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IPv4 SRRI

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| Flags                | 1 byte
+-----------------------+
| Algorithm             | 1 byte
+-----------------------+
| Recursing SID Address | 4 bytes
+-----------------------+
| Local SID             | 4 bytes (optional)
+-----------------------+

IPv6 SRRI

+-----------------------+
| Flags                | 1 byte
+-----------------------+
| Algorithm             | 1 byte
+-----------------------+
| Recursing SID Address | 16 bytes
+-----------------------+
| Local SID             | 4 bytes (optional)
+-----------------------+

where:

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The following apply to the SRRI:
The prefix reachability advertisement this SRRI is attached to MUST NOT have a Prefix-SID assigned for the algorithm specified in the SRRI.

Multiple "Recursing SID Address" and "Local SID" MAY be associated with the same parent prefix.

4. Illustration

4.1. Reference Diagram

The following reference topology diagram is used:

A----B----D
\  \ /  \
\  \ /
\  /
C----E

|-----|------|
Area  Area
0  1

A is in Area 0
B and C are ABRs
D and E are in Area 1

D has a loopback 1.0.0.4/32 and Node SID 16004
D has a local service 1.0.0.99/32 with Local SID 30004
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values which can be used as segments, which values are assigned to specific prefixes, etc. Where segments have global scope it is necessary to have non-conflicting assignments - but given that the advertisements may originate from multiple nodes the possibility exists that advertisements may be received which are either internally inconsistent or conflicting with advertisements originated by other nodes. In such cases it is necessary to have consistent resolution of conflicts network-wide in order to avoid forwarding loops.

The problem to be addressed is protocol independent i.e., segment related advertisements may be originated by multiple nodes using different protocols and yet the conflict resolution MUST be the same on all nodes regardless of the protocol used to transport the advertisements.

The remainder of this document defines conflict resolution policies which meet these requirements. All protocols which support SR MUST adhere to the policies defined in this document.

2. SR Global Block Inconsistency

In support of an MPLS dataplane routing protocols advertise an SR Global Block (SRGB) which defines a set of label ranges reserved for use by the advertising node in support of SR. The details of how protocols advertise this information can be found in the protocol specific drafts e.g., [SR-OSPF], [SR-OSPFv3], and [SR-IS-IS]. However the protocol independent semantics are illustrated by the following example:
The originating router advertises the following ranges:

- Range 1: (100, 199)
- Range 2: (1000, 1099)
- Range 3: (500, 599)

The receiving routers concatenate the ranges and build the Segment Routing Global Block (SRGB) as follows:

\[
\text{SRGB} = (100, 199) \\
(1000, 1099) \\
(500, 599)
\]

The indices span multiple ranges:

- index=0 means label 100
- index 99 means label 199
- index 100 means label 1000
- index 199 means label 1099
- ...
- index 200 means label 500
- ...

Note that the ranges are an ordered set - what labels are mapped to a given index depends on the placement of a given label range in the set of ranges advertised.

For the set of ranges to be usable the ranges MUST be disjoint. Sender behavior is defined in various SR protocol drafts such as [SR-IS-IS] which specify that senders MUST NOT advertise overlapping ranges.

Receivers of SRGB ranges MUST validate the SRGB ranges advertised by other nodes. If the advertised ranges do not conform to the restrictions defined in the respective protocol specification receivers MUST ignore all advertised SRGB ranges from that node. Operationally the node is treated as though it did not advertise any SRGB ranges. [SR-MPLS] defines the procedures for mapping global SIDs to outgoing labels.

Note that utilization of local SIDs (e.g. adjacency SIDs) advertised by a node is not affected by the state of the advertised SRGB.
3. SR-MPLS Segment Identifier Conflicts

In support of an MPLS dataplane Segment identifiers (SIDs) are advertised and associated with a given prefix. SIDs may be advertised in the prefix reachability advertisements originated by a routing protocol (PFX). SIDs may also be advertised by a Segment Routing Mapping Server (SRMS).

Information in a SID advertisement is used to construct a mapping entry. A generalized mapping entry can be represented using the following definitions:

- **Prf** - Preference Value (See Section 3.1)
- **Pi** - Initial prefix
- **Pe** - End prefix
- **L** - Prefix length
- **Lx** - Maximum prefix length (32 for IPv4, 128 for IPv6)
- **Si** - Initial SID value
- **Se** - End SID value
- **R** - Range value (See Note 1)
- **T** - Topology
- **A** - Algorithm

A Mapping Entry is then the tuple: (Prf, Src, Pi/L, Si, R, T, A)

\[ Pe = (Pi + ((R-1) \ll (Lx-L)) \]
\[ Se = Si + (R-1) \]

**NOTE 1:** The SID advertised in a prefix reachability advertisement always has an implicit range of 1.

Conflicts in SID advertisements may occur as a result of misconfiguration. Conflicts may occur either in the set of advertisements originated by a single node or between advertisements originated by different nodes. Conflicts which occur within the set of advertisements (P-SID and SRMS) originated by a single node SHOULD be prevented by configuration validation on the originating node.

When conflicts occur, it is not possible for routers to know which of the conflicting advertisements is "correct". In order to avoid forwarding loops and/or blackholes, there is a need for all nodes to resolve the conflicts in a consistent manner. This in turn requires that all routers have identical sets of advertisements and that they all use the same selection algorithm. This document defines procedures to achieve these goals.
3.1. SID Preference

If a node acts as an SRMS, it MAY advertise a preference to be associated with all SRMS SID advertisements sent by that node. The means of advertising the preference is defined in the protocol specific drafts e.g., [SR-OSPF], [SR-OSPFv3], and [SR-IS-IS]. The preference value is an unsigned 8 bit integer with the following properties:

0 - Reserved value indicating advertisements from that node MUST NOT be used.
1 - 255 Preference value

Advertisement of a preference value is optional. Nodes which do not advertise a preference value are assigned a preference value of 128.

All SIDs advertised in prefix reachability advertisements implicitly have a preference value of 192.

3.2. Conflict Types

Two types of conflicts may occur - Prefix Conflicts and SID Conflicts. Examples are provided in this section to illustrate these conflict types.

3.2.1. Prefix Conflict

When different SIDs are assigned to the same prefix we have a "prefix conflict". Prefix conflicts are specific to mapping entries sharing the same topology and algorithm.

Example PC1

(192, 192.0.2.120/32, 200, 1, 0, 0)
(192, 192.0.2.120/32, 30, 1, 0, 0)

The prefix 192.0.2.120/32 has been assigned two different SIDs:
  200 by the first advertisement
  30 by the second advertisement

Example PC2

(192, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 1, 2, 0)
(192, 2001:DB8::1/128, 50, 1, 2, 0)

The prefix 2001:DB8::1/128 has been assigned two different SIDs:
  400 by the first advertisement
  50 by the second advertisement
Prefix conflicts may also occur as a result of overlapping prefix ranges.

Example PC3

(128, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 200, 0, 0)
(128, 192.0.2.121/32, 30, 10, 0, 0)

Prefixes 192.0.2.121/32 - 192.0.2.130/32 are assigned two different SIDs:
320 through 329 by the first advertisement
30 through 39 by the second advertisement

Example PC4

(128, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 200, 2, 0)
(128, 2001:DB8::121/128, 50, 10, 2, 0)

Prefixes 2001:DB8::121/128 - 2001:DB8::130/128 are assigned two different SIDs:
420 through 429 by the first advertisement
50 through 59 by the second advertisement

Examples PC3 and PC4 illustrate a complication - only part of the range advertised in the first advertisement is in conflict. It is logically possible to isolate the conflicting portion and try to use the non-conflicting portion(s).

A variant of the overlapping prefix range is a case where we have overlapping prefix ranges but no actual SID conflict.

Example PC5

(128, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 200, 0, 0)
(128, 192.0.2.121/32, 320, 10, 0, 0)
(128, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 200, 2, 0)
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Although there is prefix overlap between the two IPv4 entries (and the two IPv6 entries) the same SID is assigned to all of the shared prefixes by the two entries.
Given two mapping entries:

(Prf, P1/L1, S1, R1, T1, A1) and
(Prf, P2/L2, S2, R2, T2, A2)

where P1 <= P2

a prefix conflict exists if all of the following are true:

1) (T1 == T2) && (A1 == A2)
2) P1 <= P2
3) The prefixes are in the same address family.
2) L1 == L2
3) (P1e >= P2) && ((S1 + (P2 - P1)) != S2)

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When the same SID has been assigned to multiple prefixes we have a "SID conflict". SID conflicts are independent of address-family, independent of prefix len, independent of topology, and independent of algorithm. A SID conflict occurs when a mapping entry which has previously been checked to have no prefix conflict assigns one or more SIDs that are assigned by another entry which also has no prefix conflicts.

Example SC1

(192, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 1, 0, 0)
(192, 192.0.2.222/32, 200, 1, 0, 0)
SID 200 has been assigned to 192.0.2.1/32 by the first advertisement.
The second advertisement assigns SID 200 to 192.0.2.222/32.

Example SC2

(192, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 1, 2, 0)
(192, 2001:DB8::222/128, 400, 1, 2, 0)
SID 400 has been assigned to 2001:DB8::1/128 by the first advertisement.
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Example SC3

(128, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 200, 0, 0)
(128, 198.51.100.1/32, 300, 10, 0, 0)

SIDs 300 - 309 have been assigned to two different prefixes. 
The first advertisement assigns these SIDs 
to 192.0.2.101/32 - 192.0.2.110/32. 
The second advertisement assigns these SIDs to 
198.51.100.1/32 - 198.51.100.10/32.

Example SC4

(128, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 200, 2, 0)
(128, 2001:DB8:1::1/128, 500, 10, 2, 0)

SIDs 500 - 509 have been assigned to two different prefixes. 
The first advertisement assigns these SIDs to 
The second advertisement assigns these SIDs to 

Examples SC3 and SC4 illustrate a complication - only part of the 
range advertised in the first advertisement is in conflict.

3.3. Processing conflicting entries

Two general approaches can be used to process conflicting entries.

1. Conflicting entries can be ignored

2. A standard preference algorithm can be used to choose which of 
   the conflicting entries will be used

The following sections discuss these two approaches in more detail.

Note: This document does not discuss any implementation details i.e. 
what type of data structure is used to store the entries (trie, radix 
tree, etc.) nor what type of keys may be used to perform lookups in 
the database.

3.3.1. Policy: Ignore conflicting entries

In cases where entries are in conflict none of the conflicting 
entries are used i.e., the network operates as if the conflicting 
advertisements were not present.
Implementations are required to identify the conflicting entries and ensure that they are not used.

3.3.2. Policy: Preference Algorithm/Quarantine

For entries which are in conflict properties of the conflicting advertisements are used to determine which of the conflicting entries are used in forwarding and which are "quarantined" and not used. The entire quarantined entry is not used.

This approach requires that conflicting entries first be identified and then evaluated based on a preference rule. Based on which entry is preferred this in turn may impact what other entries are considered in conflict i.e. if A conflicts with B and B conflicts with C – it is possible that A does NOT conflict with C. Hence if as a result of the evaluation of the conflict between A and B, entry B is not used the conflict between B and C will not be detected.

3.3.3. Policy: Preference algorithm/ignore overlap only

A variation of the preference algorithm approach is to quarantine only the portions of the less preferred entry which actually conflicts. The original entry is split into multiple ranges. The ranges which are in conflict are quarantined. The ranges which are not in conflict are used in forwarding. This approach adds complexity as the relationship between the derived sub-ranges of the original mapping entry have to be associated with the original entry – and every time some change to the advertisement database occurs the derived sub-ranges have to be recalculated.

3.3.4. Preference Algorithm

The following algorithm is used to select the preferred mapping entry when a conflict exists. Evaluation is made in the order specified. Prefix conflicts are evaluated first. SID conflicts are then evaluated on the Active entries remaining after Prefix Conflicts have been resolved.

1. Higher preference value wins
2. Smaller range wins
3. IPv6 entry wins over IPv4 entry
4. Longer prefix length wins
5. Smaller algorithm wins
6. Smaller starting address (considered as an unsigned integer value) wins

7. Smaller starting SID wins

8. If topology IDs are NOT identical both entries MUST be ignored

As SIDs associated with prefix reachability advertisements have a preference of 192 while by default SRMS preference is 128, the default behavior is then to prefer SIDs advertised in prefix reachability advertisements over SIDs advertised by SRMSs, but an operator can choose to override this behavior by setting SRMS preference higher than 192.

Preferring advertisements with smaller range has the nice property that a single misconfiguration of an SRMS entry with a large range will not be preferred over a large number of advertisements with smaller ranges.

Since topology identifiers are locally scoped, it is not possible to make a consistent choice network wide when all elements of a mapping entry are identical except for the topology. This is why both entries MUST be ignored in such cases (Rule #8 above). Note that Rule #8 only applies when considering SID conflicts since Prefix conflicts are restricted to a single topology.

3.3.5. Example Behavior - Single Topology/Algorithm

The following mapping entries exist in the database. For brevity, Topology/Algorithm is omitted and assumed to be (0,0) in all entries.

1. (192, 192.0.2.1/32, 100, 1)
2. (192, 192.0.2.101/32, 200, 1)
3. (128, 192.0.2.1/32, 400, 255) !Prefix conflict with entries 1 and 2
4. (128, 198.51.100.40/32, 200, 1) !SID conflict with entry 2

The table below shows what mapping entries will be used in the forwarding plane (Active) and which ones will not be used (Excluded) under the three candidate policies:
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<th>Policy</th>
<th>Active Entries</th>
<th>Excluded Entries</th>
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<td>Ignore</td>
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<td>(192,192.0.2.1/32,100,1)</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
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<td>(192,192.0.2.101/32,200,1)</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>(128,192.0.2.1/32,400,255)</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Quarantine</td>
<td>(192,192.0.1.1/32,100,1)</td>
<td>(128,192.0.2.1/32,400,255)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>(192,192.0.2.101/32,200,1)</td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Overlap-</td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.1/32,501,153)</td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.101/32,500,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Only</td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.1/32,401,99)</td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.101/32,400,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.102/32,501,153)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Derived from (128,192.0.2.1/32,400,300)

### 3.3.6. Example Behavior - Multiple Topologies

When using a preference rule the order in which conflict resolution is applied has an impact on what entries are usable when entries for multiple topologies (or algorithms) are present. The following mapping entries exist in the database:

1. (192, 192.0.2.1/32, 100, 1, 0, 0) !Topology 0
2. (192, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 1, 0, 0) !Topology 0, Prefix Conflict with entry #1
3. (192, 198.51.100.40/32, 200,1,1,0) ! Topology 1, SID conflict with entry 2

The table below shows what mapping entries will be used in the forwarding plane (Active) and which ones will not be used (Excluded) under the Quarantine Policy based on the order in which conflict resolution is applied.
This illustrates the advantage of evaluating prefix conflicts within a given topology (or algorithm) before evaluating topology (or algorithm) independent SID conflicts. It insures that entries which will be excluded based on intratopology preference will not prevent a SID assigned in another topology from being considered Active.

3.3.7. Evaluation of Policy Alternatives

The previous sections have defined three alternatives for resolving conflicts - ignore, quarantine, and ignore overlap-only.

The ignore policy impacts the greatest amount of traffic as forwarding to all destinations which have a conflict is affected.

Quarantine allows forwarding for some destinations which have a conflict to be supported.

Ignore overlap-only maximizes the destinations which will be forwarded as all destinations covered by some mapping entry (regardless of range) will be able to use the SID assigned by the winning range. This alternative increases implementation complexity as compared to quarantine. Mapping entries with a range greater than 1 which are in conflict with other mapping entries have to internally be split into 2 or more "derived mapping entries". The derived mapping entries then fall into two categories - those that are in conflict with other mapping entries and those which are NOT in conflict. The former are ignored and the latter are used. Each time the underived mapping database is updated the derived entries have to be recomputed based on the updated database. Internal data structures have to be maintained which maintain the relationship between the advertised mapping entry and the set of derived mapping entries. All nodes in the network have to achieve the same behavior regardless of implementation internals.
There is then a tradeoff between a goal of maximizing traffic delivery and the risks associated with increased implementation complexity.

Consensus of the working group is that maximizing traffic delivery is the most important deployment consideration - therefore ignore-overlap-only is specified as the standard policy which MUST be implemented by all nodes which support SR-MPLS.

3.3.8. Guaranteeing Database Consistency

In order to obtain consistent active entries all nodes in a network MUST have the same mapping entry database. Mapping entries can be obtained from a variety of sources.

- SIDs can be configured locally for prefixes assigned to interfaces on the router itself. Only SIDs which are advertised to protocol peers can be considered as part of the mapping entry database.

- SIDs can be received in prefix reachability advertisements from protocol peers. These advertisements may originate from peers local to the area or be leaked from other areas and/or redistributed from other routing protocols.

- SIDs can be received from SRMS advertisements - these advertisements can originate from routers local to the area or leaked from other areas.

- In cases where multiple routing protocols are in use mapping entries advertised by all routing protocols MUST be included.

4. Scope of SR-MPLS SID Conflicts

The previous section defines the types of SID conflicts and procedures to resolve such conflicts when using an MPLS dataplane. The mapping entry database used MUST be populated with entries for destinations for which the associated SID will be used to derive the labels installed in the forwarding plane of routers in the network. This consists of entries associated with intra-domain routes.

There are cases where destinations which are external to the domain are advertised by protocol speakers running within that network - and it is possible that those advertisements have SIDs associated with those destinations. However, if reachability to a destination is topologically outside the forwarding domain of the protocol instance then the SIDs for such destinations will never be installed in the forwarding plane of any router within the domain - so such advertisements cannot create a SID conflict within the domain. Such
entries therefore MUST NOT be installed in the database used for intra-domain conflict resolution.

Consider the case of two sites "A and B" associated with a given [RFC4364] VPN. Connectivity between the sites is via a provider backbone. SIDs associated with destinations in Site A will never be installed in the forwarding plane of routers in Site B. Reachability between the sites (assuming SR is being used across the backbone) only requires using a SID associated with a gateway PE. So a destination in Site A MAY use the same SID as a destination in Site B without introducing any conflict in the forwarding plane of routers in Site A.

Such cases are handled by insuring that the mapping entries in the database used by the procedures defined in the previous section only include entries associated with advertisements within the site.

5. Security Considerations

The ability to introduce SID conflicts into a deployment may compromise traffic forwarding. Protocol specific security mechanisms SHOULD be used to insure that all SID advertisements originate from trusted sources.

6. IANA Consideration

This document has no actions for IANA.

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Abstract

In support of Segment Routing (SR) for an MPLS data plane routing protocols advertise a variety of identifiers used to define the segments which direct forwarding of packets. In cases where the information advertised by a given protocol instance is either internally inconsistent or conflicts with advertisements from another protocol instance a means of achieving consistent forwarding behavior in the network is required. This document defines the policies used to resolve these occurrences.

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1. Introduction

Segment Routing (SR) as defined in [SR-ARCH] utilizes forwarding instructions called "segments" to direct packets through the network. Depending on the forwarding plane architecture in use, routing protocols advertise various identifiers which define the permissible values which can be used as segments, which values are assigned to specific prefixes, etc. Where segments have global scope it is necessary to have non-conflicting assignments - but given that the advertisements may originate from multiple nodes the possibility exists that advertisements may be received which are either internally inconsistent or conflicting with advertisements originated by other nodes. In such cases it is necessary to have consistent resolution of conflicts network-wide in order to avoid forwarding loops.

This document is limited to discussion of conflict resolution for identifiers used in an MPLS data plane.

The problem to be addressed is protocol independent i.e., segment related advertisements may be originated by multiple nodes using different protocols and yet the conflict resolution MUST be the same on all nodes regardless of the protocol used to transport the advertisements.

The remainder of this document defines conflict resolution policies which meet these requirements. All protocols which support SR MUST adhere to the policies defined in this document.

2. SR Global Block Inconsistency

In support of an MPLS dataplane [SR-MPLS] routing protocols advertise an SR Global Block (SRGB) which defines a set of label ranges reserved for use by the advertising node in support of SR. The details of how protocols advertise this information can be found in the protocol specific drafts e.g., [SR-OSPF], [SR-OSPFv3], [SR-IS-IS], and [SR-BGP]. However the protocol independent semantics are illustrated by the following example:
The originating router advertises the following ranges:

- Range 1: (100, 199)
- Range 2: (1000, 1099)
- Range 3: (500, 599)

The receiving routers concatenate the ranges and build the Segment Routing Global Block (SRGB) as follows:

\[ \text{SRGB} = (100, 199) \\
(1000, 1099) \\
(500, 599) \]

The indices span multiple ranges:

- index=0 means label 100
- index 99 means label 199
- index 100 means label 1000
- index 199 means label 1099
- ...
- index 200 means label 500
- ...

Note that the ranges are an ordered set - what labels are mapped to a given index depends on the placement of a given label range in the set of ranges advertised.

For the set of ranges to be usable the ranges MUST be disjoint. Sender behavior is defined in various SR protocol drafts such as [SR-IS-IS] which specify that senders MUST NOT advertise overlapping ranges.

Receivers of SRGB ranges MUST validate the SRGB ranges advertised by other nodes. If the advertised ranges do not conform to the restrictions defined in the respective protocol specification receivers MUST ignore all advertised SRGB ranges from that node. Operationally the node is treated as though it did not advertise any SRGB ranges. [SR-MPLS] defines the procedures for mapping global SIDs to outgoing labels.

Note that utilization of local SIDs (e.g. adjacency SIDs) advertised by a node is not affected by the state of the advertised SRGB.
3. SR-MPLS Segment Identifier Conflicts

In support of an MPLS dataplane Segment Identifiers (SIDs) are advertised and associated with a given prefix. SIDs may be advertised in the prefix reachability advertisements originated by a routing protocol (PFX). SIDs may also be advertised by a Segment Routing Mapping Server (SRMS). How this is done is defined in the protocol specific drafts e.g., [SR-OSPF], [SR-OSPFv3], [SR-IS-IS], and [SR-BGP].

Information in a SID advertisement is used to construct a mapping entry. A generalized mapping entry can be represented using the following definitions:

- **Prf** - Preference Value (See Section 3.1)
- **Pi** - Initial prefix
- **Pe** - End prefix
- **L** - Prefix length
- **Lx** - Maximum prefix length (32 for IPv4, 128 for IPv6)
- **Si** - Initial SID value
- **Se** - End SID value
- **R** - Range value (See Note 1)
- **T** - Topology
- **A** - Algorithm (see [SR-ARCH])

A Mapping Entry is then the tuple: (Prf, Pi/L, Si, R, T, A)

\[
\begin{align*}
Pe &= (Pi + ((R-1) \ll (Lx-L)) \\
Se &= Si + (R-1)
\end{align*}
\]

**NOTE 1**: The SID advertised in a prefix reachability advertisement always has an implicit range of 1.

**NOTE 2**: IPv4/IPv6 addresses can be viewed as 32/128 bit integers. Where operations such as addition, subtraction, and/or bit shifting are specified for prefixes this should be interpreted as operations on the integer representation of a prefix.

Note: Topology is a locally scoped identifier assigned by each router. Although it may have an association with Multitopology Identifiers (MTID) advertised by routing protocols it is NOT equivalent to these identifiers. MTIDs are scoped by a given routing protocol. MTID ranges are protocol specific and there may be standardized protocol specific MTID assignments for topologies of a specific type (e.g., an AFI specific topology). As mapping entries can be sourced from multiple protocols it is not possible to use a...
network scoped identifier for a topology when storing mapping entries in the local database.

Conflicts in SID advertisements may occur as a result of misconfiguration. When conflicts occur, it is not possible for routers to know which of the conflicting advertisements is "correct". In order to avoid forwarding loops and/or blackholes, there is a need for all nodes to resolve the conflicts in a consistent manner. This in turn requires that all routers have identical sets of advertisements and that they all use the same selection algorithm. This document defines procedures to achieve these goals.

3.1. SID Preference

If a node acts as an SRMS, it MAY advertise a preference to be associated with all SRMS SID advertisements sent by that node. The means of advertising the preference is defined in the protocol specific drafts e.g., [SR-OSPF], [SR-OSPFv3], and [SR-IS-IS]. The preference value is an unsigned 8 bit integer with the following properties:

0 - Reserved value indicating advertisements from that node MUST NOT be used.
1 - 255 Preference value

Advertisement of a preference value is optional. Nodes which do not advertise a preference value are assigned a preference value of 128.

All SIDs advertised in prefix reachability advertisements originated by an IGP implicitly have a preference value of 192.

All SIDs advertised in prefix reachability advertisements originated by BGP implicitly have a preference value of 64.

These preference values are deliberately chosen to favor SID advertisements originated within a domain (IGP and SRMS) over SID advertisements which may have been imported from other domains (BGP). In addition, as BGP originated advertisements may not be known on all nodes within a domain (because not every node will be a BGP speaker), the presence of a BGP originated mapping entry MUST NOT cause a mapping entry originated within the domain to become unusable as this would introduce inconsistency in the set of SIDs considered usable by a node which has the BGP originated mapping entries and the set considered usable by nodes without the BGP originated mapping entries.
3.2. Conflict Types

Two types of conflicts may occur - Prefix Conflicts and SID Conflicts. Examples are provided in this section to illustrate these conflict types and generic definitions of algorithms to determine when there is a conflict are presented.

3.2.1. Prefix Conflict

When different SIDs are assigned to the same prefix we have a "prefix conflict". Prefix conflicts are limited to mapping entries sharing the same topology, algorithm, address-family, and prefix length.

3.2.1.1. Prefix Conflict Examples

The simplest example is when two advertisements with a range of 1 assign different SIDs to the same prefix.

Example PC1

(192, 192.0.2.120/32, 200, 1, 0, 0)
(192, 192.0.2.120/32, 30, 1, 0, 0)

The prefix 192.0.2.120/32 has been assigned two different SIDs:
200 by the first advertisement
30 by the second advertisement

Example PC2

(192, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 1, 2, 0)
(192, 2001:DB8::1/128, 50, 1, 2, 0)

The prefix 2001:DB8::1/128 has been assigned two different SIDs:
400 by the first advertisement
50 by the second advertisement

Prefix conflicts may also occur as a result of overlapping prefix ranges.
Example PC3

(128, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 200, 0, 0)
(128, 192.0.2.121/32, 30, 10, 0, 0)

Prefixes 192.0.2.121/32 - 192.0.2.130/32 are assigned two different SIDs:
320 through 329 by the first advertisement
30 through 39 by the second advertisement

Example PC4

(128, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 200, 2, 0)
(128, 2001:DB8::121/128, 50, 10, 2, 0)

Prefixes 2001:DB8::121/128 - 2001:DB8::130/128 are assigned two different SIDs:
420 through 429 by the first advertisement
50 through 59 by the second advertisement

Examples PC3 and PC4 illustrate a complication - only part of the range advertised in the first advertisement is in conflict. It is logically possible to consider the sub-range(s) which are in conflict as unusable while considering the sub-range(s) not in conflict as usable.

A variant of the overlapping prefix range is a case where we have overlapping prefix ranges but no actual prefix conflict.

Example PC5

(128, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 200, 0, 0)
(128, 192.0.2.121/32, 320, 10, 0, 0)
(128, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 200, 2, 0)
(128, 2001:DB8::121/128, 520, 10, 2, 0)

Although there is prefix overlap between the two IPv4 entries (and the two IPv6 entries) the same SID is assigned to all of the shared prefixes by the two entries.

3.2.1.2. Prefix Conflict Generic Algorithm

The following generic algorithm can be used to determine when any two mapping entries have Prefix Conflicts and what the set of prefixes in conflict are.
Given two mapping entries:

\[(\text{Prf}, P1/L1, S1, R1, T1, A1) \text{ and} \]
\[(\text{Prf}, P2/L2, S2, R2, T2, A2)\]

where \(P1 \leq P2\)
a prefix conflict exists if all of the following are true:

1) Topologies, algorithms, and prefix lengths are identical
   \[(T1 = T2) \land (A1 = A2) \land (L1 = L2)\]

2) The prefixes are in the same address-family.

3) If there are overlapping prefixes in the two ranges and
   if there are different SIDs assigned to any of the prefixes
   in the overlapping range
   \[(P1e \geq P2) \land ((S1 + ((P2 - P1) \gg (Lx-L1)) \neq S2)\]

Prefixes in the following range are in conflict:

\[P2 \text{ through } \min(P1e,P2e)\]

3.2.2. SID Conflict

When the same SID has been assigned to multiple prefixes we have a
"SID conflict". SID conflicts are independent of address-family,
independent of prefix len, independent of topology, and independent
of algorithm.

3.2.2.1. SID Conflict Examples

The simplest example is when two mapping entries with a range of 1
assigns different SIDs to the same prefix.
SID conflicts may also occur as a result of overlapping SID ranges.

Example SC3

(128, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 200, 0, 0)
(128, 198.51.100.1/32, 300, 10, 0, 0)

SIDs 300 - 309 have been assigned to two different prefixes.
The first advertisement assigns these SIDs
to 192.0.2.101/32 - 192.0.2.110/32.
The second advertisement assigns these SIDs to
198.51.100.1/32 - 198.51.100.10/32.

Example SC4

(128, 2001:DB8::1/128, 400, 200, 2, 0)
(128, 2001:DB8:1::1/128, 500, 10, 2, 0)

SIDs 500 - 509 have been assigned to two different prefixes.
The first advertisement assigns these SIDs to
The second advertisement assigns these SIDs to
2001:DB8::1::1/128 - 2001:DB8::1::A/128.

Examples SC3 and SC4 illustrate a complication – only part of the
range advertised in the first advertisement is in conflict.

SID conflicts may also occur because the same SID has been used in
two different algorithms, two different topologies, two different
address families, or prefixes with two different lengths.
SID 200 has been assigned to the same prefix with two different algorithms.

Example SC6
(128, 2001:DB8::1/128, 200, 1, 0, 0)
SID 200 has been assigned to prefixes in two different address-families.

3.2.2.2. SID Conflict Generic Algorithm

The following generic algorithm can be used to determine when any two mapping entries have SID Conflicts and what the set of SIDs in conflict are.

Given two mapping entries:
(Prf, P1/L1, S1, R1, T1, A1) and
(Prf, P2/L2, S2, R2, T2, A2)
a SID conflict exists if all of the following are true:

1) If the SID ranges overlap
   (S1 <= S2) && (S1e >= S2)

2) If the same SID is assigned to prefixes with different address-families, prefix lengths, topologies, or algorithms or the same SID is assigned to two different prefixes for any of the prefixes in either range.
   P1 and P2 are NOT in the same address family OR
   L1 != L2 OR
   T1 != T2 OR
   A1 != A2 OR
   (P1 + ((S1e-S2) << (L1x-L1))) != P2

SIDs in the following range are in conflict:
S2 through MIN(S1e, S2e)
3.3. Preference rule for resolving conflicts

When a conflict is detected the following algorithm is used to select the preferred mapping entry. Evaluation is made in the order specified. Prefix conflicts are evaluated first. SID conflicts are then evaluated on the Active entries remaining after Prefix Conflicts have been resolved.

1. Higher preference value wins
2. Smaller range wins
3. IPv6 entry wins over IPv4 entry
4. Longer prefix length wins
5. Smaller starting address (considered as an unsigned integer value) wins
6. Smaller algorithm wins
7. Smaller starting SID wins
8. If topology IDs are NOT identical both entries MUST be ignored

When applying the preference rule to prefix/SID pairs associated with an advertised mapping entry with a range greater than one, each prefix/SID pair in the range is considered as having the range associated with the advertised mapping entry. For example:

Advertised mapping entry: (128, 192.0.2.1/32, 200, 200, 0, 0)

The advertisement covers 200 prefix/SID pairs:
192.0.2.1/32 200
192.0.2.2/32 201
...
192.0.2.200/32 399

Each of these prefix/SID pairs is considered as having a range of 200 when applying Rule #2 above.

As SIDs associated with prefix reachability advertisements have a preference of 192 and an implied range of 1 while by default SRMS preference is 128, the default behavior is then to prefer SIDs advertised in prefix reachability advertisements over SIDs advertised by SRMSs, but an operator can choose to override this behavior by setting SRMS preference higher than 192.
Preferring advertisements with smaller range has the nice property that a single misconfiguration of an SRMS entry with a large range will not be preferred over a large number of advertisements with smaller ranges.

Since topology identifiers are locally scoped, it is not possible to make a consistent choice network wide when all elements of a mapping entry are identical except for the topology. This is why both entries MUST be ignored in such cases (Rule #8 above). Note that Rule #8 only applies when considering SID conflicts since Prefix conflicts are restricted to a single topology.

3.4. Conflict Resolution Algorithm

The following logical steps MUST be followed in the order specified when resolving conflicts.

Step 1: Resolve Prefix Conflicts (same topology/address family/algorithm)

For each supported topology/address family/algorithm examine all qualifying mapping entries in the following order:

1) Preference (start w highest)
2) Range (start w smallest)
3) Prefix length (start w longest)
4) Address (start w smallest)
5) SID (start w smallest)

At each step if a prefix conflict is detected the losing prefix/SID pair is declared Inactive and is not considered in any subsequent steps. The remaining prefix/SID pairs are Active.

Mapping entries with Active prefix/SID pairs after completion of Step 1 are fed into ...

Step 2: SID Conflicts (across all topologies/address families/algorithms)

Examine all Active prefix/SID pairs from Step #1 in the following order:
Prefix/SID pairs which are identical and are associated with the same topology are duplicates - both entries MUST be considered as Active.
Prefix/SID pairs which are identical and are associated with different topologies MUST both be considered Inactive.

Active Entries in the database may be used in forwarding. Inactive entries MUST NOT be used in forwarding.

Note that when the database of mapping entries changes the full set of logical steps MUST be reapplied to the entire database as conflict resolution is NOT transitive.

NOTE: Clever implementors may realize optimizations when rerunning the algorithm by evaluating changed entries as to whether they have potential conflicts with any of the existing entries in the database (both active and inactive). Such optimizations are outside the scope of this specification. The normative behavior is defined by the logical algorithm above.

3.5. Example Behavior – Single Topology/Address Family/Algorithm

The following mapping entries exist in the database. For brevity, Topology/Algorithm is omitted and assumed to be (0,0) in all entries.

1. (192, 192.0.2.1/32, 100, 1)
2. (192, 192.0.2.101/32, 200, 1)
3. (128, 192.0.2.1/32, 400, 255) !Prefix conflict with entries 1 and 2
4. (128, 198.51.100.40/32, 200, 1) !SID conflict with entry 2

The table below shows what mapping entries will be used in the forwarding plane (Active) and which ones will not be used (Inactive)
### 3.6. Example Behavior - Multiple Topologies

When using a preference rule the order in which conflict resolution is applied has an impact on what entries are Active when entries for multiple topologies (or algorithms) are present. The following mapping entries exist in the database:

1. \((192, 192.0.2.1/32, 100, 1, 0, 0)\) !Topology 0
2. \((192, 192.0.2.2/32, 200, 1, 0, 0)\) !Topology 0, Prefix Conflict with entry #1
3. \((192, 198.51.100.40/32, 200,1,1,0)\) ! Topology 1, SID conflict with entry 2

The table below shows what mapping entries will be used in the forwarding plane (Active) and which ones will not be used (Inactive) based on the order in which conflict resolution is applied.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Order</th>
<th>Active Entries</th>
<th>Inactive Entries</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Prefix-Conflict First</td>
<td>((192,192.0.2.1/32,100,1,0,0))</td>
<td>((192,192.0.2.101/32,200,1,0,0))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sid-Conflict First</td>
<td>((192,192.0.2.1/32,100,1,0,0))</td>
<td>((192,192.0.2.101/32,200,1,0,0))</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This illustrates the advantage of evaluating prefix conflicts within a given topology (or algorithm) before evaluating topology (or algorithm) independent SID conflicts. It insures that entries which will be excluded based on intratopology preference will not prevent a SID assigned in another topology from being considered Active.
3.7. Guaranteeing Database Consistency

In order to obtain consistent active entries all nodes in a network MUST have the same mapping entry database. Mapping entries can be obtained from a variety of sources.

- SIDs can be configured locally for prefixes assigned to interfaces on the router itself. Only SIDs which are advertised to protocol peers can be considered as part of the mapping entry database.
- SIDs can be received in prefix reachability advertisements from protocol peers. These advertisements may originate from peers local to the area or be leaked from other areas and/or redistributed from other routing protocols.
- SIDs can be received from SRMS advertisements - these advertisements can originate from routers local to the area or leaked from other areas.
- In cases where multiple routing protocols are in use mapping entries advertised by all routing protocols MUST be included.

3.8. Minimizing the occurrence of conflicts

Conflicts in SID advertisements are always the result of a misconfiguration. Conflicts may occur either in the set of advertisements originated by a single node or between advertisements originated by different nodes.

Conflicts which occur within the set of advertisements (PFX and SRMS) originated by a single node SHOULD be prevented by configuration validation on the originating node.

It is possible to minimize the occurrence of conflicts between advertisements originated by different routers if new configuration is validated against the current state of the conflict resolution database before the configuration is advertised. How this is done is an implementation issue which is out of scope of this document.

4. Scope of SR-MPLS SID Conflicts

The previous section defines the types of SID conflicts and procedures to resolve such conflicts when using an MPLS dataplane. The mapping entry database used MUST be populated with entries for destinations for which the associated SID will be used to derive the labels installed in the forwarding plane of routers in the network. This consists of entries associated with intra-domain routes.
There are cases where destinations which are external to the domain are advertised by protocol speakers running within that network – and it is possible that those advertisements have SIDs associated with those destinations. However, if reachability to a destination is topologically outside the forwarding domain of the protocol instance then the SIDs for such destinations will never be installed in the forwarding plane of any router within the domain – so such advertisements cannot create a SID conflict within the domain. Such entries therefore MUST NOT be installed in the database used for intra-domain conflict resolution.

Consider the case of two sites "A and B" associated with a given [RFC4364] VPN. Connectivity between the sites is via a provider backbone. SIDs associated with destinations in Site A will never be installed in the forwarding plane of routers in Site B. Reachability between the sites (assuming SR is being used across the backbone) only requires using a SID associated with a gateway PE. So a destination in Site A MAY use the same SID as a destination in Site B without introducing any conflict in the forwarding plane of routers in Site A.

Such cases are handled by insuring that the mapping entries in the database used by the procedures defined in the previous section only include entries associated with advertisements within the site.

5. Conflict Resolution and non-forwarding nodes

The previous sections define conflict resolution behavior required of nodes which perform forwarding. But conflict resolution also impacts other entities e.g., controllers. If a controller were to define an explicit path using a SID in a way that is inconsistent with the set of Active entries produced by conflict resolution procedures used by the forwarding nodes then traffic following the explicit path may be misdelivered.

To prevent this such an entity MUST either implement the conflict resolution procedures defined above or implement an alternate form of conflict resolution which produces a subset of the Active entries which result from the conflict resolution procedures defined above. One such alternate form is to consider Inactive any mapping entry which has either a prefix conflict or a SID conflict with any other mapping entry.

6. Security Considerations

The ability to introduce SID conflicts into a deployment may compromise traffic forwarding. Protocol specific security mechanisms
SHOULD be used to insure that all SID advertisements originate from trusted sources.

7. IANA Consideration

This document has no actions for IANA.

8. Acknowledgements

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9. References

9.1. Normative References


9.2. Informational References


Appendix A. Alternative SID Conflict Resolution Policy Discussion

A number of approaches to resolving SID conflicts were considered during the writing of this document. Two general approaches with a total of three policy alternatives were considered. This Appendix documents the alternatives considered. All content in this section is non-normative.

Two general approaches can be used to process conflicting entries.

1. Conflicting entries can be ignored

2. A standard preference algorithm can be used to choose which of the conflicting entries will be used

The following sections discuss these two approaches in more detail.

A.1. Policy: Ignore conflicting entries

In cases where entries are in conflict none of the conflicting entries are used i.e., the network operates as if the conflicting advertisements were not present.

Implementations are required to identify the conflicting entries and ensure that they are not used.

A.2. Policy: Preference Algorithm/Quarantine

For entries which are in conflict properties of the conflicting advertisements are used to determine which of the conflicting entries are used in forwarding and which are "quarantined" and not used. Losing mapping entries with ranges greater than 1 are quarantined in their entirety.

This approach requires that conflicting entries first be identified and then evaluated based on a preference rule. Based on which entry is preferred this in turn may impact what other entries are considered in conflict i.e. if A conflicts with B and B conflicts with C - it is possible that A does NOT conflict with C. Hence if as a result of the evaluation of the conflict between A and B, entry B is not used the conflict between B and C will not be detected.
A.3. Policy: Preference algorithm/ignore overlap only

A variation of the preference algorithm approach when applied to mapping entries with ranges greater than 1 is to quarantine only the portions of the less preferred entry which actually conflict. The original entry is logically considered as a set of entries with a range of 1, each of which inherits the range value of the original entry for purposes of applying the preference rule.

A.4. Example Behavior – Single Topology/Address Family/Algorithm

The following mapping entries exist in the database. For brevity, Topology/Algorithm is omitted and assumed to be (0,0) in all entries.

1. (192, 192.0.2.1/32, 100, 1)
2. (192, 192.0.2.101/32, 200, 1)
3. (128, 192.0.2.1/32, 400, 255) !Prefix conflict with entries 1 and 2
4. (128, 198.51.100.40/32, 200,1) !SID conflict with entry 2

The table below shows what mapping entries will be used in the forwarding plane (Active) and which ones will not be used (Inactive) under the three candidate policies:

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<th>Policy</th>
<th>Active Entries</th>
<th>Inactive Entries</th>
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<tr>
<td>Ignore</td>
<td></td>
<td>(192,192.0.2.1/32,100,1)</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(192,192.0.2.101/32,200,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(128,192.0.2.1/32,400,255)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Quarantine</td>
<td>(192,192.0.1.1/32,100,1)</td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>(192,192.0.2.101/32,200,1)</td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>(128,192.0.2.1/32,400,255)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ignore-Overlap-Only</td>
<td>(192,192.0.2.1/32,100,1)</td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>(192,192.0.2.101/32,200,1)</td>
<td>(128,198.51.100.40/32,200,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.2/32,401,99)</td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.101/32,500,1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>*(128,192.0.2.102/32,501,153)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Derived from (128,192.0.2.1/32,400,300)
A.5.  Evaluation of Policy Alternatives

The previous sections have defined three alternatives for resolving conflicts - ignore, quarantine, and ignore overlap-only.

The ignore policy impacts the greatest number of mapping entries as all prefix/SID pairs contained in an advertisement which has a conflict are considered Inactive.

Quarantine allows forwarding for some destinations which have a conflict to be supported - but losing mapping entries with ranges greater than 1 are declared Inactive in their entirety. This may result in not using individual prefix/SID entries contained within the quarantined advertisement which do not have a conflict.

Ignore-overlap-only maximizes the entries which may be Active as each prefix/SID pair contained within an advertised mapping entry with range greater than 1 is evaluated independent of the other entries within the same advertisement. To implement this alternative advertised mapping entries with a range greater than 1 which have a conflict with other advertised mapping entries have to logically be split into 2 or more "derived mapping entries". The derived mapping entries then fall into two categories - those that are in conflict with other mapping entries and have lost based on the preference rule and those which are either NOT in conflict or have won based on the preference rule. The former are considered Inactive while the latter are considered Active. Each time the underrived mapping database is updated the derived entries have to be recomputed based on the updated database. Internal data structures have to be maintained which maintain the relationship between the advertised mapping entry and the set of derived mapping entries. All nodes in the network have to achieve the same behavior regardless of implementation internals.

There is then a tradeoff between a goal of maximizing advertised mapping entry usage and the risks associated with increased implementation complexity.

Consensus of the working group is that maximizing the use of the advertised prefix/SID pairs is the most important deployment consideration - therefore ignore-overlap-only has been specified as the standard policy which MUST be implemented by all nodes which support SR-MPLS.
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Abstract

This document defines a YANG data model ([RFC6020], [RFC7950]) for segment routing ([I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing]) configuration and operation. This YANG model is intended to be used on network elements to configure or operate segment routing. This document defines also generic containers that SHOULD be reused by IGP protocol modules to support segment routing.

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1. Introduction

This document defines a YANG data model for segment routing configuration and operation. This document does not define the IGP extensions to support segment routing but defines generic groupings that SHOULD be reused by IGP extension modules. The reason of this design choice is to not require implementations to support all IGP extensions. For example, an implementation may support IS-IS extension but not OSPF.
1.1. Tree diagram

A simplified graphical representation of the data model is presented in Section 2.

The meaning of the symbols in these diagrams is as follows:

- Brackets "[" and "]" enclose list keys.
- Curly braces "{" and "}" contain names of optional features that make the corresponding node conditional.
- Abbreviations before data node names: "rw" means configuration (read-write), and "ro" state data (read-only).
- Symbols after data node names: "?" means an optional node and "*" denotes a "list" or "leaf-list".
- Parentheses enclose choice and case nodes, and case nodes are also marked with a colon (":").
- Ellipsis ("...") stands for contents of subtrees that are not shown.

2. Design of the Data Model

As the module definition is just starting, it is expected that there will be changes as the module matures.

module: ietf-segment-routing
augment /rt:routing:
  +--rw segment-routing
    +--rw transport-type?   identityref
    +--rw msd {msd}?
      +--rw node-msd?   uint8
      +--rw link-msd
        +--rw link-msds* [interface]
        +--rw interface   if:interface-ref
      +--rw msd?         uint8
    +--rw bindings
      +--rw mapping-server {mapping-server}?
        +--rw policy* [name]
          +--rw name       string
          +--rw ipv4
            +--rw mapping-entry* [prefix algorithm]
              +--rw prefix    inet:ipv4-prefix
              +--rw value-type?   enumeration
              +--rw start-sid   uint32
+--rw range?        uint32
+--rw algorithm     identityref

++--rw ipv6
   +--rw mapping-entry* [prefix algorithm]
      +--rw prefix        inet:ipv6-prefix
      +--rw value-type?   enumeration
      +--rw start-sid     uint32
      +--rw range?        uint32
      +--rw algorithm     identityref

++--rw connected-prefix-sid-map
   +--rw ipv4
      +--rw ipv4-prefix-sid* [prefix algorithm]
         +--rw prefix               inet:ipv4-prefix
         +--rw value-type?          enumeration
         +--rw start-sid            uint32
         +--rw range?               uint32
         +--rw algorithm            identityref
         +--rw last-hop-behavior?   enumeration {sid-last-hop-behavior}

   +--rw ipv6
      +--rw ipv6-prefix-sid* [prefix algorithm]
         +--rw prefix               inet:ipv6-prefix
         +--rw value-type?          enumeration
         +--rw start-sid            uint32
         +--rw range?               uint32
         +--rw algorithm            identityref
         +--rw last-hop-behavior?   enumeration {sid-last-hop-behavior}

++--rw global-srgb
   +--rw srgb* [lower-bound upper-bound]
      +--rw lower-bound    uint32
      +--rw upper-bound    uint32

augment /rt:routing-state:
   +--ro segment-routing
      +--ro node-capabilities
         +--ro transport-planes* [transport-plane]
            +--ro transport-plane    identityref
            +--ro readable-label-stack-depth?   uint8
      +--ro msd
         +--ro node-msd?     uint8
         +--ro link-msd
            +--ro link-msds* [interface]
               +--ro interface    if:interface-ref
               +--ro msd?         uint8
      +--ro label-blocks*
         +--ro lower-bound?  uint32
         +--ro upper-bound?  uint32
         +--ro size?         uint32
         +--ro free?         uint32
         +--ro used?         uint32

3. Configuration

This module augments the "/rt:routing:" with a segment-routing container. This container defines all the configuration parameters related to segment-routing.

The segment-routing configuration is split in global configuration and interface configuration.

The global configuration includes:

- **segment-routing transport type**: The underlying transport type for segment routing. The version of the model limits the transport type to an MPLS dataplane. The transport-type is only defined once for a particular routing-instance and is agnostic to the
control plane used. Only a single transport-type is supported in this version of the model.

- bindings: Defines prefix to SID mappings. The operator can control advertisement of Prefix-SID independently for IPv4 and IPv6. Two types of mappings are available:
  
  * Mapping-server: maps non local prefixes to a segment ID. Configuration of bindings does not automatically allow advertisement of those bindings. Advertisement must be controlled by each routing-protocol instance (see Section 4). Multiple mapping policies may be defined.
  
  * Connected prefixes: maps connected prefixes to a segment ID. Advertisement of the mapping will be done by IGP when enabled for segment routing (see Section 4). The SID value can be expressed as an index (default), or an absolute value. The "last-hop-behavior" configuration dictates the PHP behavior: "explicit-null", "php", or "non-php".

- SRGB (Segment Routing Global Block): Defines a list of label blocks represented by a pair of lower-bound/upper-bound labels. The SRGB is also agnostic to the control plane used. So all routing-protocol instance will have to advertise the same SRGB.

4. IGP Control plane configuration

Support of segment-routing extensions for a particular IGP control plane is done by augmenting routing-protocol configuration with segment-routing extensions. This augmentation SHOULD be part of separate YANG modules in order to not create any dependency for implementations to support all protocol extensions.

This module defines groupings that SHOULD be used by IGP segment routing modules.

The "controlplane-cfg" grouping defines the generic global configuration for the IGP.

The "enabled" leaf enables segment-routing extensions for the routing-protocol instance.

The "bindings" container controls the routing-protocol instance’s advertisement of local bindings and the processing of received bindings.
4.1. IGP interface configuration

The interface configuration is part of the "igp-interface-cfg" grouping and includes Adjacency SID properties.

4.1.1. Adjacency SID properties

4.1.1.1. Bundling

This section is a first proposal on how to use S-bit in Adj-SID to create bundles. Authors would like to trigger discussion based on this first proposal.

In case of parallel IP links between routers, an additional Adjacency SID may be advertised representing more than one adjacency (i.e., a bundle of adjacencies). The "advertise-adj-group-sid" configuration controls whether or not an additional adjacency SID is advertised.

The "advertise-adj-group-sid" would be a list of "group-id". The "group-id" will permit to identify interfaces that must be bundled together.

+-------+     +------+
|       | ------- L1 ---- |      |
|   R1  | ------- L2 ---- |  R2  |
|       | ------- L3 ---- |      |
|       | ------- L4 ---- |      |
+-------+     +------+

In the figure above, R1 and R2 are interconnected by four links. A routing protocol adjacency is established on each link. Operator would like to create segment-routing Adj-SID that represent some bundles of links. We can imagine two different bundles : L1/L2 and L2/L3. To achieve this behavior, the service provider will configure a "group-id" X for both interfaces L1 and L2 and a "group-id" Y for both interfaces L3 and L3. This will result in R1 advertising an additional Adj-SID for each adjacency, for example a Adj-SID with S flag set and value of 400 will be added to L1 and L2. A Adj-SID with S flag set and value of 500 will be added to L3 and L4. As L1/L2 and L3/L4 does not share the same "group-id", a different SID value will be allocated.

4.1.1.2. Protection

The "advertise-protection" defines how protection for an interface is advertised. It does not control the activation or deactivation of protection. If the "single" option is used, a single Adj-SID will be
advertised for the interface. If the interface is protected, the B-Flag for the Adj-SID advertisement will be set. If the "dual" option is used and if the interface is protected, two Adj-SIDs will be advertised for the interface adjacencies. One Adj-SID will always have the B-Flag set and the other will have the B-Flag clear. This option is intended to be used in the case of traffic engineering where a path must use either protected segments or non-protected segments.

5. States

The operational states contains information reflecting the usage of allocated SRGB labels.

It also includes a list of all global SIDs, their associated bindings, and other information such as the source protocol and algorithm.

6. Notifications

The model defines the following notifications for segment-routing.

- segment-routing-global-srgb-collision: Raised when a control plan advertised SRGB blocks have conflicts.
- segment-routing-global-sid-collision: Raised when a control plane advertised index is already associated with another target (in this version, the only defined targets are IPv4 and IPv6 prefixes).
- segment-routing-index-out-of-range: Raised when a control plane advertised index fall outside the range of SRGBs configured for the network device.

7. YANG Module

<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-segment-routing-common@2016-10-28.yang"
module ietf-segment-routing-common {
    namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:"
        + "yang:ietf-segment-routing-common";
    prefix sr-cmn;

    import ietf-inet-types {
        prefix "inet";
    }

    organization
        "IETF SPRING Working Group";
</CODE BEGINS>
The YANG module defines a collection of types and groupings for Segment routing.

revision 2016-10-28 {
  description "* Add support of MSD (Maximum SID Depth)
  * Update contact info
  ";
  reference
  "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}

revision 2016-10-24 {
  description "Initial";
  reference
  "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}

/* Identities */
identity segment-routing-transport {
  description "Base identity for segment routing transport.";
}
identity segment-routing-transport-mpls {
  base segment-routing-transport;
  description "This identity represents MPLS transport for segment routing.";
}
identity prefix-sid-algorithm {
  description
  "Base identity for prefix-sid algorithm.";
}

identity prefix-sid-algorithm-shortest-path {
  base prefix-sid-algorithm;
  description
  "The default behavior of prefix-sid algorithm.";
}

identity prefix-sid-algorithm-strict-spf {
  base prefix-sid-algorithm;
  description
  "This algorithm mandates that the packet is forwarded according to ECMP-aware SPF algorithm.";
}

/* Features */

feature sid-last-hop-behavior {
  description
  "Configurable last hop behavior.";
}

/* Groupings */

grouping srgb-cfg {
  list srgb {
    key "lower-bound upper-bound";
    ordered-by user;
    leaf lower-bound {
      type uint32;
      description
      "Lower value in the block.";
    }
    leaf upper-bound {
      type uint32;
      description
      "Upper value in the block.";
    }
    description
    "List of global blocks to be advertised.";
  }
  description
  "Grouping for SRGB configuration.";
}
grouping sid-value-type {
    leaf value-type {
        type enumeration {
            enum index {
                description "The value will be interpreted as an index.";
            }
            enum absolute {
                description "The value will become interpreted as an absolute value.";
            }
        }
        default index;
        description "This leaf defines how value must be interpreted.";
    }
    description "Defines how the SID value is expressed.";
}

grouping ipv4-sid-cfg {
    leaf prefix {
        type inet:ipv4-prefix;
        description "connected prefix sid.";
    }
    uses prefix-sid-attributes;
    description "This grouping defines cfg of prefix SID.";
}

grouping ipv6-sid-cfg {
    leaf prefix {
        type inet:ipv6-prefix;
        description "connected prefix sid.";
    }
    uses prefix-sid-attributes;
    description

"This grouping defines cfg of prefix SID.";
}

grouping last-hop-behavior {
  leaf last-hop-behavior {
    if-feature sid-last-hop-behavior;
    type enumeration {
      enum explicit-null {
        description
        "Use explicit-null for the SID.";
      }
      enum no-php {
        description
        "Do no use PHP for the SID.";
      }
      enum php {
        description
        "Use PHP for the SID.";
      }
    }
    description
    "Configure last hop behavior.";
  }
  description
  "Defines last hop behavior";
}

grouping node-capabilities {
  description "Containing SR node capabilities.";
  container node-capabilities {
    list transport-planes {
      key transport-plane;
      leaf transport-plane {
        type identityref {
          base segment-routing-transport;
        }
        description
        "Transport plane supported";
      }
      description
      "List of supported transport planes.";
    }
    leaf readable-label-stack-depth {
      type uint8;
      description
      "Number of MPLS labels that can be read in the stack.";
    }
  }
}
description
    "Shows the SR capability of the node."
} // node-capabilities
} // sr-node-capabilities

grouping prefix-sid-attributes {
    description "Containing SR attributes for a prefix.";
    uses sid-value-type;
    leaf start-sid {
        type uint32;
        mandatory true;
        description
            "Value associated with prefix. The value must be interpreted in the context of value-type.";
    }
    leaf range {
        type uint32;
        description
            "Describes how many SIDs could be allocated.";
    }
    leaf algorithm {
        type identityref {
            base prefix-sid-algorithm;
        }
        description "Prefix-sid algorithm.";
    }
} //prefix-sid-attributes

<CODE ENDS>
<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-segment-routing@2016-10-28.yang"
module ietf-segment-routing {
    namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:
        + "ietf:ietf-segment-routing";
    prefix sr;

    import ietf-inet-types {
        prefix "inet";
    }

    import ietf-yang-types {
        prefix "yang";
    }

import ietf-routing {
    prefix "rt";
}
import ietf-interfaces {
    prefix "if";
}
import ietf-segment-routing-common {
    prefix "sr-cmn";
}

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";

description  "The YANG module defines a generic configuration model for Segment routing common across all of the vendor implementations.";

revision 2016-10-28 {
    description "
    * Add support of MSD (Maximum SID Depth)
    * Update contact info
    ";
    reference  
"RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}

revision 2016-10-24 {
    description "

* Moved common SR types and groupings to a separate module

```
};
reference
"RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}
revision 2016-07-07 {
  description "
  * Add support of prefix-sid algorithm configuration
  * change routing-protocols to control-plane-protocols
  
  reference
  "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}
revision 2016-03-17 {
  description "
  * Add notification segment-routing-global-srgb-collision
  * Add router-id to segment-routing-global-sid-collision
  * Remove routing-instance
  * Add typedef router-id
  
  reference
  "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}
revision 2015-10-17 {
  description "
  * Add per-protocol SRGB config feature
  * Move SRGB config to a grouping
  
  reference
  "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}
revision 2015-06-22 {
  description "
  * Prefix SID config moved to
    connected-prefix-sid-map in global SR config
    rather than IGP.
  
  reference "draft-litkowski-spring-sr-yang-01";
}
revision 2015-04-23 {
  description "
  * Node flag deprecated from prefixSID
  * SR interface config moved to protocol
  * Adding multiple binding policies for SRMS
  
  reference "";
}
revision 2015-02-27 {

description "Initial";
reference "draft-litkowski-spring-sr-yang-00";
}

/* Features */

feature mapping-server {
   description
   "Support of SRMS.";
}

feature protocol-srgb {
   description
   "Support per-protocol srgb configuration.";
}

feature msd {
   description
   "Support of signaling MSD (Maximum SID Depth) in IGP.";
}

/* Type Definitions */
typedef system-id {
   type string {
      pattern
      '\[0-9A-Fa-f\]{4}\.[0-9A-Fa-f\]{4}\.[0-9A-Fa-f\]{4}\."00';
   } 
   description
   "This type defines ISIS system id using pattern,
   system id looks like : 0143.0438.AeF0.00";
}

typedef router-id {
   type union {
      type system-id;
      type yang:dotted-quad;
   } 
   description
   "OSPF/BGP router id or ISIS system ID.";
}

/* Groupings */

grouping controlplane-cfg {
   container segment-routing {
      leaf enabled {
         type boolean;
   }
default false;
description
  "Enables segment-routing
  protocol extensions.";
}
container bindings {
  container advertise {
    leaf-list policies {
      type string;
      description
        "List of policies to be advertised.";
      }
      description
        "Authorize the advertise
        of local mappings in binding TLV.";
    }
    leaf receive {
      type boolean;
      default true;
      description
        "Authorize the reception and usage
        of binding TLV.";
    }
    description
      "Control of binding advertisement
      and reception.";
  }
  description
    "segment routing global config.";
}
container segment-routing {
  container adjacency-sid {
    list advertise-adj-group-sid {
      key group-id;

      leaf group-id {
        type uint32;
        description
          "The value is an internal value to identify
            a group-ID. Interfaces with the same
            group-ID will be bundled together.";
      }
    }
  }
grouping igp-interface-cfg {
  container segment-routing {

  }
}

leaf advertise-protection {
  type enumeration {
    enum "single" {
      description
      "A single Adj-SID is associated
      with the adjacency and reflects
      the protection configuration.";
    }
    enum "dual" {
      description
      "Two Adj-SIDs will be associated
      with the adjacency if interface
      is protected. In this case
      one will be enforced with
      backup flag set, the other
      will be enforced to backup flag unset.
      In case, protection is not configured,
      a single Adj-SID will be advertised
      with backup flag unset.";
    }
  }
  description
  "If set, the Adj-SID refers to an
  adjacency being protected.";
  description
  "Defines the adjacency SID properties.";
  description
  "container for SR interface cfg.";
  description
  "Grouping for IGP interface cfg.";
}

grouping msd-cfg {
  leaf node-msd {
    type uint8;
    description
    "Node MSD is the lowest MSD supported by the node.";
  }
}
container link-msd {
    list link-msds {
        key interface;
        leaf interface {
            type if:interface-ref;
            description "Name of the interface.";
        }
        leaf msd {
            type uint8;
            description "SID depth of the interface associated with the link.";
        }
        description "List of link MSDs.";
    }
    description "Link MSD is a number represents the particular link MSD value.";
}
description "MSD configuration grouping.";
}

/* Cfg */
augment "/rt:routing" {
    description "This augments routing-instance configuration with segment-routing.";
    container segment-routing {
        leaf transport-type {
            type identityref {
                base sr-cmn:segment-routing-transport;
            }
            default "sr-cmn:segment-routing-transport-mpls";
            description "Dataplane to be used.";
        }
        container msd {
            if-feature msd;
            uses msd-cfg;
            description "MSD configuration.";
        }
        container bindings {
            container mapping-server {
                if-feature mapping-server;
                list policy {
                    key name;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
leaf name {
    type string;
    description
    "Name of the mapping policy.";
}

container ipv4 {
    list mapping-entry {
        key "prefix algorithm";
        uses sr-cmn:ipv4-sid-cfg;
        description
        "Mapping entries.";
    }
    description
    "IPv4 mapping entries.";
}

container ipv6 {
    list mapping-entry {
        key "prefix algorithm";
        uses sr-cmn:ipv6-sid-cfg;
        description
        "Mapping entries.";
    }
    description
    "IPv6 mapping entries.";
}

container connected-prefix-sid-map {
    container ipv4 {
        list ipv4-prefix-sid {
            key "prefix algorithm";
            uses sr-cmn:ipv4-sid-cfg;
            uses sr-cmn:last-hop-behavior;
            description
            "List of prefix SID
            mapped to IPv4 local prefixes.";
        }
        description
        "Parameters associated with IPv4 prefix SID";
    }
    container ipv6 {
        list ipv6-prefix-sid {

key "prefix algorithm";
uses sr-cmn:ipv6-sid-cfg;
uses sr-cmn:last-hop-behavior;
description
  "List of prefix SID
  mapped to IPv6 local prefixes.";
}
description
  "Parameters associated with IPv6 prefix SID";
}
description
  "Prefix SID configuration.";
}
description
  "List of bindings.";
}
container global-srgb {
  uses sr-cmn:srgb-cfg;
description
  "Global SRGB configuration.";
}
description
  "segment routing global config.";
}

/* Operational states */
augment "/rt:routing-state" {
  description
    "This augments the operational states
    with segment-routing.";
  container segment-routing {
    uses sr-cmn:node-capabilities;
    container msd {
      uses msd-cfg;
      description
        "MSD configuration state.";
    }
    list label-blocks {
      leaf lower-bound {
        type uint32;
        description
          "Lower bound of the label block.";
      }
      leaf upper-bound {
        type uint32;
      }
    }
  }
}
description
"Upper bound of the label block.";
}
leaf size {
  type uint32;
  description
  "Number of indexes in the block.";
}
leaf free {
  type uint32;
  description
  "Number of indexes free in the block.";
}
leaf used {
  type uint32;
  description
  "Number of indexes used in the block.";
}

description
"List of labels blocks currently in use.";
}

container global-sid-list {
  list sid {
    key "target sid source source-protocol binding-type";
    ordered-by system;
    leaf target {
      type string;
      description
      "Defines the target of the binding.
      It can be a prefix or something else.";
    }
    leaf sid {
      type uint32;
      description
      "Index associated with the prefix.";
    }
    leaf algorithm {
      type uint8;
      description
      "Algorithm to be used for the prefix SID.";
    }
    leaf source {
      type inet:ip-address;
      description
      "IP address of the router than own

the binding.

leaf used {
    type boolean;
    description
        "Defines if the binding is used in forwarding plane.";
}

leaf source-protocol {
    type leafref {
        path "/rt:routing-state/rt:control-plane-protocols/" + "rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
    }
    description
        "Rtg protocol that owns the binding";
}

leaf binding-type {
    type enumeration {
        enum prefix-sid {
            description
                "Binding is learned from a prefix SID.";
        }
        enum binding-tlv {
            description
                "Binding is learned from a binding TLV.";
        }
    }
    description
        "Type of binding.";
}

description
    "List of prefix and SID associations.";
}

description
    "Segment routing operational states.";
}

/* Notifications */

notification segment-routing-global-srgb-collision {

list srgb-collisions {
  leaf lower-bound {
    type uint32;
    description
    "Lower value in the block."
  }
  leaf upper-bound {
    type uint32;
    description
    "Upper value in the block."
  }
  leaf routing-protocol {
    type leafref {
      path "/rt:routing-state/rt:control-plane-protocols/"
       + "rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
    }
    description
    "Routing protocol reference that received the event."
  }
  leaf originating-rtr-id {
    type router-id;
    description
    "Originating router id of this SRGB block."
  }
  description
  "List of SRGB blocks that conflict."
}

notification segment-routing-global-sid-collision {
  leaf received-target {
    type string;
    description
    "Target received in the controlplane that
    caused SID collision."
  }
  leaf new-sid-rtr-id {
    type router-id;
    description
    "Router Id that advertising the conflicting SID."
  }
  leaf original-target {
    type string;
    description
    "Target already available in database that have the same SID
    as the received target.";
  }
}
leaf original-sid-rtr-id {
  type router-id;
  description
      "Original router ID that advertised the conflicting SID.";
}
leaf index {
  type uint32;
  description
      "Value of the index used by two different prefixes.";
}
leaf routing-protocol {
  type leafref {
    path "/rt:routing-state/rt:control-plane-protocols/" + "rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
  }
  description
      "Routing protocol reference that received the event.";
}

description
      "This notification is sent when a new mapping is learned
       where the SID is already used.
       The notification generation must be throttled with at least
       a 5 second gap. ";
}
notification segment-routing-index-out-of-range {
  leaf received-target {
    type string;
    description
      "Target received in the controlplane
       that caused SID collision.";
  }
  leaf received-index {
    type uint32;
    description
      "Value of the index received.";
  }
  leaf routing-protocol {
    type leafref {
      path "/rt:routing-state/rt:control-plane-protocols/" + "rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
    }
    description
      "Routing protocol reference that received the event.";
  }
  description
      "This notification is sent when a binding
is received, containing a segment index
which is out of the local configured ranges.
The notification generation must be throttled with at least
a 5 second gap. ";

8. Security Considerations

TBD.

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Abstract

This document defines a YANG data model for segment routing configuration and operation, which is to be augmented by different segment routing data planes. The document also defines a YANG model that is intended to be used on network elements to configure or operate the segment routing MPLS data plane, as well as some generic containers to be reused by IGP protocol modules to support segment routing.

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This document defines a YANG data model [RFC7950] for segment routing [RFC8402] configuration and operation. The document also defines a YANG model that is intended to be used on network elements to configure or operate the segment routing MPLS data plane [RFC8660]. This document does not define the IGP extensions to support segment routing but defines generic groupings to be reused by IGP extension
modules. The reason of this design choice is to not require
implementations to support all IGP extensions. For example, an
implementation may support the IS-IS extension but not the OSPF
extension.

The YANG modules in this document conform to the Network Management
Datastore Architecture (NMDA) [RFC8342].

2. Terminology and Notation

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.

2.1. Tree diagram

Tree diagrams used in this document follow the notation defined in
[RFC8340].

2.2. Prefixes in Data Node Names

In this document, names of data nodes, actions, and other data model
objects are often used without a prefix, as long as it is clear from
the context in which YANG module each name is defined. Otherwise,
names are prefixed using the standard prefix associated with the
corresponding YANG module, as shown in Table 1.

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Table 1: Prefixes and Corresponding YANG Modules

3. Design of the Data Model

Module ietf-segment-routing augments the routing container in the
ietf-routing model [RFC8349], and defines generic segment routing
configuration and operational state. This module is augmented by
modules supporting different data planes.
Module ietf-segment-routing-mpls augments ietf-segment-routing, and supports SR MPLS data plane configuration and operational state.

Module ietf-segment-routing-common defines generic types and groupings that SHOULD be reused by IGP extension modules.

module: ietf-segment-routing
  augment /rt:routing:
    +++rw segment-routing

module: ietf-segment-routing-mpls
  augment /rt:routing/sr:segment-routing:
    +++rw sr-mpls
    +++rw bindings
      +++rw mapping-server {mapping-server}?
        +++rw policy* [name]
          +++rw name     string
        +++rw entries
          +++rw mapping-entry* [prefix algorithm]
            +++rw prefix     inet:ip-prefix
            +++rw value-type? enumeration
            +++rw start-sid  uint32
            +++rw range?     uint32
            +++rw algorithm  identityref
          +++rw connected-prefix-sid-map
            +++rw connected-prefix-sid* [prefix algorithm]
              +++rw prefix     inet:ip-prefix
              +++rw value-type? enumeration
              +++rw start-sid  uint32
              +++rw range?     uint32
              +++rw algorithm  identityref
              +++rw last-hop-behavior? enumeration
            +++rw local-prefix-sid
              +++rw local-prefix-sid* [prefix algorithm]
                +++rw prefix     inet:ip-prefix
                +++rw value-type? enumeration
                +++rw start-sid  uint32
                +++rw range?     uint32
                +++rw algorithm  identityref
            +++rw srgb
              +++rw srgb* [lower-bound upper-bound]
                +++rw lower-bound uint32
                +++rw upper-bound uint32
            +++rw srlb
              +++rw srlb* [lower-bound upper-bound]
                +++rw lower-bound uint32
                +++rw upper-bound uint32
            +++ro label-blocks* []
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| +--ro lower-bound?   uint32
| +--ro upper-bound?   uint32
| +--ro size?          uint32
| +--ro free?          uint32
| +--ro used?          uint32
| +--ro scope?         enumeration
| +--ro sid-db
| | +--ro sid* [target sid source source-protocol binding-type]
| | | +--ro target          string
| | | +--ro sid             uint32
| | | +--ro algorithm?      uint8
| | | +--ro source          inet:ip-address
| | | +--ro used?           boolean
| | | +--ro source-protocol -> /rt:routing
| | | | /control-plane-protocols
| | | | /control-plane-protocol/name
| | | +--ro binding-type    enumeration
| | | +--ro scope?          enumeration

notifications:
| +---n segment-routing-srgb-collision
| | +--ro srgb-collisions* []
| | | +--ro lower-bound?   uint32
| | | +--ro upper-bound?   uint32
| | | +--ro routing-protocol? -> /rt:routing
| | | | /control-plane-protocols
| | | | /control-plane-protocol/name
| | | +--ro originating-rtr-id? router-or-system-id

| +---n segment-routing-global-sid-collision
| | +--ro new-sid-rtr-id?       router-or-system-id
| | +--ro original-target?     string
| | +--ro original-sid-rtr-id? router-or-system-id
| | +--ro index?               uint32
| | +--ro routing-protocol?    -> /rt:routing
| | | /control-plane-protocols
| | | /control-plane-protocol/name

| +---n segment-routing-index-out-of-range
| | +--ro received-target?     string
| | +--ro received-index?      uint32
| | +--ro routing-protocol?    -> /rt:routing
| | | /control-plane-protocols
| | | /control-plane-protocol/name

4. Configuration

The module ietf-segment-routing-mpls augments the "/rt:routing/sr:segment-routing:" with an sr-mpls container. This container defines all the configuration parameters related to the segment-routing MPLS data plane.

The sr-mpls configuration is split in global configuration and interface configuration.

The global configuration includes:

- **bindings**: Defines prefix to SID mappings. The operator can control advertisement of Prefix-SID independently for IPv4 and IPv6. Two types of mappings are available:
  - Mapping-server: maps non local prefixes to a segment ID. Configuration of bindings does not automatically allow advertisement of those bindings. Advertisement must be controlled by each routing-protocol instance (see Section 5). Multiple mapping policies may be defined.
  - Connected prefixes: maps connected prefixes to a segment ID. Advertisement of the mapping will be done by IGP when enabled for segment routing (see Section 5). The SID value can be expressed as an index (default), or an absolute value. The "last-hop-behavior" configuration dictates the MPLS PHP behavior: "explicit-null", "php", or "non-php".

- **SRGB (Segment Routing Global Block)**: Defines a list of label blocks represented by a pair of lower-bound/upper-bound labels. The SRGB is also agnostic to the control plane used. So all routing-protocol instance will have to advertise the same SRGB.

- **SRLB (Segment Routing Local Block)**: Defines a list of label blocks represented by a pair of lower-bound/upper-bound labels, reserved for local SIDs.

5. IGP Control plane configuration

Support of segment-routing extensions for a particular IGP control plane is done by augmenting routing-protocol configuration with segment-routing extensions. This augmentation SHOULD be part of separate YANG modules in order to not create any dependency for implementations to support all protocol extensions.

This module defines groupings that SHOULD be used by IGP segment routing modules.
The "sr-control-plane" grouping defines the generic global configuration for the IGP.

The "enabled" leaf enables segment-routing extensions for the routing-protocol instance.

The "bindings" container controls the routing-protocol instance's advertisement of local bindings and the processing of received bindings.

5.1. IGP interface configuration

The interface configuration is part of the "igp-interface" grouping and includes Adjacency SID properties.

5.1.1. Adjacency SID properties

5.1.1.1. Bundling

In case of parallel IP links between routers, an additional Adjacency SID [RFC8402] may be advertised representing more than one adjacency (i.e., a bundle of adjacencies). The "advertise-adj-group-sid" configuration controls for which group(s) an additional adjacency SID is advertised.

The "advertise-adj-group-sid" is a list of "group-id". The "group-id" will identify interfaces that are bundled together.

```
+-------+     +------+
|       |     |      |
|   R1  |     |  R2   |
|       |     |      |
|       |     |      |
+-------+     +------+
```

In the figure above, R1 and R2 are interconnected by four links. A routing protocol adjacency is established on each link. Operator would like to create segment-routing Adj-SIDs that represent some bundles of links. We can imagine two different bundles: L1/L2 and L3/L4. To achieve this behavior, the service provider will configure a "group-id" X for both interfaces L1 and L2 and a "group-id" Y for both interfaces L3 and L4. This will result in R1 advertising an additional an Adj-SID for each adjacency, for example an Adj-SID with a value of 400 will be added to L1 and L2. An Adj-SID and a value of 500 will be added to L3 and L4. As L1/L2 and L3/L4 does not share the same "group-id", a different SID value will be allocated.
5.1.1.2. Protection

The "advertise-protection" defines how protection for an interface is advertised. It does not control the activation or deactivation of protection. If the "single" option is used, a single Adj-SID will be advertised for the interface. If the interface is protected, the B-Flag for the Adj-SID advertisement will be set. If the "dual" option is used and if the interface is protected, two Adj-SIDs will be advertised for the interface adjacencies. One Adj-SID will always have the B-Flag set and the other will have the B-Flag clear. This option is intended to be used in the case of traffic engineering where a path must use either protected segments or non-protected segments.

6. State Data

The operational states contain information reflecting the usage of allocated SRGB labels.

It also includes a list of all global SIDs, their associated bindings, and other information such as the source protocol and algorithm.

7. Notifications

The model defines the following notifications for segment-routing.

- segment-routing-srgb-collision: Raised when a control plane advertised SRGB blocks have conflicts.

- segment-routing-global-sid-collision: Raised when a control plane advertised index is already associated with another target (in this version, the only defined targets are IPv4 and IPv6 prefixes).

- segment-routing-index-out-of-range: Raised when a control plane advertised index falls outside the range of SRGBs configured for the network device.

8. YANG Modules

There are three YANG modules included in this document.

The following RFCs and drafts are not referenced in the document text but are referenced in the ietf-segment-routing.yang, ietf-segment-routing-common.yang, and/or ietf-segment-routing-mpls.yang modules: [RFC6991], [RFC8294], [RFC8476], [RFC8491], [RFC8665], [RFC8667], [RFC8669], and [RFC8814].
8.1. YANG Module for Segment Routing

ietf-segment-routing.yang: This module defines a generic framework for Segment Routing, and it is to be augmented by models for different SR data planes.

<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-segment-routing@2021-01-25.yang"
module ietf-segment-routing {
  yang-version 1.1;
  prefix sr;

  import ietf-routing {
    prefix rt;
    reference "RFC 8349: A YANG Data Model for Routing Management (NMDA Version)";
  }

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"

description "The YANG module defines a generic framework for Segment Routing. It is to be augmented by models for different SR data planes.

This YANG model conforms to the Network Management Datastore Architecture (NMDA) as described in RFC 8242.

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8.2. YANG Module for Segment Routing Common Types

ietf-segment-routing-common.yang: This module defines a collection of generic types and groupings for SR as defined in [RFC8402].

<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-segment-routing-common@2021-01-25.yang"
module ietf-segment-routing-common {
    yang-version 1.1;
    namespace
prefix sr-cmn;

import ietf-inet-types {
  prefix inet;
  reference "RFC 6991: Common YANG Data Types";
}

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  "IETF SPRING - SPRING Working Group";

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         <mailto:pushpasis.ietf@gmail.com>
  Author: Jeff Tantsura
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  ";

description
  "The YANG module defines a collection of generic types and
groupings for Segment Routing (SR) as described in RFC 8402.

  This YANG model conforms to the Network Management
  Datastore Architecture (NMDA) as described in RFC 8242.

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NOT', 'SHOULD', 'SHOULD NOT', 'RECOMMENDED', 'NOT RECOMMENDED', 'MAY', and 'OPTIONAL' in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 (RFC 2119) (RFC 8174) when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

reference "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";

revision 2021-01-25 {
  description
    "Initial version";
  reference "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}

feature sid-last-hop-behavior {
  description
    "Configurable last hop behavior.";
  reference "RFC 8660: Segment Routing with the MPLS Data Plane";
}

identity prefix-sid-algorithm {
  description
    "Base identity for prefix-sid algorithm.";
  reference "RFC 8402: Segment Routing Architecture";
}

identity prefix-sid-algorithm-shortest-path {
  base prefix-sid-algorithm;
  description
    "Shortest Path First (SPF) prefix-sid algorithm. This is the default algorithm.";
}

identity prefix-sid-algorithm-strict-spf {
  base prefix-sid-algorithm;
  description
    "This algorithm mandates that the packet is forwarded according to ECMP-aware SPF algorithm.";
}

grouping srlr {
  description
    "Grouping for SR Label Range configuration.";
  leaf lower-bound {
    type uint32;
    description
      "Lower value in the label range.";
  }
  leaf upper-bound {
type uint32;
must "./lower-bound < ../upper-bound" {
  error-message
    "The upper-bound must be greater than the lower-bound.";
  description
    "The value must be greater than 'lower-bound'.";
}
description
  "Upper value in the label range.";
}

grouping srgb {
  description
    "Grouping for SR Global Label range.";
  list srgb {
    key "lower-bound upper-bound";
    ordered-by user;
    description
      "List of global blocks to be advertised.";
    uses srlr;
  }
}

grouping srlb {
  description
    "Grouping for SR Local Block range.";
  list srlb {
    key "lower-bound upper-bound";
    ordered-by user;
    description
      "List of SRLBs.";
    uses srlr;
  }
}

grouping sid-value-type {
  description
    "Defines how the SID value is expressed.";
  leaf value-type {
    type enumeration {
      enum "index" {
        description
          "The value will be interpreted as an index.";
      }
      enum "absolute" {
        description
          "The value will become interpreted as an absolute
grouping prefix-sid {
    description
        "This grouping defines cfg of prefix SID.";
    leaf prefix {
        type inet:ip-prefix;
        description
            "connected prefix sid."
    }
    uses prefix-sid-attributes;
}

grouping ipv4-sid {
    description
        "Grouping for an IPv4 prefix SID.";
    leaf prefix {
        type inet:ipv4-prefix;
        description
            "Connected IPv4 prefix sid."
    }
    uses prefix-sid-attributes;
}

grouping ipv6-sid {
    description
        "Grouping for an IPv6 prefix SID.";
    leaf prefix {
        type inet:ipv6-prefix;
        description
            "Connected ipv6 prefix sid."
    }
    uses prefix-sid-attributes;
}

grouping last-hop-behavior {
    description
        "Defines last hop behavior";
    leaf last-hop-behavior {
        if-feature "sid-last-hop-behavior";
        type enumeration {
            enum "explicit-null" {
description
   "Use explicit-null for the SID.";
}
enum "no-php" {
   description
   "Do not use MPLS Penultimate Hop Popping (PHP) for the SID.";
}
enum "php" {
   description
   "Use MPLS PHP for the SID.";
}
}
description
   "Configure last hop behavior.";
}

grouping prefix-sid-attributes {
   description
   "Grouping for Segment Routing (SR) prefix attributes.";
   uses sid-value-type;
   leaf start-sid {
      type uint32;
      mandatory true;
      description
      "Value associated with prefix. The value must be interpreted in the context of value-type.";
   }
   leaf range {
      type uint32;
      description
      "Indicates how many SIDs can be allocated.";
   }
   leaf algorithm {
      type identityref {
         base prefix-sid-algorithm;
      }
      description
      "Prefix-sid algorithm.";
   }
}
<CODE ENDS>
8.3. YANG Module for Segment Routing MPLS

ietf-segment-routing-mpls.yang: This module defines the configuration and operational states for the Segment Routing MPLS data plane.

<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-segment-routing-mpls@2021-01-25.yang"
module ietf-segment-routing-mpls {
  yang-version 1.1;
  prefix sr-mpls;

  import ietf-inet-types {
    prefix inet;
    reference "RFC 6991: Common YANG Data Types";
  }

  import ietf-routing {
    prefix rt;
    reference "RFC 8349: A YANG Data Model for Routing Management (NMDA Version)";
  }

  import ietf-routing-types {
    prefix rt-types;
    reference "RFC 8294: Common YANG Data Types for the Routing Area";
  }

  import ietf-segment-routing {
    prefix sr;
    reference "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
  }

  import ietf-segment-routing-common {
    prefix sr-cmn;
    reference "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
  }

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The YANG module defines a generic configuration model for the Segment Routing MPLS data plane.

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reference "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";

revision 2021-01-25 {
  description
    "Initial Version";
  reference "RFC XXXX: YANG Data Model for Segment Routing.";
}

feature mapping-server {
  description
    "Support for Segment Routing Mapping Server (SRMS).";
  reference "RFC 8661: Segment Routing MPLS Interworking with LDP";
}

feature protocol-srgb {
  description
    "Support for per-protocol Segment Routing Global Block"
(SRGB) configuration.
reference "RFC 8660: Segment Routing with the MPLS Data Plane";
}
typedef system-id {
    type string {
        pattern
            '[0-9A-Fa-f]{4}\.[0-9A-Fa-f]{4}\.[0-9A-Fa-f]{4}';
    }
    description
        "This type defines IS-IS system-id using pattern,
        An example system-id is 0143.0438.AEF0";
}
typedef router-or-system-id {
    type union {
        type rt-types:router-id;
        type system-id;
    }
    description
        "OSPF/BGP router-id or ISIS system ID.";
}
grouping sr-control-plane {
    description
        "Defines protocol configuration.";
    container segment-routing {
        description
            "Segment Routing global configuration.";
        leaf enabled {
            type boolean;
            default "false";
            description
                "Enables segment-routing control-plane protocol extensions.";
        }
    container bindings {
        if-feature mapping-server;
        description
            "Control of binding advertisement and reception.";
        container advertise {
            description
                "Control advertisement of local mappings in binding TLVs.";
            leaf-list policies {
                type leafref {
+ "/sr-mpls:bindings/sr-mpls:mapping-server"
+ "/sr-mpls:policy/sr-mpls:name";
"
} description
"List of binding advertisement policies.";
"
leaf receive {
  type boolean;
  default "true";
  description
  "Allow the reception and usage of binding TLVs.";
  } leaf protected {
    type boolean;
    default false;
    description
    "It is used to protect the manual adj-SID, e.g. using
    IPFRR or MPLS-FRR.";
  }
leaf weight {
  type uint8;
  description
  "The load-balancing factor over parallel adjacencies.";
  reference "RFC 8402: Segment Routing Architecture
RFC 8665: OSPF Extensions for Segment Routing
RFC 8667: IS-IS Extensions for Segment Routing;

} description
"List of adj-sid configuration."
}
list advertise-adj-group-sid {
  key "group-id";
  description
  "Control advertisement of S or G flag. Enable
  advertisement of a common Adj-SID for parallel
  links."
  reference "RFC 8665: OSPF Extensions for Segment Routing
  Section 6.1
  RFC 8667: IS-IS Extensions for Segment
  Routing Section 2.2.1";

  leaf group-id {
    type uint32;
    description
    "The value is an internal value to identify a
    group-ID. Interfaces with the same group-ID
    will be bundled together."
  }
}
leaf advertise-protection {
  type enumeration {
    enum "single" {
      description
      "A single Adj-SID is associated with the adjacency
      and reflects the protection configuration."
    }
    enum "dual" {
      description
      "Two Adj-SIDs will be associated with the adjacency
      if the interface is protected. In this case, one
      Adj-SID will be advertised with the backup-flag set
      and the other with the backup-flag clear. In the
      case where protection is not configured, a single
      Adj-SID will be advertised with the backup-flag
      clear."
    }
  }
  description
  "If set, the Adj-SID refers to a protected adjacency."
  reference "RFC 8665: OSPF Extensions for Segment Routing
  Section 6.1
  RFC 8667: IS-IS Extensions for Segment

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augment "/rt:routing/sr:segment-routing" {
  description
  "This augments routing data model (RFC 8349)
  with Segment Routing (SR) with the MPLS Data Plane.";
  container sr-mpls {
    description
    "Segment Routing global configuration and
    operational state.";

    container bindings {
      description
      "List of bindings.";
    }
    container mapping-server {
      if-feature "mapping-server";
      description
      "Configuration of mapping-server local entries.";
      list policy {
        key "name";
        description
        "List mapping-server policies.";
        leaf name {
          type string;
          description
          "Name of the mapping policy.";
        }
      }
      container entries {
        description
        "IPv4/IPv6 mapping entries.";
        list mapping-entry {
          key "prefix algorithm";
          description
          "Mapping entries.";
          uses sr-cmn:prefix-sid;
        }
      }
    }
    container connected-prefix-sid-map {
      description
      "Prefix SID configuration.";
      list connected-prefix-sid {
        key "prefix algorithm";
      }
    }
  }
}
description
   "List of prefix SID mapped to IPv4/IPv6
   local prefixes.";
uses sr-cmn:prefix-sid;
uses sr-cmn:last-hop-behavior;
}
}
container local-prefix-sid {
   description
   "Local sid configuration.";
list local-prefix-sid {
   key "prefix algorithm";
   description
   "List of local IPv4/IPv6 prefix-sids.";
   uses sr-cmn:prefix-sid;
}
}
container srgb {
   description
   "Global SRGB configuration.";
   uses sr-cmn:srgb;
}
container srlb {
   description
   "Segment Routing Local Block (SRLB) configuration.";
   uses sr-cmn:srlb;
}
list label-blocks {
   config false;
   description
   "List of label blocks currently in use.";
leaf lower-bound {
   type uint32;
   description
   "Lower bound of the label block.";
}
leaf upper-bound {
   type uint32;
   description
   "Upper bound of the label block.";
}
leaf size {
   type uint32;
   description
   "Number of indexes in the block.";
}
leaf free {
    type uint32;
    description
      "Number of free indexes in the block.";
}
leaf used {
    type uint32;
    description
      "Number of indexes in use in the block.";
}
leaf scope {
    type enumeration {
      enum "global" {
        description
          "Global SID.";
      }
      enum "local" {
        description
          "Local SID.";
      }
    }
    description
      "Scope of this label block.";
}
container sid-db {
    config false;
    description
      "List of prefix and SID associations.";
    list sid {
      key "target sid source source-protocol binding-type";
      ordered-by system;
      description
        "SID Binding.";
      leaf target {
        type string;
        description
          "Defines the target of the binding. It can be a prefix or something else.";
      }
      leaf sid {
        type uint32;
        description
          "Index associated with the prefix.";
      }
      leaf algorithm {
        type uint8;
        description
          "Algorithm used to generate the SID.";
      }
    }
  }
"Algorithm to be used for the prefix SID."
reference "RFC 8665: OSPF Extensions for Segment Routing
RFC 8667: IS-IS Extensions for Segment
Routing
RFC 8669: Segment Routing Prefix Segment
Identifier Extensions to BGP"

leaf source {
  type inet:ip-address;
  description
  "IP address of the router that owns the binding.";
}

leaf used {
  type boolean;
  description
  "Indicates if the binding is installed in the
  forwarding plane.";
}

leaf source-protocol {
  type leafref {
    path "/rt:routing/rt:control-plane-protocols/
      + "rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
  }
  description
  "Routing protocol that owns the binding";
}

leaf binding-type {
  type enumeration {
    enum "prefix-sid" {
      description
      "Binding is learned from a prefix SID.";
    }
    enum "binding-tlv" {
      description
      "Binding is learned from a binding TLV.";
    }
  }
  description
  "Type of binding.";
}

leaf scope {
  type enumeration {
    enum "global" {
      description
      "Global SID.";
    }
    enum "local" {
      description
      "Local SID.";
    }
  }
  description
  "Scope of the binding.";
}
notification segment-routing-srgb-collision {
  description
  "This notification is sent when SRGB blocks received from
  routers collide.";
  list srgb-collisions {
    description
    "List of SRGB blocks that collide.";
    leaf lower-bound {
      type uint32;
      description
      "Lower value in the block.";
    }
    leaf upper-bound {
      type uint32;
      description
      "Upper value in the block.";
    }
    leaf routing-protocol {
      type leafref {
        path "/rt:routing/rt:control-plane-protocols/
          + rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
      }
      description
      "Routing protocol reference for SRGB collision.";
    }
    leaf originating-rtr-id {
      type router-or-system-id;
      description
      "Originating Router ID of this SRGB block.";
    }
  }
}

notification segment-routing-global-sid-collision {
  description
  "This notification is sent when a new mapping is learned
  containing a mapping where the SID is already used.
  The notification generation must be throttled with at least

a 5 second gap between notifications.

leaf received-target {
  type string;
  description
  "Target received in the router advertisement that caused
  the SID collision."
}

leaf new-sid-rtr-id {
  type router-or-system-id;
  description
  "Router ID that advertised the colliding SID."
}

leaf original-target {
  type string;
  description
  "Target already available in the database with the same SID
  as the received target."
}

leaf original-sid-rtr-id {
  type router-or-system-id;
  description
  "Router-ID for the router that originally advertised the
  colliding SID, i.e., the instance in the database."
}

leaf index {
  type uint32;
  description
  "Value of the index used by two different prefixes."
}

leaf routing-protocol {
  type leafref {
    path "/rt:routing/rt:control-plane-protocols/
      + "rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
  }
  description
  "Routing protocol reference for colliding SID."
}

notification segment-routing-index-out-of-range {
  description
  "This notification is sent when a binding is received
  containing a segment index which is out of the local
  configured ranges. The notification generation must be
  throttled with at least a 5 second gap between
  notifications."
  leaf received-target {
    type string;
    description
  }
}
"A human-readable string representing the target received in the protocol-specific advertisement corresponding to the out-of-range index."

leaf received-index {
  type uint32;
  description
    "Value of the index received.";
}
leaf routing-protocol {
  type leafref {
    path "/rt:routing/rt:control-plane-protocols/
      + "rt:control-plane-protocol/rt:name";
  }
  description
    "Routing protocol reference for out-of-range indexd.";
}
}

9. Security Considerations

The YANG modules specified in this document define a schema for data that is designed to be accessed via network management protocols such as NETCONF [RFC6241] or RESTCONF [RFC8040]. The lowest NETCONF layer is the secure transport layer, and the mandatory-to-implement secure transport is Secure Shell (SSH) [RFC6242]. The lowest RESTCONF layer is HTTPS, and the mandatory-to-implement secure transport is TLS [RFC8446].

The NETCONF access control model [RFC8341] provides the means to restrict access for particular NETCONF or RESTCONF users to a pre-configured subset of all available NETCONF or RESTCONF protocol operations and content.

There are a number of data nodes defined in the modules that are writable/creatable/deletable (i.e., config true, which is the default). These data nodes may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. Write operations (e.g., edit-config) to these data nodes without proper protection can have a negative effect on network operations. Writable data nodes represent configuration of the router’s bindings and the global and local label blocks. These correspond to the following schema nodes:

/segment-routing

/segment-routing/mpls
/segment-routing/mpls/bindings - Modification to the local bindings could result in a Denial of Service (DoS) attack. An attacker may also try to create segment conflicts (using the same segment identifier for different purposes) to redirect traffic within the trusted domain. However, the traffic will remain within the trusted domain. Redirection could be used to route the traffic to compromised nodes within the trusted domain or to avoid certain security functions (e.g., firewall). Refer to section 8.1 of [RFC8402] for a discussion of the SR-MPLS trusted domain.

/segment-routing/mpls/srgb - Modification of the Segment Routing Global Block (SRGB) could be used to mount a DoS attack. For example, if the SRGB size is reduced to a very small value, a lot of existing segments could no longer be installed leading to a traffic disruption.

/segment-routing/mpls/srlb - Modification of the Segment Routing Local Block (SRLB) could be used to mount a DoS attacks similar to those applicable to the SRGB.

Some of the readable data nodes in the modules may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. It is thus important to control read access (e.g., via get, get-config, or notification) to these data nodes. The exposure of either the local bindings or SID database would provide an attacker the segment routing paths and related topology information. These correspond to the following schema nodes:

/segment-routing/mpls/bindings - Knowledge of these data nodes can be used to attack the local router with a Denial of Service (DoS) attack.

/segment-routing/mpls/sid-db - Knowledge of these data nodes can be used to attack the other routers in the segment routing domain with either a a Denial of Service (DoS) attack or redirection traffic destined for those routers.

Furthermore exposure the node’s capabilities may be useful in mounting a Denial-of-Service (DOS) attack by sending the node SR packets that the router can’t process. These correspond to the following schema nodes:

/segment-routing/mpls/node-capabilities

/segment-routing/mpls/msd
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11. IANA Considerations

This document registers a URI in the IETF XML registry [RFC3688]. Following the format in [RFC3688], the following registration is requested to be made:

Registrant Contact: The IESG.
XML: N/A, the requested URI is an XML namespace.

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This document registers a YANG module in the YANG Module Names registry [RFC6020].

name: ietf-segment-routing-common
prefix: sr-cmn
reference: RFC XXXX

name: ietf-segment-routing
prefix: sr
reference: RFC XXXX

name: ietf-segment-routing-mpls
prefix: sr-mpls
reference: RFC XXXX
12. References

12.1. Normative References


12.2. Informative References


Appendix A. Configuration examples

Note: ‘\’ line wrapping per [RFC8792].

A.1. SR MPLS with IPv4

The following is an XML example using the SR MPLS YANG modules with IPv4 addresses.
  <bindings>
    <mapping-server>
      <policy>
        <name>mapping 1</name>
        <entries>
          <mapping-entry>
            <prefix>198.51.100.0/24</prefix>
            <algorithm xmlns:sr-cmn="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:
                        ietf-segment-routing-common">sr-cmn:prefix-sid-algorithm-shortest-path</algorithm>
            <start-sid>200</start-sid>
            <range>100</range>
          </mapping-entry>
        </entries>
      </policy>
    </mapping-server>
    <connected-prefix-sid-map>
      <connected-prefix-sid>
        <prefix>192.0.2.0/24</prefix>
        <algorithm xmlns:sr-cmn="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:
                        ietf-segment-routing-common">sr-cmn:prefix-sid-algorithm-strict-spf</algorithm>
        <start-sid>100</start-sid>
        <range>1</range>
      </connected-prefix-sid>
      <last-hop-behavior>php</last-hop-behavior>
    </connected-prefix-sid-map>
  </bindings>
  <srgb>
    <srgb>
      <lower-bound>45000</lower-bound>
      <upper-bound>55000</upper-bound>
    </srgb>
  </srgb>
</sr-mpls>
</segment-routing>
</routing>

The following is the same example using JSON format.

{...}
"ietf-routing:routing": {
  "ietf-segment-routing:segment-routing": {
    "ietf-segment-routing-mpls:sr-mpls": {
      "bindings": {
        "mapping-server": {
          "policy": [
            {
              "name": "mapping 1",
              "entries": {
                "mapping-entry": [
                  {
                    "prefix": "198.51.100.0/24",
                    "algorithm": "ietf-segment-routing-common:\prefix-sid-algorithm-shortest-path",
                    "start-sid": 200,
                    "range": 100
                  }
                ]
              }
            }
          ]
        }
      }
    },
    "connected-prefix-sid-map": {
      "connected-prefix-sid": [{
        "prefix": "192.0.2.0/24",
        "algorithm": "ietf-segment-routing-common:\prefix-sid-algorithm-strict-spf",
        "start-sid": 100,
        "range": 1,
        "last-hop-behavior": "php"
      }]
    }
  }
},
"srgb": {
  "srgb": [
    {
      "lower-bound": 45000,
      "upper-bound": 55000
    }
  ]
}
}
A.2. SR MPLS with IPv6

The following is an XML example using the SR MPLS YANG modules with IPv6 addresses.
      <bindings>
        <mapping-server>
          <policy>
            <name>mapping 1</name>
            <entries>
              <mapping-entry>
                <prefix>2001:db8:aaaa:bbbb::/64</prefix>
                  sr-cmn:prefix-sid-algorithm-shortest-path
                </algorithm>
                <start-sid>200</start-sid>
                <range>100</range>
              </mapping-entry>
            </entries>
          </policy>
        </mapping-server>
        <connected-prefix-sid-map>
          <connected-prefix-sid>
            <prefix>2001:db8:aaaa:cccc::/64</prefix>
              sr-cmn:prefix-sid-algorithm-strict-spf
            </algorithm>
            <start-sid>100</start-sid>
            <range>1</range>
            <last-hop-behavior>php</last-hop-behavior>
          </connected-prefix-sid>
        </connected-prefix-sid-map>
      </bindings>
      <srgb>
        <srgb>
          <lower-bound>45000</lower-bound>
          <upper-bound>55000</upper-bound>
        </srgb>
      </srgb>
    </sr-mpls>
  </segment-routing>
</routing>

The following is the same example using JSON format.

{ }
"ietf-routing:routing": {
  "ietf-segment-routing:segment-routing": {
    "ietf-segment-routing-mpls:sr-mpls": {
      "bindings": {
        "mapping-server": {
          "policy": [
            {
              "name": "mapping 1",
              "entries": {
                "mapping-entry": [
                  {
                    "prefix": "2001:db8:aaaa:bbbb::/64",
                    "algorithm": "ietf-segment-routing-common:\prefix-sid-algorithm-shortest-path",
                    "start-sid": 200,
                    "range": 100
                  }
                ]
              }
            }
          ]
        },
        "connected-prefix-sid-map": {
          "connected-prefix-sid": [
            {
              "prefix": "2001:db8:aaaa:cccc::/64",
              "algorithm": "ietf-segment-routing-common:\prefix-sid-algorithm-strict-spf",
              "start-sid": 100,
              "range": 1,
              "last-hop-behavior": "php"
            }
          ]
        }
      },
      "srgb": {
        "srgb": [
          {
            "lower-bound": 45000,
            "upper-bound": 55000
          }
        ]
      }
    }
  }
}
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1. Problem statement

In some cases, a customer may prefer to manage to react on network failures using its own mechanism. In such cases, the customer usually has two disjoint paths, so a path can take over the traffic in case of failure of the other. The disjoint paths can be provided by a single provider or by multihoming to different providers as displayed in the figure below.
Figure 1 - Disjoint paths provided by a single provider
As the traffic protection is ensured by an end-to-end mechanism at the customer level, the customer requests the service provider to not protect the paths. However the service provider is allowed to restore the service automatically when the primary path is failing by computing and installing a new path in the network. A variant to this scheme is for the service provider to provision a unprotected secondary path between PE1 and PE2 which is also disjoint from the primary path. In the latter case, the end-to-end service protection at the CE becomes the last resort. How the end-to-end protection is handled is out of scope of this document and will be under the customer responsibility.

A segment-routing path is expressed as a list of segment identifiers (SID) from different types (Node-SID, Adj-SID, Binding-SID ...). In order to ensure that the segment routing path is not protected, we need to ensure that it does not contain any segment representing a protected path. As an example, in the Figure 1, we consider a path from PE1 to PE2 expressed with the following segment list: (Adj_R1R3,Node_R2,Adj_R2PE2). If we want to ensure that this path is non protected, we need to ensure that the segment represented by Adj_R1R3 represents a non protected, as well as the segment Node_R2 and Adj_R2PE2.

Figure 2 - Disjoint paths provided by using two providers
The segment routing path may be computed by a Path Computation Element (PCE). In order to fulfill the non protected path constraint, the PCE needs to be aware of the available SIDs in the network and their protection status.

Several techniques may be used to represent a non protected path with a segment identifier. We propose to analyze the different options.

2. Options to create a non protected path with Segment Routing

2.1. Using only non protected adjacency segments

The adjacency segment was created so a node can advertise multiple adjacency segments for a particular link with different properties. The non-protected property is already defined as part of the protocol encodings (I-D.ietf-isis-segment-routing-extensions), [I-D.ietf-ospf-segment-routing-extensions] and [I-D.gredler-idr-bgp-ls-segment-routing-extension]) through the B flag. However, from an implementation perspective, advertising a protected adjacency segment, a non protected adjacency segment or both for each link is optional.

It is important to note that even if an adjacency segment has the B flag set (protected), it remains up to a local policy of the advertising router to implement the protection or not.

If both protected and non protected Adj-SID are advertised, every node in the network and a PCE can be aware of the adjacency segments protection property. When a non protected path is requested, the path computation module can choose to encode the path with a list a non protected adjacency segment only.

One of the advantage of using only adjacency segments is the insurance that the traffic will never go transiently outside the path defined by the computation module responsible of the path.

One of the drawbacks of using only adjacency segments is the resulting label stack depth as each hop should require a segment in the stack: crossing 15 nodes, means stacking 15 labels for the transport. Having such a deep stack may be a problem for current hardwares and softwares for either pushing the stack (because the head end is limited in the number of labels it can push) or loadbalancing flows on transit nodes (as deep packet inspection or entropy label look up may be difficult with a deep label stack).

Another drawback of advertising both protected and non protected adjacency segments is the additional controlplane and dataplane resource consumption used in the network.
2.2. Using a combination of node segments and adjacency segments

Using a combination of node segments and adjacency segments is the usual way when creating a segment routing path. However, the well-known Node-SID (algorithm type Shortest Path) may be protected by a local-repair mechanism by any transit node or may have multiple ECMP next-hops which may be a problem when used for a non-protected path. Protecting a particular Node-SID is a matter of a local policy configuration on every node. The following discusses a number of possible approaches.

2.2.1. Using Strict SPF Node-SID

[I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing] defines a Strict Shortest Path algorithm which mandates that the packet is forwarded according to ECMP-aware SPF algorithm and instructs any router in the path to ignore any possible local policy overriding SPF decision. The provided definition in this document does not clearly state that the Strict Shortest Path Node-SID cannot use a protection path but makes think that the path cannot be overridden by a local policy including a fast-reroute policy. If the scope of the Strict SPF Node-SID is clarified to mean one or more primary next-hops is selected with no local-repair, combining Strict SPF Node-SID with non-protected Adj-SID may be a viable option to encode a non-protected path. The selection of the primary next-hop(s) may be left to the local SPF calculation otherwise an adjacency SID can be used to exercise a specific next-hop or set of next-hops.

If this solution is viable, when a network wants to implement both protected and non-protected paths, the network requires the advertisement of two Node SIDs per node (one with SPF algorithm for protected paths, and one with Strict SPF algorithm for non-protected paths).

2.2.2. Adding a protection flag in the Node SID

As for adjacency segments, a new flag may be added in the Prefix-SID to encode the williness of protection. Each node will then advertise two Node-SID (using SPF algorithm), one with the protection flag set, the other without the protection flag set. The same discussion regarding ECMP is also applicable here.

2.2.3. Using two Node-SIDs with different local policies

Having two instances of the Node-SID (protected and not protected) is a requirement when using Node-SID in protected and non-protected paths. The protection of a Node-SID is a matter of a local policy configuration on every node in the network. A service provider may configure two Node-SIDs per node and may adjust the local-repair on every node to protect one Node-SID but not the other. As the protection of the Node-SID is inherited from the protection of the associated prefix, the service provider will need to deploy a new set of prefixes to all nodes to deploy the new set of Node-SIDs. Then it will need to maintain the local-repair policy on every node to ensure
that the prefixes associated to the non protected Node-SID are not using the local-repair.

2.2.4. Advantages and drawbacks

One advantage of combining adjacency and node segments is the reduction of the label stack size.

The drawbacks are the increase of the controlplane and dataplane resource consumption, leading possibly to higher convergence time. One of the other drawback is that a Node-SID may be transiently rerouted on a path that does not fit the constraints anymore if a transit node converges faster than the head-end: this concern is not new and applies to all traffic-engineering use cases.

2.3. Using a combination of adjacency segments and binding-SID

[I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing] defines the binding segment with multiple use cases. One of the use case of the binding segment is to advertise a tunnel as a segment. When a computation engine computes a non protected path and if the resulting label stack using only non protected adjacency segments is too deep for the network, an external component may create shortcuts in the network by creating a binding segment representing a list of non protected adjacency segments.

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PE1--P1     P6       P10--PE2
  \   /     /      \  /  \
   P4-P5   P7  P9   \  /
    \     \   /
     P8
```

Figure 3 - Use of Binding SID

In the example above, the path from PE1 to PE2 must be expressed with the stack: \{Adj_P1P4, Adj_P4P5, Adj_P5P6, Adj_P6P7, Adj_P7P8, Adj_P8P9, Adj_P9P10, Adj_P10PE2\}. This stack is too deep due to the limitations of the network. An external component may create a binding Binding1 on P5 that represents the non protected path (P5-->P6-->P7-->P8-->P9-->P10). When the binding is created and advertised in the topology, the computation engine can use this binding SID in a path, resulting for a PE1 to PE2 path to the stack: \{Adj_P1P4, Adj_P4P5, Binding1, Adj_P10PE2\}. The usage of the binding SID in the stack allowed to reduce its size to an acceptable value.

One advantage of combining adjacency and binding segments is the reduction of the label stack size.
The drawbacks are the increase of the controlplane and dataplane resource consumption. This controlplane and dataplane resource consumption will be linked to the intelligence of the external controller and computation engines and especially how the placement of the bindings is done to maximize the sharing between LSPs. Moreover any optimization try in the binding segment may introduce churn in the network controlplane (Make Before Break can be used to ensure that dataplane is not affected).

3. Recommended option(s)

TBD.

4. Security Considerations

TBD.

5. Acknowledgements

6. IANA Considerations

N/A

7. Normative References

[I-D.gredler-idr-bgp-ls-segment-routing-extension]

[I-D.ietf-isis-segment-routing-extensions]

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Figure 1 - Disjoint paths provided by a single provider
Figure 2 - Disjoint paths provided by using two providers

As the traffic protection is ensured by an end-to-end mechanism at the customer level, the customer requests the service provider to not protect the paths. This is particularly required to avoid both protection mechanisms (customer level and provider level) to be activated at the same time which may lead to unpredictable side effects. However the service provider is allowed to restore the end-to-end path automatically when the primary path is failing by computing and installing a new primary path at the head-end. How the end-to-end protection is handled is out of scope of this document and will be under the customer responsibility.

Another use case could be a service provider selling the traffic protection as a service option. So by default, the provided IP/MPLS path is not protected by any fast-reroute mechanism but the customer can subscribe to an option to activate fast-reroute for its traffic. In the figure 3, the Customer1 service between PE1 and PE2 is protected, in case of failure between R1 and R2, the LSP can use a bypass through R3-R4 nodes until the convergence occurs. The Customer2 did not subscribe to the traffic protection option. If
R3-R4 fails, the traffic between CE3 and CE4 will be disrupted until the convergence occurs.

A service provider may also propose a traffic protection service based on path protection rather than local repair on each transit node. In the figure 4, on PE1, two LSPs were created to ensure the customer traffic protection between PE1 and PE2. The primary LSP is used to carry the traffic in the nominal situation. The protection LSP is built as disjoint from the primary LSP and may be preestablished (from controlplane and/or dataplane point of view). When the primary LSP fails, PE1 is responsible to switch the traffic to the protection LSP. As the protection is provided by PE1, both primary and protection LSPs should be setup as non protected so transit nodes will not activate any local-repair mechanism for those LSPs.
A segment-routing path is expressed as a list of segment identifiers (SID) from different types (Node-SID, Adj-SID, Binding-SID ...). In order to ensure that the segment routing path is not protected, we need to ensure that it does not contain any segment representing a protected path. As an example, in the Figure 1, we consider a path from PE1 to PE2 expressed with the following segment list: (Adj_R1R3, Node_R2, Adj_R2PE2). If we want to ensure that this path is not protected, we need to ensure that the segment represented by Adj_R1R3 represents a non protected segment, as well as the segments Node_R2 and Adj_R2PE2.

The segment routing path may be computed by a Path Computation Element (PCE). In order to fulfil the non protected path constraint, the PCE needs to be aware of the available SIDs in the network and their protection status.

Several techniques may be used to represent a non protected path with a segment identifier. We propose to analyze the different options.

2. Requirements for a non protected LSP

   o A non protected LSP SHOULD follow a primary path defined based on the constraints of the LSP. This path can be the shortest path (as per the IGP metric) or a more constrained path (explicit path) to fulfil for example a bandwidth, latency or disjointness requirement.
Upon a failure, a non protected LSP SHOULD be reestablished over a new suitable non-protected path that still fulfills the constraints of the LSP.

Upon a failure (link, node, srlg...), the traffic of a non protected LSP MUST NOT use any local-repair or any local-rerouting mechanism on transit nodes.

The computation of a new primary path for the LSP will be handled by the computation node responsible of this LSP (it could be the head-end or a PCE).

Upon any other traffic-engineering topology change (metric change, overload status change, bandwidth change, latency change...), the non protected LSP MAY be reoptimized to a better path.

2.1. ECMP considerations

When equal cost paths are available within the end-to-end path, implementations may reuse a fast-reroute like mechanism in the dataplane, so when one of the outgoing interface fails, the dataplane switches traffic immediately to the remaining outgoing interfaces in the ECMP set. This behavior is usually hardcoded and cannot be disabled. Based on this assumption, a non protected LSP SHOULD avoid ECMPs.

3. Options to create a non protected path with Segment Routing

3.1. Using only non protected adjacency segments

A node can advertise multiple adjacency segments for a particular link with different properties. The non-protected property is already defined as part of the protocol encodings ([I-D.ietf-isis-segment-routing-extensions], [I-D.ietf-ospf-segment-routing-extensions] and [I-D.gredler-idr-bgp-ls-segment-routing-extension]) through the B flag. However, from an implementation perspective, advertising a protected adjacency segment, a non protected adjacency segment or both for each link is optional.

It is important to note that even if an adjacency segment has the B flag set (protected), it remains up to a local policy of the advertising router to implement the protection or not.

If both protected and non protected Adj-SID are advertised, every node in the network (including PCEs) can be aware of the adjacency segments protection property. When a non protected path is
requested, the path computation module can choose to encode the path with a list a non protected adjacency segments only.

One of the advantage of using only adjacency segments is the insurance that the traffic will never go transiently outside the path defined by the computation module responsible of the path. This solution is fully compliant with the requirements sets in Section 2.

One of the drawbacks of using only adjacency segments is the resulting label stack depth as each hop should require a segment in the stack: crossing 15 nodes, means stacking 15 labels to encode the SR tunnel. Having such a deep stack may be a problem for current hardwares and softwares for either pushing the stack (because the head end is limited in the number of labels it can push) or loadbalancing flows on transit nodes (as deep packet inspection or entropy label look up may be difficult with a deep label stack). Another drawback of advertising both protected and non protected adjacency segments is the additional controlplane and dataplane resource consumption used in the network. As the adjacency SIDs have a local significance, this resource consumption can be considered as negligible from a data plane point of view. From a control plane point of view, this can also be considered as negligible with the current CPU and memory usually available on routers.

3.2. Using a combination of node segments and adjacency segments

Using a combination of node segments and adjacency segments is the usual way of creating a segment routing path. However the well known Node-SID (algorithm type Shortest Path) may be protected by a local-repair mechanism by any transit node or may use ECMPs which may be a problem when used for a non protected path. Protecting a particular Node-SID is a matter of a local policy configuration on every node. The following discusses a number of possible approaches.

3.2.1. Adding a protection flag in the Node SID

As for adjacency segments, a new flag may be added in the Prefix-SID to encode the willingness of protection. Each node will then advertise two Node-SIDs (using SPF algorithm), one with the protection flag set, the other without the protection flag set. The same discussion regarding ECMP is also applicable here.

The remaining flag space in the Prefix-SID is small, so adding a new flag requires analysis but this should not be considered as a showstopper.
3.2.2. Using Strict SPF Node SID

[I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing] defines a Strict Shortest Path algorithm which mandates that the packet is forwarded according to ECMP-aware SPF algorithm and instructs any router in the path to ignore any possible local policy overriding SPF decision. The use of a local-repair for a strict SPF Node-SID is allowed as long as the FRR mechanism enforces the post convergence path to the destination. This solution does not bring any benefit compared to the regular Node-SID (as it has similar properties).

3.2.3. Using two Node-SIDs with different local policies

Having two instances of the Node-SID (protected and not protected) is a requirement when using Node-SID in protected and non protected paths. The protection of a Node-SID is a matter of a local policy configuration on every node in the network. A service provider may configure two Node-SIDs per node and may adjust the local-repair on every node to protect one Node-SID but not the other. As the protection of the Node-SID is inherited from the protection of the associated prefix, the service provider will need to deploy a new set of prefixes to all nodes to deploy the new set of Node-SIDs. Then it will need to maintain the local-repair policy on every node to ensure that the prefixes associated to the non protected Node-SID are not using the local-repair.

The path computation engine (head-end or PCE) must be aware of the policy defined by the service provider so it can select the right SIDs/prefixes when computing a path.

3.2.4. Advantages and drawbacks

One advantage of combining adjacency and node segments is the reduction of the label stack size.

The drawbacks are the increase of the controlplane and dataplane resource consumption. Whereas having two adjacency SIDs introduces a negligible impact, having two nodes SIDs increases controlplane and dataplane processing as each node in the network will have to install an MPLS->MPLS and IP->MPLS entry for each additional Node-SID. The regular IP convergence time of the network may be doubled in the worst case while the newly deployed node-SIDs are only used for traffic-engineering applications. One of the other drawback is that a Node-SID may be transiently rerouted on a path that does not fit the constraints anymore if a transit node converges faster than the head-end: this concern is not new and applies to all traffic-engineering use cases. Note that there is a high chance for a
transit node to reroute faster than the head-end as it has usually less computations to run (SPF+CSPFs) and less prefixes to rewrite; it may also run less features leaving more CPU slots for IGP reconvergence. The transient rerouting of the Node-SID may lead to microloops in the network that may impact the customer traffic. Node-SIDs are subject to ECMP and a local-repair mechanism may be implemented for equal cost paths with no way to disable it. If the requirement of preventing any local-repair or ECMP is strict, the path computation engine needs to prevent the usage of all Node-SIDs or needs to detect that a particular Node-SID will be subject to ECMP and enforce the usage of additional adjacency SIDs to break the ECMP. In any case, more adjacency-SIDs will be required in the stack to avoid the ECMP, leading to a deeper label stack.

3.3. Using a combination of adjacency segments and binding-SID

[I-D.ietf-spring-segment-routing] defines the binding segment with multiple use cases. One of the use case of the binding segment is to advertise a tunnel as a segment. When a computation engine computes a non protected path and if the resulting label stack using only non protected adjacency segments is too deep for the network, an external component may create shortcuts in the network by creating a binding segment representing a list of non protected adjacency segments.

PE1--P1       P6       P10--PE2
 \    /     / \     /   /
 P4-P5   P7  P9
   \ /
    P8

Figure 3 - Use of Binding SID

In the example above, the path from PE1 to PE2 must be expressed with the stack: {Adj_P1P4, Adj_P4P5, Adj_P5P6, Adj_P6P7, Adj_P7P8, Adj_P8P9, Adj_P9P10, Adj_P10PE2}. This stack is too deep due to the limitations of the network. An external component may create a binding Binding1 on P5 that represents the non protected path (P5->P6->P7->P8->P9->P10). When the binding is created and advertised in the topology, the computation engine can use this binding SID in a path, resulting for a PE1 to PE2 path to the stack: {Adj_P1P4, Adj_P4P5, Binding1, Adj_P10PE2}. The usage of the binding SID in the stack allowed to reduce its size to an acceptable value.

One advantage of combining adjacency and binding segments is the reduction of the label stack size. The label stack size can be
reduced to a small amount of labels at some price (creating some states on transit nodes).

The drawbacks are the increase of the controlplane and dataplane resource consumption. This controlplane and dataplane resource consumption are variable and will be linked to the intelligence of the external controller and computation engines and especially how the placement of the bindings is done to maximize the sharing between LSPs. Moreover any optimization try in the binding segment may introduce churn in the network controlplane (Make Before Break can be used to ensure that dataplane is not affected). Programming a binding-SID on a transit node is feasible only if the programming node has the necessary protocol sessions to do so. When a head-end router is performing a path computation, it is usually not the case.

When a controller (PCE) is used, it may not have a session to all LSRs in the network, as only edge nodes may require a path computation. The controller may be limited for the placement of the binding SID to the nodes it has a protocol session with (it cannot setup a PCEP session by itself). A full deployment of protocol sessions with the controller may not be feasible for technical reasons (scaling, ...) or economical reasons. A potential mitigation could be to allow protocol sessions to be setup dynamically (when requirement comes) to an authorized subset of nodes in the network: some protocol modifications may be necessary to allow this behavior.

4. Comparison

The following table tries to summarize the various solution pros/cons within a comparison table:

- Solution 1: using adjacency-SIDs only
- Solution 2: using adjacency-SIDs + Node-SIDs with strict SPF algorithm
- Solution 3: using adjacency-SIDs + Node-SIDs with new protection flag
- Solution 4: using adjacency-SIDs + two regular Node-SIDs with a different policy
- Solution 5: using adjacency-SIDs + Binding-SIDs

We consider a network with $N$ nodes and $L$ links, with an average of $l$ links per node.

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| **Label stack size**          |      |   |     |
| Control plane                  |      |   |     |
| Data plane                     |      |   |     |
| IP convergence time            |      |   |     |
| Computation engine             |      |   |     |
| Protocol                       |      |   |     |
| ECMP avoidance                 |      |   |     |
| Requirement                    |      |   |     |

- **Label stack size**: One label per hop
- **Control plane**: Negligible
- **Data plane**: +1 entries
- **IP convergence time**: None
- **Computation engine**: Needs to select Adj-SIDs with B=0 and Node-SIDs with strict SPF
- **Protocol**: None
- **ECMP avoidance**: Supported
- **Requirement**: Yes

- **Label stack size**: Reduced
- **Control plane**: Potential additional computation + 2*N entries in RIB
- **Data plane**: +2*N entries
- **IP convergence time**: Double
- **Computation engine**: Needs to select Adj-SIDs
- **Protocol**: None
- **ECMP avoidance**: None
- **Requirement**: Partially

- **Label stack size**: Reduced
- **Control plane**: + 2*N entries in RIB
- **Data plane**: +2*N entries
- **IP convergence time**: Double
- **Computation engine**: Needs to select Adj-SIDs
- **Protocol**: None
- **ECMP avoidance**: Supported
- **Requirement**: Partially

- **Label stack size**: Reduced
- **Control plane**: Adds states in the LSRs
- **Data plane**: +2*N entries
- **IP convergence time**: Double
- **Computation engine**: Needs to select Adj-SIDs
- **Protocol**: None
- **ECMP avoidance**: Supported
- **Requirement**: Yes

- **Label stack size**: Reduced
- **Control plane**: Variables
- **Data plane**: +2*N entries
- **IP convergence time**: Double
- **Computation engine**: Needs to select Adj-SIDs
- **Protocol**: None
- **ECMP avoidance**: Supported
- **Requirement**: Yes
Comparison of solutions

5. Recommended option(s)

Based on the analysis in Section 4, we only have two solutions that fulfill the requirements expressed in Section 2: usage of adjacency-SIDs only, usage of a combination of adjacency SIDs and binding SIDs.

As using only Adjacency-SIDs may reduce today the possibility of creating a path (due to the hardware/software limitations), authors would like to encourage the usage of a combination of adjacency-SIDs and binding-SIDs (Section 3.3) as a short-term solution.

However this approach has also several drawbacks, but authors think that these drawbacks can be reduced by enhancing existing protocols.

As a long term solution, authors would like to encourage vendors to support the ability for a node to push a significant number of labels, up to the full network diameter.

6. Security Considerations

TBD.

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