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Abstract

This document introduces additional new IP Flow Information Export (IPFIX) code points to identify which traffic is being forwarded based on which MPLS control plane protocol is in use within a Segment Routing domain. In particular, this document defines four in the the the traffic document defines four the IPFIX

mplsTopLabelType Information Element for IS-IS, OSPFv2, OSPFv3, and BGP MPLS Segment Routing (SR) extensions to enable Segment Routing label protocol type information in IP Flow Information Export

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1. Introduction

Besides BGP-4 [RFC8277], LDP [RFC5036] and BGP VPN [RFC4364], fFour new routing protocols routing protocols extensions, OSPFv2 Extensions [RFC8665], OSPFv3 Extensions

[RFC8666], IS-IS Extensions [RFC8667], and BGP Prefix-SID [RFC8669] have been added to the list ofdefined as -routing protocols routing-protocols that are able to propagate

Segment Routing labels for the MPLS data plane [RFC8660].

Traffic Accounting in Segment Routing NetworksAlso,
[I-D.ali-spring-sr-traffic-accounting] describes how
IP Flow Information Export (IPFIX)

[RFC7012] IPPIX can be leveraged to account traffic to MPLS Segment Routing label dimensions within a Segment Routing domain.

In the Information Model for IP Flow Information Export IPFIX [RFC7012], the information element mplsTopLabelType(46) describes which MPLS control plane protocol allocated the top-of-stack label in the MPLS label stack. RFC 7012 sSection 7.2 of [RFC7012] describes the

"IPFIX MPLS label type (Value 46)" sub-registry [IANA-IPFIX-IE46] where new code points should be added. This document defines new code points to address typical use cases that are discussed in Section 2.

2. MPLS Segment Routing Top Label Type

By introducing four new code points to information elementthe IPFIX mplsTopLabelType IE (46) for IS-IS, OSPFv2, OSPFv3, and BGP Prefix-SID,

when Segment Routing with one of these four routing protocols is deployed, we get insight into it is possible to identify which traffic is being forwarded based on which MPLS control plane protocol is in use.

A typical use case scenario is to monitor MPLS control plane migrations from LDP to IS-IS or OSPF Segment Routing. Such a migration can be done node by node as described in $\frac{RFC8661}{RFC8661}$ [RFC8661].

Another use case scenario is to monitor MPLS control plane migrations from dynamic BGP labels according to RFC8277] to BGP Prefix-

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SID according to RFC8669] in context of Seamless MPLS SR [I-D.hegde-spring-mpls-seamless-sr].

Both use cases can be verified by using mplsTopLabelType(46), mplsTopLabelIPv4Address(47), mplsTopLabelIPv6Address(140), mplsTopLabelStackSection(70), and forwardingStatus(89) dimensions to get insights into IEs to infer:

- o how many packets are forwarded or dropped.
- o if dropped, for which reasons.
- o the MPLS provider edge loopback address and label protocol.

By looking at the MPLS label value itself, it is not always clear as to which label protocol it belongs, since they could potentially share the same label allocation range. This is, for example, the case for IGP-

Adjacency SID's, LDP, and dynamic BGP labels as an example.

3. IANA Considerations

IANA is requested to allocate four code points in the existing subregistry "IPFIX MPLS label type (Value 46)" of the "IPFIX Information Elements" registry for IS-IS, OSPFv2, OSPFv3, and BGP Prefix-SID Segment Routing extensions.

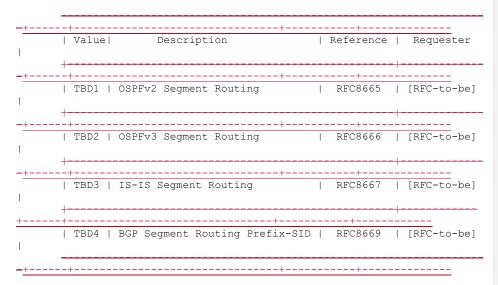


Figure 1: Updates to "IPFIX MPLS label type (Value 46)" SubRegistry Note to IANA:

o Please assign TBD1 to 4 to the next available numbers according to the "IPFIX MPLS label type (Value 46)" sub-registry [IANA-IPFIX-IE46] procedure.

o $\,$ Please replace the [RFC-to-be] with the RFC number assigned to this document.

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Note to RFC-editor:

o Please remove above two IANA notes.

4. Operational Considerations

In the information element mplsTopLabelType(46), the BGP code point 4 refers to the label value in MP REACH NLRI path attribute described in section 2 of $\overline{\text{RFC8277}}$ [RFC8277], and the BGP Segment Routing Prefix-SID code point TBD4 to the label index value in the Label-Index TLV described in section_Section_3.1 of RFC8669 [RFC8669].

5. Security Considerations

There exists no extra security considerations regarding the allocation of these new IPFIX information elements compared to

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