State Synchronization Between Stateful PCE

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Introduction

- Procedure for Inter-Stateful PCE communications
 - Making PCE deployments more resilient
 - Solve computation loop/optimality issues for dependent path computations (for e.g. diversity)
- Work for all PCE-PCE relationships
 - Redundant PCEs (backup or load-balance)
 - Inter-domain PCEs
 - Hierarchy of PCEs
- Discussed previously in IETF 98 & 97

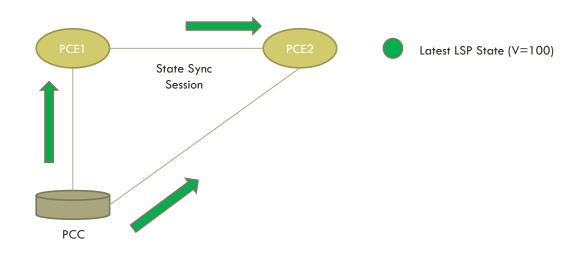
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- Generic procedures for the stateful inter-PCE communication
 - A state-sync PCEP session between Stateful PCEs
 - Bi-directional state synchronization between stateful PCEs
 - Master-Slave relationship between PCEs for a group of LSPs
 - PCE election based on priority (how the priority is set/advertised is out of scope)
 - A set of forwarding rules of LSP state
 - Sub-delegation procedures

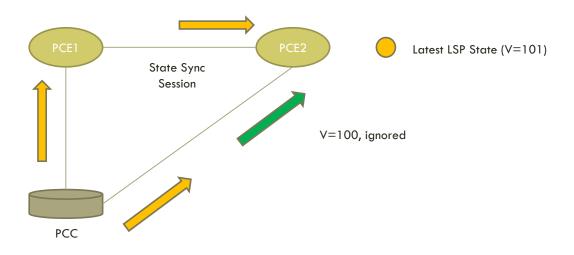
Updates in -02

- How to make sure the "latest" state is synchronized at PCEs in case of learning LSP state from multiple sources?
 - A single "freshest" state for the LSP should be kept (with a list of all sources)
- Use the LSP-DB version number (similar to RFC8232 state synchronization optimizations)
 - ORIGINAL-LSP-DB-VERSION TLV which encodes the PCC's LSP-DB version number (as received from PCC) on the state-sync PCE sessions
 - LSP-DB-VERSION TLV is still used with local PCE's Database version to support state optimization techniques
 - A PCE updates the LSP state only if the ORIGINAL-LSP-DB-VERSION present in the PCRpt is greater than the current ORIGINAL-LSP-DB-VERSION of the stored LSP state.
 - This ensures that a PCE never tries to update its stored LSP state with an old information.

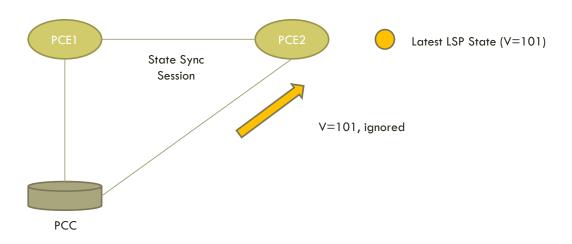
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Next Steps

- Procedures for the PCE-Initiated LSP need to explicitly stated in the draft.
 - Most of the procedure remains same as a delegated LSP
- Issue WG adoption call for the Document.
 - Problem is worth working on?
 - The document is a good foundation.

