

# PCEP Protocol Extension for Spectrum Utilization Optimization in Flexi-Grid Networks

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# Motivation

## Flexi-grid networks

### Advantage

- ✓ **Flexible**

accommodate the bandwidth requirement of various client services.

### Disadvantage

- ✓ **Contiguous spectrum**

Before assigning the client LSP, we have to find suitable route and fit contiguous spectrum for it, and it is a complex process.

- ✓ **Fragmentation**

In a dynamic traffic scenario, the procedure of channel setup and tear down leads to fragmentation of spectral resources.

# General Assumptions

To overcome above two problems that would affect Spectrum utilization, we introduce some optimization in Routing and Spectrum assignment (RSA ) and propose defragmentation.

## 1. RSA

- Different from RWA, RSA has to find contiguous spectrum for every client LSP.
- Similar to RWA , there are also several spectrum assignment algorithms. To increase utilization rate of spectrum resources, we have to select different RSA algorithms for different networks.

## 2. Defragmentation

- The procedure of channel setup and tear down leads to fragmentation of spectral resources, defragmentation is proposed to improve the continuity of spectrum resources.
- Advantage of defragmentation
  - ✓ consolidate discontinuous spectrum resources
  - ✓ increase utilization rate of spectrum resources
  - ✓ reduce the blocking probability
- Defragmentation doesn't exist in traditional networks. Flexi-grid networks require to extend PCEP protocol to support it.

# RSA

## PCEP Extension Requirements

### PCReq

- Add RAEO-list information to support RSA algorithms selection.
- Extend <RP> [**<NO-PATH>**] information to find whether contiguous spectrum is satisfied.

<request>::= **<RP>**

<response>::=<RP>

<END-POINTS>

**[<RAEO-list>]**

[<LSPA>]

**[<NO-PATH>]**

[<attribute>]

[<path-list>]

[<BANDWIDTH>]

[<metric-list>]

[<RRO>]

[<BANDWIDTH>]]

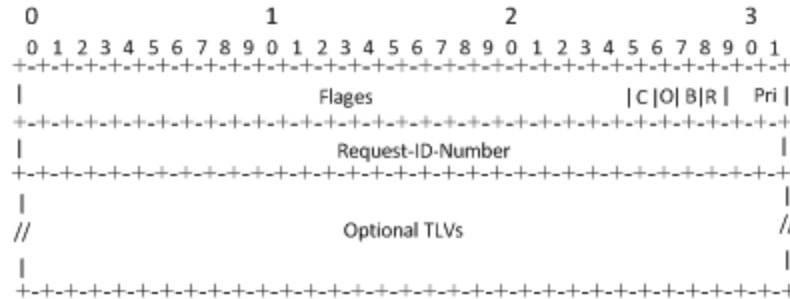
[<IRO>]

[<LOAD-

BALANCING>]

RP Object :

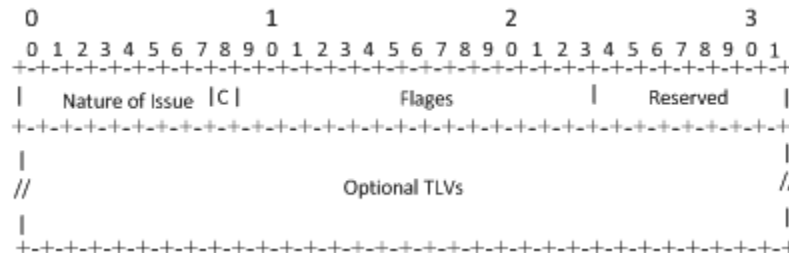
C bit is the Cascade bit, if C=1, assign continuous spectrum for traffic else assign uncontinuous spectrum.



NO-PATH:

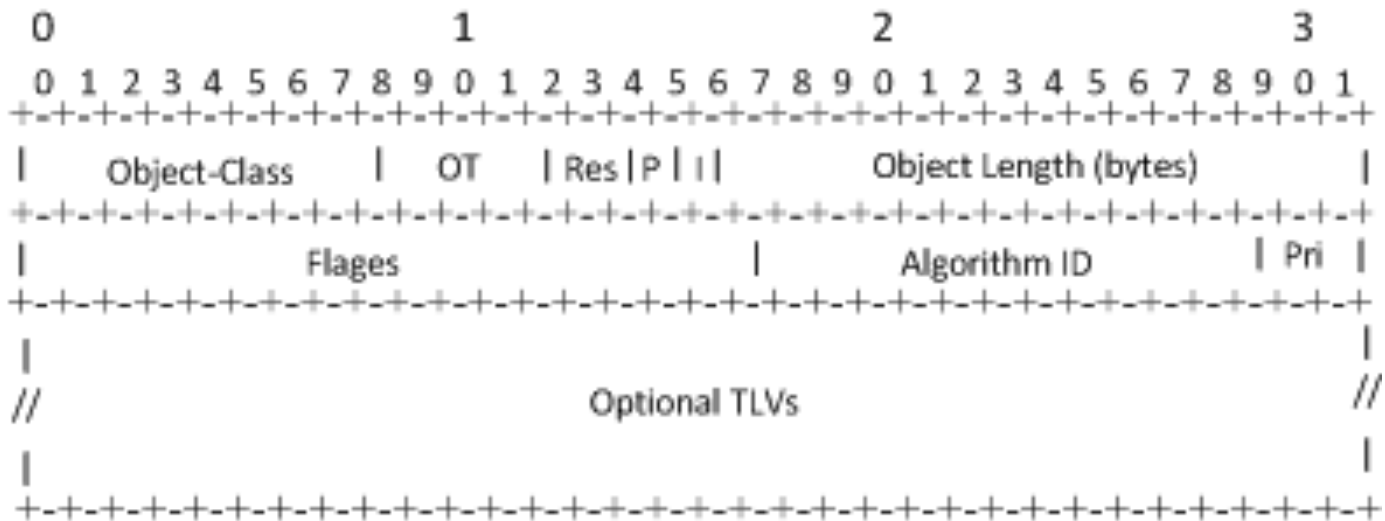
NI -Nature of Issue (8 bits): The NI field is used to report the nature of the issue that leads to a negative reply. Two values are currently defined:

- 0: No path satisfying the set of constraints could be found
- 1: PCE chain broken
- 2: No path satisfying the Continuous spectrum



[<RAEO-list>] defined as follows:

“Algorithm Id”, which stands for the number of different algorithms  
"Pri" that means priority of these algorithms.



# Defragmentation

## PCEP Extension Requirements

Add two messages to support defragmentation

- Spectrum Defragmentation Request Message
- Spectrum Defragmentation Reply Message

Spectrum Defragmentation Request Message

`<SDReq Message> ::= <Common  
Header>`

`<SDTO-list>`

`[LSPA Object]`

`[<RAEO-list>]`

Spectrum Defragmentation Reply Message

`<SDRep Message> ::= <Common  
Header>`

`<SDTO-list>`





# Next Steps

- ✓ Improve the document according to the feedback from meeting or mailing list
- ✓ Comments are always appreciated

*Thank you*