

# NSI

# Error codes

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# Error codes

I think the current set by John and me are fairly good

More feedback would be nice though

Unclear how to handle downstream errors

Propagate them up, abstract them, list them

To some extent this can be abstracted away, but only some

Potentially important for error recovery

Did the NSA fail, or did something else fail, how did it fail

What to do when multiple things fail

Options:

List of errors

Error code for downstream error + downstream error code

# Error code hierarchy

Error list probably isn't complete

I suggest making an error hierarchy

Purpose is to have some semi-generic error codes for the future

Still only one error code - but can be generalized

# Error codes hierarchy

PAYLOAD_ERROR	00100
MISSING_PARAMETER	00101
NOT_IMPLEMENTED	00102
CONNECTION_ERROR	00200
INVALID_TRANSITION	00201
CONNECTION_EXISTS	00202
CONNECTION_NONEXISTENT	00203
CONNECTION_GONE	00204
SECURITY_ERROR	00300
UNAUTHORIZED	00301
TOPOLOGY_ERROR	00400
UNKNOWN_STP	00401
STP_RESOLUTION_ERROR	00402
NO_PATH_FOUND	00403
INTERNAL_ERROR	00500
INTERNAL_NRM_ERROR	00501
RESOURCE_UNAVAILABLE	00600
STP_UNAVAILABLE	00601
BANDWIDTH_UNAVAILABLE	00602

# Hierarchical error codes explained

So the idea is:

SECURITY_ERROR	00300
UNAUTHORIZED	00301

If we introduce a new security error code (00302)

An implementation can generalize it into 00300, if it doesn't know it

# Decision Points

How do we report downstream errors?

Are the current error codes enough?

Should we have a hierarchy/groups of errors?