

Path Status Notification

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PCE Should Be Aware of



- Stable network topology
 - When does it become stable?
- Status of forwarding paths
 - Are the shortest paths installed? (When?)
 - Are the Explicit Paths (EP) installed? (When?)
 - Is an EP installed successfully?
 - If not, then which bridge failed?
 - Bridges may automatically roll back in case of failed path installation
 - What is the final path in case of loose hop(s)?



Network Status and Shortest Paths

Shortest Paths



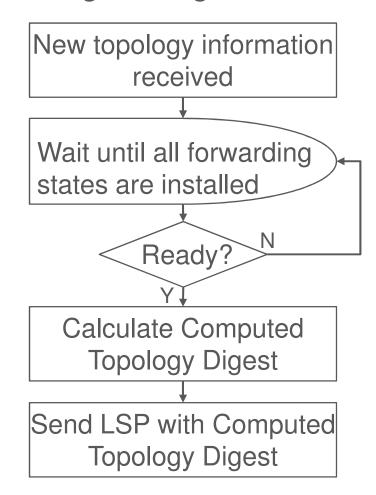
- Automatically set-up by ISIS-SPB
 - Same holds for constrained shortest paths if they are maintained by ISIS-SPB
- Computed Topology Digest (28.4.6) indicates the topology view of an SPT Bridge
- Converged, stable network domain → Computed Topology Digest of all SPT Bridges are identical
- Proposal
 - Add SPB Digest sub-TLV to LSPs
 - Each SPT Bridge floods its Topology Digest
 - LSP receivers, hence PCE(s) are aware of the status of the domain

LSP with Topology Digest



- SPB Digest is sent when the SPT bridge has finished installing all forwarding states for (constrained) shortest paths
- > SPB Digest indicates
 - > Topology view
 - State installation
- Identical Digest received from every SPT Bridge → (Constrained) shortest paths are ready for use

Sending the Digest





Explicit Path Status

Feedback on Explicit Paths



- > IS-IS is instructed by a PCE to set-up an EP
- PCE should know what happens to the EP
 - → Feedback is required
- Topology Digest is not good enough
 - It does not involve EPs
 - EPs may fail → failure report is required (shortest paths are installed sooner or later)

Proposal

- SPT Bridges should send result report on EP
- Result report should be included in LSPs
- LSP receivers, hence PCE(s) are aware of the status of the EP

Result Report on EP



- Strict hop only EP
 - Enough if SPT Bridges involved in the path send successful/failed report
- Loose hops
 - Each SPT Bridge has to send a report
 - SPT Bridges on the path send successful/failed
 - SPT Bridges not being on the path send "No Action Taken"
 - LSP receivers, hence PCE(s) become aware of the final path
- Result report
 - Successful
 - Failed
 - No Action Taken
- > Roll back
 - SPT Bridges may roll back on receipt of a "Failed" result report
- Constrained shortest paths have to be treated as EPs with loose hops if failed report is required

Reservation



- If reservation is performed by IS-IS, then the reservation parameters are also included in the EP.
- A result report on the EP is a result report on the reservation too
 - Successful → Reservation was successful too
 - Failed → EP with the reservation is failed