



Asynchronous PPP and SLIP Commands

Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) and Serial Line Internet Protocol (SLIP) define methods of sending IP packets over standard EIA/TIA-232 asynchronous serial lines with minimum line speeds of 1200 baud. This chapter describes the commands used to configure your router to enable PPP and SLIP on asynchronous interfaces.

Using PPP or SLIP encapsulation over asynchronous lines is an inexpensive way of connecting PCs to a network. PPP and SLIP over asynchronous dial-up modems allow a home computer to be connected to a network without the cost of a leased line. Dial-up PPP and SLIP links can also be used for remote sites that need only occasional remote node or backup connectivity. Both public-domain and vendor-supported PPP and SLIP implementations are available for a variety of computer applications.

Use the commands in this chapter to configure PPP and SLIP on your router. For configuration information and examples, refer to the chapter “Configuring Asynchronous PPP and SLIP” in the *Dial Solutions Configuration Guide*.

Note Some commands previously documented in this chapter have been replaced by new commands. Although these commands continue to perform their normal functions in the current release, support for these commands will cease in future releases.

async mode dedicated

To place a line into dedicated asynchronous mode using SLIP or PPP encapsulation, use the **async mode dedicated** interface configuration command. To return the line to interactive mode, use the **no** form of this command.

```
async mode dedicated  
no async mode dedicated
```

Syntax Description

This command has no arguments or keywords.

Default

Asynchronous mode is disabled.

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

With dedicated asynchronous network mode, the interface will use either SLIP or PPP encapsulation, depending on which encapsulation method is configured for the interface. An EXEC prompt does not appear, and the router is not available for normal interactive use.

If you configure a line for dedicated mode, you will not be able to use the **async dynamic address** command, because there is no user prompt.

Example

The following example assigns an IP address to an asynchronous line and places the line into network mode. Setting the stop bits to 1 enhances performance.

```
interface async 4  
  async default ip address 172.31.7.51  
  async mode dedicated  
  encapsulation slip  
  
line 20  
  location Joe's computer  
  stopbits 1  
  speed 115200
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

async mode interactive

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To return a line that has been placed into dedicated asynchronous network mode to interactive mode, thereby enabling the **slip** and **ppp** EXEC commands, use the **async mode interactive** interface configuration command. To prevent users from implementing SLIP and PPP at the EXEC level, use the **no** form of this command.

```
async mode interactive  
no async mode interactive
```

Syntax Description

This command has no arguments or keywords.

Default

Asynchronous mode is disabled.

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

Interactive mode enables the **slip** and **ppp** EXEC commands. In dedicated mode, there is no user EXEC level. The user does not enter any commands, and a connection is automatically established when the user logs in, according to the configuration.

Example

The following example places async interface 6 into interactive asynchronous mode:

```
interface async 6  
  async default ip address 172.31.7.51  
  async mode interactive  
  ip unnumbered ethernet 0
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

async mode dedicated

autoselect

To configure a line to start an ARA, PPP, or SLIP session, use the **autoselect** line configuration command. Use the **no** form of this command to disable this function on a line.

```
autoselect { arap | ppp | slip | during-login }  
no autoselect
```

Syntax Description

arap	Configures the Cisco IOS software to allow an ARA session to start up automatically.
ppp	Configures the Cisco IOS software to allow a PPP session to start up automatically.
slip	Configures the Cisco IOS software to allow a SLIP session to start up automatically.
during-login	The username and/or password prompt is displayed without pressing the Return key. After the user logs in, the autoselect function begins.

Default

ARA session

Command Mode

Line configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.3. The **no autoselect** command and the **during-login** command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 11.0.

This command eliminates the need for users to enter an EXEC command to start an ARA, PPP, or SLIP session.

Note SLIP does not support authentication. For PPP and ARAP, you must enable authentication.

The **autoselect** command configures the Cisco IOS software to identify the type of connection being requested. For example, when a user on a Macintosh running ARA selects the Connect button, the Cisco IOS software automatically starts an ARAP session. If, on the other hand, the user is running SLIP or PPP and uses the **autoselect ppp** or **autoselect slip** command, the Cisco IOS software automatically starts a PPP or SLIP session, respectively. This command is used on lines making different types of connections.

A line that does not have **autoselect** configured views an attempt to open a connection as noise. The router does not respond and the user client times out.

Note After the modem connection is established, a Return is required to evoke a response, such as to get the username prompt. You might need to update your scripts to include this requirement. Additionally, the activation character should be set to the default and the exec-character-bits set to 7. If you change these defaults, the application cannot recognize the activation request.

Examples

The following example enables ARA on a line:

```
line 3
  arap enable
  autoselect arap
```

The following example enables PPP on a line:

```
line 7
  autoselect ppp
```

The following example enables ARA on a line and allows logins from users with a modified CCL script and an unmodified script to log in:

```
line 3
  arap enable
  autoselect arap
  autoselect during-login
  arap noguest if-needed
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

arap use-tacacs
ppp authentication chap
ppp authentication pap
ppp use-tacacs

encapsulation

To configure SLIP or PPP encapsulation as the default on an asynchronous interface, use the **encapsulation** interface configuration command. To disable encapsulation, use the **no** form of this command.

```
encapsulation {slip | ppp}  
no encapsulation {slip | ppp}
```

Syntax Description

slip	Specifies SLIP encapsulation for an interface configured for dedicated asynchronous mode or DDR.
ppp	Specifies PPP encapsulation for an interface configured for dedicated asynchronous mode or dial-on-demand routing (DDR).

Default

SLIP encapsulation is enabled by default.

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.3.

On lines configured for interactive use, encapsulation is selected by the user when they establish a connection with the **slip** or **ppp EXEC** command.

IP Control Protocol (IPCP) is the part of PPP that brings up and configures IP links. After devices at both ends of a connection communicate and bring up PPP, they bring up the control protocol for each network protocol that they intend to run over the PPP link such as IP or IPX. If you have problems passing IP packets and the **show interface** command shows that line is up, use the **negotiations** command to see if and where the negotiations are failing. You might have different versions of software running, or different versions of PPP, in which case you might need to upgrade your software or turn off PPP option negotiations. All IPCP options as listed in RFC 1332 are supported on asynchronous lines. Only Option 2, TCP/IP header compression, is supported on synchronous interfaces.

PPP echo requests are used as keepalive packets to detect line failure. The **no keepalive** command can be used to disable echo requests. For more information about the **no keepalive** command, refer to the chapter “IP Services Commands” in the *Networking Protocols Command Reference, Part 1* and the chapter “Configuring IP Services” in the *Networking Protocols Configuration Guide, Part 1*.

In order to use SLIP or PPP, the Cisco IOS software must be configured with an IP routing protocol or with the **ip host-routing** command. This configuration is done automatically if you are using old-style **slip address** commands. However, you must configure it manually if you configure SLIP or PPP via the **interface async** command.

Note Disable software flow control on SLIP and PPP lines.

Example

In the following example, async interface 1 is configured for PPP encapsulation.

```
router# config
Configuring from terminal, memory, or network [terminal]?
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
router(config)# interface async 1
router(config-if)# encapsulation ppp
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

keepalive

ip access-group

To configure an access list to be used for packets transmitted to and from the asynchronous host, use the **ip access-group** interface configuration command. To disable control over packets transmitted to or from an asynchronous host, use the **no** form of this command.

```
ip access-group access-list-number { in | out }  
no ip access-group access-list-number
```

Syntax Description

<i>access-list-number</i>	Assigned IP access list number.
in	Defines access control on packets transmitted <i>from</i> the asynchronous host.
out	Defines access control on packets being sent <i>to</i> the asynchronous host.

Default

Disabled

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

With this command in effect, the IP destination address of each packet is run through the access list for acceptability then dropped or passed.

Example

The following example assumes that users are restricted to certain servers designated as SLIP or PPP servers, but that normal terminal users can access anything on the local network:

```
! access list for normal connections  
access-list 1 permit 172.16.0.0 0.0.255.255  
!  
! access list for SLIP packets.  
access-list 2 permit 172.16.42.55  
access-list 2 permit 172.16.111.1  
access-list 2 permit 172.16.55.99  
!  
! Specify the access list  
interface async 6  
  async dynamic address  
  ip access-group 1 out  
  ip access-group 2 in
```

ip address

To set IP addresses for an interface, use the **ip address** interface configuration command. To remove the specified addresses, use the **no** form of this command.

```
ip address address mask [secondary]  
no ip address address mask [secondary]
```

Syntax Description

<i>address</i>	IP address.
<i>mask</i>	Network mask for the associated IP network.
secondary	(Optional) Specifies additional IP addresses.

Default

No IP addresses are specified.

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

The subnet mask must be the same for all interfaces connected to subnets of the same network. Hosts can determine subnet masks using the Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) *Mask Request* message. The Cisco IOS software responds to this request with an ICMP *Mask Reply* message.

You can disable IP processing on a particular interface by removing its IP address with the **no ip address** interface configuration command. If the router detects another host using one of its IP addresses, it will print an error message on the console.

Example

In the example that follows, 172.16.1.27 is the primary address and 192.168.7.17 and 192.168.8.17 are secondary addresses for async interface 1:

```
interface async 1  
ip address 172.16.1.27 255.255.255.0  
ip address 192.168.7.17 255.255.255.0 secondary  
ip address 192.168.8.17 255.255.255.0 secondary
```

ip tcp async-mobility server

To enable asynchronous listening, which in turn allows TCP connections to TCP port 57, enter the **ip tcp async-mobility server** global configuration command. Enter the **no** form of this command to turn listening off.

```
ip tcp async-mobility server  
no ip tcp async-mobility server
```

Syntax

This command has no keywords or arguments.

Default

Disabled. Asynchronous listening is turned off.

Mode

Global Configuration

Usage

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 11.2.

After asynchronous listening is turned on by the **ip tcp async-mobility server** command, enter the **tunnel host** command to establish a network layer connection to a remote host. Both commands must be used to enable asynchronous mobility.

Example

The following example shows how to configure asynchronous mobility. The **tunnel host** command is used to establish a network layer connection with an IBM host called mktg.

```
5300# configure terminal  
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.  
5300(config)# ip tcp async-mobility server  
5300(config)# exit  
5300#  
%SYS-5-CONFIG_I: Configured from console by console  
5300# tunnel ?  
WORD Address or hostname of a remote system  
  
5300# tunnel mktg
```

See Also

tunnel

ip tcp header-compression

To configure TCP header compression on the asynchronous link, use the **ip tcp header-compression** interface configuration command. To disable header compression, use the **no** form of this command.

```
ip tcp header-compression [on | off | passive]
no ip tcp header-compression
```

Syntax Description

on (Optional) Turns header compression on.

off (Optional) Turns header compression off.

passive (Optional) On SLIP lines, prevents transmission of compressed packets until a compressed packet arrives from the asynchronous link, unless a user specifies SLIP on the command line. For PPP, this option functions the same as the **on** option.

Default

Header compression is on.

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

Header compression data areas are initialized to handle up to 16 simultaneous TCP connections. Currently, you cannot change this number. You can only turn header compression on or off or use the **passive** keyword.

On lines configured for PPP encapsulation, the keywords **passive** and **on** cause the same behavior because, before attempting header compression, PPP automatically negotiates whether compression is available at each end of the connection.

There are two ways to implement header compression when the line is configured for **ip tcp header-compression passive**:

- The user enters the **/compressed** option with the **slip EXEC** commands to force the line into compressed mode. This overrides the passive setting and causes the interface to behave as if header compression is enabled.
- The user enters **slip** or **slip default** and the connecting system sends compressed packets to the server. The server detects the use of compression by the connecting system and automatically enters compressed mode.

If a line is configured for passive header compression and you use the **slip** or **ppp EXEC** command to enter asynchronous mode, you will see that the interface is set to match the compression status used by the host at the other end of the asynchronous line.

```
router> slip 10.0.0.1
Password:
Entering SLIP mode.
```

ip tcp header-compression

```
Interface IP address is 10.0.0.1, MTU is 1500 bytes
Header compression will match your system.
```

The message “Header compression will match your system” indicates that the interface is set to match the compression status used by the host at the other end of the asynchronous line. If the line was configured to have header compression on, this line would read “Header compression is On.”

Example

The following example enables Van Jacobson TCP header compression. The **passive** keyword prevents transmission of compressed packets until a compressed packet arrives from the IP link. Notice that asynchronous routing and dynamic addressing are also enabled.

```
interface async 6
  async dynamic routing
  async dynamic address
  ip tcp header-compression passive
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

ppp
slip
slip default
slip /compressed

ip unnumbered

To conserve network resources, use the **ip unnumbered** interface configuration command. To disable unnumbered interfaces, use the **no** form of this command.

```
ip unnumbered type number  
no ip unnumbered
```

Syntax Description

type Interface type.
number Interface number.

Default

Disabled

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

You must use either the **ip address** or **ip unnumbered** command to provide the local address for an interface.

Unnumbered interfaces do not have an address. Network resources are conserved because fewer network numbers are used and routing tables are smaller.

Whenever the unnumbered interface generates a packet (for example, a routing update), it uses the address of the specified interface as the source address of the IP packet. It also uses the address of the specified interface to determine which routing processes are sending updates over the unnumbered interface. Restrictions include the following:

- You cannot use the **ping** command to determine whether the interface is up, because the interface has no address. SNMP can be used to remotely monitor interface status.
- You cannot netboot an executable image over an unnumbered serial interface.
- The arguments *type* and *number* must be another interface in the network server that has an IP address, not another unnumbered interface.

Example

The following example configures async interface 6 as unnumbered:

```
interface async 6  
  ip unnumbered ethernet 0
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

ip address

ipx compression cipx

To enable compression of IPX packet headers in a PPP session, use the **ipx compression cipx** interface configuration command. To disable compression of IPX packet headers in a PPP session, use the **no** form of this command.

ipx compression cipx *number-of-slots*
no ipx compression cipx

Syntax Description

number-of-slots Number of stored IPX headers allowed. The range is from 10 to 256. The default is 16.

A slot is similar to a table entry for a complete IPX header. When a packet is received, the receiver stores the complete IPX header in a slot and tells the destination which slot it used. As subsequent CIPX packets are sent, the receiver uses the slot number field to determine which complete IPX header to associate with the CIPX packet before passing the packet up to IPX.

Default

No compression of IPX packets during a PPP session.

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 11.1.

This interface configuration command enables IPX header compression on PPP links.

Example

The following example enables IPX header compression for PPP:

```
encapsulation ppp  
ipx compression cipx 128
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

show ipx compression

ipx ppp-client

To enable a non-routing IPX client to connect to an asynchronous interface, the interface must be associated with a loopback interface configured to run IPX. To permit such connections, use the **ipx ppp-client** interface configuration command. To disable a non-routing IPX client, use the **no** form of this command.

```
ipx ppp-client loopback number
no ipx ppp-client loopback number
```

Syntax Description

loopback	Loopback interface configured with a unique IPX network number.
<i>number</i>	Number of the loopback interface.

Default

IPX client connections are not permitted over PPP.

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 11.1.

This command enables IPX clients to log into the router from a device running a virtual terminal protocol, then issue the PPP command at the EXEC prompt to connect to a remote device.

You must first configure a loopback interface with a unique IPX network number. The loopback interface is then assigned to an asynchronous interface, which permits IPX clients to connect to the asynchronous interface.

Example

The following example configures IPX to run over PPP on asynchronous interface 3:

```
ipx routing 0000.0c07.b509
interface loopback0
  no ip address
  ipx network 544
  ipx sap-interval 2000
interface ethernet0
  ip address 172.21.14.64
  ipx network AC150E00
  ipx encapsulation SAP
interface async 3
  ip unnumbered ethernet0
  encapsulation ppp
  async mode interactive
  async default ip address 172.18.1.128
  ipx ppp-client loopback0
  ipx sap-interval 0
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

interface loopback

ipx network

peer default ip address

Use the **peer default ip address** interface configuration command to specify an IP address, an address from a specific IP address pool, or an address from the DHCP mechanism to be returned to a remote peer connecting to this interface. This command sets the address used on the remote (PC) side. Use the **no** form of this command to disable a prior peer IP address pooling configuration on an interface.

To remove the default address from your configuration, use the **no** form of this command also.

```
peer default ip address { ip-address | dhcp | pool [poolname]}
no peer default ip address
```

Syntax Description

ip-address	Specific IP address to be assigned to a remote peer dialing in to this interface. To prevent the assignment of duplicate IP addresses on two or more interfaces, this form of the command cannot be applied to a dialer rotary group nor to an ISDN interface.
dhcp	Retrieve an IP address from the DHCP server.
pool	Use the Global Default Mechanism as defined by the ip address-pool command unless the optional <i>poolname</i> is supplied.
<i>poolname</i>	(Optional) Name of a local address pool created using the ip local pool command. The router retrieves an address from this pool regardless of the Global Default Mechanism setting.

Default

pool

Command Mode

Interface configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 11.0.

This command applies to point-to-point interfaces that support the PPP or SLIP encapsulation.

Note This command replaces the **async default ip address** command.

This command allows an administrator to configure all possible address pooling mechanisms on a interface-by-interface basis. The **peer default ip address** command can be used to override the Global Default Mechanism defined by the **ip address-pool** command on an interface-by-interface basis.

For all interfaces not configured with a peer default IP address mechanism (equivalent to selecting the **peer default ip address pool** command), the router uses the Global Default Mechanism that is defined by the **ip address-pool** command.

peer default ip address

If you select the **peer default ip address pool** *poolname* command, then the router uses the locally configured pool on this interface and does not follow the Global Default Mechanism.

If you select the **peer default ip address** *ip-address* form of this command, the specified IP address is assigned to any peer connecting to this interface and any Global Default Mechanism is overridden for this interface.

If you select the **peer default ip address dhcp** form of this command, the DHCP proxy-client mechanism is used by default on this interface and any Global Default Mechanism is overridden for this interface.

Example

The following example specifies address 192.31.7.51 for async interface 6:

```
line 20
  speed 115200
interface async 6
  peer default ip address 192.31.7.51
```

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

async dynamic address

ppp

To start an asynchronous connection using PPP, use the **ppp** EXEC command.

```
ppp {/default | {remote-ip-address | remote-name} [@tacacs-server]} [/routing]
```

Syntax Description

/default	(Optional) Makes a PPP connection when a default address has been configured.
<i>remote-ip-address</i>	IP address of the client workstation or PC. This parameter can only be specified if the line is set for dynamic addresses using the async address dynamic line configuration command.
<i>remote-name</i>	Name of the client workstation or PC. This parameter can be specified if the line is set for dynamic addresses using the async address dynamic line configuration command.
<i>@tacacs-server</i>	(Optional) IP address or IP host name of the TACACS server to which the user's TACACS authentication request is sent.
/routing	(Optional) Indicates that the remote system is a router and that routing messages should be exchanged over the link. The line must be configured for asynchronous routing using PPP encapsulation.

Command Mode

EXEC

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in a release prior to Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

When you connect from a remote node computer to an EXEC session on the access server and want to connect from the access server to a device on the network, issue the **ppp** command.

If you specify an address for the TACACS server (either **/default** or *tacacs-server*), the address must be the first parameter in the command after you type **ppp**. If you do not specify an address or enter **default**, you are prompted for an IP address or host name. You can enter **default** at this point.

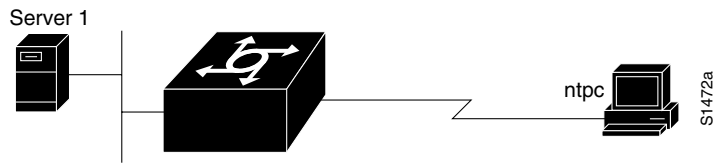
To terminate a session, disconnect from the device on the network using the command specific to that device. Then, exit from the EXEC by using the **exit** command.

Example

The following example shows a line that is in asynchronous mode using PPP encapsulation (see Figure 1). The PC's name is *ntpc*—assuming that the name *ntpc* is in the Domain Naming System (DNS) so that it can be resolved to a real IP address). The PC must be running a terminal emulator program.

```
router> ppp ntpc@server1
```

Figure 1 Using the PPP EXEC Command



service old-slip-prompts

To provide backward compatibility for client software scripts expecting SLIP and PPP dialogs to be formatted with software release 9.1 or earlier, use the **service old-slip-prompts** global configuration command. Use the **no** form of this command to disable this function.

```
service old-slip-prompts  
no service old-slip-prompts
```

Syntax Description

This command has no arguments or keywords.

Default

The prompts and information transmitted by SLIP and PPP are formatted with the current release of Cisco IOS software.

Command Mode

Global configuration

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 11.1.

Example

The following example shows the output of a SLIP command after **service old-slip-prompts** is enabled:

```
router# configure terminal  
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.  
router(config)# service old-slip-prompts  
router(config)# exit  
router# slip  
IP address or hostname: 2.2.2.2  
Entering SLIP mode.  
Your IP address is 2.2.2.2. MTU is 1500 bytes
```

show ipx compression

To show the current status and statistics of IPX header compression during PPP sessions, use the **show ipx compression EXEC** command.

show ipx compression detail *int-spec*

Syntax Description

detail Shows detailed link-state database information for NLSP.

int-spec Interface type, as listed in Table 1.

Table 1 Interface Types

Keyword	Description
Async	Asynchronous interface.
Ethernet	Ethernet IEEE 802.3 interface.
Null	Null interface.
Serial	WAN serial interface.

Command Mode

EXEC

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in Cisco IOS Release 11.1.

Related Commands

You can use the master indexes or search online to find documentation of related commands.

ipx compression cipx
show ipx interface

slip

To start a serial connection to a remote host by using SLIP, use the **slip** EXEC command.

```
slip [/default] { remote-ip-address | remote-name } [@tacacs-server] [/routing] [/compressed]
```

Syntax Description

/default	(Optional) Makes a SLIP connection when a default address has been configured.
<i>remote-ip-address</i>	IP address of the client workstation or PC.
<i>remote-name</i>	Name of the client workstation or PC.
<i>@tacacs-server</i>	(Optional) IP address or IP host name of the TACACS server to which your TACACS authentication request is sent.
/routing	(Optional) Indicates that the remote system is a router. Line must be configured for asynchronous routing using SLIP encapsulation.
/compressed	(Optional) Indicates that IP header compression should be negotiated.

Command Mode

EXEC

Usage Guidelines

This command first appeared in a release prior to Cisco IOS Release 10.0.

When you connect from a remote node computer to the EXEC facility on a router and want to connect from the router to a device on the network, issue the **slip** command.

If you specify an address for the TACACS server by using **/default** or *tacacs-server*, the address must be the first parameter in the command after you enter **slip**. If you do not specify an address or enter **/default**, you are prompted for an IP address or host name. You can enter **/default** at this point.

If you do not use the *tacacs-server* argument to specify a TACACS server for SLIP address authentication, the TACACS server specified at login (if any) is used for the SLIP address query.

To optimize bandwidth on a line, SLIP enables compression of the SLIP packets using Van Jacobson TCP header compression as defined in RFC 1144.

Your system administrator must configure the system with the **ip tcp header-compression passive** command for the **/compressed** command option to be valid in EXEC mode. The **ip tcp header-compression** command forces header compression on or off. The default is to not compress the packets. The configuration file must have header compression on and the **slip /compressed** EXEC command must be entered for header compression to occur.

To terminate a session initiated with the **slip** command, disconnect from the device on the network using the command specific to that device. Then, exit from the EXEC by using the **exit** command.

Examples

The following example makes a connection when a default IP address is assigned. Once a correct password is entered, you are placed in SLIP mode, and the IP address is displayed.

```
router> slip
Password:
Entering SLIP mode.
Your IP address is 192.31.7.28, MTU is 1524 bytes
```

The following example illustrates the prompts displayed and the response required when you use dynamic addressing to assign the SLIP address:

```
router> slip
IP address or hostname? 192.31.6.15
Password:
Entering SLIP mode
Your IP address is 192.31.6.15, MTU is 1524 bytes
```

In the preceding example, the address 192.31.6.15 has been assigned as the default. Password verification is still required before SLIP mode can be enabled.

```
router> slip /default
Password:
Entering SLIP mode
Your IP address is 192.31.6.15, MTU is 1524 bytes
```

The following example illustrates the implementation of header compression on the interface with the IP address 128.66.2.1:

```
router> slip 128.66.2.1 /compressed
Password:
Entering SLIP mode.
Interface IP address is 128.66.2.1, MTU is 1500 bytes.
Header compression will match your system.
```

In the preceding example, the interface is configured for **ip tcp header-compression passive**, which permits the user to enter the **/compressed** keyword at the EXEC mode prompt. The message “Header compression will match your system” indicates that the user specified compression. If the line was configured for **ip tcp header-compression on**, this line would read “Header compression is On.”

The following example specifies a TACACS server named server1 for address authentication:

```
router> slip 1.0.0.1@server1
Password:
Entering SLIP mode.
Interface IP address is 1.0.0.1, MTU is 1500 bytes
Header compression will match your system.
```