



# Implementing Multipoint Layer 2 Bridging Services (VPLS) on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers

This module provides the conceptual and configuration information for Multipoint Layer 2 Bridging Services, also called Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Routers. VPLS supports Layer 2 VPN technology and provides transparent multipoint Layer 2 connectivity for customers.

This approach enables service providers to host a multitude of new services such as broadcast TV and Layer 2 VPNs.

For MPLS Layer 2 virtual private networks (VPNs), see the *Implementing MPLS Layer 2 VPNs on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers* module in this document.



## Note

For more information about MPLS Layer 2 VPN on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers and for descriptions of the commands listed in this module, see the [“Related Documents”](#) section. To locate documentation for other commands that might appear while executing a configuration task, search online in the Cisco IOS XR software master command index.

## Feature History for Implementing Virtual Private LAN Services on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers

Release	Modification
Release 3.7.2	This feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers.

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# Prerequisites for Implementing Virtual Private LAN Services

Before you configure VPLS, ensure that the network is configured as follows:

- Configure IP routing in the core so that the provider edge (PE) routers can reach each other through IP.
- Configure MPLS and Label Distribution Protocol (LDP) in the core so that a label switched path (LSP) exists between the PE routers.
- Configure a loopback interface to originate and terminate Layer 2 traffic. Make sure that the PE routers can access the other router's loopback interface.

**Note**

The loopback interface is not needed in all cases. For example, tunnel selection does not need a loopback interface when VPLS is directly mapped to a TE tunnel.

You must be in a user group associated with a task group that includes the proper task IDs. The command reference guides include the task IDs required for each command. If you suspect user group assignment is preventing you from using a command, contact your AAA administrator for assistance.

## Information About Implementing Virtual Private LAN Services

To implement Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS), you should understand the following concepts:

- [Virtual Private LAN Services Overview, page MPC-200](#)
- [VPLS for an MPLS-based Provider Core, page MPC-202](#)
- [Signaling, page MPC-202](#)
- [Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol, page MPC-203](#)
- [MAC Address-related Parameters, page MPC-204](#)
- [LSP Ping over VPWS and VPLS, page MPC-207](#)
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## Virtual Private LAN Services Overview

Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS) enables geographically separated local-area network (LAN) segments to be interconnected as a single bridged domain over an MPLS network. The full functions of the traditional LAN such as MAC address learning, aging, and switching are emulated across all the remotely connected LAN segments that are part of a single bridged domain.

Some of the components present in a VPLS network are described in the following sections.

### Bridge Domain

The native bridge domain refers to a Layer 2 broadcast domain consisting of a set of physical or virtual ports (including [VFI](#)). Data frames are switched within a bridge domain based on the destination MAC address. Multicast, broadcast, and unknown destination unicast frames are flooded within the bridge

domain. In addition, the source MAC address learning is performed on all incoming frames on a bridge domain. A learned address is aged out. Incoming frames are mapped to a bridge domain, based on either the ingress port or a combination of both an ingress port and a MAC header field.

By default, split horizon is enabled on a bridge domain. In other words, any packets that are coming on either the [attachment circuits](#) or [pseudowires](#) are not returned on the same attachment circuits or pseudowires. In addition, the packets that are received on one pseudowire are not replicated on other pseudowires in the same VFI.

## Pseudowires

A pseudowire is a point-to-point connection between pairs of PE routers. Its primary function is to emulate services like Ethernet over an underlying core MPLS network through encapsulation into a common MPLS format. By encapsulating services into a common MPLS format, a pseudowire allows carriers to converge their services to an MPLS network.

## Virtual Forwarding Instance

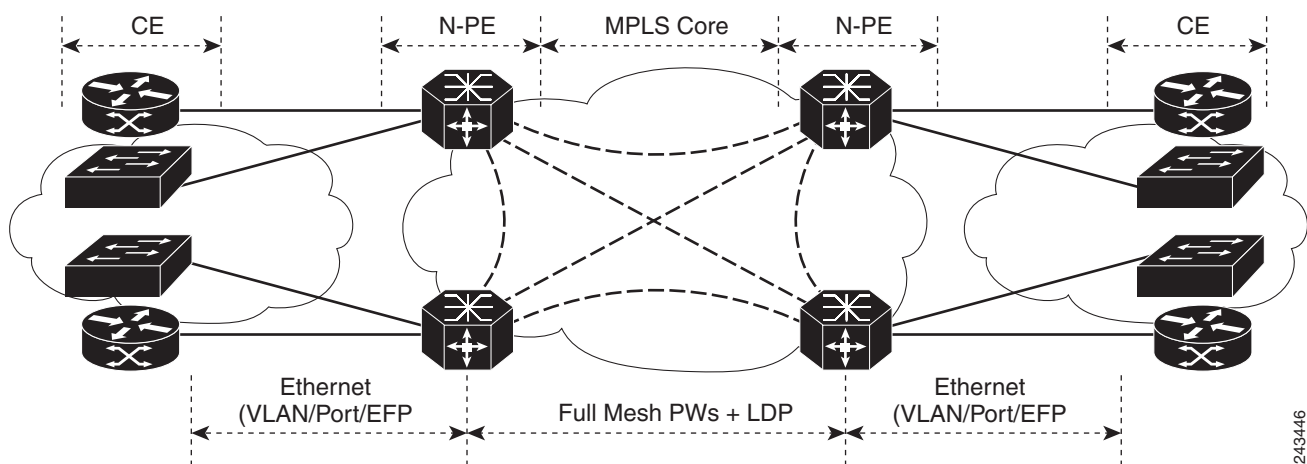
VPLS is based on the characteristic of virtual forwarding instance (VFI). A VFI is a virtual bridge port that is capable of performing native bridging functions, such as forwarding, based on the destination MAC address, source MAC address learning and aging, and so forth.

A VFI is created on the PE router for each VPLS instance. The PE routers make packet-forwarding decisions by looking up the VFI of a particular VPLS instance. The VFI acts like a virtual bridge for a given VPLS instance. More than one attachment circuit belonging to a given VPLS are connected to the VFI. The PE router establishes emulated VCs to all the other PE routers in that VPLS instance and attaches these emulated VCs to the VFI. Packet forwarding decisions are based on the data structures maintained in the VFI.

## VPLS Architecture

The basic or flat VPLS architecture allows for the end-to-end connection between the provider edge (PE) routers to provide multipoint ethernet services. [Figure 20](#) shows a flat VPLS architecture illustrating the interconnection between the network provider edge (N-PE) nodes over an IP/MPLS network.

**Figure 20 Basic VPLS Architecture**



The VPLS network requires the creation of a **bridge domain** (Layer 2 broadcast domain) on each of the PE routers. The VPLS provider edge device holds all the VPLS forwarding MAC tables and bridge domain information. In addition, it is responsible for all flooding broadcast frames and multicast replications.

The PEs in the VPLS architecture are connected with a full mesh of **Pseudowires** (PWs). A **Virtual Forwarding Instance** (VFI) is used to interconnect the mesh of pseudowires. A bridge domain is connected to a VFI to create a Virtual Switching Instance (VSI), that provides Ethernet multipoint bridging over a PW mesh. VPLS network links the VSIs using the MPLS pseudowires to create an emulated Ethernet Switch.

With VPLS, all customer equipment (CE) devices participating in a single VPLS instance appear to be on the same LAN and, therefore, can communicate directly with one another in a multipoint topology, without requiring a full mesh of point-to-point circuits at the CE device. A service provider can offer VPLS service to multiple customers over the MPLS network by defining different bridged domains for different customers. Packets from one bridged domain are never carried over or delivered to another bridged domain, thus ensuring the privacy of the LAN service.

VPLS transports Ethernet IEEE 802.3, VLAN IEEE 802.1q, and VLAN-in-VLAN (q-in-q) traffic across multiple sites that belong to the same Layer 2 broadcast domain. VPLS offers simple VLAN services that include flooding broadcast, multicast, and unknown unicast frames that are received on a bridge. The VPLS solution requires a full mesh of pseudowires that are established among PE routers. The VPLS implementation is based on Label Distribution Protocol (LDP)-based pseudowire signaling.

## VPLS for an MPLS-based Provider Core

VPLS is a multipoint Layer 2 VPN technology that connects two or more customer devices using bridging techniques. A bridge domain, which is the building block for multipoint bridging, is present on each of the PE routers. The access connections to the bridge domain on a PE router are called attachment circuits. The attachment circuits can be a set of physical ports, virtual ports, or both that are connected to the bridge at each PE device in the network.

After provisioning attachment circuits, neighbor relationships across the MPLS network for this specific instance are established through a set of manual commands identifying the end PEs. When the neighbor association is complete, a full mesh of pseudowires is established among the network-facing provider edge devices, which is a gateway between the MPLS core and the customer domain.

The MPLS/IP provider core simulates a virtual bridge that connects the multiple attachment circuits on each of the PE devices together to form a single broadcast domain. This also requires all of the PE routers that are participating in a VPLS instance to form emulated virtual circuits (VCs) among them.

Now, the service provider network starts switching the packets within the bridged domain specific to the customer by looking at destination MAC addresses. All traffic with unknown, broadcast, and multicast destination MAC addresses is flooded to all the connected customer edge devices, which connect to the service provider network. The network-facing provider edge devices learn the source MAC addresses as the packets are flooded. The traffic is unicasted to the customer edge device for all the learned MAC addresses.

## Signaling

An important aspect of VPN technologies, including VPLS, is the ability of network devices to automatically signal to other devices about an association with a particular VPN, often referred to as signaling mechanisms. For VPLS, this includes discovery of other peers and MAC address withdrawal.

The implementation of VPLS in a network requires the establishment of a full mesh of pseudowires between the provider edge (PE) routers. The signaling of pseudowires between provider edge devices, described in *draft-ietf-l2vpn-vpls-ldp-09*, uses targeted LDP sessions to exchange label values and attributes and to setup the pseudowires. LDP is an efficient mechanism for signaling pseudowire status for Ethernet point-to-point and multipoint services.

## Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol

These topics provide information about the Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP):

- [Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol Overview, page MPC-203](#)
- [Bridge Protocol Data Units, page MPC-203](#)

### Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol Overview

Multiple Spanning Tree (MST) lets you build multiple spanning trees over trunks. You can group and associated virtual local area networks (VLANs) to spanning tree instances. Each instance can have a topology independent of other spanning tree instances. MST establishes and maintains additional spanning trees within each MST region.

MSTP on a network-facing provider edge (PE) device, which is a gateway between the MPLS core and the customer domain, is supported. This function provides protection for native Ethernet rings on the User-Network Interface (UNI) side to support MSTP.

A PE router used the following functions:

- Runs MSTP with or without the VPLS core.
- Runs more than one MST instances (MSTI) simultaneously.

The following rules are listed for the association among MSTI, bridge domain, and interfaces (for example, bridge ports):

- A bridge domain belongs to only one MSTI.
- All interfaces are associated with a bridge domain and are controlled by one MST.
- The MSTI controls more than one bridge domain.

The MSTP control plane uses the L2VPN/VPLS infrastructure to ensure that the rules are enforced. When the L2VPN/VPLS infrastructure detects a violation of the rules, any interfaces that are in conflict within a bridge domain are brought down.

In addition, the MSTP control plane uses the L2VPN/VPLS infrastructure to update the port state that is based on the MSTP calculation.

### Bridge Protocol Data Units

Bridge protocol data units (BPDUs) are transmitted in one direction from the root bridge. Each network device sends configuration BPDUs to communicate and compute the spanning tree topology. Each configuration BPDU contains the following minimal information:

- Unique bridge ID of the network device that the transmitting network device believes to be the root bridge
- STP path cost to the root
- Bridge ID of the transmitting bridge

- Message age
- Identifier of the transmitting port
- Values for the hello, forward delay, and max-age protocol timers

When a network device transmits a BPDU frame, all network devices connected to the LAN on which the frame is transmitted receive the BPDU. When a network device receives a BPDU, it does not forward the frame but instead uses the information in the frame to calculate a BPDU, and, if the topology changes, to initiate a BPDU transmission.

The following conditions result in a BPDU exchange:

- One network device is elected as the root bridge.
- The shortest distance to the root bridge is calculated for each network device based on the path cost.
- A designated bridge for each LAN segment is selected. This is the network device closest to the root bridge through which frames are forwarded to the root.
- A root port is selected. This is the port providing the best path from the bridge to the root bridge.
- Ports included in the spanning tree are selected.

## MAC Address-related Parameters

The MAC address table contains a list of the known MAC addresses and their forwarding information. In the current VPLS design, the MAC address table and its management are distributed. In other words, a copy of the MAC address table is maintained on the Route Processor (RP) card and the line cards. The RP card manages the master-copy of the MAC table, and is responsible to insert or delete the MAC addresses from the table and to distribute the new information to all line cards.

These topics provide information about the MAC address-related parameters:

- [MAC Address Flooding, page MPC-204](#)
- [MAC Address-based Forwarding, page MPC-204](#)
- [MAC Address Source-based Learning, page MPC-205](#)
- [MAC Address Aging, page MPC-205](#)
- [MAC Address Limit, page MPC-205](#)
- [MAC Address Withdrawal, page MPC-206](#)

## MAC Address Flooding

Ethernet services require that frames that are sent to broadcast addresses and to unknown destination addresses be flooded to all ports. To obtain flooding within VPLS broadcast models, all unknown unicast, broadcast, and multicast frames are flooded over the corresponding pseudowires and to all attachment circuits. Therefore, a PE must replicate packets across both attachment circuits and pseudowires.

## MAC Address-based Forwarding

To forward a frame, a PE must associate a destination MAC address with a pseudowire or attachment circuit. This type of association is provided through a static configuration on each PE or through dynamic learning, which is flooded to all bridge ports.

**Note**

Split horizon forwarding applies in this case, for example, frames that are coming in on an attachment circuit or pseudowire are sent out of the same pseudowire. The pseudowire frames, which are received on one pseudowire, are not replicated on other pseudowires in the same virtual forwarding instance (VFI).

## MAC Address Source-based Learning

When a frame arrives on a bridge port (for example, pseudowire or attachment circuit) and the source MAC address is unknown to the receiving PE router, the source MAC address is associated with the pseudowire or attachment circuit. Outbound frames to the MAC address are forwarded to the appropriate pseudowire or attachment circuit.

MAC address source-based learning uses the MAC address information that is learned in the hardware forwarding path. The updated MAC tables are sent to all line cards (LCs) and program the hardware for the router.

The number of learned MAC addresses is limited through configurable per-port and per-bridge domain MAC address limits.

## MAC Address Aging

A MAC address in the MAC table is considered valid only for the duration of the MAC address aging time. When the time expires, the relevant MAC entries are repopulated. When the MAC aging time is configured only under a bridge domain, all the pseudowires and attachment circuits in the bridge domain use that configured MAC aging time.

A bridge forwards, floods, or drops packets based on the bridge table. The bridge table maintains both static entries and dynamic entries. Static entries are entered by the network manager or by the bridge itself. Dynamic entries are entered by the bridge learning process. A dynamic entry is automatically removed after a specified length of time, known as *aging time*, from the time the entry was created or last updated.

If hosts on a bridged network are likely to move, decrease the aging-time to enable the bridge to adapt to the change quickly. If hosts do not transmit continuously, increase the aging time to record the dynamic entries for a longer time, thus reducing the possibility of flooding when the hosts transmit again.

## MAC Address Limit

The MAC address limit is used to limit the number of learned MAC addresses. The limit is set at the bridge domain level and at the port level. Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers do not support MAC limits of a bridge port and a bridge domain at the same time. Mixing port level MAC learn limits and a bridge-wide MAC learn limit on the same bridge domain is not supported on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers. When the MAC address limit is violated, the system is configured to take one of the actions that are listed in [Table 5](#).

**Table 5**      **MAC Address Limit Actions**

Action	Description
Limit flood	Discards the new MAC addresses.
Limit no-flood	Discards the new MAC addresses. Flooding of unknown unicast packets is disabled.
Shutdown	Disables the bridge domain or bridge port. When the bridge domain is down, none of the bridging functions, such as learning, flooding, forwarding, and so forth take place for the bridge domain. If a bridge port is down as a result of the action, the interface or pseudowire representing the bridge port remains up but the bridge port is not participating in the bridge. When disabled, the port or bridge domain is manually brought up by using an EXEC CLI.

When a limit is exceeded, the system is configured to perform the following notifications:

- Syslog (default)
- Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) trap
- Syslog and SNMP trap
- None (no notification)

To clear the MAC limit condition, the number of MACs must go below 75 percent of the configured limit.

## MAC Address Withdrawal

For faster VPLS convergence, you can remove or unlearn the MAC addresses that are learned dynamically. The Label Distribution Protocol (LDP) Address Withdrawal message is sent with the list of MAC addresses, which need to be withdrawn to all other PEs that are participating in the corresponding VPLS service.

For the Cisco IOS XR VPLS implementation, a portion of the dynamically learned MAC addresses are cleared by using the MAC addresses aging mechanism by default. The MAC address withdrawal feature is added through the LDP Address Withdrawal message. To enable the MAC address withdrawal feature, use the **withdrawal** command in l2vpn bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode. To verify that the MAC address withdrawal is enabled, use the **show l2vpn bridge-domain** command with the **detail** keyword.



### Note

By default, the LDP MAC Withdrawal feature is disabled.

The LDP MAC Withdrawal feature is generated due to the following events:

- Attachment circuit goes down. You can remove or add the attachment circuit through the CLI.
- MAC withdrawal messages are received over a VFI pseudowire and are not propagated over access pseudowires. RFC 4762 specifies that both wildcards (by means of an empty Type, Length and Value [TLV]) and a specific MAC address withdrawal. Cisco IOS XR software supports only a wildcard MAC address withdrawal.



## LSP Ping over VPWS and VPLS

For Cisco IOS XR software, the existing support for the Label Switched Path (LSP) ping and traceroute verification mechanisms for point-to-point pseudowires (signaled using LDP FEC128) is extended to cover the pseudowires that are associated with the VFI (VPLS). Currently, the support for the LSP ping and traceroute is limited to manually configured VPLS pseudowires (signaled using LDP FEC128). For information about Virtual Circuit Connection Verification (VCCV) support and the **ping mpls pseudowire** command, see the *Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router MPLS Command Reference*.

## Split Horizon Groups

The Cisco IOS XR software supports split horizon groups within Layer 2 VPLS bridges. A split horizon group is a collection of bridge ports. Traffic cannot flow between members of a split horizon group. The restriction applies to all types of traffic, including broadcast, multicast, unknown unicast, and known unicast. If a packet is received on a bridge port that is a member of a split horizon group, that packet will not be sent out on any other port in the same split horizon group. [Table 6](#) describes supported split horizon groups in Cisco IOS-XR Release 3.7 FCI

**Table 6** Split Horizon Groups Supported in Cisco IOS-XR Release 3.7 FCI

Split Horizon Group Type	Explanation	Results
Forwarding PWs	<p>Only one split horizon group exists for forwarding PWs per VFI. By default, this group includes all PWs in the VFI. The PWs are automatically added to the group. No configuration is necessary or possible.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Split horizon groups are not supported for access PWs.</p>	All PWs in a VFI are placed by default into the same split horizon group, which effectively prevents traffic from forwarding to other PWs in the same VFI.
Attachment Circuits (ACs)	<p>One split horizon group exists for ACs per bridge domain. The ACs under a bridge domain either belong in this group or do not belong. By default, the group does not have any ACs. You can configure individual ACs to become members of the group using the <b>split-horizon group</b> configuration command.</p> <p>You can configure an entire physical interface or EFPs within an interface to become members of the split horizon group.</p>	ACs in the split horizon group cannot communicate with each other. Implement this scenario when you want end stations to receive data from a hub location but you do not want the end stations to be able to communicate with each other.

Split horizon group names or IDs are not used. In the **show l2vpn bridge-domain detail** command output, the following convention is used in the split horizon group field to describe the split horizon status of each port:

- Enabled—The port belongs to the split horizon group.
- None—The port does not belong to the split horizon group.

## Layer 2 Security

These topics describe the Layer 2 VPN extensions to support Layer 2 security:

- [Port Security, page MPC-208](#)
- [Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol Snooping, page MPC-208](#)

### Port Security

Use port security with dynamically learned and static MAC addresses to restrict a port's ingress traffic by limiting the MAC addresses that are allowed to send traffic into the port. When secure MAC addresses are assigned to a secure port, the port does not forward ingress traffic that has source addresses outside the group of defined addresses. If the number of secure MAC addresses is limited to one and assigned a single secure MAC address, the device attached to that port has the full bandwidth of the port.

The following port security features are supported:

- Limits the MAC table size on a bridge or a port.
- Facilitates actions and notifications for a MAC address.
- Enables the MAC aging time and mode for a bridge or a port.
- Filters static MAC addresses on a bridge or a port.
- Marks ports as either secure or nonsecure.
- Enables or disables flooding on a bridge or a port.

After you have set the maximum number of secure MAC addresses on a port, you can configure port security to include the secure addresses in the address table in one of the following ways:

- Statically configure all secure MAC addresses by using the **static-address** command.
- Allow the port to dynamically configure secure MAC addresses with the MAC addresses of connected devices.
- Statically configure a number of addresses and allow the rest to be dynamically configured.

### Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol Snooping

Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) snooping is a security feature that acts like a firewall between untrusted hosts and trusted DHCP servers. The DHCP snooping feature performs the following activities:

- Validates DHCP messages received from untrusted sources and filters out invalid messages.
- Rate-limits DHCP traffic from trusted and untrusted sources.
- Builds and maintains the binding database of DHCP snooping, which contains information about untrusted hosts with leased IP addresses.
- Utilizes the binding database of DHCP snooping to validate subsequent requests from untrusted hosts.

For additional information regarding DHCP, see the *Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router IP Addresses and Services Configuration Guide*.

# How to Implement Virtual Private LAN Services

This section describes the tasks that are required to implement VPLS:

- [Configuring a Bridge Domain, page MPC-209](#)
- [Verifying the Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol, page MPC-218](#)
- [Configuring Layer 2 Security, page MPC-219](#)
- [Configuring a Layer 2 Virtual Forwarding Instance, page MPC-223](#)
- [Configuring the MAC Address-related Parameters, page MPC-235](#)
- [Configuring an AC to the AC Split Horizon Group, page MPC-243](#)

## Configuring a Bridge Domain

These topics describe how to configure a bridge domain:

- [Creating a Bridge Domain, page MPC-209](#)
- [Configuring a Pseudowire, page MPC-211](#)
- [Associating Members with a Bridge Domain, page MPC-213](#)
- [Configuring Bridge Domain Parameters, page MPC-214](#)
- [Disabling a Bridge Domain, page MPC-216](#)

## Creating a Bridge Domain

Perform this task to create a bridge domain.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  <pre>Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Configuring a Pseudowire

Perform this task to configure a pseudowire under a bridge domain.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **vfi** {*vfi-name*}
6. **exit**
7. **neighbor** {*A.B.C.D*} {**pw-id** *value*}
8. **end**  
or  
**commit**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csc0 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<b>vfi</b> { <i>vfi-name</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#	Configures the virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <i>vfi-name</i> argument to configure the name of the specified virtual forwarding interface.</li> </ul>
Step 6	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Exits the current configuration mode.
Step 7	<b>neighbor</b> { <i>A.B.C.D</i> } ( <b>pw-id</b> <i>value</i> )  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-pw)#	Adds an access pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <i>A.B.C.D</i> argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.</li> <li>Use the <b>pw-id</b> keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.</li> </ul>
Step 8	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-pw)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-pw)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting (yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Associating Members with a Bridge Domain

After a bridge domain is created, perform this task to assign interfaces to the bridge domain. The following types of bridge ports are associated with a bridge domain:

- Ethernet and VLAN
- VFI

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **interface** *type instance*
6. **static-mac-address** {*MAC-address*}
7. **end**  
or  
**commit**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<b>interface</b> <i>type instance</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/4/0/0 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#	Adds an interface to a bridge domain that allows packets to be forwarded and received from other interfaces that are part of the same bridge domain.
Step 6	<b>static-mac-address</b> { <i>MAC-address</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# static-mac-address 1.1.1	Configures the static MAC address to associate a remote MAC address with a pseudowire or any other bridge interface.
Step 7	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Configuring Bridge Domain Parameters

To configure the bridge domain parameters, associate the following parameters with a bridge domain:

- Maximum transmission unit (MTU)—Specifies that all members of a bridge domain have the same MTU. The bridge domain member with a different MTU size is not used by the bridge domain even though it is still associated with a bridge domain.
- Flooding—Enables or disables flooding on the bridge domain. By default, flooding is enabled.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**



3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **flooding disable**
6. **mtu** *bytes*
7. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csc0 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>flooding disable</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# flooding disable	Configures flooding for traffic at the bridge domain level or at the bridge port level.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	<b>mtu</b> <i>bytes</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mtu 1000	Adjusts the maximum packet size or maximum transmission unit (MTU) size for the bridge domain. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <i>bytes</i> argument to specify the MTU size, in bytes. The range is from 64 to 65535.</li> </ul>
Step 7	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Disabling a Bridge Domain

Perform this task to disable a bridge domain. When a bridge domain is disabled, all VFIs that are associated with the bridge domain are disabled. You are still able to attach or detach members to the bridge domain and the VFIs that are associated with the bridge domain.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **shutdown**
6. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters l2vpn bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<b>shutdown</b>	Shuts down a bridge domain to bring the bridge and all attachment circuits and pseudowires under it to admin down state.
	<b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	
Step 6	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>	Saves configuration changes.
	<b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes: Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</li> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Verifying the Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol

Perform this task to verify the Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP) by using the **show** commands in this section.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **show l2vpn mstp port** [interface type instance] [msti value]
2. **show l2vpn mstp vlan** [interface type instance] [mist value] [vlan-id value]

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>show l2vpn mstp port</b> [ <b>interface</b> <i>type instance</i> ] [ <b>msti</b> <i>value</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn mstp port interface gigabitethernet 0/1/0/9 msti 5	Displays the Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP) state for the ports on a given interface. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(Optional) Use the <b>interface</b> keyword to display the MSTP state for the given interface.</li> <li>(Optional) Use the <b>msti</b> keyword to display the filter for MSTI. The range is from 0 to 100.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>show l2vpn mstp vlan</b> [ <b>interface</b> <i>type instance</i> ] [ <b>msti</b> <i>value</i> ] [ <b>vlan-id</b> <i>value</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn mstp vlan interface gigabitethernet 0/1/0/9 msti 5 vlan-id 5	Displays the MSTP state for the virtual local area network (VLAN) on a given interface. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(Optional) Use the <b>interface</b> keyword to display the MSTP state for the given subinterface or base interface name.</li> <li>(Optional) Use the <b>msti</b> keyword to display the filter for MSTI. The range is from 0 to 100.</li> <li>(Optional) Use the <b>vlan-id</b> keyword to display the filter for the VLAN ID. The range is from 0 to 4294967295.</li> </ul>

## Configuring Layer 2 Security

These topics describe how to configure Layer 2 security:

- [Enabling Layer 2 Security, page MPC-219](#)
- [Attaching a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol Profile, page MPC-221](#)

### Enabling Layer 2 Security

Perform this task to enable Layer 2 port security on a bridge.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **security**
6. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Assigns each network interface to a bridge group and enters L2VPN bridge group configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<b>security</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# security	Enables Layer 2 port security on a bridge.
Step 6	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  <pre>uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Attaching a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol Profile

Perform this task to enable DHCP snooping on a bridge and to attach a DHCP snooping profile to a bridge.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **dhcp ipv4 snoop {profile profile-name}**
6. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Assigns each network interface to a bridge group and enters L2VPN bridge group configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.



Command or Action	Purpose
<p><b>Step 5</b> <code>dhcp ipv4 snoop {profile profile-name}</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# dhcp  ipv4 snoop profile attach</p>	<p>Enables DHCP snooping on a bridge and attaches DHCP snooping profile to the bridge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the profile keyword to attach a DHCP profile. The profile-name argument is the profile name for DHCPv4 snooping.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 6</b> <code>end</code>  or  <code>commit</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# end  or  RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit</p>	<p>Saves configuration changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  <pre>uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Configuring a Layer 2 Virtual Forwarding Instance

These topics describe how to configure a Layer 2 virtual forwarding instance (VFI):

- [Adding the Virtual Forwarding Instance Under the Bridge Domain, page MPC-223](#)
- [Associating Pseudowires with the Virtual Forwarding Instance, page MPC-225](#)
- [Associating a Virtual Forwarding Instance to a Bridge Domain, page MPC-227](#)
- [Attaching Pseudowire Classes to Pseudowires, page MPC-229](#)
- [Configuring Any Transport over Multiprotocol Pseudowires By Using Static Labels, page MPC-231](#)
- [Disabling a Virtual Forwarding Instance, page MPC-233](#)

## Adding the Virtual Forwarding Instance Under the Bridge Domain

Perform this task to create a Layer 2 Virtual Forwarding Instance (VFI) on all provider edge devices under the bridge domain.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **vfi** {*vfi-name*}
6. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<b>vfi</b> {vfi-name}  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#	Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Associating Pseudowires with the Virtual Forwarding Instance

After a VFI is created, perform this task to associate one or more pseudowires with the VFI.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **vfi** {vfi-name}
6. **neighbor** {A.B.C.D} {pw-id value}
7. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>vfi</b> { <i>vfi-name</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#	Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	<b>neighbor</b> {A.B.C.D} {pw-id value}  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#	Adds an access pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the A.B.C.D argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.</li> <li>Use the <b>pw-id</b> keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.</li> </ul>
Step 7	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Associating a Virtual Forwarding Instance to a Bridge Domain

Perform this task to associate a VFI to be a member of a bridge domain.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **vfi** {*vfi-name*}
6. **neighbor** {A.B.C.D} {**pw-id** *value*}

7. **static-mac-address** {*MAC-address*}

8. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csc0 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>vfi</b> { <i>vfi-name</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#	Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>neighbor</b> { <i>A.B.C.D</i> } { <b>pw-id</b> <i>value</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#	<p>Adds an access pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <i>A.B.C.D</i> argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.</li> <li>Use the <b>pw-id</b> keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<b>static-mac-address</b> {MAC-address}  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) # static-mac-address 1.1.1	Configures the static MAC address to associate a remote MAC address with a pseudowire or any other bridge interface.
Step 8	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) # end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) # commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Attaching Pseudowire Classes to Pseudowires

Perform this task to attach a pseudowire class to a pseudowire.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **vfi** { *vfi-name* }
6. **neighbor** { *A.B.C.D* } { **pw-id** *value* }
7. **pw-class** { *class-name* }
8. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>vfi</b> { <i>vfi-name</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#	Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>neighbor</b> { <i>A.B.C.D</i> } { <b>pw-id</b> <i>value</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#	<p>Adds an access pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <i>A.B.C.D</i> argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.</li> <li>Use the <b>pw-id</b> keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.</li> </ul>



	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<p><b>pw-class</b> {<i>class-name</i>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b>  RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) #  pw-class canada</p>	Configures the pseudowire class template name to use for the pseudowire.
Step 8	<p><b>end</b>  or  <b>commit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) #  end  or  RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) #  commit</p>	<p>Saves configuration changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Configuring Any Transport over Multiprotocol Pseudowires By Using Static Labels

Perform this task to configure the Any Transport over Multiprotocol (AToM) pseudowires by using the static labels. A pseudowire becomes a static AToM pseudowire by setting the MPLS static labels to local and remote.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **vfi** {*vfi-name*}
6. **neighbor** {*A.B.C.D*} {**pw-id** *value*}

7. **mpls static label** {*local value*} {*remote value*}

8. **end**  
or  
**commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>vfi</b> { <i>vfi-name</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#	Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>neighbor</b> { <i>A.B.C.D</i> } { <b>pw-id</b> <i>value</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#	<p>Adds an access pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <i>A.B.C.D</i> argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.</li> <li>Use the <b>pw-id</b> keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<pre>mpls static label {local value} {remote value}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# mpls static label local 800 remote 500</pre>	Configures the MPLS static labels and the static labels for the access pseudowire configuration. You can set the local and remote pseudowire labels.
Step 8	<pre>end or commit</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# commit</pre>	<p>Saves configuration changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>

## Disabling a Virtual Forwarding Instance

Perform this task to disable a VFI. When a VFI is disabled, all the previously established pseudowires that are associated with the VFI are disconnected. LDP advertisements are sent to withdraw the MAC addresses that are associated with the VFI. However, you can still attach or detach attachment circuits with a VFI after a shutdown.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **vfi** { *vfi-name* }
6. **shutdown**

7. **end**  
or  
**commit**
8. **show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csc0 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>vfi</b> { <i>vfi-name</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#	Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>shutdown</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# shutdown	Disables the virtual forwarding interface (VFI).

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<pre>end or commit</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# commit</pre>	<p>Saves configuration changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  <pre>Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>
Step 8	<pre>show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</pre>	<p>Displays the state of the VFI. For example, if you shut down the VFI, the VFI is shown as shut down under the bridge domain.</p>

## Configuring the MAC Address-related Parameters

These topics describe how to configure the MAC address-related parameters:

- [Configuring the MAC Address Source-based Learning, page MPC-235](#)
- [Enabling the MAC Address Withdrawal, page MPC-237](#)
- [Configuring the MAC Address Limit, page MPC-239](#)
- [Configuring the MAC Address Aging, page MPC-241](#)

The MAC table attributes are set for the bridge domains.

## Configuring the MAC Address Source-based Learning

Perform this task to configure the MAC address source-based learning.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**

2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **mac**
6. **learning disable**
7. **end**  
or  
**commit**
8. **show l2vpn bridge-domain** [detail]

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>mac</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mac RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#	Enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>learning disable</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# learning disable	Overrides the MAC learning configuration of a parent bridge or sets the MAC learning configuration of a bridge.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<pre>end or commit</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# commit</pre>	<p>Saves configuration changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  <pre>Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>
Step 8	<pre>show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</pre>	<p>Displays the details that the MAC address source-based learning is disabled on the bridge.</p>

## Enabling the MAC Address Withdrawal

Perform this task to enable the MAC address withdrawal for a specified bridge domain.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **mac**
6. **withdrawal**
7. **end**  
or  
**commit**
8. **show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>mac</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mac RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#	Enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>withdrawal</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# withdrawal	Enables the MAC address withdrawal for a specified bridge domain.



	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<pre>end or commit</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# commit</pre>	<p>Saves configuration changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  <pre>Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>
Step 8	<pre>show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>P/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</pre>	<p>Displays detailed sample output to specify that the MAC address withdrawal is enabled. In addition, the sample output displays the number of MAC withdrawal messages that are sent over or received from the pseudowire.</p>

## Configuring the MAC Address Limit

Perform this task to configure the parameters for the MAC address limit.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **mac**
6. **limit**
7. **maximum** {*value*}
8. **action** {**flood** | **no-flood** | **shutdown**}
9. **notification** {**both** | **none** | **trap**}

10. **end**  
or  
**commit**
11. **show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>mac</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mac RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#	Enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>limit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# limit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)#	Sets the MAC address limit for action, maximum, and notification and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain MAC limit configuration mode.
Step 7	<b>maximum</b> {value}  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# maximum 5000	Configures the specified action when the number of MAC addresses learned on a bridge is reached.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	<b>action</b> { <b>flood</b>   <b>no-flood</b>   <b>shutdown</b> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# action flood	Configures the bridge behavior when the number of learned MAC addresses exceed the MAC limit configured.
Step 9	<b>notification</b> { <b>both</b>   <b>none</b>   <b>trap</b> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# notification both	Specifies the type of notification that is sent when the number of learned MAC addresses exceeds the configured limit.
Step 10	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:  Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>
Step 11	<b>show l2vpn bridge-domain</b> [ <b>detail</b> ]  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail	Displays the details about the MAC address limit.

## Configuring the MAC Address Aging

Perform this task to configure the parameters for MAC address aging.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**

3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **mac**
6. **aging**
7. **time** {*seconds*}
8. **type** {*absolute* | *inactivity*}
9. **end**  
or  
**commit**
10. **show l2vpn bridge-domain** [detail]

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group cisco RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>mac</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mac RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#	Enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode.
Step 6	<b>aging</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# aging RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-aging)#	Enters the MAC aging configuration submode to set the aging parameters such as time and type.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<b>time</b> { <i>seconds</i> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-aging) # time 300	Configures the maximum aging time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <i>seconds</i> argument to specify the maximum age of the MAC address table entry. The range is from 120 to 1000000 seconds. Aging time is counted from the last time that the switch saw the MAC address. The default value is 300 seconds.</li> </ul>
Step 8	<b>type</b> { <b>absolute</b>   <b>inactivity</b> }  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-aging) # type absolute	Configures the type for MAC address aging. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the <b>absolute</b> keyword to configure the absolute aging type.</li> <li>Use the <b>inactivity</b> keyword to configure the inactivity aging type.</li> </ul>
Step 9	<b>end</b> or <b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-aging) # end or RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-aging) # commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you issue the <b>end</b> command, the system prompts you to commit changes:   Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)?  [cancel]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entering <b>yes</b> saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.</li> <li>Entering <b>no</b> exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.</li> <li>Entering <b>cancel</b> leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use the <b>commit</b> command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.</li> </ul>
Step 10	<b>show l2vpn bridge-domain</b> [ <b>detail</b> ]  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail	Displays the details about the aging fields.

## Configuring an AC to the AC Split Horizon Group

The following steps show how to add an interface to the split horizon group for attachment circuits (ACs) under a bridge domain.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **interface** *type instance*
6. **split-horizon group**
7. **commit**
8. **end**
9. **show l2vpn bridge-domain detail**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>configure</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	<b>l2vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group metroA	Enters configuration mode for the named bridge group.
Step 4	<b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain east	Enters configuration mode for the named bridge domain.
Step 5	<b>interface</b> <i>type instance</i>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/6	Enters configuration mode for the named interface.
Step 6	<b>split-horizon group</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# split-horizon group	Adds this interface to the split horizon group for ACs. In Release 3.7 FCI, there is only one split horizon group for ACs per bridge domain.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<b>commit</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# <b>commit</b>	Saves configuration changes.
Step 8	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# <b>end</b>	Returns to EXEC mode.
Step 9	<b>show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</b>  <b>Example:</b> RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# <b>show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</b>	Displays information about bridges, including whether each AC is in the AC split horizon group or not.

## Configuration Examples for Virtual Private LAN Services

This section includes the following configuration examples:

- [Virtual Private LAN Services Configuration for Provider Edge-to-Provider Edge: Example, page MPC-245](#)
- [Virtual Private LAN Services Configuration for Provider Edge-to-Customer Edge: Example, page MPC-246](#)
- [Displaying MAC Address Withdrawal Fields: Example, page MPC-247](#)
- [Adding ACs to a Split Horizon Group: Example, page MPC-248](#)

### Virtual Private LAN Services Configuration for Provider Edge-to-Provider Edge: Example

These configuration examples show how to create a Layer 2 VFI with a full-mesh of participating VPLS provider edge (PE) nodes.

The following configuration example shows how to configure PE 1:

```
configure
l2vpn
bridge group 1
bridge-domain PE1-VPLS-A
GigabitEthernet0/0---AC
exit
vfi 1
neighbor 10.2.2.2 pw-id 1---PW1
neighbor 10.3.3.3 pw-id 1---PW2
!
!
interface loopback 0
ipv4 address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.25
commit
```

The following configuration example shows how to configure PE 2:

```
configure
l2vpn
  bridge group 1
    bridge-domain PE2-VPLS-A
      interface GigabitEthernet0/0---AC
        exit
      vfi 1
        neighbor 10.1.1.1 pw-id 1---PW1
        neighbor 10.3.3.3 pw-id 1---PW2
      !
    !
  interface loopback 0
  ipv4 address 10.2.2.2 255.255.255.25
  commit
```

The following configuration example shows how to configure PE 3:

```
configure
l2vpn
  bridge group 1
    bridge-domain PE3-VPLS-A
      interface GigabitEthernet0/0---AC
        exit
      vfi 1
        neighbor 10.1.1.1 pw-id 1---PW1
        neighbor 10.2.2.2 pw-id 1---PW2
      !
    !
  interface loopback 0
  ipv4 address 10.3.3.3 255.255.255.25
  commit
```

## Virtual Private LAN Services Configuration for Provider Edge-to-Customer Edge: Example

The following configuration shows how to configure VPLS for a PE-to-CE nodes:

```
configure
interface GigabitEthernet0/0
  l2transport---AC interface
  exit
  no ipv4 address
  no ipv4 directed-broadcast
  negotiation auto
  no cdp enable
end

configure
interface GigabitEthernet0/0
  l2transport
  exit
  no ipv4 address
  no ipv4 directed-broadcast
  negotiation auto
  no cdp enable
end

configure
interface GigabitEthernet0/0
```



```

l2transport
exit
no ipv4 address
no ipv4 directed-broadcast
negotiation auto
no cdp enable

```

## Displaying MAC Address Withdrawal Fields: Example

The following sample output shows the MAC address withdrawal fields:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail
```

```

Bridge group: siva_group, bridge-domain: siva_bd, id: 0, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
MAC Learning: enabled
MAC withdraw: enabled
Flooding:
  Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
  Unknown Unicast: enabled
MAC address aging time: 300 s Type: inactivity
MAC address limit: 4000, Action: none, Notification: syslog
MAC limit reached: no
Security: disabled
DHCPv4 Snooping: disabled
MTU: 1500
MAC Filter: Static MAC addresses:
ACs: 1 (1 up), VFIs: 1, PWs: 2 (1 up)
List of ACs:
  AC: GigabitEthernet0/4/0/1, state is up
    Type Ethernet
    MTU 1500; XC ID 0x5000001; interworking none; MSTi 0 (unprotected)
    MAC Learning: enabled
    MAC withdraw: disabled
    Flooding:
      Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
      Unknown Unicast: enabled
    MAC address aging time: 300 s Type: inactivity
    MAC address limit: 4000, Action: none, Notification: syslog
    MAC limit reached: no
    Security: disabled
    DHCPv4 Snooping: disabled
    Static MAC addresses:
    Statistics:
      packet totals: receive 6,send 0
      byte totals: receive 360,send 4
List of Access PWs:
List of VFIs:
  VFI siva_vfi
    PW: neighbor 10.1.1.1, PW ID 1, state is down ( local ready )
    PW class not set, XC ID 0xff000001
    Encapsulation MPLS, protocol LDP
    PW type Ethernet, control word enabled, interworking none
    PW backup disable delay 0 sec
    Sequencing not set

```

	MPLS	Local	Remote
Label		30005	unknown
Group ID		0x0	0x0
Interface		siva/vfi	unknown
MTU		1500	unknown
Control word		enabled	unknown
PW type		Ethernet	unknown

```

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Create time: 19/11/2007 15:20:14 (00:25:25 ago)
Last time status changed: 19/11/2007 15:44:00 (00:01:39 ago)
MAC withdraw message: send 0 receive 0

```

## Adding ACs to a Split Horizon Group: Example

The following example configures three interfaces for Layer 2 transport, adds them to a bridge domain, and assigns them to the AC split horizon group.

```

interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/4
  l2transport
interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/5
  l2transport
interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/6
  l2transport

l2vpn
bridge group customer_X
bridge-domain BD1
  interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/4
    split-horizon group
  interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/5
    split-horizon group
  interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/6
    split-horizon group
vfi VF11
  neighbor 10.11.11.11 pw-id 1
  neighbor 10.13.13.13 pw-id 1

```

## Additional References

For additional information related to implementing VPLS, refer to the following references:

## Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS XR L2VPN commands	<i>MPLS Virtual Private Network Commands on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers</i> module in the <i>Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router MPLS Command Reference</i>
MPLS VPLS-related commands	<i>MPLS Virtual Private LAN Services Commands on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers</i> module in the <i>Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router MPLS Command Reference</i>
MPLS Layer 2 VPNs	<i>Implementing MPLS Layer 2 VPNs on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers</i> module in this document.

Related Topic	Document Title
MPLS VPNs over IP Tunnels	<i>MPLS VPNs over IP Tunnels on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers</i> module in the <i>Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router MPLS Configuration Guide</i>
Getting started material	<i>Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router Getting Started Guide</i>
Traffic storm control on VPLS bridges	<i>Traffic Storm Control under VPLS Bridges on Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers</i> module in the <i>Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router System Security Configuration Guide</i>
Layer 2 multicast on VPLS bridges	<i>Layer 2 Multicast Using IGMP Snooping</i> module in the <i>Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router Multicast Configuration Guide</i>

## Standards

Standards <sup>1</sup>	Title
draft-ietf-l2vpn-vpls-ldp-09	<i>Virtual Private LAN Services Using LDP</i>

1. Not all supported standards are listed.

## MIBs

MIBs	MIBs Link
—	To locate and download MIBs using Cisco IOS XR software, use the Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL and choose a platform under the Cisco Access Products menu: <a href="http://cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml">http://cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml</a>

## RFCs

RFCs	Title
RFC 4447	<i>Pseudowire Setup and Maintenance Using the Label Distribution Protocol (LDP)</i> , April 2006
RFC 4448	<i>Encapsulation Methods for Transport of Ethernet over MPLS Networks</i> , April 2006
RFC 4752	<i>The Kerberos V5 ("GSSAPI") – Simple Authentication and Security Layer (SASL) Mechanism</i>

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