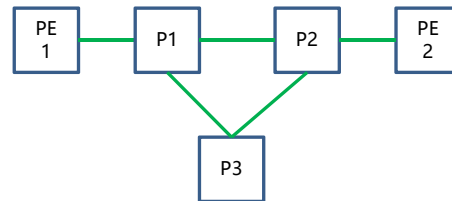


NRP for Slice1



NRP for Slice2

Level-1 NRP

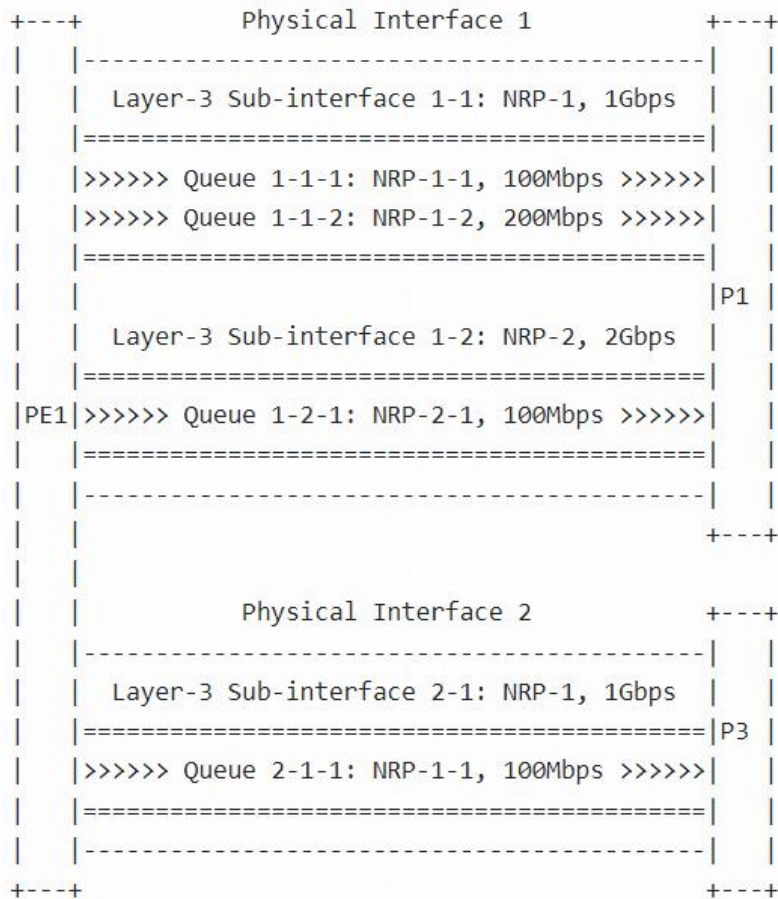
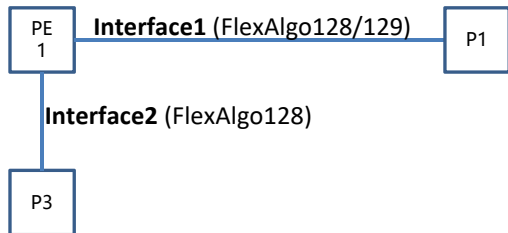


Physical network

# Example --- NRP of link bandwidth

Taking PE1 as an example

- ✓ **Interface1** connect to P1
  - **Sub-interface 1-1** for NRP-1
    - Queue 1-1-1, for NRP-1-1
    - Queue 1-1-2, for NRP-1-2
  - **Sub-interface 1-2** -- NRP-2
    - Queue 1-2-1, for NRP-2-1
- ✓ **Interface2** connect to P3
  - **Sub-interface 2-1** for NRP-1
    - Queue 2-1-1, for NRP-1-1



# Example --- Traffic forwarding

Taking PE1 as an example

## ✓ Forwarding on Level-1 Slice

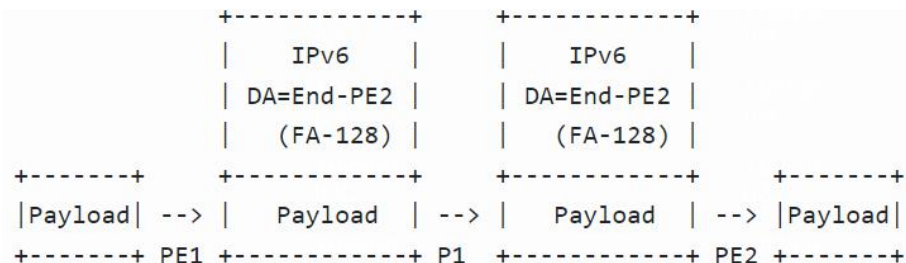
From University 1 (PE1) to University 2 (PE2) on **Slice1**

- **Encapsulation:**  
Destination is END SID of PE2 associated with FlexAlgo128
- **Path:**  
PE1->P1->PE2. through **layer-3 sub-interface**

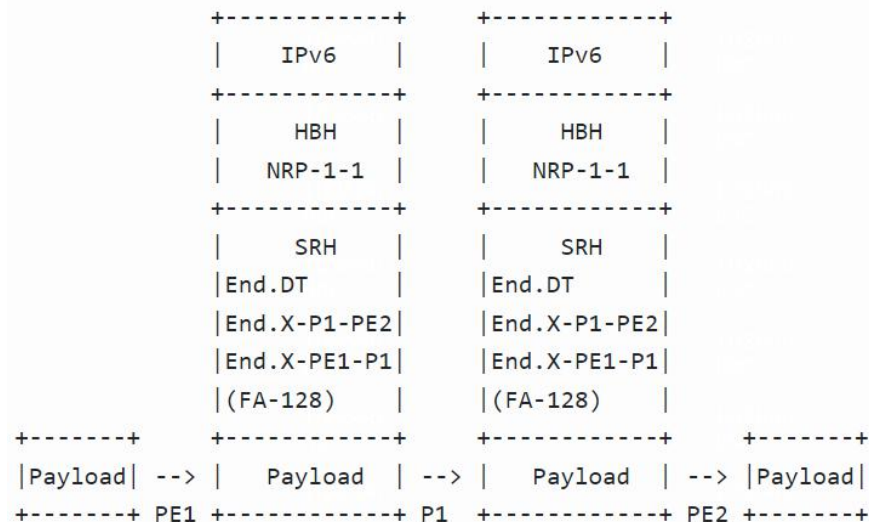
## ✓ Forwarding on Level-2 Slice

Form campus of university 1 at PE1 to campus at PE2 on **Slice1-1**

- **Encapsulation**  
IPv6 Header  
SHR: all segments are associated with Flex-Algo 128  
HBH: carries the level-2 NRP-ID of Slice1-1
- **Path**  
PE1->P1->PE2. through the **HQoS queue**



Forwarding on Level-1 Slice



Forwarding on Level-2 Slice



# Next Steps

- Any questions or comments are Welcome
- Seeking for feedback

Thank You