



## RADIUS Configurations Configuration Guide Cisco IOS Release 12.2SR

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# **Attribute Screening for Access Requests**

The Attribute Screening for Access Requests feature allows you to configure your network access server (NAS) to filter attributes in outbound Access Requests to the RADIUS server for purposes of authentication or authorization.

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# **Prerequisites for Attribute Screening for Access Requests**

• You must be familiar with configuring attribute lists.

# **Restrictions for Attribute Screening for Access Requests**

• Attributes 1 (Username), 2 (User-Password), and 3 (Chap-Password) cannot be filtered.

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# Information About Attribute Screening for Access Requests

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## **Configuring an NAS to Filter Attributes in Outbound Access Requests**

The Attribute Screening for Access Requests feature allows you to configure your NAS to filter attributes in outbound Access Requests to the RADIUS server for purposes of authentication or authorization. The filters can be configured on the NAS, or they can be downloaded via downloadable vendor-specific attributes (VSAs) from the authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) server.

The following are some examples of the downloadable VSAs:

```
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair="ppp-authen-type=chap"
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair="ppp-authen-list=group 1"
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair="ppp-author-list=group 1"
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair="vpdn:tunnel-id=B53"
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair="vpdn:ip-addresses=10.0.58.35"
```

Note

You must be aware of which attributes you want to filter. Filtering certain key attributes can result in authentication failure (for example, attribute 60 should not be filtered).

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#### **Configuring Attribute Screening for Access Requests**

To configure the attribute screening for access requests, perform the following steps.

or

accounting [request | reply] [ accept | reject ] listname

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- 1. enable
- 2. configure terminal
- 3. radius-server attribute list listname
- 4. attribute value1 [ value2 [ value3 ... ]]
- 5. aaa group server radius group-name
- **6.** Do one of the following:
  - authorization [request | reply][accept | reject ] listname
  - •
  - accounting [request | reply] [ accept | reject ] listname

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

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	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
		• Enter your password if prompted.
	Example:	
	Router> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Router# configure terminal	
Step 3	radius-server attribute list listname	Defines an attribute list.
	Example:	
	Router (config)# radius-server attribute list attrlist	
Step 4	attribute value1 [ value2 [ value3 ]]	Adds attributes to an accept or reject list.
	Example:	
	Router (config)# attribute 6-10, 12	
Step 5	aaa group server radius group-name	Applies the attribute list to the AAA server group and enters server-group configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Router (config)# aaa group server radius radl	

(	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>6</b> I	<ul> <li>Do one of the following:</li> <li>authorization [request   reply][accept   reject ] listname</li> </ul>	Filters attributes in outbound Access Requests to the RADIUS server for purposes of authentication or authorization.
E	accounting [request   reply] [ accept   reject ] listname  xample:	<ul> <li>The request keyword defines filters for outgoing authorization Access Requests.</li> <li>The reply keyword defines filters for incoming authorization Accept and Reject packets and for outgoing accounting requests.</li> </ul>
R a	Router (config-sg-radius)# <b>authorization</b> request accept	
E	xample:	
E	xample:	
E	xample:	
R	Router (config-sg-radius)# accounting request accept attrlist	

## **Configuring a Router to Support Downloadable Filters**

Perform this task to configure your router to support downloadable filters.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- 1. enable
- 2. configure terminal
- 3. aaa authorization template
- 4. aaa authorization network default group radius
- 5. radius-server attribute list list-name
- 6. attribute value1 [value2 [value3...]]

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
		• Enter your password if prompted.
	Example:	
	Router> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Router# configure terminal	
Step 3	aaa authorization template	Enables usage of a local or remote customer template on the basis of Virtual Private Network (VPN) routing
		and forwarding (VRF).
	Example:	
	Router (config)# aaa authorization template	
Step 4	aaa authorization network default group radius	Sets parameters that restrict user access to a network.
	Example:	
	Router (config)# aaa authorization network default group radius	
Step 5	radius-server attribute list list-name	Defines an accept or reject list name.
	Example:	
	Router (config)# radius-server attribute list attlist	
Step 6	attribute value1 [value2 [value3]]	Adds attributes to an accept or reject list.
	Example:	
	Router (config)# attribute 10-14, 24	

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#### **Troubleshooting Tips**

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If attribute filtering is not working, ensure that the attribute list is properly defined.

#### **Monitoring and Maintaining Attribute Filtering for Access Requests**

To monitor and maintain attribute filtering, you can use the debug radiuscommand.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- 1. enable
- 2. debug radius

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Enables privileged EXEC mode.	
		• Enter your password if prompted.
	Example:	
	Router> enable	
Step 2	debug radius	Displays information associated with RADIUS, including filtering information.
	Example:	
	Router# debug radius	

# Configuration Examples for Attribute Filtering for Access Requests

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## **Attribute Filtering for Access Requests Example**

The following example shows that the attributes 30-31 that are defined in "all-attr" will be rejected in all outbound Access Request messages:

```
aaa group server radius ras
server 172.19.192.238 auth-port 1745 acct-port 1746
authorization request reject all-attr
!
.
.
radius-server attribute list all-attr
attribute 30-31
!
.
.
```

## **Attribute Filtering User Profile Example**

The following is a sample user profile after attribute filtering has been configured for Access Requests:

```
cisco.com Password = "cisco"
Service-Type = Framed,
Framed-Protocol = PPP,
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = :1:"rad-serv=172.19.192.87 key rad123",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = :1:"rad-serv-filter=authorization request reject rangel",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = :1:"rad-serv-filter=accounting request reject rangel",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "ppp-authen-type=chap'
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "ppp-authen-list=group 1"
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "ppp-author-list=group 1",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "ppp-acct-list=start-stop group 1",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:tunnel-id=B53",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:tunnel-type=12tp"
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:ip-addresses=10.0.58.35",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:12tp-tunnel-password=cisco"
user2@cisco.com
Service-Type = Outbound,
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:tunnel-id=B53",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:tunnel-type=12tp"
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:ip-addresses=10.0.58.35",
Cisco:Cisco-Avpair = "vpdn:l2tp-tunnel-password=cisco"
```

When a session for user2@cisco.com "comes up" at the Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol (L2TP) Network Server (LNS)--as is shown above--because the **aaa authorization template** command has been configured, a RADIUS request is sent to the server for Cisco.com. The server then sends an Access Accept message if authentication is successful, along with the VSAs that are configured as part of the Cisco.com profile. If filters are configured as part of the Cisco.com profile, these filters will be parsed and applied to the RADIUS requests for user2@cisco.com.

In the above profile example, filter range1 has been applied to the authorization and accounting requests.

#### debug radius Command Example

If the attribute you are trying to filter is rejected, you will see an **debug radius** output statement similar to the following:

```
RADIUS: attribute 31 rejected
```

If you try to filter an attribute that cannot be filtered, you will see an output statement similar to the following:

RADIUS: attribute 1 cannot be rejected

# Additional References

The following sections provide references related to Attribute Filtering for Access Requests.

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Related Topic	Document Title
Configuring RADIUS	Configuring RADIUS feature document.
Security commands	Cisco IOS Security Command Reference

Related Topic	Document Title
RADIUS attribute lists	RADIUS Attribute Screening feature document.
Standards	
Standards	Title
None	
MIBs	
MIBs	MIBs Link
None	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL:
	http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs
RFCs	
RFCs	Title
None	
Technical Assistance	
Description	Link
The Cisco Support website provides extensive online resources, including documentation and tools for troubleshooting and resolving technical issues with Cisco products and technologies.	http://www.cisco.com/techsupport
To receive security and technical information about your products, you can subscribe to various services, such as the Product Alert Tool (accessed from Field Notices), the Cisco Technical Services Newsletter, and Really Simple Syndication (RSS) Feeds.	
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 Table 1
 Feature Information for Attribute Screening for Access Requests

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Attribute Screening for Access Requests	12.3(3)B 12.3(7)T 12.2(28)SB 12.2(33)SRC	The Attribute Screening for Access Requests feature allows a network access server (NAS) to be configured to filter attributes in outbound Access Requests to the RADIUS server for purposes of authentication or authorization.
		In 12.3(3)B, this feature was introduced.
		This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.3(7)T
		This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(28)SB.
		This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC.
		The following commands were introduced or modified by this feature: <b>authorization</b> ( <b>server-group</b> ).

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# **Enhanced Test Command**

The Enhanced Test Command feature allows a named user profile to be created with calling line ID (CLID) or dialed number identification service (DNIS) attribute values. The CLID or DNIS attribute values can be associated with the RADIUS record that is sent with the user profile so that the RADIUS server can access CLID or DNIS attribute information for all incoming calls.

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# **Finding Feature Information**

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# **Restrictions for the Enhanced Test Command**

The test aaa group command does not work with TACACS+.

# How to Configure the Enhanced Test Command

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## **Configuring a User Profile and Associating it with the RADIUS Record**

This section describes how to create a named user profile with CLID or DNIS attribute values and associate it with the RADIUS record.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- 1. enable
- 2. configure terminal
- 3. aaa user profile profile-name
- 4. aaa attribute {dnis | clid}
- 5. exit
- 6. Router# test aaa group {group-name | radius} username password new-code [profile profile-name]

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
		• Enter your password if prompted.
	Example:	
	Router> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Router# configure terminal	
Step 3	aaa user profile profile-name	Creates a user profile.
	Example:	
	Router(config)# aaa user profile profilenamel	
Step 4	aaa attribute {dnis   clid}	Adds DNIS or CLID attribute values to the user profile and enters AAA-user configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Router# configure terminal	
Step 5	exit	Exit Global Configuration mode.
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	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	Router# test aaa group {group-name   radius} username password new-code [profile profile-name]	Associates a DNIS or CLID named user profile with the record sent to the RADIUS server.
	Example:	<b>Note</b> The <i>profile-name</i> must match the profile-name specified in the <b>aaa user profile</b> command.
	Router# <b>test aaa group</b> radius secret new-code <b>profile</b> profilename1	

## Verifying the Enhanced Test Command Configuration

To verify the Enhanced Test Command configuration, use the following commands in privileged EXEC mode:

Command	Purpose
Router# debug radius	Displays information associated with RADIUS.
Router# more system:running-config	Displays the contents of the current running configuration file. (Note that the <b>more</b> <b>system:running-config</b> command has replaced the <b>show running-config</b> command.)

# **Configuration Example for Enhanced Test Command**

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## User Profile Associated With a test aaa group command Example

The following example shows how to configure the dnis = dnisvalue user profile "prfl1" and associate it with a **test aaa group** command. In this example, the **debug radius** command has been enabled and the output follows the configuration.

```
*Dec 31 16:35:48: RADIUS: Initial Transmit unknown id 8 172.22.71.21:1645, Access-
Request, len 68
 *Dec 31 16:35:48: RADIUS: code=Access-Request id=08 len=0068
         authenticator=1E CA 13 F2 E2 81 57 4C - 02 EA AF 9D 30 D9 97 90
                                            L=12 V=*
         T=User-Password[2]
         T=User-Name[1]
                                            L=07 V="test"
         T=Called-Station-Id[30]
                                            L=0B V="dnisvalue"
                                            L=06 V=Login
                                                                             [1]
         T=Service-Type[6]
                                            L=06 V=10.0.1.81
         T=NAS-IP-Address[4]
 *Dec 31 16:35:48: RADIUS: Received from id 8 172.22.71.21:1645, Access-Accept, len 38
 *Dec 31 16:35:48: RADIUS: code=Access-Accept id=08 len=0038
```

# **Additional References**

The following sections provide references related to Enhanced Test Command.

Related Topic	Document Title	
Security Commands	Cisco IOS Security Command Reference	
Standards		
Standard	Title	
None		
MIBs		
MIB	MIBs Link	
None	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL:	
	http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs	
RFCs		
RFC	Title	

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Description	Link
The Cisco Support website provides extensive online resources, including documentation and tools for troubleshooting and resolving technical issues with Cisco products and technologies.	http://www.cisco.com/techsupport
To receive security and technical information about your products, you can subscribe to various services, such as the Product Alert Tool (accessed from Field Notices), the Cisco Technical Services Newsletter, and Really Simple Syndication (RSS) Feeds.	
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		This feature was introduced in Cisco IOS Release 12.2(4)T.
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		This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC.
		The following commands were introduced or modified by this feature: <b>aaa attribute</b> , <b>aaa user</b> <b>profile</b> , <b>test aaa group</b>

Table 2 Featur	e Inf	formation	for En	hanced	Test	Command
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# Glossary

**attribute** --RADIUS Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) attributes are the original set of 255 standard attributes that are used to communicate AAA information between a client and a server. Because IETF attributes are standard, the attribute data is predefined and well known; thus all clients and servers who exchange AAA information via IETF attributes must agree on attribute data such as the exact meaning of the attributes and the general bounds of the values for each attribute.

CLID-calling line ID. CLID provides the number from which a call originates.

DNIS--dialed number identification service. DNIS provides the number that is dialed.

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User Profile Associated With a test aaa group command Example



# **Offload Server Accounting Enhancement**

The Offload Server Accounting Enhancement feature allows users to maintain authentication and accounting information between their network access servers (NASs) and the offload server.

Although NASs can already synchronize information with an offload server, this feature extends the functionality to include a unique session-id, adding the Acct-Session-Id (attribute 44) before the existing session-id (NAS-IP-Address), and Class (attribute 25) information collected by the NASs.

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# **Prerequisites**

Before configuring the Offload Server Accounting Enhancement feature, you must perform the following tasks:

- Enable AAA. See the Configuring Authentication feature module for more information.
- Enable VPN. See the *Cisco IOS Security Configuration Guide: Secure Connectivity*, Release 12.4T for more information.

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# Information About Offload Server Accounting Enhancement

The Offload Server Accounting Enhancement feature allows users to configure their network access servers (NAS) to synchronize authentication and accounting information--NAS-IP-Address (attribute 4) and Class (attribute 25)--with the offload server.

An offload server interacts with a NAS through a Virtual Private Network (VPN) to perform required Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) negotiation for calls. The NAS performs call preauthentication, whereas the offload server performs user authentication. T his feature allows the authentication and accounting data of the NAS to synchronize with the offload server as follows:

• During preauthentication, the NAS generates a unique session-id, adding the Acct-Session-Id (attribute 44) before the existing session-id (NAS-IP-Address), and retrieves a Class attribute. The new session-id is sent in preauthentication requests and resource accounting requests; the Class attribute is sent in resource accounting requests.

Note

Unique session-ids are needed when multiple NASs are being processed by one offload server.

- The NAS-IP-Address, the Acct-Session-Id, and the Class attribute are transmitted to the offload server through Layer 2 Forwarding (L2F) options.
- The offload server includes the new, unique session-id in user access requests and user session accounting requests. The Class attribute that is passed from the NAS is included in the user access request, but a new Class attribute is received in the user access reply; this new Class attribute should be included in user session accounting requests.

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#### **Configuring Unique Session IDs**

To maintain unique session IDs among NASs, use the following global configuration command. When multiple NASs are being processed by one offload server, this feature must be enabled by all NASs and by the offload server to ensure a common and unique session-id.

Command	Purpose
Router(config)# radius-server attribute 44 extend-with-addr	<ul> <li>Adds the accounting IP address in front of the existing AAA session ID.</li> <li>Note The unique session-id is different from other NAS session-ids because it adds the Acct-Session-Id (attribute 44) before the existing session-id (NAS-IP-Address)</li> </ul>

## **Configuring Offload Server to Synchronize with NAS Clients**

To configure the offload server to synchronize accounting session information with the NAS clients, use the following global configuration command:

Command	Purpose
Router(config)# radius-server attribute 44 sync-with-client	Configures the offload server to synchronize accounting session information with the NAS clients.

### Verifying Offload Server Accounting

To verify whether the NAS has synchronized authentication and accounting data with the offload server, use the following commands in privileged EXEC mode:

Command	Purpose
Router# more system:running-config	Displays the contents of the current running configuration file. (Note that the <b>more</b> <b>system:running-config</b> command has replaced the <b>show running-config</b> command.)
Router(config)# <b>debug radius</b>	Displays information associated with RADIUS. The output of this command shows whether attribute 44 is being sent in access requests. The output, however, does not show the entire value for attribute 44. To view the entire value for attribute 44, refer to your RADIUS server log.

# **Configuration Examples for the Offload Server Accounting Enhancement**

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# **Unique Session ID Configuration Example**

The following example shows how to configure unique session IDs among NASs:

```
aaa new-model
aaa authentication ppp default group radius
radius-server host 10.100.1.34
radius-server attribute 44 include-in-access-req
radius-server attribute 44 extend-with-addr
```

## **Offload Server Synchronization with NAS Clients Example**

The following example shows how to configure the offload server to synchronize accounting session information with NAS clients:

radius-server attribute 44 sync-with-client

# **Additional References**

The following sections provide references related to the Offload Server Accounting Enhancement.

Related Topic	Document Title	
Enable VPN	<i>Cisco IOS Security Configuration Guide: Secure Connectivity</i> , Release 12.4T.	
Enable AAA	Configuring Authentication module.	
Standards		
Standard	Title	
None		
MIBs		
MIB	MIBs Link	
None	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL:	
	http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs	
RFCs		
RFC	Title	
None		

#### **Related Documents**

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Description	Link
The Cisco Support website provides extensive online resources, including documentation and tools for troubleshooting and resolving technical issues with Cisco products and technologies.	http://www.cisco.com/techsupport
To receive security and technical information about your products, you can subscribe to various services, such as the Product Alert Tool (accessed from Field Notices), the Cisco Technical Services Newsletter, and Really Simple Syndication (RSS) Feeds.	
Access to most tools on the Cisco Support website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password.	

# Feature Information for Offload Server Accounting Enhancement

The following table provides release information about the feature or features described in this module. This table lists only the software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to www.cisco.com/go/cfn. An account on Cisco.com is not required.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Offload Server Accounting Enhancement	12.2(4)T 12.2(28)SB 12.2(33)SRC	The Offload Server Accounting Enhancement feature allows users to maintain authentication and accounting information between their network access servers (NASs) and the offload server.
		This feature was introduced in Cisco IOS Release 12.2(4)T.
		This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(28)SB.
		This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC.
		The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>radius-</b> <b>server attribute 44 extend-with-</b> <b>addr, radius-server attribute 44</b> <b>sync-with-client</b>

Table 3	Feature Information for Offload Server Accounting Enhancement
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## Glossary

**AAA** --authentication, authorization, and accounting. Suite of network security services that provide the primary framework through which access control can be set up on your Cisco router or access server.

Acct-Session-ID (attribute 44) --A unique accounting identifier that makes it easy to match start and stop records in a log file. Acct-Session ID numbers restart at 1 each time the router is power-cycled or the software is reloaded.

**Class (attribute 25)** --An accounting attribute. Arbitrary value that the network access server includes in all accounting packets for this user if the attribute is supplied by the RADIUS server.

L2F --Layer 2 Forwarding. A Layer 2 tunneling protocol that enables an ISP or other access service to create a virtual tunnel to link customer remote sites or remote users with corporate home networks. In particular, a network access server (NAS) at the ISP point of presence (POP) exchanges PPP messages with the remote users and communicates by L2F or L2TP requests and responses with the customer tunnel server to set up tunnels.

**NAS** --network access server. A Cisco platform (or collection of platforms, such as an AccessPath system) that interfaces between the packet world (for example, the Internet) and the circuit world (for example, the public switched telephone network).

**NAS-IP Address (attribute 4)** --Specifies the IP address of the network access server that is requesting authentication. The default value is 0.0.0/0.

**PPP** --Point-to-Point Protocol. Successor to SLIP that provides router-to-router and host-to-network connections over synchronous and asynchronous circuits. Whereas SLIP was designed to work with IP, PPP was designed to work with several network layer protocols, such as IP, IPX, and ARA. PPP also has built-in security mechanisms, such as CHAP and PAP. PPP relies on two protocols: LCP and NCP.

**RADIUS** --Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service. RADIUS is a distributed client/server system that secures networks against unauthorized access. In the Cisco implementation, RADIUS clients run on Cisco

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routers and send authentication requests to a central RADIUS server that contains all user authentication and network service access information.

**VPN** --A system that permits dial-in networks to exist remotely to home networks, while giving the appearance of being directly connected. VPNs use L2TP and L2F to terminate the Layer 2 and higher parts of the network connection at the LNS instead of the LAC.

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