

Performance Delay and Liveness Monitoring in Segment Routing Networks

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Requirements and Scope

Requirements:

- Performance Delay & Liveness Monitoring in SR networks
 - ✓ End-to-end P2P/P2MP SR paths
 - ✓ Applicable to SR-MPLS/SRv6 data planes
 - ✓ Support ECMP SR paths
- Running single protocol for liveness detection and performance measurement in SR networks
 - ✓ Simplify deployment and reduce operational complexity
- No endpoint dependency
 - ✓ Stateless on endpoint (e.g. endpoint unaware of the probe protocol)
 - ✓ Higher scale and faster detection interval (e.g. packets not punted out of fast-path)

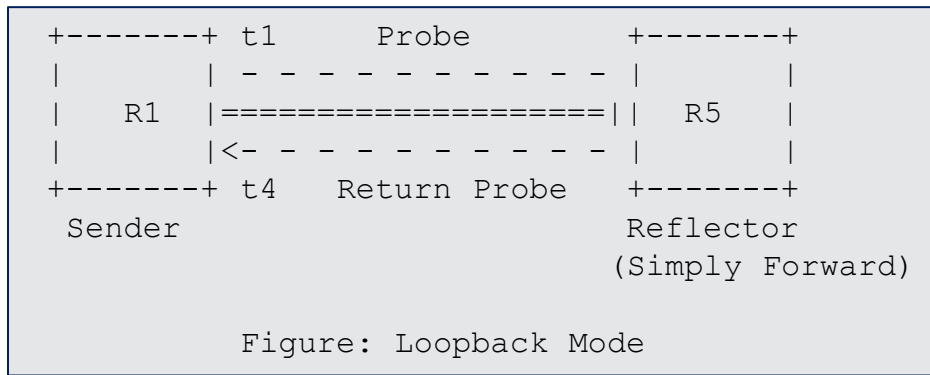
Scope:

- RFC 5357 (TWAMP Light) defined probe messages
- RFC 8762 (STAMP) defined probe messages

History of the Draft

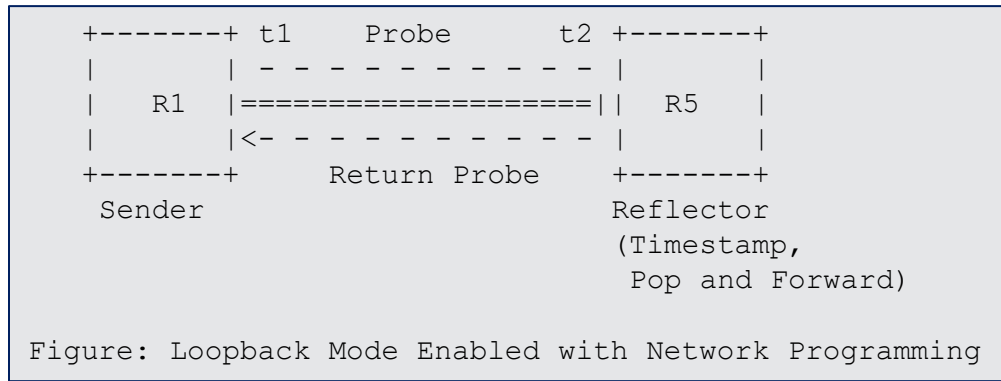
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Performance Delay and Liveness Monitoring of SR Policy



- Using PM probes (TWAMP Light/STAMP delay measurement messages) in Loopback Mode
- Probe messages sent using Segment List(s) of the SR Policy Candidate Path(s)
- Probe messages are not punted on the reflector out of fast-path
- Return path can be IP or SR
- Liveness failure is notified when consecutive N number of probe messages are not received back at the sender
- Round-trip delay ($t4 - t1$) metrics are notified when consecutive M number of probe messages have delay values exceed the configured thresholds

Enhanced Performance Delay and Liveness Monitoring of SR Policy



- Using PM probes in loopback mode enabled with network programming function
 - The network programming function optimizes the "operations of punt, add receive timestamp and inject the probe packet" on the reflector node
- Reflector node adds the receive timestamp in the payload of the received probe message without punting the message
 - Only adds the receive timestamp if the source address in the probe message matches the local node address
- Liveness failure is notified when consecutive N number of probe messages are not received back at the sender
- One-way delay ($t2 - t1$) metrics are notified when consecutive M number of probe messages have delay values exceed the configured thresholds

Probe Message with Timestamp and Forward Function

- Sender adds the Transmit Timestamp
- Reflector adds the Receive Timestamp at fixed offset locally provisioned (consistently in the network)
 - E.g. offset-byte 16 from the start of the payload

```
+-----+
| Sequence Number |
+-----+
| Transmit Timestamp |
+-----+
| Error Estimate | MBZ |
+-----+
| Receive Timestamp |
+-----+
| Sender Sequence Number |
+-----+
| Sender Timestamp |
+-----+
| Sender Error Estimate | MBZ |
+-----+
| Sender TTL |
+-----+
| ~ Padding ~ |
+-----+
```

Figure: TWAMP Light Probe Message Format

```
+-----+
| Sequence Number |
+-----+
| Transmit Timestamp |
+-----+
| Error Estimate | SSID |
+-----+
| Receive Timestamp |
+-----+
| Sender Sequence Number |
+-----+
| Sender Timestamp |
+-----+
| Sender Error Estimate | MBZ |
+-----+
| Sender TTL | Padding |
+-----+
```

Figure: STAMP Probe Message Format

SR-MPLS with Timestamp and Forward Function

```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                                     | TC  |S|         TTL         |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
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+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                                     | TC  |S|         TTL         |
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|                               Timestamp Label (TBA1)           | TC  |S|         TTL         |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| IP Header                                                                |
.  Source IP Address = Reflector IPv4 or IPv6 Address                    .
.  Destination IP Address = Sender IPv4 or IPv6 Address                  .
.  Protocol = UDP                                                            .
.
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| UDP Header                                                                |
.  Source Port = As chosen by Sender                                        .
.  Destination Port = User-configured Port                                .
.
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
| Payload as defined in Section 4.2.1 of RFC 5357                        |
| Payload as defined in Section 4.2 of RFC 8762                          |
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```

Example Probe Message with Timestamp Label for SR-MPLS

- Extended Special-purpose label (TBA1) is defined for Timestamp and Forward network function
- Reverse Path can be IP or SR-MPLS
- Source and Destination Addresses are swapped to represent the Reverse direction path

SRv6 with Timestamp and Forward Function

```
+-----+
| IP Header                                     |
. Source IP Address = Sender IPv6 Address      .
. Destination IP Address = Next IPv6 Address   .
.                                              .
+-----+
| SRH as specified in RFC 8754                 |
. <Segment List>                             .
. END.TSF with Target SID                     .
.                                              .
+-----+
| IP Header                                     |
. Source IP Address = Reflector IPv6 Address  .
. Destination IP Address = Sender IPv6 Address .
.                                              .
+-----+
| UDP Header                                     |
. Source Port = As chosen by Sender            .
. Destination Port = User-configured Port      .
.                                              .
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| Payload as defined in Section 4.2.1 of RFC 5357 |
| Payload as defined in Section 4.2 of RFC 8762  |
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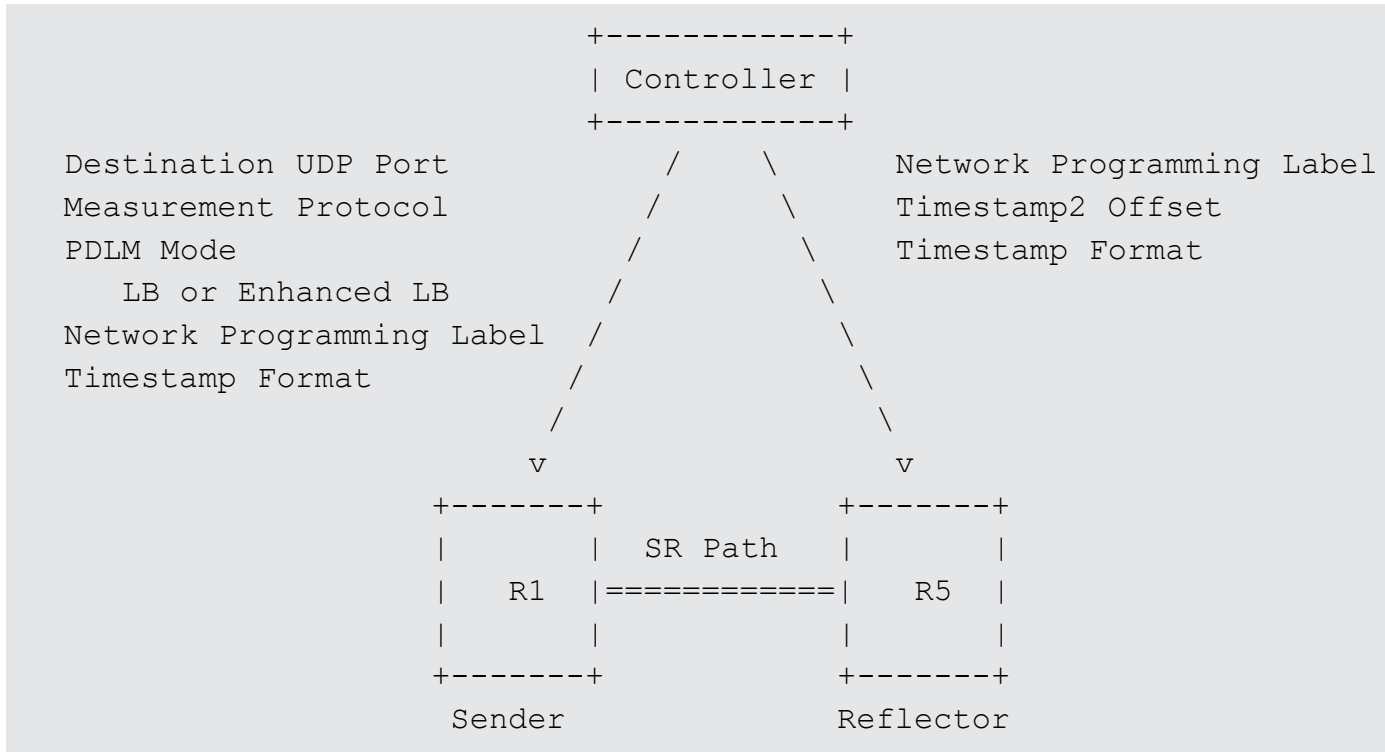
Example Probe Message with Endpoint Function for SRv6

- Endpoint Function END.TSF is defined for Timestamp and Forward and carried for the Reflector node SID
- Reverse path can be IP
 - Reflector node removes SRH
- Reverse path can be SR
 - Reverse direction SR path carried in SRH
 - Reflector node does not remove the SRH
- Source and Destination Addresses are swapped to represent the Reverse direction path in the inner IPv6 header

ECMP Support for SR Paths

- SR Paths can have ECMP between the ingress and transit nodes, between transit nodes and between transit and egress nodes.
- Sending PM probe queries that can take advantage of the hashing function in forwarding plane.
- Existing forwarding mechanisms are applicable to PM probe messages. Examples are:
 - For IPv4
 - Sweeping destination address in IPv4 header (e.g. 127/8) if return path is SR-MPLS
 - For IPv6
 - Sweeping flow label in IPv6 header

Example Provisioning Model



Next Steps

- Welcome your comments and suggestions
- Requesting WG adoption

Thank you