



Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

This document describes how to enable the Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) protocol. BFD is a detection protocol that is designed to provide fast forwarding path failure detection times for all media types, encapsulations, topologies, and routing protocols. It includes a description of how to configure multihop BFD sessions.

BFD provides a consistent failure detection method for network administrators, in addition to fast forwarding path failure detection. Because the network administrator can use BFD to detect forwarding path failures at a uniform rate, rather than the variable rates for different routing protocol hello mechanisms, network profiling and planning will be easier, and reconvergence time will be consistent and predictable.

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Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the feature information table.

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.

Prerequisites for Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

- Cisco Express Forwarding and IP routing must be enabled on all participating routers.
- You must enable Cisco Parallel eXpress Forwarding (PXF) on the Cisco 10720 Internet router in order for BFD to operate properly. PXF is enabled by default and is generally not turned off.

- One of the IP routing protocols supported by BFD must be configured on the routers before BFD is deployed. You should implement fast convergence for the routing protocol that you are using. See the IP routing documentation for your version of Cisco IOS software for information on configuring fast convergence. See the Restrictions for Bidirectional Forwarding Detection section for more information on BFD routing protocol support in Cisco IOS software.
- Before Virtual Circuit Connection Verification (VCCV) BFD on pseudowires can be run, pseudowires must be configured on the network.
- In Cisco IOS Release 15.1(2)S and later releases, support for offloading BFD sessions to ES+ line cards on Cisco 7600 series routers has the following prerequisites:
 - The router must be running BFD Version 1.
 - The BFD session type must be IPv4 single hop.
 - BFD echo mode must be disabled for the session.

See the “Configuring Synchronous Ethernet on the Cisco 7600 Router with ES+ Line Card” section of the *Cisco 7600 Series Ethernet Services Plus (ES+) and Ethernet Services Plus T (ES+T) Line Card Configuration Guide* for more information about prerequisites for hardware offload.

- In Cisco IOS Release 15.1(3)S and later releases, support for multihop BFD sessions on Cisco 7600 series routers has the following prerequisites:
 - The client must support multihop.
 - A valid multihop template and map must be configured..
 - Each BFD multihop session must have a unique source-destination address pair.

Restrictions for Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

- When BFD is enabled on an interface, an ACL with "log" option is not supported on that interface.
- With CSCt32440, the maximum number of supported VRF-aware IS-IS BFD sessions is 28.
- For the Cisco implementation of BFD for Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(18)SXE, 12.0(31)S, 12.4(4)T, 12.0(32)S, 12.2(33)SRA, and 12.2(33)SRB, only asynchronous mode is supported. In asynchronous mode, either BFD peer can initiate a BFD session.
- For Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(33)SRC, 12.2(33)SXH, and 12.2(33)SXI, echo mode is the default.
- The Cisco IOS software incorrectly allows configuration of BFD on virtual-template and dialer interfaces; however, BFD functionality on virtual-template and dialer interfaces is not supported. Avoid configuring BFD on virtual-template and dialer interfaces.
- For Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(18)SXE (and later SX releases), 12.0(31)S, 12.4(4)T, 12.0(32)S, 12.2(33)SRA, 12.2(33)SRB, 12.2(33)SRC, and 12.2(33)SB, the Cisco implementation of BFD is supported only for IPv4 networks.
- For Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRB, the Cisco implementation of BFD supports only the following routing protocols: Border Gateway Protocol (BGP), Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP), Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System (IS-IS), and Open Shortest Path First (OSPF). In Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC, BFD supports static routing.
- For Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRA, the Cisco implementation of BFD supports only the following routing protocols: BGP, IS-IS, and OSPF.

- For Cisco IOS Release 12.4(4)T, the Cisco implementation of BFD supports only the following routing protocols: BGP, EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF.
- For Cisco IOS Release 12.4(11)T, the Cisco implementation of BFD introduced support for the Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP). BFD support is not available for all platforms and interfaces.
- For Cisco IOS Releases 12.0(31)S and 12.0(32)S, the Cisco implementation of BFD supports only the following routing protocols: BGP, IS-IS, and OSPF.
- For Cisco IOS Release 12.2(18)SXE, the Cisco implementation of BFD supports only the following routing protocols: EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF.
- For Cisco IOS Release 12.2(18)SXH and 12.2(33)SB, the Cisco implementation of BFD supports the following routing protocols: BGP, EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF.
- BFD is not supported on IPsec.
- BFD works only for directly connected neighbors. BFD neighbors must be no more than one IP hop away. Multihop configurations are not supported.
- BFD support is not available for all platforms and interfaces. To confirm BFD support for a specific platform or interface and obtain the most accurate platform and hardware restrictions, see the Cisco IOS software release notes for your software version.
- For the following Cisco IOS Releases, BFD on PortChannel is not a supported configuration: 12.2SXF, 12.2SRC, and 12.2SRB.
- On the Cisco 10720 Internet router, BFD is supported only on Fast Ethernet, Gigabit Ethernet, and RPR-IEEE interfaces. BFD is not supported on Spatial Reuse Protocol (SRP) and Packet-over-SONET (POS) interfaces.
- When you configure the BFD session parameters on a Cisco 10720 interface using the **bfd** command (in interface configuration mode), the minimum configurable time period supported for the *milliseconds* argument in both the **interval milliseconds** and **min_rx milliseconds** parameters is 50 milliseconds (ms).
- A maximum of 100 BFD sessions is supported on the Cisco 10720 Internet router. When BFD tries to set up a connection between routing protocols and establish a 101th session between a Cisco 10720 Internet router and adjacent routers, the following error message is displayed:

```
00:01:24: %OSPF-5-ADJCHG: Process 100, Nbr 10.0.0.0 on RPR-IEEE1/1 from LOADING to FULL,
Loading Done
00:01:24: %BFD-5-SESSIONLIMIT: Attempt to exceed session limit of 100 neighbors.
```
- BFD packets are not matched in the QoS policy for self-generated packets.
- BFD packets are matched in the **class class-default** command. So, the user must make sure of the availability of appropriate bandwidth to prevent dropping of BFD packets due to oversubscription.
- The Cisco 10720 Internet router does not support the following BFD features:
 - Demand mode
 - Echo packets
 - BFD over IP Version 6

- On the Cisco 12000 series router, asymmetrical routing between peer devices may cause a BFD control packet to be received on a line card other than the line card that initiated the session. In this special case, the BFD session between the routing peers will not be established.
- A maximum 100 sessions per line card are supported for the distributed Cisco 12000 series Internet router. The minimum hello interval is 50 ms with up to three Max retries for a BFD control packet to be received from a remote system before a session with a neighbor is declared down.
- In Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SB, BFD is not stateful switchover (SSO) aware, and it is not supported with NSF/SSO and these features should not be used together. Enabling BFD along with NSF/SSO causes the nonstop forwarding capability to break during failover since BFD adjacencies are not maintained and the routing clients are forced to mark down adjacencies and reconverge.
- BFD is not supported on VTI tunnel.
- Effective with Cisco IOS release 15.6(3)M, BFD is also supported in the ipbasek9 image for Cisco ISR G2 modular routers. For example, if EIGRP feature is part of the ipbasek9 image, the BFD for EIGRP feature will be also part of the ipbasek9 image. When a feature is part of a software package other than IP Base which supports BFD, the associated BFD feature will be part of the equivalent software package.
- BFD between peers goes down when the entry for the BFD control packets in the applied interface ACL has log keyword added as shown in the below example:

```
10 permit ip 10.255.255.0 0.0.0.255 10.255.255.0 0.0.0.255 log
```

This behavior is seen both in echo and nonecho mode, with BFD templates also. Change in timers does not change the behavior. Any value below 750 milliseconds makes the BFD go down, 750 milliseconds 1000 milliseconds results in constant flapping of BFD and from 1000 milliseconds.
- In Cisco cBR Converged Broadband Routers, BFD is not supported with nonstop forwarding (NSF) or stateful switchover (SSO).
- BFD is not supported on SVI interface for Cisco 4000 Series Integrated Service Routers and Cisco 1000 Series Integrated Service Routers platforms.

BFD Control Channel over VCCV--Support for ATM Pseudowire

- The BFD Control Channel over VCCV--Support for Asynchronous Transfer Mode Pseudowire feature supports VCCV type 1 only, without IP/User Datagram Protocol (UDP) encapsulation.
- Any Transport over Multiprotocol Label Switching (AToM) is the only transport protocol supported by the BFD Control Channel over VCCV--Support for ATM Pseudowire feature.
- Layer 2 Transport Protocol version 3 (L2TPv3) is not supported.
- Pseudowire redundancy is not supported.
- Only ATM attachment circuits (AC) are supported.

Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SX12 and Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series Switches

- Cisco Catalyst 6500 series switches support up to 100 BFD sessions with a minimum hello interval of 50 ms and a multiplier of 3. The multiplier specifies the minimum number of consecutive packets that can be missed before a session is declared down.
- If SSO is enabled on a dual RP system, the following limitations apply:

- The maximum number of BFD sessions supported is 50.
- The minimum hello interval is 500 ms with a multiplier of 3 or higher.
- If EIGRP is enabled, the maximum number of BFD sessions supported is reduced to 30.
- Echo mode is supported on Distributed Forwarding Cards (DFCs) only.
- BFD SSO is supported on Cisco Catalyst 6500 series switches using the E-chassis and 67xx line cards only. Centralized Forwarding Cards (CFCs) are not supported.
- To enable echo mode the system must be configured with the **no ip redirects** command.
- During the In Service Software Upgrade (ISSU) cycle the line cards are reset, causing a routing flap in the BFD session.

Cisco Catalyst 6000 Series Switches

- In the Cisco Catalyst 6000 series switches, the supervisor uplink ports have to be associated with the BFD timer value of 750*750*5 milliseconds because during the stateful switchover (SSO) or peer reload, the redundancy facility (RF) progression and EtherChannel (port-channel) load calculation takes 1.5 to 2.5 seconds. This is applicable even if the BFD echo packets are exchanged over the supervisor uplinks.

Cisco IOS Release 15.1(2)S and ES+ Line Cards for Cisco 7600 Series Routers

Cisco IOS Release 15.1(2)S, supports offloading BFD sessions to ES+ line cards on Cisco 7600 series routers. See the “Configuring Synchronous Ethernet on the Cisco 7600 Router with ES+ Line Card” section of the *Cisco 7600 Series Ethernet Services Plus (ES+) and Ethernet Services Plus T (ES+T) Line Card Configuration Guide* for more information about restrictions for hardware offload.

Cisco IOS Release 15.1(3)S-Support for BFD Multihop

- Only IPv4 and IPv6 BFD multihop sessions are supported.
- Multihop sessions will not be offloaded to hardware.
- IPv6 link local addresses are not supported for BFD multihop sessions.
- Echo mode is not supported in multihop.



Note For the most accurate platform and hardware restrictions, see the Cisco IOS software release notes for your software version.

Support for Point-to-Point IPv4, IPv6, and GRE Tunnels

Depending on your release, Cisco software supports BFD forwarding on point-to-point IPv4, IPv6, and generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnels.

Only numbered interfaces are allowed. When the tunnel type is changed from a supported tunnel type to an unsupported one, BFD sessions are brought down for that tunnel and the BFD configuration is removed from the interface.

BFD detection time depends on the topology and infrastructure. For a single-hop IP tunnel that is deployed across physically adjacent devices, the 150 ms (that is, a hello interval of 50 ms with up to three retries) detection rate applies. However, when the source and destination endpoints of the tunnel are not connected back-to-back, the 150 ms detection rate is not guaranteed.

BFD uses the IP address configured on the tunnel interface. It does not use the tunnel source and destination addresses.

BFD support on DMVPN

- NHRP currently acts only on BFD down events and not on up events.
- Both peers must configure BFD to get BFD support. If one of the peers is not configured with BFD, the other peer creates BFD sessions in down or unknown state.
- To use this feature, all routers should be upgraded to Cisco IOS XE 16.3 release.
- BFD intervals configured on the peers should be the same in the BFD echo mode for spoke to spoke refresh to work as expected.
- Hub can be scaled to a maximum of 4095 DMVPN sessions on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers since the number of BFD sessions is limited to 4095. This limitation arises from the number of BFD sessions supported on ASR 1000 currently.

Information About Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

BFD Operation

BFD provides a low-overhead, short-duration method of detecting failures in the forwarding path between two adjacent routers, including the interfaces, data links, and forwarding planes.

BFD is a detection protocol that is enabled at the interface and protocol levels. Cisco supports BFD asynchronous mode, which depends on the sending of BFD control packets between two systems to activate and maintain BFD neighbor sessions between routers. Therefore, in order for a BFD session to be created, BFD must be configured on both systems (or BFD peers). Once BFD has been enabled on the interfaces and at the router level for the appropriate protocols (NHRP and the routing protocol on overlay), a BFD session is created, BFD timers are negotiated, and the BFD peers will begin to send BFD control packets to each other at the negotiated interval.

Benefits of Using BFD for Failure Detection

When you deploy any feature, it is important to consider all the alternatives and be aware of any trade-offs being made.

The closest alternative to BFD in conventional EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF deployments is the use of modified failure detection mechanisms for EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF routing protocols.

If you set EIGRP hello and hold timers to their absolute minimums, the failure detection rate for EIGRP falls to within a one- to two-second range.

If you use fast hellos for either IS-IS or OSPF, these Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP) protocols reduce their failure detection mechanisms to a minimum of one second.

There are several advantages to implementing BFD over reduced timer mechanisms for routing protocols:

- Although reducing the EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF timers can result in minimum detection timer of one to two seconds, BFD can provide failure detection in less than one second.
- Because BFD is not tied to any particular routing protocol, it can be used as a generic and consistent failure detection mechanism for EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF.
- Because some parts of BFD can be distributed to the data plane, it can be less CPU-intensive than the reduced EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF timers, which exist wholly at the control plane.

How to Configure Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

Configuring BFD Session Parameters on the Interface

The steps in this procedure show how to configure BFD on the interface by setting the baseline BFD session parameters on an interface. Repeat the steps in this procedure for each interface over which you want to run BFD sessions to BFD neighbors.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. Perform one of the following steps:
 - **ip address** *ipv4-address mask*
 - **ipv6 address** *ipv6-address/mask*
4. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	Perform one of the following steps: • ip address <i>ipv4-address mask</i> • ipv6 address <i>ipv6-address/mask</i> Example:	Configures an IP address for the interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Configuring an IPv4 address for the interface: <pre>Device(config-if)# ip address 10.201.201.1 255.255.255.0</pre> Configuring an IPv6 address for the interface: <pre>Device(config-if)# ipv6 address 2001:db8:1:1::1/32</pre>	
Step 4	end Example: <pre>Device(config-if)# end</pre>	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Configuring BFD Support for Dynamic Routing Protocols

You can enable BFD support for dynamic routing protocols at the router level to enable BFD support globally for all interfaces or you can configure BFD on a per-interface basis at the interface level.

For Cisco IOS Release 12.2(18)SX, you may configure BFD support for one or more of the following routing protocols: EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF.

For Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(33)SRA, you may configure BFD support for one or more of the following routing protocols: EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF.

For Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(33)SRB, you may configure BFD support for one or more of the following routing protocols: BGP, EIGRP, IS-IS, and OSPF.

For Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC, you may configure BFD support for static routing.

For Cisco IOS Releases 12.0(31)S and 12.4(4)T, you may configure BFD support for one or more of the following routing protocols: BGP, IS-IS, and OSPF.

For Cisco IOS Release 12.0(32)S, for the Cisco 10720 platform, you may configure BFD for one or more of the following routing protocols: BGP, IS-IS, and OSPF.

For Cisco IOS Release 12.4(11)T, BFD support for HSRP was introduced.

This section describes the following procedures:

Configuring BFD Support for Static Routing

Perform this task to configure BFD support for static routing. Repeat the steps in this procedure on each BFD neighbor. For more information, see the "Example: Configuring BFD Support for Static Routing" section.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. Perform one of the following steps:

- **ip address** *ipv4-address mask*
 - **ipv6 address** *ipv6-address/mask*
5. **exit**
 6. Perform one of the following steps:
 - **ip route static bfd** *interface-type interface-number ip-address* [**group** *group-name* [**passive**]]
 - **ipv6 route static bfd** *interface-type interface-number ip-address* [**unaasosiated**]
 7. Perform one of the following steps:
 - **ip route** [**vrf** *vrf-name*] *prefix mask {ip-address | interface-type interface-number [ip-address]}* [**dhcp**] [*distance*] [**name** *next-hop-name*] [**permanent** | **track** *number*] [**tag** *tag*]
 - **ipv6 route** [**vrf** *vrf-name*] *ipv6 prefix/mask {ipv6-address | interface-type interface-number [ipv6-address]}* [**name** *next-hop-name*] [**track** *number*] [**tag** *tag*]
 8. **exit**
 9. Perform one of the following steps:
 - **show ip static route**
 - **show ipv6 static**
 10. Perform one of the following steps:
 - **show ip static route bfd**
 - **show ipv6 static bfd**
 11. **exit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	interface <i>type number</i> Example: Device(config)# interface	Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 4	Perform one of the following steps: • ip address <i>ipv4-address mask</i> • ipv6 address <i>ipv6-address/mask</i>	Configures an IP address for the interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Example: Configuring an IPv4 address for the interface: <pre>Device(config-if)# ip address 10.201.201.1 255.255.255.0</pre> Configuring an IPv6 address for the interface: <pre>Device(config-if)# ipv6 address 2001:db8:1:1::1/32</pre>	
Step 5	exit Example: <pre>Device(config-if)# exit</pre>	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
Step 6	Perform one of the following steps: • ip route static bfd <i>interface-type interface-number ip-address</i> [group <i>group-name</i>] [passive] • ipv6 route static bfd <i>interface-type interface-number ip-address</i> [unaasosiated] Example: <pre>Device(config)# ip route static bfd 10.1.1.1 group group1 passive Device(config)# ipv6 route static bfd TenGigabitEthernet 0/0/7 19:1:1::2</pre>	Specifies a static route BFD neighbor. • The <i>interface-type</i>, <i>interface-number</i>, and <i>ip-address</i> arguments are required because BFD support exists only for directly connected neighbors.
Step 7	Perform one of the following steps: • ip route [vrf <i>vrf-name</i>] <i>prefix mask</i> {<i>ip-address</i> <i>interface-type interface-number</i> [<i>ip-address</i>]} [dhcp] [distance] [name <i>next-hop-name</i>] [permanent track <i>number</i>] [tag <i>tag</i>] • ipv6 route [vrf <i>vrf-name</i>] <i>ipv6 prefix/mask</i> {<i>ipv6-address</i> <i>interface-type interface-number</i> [<i>ipv6-address</i>]} [name <i>next-hop-name</i>] [track <i>number</i>] [tag <i>tag</i>] Example: <pre>Device(config)# ip route 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 Device(config)# ipv6 route 19:1:1::/64 TenGigabitEthernet0/0/7 19:1:1::2</pre>	Specifies a static route BFD neighbor.
Step 8	exit Example:	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config)# exit	
Step 9	Perform one of the following steps: • show ip static route • show ipv6 static Example:	(Optional) Displays static route database information.
Step 10	Perform one of the following steps: • show ip static route bfd • show ipv6 static bfd Example:	(Optional) Displays information about the static BFD configuration from the configured BFD groups and nongroup entries.
Step 11	exit Example: Device# exit	Exits privileged EXEC mode and returns to user EXEC mode.

Configuring BFD Echo Mode

BFD echo mode is enabled by default, but you can disable it such that it can run independently in each direction.

BFD echo mode works with asynchronous BFD. Echo packets are sent by the forwarding engine and forwarded back along the same path in order to perform detection--the BFD session at the other end does not participate in the actual forwarding of the echo packets. The echo function and the forwarding engine are responsible for the detection process; therefore, the number of BFD control packets that are sent out between two BFD neighbors is reduced. In addition, because the forwarding engine is testing the forwarding path on the remote (neighbor) system without involving the remote system, there is an opportunity to improve the interpacket delay variance, thereby achieving quicker failure detection times than when using BFD Version 0 with BFD control packets for the BFD session.

Echo mode is described as without asymmetry when it is running on both sides (both BFD neighbors are running echo mode).

Prerequisites

BFD must be running on all participating routers.

Before using BFD echo mode, you must disable the sending of Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) redirect messages by entering the **no ip icmp redirects** command, in order to avoid high CPU utilization.

The baseline parameters for BFD sessions on the interfaces over which you want to run BFD sessions to BFD neighbors must be configured. See the Configuring BFD Session Parameters on the Interface section for more information.

Restrictions

BFD echo mode, which is supported in BFD Version 1, is available only in Cisco IOS Releases 12.4(9), and 12.2(33)SRA.



Note BFD echo mode does not work in conjunction with Unicast Reverse Path Forwarding (uRPF) configuration. If BFD echo mode and uRPF configurations are enabled, then the sessions will flap.

Configuring the BFD Slow Timer

The steps in this procedure show how to change the value of the BFD slow timer. Repeat the steps in this procedure for each BFD router.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **bfd slow-timer** *milliseconds*
4. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Switch> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	bfd slow-timer <i>milliseconds</i> Example: Switch(config)# bfd slow-timer 12000	Configures the BFD slow timer.
Step 4	end Example: Switch(config)# end	Exits global configuration mode and returns the router to privileged EXEC mode.

Disabling BFD Echo Mode Without Asymmetry

The steps in this procedure show how to disable BFD echo mode without asymmetry—no echo packets will be sent by the router, and the router will not forward BFD echo packets that are received from any neighbor routers.

Repeat the steps in this procedure for each BFD router.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	end Example: <pre>Router(config)# end</pre>	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Creating and Configuring BFD Templates

Perform this task to create a BFD template, enter BFD configuration mode, and configure BFD interval timers.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **bfd-template single-hop *template-name***
4. **interval min-tx *milliseconds* min-rx *milliseconds* multiplier *multiplier-value***
5. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Device> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example:	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	bfd-template single-hop <i>template-name</i> Example: <pre>Device(config)# bfd-template single-hop bfdtemplate1</pre>	Creates a BFD template and enters BFD configuration mode.
Step 4	interval min-tx <i>milliseconds</i> min-rx <i>milliseconds</i> multiplier <i>multiplier-value</i> Example: <pre>Device(bfd-config)# interval min-tx 120 min-rx 100 multiplier 3</pre>	Configures the transmit and receive intervals between BFD packets, and specifies the number of consecutive BFD control packets that must be missed before BFD declares that a peer is unavailable.
Step 5	end Example: <pre>Device(bfd-config)# end</pre>	Exits BFD configuration mode and returns the device to privileged EXEC mode.

What to Do Next

The BFD templates that you create can be applied to pseudowire classes to enable BFD control channel over VCCV on ATM pseudowire networks. For more information, see the Configuring BFD Control Channel over VCCV Support for ATM Pseudowire section.

Configuring BFD Control Channel over VCCV Support for ATM Pseudowire

Perform this task to configure BFD over VCCV Support for ATM Pseudowire networks.

Before you begin

You must create and configure the BFD template before you assign it to the pseudowire class. For more information, see the Creating and Configuring BFD Templates section.

Before VCCV BFD can be run on pseudowires, pseudowires must be configured on the network.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **pseudowire-class** *name*
4. **encapsulation** *type*
5. **protocol** {ldp | none}
6. **vccv** {control-word | router-alert | ttl}
7. **vccv bfd template** *name* {udp | raw-bfd}
8. **vccv bfd status** signaling
9. **exit**

10. **interface atm** *interface-number*
11. **atm asynchronous**
12. **pvc vpi/ vci l2transport**
13. **xconnect** *peer-ip-address vc-id* {**encapsulation mpls** [**manual**] | **pw-class** *pw-class-name*} [**pw-class** *pw-class-name*] [**sequencing** {**transmit** | **receive** | **both**}]
14. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	pseudowire-class <i>name</i> Example: <pre>Router(config)# pseudowire-class vccv-bfd1</pre>	Specifies the name of the pseudowire class and enters pseudowire class configuration mode.
Step 4	encapsulation <i>type</i> Example: <pre>Router(config-pw-class)# encapsulation mpls</pre>	Specifies that MPLS is used as the data encapsulation method for tunneling Layer 2 traffic over the pseudowire. • You must specify mpls encapsulation as part of the xconnect command or as part of a pseudowire class for the AToM Virtual Circuits to work properly.
Step 5	protocol { ldp none } Example: <pre>Router(config-pw-class)# protocol none</pre>	Specifies that no signaling is configured and that manually configured sessions are used. • To configure static pseudowires, you must specify the none keyword.
Step 6	vccv { control-word router-alert ttl } Example: <pre>Router(config-pw-class)# vccv control-word</pre>	Sets the MPLS pseudowire CC type. • For MPLS pseudowires that use a CV type that does not include IP/UDP headers, you must set the CC type to CC type 1: pseudowire control word.
Step 7	vccv bfd template <i>name</i> { udp raw-bfd } Example: <pre>Router(config-pw-class)# vccv bfd template bfdtemplatel raw-bfd</pre>	Enables VCCV BFD for the pseudowire class.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	vccv bfd status signaling Example: Router(config-pw-class)# vccv bfd status signaling	Enables status signaling for BFD VCCV.
Step 9	exit Example: Router(config-pw-class)# exit	Exits pseudowire class configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
Step 10	interface atm interface-number Example: Router(config)# interface atm 9/0/0	Configures an ATM interface and enters interface configuration mode
Step 11	atm asynchronous Example: Router(config-if)# atm asynchronous	Enables asynchronous mode on the ATM interface.
Step 12	pvc vpi/ vci l2transport Example: Router(config-if)# pvc 0/100 l2transport	Creates the ATM permanent virtual circuit (PVC), specifies the encapsulation type on an ATM PVC, and enters ATM virtual circuit configuration mode.
Step 13	xconnect peer-ip-address vc-id {encapsulation mpls [manual] pw-class pw-class-name} [pw-class pw-class-name] [sequencing {transmit receive both}] Example: Router(cfg-if-atm-l2trans-pvc)# xconnect 10.0.0.7 100 pw-class vccv-bfd1	Binds an attachment circuit to a pseudowire, configures an AToM static pseudowire, and specifies the pseudowire class.
Step 14	end Example: Router(cfg-if-atm-l2trans-pvc)# end	Exits ATM virtual circuit configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.

Monitoring and Troubleshooting BFD

This section describes how to retrieve BFD information for maintenance and troubleshooting. The commands in these tasks can be entered as needed, in any order desired.

For more information about BFD session initiation and failure, refer to the [BFD Operation, on page 6](#).

This section contains information for monitoring and troubleshooting BFD for the following Cisco platforms:

Monitoring and Troubleshooting BFD for Cisco 7600 Series Routers

To monitor or troubleshoot BFD on Cisco 7600 series routers, perform one or more of the steps in this section.



Note See the “Configuring Synchronous Ethernet on the Cisco 7600 Router with ES+ Line Card” section of the *Cisco 7600 Series Ethernet Services Plus (ES+) and Ethernet Services Plus T (ES+T) Line Card Configuration Guide* for more information about troubleshooting BFD on Cisco 7600 series routers.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **show bfd neighbors [details]**
3. **debug bfd [packet | event]**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	show bfd neighbors [details] Example: <pre>Router# show bfd neighbors details</pre>	(Optional) Displays the BFD adjacency database. • The details keyword shows all BFD protocol parameters and timers per neighbor. Note In order to see the full output of the show bfd neighbors details command on a Cisco 12000 series router, you must enter the command on the line card. Enter the attach slot-number command to establish a CLI session with a line card. The registered protocols are not shown in the output of the show bfd neighbors details command when it is entered on a line card. Note If hardware-offloaded BFD sessions are configured with Tx and Rx intervals that are not multiples of 50 ms, the hardware intervals are changed. However, output from the show bfd neighbors details command will show the configured intervals, not the changed ones.
Step 3	debug bfd [packet event] Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd packet</pre>	(Optional) Displays debugging information about BFD packets.

Monitoring and Troubleshooting BFD for Cisco 12000 Series Routers

To monitor or troubleshoot BFD on Cisco 12000 series routers, perform one or more of the steps in this section.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **attach** *slot-number*
3. **show bfd neighbors** [details]
4. **show monitor event-trace bfd** [all]
5. **debug bfd event**
6. **debug bfd packet**
7. **debug bfd ipc-error**
8. **debug bfd ipc-event**
9. **debug bfd oir-error**
10. **debug bfd oir-event**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	attach <i>slot-number</i> Example: <pre>Router# attach 6</pre>	Connects you to a specific line card for the purpose of executing monitoring and maintenance commands on the specified line card. Slot numbers range from 0 to 11 for the Cisco 12012 and from 0 to 7 for the Cisco 12008. If the slot number is omitted, you are prompted for the slot number. Note In order to display the full output of the show bfd neighbors details command on a Cisco 12000 series router, you must enter the command on the line card. Enter the attach slot-number command to establish a CLI session with a line card.
Step 3	show bfd neighbors [details] Example: <pre>Router# show bfd neighbors details</pre>	Displays the BFD adjacency database. The details keyword shows all BFD protocol parameters and timers per neighbor. Note The registered protocols are not shown in the output of the show bfd neighbors details when it is entered on a line card.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		Note If hardware-offloaded BFD sessions are configured with Tx and Rx intervals that are not multiples of 50 ms, the hardware intervals are changed. However, output from the show bfd neighbors details command will show the configured intervals, not the changed ones.
Step 4	show monitor event-trace bfd [all] Example: <pre>Router# show monitor event-trace bfd all</pre>	Displays logged messages for important events in “recent past” on BFD activities that occur on the line cards. This is a rolling buffer based log, so “distant past” events would be lost. Depending on traffic and frequency of events, these events could be seen over a variable time window.
Step 5	debug bfd event Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd event</pre>	Displays debugging information about BFD state transitions.
Step 6	debug bfd packet Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd packet</pre>	Displays debugging information about BFD control packets.
Step 7	debug bfd ipc-error Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd ipc-error</pre>	Displays debugging information with IPC errors on the RP and LC.
Step 8	debug bfd ipc-event Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd ipc-event</pre>	Displays debugging information with IPC events on the RP and LC.
Step 9	debug bfd oir-error Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd oir-error</pre>	Displays debugging information with OIR errors on the RP and LC.
Step 10	debug bfd oir-event Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd oir-event</pre>	Displays debugging information with OIR events on the RP and LC.

Monitoring and Troubleshooting BFD for Cisco 10720 Internet Routers

To monitor or troubleshoot BFD on Cisco 10720 Internet routers, perform one or more of the steps in this section.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. show bfd neighbors [details]
3. debug bfd event
4. debug bfd packet

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	show bfd neighbors [details] Example: <pre>Router# show bfd neighbors details</pre>	(Optional) Displays the BFD adjacency database. • The details keyword will show all BFD protocol parameters and timers per neighbor. Note The registered protocols are not shown in the output of the show bfd neighbors details when it is entered on a line card.
Step 3	debug bfd event Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd event</pre>	(Optional) Displays debugging information about BFD state transitions.
Step 4	debug bfd packet Example: <pre>Router# debug bfd packet</pre>	(Optional) Displays debugging information about BFD control packets.

Configuration Examples for Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

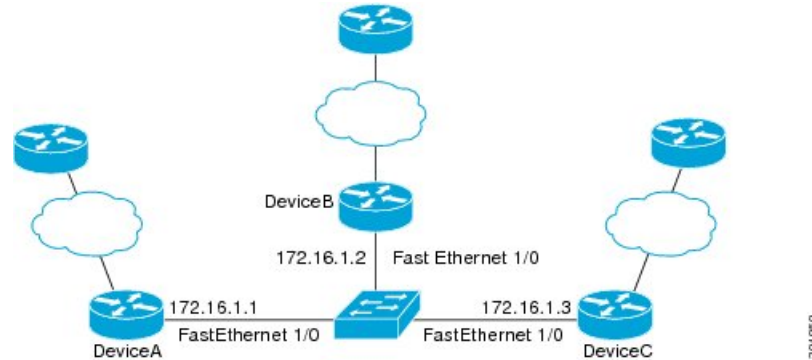
Example: Configuring BFD in an EIGRP Network with Echo Mode Enabled by Default

In the following example, the EIGRP network contains RouterA, RouterB, and RouterC. Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 on RouterA is connected to the same network as Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 on Router B. Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 on RouterB is connected to the same network as Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 on RouterC.

RouterA and RouterB are running BFD Version 1, which supports echo mode, and RouterC is running BFD Version 0, which does not support echo mode. The BFD sessions between RouterC and its BFD neighbors are said to be running echo mode with asymmetry because echo mode will run on the forwarding path for RouteA and RouterB, and their echo packets will return along the same path for BFD sessions and failure

detections, while their BFD neighbor RouterC runs BFD Version 0 and uses BFD controls packets for BFD sessions and failure detections.

The figure below shows a large EIGRP network with several routers, three of which are BFD neighbors that are running EIGRP as their routing protocol.



The example, starting in global configuration mode, shows the configuration of BFD.

Configuration for RouterA

```
interface Fast Ethernet0/0
no shutdown
ip address 10.4.9.14 255.255.255.0
duplex auto
speed auto
!
interface Fast Ethernet1/0
ip address 172.16.1.1 255.255.255.0
bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
no shutdown
duplex auto
speed auto
!
router eigrp 11
network 172.16.0.0
bfd all-interfaces
auto-summary
!
ip default-gateway 10.4.9.1
ip default-network 0.0.0.0
ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 10.4.9.1
ip route 172.16.1.129 255.255.255.255 10.4.9.1
!
no ip http server
!
logging alarm informational
!
control-plane
!
line con 0
exec-timeout 30 0
stopbits 1
line aux 0
stopbits 1
line vty 0 4
login
!
```

```
!
end
```

Configuration for RouterB

```
!
interface Fast Ethernet0/0
  no shutdown
  ip address 10.4.9.34 255.255.255.0
  duplex auto
  speed auto
!
interface Fast Ethernet1/0
  ip address 172.16.1.2 255.255.255.0
  bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
  no shutdown
  duplex auto
  speed auto
!
router eigrp 11
  network 172.16.0.0
  bfd all-interfaces
  auto-summary
!
ip default-gateway 10.4.9.1
ip default-network 0.0.0.0
ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 10.4.9.1
ip route 172.16.1.129 255.255.255.255 10.4.9.1
!
no ip http server
!
logging alarm informational
!
control-plane
!
line con 0
  exec-timeout 30 0
  stopbits 1
line aux 0
  stopbits 1
line vty 0 4
  login
!
!
end
```

Configuration for RouterC

```
!
!
interface Fast Ethernet0/0
  no shutdown
  ip address 10.4.9.34 255.255.255.0
  duplex auto
  speed auto
!
interface Fast Ethernet1/0
  ip address 172.16.1.3 255.255.255.0
  bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
  no shutdown
  duplex auto
```

```

speed auto
!
router eigrp 11
 network 172.16.0.0
 bfd all-interfaces
 auto-summary
!
ip default-gateway 10.4.9.1
ip default-network 0.0.0.0
ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 10.4.9.1
ip route 172.16.1.129 255.255.255.255 10.4.9.1
!
no ip http server
!
logging alarm informational
!
control-plane
!
line con 0
 exec-timeout 30 0
 stopbits 1
line aux 0
 stopbits 1
line vty 0 4
 login
!
!
end

```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command from RouterA verifies that BFD sessions have been created among all three routers and that EIGRP is registered for BFD support. The first group of output shows that RouterC with the IP address 172.16.1.3 runs BFD Version 0 and therefore does not use the echo mode. The second group of output shows that RouterB with the IP address 172.16.1.2 does run BFD Version 1, and the 50 millisecond BFD interval parameter had been adopted. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

```
RouterA# show bfd neighbors details
```

```

OurAddr
  NeighAddr
    LD/RD  RH/RS  Holdown(mult)  State  Int
172.16.1.1  172.16.1.3
    5/3    1(RH)   150 (3 )      Up    Fa1/0
Session state is UP and not using echo function.
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 50000, MinRxInt: 50000, Multiplier: 3
Received MinRxInt: 50000, Received Multiplier: 3
Holdown (hits): 150(0), Hello (hits): 50(1364284)
Rx Count: 1351813, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 28/64/49 last: 4 ms ago
Tx Count: 1364289, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 40/68/49 last: 32 ms ago
Registered protocols: EIGRP
Uptime: 18:42:45
Last packet: Version: 0
  - Diagnostic: 0
  I Hear You bit: 1      - Demand bit: 0
  Poll bit: 0           - Final bit: 0
  Multiplier: 3         - Length: 24
  My Discr.: 3          - Your Discr.: 5
  Min tx interval: 50000 - Min rx interval: 50000
  Min Echo interval: 0
OurAddr
  NeighAddr

```

Example: Configuring BFD in an EIGRP Network with Echo Mode Enabled by Default

```

      LD/RD  RH/RS   Holdown(mult)  State      Int
172.16.1.1    172.16.1.2

      6/1     Up       0      (3 )   Up          Fal/0
Session state is UP and using echo function with 50 ms interval.
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 1000000, MinRxInt: 1000000, Multiplier: 3
Received MinRxInt: 1000000, Received Multiplier: 3
Holdown (hits): 3000(0), Hello (hits): 1000(317)
Rx Count: 305, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 1/1016/887 last: 448 ms ago
Tx Count: 319, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 1/1008/880 last: 532 ms ago
Registered protocols: EIGRP
Uptime: 00:04:30
Last packet: Version: 1

      - Diagnostic: 0
        State bit: Up           - Demand bit: 0
        Poll bit: 0             - Final bit: 0
        Multiplier: 3           - Length: 24
        My Discr.: 1            - Your Discr.: 6
        Min tx interval: 1000000 - Min rx interval: 1000000
        Min Echo interval: 50000

```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command on Router B verifies that BFD sessions have been created and that EIGRP is registered for BFD support. As previously noted, RouterA runs BFD Version 1, therefore echo mode is running, and RouterC runs BFD Version 0, so echo mode does not run. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

```
RouterB# show bfd neighbors details
```

```

OurAddr      NeighAddr
      LD/RD  RH/RS   Holdown(mult)  State      Int
172.16.1.2    172.16.1.1
      1/6     Up       0      (3 )   Up          Fal/0
Session state is UP and using echo function with 50 ms interval.
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 1000000, MinRxInt: 1000000, Multiplier: 3
Received MinRxInt: 1000000, Received Multiplier: 3
Holdown (hits): 3000(0), Hello (hits): 1000(337)
Rx Count: 341, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 1/1008/882 last: 364 ms ago
Tx Count: 339, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 1/1016/886 last: 632 ms ago
Registered protocols: EIGRP
Uptime: 00:05:00
Last packet: Version: 1
      - Diagnostic: 0
        State bit: Up           - Demand bit: 0
        Poll bit: 0             - Final bit: 0
        Multiplier: 3           - Length: 24
        My Discr.: 6            - Your Discr.: 1
        Min tx interval: 1000000 - Min rx interval: 1000000
        Min Echo interval: 50000

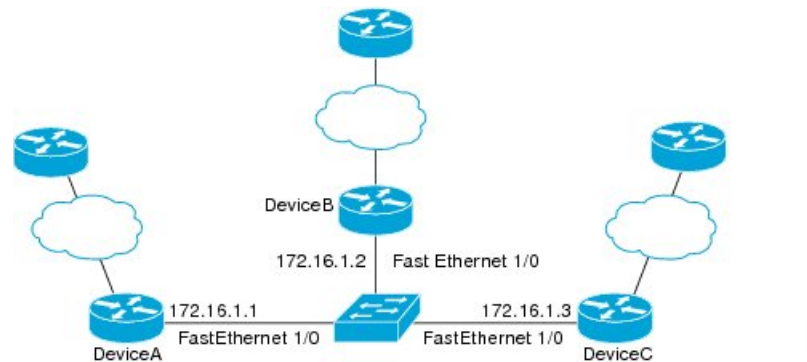
OurAddr      NeighAddr
      LD/RD  RH/RS   Holdown(mult)  State      Int
172.16.1.2    172.16.1.3
      3/6     1(RH)   118   (3 )   Up          Fal/0
Session state is UP and not using echo function.
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 50000, MinRxInt: 50000, Multiplier: 3
Received MinRxInt: 50000, Received Multiplier: 3
Holdown (hits): 150(0), Hello (hits): 50(5735)
Rx Count: 5731, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 32/72/49 last: 32 ms ago

```

```

Tx Count: 5740, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 40/64/50 last: 44 ms ago
Registered protocols: EIGRP
Uptime: 00:04:45
Last packet: Version: 0
  - Diagnostic: 0
    I Hear You bit: 1      - Demand bit: 0
    Poll bit: 0           - Final bit: 0
    Multiplier: 3          - Length: 24
    My Discr.: 6           - Your Discr.: 3
    Min tx interval: 50000 - Min rx interval: 50000
    Min Echo interval: 0
  
```

The figure below shows that Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 on RouterB has failed. When Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 on RouterB is shut down, the BFD statistics of the corresponding BFD sessions on RouterA and RouterB are reduced.



When Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 on RouterB fails, BFD will no longer detect Router B as a BFD neighbor for RouterA or for RouterC. In this example, Fast Ethernet interface 1/0 has been administratively shut down on RouterB.

The following output from the **show bfd neighbors** command on RouterA now shows only one BFD neighbor for RouterA in the EIGRP network. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

```

RouterA# show bfd neighbors
OurAddr      NeighAddr

LD/RD RH/RS Holdown(mult) State Int
172.16.1.1 172.16.1.3

5/3 1(RH) 134 (3 ) Up Fa1/0
  
```

The following output from the **show bfd neighbors** command on RouterC also now shows only one BFD neighbor for RouterC in the EIGRP network. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

```

RouterC# show bfd neighbors

OurAddr      NeighAddr

LD/RD RH Holdown(mult) State Int
172.16.1.3 172.16.1.1

3/5 1 114 (3 ) Up Fa1/0
  
```

Example: Configuring BFD in an OSPF Network

In the following example, the simple OSPF network consists of Router A and Router B. Fast Ethernet interface 0/1 on Router A is connected to the same network as Fast Ethernet interface 6/0 in Router B. The example, starting in global configuration mode, shows the configuration of BFD. For both Routers A and B, BFD is configured globally for all interfaces associated with the OSPF process.

Configuration for Router A

```
!
interface Fast Ethernet 0/1
 ip address 172.16.10.1 255.255.255.0
 bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
!
interface Fast Ethernet 3/0.1
 ip address 172.17.0.1 255.255.255.0
!
router ospf 123
 log-adjacency-changes detail
 network 172.16.0.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
 network 172.17.0.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
 bfd all-interfaces
```

Configuration for Router B

```
!
interface Fast Ethernet 6/0
 ip address 172.16.10.2 255.255.255.0
 bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
!
interface Fast Ethernet 6/1
 ip address 172.18.0.1 255.255.255.0
!
router ospf 123
 log-adjacency-changes detail
 network 172.16.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
 network 172.18.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
 bfd all-interfaces
```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command verifies that a BFD session has been created and that OSPF is registered for BFD support. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

Router A

```
RouterA# show bfd neighbors details
OurAddr      NeighAddr    LD/RD RH  Holdown(mult)  State    Int
172.16.10.1  172.16.10.2  1/2  1    532 (3 )      Up       Fa0/1
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 200000, MinRxInt: 200000, Multiplier: 5
Received MinRxInt: 1000, Received Multiplier: 3
Holdown (hits): 600(22), Hello (hits): 200(84453)
Rx Count: 49824, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 208/440/332 last: 68 ms ago
Tx Count: 84488, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 152/248/196 last: 192 ms ago
Registered protocols: OSPF
```

```
Uptime: 02:18:49
Last packet: Version: 0
```

```

- Diagnostic: 0
I Hear You bit: 1      - Demand bit: 0
Poll bit: 0            - Final bit: 0
Multiplier: 3          - Length: 24
My Discr.: 2           - Your Discr.: 1
Min tx interval: 50000  - Min rx interval: 1000
Min Echo interval: 0

```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command from the line card on Router B verifies that a BFD session has been created:

Router B

```

RouterB# attach 6
Entering Console for 8 Port Fast Ethernet in Slot: 6
Type "exit" to end this session
Press RETURN to get started!
Router> show bfd neighbors details
Cleanup timer hits: 0
OurAddr      NeighAddr      LD/RD RH  Holdown(mult)  State      Int
172.16.10.2  172.16.10.1      8/1  1    1000 (5 )      Up          Fa6/0
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 50000, MinRxInt: 1000, Multiplier: 3
Received MinRxInt: 200000, Received Multiplier: 5
Holdown (hits): 1000(0), Hello (hits): 200(5995)
Rx Count: 10126, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 152/248/196 last: 0 ms ago
Tx Count: 5998, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 204/440/332 last: 12 ms ago
Last packet: Version: 0          - Diagnostic: 0
              I Hear You bit: 1    - Demand bit: 0
              Poll bit: 0          - Final bit: 0
              Multiplier: 5        - Length: 24
              My Discr.: 1         - Your Discr.: 8
              Min tx interval: 200000 - Min rx interval: 200000
              Min Echo interval: 0
Uptime: 00:33:13
SSO Cleanup Timer called: 0
SSO Cleanup Action Taken: 0
Pseudo pre-emptive process count: 239103 min/max/avg: 8/16/8 last: 0 ms ago
IPC Tx Failure Count: 0
IPC Rx Failure Count: 0
Total Adjs Found: 1

```

The output of the **show ip ospf** command verifies that BFD has been enabled for OSPF. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

Router A

```

RouterA# show ip ospf

Routing Process "ospf 123" with ID 172.16.10.1
Supports only single TOS(TOS0) routes
Supports opaque LSA
Supports Link-local Signaling (LLS)
Initial SPF schedule delay 5000 msecs
Minimum hold time between two consecutive SPF's 10000 msecs
Maximum wait time between two consecutive SPF's 10000 msecs
Incremental-SPF disabled
Minimum LSA interval 5 secs
Minimum LSA arrival 1000 msecs
LSA group pacing timer 240 secs
Interface flood pacing timer 33 msecs

```

Example: Configuring BFD in an OSPF Network

```
Retransmission pacing timer 66 msec
Number of external LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x000000
Number of opaque AS LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x000000
Number of DCbitless external and opaque AS LSA 0
Number of DoNotAge external and opaque AS LSA 0
Number of areas in this router is 1. 1 normal 0 stub 0 nssa
External flood list length 0
BFD is enabled
```

```
Area BACKBONE(0)
  Number of interfaces in this area is 2 (1 loopback)
  Area has no authentication
  SPF algorithm last executed 00:00:08.828 ago
  SPF algorithm executed 9 times
  Area ranges are
  Number of LSA 3. Checksum Sum 0x028417
  Number of opaque link LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x000000
  Number of DCbitless LSA 0
  Number of indication LSA 0
  Number of DoNotAge LSA 0
  Flood list length 0
```

Router B

```
RouterB# show ip ospf
```

```
Routing Process "ospf 123" with ID 172.18.0.1
Supports only single TOS(TOS0) routes
Supports opaque LSA
Supports Link-local Signaling (LLS)
Supports area transit capability
Initial SPF schedule delay 5000 msec
Minimum hold time between two consecutive SPF 10000 msec
Maximum wait time between two consecutive SPF 10000 msec
Incremental-SPF disabled
Minimum LSA interval 5 sec
Minimum LSA arrival 1000 msec
LSA group pacing timer 240 sec
Interface flood pacing timer 33 msec
Retransmission pacing timer 66 msec
Number of external LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x0
Number of opaque AS LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x0
Number of DCbitless external and opaque AS LSA 0
Number of DoNotAge external and opaque AS LSA 0
Number of areas in this router is 1. 1 normal 0 stub 0 nssa
Number of areas transit capable is 0
External flood list length 0
BFD is enabled
```

```
Area BACKBONE(0)
  Number of interfaces in this area is 2 (1 loopback)
  Area has no authentication
  SPF algorithm last executed 02:07:30.932 ago
  SPF algorithm executed 7 times
  Area ranges are
  Number of LSA 3. Checksum Sum 0x28417
  Number of opaque link LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x0
  Number of DCbitless LSA 0
  Number of indication LSA 0
  Number of DoNotAge LSA 0
  Flood list length 0
```

The output of the **show ip ospf interface** command verifies that BFD has been enabled for OSPF on the interfaces connecting Router A and Router B. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

Router A

```
RouterA# show ip ospf interface Fast Ethernet 0/1
show ip ospf interface Fast Ethernet 0/1
Fast Ethernet0/1 is up, line protocol is up
  Internet Address 172.16.10.1/24, Area 0
  Process ID 123, Router ID 172.16.10.1, Network Type BROADCAST, Cost: 1
  Transmit Delay is 1 sec, State BDR, Priority 1, BFD enabled
  Designated Router (ID) 172.18.0.1, Interface address 172.16.10.2
  Backup Designated router (ID) 172.16.10.1, Interface address 172.16.10.1
  Timer intervals configured, Hello 10, Dead 40, Wait 40, Retransmit 5
    oob-resync timeout 40
    Hello due in 00:00:03
  Supports Link-local Signaling (LLS)
  Index 1/1, flood queue length 0
  Next 0x0(0)/0x0(0)
  Last flood scan length is 1, maximum is 1
  Last flood scan time is 0 msec, maximum is 0 msec
  Neighbor Count is 1, Adjacent neighbor count is 1
    Adjacent with neighbor 172.18.0.1 (Designated Router)
  Suppress hello for 0 neighbor(s)
```

Router B

```
RouterB# show ip ospf interface Fast Ethernet 6/1
Fast Ethernet6/1 is up, line protocol is up
  Internet Address 172.18.0.1/24, Area 0
  Process ID 123, Router ID 172.18.0.1, Network Type BROADCAST, Cost: 1
  Transmit Delay is 1 sec, State DR, Priority 1, BFD enabled
  Designated Router (ID) 172.18.0.1, Interface address 172.18.0.1
  No backup designated router on this network
  Timer intervals configured, Hello 10, Dead 40, Wait 40, Retransmit 5
    oob-resync timeout 40
    Hello due in 00:00:01
  Supports Link-local Signaling (LLS)
  Index 1/1, flood queue length 0
  Next 0x0(0)/0x0(0)
  Last flood scan length is 0, maximum is 0
  Last flood scan time is 0 msec, maximum is 0 msec
  Neighbor Count is 0, Adjacent neighbor count is 0
  Suppress hello for 0 neighbor(s)
```

Example: Configuring BFD in a BGP Network

In the following example, the simple BGP network consists of Router A and Router B. Fast Ethernet interface 0/1 on Router A is connected to the same network as Fast Ethernet interface 6/0 in Router B. The example, starting in global configuration mode, shows the configuration of BFD.

Configuration for Router A

```
!
interface Fast Ethernet 0/1
 ip address 172.16.10.1 255.255.255.0
 bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
```

Example: Configuring BFD in a BGP Network

```

!
interface Fast Ethernet 3/0.1
ip address 172.17.0.1 255.255.255.0
!
!
router bgp 40000
  bgp log-neighbor-changes
  neighbor 172.16.10.2 remote-as 45000
  neighbor 172.16.10.2 fall-over bfd
  !
  address-family ipv4
    neighbor 172.16.10.2 activate
  no auto-summary
  no synchronization
  network 172.18.0.0 mask 255.255.255.0
  exit-address-family
!

```

Configuration for Router B

```

!
interface Fast Ethernet 6/0
  ip address 172.16.10.2 255.255.255.0
  bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
!
interface Fast Ethernet 6/1
  ip address 172.18.0.1 255.255.255.0
!
router bgp 45000
  bgp log-neighbor-changes
  neighbor 172.16.10.1 remote-as 40000
  neighbor 172.16.10.1 fall-over bfd
  !
  address-family ipv4
    neighbor 172.16.10.1 activate
  no auto-summary
  no synchronization
  network 172.17.0.0 mask 255.255.255.0
  exit-address-family
!

```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command from Router A verifies that a BFD session has been created and that BGP is registered for BFD support. The relevant command output is shown in bold in the output.

Router A

RouterA# **show bfd neighbors details**

```

OurAddr      NeighAddr    LD/RD RH  Holdown(mult)  State  Int
172.16.10.1  172.16.10.2  1/8  1   332 (3 )      Up     Fa0/1
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 200000, MinRxInt: 200000, Multiplier: 5
Received MinRxInt: 1000, Received Multiplier: 3
Holdown (hits): 600(0), Hello (hits): 200(15491)
Rx Count: 9160, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 200/440/332 last: 268 ms ago
Tx Count: 15494, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 152/248/197 last: 32 ms ago
Registered protocols: BGP
Uptime: 00:50:45
Last packet: Version: 0          - Diagnostic: 0
              I Hear You bit: 1    - Demand bit: 0

```

```
Poll bit: 0          - Final bit: 0
Multiplier: 3       - Length: 24
My Discr.: 8        - Your Discr.: 1
Min tx interval: 50000 - Min rx interval: 1000
Min Echo interval: 0
```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command from the line card on Router B verifies that a BFD session has been created:

Router B

```
RouterB# attach 6
Entering Console for 8 Port Fast Ethernet in Slot: 6
Type "exit" to end this session
Press RETURN to get started!
Router> show bfd neighbors details
Cleanup timer hits: 0
OurAddr      NeighAddr      LD/RD RH  Holdown(mult)  State      Int
172.16.10.2  172.16.10.1    8/1  1    1000 (5 )      Up         Fa6/0
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 50000, MinRxInt: 1000, Multiplier: 3
Received MinRxInt: 200000, Received Multiplier: 5
Holdown (hits): 1000(0), Hello (hits): 200(5995)
Rx Count: 10126, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 152/248/196 last: 0 ms ago
Tx Count: 5998, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 204/440/332 last: 12 ms ago
Last packet: Version: 0          - Diagnostic: 0
              I Hear You bit: 1   - Demand bit: 0
              Poll bit: 0         - Final bit: 0
              Multiplier: 5       - Length: 24
              My Discr.: 1        - Your Discr.: 8
              Min tx interval: 200000 - Min rx interval: 200000
              Min Echo interval: 0
Uptime: 00:33:13
SSO Cleanup Timer called: 0
SSO Cleanup Action Taken: 0
Pseudo pre-emptive process count: 239103 min/max/avg: 8/16/8 last: 0 ms ago
  IPC Tx Failure Count: 0
  IPC Rx Failure Count: 0
  Total Adjs Found: 1
```

The output of the **show ip bgp neighbors** command verifies that BFD has been enabled for the BGP neighbors:

Router A

```
RouterA# show ip bgp neighbors
BGP neighbor is 172.16.10.2, remote AS 45000, external link
  Using BFD to detect fast fallover
.
.
.
```

Router B

```
RouterB# show ip bgp neighbors
BGP neighbor is 172.16.10.1, remote AS 40000, external link
  Using BFD to detect fast fallover
.
.
.
```

Example: Configuring BFD in an IS-IS Network

In the following example, the simple IS-IS network consists of Router A and Router B. Fast Ethernet interface 0/1 on Router A is connected to the same network as Fast Ethernet interface 6/0 for Router B. The example, starting in global configuration mode, shows the configuration of BFD.

Configuration for Router A

```
!
interface Fast Ethernet 0/1
 ip address 172.16.10.1 255.255.255.0
 ip router isis
  bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
!
interface Fast Ethernet 3/0.1
 ip address 172.17.0.1 255.255.255.0
 ip router isis
!
router isis
 net 49.0001.1720.1600.1001.00
  bfd all-interfaces
!
```

Configuration for Router B

```
!
interface Fast Ethernet 6/0
 ip address 172.16.10.2 255.255.255.0
 ip router isis
  bfd interval 50 min_rx 50 multiplier 3
!
interface Fast Ethernet 6/1
 ip address 172.18.0.1 255.255.255.0
 ip router isis
!
router isis
 net 49.0000.0000.0002.00
  bfd all-interfaces
!
```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command from Router A verifies that a BFD session has been created and that IS-IS is registered for BFD support:

RouterA# **show bfd neighbors details**

```
OurAddr      NeighAddr    LD/RD RH  Holdown(mult)  State    Int
172.16.10.1  172.16.10.2  1/8 1    536 (3 )      Up       Fa0/1
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 200000, MinRxInt: 200000, Multiplier: 5
Received MinRxInt: 1000, Received Multiplier: 3
Holdown (hits): 600(0), Hello (hits): 200(23543)
Rx Count: 13877, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 200/448/335 last: 64 ms ago
Tx Count: 23546, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 152/248/196 last: 32 ms ago
Registered protocols: ISIS
Uptime: 01:17:09
Last packet: Version: 0          - Diagnostic: 0
              I Hear You bit: 1   - Demand bit: 0
              Poll bit: 0         - Final bit: 0
              Multiplier: 3       - Length: 24
```

```

My Discr.: 8          - Your Discr.: 1
Min tx interval: 50000 - Min rx interval: 1000
Min Echo interval: 0

```

The output from the **show bfd neighbors details** command from the line card on Router B verifies that a BFD session has been created:

```

RouterB# attach 6

Entering Console for 8 Port Fast Ethernet in Slot: 6
Type "exit" to end this session
Press RETURN to get started!
Router> show bfd neighbors details
Cleanup timer hits: 0
OurAddr      NeighAddr      LD/RD RH  Holdown(mult)  State      Int
172.16.10.2  172.16.10.1      8/1  1    1000 (5 )      Up         Fa6/0
Local Diag: 0, Demand mode: 0, Poll bit: 0
MinTxInt: 50000, MinRxInt: 1000, Multiplier: 3
Received MinRxInt: 200000, Received Multiplier: 5
Holdown (hits): 1000(0), Hello (hits): 200(5995)
Rx Count: 10126, Rx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 152/248/196 last: 0 ms ago
Tx Count: 5998, Tx Interval (ms) min/max/avg: 204/440/332 last: 12 ms ago
Last packet: Version: 0          - Diagnostic: 0
                I Hear You bit: 1      - Demand bit: 0
                Poll bit: 0            - Final bit: 0
                Multiplier: 5          - Length: 24
                My Discr.: 1           - Your Discr.: 8
                Min tx interval: 200000 - Min rx interval: 200000
                Min Echo interval: 0
Uptime: 00:33:13
SSO Cleanup Timer called: 0
SSO Cleanup Action Taken: 0
Pseudo pre-emptive process count: 239103 min/max/avg: 8/16/8 last: 0 ms ago
IPC Tx Failure Count: 0
IPC Rx Failure Count: 0
Total Adjs Found: 1

```

Example: Configuring BFD in an HSRP Network

In the following example, the HSRP network consists of Router A and Router B. Fast Ethernet interface 2/0 on Router A is connected to the same network as Fast Ethernet interface 2/0 on Router B. The example, starting in global configuration mode, shows the configuration of BFD.



Note In the following example, the **standby bfd** and the **standby bfd all-interfaces** commands are not displayed. HSRP support for BFD peering is enabled by default when BFD is configured on the router or interface using the **bfd interval** command. The **standby bfd** and **standby bfd all-interfaces** commands are needed only if BFD has been manually disabled on a router or interface.

Router A

```

ip cef
interface Fast Ethernet2/0
no shutdown
ip address 10.0.0.2 255.0.0.0
ip router-cache cef
bfd interval 200 min_rx 200 multiplier 3

```

Example: Configuring BFD Support for Static Routing

```
standby 1 ip 10.0.0.11
standby 1 preempt
standby 1 priority 110

standby 2 ip 10.0.0.12
standby 2 preempt
standby 2 priority 110
```

Router B

```
interface Fast Ethernet2/0
ip address 10.1.0.22 255.255.0.0
no shutdown
bfd interval 200 min_rx 200 multiplier 3
standby 1 ip 10.0.0.11
standby 1 preempt
standby 1 priority 90
standby 2 ip 10.0.0.12
standby 2 preempt
standby 2 priority 80
```

The output from the **show standby neighbors** command verifies that a BFD session has been created:

```
RouterA#show standby neighbors
```

```
HSRP neighbors on Fast Ethernet2/0
 10.1.0.22
   No active groups
   Standby groups: 1
   BFD enabled !
```

```
RouterB# show standby neighbors
```

```
HSRP neighbors on Fast Ethernet2/0
 10.0.0.2
   Active groups: 1
   No standby groups
   BFD enabled !
```

Example: Configuring BFD Support for Static Routing

In the following example, the network consists of Device A and Device B. Serial interface 2/0 on Device A is connected to the same network as serial interface 2/0 on Device B. In order for the BFD session to come up, Device B must be configured.

Device A

```
configure terminal
interface Serial 2/0
ip address 10.201.201.1 255.255.255.0
bfd interval 500 min_rx 500 multiplier 5
ip route static bfd Serial 2/0 10.201.201.2
ip route 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 Serial 2/0 10.201.201.2
```

Device B

```
configure terminal
interface Serial 2/0
```

```
ip address 10.201.201.2 255.255.255.0
bfd interval 500 min_rx 500 multiplier 5
ip route static bfd Serial 2/0 10.201.201.1
ip route 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.255 Serial 2/0 10.201.201.1
```

Note that the static route on Device B exists solely to enable the BFD session between 10.201.201.1 and 10.201.201.2. If there is no useful static route that needs to be configured, select a prefix that will not affect packet forwarding, for example, the address of a locally configured loopback interface.

In the following example, there is an active static BFD configuration to reach 209.165.200.225 through Ethernet interface 0/0 in the BFD group testgroup. As soon as the static route is configured that is tracked by the configured static BFD, a single hop BFD session is initiated to 209.165.200.225 through Ethernet interface 0/0. The prefix 10.0.0.0/8 is added to the RIB if a BFD session is successfully established.

```
configure terminal
ip route static bfd Ethernet 0/0 209.165.200.225 group testgroup
ip route 10.0.0.0 255.255.255.224 Ethernet 0/0 209.165.200.225
```

In the following example, a BFD session to 209.165.200.226 through Ethernet interface 0/0.1001 is marked to use the group testgroup. That is, this configuration is a passive static BFD. Though there are static routes to be tracked by the second static BFD configuration, a BFD session is not triggered for 209.165.200.226 through Ethernet interface 0/0.1001. The existence of the prefixes 10.1.1.1/8 and 10.2.2.2/8 is controlled by the active static BFD session (Ethernet interface 0/0 209.165.200.225).

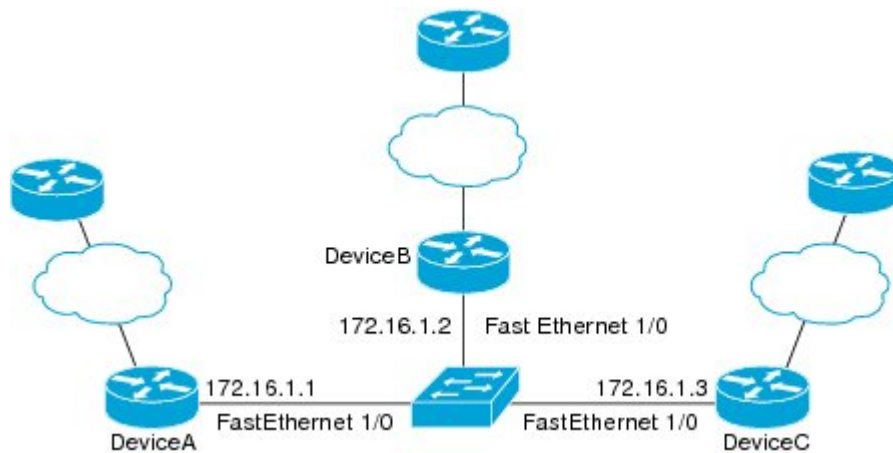
```
configure terminal
ip route static bfd Ethernet 0/0 209.165.200.225 group testgroup
ip route 10.0.0.0 255.255.255.224 Ethernet 0/0 209.165.200.225
ip route static bfd Ethernet 0/0.1001 209.165.200.226 group testgroup passive
ip route 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.224 Ethernet 0/0.1001 209.165.200.226
ip route 10.2.2.2 255.255.255.224 Ethernet 0/0.1001 209.165.200.226
```

Example: Configuring BFD Control Channel over VCCV--Support for ATM Pseudowire

The figure below shows a typical ATM pseudowire configuration. The network consists of a MPLS pseudowire carrying an ATM payload between two terminating provider edge (T-PE) devices: T-PE1 and T-PE2. BFD monitoring of the pseudowire occurs between the T-PE1 device and the switching providing edge (S-PE) device, and between the S-PE device and the T-PE2 device. BFD also monitors the signal status of the ACs between the customer edge (CE) devices and the T-PE devices.

**Note**

No configuration specific to BFD control channel over VCCV is required for the S-PEs.



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CE1

```

interface ATM 0/0
  description connect to mfi6 atm9/0/0
  no ip address
  no ip directed-broadcast
  atm clock INTERNAL
  atm sonet stm-1
  no atm enable-ilmi-trap
  no atm ilmi-keepalive
!
interface ATM 0/0.2 point-to-point
  ip address 10.25.1.1 255.255.255.0
  no ip directed-broadcast
  no atm enable-ilmi-trap
  pvc 0/100
    encapsulation aal5snap

```

T-PE1

```

interface Loopback 0
  ip address 10.0.0.6 255.255.255.255
bfd-template single-hop nsn
  interval min-tx 500 min-rx 500 multiplier 3
pseudowire-class vccv-bfd1
  encapsulation mpls
  vccv bfd template nsn raw-bfd
  vccv bfd status signaling
interface ATM 9/0/0
  description connect mfr4 atm0/0
  no ip address
  atm asynchronous
  atm clock INTERNAL
  no atm ilmi-keepalive
  no atm enable-ilmi-trap
  pvc 0/100 l2transport
    xconnect 10.0.0.7 100 pw-class vccv-bfd1

```

T-PE2

```

interface Loopback 0

```

```

ip address 10.54.0.1 255.255.255.255
bfd-template single-hop nsu
interval min-tx 500 min-rx 500 multiplier 3
!
pseudowire-class vccv-bfd1
encapsulation mpls
vccv bfd template nsu raw-bfd
vccv bfd status signaling
interface ATM 2/0
no ip address
atm asynchronous
no atm ilmi-keepalive
no atm enable-ilmi-trap
pvc 0/100 l2transport
xconnect 10.0.0.7 102 pw-class vccv-bfd1
!

```

CE2

```

interface ATM 4/0.2 point-to-point
ip address 10.25.1.2 255.255.255.0
no snmp trap link-status
pvc 0/100
encapsulation aal5snap

```

Additional References

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	Cisco IOS Master Commands List, All Releases
Configuring and monitoring BGP	“Cisco BGP Overview” module of the <i>Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Configuration Guide</i>
BFD hardware offload	“Configuring Synchronous Ethernet on the Cisco 7600 Router with ES+ Line Card” section of the <i>Cisco 7600 Series Ethernet Services Plus (ES+) and Ethernet Services Plus T (ES+T) Line Card Configuration Guide</i>
Configuring and monitoring EIGRP	“Configuring EIGRP” module of the <i>Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Configuration Guide</i>
Configuring and monitoring HSRP	“Configuring HSRP” module of the <i>Cisco IOS IP Application Services Configuration Guide</i>
Configuring and monitoring IS-IS	“Configuring Integrated IS-IS” module of the <i>Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Configuration Guide</i>
Configuring and monitoring OSPF	“Configuring OSPF” module of the <i>Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Configuration Guide</i>

Related Topic	Document Title
BFD commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Routing: Protocol-Independent Command Reference</i>
BGP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Routing: Protocol-Independent Command Reference</i>
EIGRP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Routing: Protocol-Independent Command Reference</i>
HSRP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Application Services Command Reference</i>
IS-IS commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Routing: Protocol-Independent Command Reference</i>
OSPF commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Routing: Protocol-Independent Command Reference</i>
BFD IPv6 Encapsulation Support	“ <i>BFD IPv6 Encapsulation Support</i> ” module
OSPFv3 for BFD	“ <i>OSPFv3 for BFD</i> ” module
Static Route Support for BFD over IPv6	“ <i>Static Route Support for BFD over IPv6</i> ” module

Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
IETF Draft	<i>Bidirectional Forwarding Detection</i> , February 2009 (http://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-bfd-base-09)
IETF Draft	<i>BFD for IPv4 and IPv6 (Single Hop)</i> , February 2009 (http://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-bfd-v4v6-1hop-09)

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Feature Information for Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

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.

Table 1: Feature Information for Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
BFD Control Channel over VCCV—Support for ATM Pseudowire	15.0(1)S	VCCV provides a control channel that is associated with an ATM pseudowire to perform operations and management functions over the pseudowire. BFD uses the VCCV control channel to detect dataplane failures for pseudowires. In Cisco IOS Release 15.0(1)S the BFD control channel over VCCV Support for ATM Pseudowire feature is supported for VCCV type-1 (without an IP/UDP header) only. The following commands were introduced or modified by this feature: bfd-template , debug mpls l2transport vc vccv , interval(BFD) , vccv , vccv bfd template , vccv bfd status signaling .
BFD Echo Mode	12.2(33)SRB 12.4(9)T 15.0(1)S	BFD echo mode works with asynchronous BFD. Echo packets are sent by the forwarding engine and forwarded back along the same path in order to perform detection--the BFD session at the other end does not participate in the actual forwarding of the echo packets. The echo function and the forwarding engine are responsible for the detection process, therefore the number of BFD control packets that are sent out between two BFD neighbors is reduced. And since the forwarding engine is testing the forwarding path on the remote (neighbor) system without involving the remote system, there is an opportunity to improve the interpacket delay variance, thereby achieving quicker failure detection times than when using BFD Version 0 with BFD control packets for the BFD session.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
BFD—BFD Hardware Offload Support	15.1(2)S 15.1(1)SG	This feature supports offloading BFD sessions to ES+ line cards on Cisco 7600 series routers. The following command was introduced or modified: show bfd neighbors .
BFD IPv6 Encapsulation Support	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.11S	This feature extends IPv6 support for BFD. The following command was introduced or modified: bfd interval
BFD Multihop	15.1(3)S 15.4(1)S	This feature supports multihop BFD for IPv4 and IPv6 addresses. In Cisco IOS Release 15.4(1)S, support was added for the Cisco ASR 901S Series Routers. The following commands were introduced or modified: authentication, bfd map, bfd-template, interval, show bfd neighbors, show bfd neighbor drops .
BFD—Static Route Support	12.2(33)SRC 15.0(1)M 15.0(1)S 15.0(1)SY 15.1(2)S 15.1(1)SG 15.4(1)S	Unlike dynamic routing protocols, such as OSPF and BGP, static routing has no method of peer discovery. Therefore, when BFD is configured, the reachability of the gateway is completely dependent on the state of the BFD session to the specified neighbor. Unless the BFD session is up, the gateway for the static route is considered unreachable, and therefore the affected routes will not be installed in the appropriate RIB. A single BFD session can be used by an IPv4 static client to track the reachability of next hops through a specific interface. A BFD group can be assigned for a set of BFD-tracked static routes. In Cisco IOS Release 15.4(1)S, support was added for the Cisco ASR 901S Series Routers. The following commands were introduced or modified: ip route static bfd and show ip static route bfd .
BFD Support for IP Tunnel (GRE, with IP address)	15.1(1)SY	This feature supports BFD forwarding on point-to-point IPv4, IPv6, and GRE tunnels. The following commands were introduced or modified: bfd .
BFD Support over Port Channel	15.1(1)SY 15.1(2)SY	This feature supports configuring BFD timers on port channel interface. The following commands were introduced or modified: bfd .
BFD—VRF Support	12.2(33)SRC 15.0(1)M 15.0(1)S 15.1(1)SY	The BFD feature support is extended to be VPN Routing and Forwarding (VRF) aware to provide fast detection of routing protocol failures between provider edge (PE) and customer edge (CE) devices.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
BFD—WAN Interface Support	12.2(33)SRC 15.0(1)M 15.0(1)S	The BFD feature is supported on nonbroadcast media interfaces including ATM, POS, serial, and VLAN interfaces. BFD support also extends to ATM, FR, POS, and serial subinterfaces. The bfd interval command must be configured on the interface to initiate BFD monitoring.
Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (standard implementation, Version 1)	12.0(31)S 12.0(32)S 12.2(33)SRB 12.2(33)SRC 12.2(18)SXE 12.2(33)SXH 12.4(9)T 12.4(11)T 12.4(15)T 15.0(1)S 15.4(1)S	This document describes how to enable the Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) protocol. BFD is a detection protocol designed to provide fast forwarding path failure detection times for all media types, encapsulations, topologies, and routing protocols. In addition to fast forwarding path failure detection, BFD provides a consistent failure detection method for network administrators. Because the network administrator can use BFD to detect forwarding path failures at a uniform rate, rather than the variable rates for different routing protocol hello mechanisms, network profiling and planning will be easier, and reconvergence time will be consistent and predictable. In Release 12.0(31)S, support was added for the Cisco 12000 series Internet router. In Release 12.0(32)S, support was added for the Cisco 10720 Internet router and IP Services Engine (Engine 3) and Engine 5 shared port adapters (SPAs) and SPA interface processors (SIPs) on the Cisco 12000 series Internet router. In Cisco IOS Release 15.4(1)S, support was added for the Cisco ASR 901S Series Routers.
HSRP Support for BFD	12.2(33)SRC 12.4(11)T 12.4(15)T	In Release 12.4(11)T, support for HSRP was added. In Release 12.4(15)T, BFD is supported on the Integrated Services Router (ISR) family of Cisco routers, for example, the Cisco 3800 ISR series routers. In Release 12.2(33)SRC, the number of BFD sessions that can be created has been increased, BFD support has been extended to ATM, FR, POS, and serial subinterfaces, the BFD feature has been extended to be VRF-aware, BFD sessions are placed in an “Admin Down” state during a planned switchover, and BFD support has been extended to static routing.
IS-IS Support for BFD over IPv4	12.0(31)S 12.2(18)SXE 12.2(33)SRA 12.4(4)T 15.0(1)S 15.4(1)S	BFD support for OSPF can be configured globally on all interfaces or configured selectively on one or more interfaces. When BFD support is configured with IS-IS as a registered protocol with BFD, IS-IS receives forwarding path detection failure messages from BFD. In Cisco IOS Release 15.4(1)S, support was added for the Cisco ASR 901S Series Routers.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
OSPF Support for BFD over IPv4	12.0(31)S 12.2(18)SXE 12.2(33)SRA 12.4(4)T 15.0(1)S 15.1(1)SG	BFD support for OSPF can be configured globally on all interfaces or configured selectively on one or more interfaces. When BFD support is configured with OSPF as a registered protocol with BFD, OSPF receives forwarding path detection failure messages from BFD.
SSO—BFD	12.2(33)SRE 12.2(33)SXI2 12.2(33)XNE 15.0(1)S 15.1(1)SG	Network deployments that use dual RP routers and switches have a graceful restart mechanism to protect forwarding states across a switchover. This feature enables BFD to maintain sessions in a up state across switchovers.
SSO—BFD (Admin Down)	12.2(33)SRC 15.0(1)S	To support SSO, BFD sessions are placed in an “Admin Down” state during a planned switchover. The BFD configuration is synched from the active to standby processor, and all BFD clients re-register with the BFD process on the standby processor.
BFD Support on IPbasek9 Image for Cisco ISR G2 Modular Routers.	15.6(3)M	Effective with Cisco IOS release 15.6(3)M, BFD is also supported in the ipbasek9 image for Cisco ISR G2 modular routers. For example, if EIGRP feature is part of the ipbasek9 image, the BFD for EIGRP feature will be also part of the ipbasek9 image. When a feature is part of a software package other than IP Base which supports BFD, the associated BFD feature will be part of the equivalent software package.