

Bundled SNC

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1 Group Termination Points and Bundled SNCs

1.1 Rationale

Bundled SNC service involves the establishment of a bundle of connections (i.e., not necessarily of the same layerRate) from one point in a subnetwork to another. The bundled SNC service is treated as a single SNC.

1.2 GTP Definition and Usage

A *Group Termination Point* (GTP) is a sequence of CTPs (with a specific order) in the same ME. Further details and requirements concerning GTPs can be found in TMF518_NRF. Information modeling concepts concerning GTPs can be found in TMF612_NRF.

1.2.1 GTP Creation, Modification and Deletion

A requesting OS may create a GTP in two different ways

- by specifying the list of CTPs comprising the GTP (the list is placed in the listOfTPs parameter of the createGTP operation) or,
- in the case of contiguous CTPs of the same layerRate, the requesting OS may list the first CTP (in the initialCTPname parameter) and the number of following CTPs (in the numberOfCTPs parameter).

The requesting OS may also provide the target OS with the flexibility to decide the list of CTPs by using the gtpEffort parameter. In this flexible mode, the target OS uses the listOfTPs parameter or the initialCTPname/numberOfCTPs parameters (provided by the requesting OS) to determine the total requested bandwidth but it (the target OS) may return a GTP (newGTP parameter) with a different set of CTPs than those indicated in the original createGTP request. Note that this mode allows for the GTP components to be instantiated at a later time by the ME (e.g., upon detection of user's signal). Therefore the operation may successfully return a newGTP with an empty listOfTPs attribute (to be updated at a later time once the component CTPs are created in the ME).

The target OS may also create GTPs and inform the requesting OS via an object creation notification.

Using the modifyGTP operation, the requesting OS can add or delete CTPs, not both. It is not possible to add a CTP that is already involved in a cross connection or SNC, or that is part of another GTP. Attempts to modify a GTP that is involved in a cross connection (or SNC) should be rejected by the target OS. The operation is best-effort, i.e., the target OS will add or delete as many of the identified CTPs as possible. If the service is called with the name of a non-existent GTP or CTP, it will fail.

If the requesting OS created a GTP with gtpEffort equal to EFFORT_SAME, this also implies that the target OS will not modify on its own, i.e., the target OS will only modify the GTP if requested by the requesting OS via the modifyGTP operation.

The target OS may modify a GTP (by adding or deleting CTPs) and then inform the requesting OS via an AVC notification. As was the case for requesting OS requested modification of GTPs, the target OS



should not add a CTP that is already involved in a cross connection or SNC, or that is part of another GTP.

The requesting OS can delete a GTP either directly via the deleteGTP operation or indirectly when deleting a Bundled SNC service. The latter approach is described in Section 1.3.2.2. The target OS may also delete GTPs and then inform the requesting OS via an object deletion notification. In any case, a GTP should not be deleted if is being used in support of a Bundled SNC service.

1.3 Bundled SNC Service Definition and Usage

A **bundled SNC service** is comprised of a collection of cross connected GTPs. Figure 1 depicts a Bundled SNC service (see the dotted line). Note that CTP ordering is preserved between the aEnd and zEnd, i.e., the ith CTP in the left GTP in Managed Element #1 is mapped to the ith CTP in the right GTP in Managed Element #3.

For a Bundled SNC service spanning a non-singleton subnetwork, the aEnd and zEnd attributes are GTPs such that the CTPs comprising each GTP are contained in the same PTP or FTP.

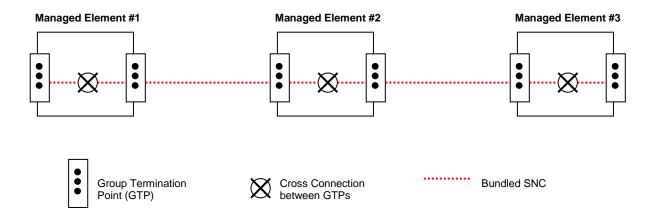


Figure 1. Bundled SNC service

Further details and requirements concerning Bundled SNC service can be found in TMF 513. Information modeling concepts concerning Bundled SNC service can be found in TMF 608.

1.3.1 Bundled SNC Service Creation and Deletion

The SNC establishment operations (createSNC, activateSNC, and createAndActivateSNC) are used to request the creation and activation of a Bundled SNC service. The parameters of the createAndActivate operation would be populated as shown in Table 1. The requesting OS would only get a response from the target OS concerning the Bundled SNC service and would not get any information about the component SNCs in the connection establishment response. Alarms and notifications would be issued against the Bundled SNC service.



Table 1. Usage of createAndActivateSNC for Bundled SNC service Establishment

Parameter	Usage		
createData			
userLabel			
forceUniqueness			
owner	Same usage as "regular" SNC establishment		
direction			
staticProtectionLevel			
protectionEffort			
rerouteAllowed			
networkRouted			
sncType	Whatever can be supported by the network.		
layerRate	Use LR_Not_Applicable. The target OS determines the layerRate(s) by looking at the CTPs contained in the aEnd and zEnd GTPs.		
ccInclusions	Same usage as "regular" SNC establishment, except that the CCs are between GTPs.		
neTpInclusions	Works similar to "regular" SNC neTPInclusions with the following exceptions:		
	 The types of resources that can be used in the inclusion list should be expanded to allow for GTPs, 		
	For each PTP used in the inclusion list, the target OS should use a GTP that contains at least one CTP from the given PTP,		
	For each CTP used in the inclusion list, the target OS should use a GTP that contains the given CTP.		
fullRoute	Same usage as "regular" SNC establishment		
neTpSncExclusions	Works similar to "regular" SNC neTpSncExclusions with the following exceptions:		
	 The types of resources that can be used in the exclusion list should be expanded to allow for GTPs 		
	 For each PTP used in the exclusion list, the target OS should not use any GTP that contains any CTP from the given PTP, 		
	For each CTP used in the exclusion list, the target OS should not use any GTP that contains the given CTP.		
aEnd	Use a GTP rather than a CTP		
zEnd	Use a GTP rather than a CTP		
additionalCreation Info	It is recommended that a bundledSNCIndicator be added. This parameter would be a boolean.		
tolerableImpact			
emsFreedomLevel	Same usage as "regular" SNC establishment		
tpsToModify			
	See Table 2		
theSNC	See Table 2		



Table 2. Usage of SNC Structure for Bundled SNC service

Parameter	Usage	
name	Name of Bundled SNC service	
userLabel		
aliasNameList	Same usage as "regular" SNC establishment	
owner		
sncState		
direction		
rate	Use LR_Not_Applicable	
staticProtectionLevel	Same usage as "regular" SNC establishment	
sncType	No restriction (whatever the equipment can support)	
aEnd	A GTP list rather than a CTP list is used. Note that TPData_T is used to represent an endpoint of an SNC. In the case of a GTP, only the tpName and transmissionParams apply. The tpMappingMode should be set to TM_NA, and traffic descriptors should not be used.	
zEnd	A GTP list rather than a CTP list is used.	
rerouteAllowed	Same usage as "regular" SNC establishment when such a capability is supported for Bundled SNC services It should be noted that current control-plane signaling protocol do not support GTPs.	
networkRouted		
additionalInfo	It is recommended that a bundledSNCIndicator be added to additionalInfo. This parameter would be a boolean.	

1.3.2 Applicability of Other SNC-Related Operations to Bundled SNC Service

1.3.2.1 Operations in the ManagedElementMgr Interface

- getAllCrossConnections the operation should also return cross connections between GTPs.
- getContainedCurrentTPNames, getContainedCurrentTPs, getContainedInUseTPNames, getContainedInUseTPs, getContainedPotentialTPNames, getContainedPotentialTPs – these operations apply to TPs and not GTPs.
- getContainingTPNames, getContainingTPs these operations apply to TPs and not GTPs.
- getTP this operation applies to TPs and **not** GTPs, a new operation needs to be defined for the retrieval of GTPs (see the getGTP operation defined later in this contribution).
- setTPData this operation applies to TPs and **not** GTPs.

1.3.2.2 Operations in the MultLayerSubnetworkMgr Interface

The following operations are valid for Bundled SNC service: checkValidSNC, activateSNC, createSNC, deactivateAndDeleteSNC, deactivateSNC and deleteSNC.



Concerning the deletion of a Bundled SNC service: A new attribute has been added to the additionalInfo of the SNC struct (to be named mustRemoveGTPs). The attribute is carried in the additionalCrationInfo parameter of the various SNC establishment operations. The attribute is only used for Bundled SNC service. MustRemoveGTPs takes on two possible values, i.e., YES (the target OS must make a best-effort attempt to remove the interior GTPs that once belonged to the SNC) and NO (the requesting OS doesn't care if the target OS removes the interior GTPs or not). In the case that mustRemoveGTPs is set to "YES" and the target OS cannot remove all the interior GTPs, the target OS should return a list of the GTPs that could not be removed in the errorReason field of the deactivateAndDeleteSNC and deactivateSNC operations. The errorReason would be "not all interior GTPs could be deleted" – this would be followed by the names of the GTPs that could not be deleted.

- getAllSubnetworkConnections, getAllSubnetworkConnectionNames these operations should also return Bundled SNC services.
- getAllSubnetworkConnectionsWithTP, getAllSubnetworkConnectionNamesWithTP these
 operations also apply to GTPs and Bundled SNC services. This is an example of an operation
 that is not semantically backward compatible. Further, the following should be noted:
 - This operation also works if a GTP is supplied rather than a CTP. In this case, the layerRate is set to LR_Not_Applicable. If the GTP is part of a cross connection, the target OS returns the set of Bundled SNC services that use the provided GTP as either an end point or an interior point.
 - As input to the operation the requesting OS may use a CTP that is associated with a GTP. In this case, the target OS returns the set of Bundled SNC services that use the containing GTP as either an end point or an interior point.
- getAssociatedTP this operation is **not** applicable to GTPs.
- getRoute this operation also works for Bundled SNC services. In the case of a Bundled SNC service, the target OS returns a set of cross connections betweens GTPs."
- getSNC this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- getSNCsByUserLabel this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.

1.3.2.3 Relationship to v3.0 Operations

- addRoute the relationship between Bundled SNC service and the SNC with Multiple Routes feature requires further study and is not applicable for v3.0.
- createModifiedSNC this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- getAllFixedSubnetworkConnectionNames this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- getAllFixedSubnetworkConnectionNamesWithTP this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- getAllFixedSubnetworkConnections this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- getAllFixedSubnetworkConnectionsWithTP this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- getBackupRoutes the relationship between Bundled SNC service and the SNC with Multiple Routes feature requires further study and is not applicable for v3.0.
- getRouteAndTopologicalLinks this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.

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- modifySNC this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- removeRoute the relationship between Bundled SNC service and the SNC with Multiple Routes feature requires further study and is not applicable for v3.0.
- setIntendedRoute the relationship between Bundled SNC service and the SNC with Multiple Routes feature requires further study and is not applicable for v3.0.
- setRoutesAdminState the relationship between Bundled SNC service and the SNC with Multiple Routes feature requires further study and is not applicable for v3.0.
- swapSNC this operation is applicable to Bundled SNC services.
- switchRoute the relationship between Bundled SNC service and the SNC with Multiple Routes feature requires further study and is not applicable for v3.0.



2 Administrative Appendix

2.1 Document History

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