



Configure Segment Routing for OSPF Protocol

Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) is an Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP) developed by the OSPF working group of the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF). Designed expressly for IP networks, OSPF supports IP subnetting and tagging of externally derived routing information. OSPF also allows packet authentication and uses IP multicast when sending and receiving packets.

This module provides the configuration information to enable segment routing for OSPF.



Note For additional information on implementing OSPF on your , see the *Implementing OSPF* module in the .

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Enabling Segment Routing for OSPF Protocol

Segment routing on the OSPF control plane supports the following:

- OSPFv2 control plane
- Multi-area
- IPv4 prefix SIDs for host prefixes on loopback interfaces
- Adjacency SIDs for adjacencies
- MPLS penultimate hop popping (PHP) and explicit-null signaling

This section describes how to enable segment routing MPLS and MPLS forwarding in OSPF. Segment routing can be configured at the instance, area, or interface level.

Before you begin

Your network must support the MPLS Cisco IOS XR software feature before you enable segment routing for OSPF on your router.



Note You must enter the commands in the following task list on every OSPF router in the traffic-engineered portion of your network.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters mode.
Step 2	router ospf <i>process-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config)# router ospf 1	Enables OSPF routing for the specified routing process and places the router in router configuration mode.
Step 3	segment-routing mpls Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf)# segment-routing mpls	Enables segment routing using the MPLS data plane on the routing process and all areas and interfaces in the routing process. Enables segment routing forwarding on all interfaces in the routing process and installs the SIDs received by OSPF in the forwarding table.
Step 4	area <i>area</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf)# area 0	Enters area configuration mode.
Step 5	segment-routing mpls Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf-ar)# segment-routing mpls	(Optional) Enables segment routing using the MPLS data plane on the area and all interfaces in the area. Enables segment routing forwarding on all interfaces in the area and installs the SIDs received by OSPF in the forwarding table.
Step 6	exit Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf-ar)# exit RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf)# exit	
Step 7	Use the commit or end command.	commit —Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session. end —Prompts user to take one of these actions:

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes — Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session. • No — Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes. • Cancel — Remains in the configuration session, without committing the configuration changes.

What to do next

Configure the prefix SID.

Configuring a Prefix-SID on the OSPF-Enabled Loopback Interface

A prefix segment identifier (SID) is associated with an IP prefix. The prefix SID is manually configured from the segment routing global block (SRGB) range of labels. A prefix SID is configured under the loopback interface with the loopback address of the node as the prefix. The prefix segment steers the traffic along the shortest path to its destination.

A prefix SID can be a node SID or an Anycast SID. A node SID is a type of prefix SID that identifies a specific node. 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. Packets addressed to an Anycast address are forwarded to the topologically nearest nodes.

The prefix SID is globally unique within the segment routing domain.

This task describes how to configure prefix segment identifier (SID) index or absolute value on the OSPF-enabled Loopback interface.

Before you begin

Ensure that segment routing is enabled on an instance, area, or interface.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	router ospf <i>process-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config) # router ospf 1	Enables OSPF routing for the specified routing process, and places the router in router configuration mode.
Step 3	area <i>value</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf) # area 0	Enters area configuration mode.
Step 4	interface Loopback <i>interface-instance</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf-ar) # interface loopback 0	Specifies the loopback interface and instance.
Step 5	prefix-sid [algorithm <i>algorithm-number</i>] { index <i>SID-index</i> absolute <i>SID-value</i> } [n-flag-clear] [explicit-null] Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf-ar) # prefix-sid index 1001 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf-ar) # prefix-sid absolute 17001	Configures the prefix-SID index or absolute value for the interface. Specify algorithm <i>algorithm-number</i> to configure SR Flexible Algorithm. Specify index <i>SID-index</i> for each node to create a prefix SID based on the lower boundary of the SRGB + the index. Specify absolute <i>SID-value</i> for each node to create a specific prefix SID within the SRGB. By default, the n-flag is set on the prefix-SID, indicating that it is a node SID. For specific prefix-SID (for example, Anycast prefix-SID), enter the n-flag-clear keyword. OSPF does not set the N flag in the prefix-SID sub Type Length Value (TLV). To disable penultimate-hop-popping (PHP) and add an explicit-Null label, enter the explicit-null keyword. OSPF sets the E flag in the prefix-SID sub TLV.
Step 6	Use the commit or end command.	commit —Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session. end —Prompts user to take one of these actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes — Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session. • No —Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancel — Remains in the configuration session, without committing the configuration changes.

Verify the prefix-SID configuration:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show ospf database opaque-area 7.0.0.1 self-originate
  OSPF Router with ID (10.0.0.1) (Process ID 1)
    Type-10 Opaque Link Area Link States (Area 0)
<...>
  Extended Prefix TLV: Length: 20
    Route-type: 1
    AF          : 0
    Flags       : 0x40
    Prefix      : 10.0.0.1/32

  SID sub-TLV: Length: 8
    Flags       : 0x0
    MTID        : 0
    Algo        : 0
    SID Index   : 1001
```

Segment Routing ECMP-FEC Optimization

ECMP-FECs are used for any ECMP programming on the system, such as MPLS LSP ECMP, VPN multipath, and [EVPN multi-homing](#).

The SR ECMP-FEC optimization solution minimizes ECMP-FEC resource consumption during underlay programming for an SR-MPLS network. This feature supports sharing the same ECMP-FEC, regular FEC, and Egress Encapsulation DB (EEDB) entries among /32 IPv4 Segment Routing prefixes with the same set of next hops.

ECMP-FEC optimization is triggered when all the out_labels associated with the ECMP paths for a given prefix have the same value. If this rule is not met, then the prefix is programmed with a dedicated ECMP-FEC.

Segment Routing Label Edge Router (LER) ECMP-FEC Optimization enables ECMP-FEC optimization originally developed for Label Switched Router (LSR) nodes (MPLS P) to be enabled on LER (Layer 3 MPLS PE) routers.

Usage Guidelines and Limitations

- For IPv4 /32 labeled prefixes with ECMP across a combination of labeled and unlabeled (PHP) paths, the SR ECMP-FEC Optimization cannot be triggered since the paths associated with the prefix do not have the same outgoing label and/or label action.
- For prefixes with LFA backup paths, the SR ECMP-FEC Optimization is possible since these backup paths do not require an extra label to be pushed; all paths associated with the prefix (primary and backup) have the same outgoing label value.

- For prefixes with TI-LFA backup paths requiring extra labels to be pushed on to the backup, the SR ECMP-FEC Optimization is not possible since all the paths associated with the prefix do not have the same outgoing label value.
- For the duration of time that prefixes are programmed to avoid microloops (when SR MicroLoop Avoidance is triggered), SR ECMP-FEC Optimization is not possible since all the paths associated with the prefix do not have the same outgoing label value. After removal of the microloop-avoidance programming, the SR ECMP-FEC Optimization might be possible again.
- For scenarios with prefixes where the SR ECMP-FEC Optimization is not possible, dedicated ECMP-FEC is allocated per prefix. This could potentially lead to ECMP FEC out-of-resource (OOR) considering the baseline usage of ECMP FEC resources at steady state. During ECMP-FEC OOR, prefixes with multiple paths are programmed with a single path in order to avoid traffic disruption.
- SR ECMP-FEC optimization is applicable in the following instances:
 - Label Switched Router (LSR) nodes (MPLS P)
 - L3VPN Label Edge Router (LER) nodes
- SR ECMP-FEC optimization should not be enabled in the following instances:
 - L2VPN LER nodes
 - L2VPN/L3VPN LER nodes with VPN over BGP-LU over SR
- BGP PIC is not supported
- For IPv4 /32 labeled prefixes, transitioning from TI-LFA to SR ECMP-FEC optimization can cause ECMP-FEC OOR due to different output labels (ECMP label vs backup path's label) at make-before-break. This results in a few second traffic loss depending on route scale.

Enable SR ECMP-FEC Optimization

To enable SR ECMP-FEC optimization, use the **hw-module fib mpls label lsr-optimized** command in global configuration mode. After enabling this feature, reload the line card.

```
Router(config)# hw-module fib mpls label lsr-optimized
Router(config)# commit

LC/0/0/CPU0:Oct 11 20:19:12.540 UTC: fia_driver[185]:
%FABRIC-FIA_DRVR-4-MPLS_HW_PROFILE_MISMATCH :
  Mismatch found, reload LC to activate the new mpls profile

Router# reload location 0/0/CPU0

Proceed with reload? [confirm]
Reloading node 0/0/CPU0
```

Verification

The following example shows NPU usage before enabling SR ECMP-FEC optimization.

```
Router# show controllers npu resources ecmpfec location all
HW Resource Information For Location: 0/0/CPU0
HW Resource Information
  Name                               : ecmp_fec
```

```
OOB Information
  NPU-0
    Estimated Max Entries      : 4096
    Red Threshold              : 95
    Yellow Threshold           : 80
    OOR State                  : Green
```

```
Current Usage
  NPU-0
    Total In-Use           : 1001    (24 %)
    ipnhgroup              : 1001    (24 %)
    ip6nhgroup                : 0        (0 %)
```

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```
Router# show controllers npu resources ecmpfec location all
```

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HW Resource Information For Location: 0/0/CPU0
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```
HW Resource Information
```

```
  Name                               : ecmp_fec
```

```
OOB Information
  NPU-0
    Estimated Max Entries      : 4096
    Red Threshold              : 95
    Yellow Threshold           : 80
    OOR State                  : Green
```

```
Current Usage
  NPU-0
    Total In-Use           : 7        (0 %)
    ipnhgroup              : 7        (0 %)
    ip6nhgroup                : 0        (0 %)
```

