

Configure Segment Routing Path Computation Element

The Segment Routing Path Computation Element (SR-PCE) provides stateful PCE functionality by extending the existing IOS-XR PCEP functionality with additional capabilities. SR-PCE is supported on the MPLS data plane and IPv4 control plane.

Table 1: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
SR-PCE: Single PCE scale enhancement	Release 7.5.1	With this feature, support for a single PCE is enhanced to 50000 nodes, 100000 LSPs, 500000 links, and 2000 PCEP sessions.

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About SR-PCE

The path computation element protocol (PCEP) describes a set of procedures by which a path computation client (PCC) can report and delegate control of head-end label switched paths (LSPs) sourced from the PCC

to a PCE peer. The PCE can request the PCC to update and modify parameters of LSPs it controls. The stateful model also enables a PCC to allow the PCE to initiate computations allowing the PCE to perform network-wide orchestration.

SR-PCE learns topology information by way of IGP (OSPF or IS-IS) or through BGP Link-State (BGP-LS). SR-PCE is capable of computing paths using the following methods:

- TE metric—SR-PCE uses the TE metric in its path calculations to optimize cumulative TE metric.
- IGP metric—SR-PCE uses the IGP metric in its path calculations to optimize reachability.
- LSP Disjointness—SR-PCE uses the path computation algorithms to compute a pair of disjoint LSPs. The disjoint paths can originate from the same head-end or different head-ends. Disjoint level refers to the type of resources that should not be shared by the two computed paths. SR-PCE supports the following disjoint path computations:
 - Link Specifies that links are not shared on the computed paths.
 - Node Specifies that nodes are not shared on the computed paths.
 - SRLG Specifies that links with the same SRLG value are not shared on the computed paths.
 - SRLG-node Specifies that SRLG and nodes are not shared on the computed paths.

When the first request is received with a given disjoint-group ID, the first LSP is computed, encoding the shortest path from the first source to the first destination. When the second LSP request is received with the same disjoint-group ID, information received in both requests is used to compute two disjoint paths: one path from the first source to the first destination, and another path from the second source to the second destination. Both paths are computed at the same time.

TCP Authentication Option

TCP Message Digest 5 (MD5) authentication has been used for authenticating PCEP (TCP) sessions by using a clear text or encrypted password. This feature introduces support for TCP Authentication Option (TCP-AO), which replaces the TCP MD5 option.

TCP-AO uses Message Authentication Codes (MACs), which provides the following:

- Protection against replays for long-lived TCP connections
- More details on the security association with TCP connections than TCP MD5
- A larger set of MACs with minimal system and operational changes

TCP-AO is compatible with Master Key Tuple (MKT) configuration. TCP-AO also protects connections when using the same MKT across repeated instances of a connection. TCP-AO protects the connections by using traffic key that are derived from the MKT, and then coordinates changes between the endpoints.



Note

TCP-AO and TCP MD5 are never permitted to be used simultaneously. TCP-AO supports IPv6, and is fully compatible with the proposed requirements for the replacement of TCP MD5.

Usage Guidelines and Limitations

To ensure PCEP compatibility, we recommend that the Cisco IOS XR version on the SR-PCE be the same or later than the Cisco IOS XR version on the PCC or head-end.

Configure SR-PCE

This task explains how to configure SR-PCE.

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. configure
- **2**. pce
- 3. address ipv4 address
- 4. **state-sync ipv4** *address*
- 5. tcp-buffer size size
- **6.** password {clear | encrypted} password
- 7. tcp-ao key-chain [include-tcp-options] [accept-ao-mismatch-connection]
- **8.** segment-routing {strict-sid-only | te-latency}
- 9. timers
- 10. keepalive time
- 11. minimum-peer-keepalive time
- **12. reoptimization** *time*
- **13**. exit

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure	
Step 2	pce	Enables PCE and enters PCE configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# pce	
Step 3	address ipv4 address	Configures a PCE IPv4 address.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce)# address ipv4 192.168.0.1	
Step 4	state-sync ipv4 address	Configures the remote peer for state synchronization.
	Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce)# state-sync ipv4 192.168.0.3	
Step 5	<pre>tcp-buffer size size Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce) # tcp-buffer size 1024000</pre>	Configures the transmit and receive TCP buffer size for each PCEP session, in bytes. The default buffer size is 256000. The valid range is from 204800 to 1024000.
Step 6	<pre>password {clear encrypted} password Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce) # password encrypted pwd1</pre>	Enables TCP MD5 authentication for all PCEP peers. Any TCP segment coming from the PCC that does not contain a MAC matching the configured password will be rejected. Specify if the password is encrypted or clear text. Note TCP-AO and TCP MD5 are never permitted to be used simultaneously.
Step 7	tcp-ao key-chain [include-tcp-options] [accept-ao-mismatch-connection] Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce)# tcp-ao pce_tcp_ao include-tcp-options	Enables TCP Authentication Option (TCP-AO) authentication for all PCEP peers. Any TCP segment coming from the PCC that does not contain a MAC matching the configured key chain will be rejected. • include-tcp-options—Includes other TCP options in the header for MAC calculation. • accept-ao-mismatch-connection—Accepts connection even if there is a mismatch of AO options between peers. Note TCP-AO and TCP MD5 are never permitted to be used simultaneously.
Step 8	<pre>segment-routing {strict-sid-only te-latency} Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce)# segment-routing strict-sid-only</pre>	Configures the segment routing algorithm to use strict SID or TE latency. Note

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 9	timers Example:	Enters timer configuration mode.
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce)# timers	
Step 10	keepalive time Example:	Configures the timer value for locally generated keep-alive messages. The default time is 30 seconds.
	<pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-timers)# keepalive 60</pre>	
Step 11	minimum-peer-keepalive time Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-timers)# minimum-peer-keepalive 30	Configures the minimum acceptable keep-alive timer that the remote peer may propose in the PCEP OPEN message during session establishment. The default time is 20 seconds.
Step 12	<pre>reoptimization time Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-timers)# reoptimization 600</pre>	Configures the re-optimization timer. The default timer is 1800 seconds.
Step 13	<pre>exit Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-timers)# exit</pre>	Exits timer configuration mode and returns to PCE configuration mode.

Configure the Disjoint Policy (Optional)

This task explains how to configure the SR-PCE to compute disjointness for a pair of LSPs signaled by PCCs that do not include the PCEP association group-ID object in their PCEP request. This can be beneficial for deployments where PCCs do not support this PCEP object or when the network operator prefers to manage the LSP disjoint configuration centrally.

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. disjoint-path
- **2.** group-id value type {link | node | srlg | srlg-node} [sub-id value]
- 3. strict
- **4. lsp** {1 | 2} **pcc ipv4** address **lsp-name** lsp_name [**shortest-path**]

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	disjoint-path	Enters disjoint configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce)# disjoint-path	
Step 2	group-id value type {link node srlg srlg-node} [sub-id value]	Configures the disjoint group ID and defines the preferred level of disjointness (the type of resources that should not be shared by the two paths):
	Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-disjoint)# group-ic 1 type node sub-id 1	• link—Specifies that links are not shared on the computed paths.
		 node—Specifies that nodes are not shared on the computed paths.
		• srlg—Specifies that links with the same SRLG value are not shared on the computed paths.
		• srlg-node—Specifies that SRLG and nodes are not shared on the computed paths.
		If a pair of paths that meet the requested disjointness level cannot be found, then the paths will automatically fallback to a lower level:
		If the requested disjointness level is SRLG or node, then link-disjoint paths will be computed.
		If the requested disjointness level was link, or if the first fallback from SRLG or node disjointness failed, then the lists of segments encoding two shortest paths, without any disjointness constraint, will be computed.
Step 3	strict	(Optional) Prevents the automatic fallback behavior of the
	Example:	preferred level of disjointness. If a pair of paths that meet the requested disjointness level cannot be found, the disjoint
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-disjoint)# strict	calculation terminates and no new path is provided. The
Step 4	lsp {1 2} pcc ipv4 address lsp-name lsp_name [shortest-path]	Adds LSPs to the disjoint group.
	Example:	The shortest-path keyword forces one of the disjoint paths to follow the shortest path from the source to the destination. This option can only be applied to the the first LSP
	<pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-disjoint) # lsp 1 pcc ipv4 192.168.0.1 lsp-name rtrA_t1 shortest-path RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pce-disjoint) # lsp 2</pre>	specified.

Command or Action	Purpose
pcc ipv4 192.168.0.5 lsp-name rtrE_t2	

Global Maximum-delay Constraint

This feature allows a PCE to compare the cumulative latency of a computed path against a global maximum-delay constraint value. If the latency of the computed path exceeds this global constraint, the path is not considered valid. This ensures that all latency-based paths computed by the PCE and signaled to the PCCs in the network do not exceed this maximum-delay constraint.

```
pce
  constraints
  bounds
   cumulative
    type
    latency <1-4294967295> Bound metric value in microseconds
```

Configuration

To configure a PCE for specifying maximum cumulative latency metric, you must complete the following configurations:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ios(config) # pce
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ios(config-pce) # constraints
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ios(config-pce-constr) # bounds
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ios(config-pce-constr-bounds) # cumulative
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ios(config-pce-constr-bounds-type) # type latency 1000000
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:ios(config-pce-constr-bounds-type) #
```

Verification

Verify using the **show** command:

PCE override of SR-TE policies

Segment routing for traffic engineering (SR-TE) uses a "policy" to steer traffic through the network. An SR-TE policy path is expressed as a list of segments that specifies the path, called a segment ID (SID) list. Each segment is an end-to-end path from the source to the destination, and instructs the routers in the network to follow the specified path instead of following the shortest path calculated by the IGP. If a packet is steered into an SR-TE policy, the SID list is pushed on the packet by the head-end. The rest of the network executes the instructions embedded in the SID list.

An SR-TE policy is identified as an ordered list (head-end, color, end-point):

- Head-end Where the SR-TE policy is instantiated
- Color An unsigned non-zero 32-bit integer value that associates the SR Policy with an intent or objective (e.g., low latency).
- End-point The destination of the SR-TE policy.

There are fewer PCEs in the network compared to the PCCs. However, PCE versions may be newer than the PCC version because it is easy to update the lesser PCEs than the higher number of PCCs. This ensures PCE supports more features with the latest Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) code points than PCCs.

IOS-XR PCE implementation is based on the PCEP standards and the implementations of the PCEP vary leading to interoperability challenges. To overcome these challenges, you can configure PCE with the override-rules (OVR). These OVRs have a filter part and an overriding part. The matching criteria filter matches all the (Segment Routing) SR policies against these OVRs, suppose they match, then the overriding part applies to these SR policies attributes.

For example, suppose that a PCC is outdated and does not support reporting the latency metric type. In that case, PCC reports to the LSP with the metric-type that it supports and the PCE applies the OVRs that you configure to update the metric-type upon reception.

Usage guidelines

Some usage guidelines that apply to the PCE override of SR-TE policies feature.

- Lower sequence numbers have higher precedence. LSP can be matched to one override sequence at a time. It will be matched to the highest preference sequence and further matching stops.
- Show commands such as "show pce lsp" display values received from PCC, so applied changes are visible only in values, which are based on path-computation.
- In a PCE High Availability case, where there are multiple PCEs for a particular PCC, configure this feature likewise on all PCEs, to allow seamless transition of delegation between the PCEs.
- PCE (North Bound) NB-API clients only see overridden attributes in their communication with PCEs.
- The PCE OVR feature is seamless for PCCs. This means that PCCs will not know if the tunnel's attributes are overridden. PCEs uses overridden attributes internally and sends only the original attributes to the PCCs.

Limitations

- Supports only Segment Routing (SR) setup type.
- Supports only ten override rules.
- Only one color or color range per override rule is supported.
- Does not support SRv6 policies.
- You cannot configure the filtration option "all" under peer and LSP with another filtration option under the same config submode. For example, you cannot provide all and regex together under the LSP matching criteria.

- Only IPv4 Access Control Lists (ACL)s are supported for matching PCEP peers.
 - If the ACL is empty or there are no entries within the ACL, then it is implicit permit.
 - If the ACL is not configured but the name is specified, then it is implicit permit.
 - In all other cases, if no entries are matched in the ACL, then it is implicit deny.
 - The behavior aligns with ACL behavior in other areas on an XR router.

Prerequisites

Before you configure the PCE override of SR-TE policies, you can use the **try-regex** utility to test the regexes. This utility is an optional step and does not alter the system.

This example shows how to verify if the

override-rules sequence sequence-number [$matching-criteria lsp { all | name | lsp-name-regex }]$ works:

PCE override of PCC-initiated SR-TE policies

The Path Computation Element (PCE) is a key component of Software-Defined Networking (SDN) for Traffic Engineering (TE), which can dynamically compute and recompute paths for Segment Routing Traffic Engineering (SR-TE) policies. These computations are guided by specified path optimization metrics and constraints. By leveraging the PCE override feature, the PCE can modify certain attributes or constraints of these policies, enabling support for a broader range of use cases and enhanced functionality.

Table 2: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
PCE override of PCC-initiated policies	Release 7.7.1	You can now override the LSP attributes in the PCEs based on the matching criteria of the path computation element protocol (PCEP) peer and LSP attributes. This feature improves the path computation of the PCC-initiated SR-TE policies. You can configure the PCE override rule for one, many, or all PCCs. This feature introduces the following commands: • override-rules (PCE) • pce try-regex • show pce override-rules detail

Matching of SR-TE policies is done before PCInitiate is sent to PCC to allow modification of data included in messages sent to PCC before LSP is created.

The LSP matching is not re-evaluated again after receiving the next PCEP report message. Based on these matching criteria, you can override the values of the LSP attributes.

Configure PCE override of PCC-initiated SR-TE policies

This configuration defines an **override rule** for a PCE on a network router, which allows the PCE to modify certain attributes of Label Switched Paths (LSPs) that meet specific criteria for PCC-initiated SR-TE policies.

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Example:

Router# configure

Enters the global configuration mode.

Step 2 pce

Example:

Router(config) # pce

Enters the PCE configuration mode.

Step 3 override-rules

Example:

Router(config-pce) # override-rules

Enters the override rules submode.

Step 4 sequence *value*

Example:

Router(config-pce-ovr-rule) # sequence 100

Creates a rule with the sequence number 100.

Step 5 matching-criteria

Example:

Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seq) # matching-criteria

Specifies a matching criteria. For example, peer all, lsp all, and so on.

Step 6 peer all

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# peer
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-peer)# all
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-peer)# exit
```

Specifies that this rule applies to all peers.

Step 7 lsp all range

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# lsp all
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# exit
```

Specifies all LSPs in the PCE tunnel database.

Step 8 colors range

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# colors 0-50
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# exit
```

Defines that the colors in the 0 to 50 range to match this rule.

Step 9 override metric type *metric-type*

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seq) # override metric type igp
```

Specifies that the IGP (Interior Gateway Protocol) metric for matching LSPs is overridden by the PCE.

Step 10 override constraints bandwidth value

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seq) # override constraints bandwidth 1000
```

Specifies that the bandwidth constraint for matching LSPs is overridden and set to 1000.

Step 11 commit

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seq)# commit
```

Saves and apply these configuration changes.

Running configuration

These are the running configurations for the PCE override for the PCC-initiated SR-TE policies.

• Match all LSPs from all peers and modify metric type to latency:

```
pce
override-rules
sequence 1
matching-criteria
peer
all
lsp
all
override
metric
type latency
```

• Match LSP name using regex and peer based on provided ACL and change metric type to IGP:

```
pce
  override-rules
   sequence 1
   matching-criteria
   peer
      access-list ipv4 PCC1
!
   lsp
      name ^cfg_test2_.*$
!
  override
  metric
   type igp
!
```

 Match policy using specified Segment Routing (SR) policy color from all peers and change bandwidth to 1000 kbps:

```
pce
override-rules
sequence 1
matching-criteria
peer
all
!
lsp
colors 10
!
override
constraints
bandwidth 1000
```

Verification

Show command displays operational values, which are applied during the override. For example, a bandwidth value is converted into IEEE float format. The value that is displayed in the show command may not be equal to the value configured, because of the limited precision of IEEE format used in PCEP.

Verify using the show command **show pce override-rules** [sequence < sequence>]

This is the show command output with two override rules that are configured and each matched one LSP are:

Router# show pce override-rules details

```
Sequence number: 2
Matching criteria:
Peer:
IPv4 ACL name: PCC1
LSP
Regex: ^cfg_test2_.*$
Override:
Metric type: IGP
Constraints:
Matching LSPs:
Peer: 192.168.0.1, Tunnel name: cfg test2 xxx discr 5
```

PCE override of PCE-initiated SR-TE policies

The PCE override feature can be applied to PCE-initiated SR-TE policies and serves several purposes, including controlling PCEP communication with PCCs to ensure interoperability. This feature is particularly useful in scenarios where specific adjustments are needed to address compatibility issues, allowing seamless integration across diverse network devices and vendors.

Table 3: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Interoperability between PCEP peers for PCE-initiated SR-TE policies	Release 25.2.1	This feature allows interoperability between PCEP peers for PCE-initiated SR-TE policies by blocking encoding PCEP objects and sub-objects thus ensuring seamless integration across diverse network devices and vendors.
		This feature applies only to the PCE-initiated SR-TE policies.
		This feature introduces these changes:
		CLI:
		New keywords, pcep , advertise , block-object , and sub-type were introduced in the override-rules (PCE) command.

Configure PCE override of PCE-initiated SR-TE policies

This configuration enables the PCE to adjust PCEP communication with specific PCEP peers (PCCs) and LSPs, effectively addressing interoperability challenges and ensuring seamless integration across diverse network devices and vendors.

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Example:

Router# configure

Enters the global configuration mode.

Step 2 pce

Example:

Router(config) # pce

Enters the PCE configuration mode.

Step 3 override-rules

Example:

Router(config-pce) # override-rules

Enters the override rules submode.

Step 4 sequence value

Example:

Router(config-pce-ovr-rule) # sequence 100

Creates a rule with the sequence number 100.

Step 5 matching-criteria

Example:

Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seq) # matching-criteria

Specifies a matching criteria. For example, **peer all**, **lsp all**, and so on.

Step 6 peer access-list ipv4acl-name

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# peer
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-peer)# access-list ipv4 PCC1
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-peer)# exit
```

Specifies that this rule applies to IPv4 peers.

Step 7 lsp name *regex*

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# lsp name ^cfg_test2_.*$
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-crit)# exit
```

Defines that LSP name (specified as a regular expression) match this rule.

Step 8 override pcep advertise value sub-type value

Example:

Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seq)# override pcep advertise

Overrides the attributes that the PCE advertises to its PCC peers via the PCEP.

Step 9 block-object *value* **sub-type** *value*

Example:

```
Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seq) # block-object 40 sub-type 6
```

Blocks encoding of PCEP ASSOCIATION object with object class 40 and ASSOCIATION type 6 ("SR Policy Association") as described in the Path Computation Element Protocol (PCEP) Numbers.

Note

Currently, **block-object** 40 and **sub-type** 6 are the only supported object and sub-object types.

Step 10 commit

Example:

Router(config-pce-ovr-rule-seg) # commit

Saves and apply these configuration changes.

Running configuration

This is the running configuration for the PCE override for the PCE-initiated SR-TE policies.

Match LSP name using regex and peer based on provided ACL and block the PCEP ASSOCIATION object of association type 6 SR Policy Association in PCInitiate message, which is sent from PCE to PCC to create LSP:

```
pce
  override-rules
  sequence 1
  matching-criteria
  peer
    access-list ipv4 PCC1
!
  lsp
    name ^cfg_test2_.*$
!
  override
  pcep
  advertise
    block-object 40
    sub-type 6
!
!
!
```

Verification

This show command output demonstrates an override rule configured to block a PCEP sub-object. This resolves interoperability issues with PCC implementations that do not support the PCEP object.



Note

Interoperability with fully capable PCCs does not need this configuration.

```
Objects blocked:
Type: 40
Sub-Type: 6
Constraints:
```



Note

Unlike the PCC-initiated LSPs, the PCE-initiated LSPs are not tracked in Matching LSPs: in the show output as matching occurs only after the LSP is created.

PCE-Initiated SR Policies

Use cases based on centralized optimization, such as congestion mitigation solutions, rely on the ability of the PCE to signal and instantiate SR-TE policies in the network. We refer to this as PCE-initiated SR-TE policies.

PCE-initiated SR-TE policies can be triggered via Crossworks Network Controller (recommended approach) or via CLI at the PCE.

For more information on configuring SR-TE policies, see the SR-TE Policy Overview.

The PCE deploys the SR-TE policy using PCC-PCE communication protocol (PCEP).

- 1. PCE sends a PCInitiate message to the PCC.
- 2. If the PCInitiate message is valid, the PCC sends a PCRpt message; otherwise, it sends PCErr message.
- 3. If the PCInitiate message is accepted, the PCE updates the SR-TE policy by sending PCUpd message.

You can achieve high-availability by configuring multiple PCEs with SR-TE policies. If the head-end (PCC) loses connectivity with one PCE, another PCE can assume control of the SR-TE policy.

Configuration Example: PCE-Initiated SR Policy with Explicit SID List

To configure a PCE-initiated SR-TE policy, you must complete the following configurations:

- 1. Enter PCE configuration mode.
- **2.** Create the segment list.



Note

When configuring an explicit path using IP addresses of intermediate links, the SR-TE process prefers the protected Adj-SID of the link, if one is available.

3. Create the policy.

```
/* Enter PCE configuration mode and create the SR-TE segment lists */
Router# configure
Router(config)# pce

/* Create the SR-TE segment lists */
Router(config-pce)# segment-routing
Router(config-pce-sr)# traffic-eng
Router(config-pce-sr-te)# segment-list name addr2a
```

```
Router(config-pce-sr-te-sl)# index 10 address ipv4 10.1.1.2
Router(config-pce-sr-te-sl)# index 20 address ipv4 10.2.3.2
Router(config-pce-sr-te-sl)# index 30 address ipv4 10.1.1.4
Router(config-pce-sr-te-sl)# exit

/* Create the SR-TE policy */
Router(config-pce-sr-te)# peer ipv4 10.1.1.1
Router(config-pce-sr-te)# policy P1
Router(config-pce-sr-te-policy)# color 2 end-point ipv4 2.2.2.2
Router(config-pce-sr-te-policy)# candidate-paths
Router(config-pce-sr-te-policy-path)# preference 50
Router(config-pce-sr-te-policy-path-preference)# explicit segment-list addr2a
Router(config-pce-sr-te-pp-info)# commit
Router(config-pce-sr-te-pp-info)# end
Router(config)#
```

Running Config

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
segment-list name addr2a
index 10 address ipv4 10.1.1.2
index 20 address ipv4 10.2.3.2
index 30 address ipv4 10.1.1.4
!
peer ipv4 10.1.1.1
policy P1
color 2 end-point ipv4 2.2.2.2
candidate-paths
preference 50
explicit segment-list addr2a
!
```

SR-PCE Flexible Algorithm Multi-Domain Path Computation

Table 4: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
SR-PCE: Flex Algo Aware Policy Computation + Live-Live Disjointness Enhancements	Release 7.3.1	This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in the native and compatible modes. To enable the native mode, use the hw-module profile npu native-mode-enable command in the configuration mode. Ensure that you reload the router after configuring the native mode.

Flexible Algorithm provides a traffic engineered path automatically computed by the IGP to any destination reachable by the IGP. With the SR-PCE Flexible Algorithm Multi-Domain Path Computation feature, SR-PCE can use Flexible Algorithms to compute multi-domain paths. See the Enabling Segment Routing Flexible Algorithm chapter for information about Segment Routing Flexible Algorithm.

The SR-PCE Flexible Algorithm Multi-Domain Path Computation feature incorporates the following functionality:

- BGP-LS has been augmented to allow selected nodes to advertise the Flexible Algorithm definition (FAD) to the SR-PCE
- PCEP has been augmented (vendor-specific object) to allow a PCC to indicate SR policy constraint based on the Flexible Algorithm instance number
- SR-PCE algorithms have been augmented to compute paths based on a Flexible Algorithm constraint

The SR-PCE Flexible Algorithm multi-domain path computation requires the following:

- The same Flexible Algorithm instance ID is used across domains.
- The metric for those Flexible Algorithm instances must be the same across domains.
- The affinity constraints for those Flexible Algorithm instances may be different across domains.
- Multiple Flexible Algorithms can exist in a domain.

For example, considering a multi-domain topology (Domain 1 and Domain 2), the following scenarios meet the requirements listed above:

Scenario	Domain 1	Domain 2
Scenario 1	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay
Scenario 2	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay, exclude affinity blue
Scenario 3	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay, exclude affinity yellow	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay, exclude affinity blue
Scenario 4	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay Flexible Algorithm 129, metric IGP	Flexible Algorithm 128, metric delay Flexible Algorithm 129, metric IGP



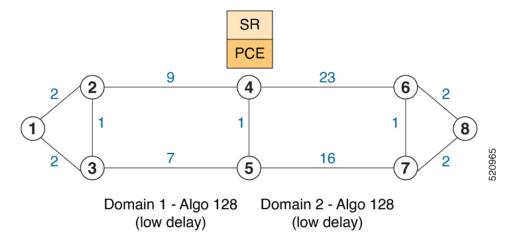
Note

The use of a Flexible Algorithm constraint in a multi-domain SR topology does not preclude the use of an SR policy that are optimized for a particular metric type. For example, a policy can request a PCE for a Multi Domain policy based on metric delay. SR-PCE computes the path and encodes it with regular prefix SIDs and Adj-SIDs as required. Alternatively, a policy can request to have a constraint for a Flexible Algorithm instance X, which is defined in multiple domains and it minimizes based on metric delay. In this case, the SR-PCE computes the multi-domain path and encodes it using only Flexible Algorithm prefix SIDs. This case benefits from the optimized label stack size that Flexible Algorithm provides (1 label per domain).

Example: SR-PCE Flexible Algorithm Multi-Domain Path Computation Use Case

The following use case depicts a multi-domain topology with two IS-IS processes, each with a Flexible Algorithm instance of 128 that minimizes metric delay. A multi-domain SR policy programmed at Node 1 leverages a Flexible Algorithm 128 path computed by the SR-PCE toward Node 8.

Figure 1: Multi-Domain Topology



Configuration on Node 8

IS-IS and Flexible Algorithm Configuration

```
router isis 2
is-type level-2-only
net 49.0002.0000.0000.0008.00
distribute link-state
flex-algo 128
  metric-type delay
  advertise-definition
address-family ipv4 unicast
  metric-style wide
  router-id 10.1.1.8
  segment-routing mpls
interface Loopback0
  passive
  address-family ipv4 unicast
   prefix-sid absolute 16008
   prefix-sid algorithm 128 absolute 16808
```

Configuration on Node 4 (ABR/ASBR)

IS-IS and Flexible Algorithm Configuration

```
router isis 1
is-type level-2-only
net 49.0001.0000.0000.0004.00
distribute link-state instance-id 100
```

```
flex-algo 128
  metric-type delay
  advertise-definition
address-family ipv4 unicast
  metric-style wide
  router-id 10.1.1.4
  segment-routing mpls
interface Loopback0
  passive
  address-family ipv4 unicast
   prefix-sid absolute 16004
   prefix-sid algorithm 128 absolute 16804
router isis 2
is-type level-2-only
net 49.0002.0000.0000.0004.00
distribute link-state instance-id 200
flex-algo 128
  metric-type delay
  advertise-definition
address-family ipv4 unicast
  metric-style wide
  router-id 10.1.1.4
  segment-routing mpls
interface Loopback0
  passive
  address-family ipv4 unicast
   prefix-sid absolute 16004
   prefix-sid algorithm 128 absolute 16804
```

BGP-LS Configuration

```
router bgp 65000
bgp router-id 10.1.1.4
address-family link-state link-state
!
neighbor-group AS65000-LS-group
remote-as 65000
update-source Loopback0
address-family link-state link-state
!
!
neighbor 10.1.1.10
use neighbor-group AS65000-LS-group
description *** To SR-PCE ***
!
```

Configuration on Node 1

IS-IS and Flexible Algorithm Configuration

```
router isis 1
  is-type level-2-only
  net 49.0001.0000.0000.0001.00
  distribute link-state
```

```
flex-algo 128

metric-type delay
advertise-definition

address-family ipv4 unicast
metric-style wide
router-id 10.1.1.1
segment-routing mpls
!
interface Loopback0
passive
address-family ipv4 unicast
prefix-sid absolute 16001
prefix-sid algorithm 128 absolute 16801
```

SR Policy Configuration

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
 policy FOO
  color 100 end-point ipv4 10.1.1.8
  candidate-paths
   preference 100
    dynamic
     pcep
     1
    constraints
     segments
      sid-algorithm 128
     !
    !
    !
  !
!
```

PCC Configuration

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
pcc
source-address ipv4 10.1.1.1
pce address ipv4 10.1.1.10
precedence 10
!
report-all
!
!
```

Configuration on PCE

```
pce
address ipv4 10.1.1.10
rest
!
!
router bgp 65000
bgp router-id 10.1.1.10
address-family link-state link-state
!
```

```
neighbor-group AS65000-LS-group
remote-as 65000
update-source Loopback0
address-family link-state link-state
!
!
neighbor 10.1.1.4
use neighbor-group AS65000-LS-group
description *** To Node-4 ***
!
!
neighbor 10.1.1.5
use neighbor-group AS65000-LS-group
description *** To Node-5 ***
!
```

Exclude Network Resources during Path Computation over SR-TE Policies

Table 5: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Exclude Network Resources during Path Computation over SR-TE Policies	Release 24.1.1	

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
		Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 fixed port routers; NCS 5700 fixed port routers; NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5500 line cards; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native]).
		You can reduce the risk of attacks due to less secure network resources and IP addresses, improve network performance affected by overloaded or congested paths, and ensure higher levels of network stability and availability that could be impacted by resources experiencing issues and requiring maintenance. These improvements are possible because you can now exclude specific network resources using their IP addresses during path computation for traffic over SR-TE policies.
		Previously, you could not exclude network resources during path computation.
		The feature introduces these changes:
		CLI:
		The resources option is introduced in the segment-routing traffic-eng policy and segment-routing traffic-eng on-demand color commands.
		The resource-list keyword is introduced in the segment-routing traffic-eng command.
		YANG Data Models:
		• Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-oper.yang
		Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-agent-oper.yang
		Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-agent-cfg.yang
		See (GitHub, Yang Data Models Navigator)

You can configure the SR-TE policies as either single or disjoint candidate paths that do not include certain IP addresses or subnets when traffic is routed through the network.

The key benefits of the feature are:

- Security Excluding certain IP addresses or network resources can help protect sensitive resources from unauthorized access or attacks.
- **Performance** By excluding certain resources, traffic can be directed away from congested parts of the network
- **Isolation** Excluding resources can help isolate different parts of the network, preventing issues in one part of the network from affecting others.

Configuration to exclude network resources during Path Computation

To exclude network resources during path computation for traffic, you must complete these high-level tasks in order:

- 1. Configure the network resources or IP addresses that you want to exclude from the network list.
- 2. Associate the excluded network resources to candidate paths for SR-TE or ODN SR-TE policies.

Configure the network resources or IP addresses to exclude from the network list

Perform the following task to configure a list of IPv4 addresses that you want to exclude from the network resource list:

```
Router(config) #segment-routing traffic-eng
Router(config-sr-te) #resource-list node_resc_list
Router(config-sr-te-rl) #index 1 ipv4 10.10.10.1
Router(config-sr-te-rl) #index 2 ipv4 10.10.10.8
```

Running Configuration

```
!
segment-routing
traffic-eng
resource-list node_resc_list
index 1 ipv4 10.10.10.1
index 2 ipv4 10.10.10.8
!
!
```

Associate the excluded network resources to candidate paths for SR-TE policies

Perform the following task to associate the excluded IPv4 addresses to one or more candidate paths for SR-TE policies:

```
Router(config) #segment-routing traffic-eng
Router(config-sr-te) #policy dynamic_pcep_policy
Router(config-sr-te-policy) #candidate-paths
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path) #preference 100
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path-pref) #constraints resources exclude resource-list
node_reso_list
```

Running Configuration

```
!
segment-routing
traffic-eng
policy dynamic_pcep_policy
candidate-paths
preference 100
constraints
resources
exclude resource-list node_resc_list
!
!
!
!
!
!
!
!
!
!
!
!
```

Verification

Router#show segment-routing traffic-eng policy endpoint ipv4 100.2.1.1 color 8001

```
Wed Aug 30 22:21:50.014 UTC
SR-TE policy database
______
Color: 8001, End-point: 100.2.1.1
Name: srte_c_8001_ep_100.2.1.1
Admin: up Operational: up for 00:00:50 (since Aug 30 22:20:59.341)
Candidate-paths:
Preference: 100 (configuration) (active)
Name: dynamic_pcep_policy
Requested BSID: 8001
PCC info:
Symbolic name: cfg_dynamic_pcep_policy_discr_100
PLSP-ID: 14042
Constraints:
Protection Type: protected-preferred
Maximum SID Depth: 12
Exclude Resources: node_resc_list
10.10.10.1
10.10.10.8
Dynamic (pce 100.7.1.1) (valid)
Metric Type: TE, Path Accumulated Metric: 440
SID[0]: 41111 [Adjacency-SID, 101.1.5.1 - 101.1.5.2]
SID[1]: 21600 [Prefix-SID, 100.6.1.1]
SID[2]: 41600 [Adjacency-SID, 101.2.6.2 - 101.2.6.1]
Attributes:
Binding SID: 8001
Forward Class: Not Configured
Steering labeled-services disabled: yes
Steering BGP disabled: no
IPv6 caps enable: yes
Invalidation drop enabled: no
Max Install Standby Candidate Paths: 0
```

Associate the excluded network resources to candidate paths for ODN SR-TE policies

Perform the following task to associate the excluded IPv4 addresses for ODN SR-TE policies:

```
Router(config) #segment-routing
Router(config-sr) #traffic-eng
Router(config-sr-te) #on-demand color 7001
Routerconfig-sr-te-color) #constraints resources exclude resource-list node_resc_list
```

Running Configuration

```
!
segment-routing
traffic-eng
on-demand color 7001
constraints
  resources
   exclude resource-list node_resc_list
!
!
!
!
```

Verification

Router#show segment-routing traffic-eng policy endpoint ipv4 100.2.1.1 color 7001

```
Wed Aug 30 22:53:01.079 UTC
SR-TE policy database
Color: 7001, End-point: 100.2.1.1
  Name: srte_c_7001_ep_100.2.1.1
  Status:
   Admin: up Operational: up for 00:31:56 (since Aug 30 22:21:04.869)
  Candidate-paths:
   Preference: 200 (BGP ODN) (inactive) (shutdown)
      Requested BSID: dynamic
      Constraints:
        Protection Type: protected-preferred
        Maximum SID Depth: 12
       Exclude Resources: node_resc_list
         10.10.10.1
         10.10.10.8
      Dynamic (inactive)
        Metric Type: IGP,
                           Path Accumulated Metric: 0
    Preference: 100 (BGP ODN) (active)
      Requested BSID: dynamic
      PCC info:
        Symbolic name: bgp c 7001 ep 100.2.1.1 discr 100
        PLSP-ID: 14044
      Constraints:
        Protection Type: protected-preferred
        Maximum SID Depth: 12
       Exclude Resources: node resc list
         10.10.10.1
         10.10.10.8
      Dynamic (pce 100.7.1.1) (valid)
        Metric Type: IGP, Path Accumulated Metric: 440
          SID[0]: 41111 [Adjacency-SID, 101.1.5.1 - 101.1.5.2]
          SID[1]: 21600 [Prefix-SID, 100.6.1.1]
          SID[2]: 41600 [Adjacency-SID, 101.2.6.2 - 101.2.6.1]
  Attributes:
   Binding SID: 51679
    Forward Class: Not Configured
   Steering labeled-services disabled: yes
   Steering BGP disabled: no
    IPv6 caps enable: yes
    Invalidation drop enabled: no
    Max Install Standby Candidate Paths: 0
```

Configure the Shortest Path for Disjoint Candidate Paths

Table 6: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Configure the Shortest Path for Disjoint Candidate Paths	Release 24.1.1	Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 fixed port routers; NCS 5700 fixed port routers; NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5500 line cards; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native]).
		You can now configure the available disjoint paths for Label Switched Paths (LSPs) to prefer the shortest path between two points in the network. This configuration ensures that traffic is routed along the most efficient route in the network.
		Previously, you could not configure the shortest path preference for disjoint LSPs.
		The feature introduces these changes:
		CLI:
		The shortest-path keyword is introduced in the policy candidate-paths constraints disjoint-path command.
		YANG Data Models:
		• Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-oper.yang
		• Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-agent-oper.yang
		Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-agent-cfg.yang
		See (GitHub, Yang Data Models Navigator)

The configuration enables the available disjoint paths to indicate preference for the shortest path between two points in the network. This way the traffic is contained within specific network planes as per the affinity constraints while still provisioning Label Switched Paths (LSPs) that are diverse from each other to meet the path disjointness requirement.

In earlier releases, if path disjointness was configured for LSPs, the Path Computation Element (PCE) prioritized finding disjoint paths for the LSPs over adhering to the affinity constraints.

Configure the shortest path for disjoint candidate paths

Perform the following task to indicate the disjoint path preference for the shortest path in the network:

```
Router(config) #segment-routing traffic-eng
Router(config-sr-te) #policy dynamic_pcep_policy_disjoint
Router(config-sr-te-policy) #candidate-paths
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path) #preference 100
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path-pref) #constraints disjoint-path group-id 1 type link
shortest-path
```

Running Configuration

Verification

```
Router#show pce lsp name cfg dynamic pcep policy disjoint discr 100 detail
Output received:
Wed Aug 30 18:33:57.807 UTC
PCE's tunnel database:
PCC 100.1.1.1:
Tunnel Name: cfg_dynamic_pcep_policy_disjoint_discr_100
Interface Name: srte c 30115 ep 100.2.1.1
LSPs:
 LSP[0]:
  source 100.1.1.1, destination 100.2.1.1, tunnel ID 9031, LSP ID 24
  State: Admin up, Operation active
   Setup type: Segment Routing
   Binding SID: 30115
   Maximum SID Depth: 12
   Preference: 100
   Bandwidth: requested 0 kbps, applied 0 kbps
   Protection type: protected-preferred
   Prefix-SID algorithm: 0 (set: 0)
   PCEP information:
     PLSP-ID 0x36e9, flags: D:1 S:0 R:0 A:1 O:2 C:0
   LSP Role: Exclude LSP
   State-sync PCE: None
   PCC: 100.1.1.1
   LSP is subdelegated to: None
   Reported path:
    Metric type: TE, Accumulated Metric 30
     SID[0]: Node, Label 21200, Address 100.2.1.1
   Computed path: (Local PCE)
     Computed Time: Wed Aug 30 18:31:12 UTC 2023 (00:02:45 ago)
```

```
Metric type: TE, Accumulated Metric 30
SID[0]: Node, Label 21200, Address 100.2.1.1
Reverse path: (Local PCE)
None
Computed Time: Wed Aug 30 18:31:12 UTC 2023 (00:02:45 ago)
Recorded path:
None
Disjoint Group Information:
Type Link-Disjoint, Group 1 (SP)
SR Policy Association Group:
Color: 30115, Endpoint: 100.2.1.1
Policy Name: srte_c_30115_ep_100.2.1.1
Preference: 100
CP Name: dynamic_pcep_policy_disjoint
```

Enable Strict Disjointness for SR-TE policies in the PCE

Table 7: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Enable Strict Disjointness for SR-TE Policies in the PCE	Release 24.1.1	Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 fixed port routers; NCS 5700 fixed port routers; NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5500 line cards; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native]).
		You can now enforce strict disjoint constraints for Label Switched Paths (LSPs) and minimize the risk of a single point of failure that affects multiple LSPs. With this feature, if disjoint paths cannot be found for LSPs, the Path Computation Element (PCE) does not return any path.
		Previously, enforcing strict disjoint constraints for disjoint paths for LSPs was not possible.
		The feature introduces these changes:
		CLI:
		The fallback disable keyword is introduced in the segment-routing traffic-eng policy and segment-routing traffic-eng on-demand color commands.
		YANG Data Models:
		• Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-oper.yang
		Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-agent-oper.yang
		• Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-xtc-agent-cfg.yang
		See (GitHub, Yang Data Models Navigator)

When you enable fallback disable, the Path Computation Element (PCE) does not return any path for LSPs that are not disjoint if there are no disjoint candidate paths. In other words, when the PCE does not find multiple LSPs that satisfy the disjointness requirement, it returns no path. This indicates that there might be a networking issue that prevents the establishment of the desired redundancy, and you can investigate and address the underlying problem.

Without the option, the PCE can relax disjointness by applying an objective function or use a local policy when no objective function is requested.

Enforcing strict disjointness ensures that LSPs do not share any common links or nodes along their paths, minimizing the risk of a single point of failure affecting multiple LSPs. The feature is critical to maintain network reliability and ensures that traffic is properly routed in the event of a network failure.

Configure Strict Disjointness in the PCE

Enable strict disjointness for ODN SR-TE policies

Perform the following steps to enable strict disjointness for ODN SR-TE policies:

```
Router(config) #segment-routing traffic-eng
Router(config-sr-te) #on-demand color 4
Router(config-sr-te-color) #dynamic
Router(config-sr-te-color-dyn) #disjoint-path group-id 1 type node fallback disable
Router(config-sr-te-color-dyn) #commit
```

Running Configuration

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
on-demand color 4
  dynamic
   disjoint-path group-id 1 type node fallback disable
!
!
!
!
```

Enable strict disjointness for SR-TE policies

Perform the following steps to enable strict disjointness for SR-TE policies:

```
Router(config) #segment-routing traffic-eng
Router(config-sr-te) #policy foo
Router(config-sr-te-policy) #color 1 end-point ipv4 10.10.10.1
Router(config-sr-te-policy) #candidate-paths preference 100
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path-pref) #constraints disjoint-path group-id 1 type node fallback disable
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path-pref) #commit
```

Running Configuration

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
policy foo
  color 1 end-point ipv4 10.10.10.1
  candidate-paths
  preference 100
    dynamic
    pcep
    !
    metric
    type latency
    !
    constraints
    disjoint-path group-id 1 type node fallback disable
    !
```

```
!
!
!
```

Verification

ACL Support for PCEP Connection

PCE protocol (PCEP) (RFC5440) is a client-server model running over TCP/IP, where the server (PCE) opens a port and the clients (PCC) initiate connections. After the peers establish a TCP connection, they create a PCE session on top of it.

The ACL Support for PCEP Connection feature provides a way to protect a PCE server using an Access Control List (ACL) to restrict IPv4 PCC peers at the time the TCP connection is created based on the source address of a client. When a client initiates the TCP connection, the ACL is referenced, and the client source address is compared. The ACL can either permit or deny the address and the TCP connection will proceed or not.

Refer to the Implementing Access Lists and Prefix Lists chapter in the *IP Addresses and Services Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers* for detailed ACL configuration information.

To apply an ACL to the PCE, use the **pce peer-filter ipv4 access-list** acl_name command.

The following example shows how to configure an ACL and apply it to the PCE:

```
pce
  address ipv4 10.1.1.5
  peer-filter ipv4 access-list sample-peer-filter
!
ipv4 access-list sample-peer-filter
10 permit ipv4 host 10.1.1.6 any
20 permit ipv4 host 10.1.1.7 any
30 deny ipv4 any any
!
```

Anycast SID-Aware Path Computation

This feature allows the SR-TE head-end or SR-PCE to compute a path that is encoded using Anycast prefix SIDs of nodes along the path.

An Anycast SID is a type of prefix SID that identifies a set of nodes and is configured with n-flag clear. The set of nodes (Anycast group) is configured to advertise a shared prefix address and prefix SID. Anycast routing enables the steering of traffic toward multiple advertising nodes, providing load-balancing and redundancy. Packets addressed to an Anycast address are forwarded to the topologically nearest nodes.

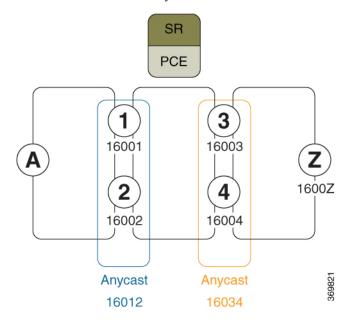


Note

For information on configuring Anycast SID, see Configuring a Prefix-SID on the IS-IS Enabled Loopback Interface and Configuring a Prefix-SID on the OSPF-Enabled Loopback Interface.

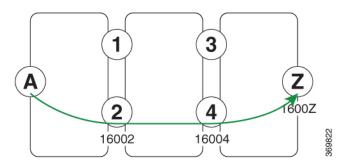
This example shows how Anycast SIDs are inserted into a computed SID list.

The following figure shows 3 isolated IGP domains without redistribution and without BGP 3107. Each Area Border Router (ABR) 1 through 4 is configured with a node SID. ABRs 1 and 2 share Anycast SID 16012 and ABRs 3 and 4 share Anycast SID 16034.



Consider the case where nodes A and Z are provider edge (PE) routers in the same VPN. Node A receives a VPN route with BGP next-hop to node Z. Node A resolves the SR path to node Z based on ODN behaviors with delegation of path computation to SR-PCE.

Before considering Anycast SIDs, the head-end router or SR-PCE computes the SID list.



Assume that the computed path from node A to node Z traverses node 2 and node 4. This translates to SID list {16002, 16004, 1600Z} when node SIDs are leveraged to encode the path.

When an Anycast SID-aware path is requested, the path computation algorithm performs the following:

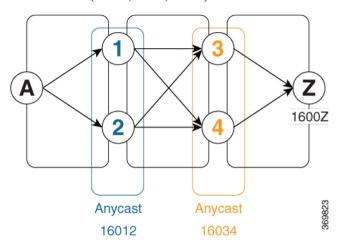
- Path Computation—Computes the path according to optimization objectives and constraints
- Path Encoding—Encodes the path in a SID list leveraging node-SIDs and adj-SIDs as applicable
- **Anycast SID Replacement**—Reiterates the original SID list by replacing node SIDs with Anycast SIDs present on the nodes along the computed path.

If a node has multiple Anycast SIDs, the algorithm considers them according to their weights. See Weighted Anycast SIDs, on page 37.

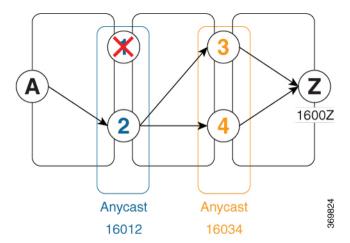
- **Optimality Validation**—The new paths are validated against the original optimization objectives and constraints (maintain same cumulative metric as original SID list and do not violate path constraints).
- **Anycast SID Promotion**—If the optimality validation is successful, then the Anycast-encoded SID list is signaled and instantiated in the forwarding.

The following figure depicts cumulative metrics between nodes in the network.

Under these conditions, the optimality check is met, and therefore, the Anycast-encoded SID list from node A to node Z is {16012,16034,1600Z}.



The Anycast SID aware path computation also provides resiliency. For example, if one of the ABRs (in this case, ABR 1) becomes unavailable or unreachable, the path from node A to node Z {16012,16034,1600Z} will still be valid and usable.



Configuration Examples

- 1. Configure Prefix SIDs on the ABR nodes.
 - **a.** Configure each node with a node SID.
 - **b.** Configure each group of nodes with a shared Anycast SID.

See Configuring a Prefix-SID on the IS-IS Enabled Loopback Interface and Configuring a Prefix-SID on the OSPF-Enabled Loopback Interface.

2. Configure SR policies to include Anycast SIDs for path computation using the anycast-sid-inclusion command.

This example shows how to configure a local SR policy to include Anycast SIDs for PCC-initiated path computation at the head-end router:

```
Router(config)# segment-routing traffic-eng
Router(config-sr-te)# policy FOO
Router(config-sr-te-policy)# color 10 end-point ipv4 10.1.1.10
Router(config-sr-te-policy)# candidate-paths
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path)# preference 100
Router(config-sr-te-policy-path-pref)# dynamic
Router(config-sr-te-pp-info)# anycast-sid-inclusion
```

Running Configuration

Use the **anycast-sid-inclusion** command to request Anycast SID-aware path computation for the following SR policy types:

• Local SR policy with PCC-initiated path computation at the head-end router:

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
policy FOO
    color 10 end-point ipv4 10.1.1.10
    candidate-paths
    preference 100
        dynamic
        anycast-sid-inclusion
```

• Local SR policy with PCC-initiated/PCE-delegated path computation at the SR-PCE:

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
policy BAR
color 20 end-point ipv4 10.1.1.20
candidate-paths
preference 100
dynamic
pcep
anycast-sid-inclusion
```

• On-demand SR policies with a locally computed dynamic path at the head-end, or centrally computed dynamic path at the SR-PCE:

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
on-demand color 10
dynamic
anycast-sid-inclusion
```

• On-demand SR policies with centrally computed dynamic path at the SR-PCE:

```
segment-routing
traffic-eng
on-demand color 20
dynamic
pcep
anycast-sid-inclusion
```

Weighted Anycast SIDs

Table 8: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Weighted Anycast SID-Aware Path Computation	Release 7.3.1	This feature extends Anycast SIDs with weighted nodes.
		Weighted Anycast nodes advertise a cost (weight) along with the Anycast SID. Traffic is then distributed according to the weights.
		Weighted Anycast SIDs allow for highly available paths with node redundancy and path optimality that provide Fast Re-Route (FRR) for node failure of service provider edge (PE) routers and ABR/ASBRs nodes in multi-domain networks.

Weighted Anycast nodes advertise a cost along with the Anycast SID. This cost serves as a weight. The native SR path computation algorithms are augmented to compute optimum paths relying on Weighted Anycast SIDs during path encoding. Traffic to the SID is then distributed according to the weights.

The following example shows how node SID, Anycast SID, and Weighted Anycast SID are applied on node 1:

```
router isis 1
interface Loopback0
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  prefix-sid absolute 16001 // Node SID
 interface Loopback1
 prefix-attributes anycast
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  prefix-sid absolute 16012 // Anycast SID - (prefer node 1 or 2)
 interface Loopback2
 prefix-attributes anycast
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  weight 1
  prefix-sid absolute 17012 // Weighted Anycast SID (prefer node 1)
interface Loopback3
 prefix-attributes anycast
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  weight 100000
  prefix-sid absolute 18012 // Weighted Anycast SID (prefer node 2)
```

SR-PCE IPv4 Unnumbered Interface Support

This feature allows IPv4 unnumbered interfaces to be part of an SR-PCE topology database.

An unnumbered IPv4 interface is not identified by its own unique IPv4 address. Instead, it is identified by the router ID of the node where this interfaces resides and the local SNMP index assigned for this interface.

This feature provides enhancements to the following components:

- IGPs (IS-IS and OSPF):
 - Support the IPv4 unnumbered interfaces in the SR-TE context by flooding the necessary interface information in the topology
- · SR-PCE:



Note

SR-PCE and path computation clients (PCCs) need to be running Cisco IOS XR 7.0.2 or later.

- Compute and return paths from a topology containing IPv4 unnumbered interfaces.
- Process reported SR policies from a head-end router that contain hops with IPv4 unnumbered adjacencies.

PCEP extensions for IPv4 unnumbered interfaces adhere to IETF RFC8664 "PCEP Extensions for Segment Routing" (https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/rfc8664/). The unnumbered hops use a Node or

Adjacency Identifier (NAI) of type 5. This indicates that the segment in the explicit routing object (ERO) is an unnumbered adjacency with an IPv4 ID and an interface index.

- SR-TE process at the head-end router:
 - Compute its own local path over a topology, including unnumbered interfaces.
 - Process PCE-computed paths that contain hops with IPv4 unnumbered interfaces.
 - Report a path that contains hops with IPv4 unnumbered interfaces to the PCE.

Configuration Example

The following example shows how to configure an IPv4 unnumbered interface:

```
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA(config) # interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA(config-if) # ipv4 point-to-point
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA(config-if) # ipv4 unnumbered Loopback0
```

To bring up the IPv4 unnumbered adjacency under the IGP, configure the link as point-to-point under the IGP configuration. The following example shows how to configure the link as point-to-point under the IGP configuration:

```
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA(config)# router ospf one
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA(config-ospf)# area 0
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA(config-ospf-ar)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA(config-ospf-ar-if)# network point-to-point
```

Verification

Use the **show ipv4 interface** command to display information about the interface:

```
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA# show ipv4 interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0 brief
Tue Apr 2 12:59:53.140 EDT
Interface IP-Address Status Protocol
GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0 192.168.0.1 Up Up
```

This interface shows the IPv4 address of Loopback0.

Use the **show snmp interface** command to find the SNMP index for this interface:

The interface is identified with the pair (IPv4:192.168.0.1, index:6).

Use the **show ospf neighbor** command to display the adjacency:

```
RP/0/0/CPU0:rtrA# show ospf neighbor gigabitEthernet 0/0/0/0 detail
...
Neighbor 192.168.0.4, interface address 192.168.0.4
    In the area 0 via interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
    Neighbor priority is 1, State is FULL, 6 state changes
    ...
Adjacency SIDs:
    Label: 24001, Dynamic, Unprotected
```

```
Neighbor Interface ID: 4
```

The output of the **show pce ipv4 topology** command is enhanced to display the interface index instead of the IP address for unnumbered interfaces:

```
RP/0/0/CPU0:sr-pce# show pce ipv4 topology
...

Link[2]: unnumbered local index 6, remote index 4
Local node:
    OSPF router ID: 192.168.0.1 area ID: 0 ASN: 0
Remote node:
    TE router ID: 192.168.0.4
    OSPF router ID: 192.168.0.4 area ID: 0 ASN: 0
Metric: IGP 1, TE 1, Latency 1 microseconds
Bandwidth: Total 125000000 Bps, Reservable 0 Bps
Admin-groups: 0x00000000
Adj SID: 24001 (unprotected)
```

The output of **show pce lsp detail** command includes unnumbered hops:

```
RP/0/0/CPU0:sr-pce# show pce lsp detail
...

Reported path:

Metric type: TE, Accumulated Metric 3

SID[0]: Adj unnumbered, Label 24001, local 192.168.0.1(6), remote 192.168.0.4(4)

SID[1]: Adj unnumbered, Label 24002, local 192.168.0.4(7), remote 192.168.0.3(7)

SID[2]: Adj unnumbered, Label 24000, local 192.168.0.3(5), remote 192.168.0.2(5)

Computed path: (Local PCE)

Computed Time: Wed Apr 03 11:01:46 EDT 2019 (00:01:06 ago)

Metric type: TE, Accumulated Metric 3

SID[0]: Adj unnumbered, Label 24001, local 192.168.0.1(6), remote 192.168.0.4(4)

SID[1]: Adj unnumbered, Label 24002, local 192.168.0.4(7), remote 192.168.0.3(7)

SID[2]: Adj unnumbered, Label 24000, local 192.168.0.3(5), remote 192.168.0.2(5)
```

Inter-Domain Path Computation Using Redistributed SID

Table 9: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
SR-PCE: Inter-Domain Computation using Redistributed SID (SRTE - BGP-LU Domains Interworking)	Release 7.3.1	This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in the native and compatible modes. To enable the native mode, use the hw-module profile npu native-mode-enable command in the configuration mode. Ensure that you reload the router after configuring the native mode.

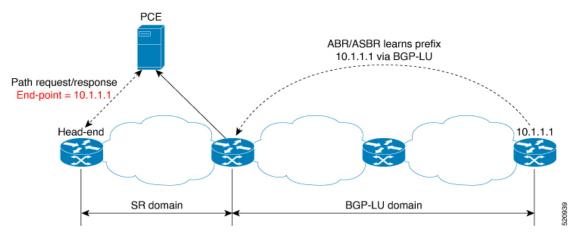
A Path Computation Element (PCE) computes SR-TE paths based on SR topology database that stores connectivity, state, and TE attributes of SR network nodes and links. BGP Labeled Unicast (BGP-LU) provides

MPLS transport across IGP boundaries by advertising loopbacks and label binding of impact edge and border routers across IGP boundaries.

This feature adds new functionality to the SR-PCE that enables it to compute a path for remote non-SR end-point device distributed by BGP-LU.

The remote end-point device in the BGP-LU domain is unknown to the SR-PCE. For the SR-PCE to know about the end-point device, the gateway ABR/ASBR learns the end-point prefix via BGP-LU. The prefix is then redistributed to SR-PCE topology database from the gateway ABR/ASBR. SR-PCE then can compute the best path from the head-end device to the selected gateway router.

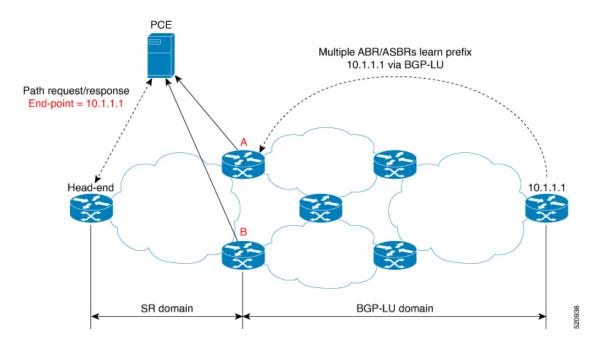
The following topology shows an SR domain and a BGP-LU domain, with a gateway ABR/ASBR between the two domains.



- 1. The gateway ABR/ASBR is configured with BGP/IGP helper to learn the remote prefix through BGP-LU and redistribute the remote prefix to the IGP helper, then to SR-PCE.
- **2.** The SR-PCE selects the best gateway node to BGP-LU domain and computes the path to reach the remote prefix through the gateway node.
- 3. The head-end device in the SR domain requests a path to the remote destination and signals the SR profile interworking with the BGP-LU domain.

The BGP-LU prefix advertisement to SR-PCE Traffic Engineer Database (TED) is done by creating an IGP helper on the ABR/ASBR to redistribute BGP-LU prefix information to IGP. IGP then sends the prefix information to the SR-PCE via BGP-LS.

If there are multiple ABR/ASBRs advertising the same remote BGP-LU prefix, the SR-PCE selects the best gateway node to the BGP-LU domain using the accumulative metric from the head-end device to the gateway and the advertised metric from the gateway to the destination.



Example: Inter-Domain Path Computation Using Redistributed SID

The following examples show the configurations for the IGP helper, BGP-LU, and proxy BGP-SR:

Configuration on the End-Point Device

Configure the end-point device to allocate a label for the BGP-LU prefix on the end-point device:

```
router bgp 3107
bgp router-id 1.0.0.8
address-family ipv4 unicast
  network 1.0.0.8/32 route-policy bgplu-com
  allocate-label all

route-policy bgplu-com
  set community (65002:999)
end-policy
```

Configuration on the Gateway ABR/ASBR

1. Configure the remote prefix set and create the route policy for the BGP-LU domain:

```
prefix-set bgplu
  1.0.0.7/32,
  1.0.0.8/32,
  1.0.0.101/32,
  1.0.0.102/32
end-set
!

route-policy bgp2isis
  if destination in bgplu then
   pass
  else
    drop
  endif
```

```
end-policy
!
end
```

2. Configure the helper IGP instance on the Loopback interface:

```
router isis 101
is-type level-2-only
net 49.0001.0000.1010.1010.00
 distribute link-state instance-id 9999
nsf cisco
 nsf lifetime 120
 address-family ipv4 unicast
 metric-style wide
 maximum-paths 64
 router-id Loopback10
 redistribute bgp 3107 metric 200 route-policy bgp2isis
  segment-routing mpls sr-prefer
interface Loopback10 >>> this loopback is for gateway SR-TE node-id
  passive
  address-family ipv4 unicast
   prefix-sid index 2001 explicit-null
```

3. Configure the gateway proxy BGP-SR and SR Mapping Server to allocate SR labels:

```
router bgp 3107
address-family ipv4 unicast
segment-routing prefix-sid-map
allocate-label all
segment-routing
global-block 16000 23999
mapping-server
prefix-sid-map
address-family ipv4
1.0.0.7/32 2007
1.0.0.8/32 2008
1.0.0.101/32 2101
1.0.0.102/32 2102
```

PCE Support for MPLS-TE LSPs

This feature allows Cisco's SR-PCE to act as a Path Computation Element (PCE) for MPLS Traffic Engineering Label Switched Paths (MPLS-TE LSPs).



Note

For more information about MPLS-TE, refer to the "Implementing MPLS Traffic Engineering" chapter in the MPLS Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers.

The supported functionality is summarized below:

- PCE type: Active Stateful PCE
- MPLS-TE LSP initiation methods:
 - PCE Initiated—An active stateful PCE initiates an LSP and maintains the responsibility of updating the LSP.

- PCC Initiated—A PCC initiates the LSP and may delegate the control later to the Active stateful PCE.
- MPLS-TE LSP metric—Metric optimized by the path computation algorithm:
 - IGP metric
 - TE metric
 - · Latency metric
- MPLS-TE LSP constraints—TE LSP attributes to be taken into account by the PCE during path computation:
 - Resource Affinities
 - · Path Disjointness
- MPLS-TE LSP parameters:
 - Setup priority—The priority of the TE LSP with respect to taking resources
 - Hold priority—The priority of the TE LSP with respect to holding resources
 - FRR L flag—The "Local Protection Desired" bit. Can be set from an application instantiating an MPLS-TE LSP via SR-PCE. SR-PCE passes this flag to the PCC, and the PCC will enable FRR for that LSP.
 - Signaled Bandwidth—This value can be set from an application instantiating an MPLS-TE LSP via SR-PCE. SR-PCE passes this value to the PCC.
 - Binding SID—A segment identifier (SID) that a headend binds to an MPLS-TE LSP. When the headend receives a packet with active segment (top MPLS label) matching the BSID of a local MPLS-TE LSP, the headend steers the packet into the associated MPLS-TE LSP.

Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine is an application that leverages the SR-PCE in order to visualize and instantiate MPLS-TE LSPs. For more information, refer to the Visualize SR Policies and RSVP-TE Tunnels chapter in the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine 1.2.1 User Guide.



Note

No extra configuration is required to enable MPLS-TE support at SR-PCE.

Example: Configuring a PCEP Session (Stateful Mode) on MPLS-TE PCC

The following example shows the configuration for an MPLS-TE PCC to establish a PCEP session with a PCE (IPv4 address 10.1.1.100).



Note

MPLS-TE PCC must operate in the stateful PCEP mode when connecting to SR-PCE.

The **instantiation** keyword enables the PCC to support MPLS-TE LSP instantiation by PCE (PCE-initiated).

The **report** keyword enables the PCC to report all the MPLS-TE LSPs configured on that node.



Note

PCE-initiated LSPs are automatically reported to all configured PCEs.

The **autoroute-announce** keyword enables autoroute-announce globally for all PCE-initiated LSPs on the PCC.

The **redundancy pcc-centric** keywords enable PCC-centric high-availability model for PCE-initiated LSPs. The PCC-centric model changes the default PCC delegation behavior to the following:

- After LSP creation, LSP is automatically delegated to the PCE that computed it.
- If this PCE is disconnected, then the LSP is redelegated to another PCE.
- If the original PCE is reconnected, then the delegation fallback timer is started. When the timer expires, the LSP is redelegated back to the original PCE, even if it has worse preference than the current PCE.

```
mpls traffic-eng
pce
  peer ipv4 10.1.1.100
!
  stateful-client
  instantiation
  report
  autoroute-announce
  redundancy pcc-centric
!
!
end
```

Example: Configuring Multiple PCEP Sessions from a PCC Acting as MPLS-TE and SR-TE Headend Toward a Common PCE

The following example shows the configuration for a PCC (IPv4 addresses 10.1.1.1 and 10.1.1.2) to establish two PCEP sessions with a common PCE (IPv4 address 10.1.1.100). One session is configured under MPLS-TE, and the other under SR-TE.



Note

The two PCEP sessions must use a different source address on the PCC when connecting to the same PCE.

For more information regarding PCEP configuration at SR-TE PCC, see the *Configure the Head-End Router* as PCEP PCC topic.

```
mpls traffic-eng
pce
  peer source ipv4 10.1.1.1
  peer ipv4 10.1.1.100
  !
  !
  !
end
segment-routing
traffic-eng
```

```
pcc
source-address ipv4 10.1.1.2
pce address ipv4 10.1.1.100
!
!
!
!
end
```

Configuring the North-Bound API on SR-PCE

Table 10: Feature History Table

Table 11: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
SR-PCE: Stateful North-Bound API for Tree-SID	Release 7.5.1	The SR-PCE provides a north-bound HTTP-based API to allow communication between the SR-PCE and the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine. This release adds stateful north-bound APIs to support real-time monitoring of Tree-SID states on the SR-PCE using a subscription model. For more information, refer to the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine User Guides.

Table 12: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
SR-PCE: North-Bound API for SRv6 and Flexible Algorithm in Cisco Optimization Engine (COE) v3.0 release	Release 7.3.2	The SR-PCE provides a north-bound HTTP-based API to allow communication between the SR-PCE and the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine.
		This release adds support for the following:
		Reporting of Flexible Algorithm participation and definitions
		• SRv6 topology information (nodes, links, Node uSIDs and Adj uSIDs)
		SRv6 uSID list and uB6 SIDs allocated for a policy
		For more information, refer to the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine User Guides.
SR-PCE: North-Bound API Enhancements for Cisco Optimization Engine (COE) v1.0 release	Release 7.3.1	This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in the native and compatible modes. To enable the native mode, use the hw-module profile npu native-mode-enable command in
		the configuration mode. Ensure that you reload the router after configuring the native mode.

The SR-PCE provides a north-bound HTTP-based API to allow communication between SR-PCE and external clients and applications.

Over this API, an external application can leverage the SR-PCE for topology discovery, SR policy discovery, and SR policy instantiation.

The Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine is an application that leverages the SR-PCE. For more information, refer to the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine User Guides.

Use the following commands under PCE configuration mode to configure the API to allow communication between SR-PCE and external clients or applications.



Note

The API server is enabled by default when SR-PCE is configured.

Command	Description
rest authentication basic	(Optional) Specify basic (plaintext) authentication. By default, authentication is disabled.
rest username password {clear encrypted}	Add credentials when connecting to API.
password	Note This command is used only if authentication is configured.
rest sibling ipv4 address	Opens a synchronization channel to another PCE in the same high availability (HA) pair.
	Note For more information regarding SR-PCE HA pairs, refer to the Multiple Cisco SR-PCE HA Pairs chapter of the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine 1.2.1 User Guide.

Command	Description
api authentication {basic digest}	Specify the type of authentication:
	• basic – Use HTTP Basic authentication (plaintext)
	• digest – Use HTTP Digest authentication (MD5)
api username password {clear encrypted} password	Add credentials when connecting to API.
api sibling ipv4 address	Opens a synchronization channel to another PCE in the same high availability (HA) pair.
	Note For more information regarding SR-PCE HA pairs, refer to the Multiple Cisco SR-PCE HA Pairs chapter of the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine 1.2.1 User Guide.

Example: Configuring API on SR-PCE

```
pce
address ipv4 10.1.1.100
rest
  user admin
  password encrypted 1304131F0202
!
  authentication basic
  sibling ipv4 10.1.1.200
!
!end
```

```
pce
address ipv4 10.1.1.100
api
  user admin
  password encrypted 1304131F0202
!
  authentication digest
  sibling ipv4 10.1.1.200
!
!
end
```

The following example shows the current active connections:

```
RP/0/0/CPU0:pce1# show tcp brief | i 8080

Thu Aug 6 00:40:15.408 PDT

0xe9806fb8 0x60000000 0 0 i::8080 :::0 LISTEN

0xe94023b8 0x60000000 0 0 10.1.1.100:50487 10.1.1.200:8080 ESTAB

0xeb20bb40 0x60000000 0 0 10.1.1.100:8080 10.1.1.200:44401 ESTAB

0xe98031a0 0x60000000 0 0 0 0.0.0.0:8080 0.0.0.0:0 LISTEN
```

The first and fourth entries show the API server listening for IPv4 and IPv6 connections.

The second and third entries show the established sibling connection between PCE1 (10.1.1.100) and PCE2 (10.1.1.200).

Configuring the North-Bound API on SR-PCE