

Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

The DOCSIS Passive Optical Network (D-PON) architecture, also known as RF over Glass (RFoG), helps the cable operators enter fiber-to-home market space and utilize the DOCSIS infrastructure effectively.

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Hardware Compatibility Matrix for the Cisco cBR Series Routers



Note

The hardware components that are introduced in a given Cisco IOS-XE Release are supported in all subsequent releases unless otherwise specified.

Prerequisites for Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

- DOCSIS 3.0 cable modems (CMs)
- DOCSIS 2.0 capable set-top boxes (STBs)
- You should configure the **cable upstream ranging-init-technique 2** command to prevent the use of additional broadcast initial ranging opportunities for the non D-PON reference upstream channels.

Restrictions for Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

• Multiple CMs cannot work at the same time. Each CM must get a separate time slot for upstream data transmission. Configuring D-PON ensures that the upstream scheduler allows only a single CM to transmit at a particular time.

- cBR8 does not support Upstream Bonding for D-PON on Remote-PHY.
- It is possible to enable or disable D-PON for individual Mac domain.
- When D-PON is enabled in a MAC domain, you must manually shut down and enable the MAC domain using **shutdown** and **no shutdown** command.
- All frequencies in a MAC domain must have the same configuration for:
 - minislot size
 - · channel-width
 - modulation profile
- Supports only ATDMA DOCSIS mode.
- The following features are not supported in MAC domains configured for D-PON:
 - Load balancing
 - Spectrum management
 - Upstream configuration (to change upstream configuration, you should shut down the MAC domain)
 - S-CDMA logical channels
 - Lower modulations profiles (D-PON uses only 16 QAM and 64 QAM modulation profiles)
 - Channel-width other than 3.2 MHz and 6.4 MHz
 - In-service Software Upgrade (ISSU)
 - Mixing of D-PON and HFC on the same MAC domain
 - Software licensing

Information About Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

D-PON is a type of networking that allows the CMTS to transmit RF signals over the optical network. This technology enables the cable operators to use the RF technologies in a Hybrid Fiber-Coaxial (HFC) network.

The downstream data from the CMTS is combined with other RF signals at the hub and is sent to the transmitter. The signal from the transmitter is intended for multiple PONs. Each PON serves 32 homes from a single fiber.

The upstream data from the Optical Network Terminal (ONT) is combined at the splitter and sent to the hub, which is then routed to the optical receiver (RX). Upstream data from multiple optical receivers are combined and sent to the CMTS.

The upstream data to the CMTS contains signals from multiple PONs. Each upstream optical receiver is dedicated to a PON that can have multiple DOCSIS upstream sources (multiple modems and DSG terminals).

A PON can be configured in different ways, depending on the coaxial network. These configurations broadly fall under the following categories:

• Internal Control Configuration—In this configuration, the internal CM of the ONT controls the laser. Upstream signals go to the Ethernet interface of the CM allowing the ONT to control upstream timing.

The device that uses this type of configuration is the Digital Audio Visual Council (DAVIC) set top terminal (STT).

- External Control Configuration—In this configuration, the presence of the RF at the ONT upstream input activates the laser. The device that uses this type of configuration is the DOCSIS Set-top Gateway (DSG) device.
- Dual Control Configuration—In this configuration, the home that contains an ONT with and internal CM and other DOCSIS upstream sources, like DSG devices. The RF presence detector or the internal CM control line detects the upstream signal and activates the upstream laser.

D-PON on Upstream Scheduling

In D-PON implementation, the native upstream scheduling software of the CMTS controls the timing of the upstream data transmission. Only one PON Receiver Domain (PRD) is allowed to transmit upstream data at any given point of time, irrespective of the upstream frequency allocation. The reason for this is that two lasers from the ONT of a PRD cannot work simultaneously as it leads to an Optical Beat Interference (OBI). Moreover, the use of a frequency modulation (FM) for and upstream signal transmission results in PHY errors when multiple ONTs within a PON transmits simultaneously.

Initial maintenance regions are scheduled on all upstream channels to prevent the DOCSIS 3.0 CMs in a D-PON environment from failing initial ranging on any upstream channel. When a ranging request is received within a MAC domain configured for D-PON, the CM receives an upstream channel override to the D-PON reference channel (US0).

In this implementation of D-PON, a DOCSIS device within a PRD is given a timeslot to transmit the upstream data, irrespective of the upstream frequency. Therefore, there is no benefit in having more than one upstream in a MAC domain without using the upstream channel bonding feature.

The D-PON feature supports the following service types:

- Best effort (BE) 3.0 using up to four frequencies concurrently
- BE 2.0 using only a single frequency
- Unsolicited grant service (UGS) using only a single frequency
- Real-time polling service (RTPS) using only a single frequency
- Non-real-time polling service (nRTPS) using only a single frequency

How to Configure Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

This section describes how to enable D-PON for a MAC domain on the Cisco cBR router. The bonding group must include a reference channel which is default to the upstream channel 0.



Note

The USCB can support a maximum of 4 US channels in a RFOG MAC domain in the following combination:

- US0
- US0, US1
- US0, US1, US2
- US0, US1, US2, US3

All US channels must be configured to have the same number of minislots, channel width (only 3.2 and 6.4 MHz supported), DOCSIS mode (only ATDMA supported) and modulation profile.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password if	
	Example:	prompted.	
	Router> enable		
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	Router# configure terminal		
Step 3	interface cable slot/subslot/cable-interface-index	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified cable	
	Example:	interface.	
	Router(config)# interface cable 8/0/0		
Step 4	cable upstream dpon	Enables D-PON for a MAC domain.	
	Example:		
	Router(config-if)# cable upstream dpon		
Step 5	shutdown	Shuts down the interface.	
	Example:		
	Router(config-if)# shutdown		
Step 6	no shutdown	Enables the interface.	
	Example:		
	Router(config-if)# no shutdown		
Step 7	end	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to the	
	Example:	privileged EXEC mode.	
	Router(config-if)# end		

DOCSIS 3.0 Cable Modems Upstream Bonding Enters Partial Bonding

Sometimes, upstream bonding enters partial bonding while reverting to the original CLC after switchover.

In the following example, the switchover is performed between CLC in slot 1 and 0. After reverting to CLC in slot 1, C1/0/3/UB turns to C1/0/3/p. The following output highlights the change:

```
Router# show cable modem
Load for five secs: 1%/0%; one minute: 2%; five minutes: 2% Time source is NTP, 13:00:25.570
UTC Thu Feb 18 2016
MAC Address
             IP Address
                            T/F
                                         MAC
                                                         Prim RxPwr Timing Num I
                                                         Sid (dBmv) Offset CPE P
                                         State
4844.8789.e0fc 10.78.100.6
                            C1/0/0/UB
                                                               -0.50 1787 0
                                         w-online
c8fb.2639.33d0 10.78.100.7
                           C1/0/1/UB
                                        w-online
                                                         1
                                                               -1.00 1793
                                                                            0
                                                                                Ν
4844.8789.e10e 10.78.100.10 C1/0/2/UB
                                       w-online
                                                             -0.50 1784 0
                                                                               N
602a.d0a2.9b3e 10.78.100.11 C1/0/3/p w-online
                                                         1.50 1789 0
                                                                           N
0025.2ecf.f922 10.78.100.8
                            C1/0/4/UB
                                                               -1.00 1788
                                        w-online
                                                         1
                                                                           Ω
```

This partial bonding can be recovered using the **shutdown** and **no shutdown** commands on the related upstream port under the controller. The following is a sample configuration:

```
Router(config) # controller Upstream-Cable 1/0/3
Router(config-controller) # us-channel 0 shutdown
Router(config-controller) # no us-channel 0 shutdown
```

Verifying the Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

To verify the upstream scheduler output for a MAC domain configured with D-PON, use the **show interface cable mac-scheduler** command.



Note

The D-PON reference channel US0 (US channel-id 1) MAP serves as a template for producing other MAPs within the MAC domain. Therefore, some of the statistics related to upstream scheduling is not relevant for other channels, except for the D-PON reference channel.

```
Router# show interface cable 8/0/0 mac-scheduler 1
     DOCSIS 1.1 MAC scheduler for Cable8/0/0/U1 : rate 30720000
     wfa:None
     us balance:OFF
     dpon mode:ON
     fairness:OFF
     Queue[Rng Polls] flows 0
     Queue[CIR Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(07) Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(06) Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(05) Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(04) Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(03) Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(02) Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(01) Grants] flows 0
     Queue[BE(00) Grants] flows 0
     Reg Slots 1824595508, Reg/Data Slots 10640906
     Init Mtn Slots 89924653, Stn Mtn Slots 989543
     Short Grant Slots 0, Long Grant Slots 0
     Adv Phy Short Grant Slots 538, Adv Phy Long Grant Slots 219831
     Adv Phy UGS Grant Slots 0
```

```
Avg upstream channel utilization: 0%
Avg percent contention slots: 98%
Avg percent initial ranging slots: 1%
Avg percent minislots lost on late MAPs: 0%
MAP TSS: lch_state 9, init_retries 0
late_initial_maps 0, late_ucd_maps 0
mac-phy tss errors 0, missed ccc 0
```

Additional References

The following sections provide references related to the Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON feature.

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Prisma D-PON	Cisco Prisma D-PON

Technical Assistance

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

Feature Information for Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about the platform support and software image support. Cisco Feature Navigator enables you to determine which software images support a specific software release, feature set, or platform. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to the www.cisco.com/go/cfn link. An account on the Cisco.com page is not required.



Note

The following table lists the software release in which a given feature is introduced. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

Table 1: Feature Information for Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Upstream Bonding Support for D-PON	Cisco IOS XE Fuji 16.7.1	This feature was integrated on the Cisco cBR Series Converged Broadband Routers.

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