Configuring OSPF

This module describes how to configure Open Shortest Path First (OSPF). OSPF is an Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP) developed by the OSPF working group of the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF). OSPF was designed expressly for IP networks and it supports IP subnetting and tagging of externally derived routing information. OSPF also allows packet authentication and uses IP multicast when sending and receiving packets.

Cisco supports RFC 1253, *OSPF Version 2 Management Information Base*, August 1991. The OSPF MIB defines an IP routing protocol that provides management information related to OSPF and is supported by Cisco routers.

For protocol-independent features that work with OSPF, see the "Configuring IP Routing Protocol-Independent Features" module.

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Finding Feature Information

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

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

Information About OSPF

Cisco OSPF Implementation

The Cisco implementation conforms to the OSPF Version 2 specifications detailed in the Internet RFC 2328. The following list outlines key features supported in the Cisco OSPF implementation:
• Stub areas—The definition of stub areas is supported.

• Route redistribution—Routes learned via any IP routing protocol can be redistributed into any other IP routing protocol. At the intradomain level, OSPF can import routes learned via Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (IGRP), Routing Information Protocol (RIP), and Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System (IS-IS). OSPF routes can also be exported into IGRP, RIP, and IS-IS. At the interdomain level, OSPF can import routes learned via Exterior Gateway Protocol (EGP) and Border Gateway Protocol (BGP). OSPF routes can be exported into EGP and BGP.

• Authentication—Plain text and message-digest algorithm 5 (MD5) authentication among neighboring routers within an area is supported.

•Routing interface parameters—Configurable parameters supported include interface output cost, retransmission interval, interface transmit delay, router priority, router “dead” and hello intervals, and authentication key.

• Virtual links—Virtual links are supported.

• Not-so-stubby area (NSSA)—RFC 3101, which replaces and is backward compatible with RFC 1587.

• OSPF over demand circuit—RFC 1793.

Router Coordination for OSPF

OSPF typically requires coordination among many internal routers: Area Border Routers (ABRs), which are routers connected to multiple areas, and Autonomous System Boundary Routers (ASBRs). At a minimum, OSPF-based routers or access servers can be configured with all default parameter values, no authentication, and interfaces assigned to areas. If you intend to customize your environment, you must ensure coordinated configurations of all routers.

Route Distribution for OSPF

You can specify route redistribution; see the task “Redistribute Routing Information” in the Network Protocols Configuration Guide, Part 1, for information on how to configure route redistribution.

The Cisco OSPF implementation allows you to alter certain interface-specific OSPF parameters, as needed. You are not required to alter any of these parameters, but some interface parameters must be consistent across all routers in an attached network. Those parameters are controlled by the `ip ospf hello-interval`, `ip ospf dead-interval`, and `ip ospf authentication-key` interface configuration commands. Therefore, if you do configure any of these parameters, ensure that the configurations for all routers on your network have compatible values.

By default, OSPF classifies different media into the following three types of networks:

• Broadcast networks (Ethernet, Token Ring, and FDDI)

• Nonbroadcast multiaccess (NBMA) networks (Switched Multimegabit Data Service [SMDS], Frame Relay, and X.25)

• Point-to-point networks (High-Level Data Link Control [HDLC] and PPP)

You can configure your network as either a broadcast or an NBMA network.
X.25 and Frame Relay provide an optional broadcast capability that can be configured in the map to allow OSPF to run as a broadcast network. See the x25 map and frame-relay map command pages in the Cisco IOS Wide-Area Networking Command Reference publication for more detail.

**OSPF Network Type**

You have the choice of configuring your OSPF network type as either broadcast or NBMA, regardless of the default media type. Using this feature, you can configure broadcast networks as NBMA networks when, for example, you have routers in your network that do not support multicast addressing. You also can configure NBMA networks (such as X.25, Frame Relay, and SMDS) as broadcast networks. This feature saves you from needing to configure neighbors, as described in the “Configuring OSPF for Nonbroadcast Networks” section later in this module.

Configuring NBMA networks as either broadcast or nonbroadcast assumes that there are virtual circuits (VCs) from every router to every router, that is, a fully meshed network. This is not true in some cases, for example, because of cost constraints or when you have only a partially meshed network. In these cases, you can configure the OSPF network type as a point-to-multipoint network. Routing between two routers that are not directly connected will go through the router that has VCs to both routers. Note that you need not configure neighbors when using this feature.

An OSPF point-to-multipoint interface is defined as a numbered point-to-point interface having one or more neighbors. It creates multiple host routes. An OSPF point-to-multipoint network has the following benefits compared to NBMA and point-to-point networks:

• Point-to-multipoint is easier to configure because it requires no configuration of neighbor commands, it consumes only one IP subnet, and it requires no designated router election.

• It costs less because it does not require a fully meshed topology.

• It is more reliable because it maintains connectivity in the event of VC failure.

On point-to-multipoint broadcast networks, there is no need to specify neighbors. However, you can specify neighbors with the `neighbor` router configuration command, in which case you should specify a cost to that neighbor.

Before the `point-to-multipoint` keyword was added to the `ip ospf network` interface configuration command, some OSPF point-to-multipoint protocol traffic was treated as multicast traffic. Therefore, the `neighbor` router configuration command was not needed for point-to-multipoint interfaces because multicast took care of the traffic. Hello, update, and acknowledgment messages were sent using multicast. In particular, multicast hello messages discovered all neighbors dynamically.

On any point-to-multipoint interface (broadcast or not), the Cisco IOS software assumed that the cost to each neighbor was equal. The cost was configured with the `ip ospf cost` interface configuration command. In reality, the bandwidth to each neighbor is different, so the cost should differ. With this feature, you can configure a separate cost to each neighbor. This feature applies to point-to-multipoint interfaces only.

Because many routers might be attached to an OSPF network, a designated router is selected for the network. Special configuration parameters are needed in the designated router selection if broadcast capability is not configured.

These parameters need only be configured in those devices that are themselves eligible to become the designated router or backup designated router (in other words, routers with a nonzero router priority value).

You can specify the following neighbor parameters, as required:

• Priority for a neighboring router
Nonbroadcast poll interval

On point-to-multipoint, nonbroadcast networks, use the `neighbor` router configuration command to identify neighbors. Assigning a cost to a neighbor is optional.

Prior to Cisco IOS Release 12.0, some customers were using point-to-multipoint on nonbroadcast media (such as classic IP over ATM), so their routers could not dynamically discover their neighbors. This feature allows the `neighbor` router configuration command to be used on point-to-multipoint interfaces.

## Area Parameters

Use OSPF Not-So-Stubby Areas (NSSA) feature to simplify administration if you are an Internet service provider (ISP) or a network administrator that must connect a central site that is using OSPF to a remote site that is using a different routing protocol.

Prior to NSSA, the connection between the corporate site border router and the remote router could not be run as an OSPF stub area because routes for the remote site could not be redistributed into the stub area, and two routing protocols needed to be maintained. A simple protocol such as RIP was usually run and handled the redistribution. With NSSA, you can extend OSPF to cover the remote connection by defining the area between the corporate router and the remote router as an NSSA.

As with OSPF stub areas, NSSA areas cannot be injected with distributed routes via Type 5 LSAs. Route redistribution into an NSSA area is possible only with a special type of LSA that is known as Type 7 that can exist only in an NSSA area. An NSSA ASBR generates the Type 7 LSA so that the routes can be redistributed, and an NSSA ABR translates the Type 7 LSA into a Type 5 LSA, which can be flooded throughout the whole OSPF routing domain. Summarization and filtering are supported during the translation.

RFC 3101 allows you to configure an NSSA ABR router as a forced NSSA LSA translator. This means that the NSSA ABR router will unconditionally assume the role of LSA translator, preempting the default behavior, which would only include it among the candidates to be elected as translator.

Even a forced translator might not translate all LSAs; translation depends on the contents of each LSA.

![Network Diagram](image)

The figure above shows a network diagram in which OSPF Area 1 is defined as the stub area. The Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP) routes cannot be propagated into the OSPF domain because routing redistribution is not allowed in the stub area. However, once OSPF Area 1 is defined as an NSSA, an NSSA ASBR can inject the EIGRP routes into the OSPF NSSA by creating Type 7 LSAs.
The redistributed routes from the RIP router will not be allowed into OSPF Area 1 because NSSA is an extension to the stub area. The stub area characteristics will still exist, including the exclusion of Type 5 LSAs.

Route summarization is the consolidation of advertised addresses. This feature causes a single summary route to be advertised to other areas by an ABR. In OSPF, an ABR will advertise networks in one area into another area. If the network numbers in an area are assigned in a way such that they are contiguous, you can configure the ABR to advertise a summary route that covers all the individual networks within the area that fall into the specified range.

When routes from other protocols are redistributed into OSPF (as described in the module "Configuring IP Routing Protocol-Independent Features"), each route is advertised individually in an external LSA. However, you can configure the Cisco IOS software to advertise a single route for all the redistributed routes that are covered by a specified network address and mask. Doing so helps decrease the size of the OSPF link-state database.

In OSPF, all areas must be connected to a backbone area. If there is a break in backbone continuity, or the backbone is purposefully partitioned, you can establish a virtual link. The two endpoints of a virtual link are ABRs. The virtual link must be configured in both routers. The configuration information in each router consists of the other virtual endpoint (the other ABR) and the nonbackbone area that the two routers have in common (called the transit area). Note that virtual links cannot be configured through stub areas.

You can force an ASBR to generate a default route into an OSPF routing domain. Whenever you specifically configure redistribution of routes into an OSPF routing domain, the router automatically becomes an ASBR. However, an ASBR does not, by default, generate a default route into the OSPF routing domain.

You can configure OSPF to look up Domain Naming System (DNS) names for use in all OSPF show EXEC command displays. You can use this feature to more easily identify a router, because the router is displayed by name rather than by its router ID or neighbor ID.

OSPF uses the largest IP address configured on the interfaces as its router ID. If the interface associated with this IP address is ever brought down, or if the address is removed, the OSPF process must recalculate a new router ID and resend all its routing information out its interfaces.
If a loopback interface is configured with an IP address, the Cisco IOS software will use this IP address as its router ID, even if other interfaces have larger IP addresses. Because loopback interfaces never go down, greater stability in the routing table is achieved.

OSPF automatically prefers a loopback interface over any other kind, and it chooses the highest IP address among all loopback interfaces. If no loopback interfaces are present, the highest IP address in the router is chosen. You cannot tell OSPF to use any particular interface.

In Cisco IOS Release 10.3 and later releases, by default OSPF calculates the OSPF metric for an interface according to the bandwidth of the interface. For example, a 64-kbps link gets a metric of 1562, and a T1 link gets a metric of 64.

The OSPF metric is calculated as the ref-bw value divided by the bandwidth value, with the ref-bw value equal to 108 by default, and the bandwidth value determined by the bandwidth interface configuration command. The calculation gives FDDI a metric of 1. If you have multiple links with high bandwidth, you might want to specify a larger number to differentiate the cost on those links.

An administrative distance is a rating of the trustworthiness of a routing information source, such as an individual router or a group of routers. Numerically, an administrative distance is an integer from 0 to 255. In general, the higher the value, the lower the trust rating. An administrative distance of 255 means the routing information source cannot be trusted at all and should be ignored.

OSPF uses three different administrative distances: intra-area, interarea, and external. Routes within an area are intra-area; routes to another area are interarea; and routes from another routing domain learned via redistribution are external. The default distance for each type of route is 110.

Because simplex interfaces between two devices on an Ethernet represent only one network segment, for OSPF you must configure the sending interface to be a passive interface. This configuration prevents OSPF from sending hello packets for the sending interface. Both devices are able to see each other via the hello packet generated for the receiving interface.

You can configure the delay time between when OSPF receives a topology change and when it starts a shortest path first (SPF) calculation. You can also configure the hold time between two consecutive SPF calculations.

The OSPF on-demand circuit is an enhancement to the OSPF protocol that allows efficient operation over on-demand circuits such as ISDN, X.25 switched virtual circuits (SVCs), and dialup lines. This feature supports RFC 1793, Extending OSPF to Support Demand Circuits.

Prior to this feature, OSPF periodic hello and LSA updates would be exchanged between routers that connected the on-demand link, even when no changes occurred in the hello or LSA information.

With this feature, periodic hellos are suppressed and the periodic refreshes of LSAs are not flooded over the demand circuit. These packets bring up the link only when they are exchanged for the first time, or when a change occurs in the information they contain. This operation allows the underlying data link layer to be closed when the network topology is stable.

This feature is useful when you want to connect telecommuters or branch offices to an OSPF backbone at a central site. In this case, OSPF for on-demand circuits allows the benefits of OSPF over the entire domain, without excess connection costs. Periodic refreshes of hello updates, LSA updates, and other protocol overhead are prevented from enabling the on-demand circuit when there is no "real" data to send.

Overhead protocols such as hellos and LSAs are transferred over the on-demand circuit only upon initial setup and when they reflect a change in the topology. This means that critical changes to the topology that require new SPF calculations are sent in order to maintain network topology integrity. Periodic refreshes that do not include changes, however, are not sent across the link.

The OSPF LSA group pacing feature allows the router to group OSPF LSAs and pace the refreshing, checksumming, and aging functions. The group pacing results in more efficient use of the router.
The router groups OSPF LSAs and paces the refreshing, checksumming, and aging functions so that sudden increases in CPU usage and network resources are avoided. This feature is most beneficial to large OSPF networks.

OSPF LSA group pacing is enabled by default. For typical customers, the default group pacing interval for refreshing, checksumming, and aging is appropriate and you need not configure this feature.

**Original LSA Behavior**

Each OSPF LSA has an age, which indicates whether the LSA is still valid. Once the LSA reaches the maximum age (1 hour), it is discarded. During the aging process, the originating router sends a refresh packet every 30 minutes to refresh the LSA. Refresh packets are sent to keep the LSA from expiring, whether there has been a change in the network topology or not. Checksumming is performed on all LSAs every 10 minutes. The router keeps track of LSAs that it generates and LSAs that it receives from other routers. The router refreshes LSAs that it generated; it ages the LSAs that it received from other routers.

Prior to the LSA group pacing feature, the Cisco software would perform refreshing on a single timer and checksumming and aging on another timer. In the case of refreshing, for example, the software would scan the whole database every 30 minutes, refreshing every LSA that the router generated, no matter how old it was. The figure below illustrates all the LSAs being refreshed at once. This process wasted CPU resources because only a small portion of the database needed to be refreshed. A large OSPF database (several thousand LSAs) could have thousands of LSAs with different ages. Refreshing on a single timer resulted in the age of all LSAs becoming synchronized, which resulted in much CPU processing at once. Furthermore, a large number of LSAs could cause a sudden increase of network traffic, consuming a large amount of network resources in a short time.

![Figure 2: OSPF LSAs on a Single Timer Without Group Pacing](image)

**LSA Group Pacing with Multiple Timers**

Configuring each LSA to have its own timer avoids excessive CPU processing and sudden network-traffic increase. To again use the example of refreshing, each LSA gets refreshed when it is 30 minutes old, independent of other LSAs. So the CPU is used only when necessary. However, LSAs being refreshed at frequent, random intervals would require many packets for the few refreshed LSAs that the router must send, which would be inefficient use of bandwidth.

Therefore, the router delays the LSA refresh function for an interval of time instead of performing it when the individual timers are reached. The accumulated LSAs constitute a group, which is then refreshed and sent out in one packet or more. Thus, the refresh packets are paced, as are the checksumming and aging. The pacing interval is configurable; it defaults to 4 minutes, which is randomized to further avoid synchronization.

The figure below illustrates the case of refresh packets. The first timeline illustrates individual LSA timers; the second timeline illustrates individual LSA timers with group pacing.
The group pacing interval is inversely proportional to the number of LSAs that the router is refreshing, checksumming, and aging. For example, if you have approximately 10,000 LSAs, decreasing the pacing interval would benefit you. If you have a very small database (40 to 100 LSAs), increasing the pacing interval to 10 to 20 minutes might benefit you slightly.

The default value of pacing between LSA groups is 240 seconds (4 minutes). The range is from 10 seconds to 1800 seconds (30 minutes).

By default, OSPF floods new LSAs over all interfaces in the same area, except the interface on which the LSA arrives. Some redundancy is desirable, because it ensures robust flooding. However, too much redundancy can waste bandwidth and might destabilize the network due to excessive link and CPU usage in certain topologies. An example would be a fully meshed topology.

You can block OSPF flooding of LSAs in two ways, depending on the type of networks:

- On broadcast, nonbroadcast, and point-to-point networks, you can block flooding over specified OSPF interfaces.
- On point-to-multipoint networks, you can block flooding to a specified neighbor.

The growth of the Internet has increased the importance of scalability in IGPs such as OSPF. By design, OSPF requires LSAs to be refreshed as they expire after 3600 seconds. Some implementations have tried to improve the flooding by reducing the frequency to refresh from 30 minutes to about 50 minutes. This solution reduces the amount of refresh traffic but requires at least one refresh before the LSA expires. The OSPF flooding reduction solution works by reducing unnecessary refreshing and flooding of already known and unchanged information. To achieve this reduction, the LSAs are now flooded with the higher bit set. The LSAs are now set as “do not age.”

Cisco routers do not support LSA Type 6 Multicast OSPF (MOSPF), and they generate syslog messages if they receive such packets. If the router is receiving many MOSPF packets, you might want to configure the router to ignore the packets and thus prevent a large number of syslog messages.

The former OSPF implementation for sending update packets needed to be more efficient. Some update packets were getting lost in cases where the link was slow, a neighbor could not receive the updates quickly enough, or the router was out of buffer space. For example, packets might be dropped if either of the following topologies existed:
A fast router was connected to a slower router over a point-to-point link.

During flooding, several neighbors sent updates to a single router at the same time.

OSPF update packets are now automatically paced so they are not sent less than 33 milliseconds apart. Pacing is also added between resends to increase efficiency and minimize lost retransmissions. Also, you can display the LSAs waiting to be sent out an interface. The benefit of pacing is that OSPF update and retransmission packets are sent more efficiently. There are no configuration tasks for this feature; it occurs automatically.

You can display specific statistics such as the contents of IP routing tables, caches, and databases. Information provided can be used to determine resource utilization and solve network problems. You can also display information about node reachability and discover the routing path that your device packets are taking through the network.

How to Configure OSPF

To configure OSPF, perform the tasks described in the following sections. The tasks in the “Enabling OSPF” section are required; the tasks in the remaining sections are optional, but might be required for your application. For information about the maximum number of interfaces, see the “Restrictions for OSPF” section.

Enabling OSPF

SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. router ospf process-id
4. network ip-address wildcard-mask area area-id
5. end

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<td>router ospf process-id</td>
<td>Enables OSPF routing and enters router configuration mode.</td>
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### Configuring OSPF Interface Parameters

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1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `interface type number`
4. `ip ospf cost cost`
5. `ip ospf retransmit-interval seconds`
6. `ip ospf transmit-delay seconds`
7. `ip ospf priority number-value`
8. `ip ospf hello-interval seconds`
9. `ip ospf dead-interval seconds`
10. `ip ospf authentication-key key`
11. `ip ospf message-digest-key key-id md5 key`
12. `ip ospf authentication [message-digest | null]`
13. `end`

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<td>ip ospf cost cost</td>
<td>Explicitly specifies the cost of sending a packet on an OSPF interface.</td>
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<td>ip ospf retransmit-interval seconds</td>
<td>Specifies the number of seconds between link-state advertisement (LSA) retransmissions for adjacencies belonging to an OSPF interface.</td>
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<td>ip ospf transmit-delay seconds</td>
<td>Sets the estimated number of seconds required to send a link-state update packet on an OSPF interface.</td>
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<td>ip ospf priority number-value</td>
<td>Sets priority to help determine the OSPF designated router for a network.</td>
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<td>ip ospf hello-interval seconds</td>
<td>Specifies the length of time between the hello packets that the Cisco IOS software sends on an OSPF interface.</td>
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<td>Device(config-if)# ip ospf hello-interval 1</td>
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<td>ip ospf dead-interval seconds</td>
<td>Sets the number of seconds that a device must wait before it declares a neighbor OSPF router down because it has not received a hello packet.</td>
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<td>ip ospf authentication-key key</td>
<td>Assigns a password to be used by neighboring OSPF routers on a network segment that is using the OSPF simple password authentication.</td>
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<td>ip ospf message-digest-key key-id md5 key</td>
<td>Enables OSPF MD5 authentication. The values for the key-id and key arguments must match values specified for other neighbors on a network segment.</td>
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<td>ip ospf authentication [message-digest</td>
<td>null]</td>
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Purpose

Command or Action

Device(config-if)# ip ospf authentication message-digest

Step 13

end

Example:

Device(config-if)# end

Exits interface configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Configuring OSPF over Different Physical Networks

Configuring OSPF for Point-to-Multipoint Broadcast Networks

SUMMARY STEPS

1. configure terminal
2. interface type number
3. ip ospf network point-to-multipoint
4. exit
5. router ospf process-id
6. neighbor ip-address [cost number]

DETAILED STEPS

Purpose

Command or Action

Step 1

configure terminal

Example:

Device# configure terminal

Step 2

interface type number

Example:

Device(config)# interface gigabitethernet 0/0/0

Step 3

ip ospf network point-to-multipoint

Example:

Device#(config-if) ip ospf network point-to-multipoint

Step 4

exit

Example:

Device#(config-if) exit

Enters global configuration mode.

Enters global configuration mode.

Configures an interface as point-to-multipoint for broadcast media.

Enters global configuration mode.
Configuring OSPF for Nonbroadcast Networks

SUMMARY STEPS

1. configure terminal
2. interface type number
3. ip ospf network point-to-multipoint non-broadcast
4. exit
5. router ospf process-id
6. neighbor ip-address [cost number]

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<td><strong>Step 2</strong> interface type number</td>
<td>Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.</td>
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<td>Example: Device(config)# interface gigabitethernet 0/0/0</td>
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<td><strong>Step 3</strong> ip ospf network point-to-multipoint non-broadcast</td>
<td>Configures an interface as point-to-multipoint for nonbroadcast media.</td>
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<td>Example: Device(config-if) ip ospf network point-to-multipoint non-broadcast</td>
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### Configuring OSPF

#### Configuring OSPF Area Parameters

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. router ospf process-id
4. area area-id authentication
5. area area-id stub [no summary]
6. area area-id default-cost cost
7. end

**DETAILED STEPS**

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| Step 1 | enable | Enables privileged EXEC mode.  
- Enter your password if prompted. |
| | configure terminal | Enters global configuration mode. |
| | router ospf process-id | Enables OSPF routing and enters router configuration mode. |
| | area area-id authentication | Enables authentication for an OSPF area. |

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**Purpose**

**Step 5**

| router ospf process-id | Configures an OSPF routing process and enters router configuration mode. |

**Example:**

Device#(config) router ospf 109

**Step 6**

| neighbor ip-address [cost number] | Specifies a neighbor and assigns a cost to the neighbor. |

**Note**

Repeat this step for each neighbor if you want to specify a cost. Otherwise, neighbors will assume the cost of the interface, based on the `ip ospf cost` interface configuration command.

**Example:**

Device#(config-router) neighbor 192.168.3.4 cost 180
### Purpose

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<td><code>Device(config-router)# area 10.0.0.0 authentication</code></td>
<td>Defines an area to be a stub area.</td>
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### Step 5

- **area area-id stub [no summary]**
  - **Example:**
    - `Device(config-router)# area 10.0.0.0 stub no-summary`

### Step 6

- **area area-id default-cost cost**
  - **Example:**
    - `Device(config-router)# area 10.0.0.0 default-cost 1`

### Step 7

- **end**
  - **Example:**
    - `Device(config-router)# end`

---

### Configuring OSPFv2 NSSA

#### Configuring an OSPFv2 NSSA Area and Its Parameters

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `router ospf process-id`
4. `redistribute protocol [process-id] [level-1 | level-1-2 | level-2] [autonomous-system-number] [metric {metric-value | transparent}] [metric-type type-value] [match {internal | external 1 | external 2}] [tag tag-value] [route-map map-tag] [subnets] [nssa-only]`
5. `network ip-address wildcard-mask area area-id`
6. `area area-id nssa [no-redistribution] [default-information-originate [metric] [metric-type]] [no-summary] [nssa-only]`
7. `summary-address prefix mask [not-advertise] [tag tag] [nssa-only]`
8. `end`

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<td><strong>Example:</strong> <code>Device# configure terminal</code></td>
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<td><strong>Step 3</strong></td>
<td>Enables OSPF routing and enters router configuration mode.</td>
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<td><code>router ospf process-id</code></td>
<td>• The <code>process-id</code> argument identifies the OSPF process. The range is from 1 to 65535.</td>
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<td><strong>Example:</strong> <code>Device(config)# router ospf 10</code></td>
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<td><strong>Step 4</strong></td>
<td>Redistributes routes from one routing domain to another routing domain.</td>
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<td>`redistribute protocol [process-id] [level-1</td>
<td>level-1-2</td>
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| **Example:** `Device(config-router)# redistribute rip subnets` | }
| **Step 5** | Defines the interfaces on which OSPF runs and the area ID for those interfaces. |
| `network ip-address wildcard-mask area area-id` | |
| **Example:** `Device(config-router)# network 192.168.129.11 0.0.0.255 area 1` | }
| **Step 6** | Configures a Not-So-Stubby Area (NSSA) area. |
| `area area-id nssa [no-redistribution] [default-information-originate [metric] [metric-type]] [no-summary] [nssa-only]` | |
| **Example:** `Device(config-router)# area 1 nssa` | }
| **Step 7** | Controls the route summarization and filtering during the translation and limits the summary to NSSA areas. |
| `summary-address prefix mask [not-advertise] [tag tag] [nssa-only]` | |
| **Example:** `Device(config-router)# summary-address 10.1.0.0 255.255.0.0 not-advertise` | }
| **Step 8** | Exits router configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode. |
| `end` | |
## Configuring an NSSA ABR as a Forced NSSA LSA Translator

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `router ospf process-id`
4. `area area-id nssa translate type7 always`
5. `area area-id nssa translate type7 suppress-fa`
6. `end`

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<td><strong>Step 3</strong> router ospf <code>process-id</code></td>
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<td>Device(config)# router ospf 1</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Step 4</strong> <code>area area-id nssa translate type7 always</code></td>
<td>Configures a Not-So-Stubby Area Area Border Router (NSSA ABR) device as a forced NSSA Link State Advertisement (LSA) translator.</td>
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<td>Device(config-router)# area 10 nssa translate type7 always</td>
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<td><strong>Step 5</strong> <code>area area-id nssa translate type7 suppress-fa</code></td>
<td>Allows ABR to suppress the forwarding address in translated Type-5 LSA.</td>
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<td>Device(config-router)# area 10 nssa translate type7 suppress-fa</td>
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<td><strong>Step 6</strong> end</td>
<td>Exits router configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</td>
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Disabling RFC 3101 Compatibility and Enabling RFC 1587 Compatibility

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. router ospf process-id
4. compatible rfc1587
5. end

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<td><strong>Step 3</strong> router ospf process-id</td>
<td>Enables OSPF routing and enters router configuration mode.</td>
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<td>Example:</td>
<td>• The process-id argument identifies the OSPF process.</td>
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<td>Device(config)# router ospf 1</td>
<td>• Use router ospf process-id command to enable OSPFv2 routing.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 4</strong> compatible rfc1587</td>
<td>Enables the device to be RFC 1587 compliant.</td>
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<td>Device(config-router)# compatible rfc1587</td>
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<td><strong>Step 5</strong> end</td>
<td>Exits router configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</td>
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<td>Device(config-router)# end</td>
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Configuring OSPF NSSA Parameters

Prerequisites

Evaluate the following considerations before you implement this feature:

• You can set a Type 7 default route that can be used to reach external destinations. When configured, the device generates a Type 7 default into the Not-So-Stubby Area (NSSA or the NSSA Area Border Router (ABR)).

• Every device within the same area must agree that the area is NSSA; otherwise, the devices cannot communicate.

Configuring Route Summarization Between OSPF Areas

Configuring Route Summarization When Redistributing Routes into OSPF

SUMMARY STEPS

1. summary-address {ip-address mask | prefix mask} [not-advertise][tag tag nssa-only]

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<td>prefix mask} [not-advertise][tag tag nssa-only]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Example: Device#(config-router) summary-address 10.1.0.0 255.255.0.0</td>
<td>• You can use the optional not-advertise keyword to filter out a set of routes.</td>
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Establishing Virtual Links

SUMMARY STEPS

1. area area-id virtual-link router-id [authentication [message-digest | null]] [hello-interval seconds] [retransmit-interval seconds] [transmit-delay seconds] [dead-interval seconds] [authentication-key key | message-digest-key key-id md5 key]

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### Generating a Default Route

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `router ospf process-id`
4. `default-information originate [always] [metric metric-value] [metric-type type-value] [route-map map-name]`
5. `end`

#### DETAILED STEPS

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| Step 1 | `enable` | Enables privileged EXEC mode.  
• Enter your password if prompted. |
| Example: | Device> enable |
| Step 2 | `configure terminal` | Enters global configuration mode. |
| Example: | Device# configure terminal |
| Step 3 | `router ospf process-id` | Enables OSPF routing and enters router configuration mode. |
| Example: | Device(config)# router ospf 109 |
| Step 4 | `default-information originate [always] [metric metric-value] [metric-type type-value] [route-map map-name]` | Forces the ASBR to generate a default route into the OSPF routing domain.  
**Note**  
The `always` keyword includes the following exception when a route map is used. When a route map is used, the origination of the default route by OSPF is not bound to the existence of a default route in the routing table. |
| Example: | Device(config-router)# default-information originate always |
| Step 5 | `end` | Exits router configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode. |
| Example: | Device(config-router)# end |
Configuring Lookup of DNS Names

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. ip ospf name-lookup
4. end

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<td>Device# ip ospf name-lookup</td>
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<td>Device(config)# end</td>
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Forcing the Router ID Choice with a Loopback Interface

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. configure terminal
2. interface type number
3. ip address ip-address mask

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### Purpose

**Command or Action**

Device# configure terminal  

**Step 2**

*interface type number*  

**Example:**

Device(config)# interface loopback 0  

**Step 3**

*ip address ip-address mask*  

**Example:**

Device(config-if)# ip address 192.108.1.27 255.255.255.0

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### Controlling Default Metrics

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `router ospf process-id`
4. `auto-cost reference-bandwidth ref-bw`
5. `end`

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<td>Device# router ospf 109</td>
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<td><strong>Step 4</strong> <code>auto-cost reference-bandwidth</code></td>
<td>Differentiates high-bandwidth links.</td>
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## Changing the OSPF Administrative Distances

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `router ospf process-id`
4. `distance ospf {intra-area | inter-area | external} dist`
5. `end`

### DETAILED STEPS

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<td><strong>Step 4</strong></td>
<td>`distance ospf {intra-area</td>
<td>inter-area</td>
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<td>Example:</td>
<td>Device(config-router)# distance ospf external 200</td>
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<td><code>end</code></td>
<td>Exits router configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</td>
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### Configuring Route Calculation Timers

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. router ospf process-id
4. timers throttle spf spf-start spf-hold spf-max-wait
5. end

**DETAILED STEPS**

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<td><strong>Step 4</strong> timers throttle spf spf-start spf-hold spf-max-wait</td>
<td>Configures route calculation timers.</td>
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<td><strong>Example:</strong> Device(config-router)# timers throttle spf 5 1000 9000</td>
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Configuring OSPF over On-Demand Circuits

SUMMARY STEPS

1. router ospf process-id
2. interface type number
3. ip ospf demand-circuit

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<td>Enters interface configuration mode.</td>
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<td>Step 3 ip ospf demand-circuit</td>
<td>Configures OSPF over an on-demand circuit.</td>
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What to do next

You can prevent an interface from accepting demand-circuit requests from other routers by specifying the ignore keyword in the ip ospf demand-circuit command.

Prerequisites

Evaluate the following considerations before implementing the On-Demand Circuits feature:

- Because LSAs that include topology changes are flooded over an on-demand circuit, we recommend that you put demand circuits within OSPF stub areas or within NSSAs to isolate the demand circuits from as many topology changes as possible.

- Every router within a stub area or NSSA must have this feature loaded in order to take advantage of the on-demand circuit functionality. If this feature is deployed within a regular area, all other regular areas must also support this feature before the demand circuit functionality can take effect because Type 5 external LSAs are flooded throughout all areas.

- Hub-and-spoke network topologies that have a point-to-multipoint (P2MP) OSPF interface type on a hub might not revert to nondemand circuit mode when needed. You must simultaneously reconfigure OSPF on all interfaces on the P2MP segment when reverting them from demand circuit mode to nondemand circuit mode.
Do not implement this feature on a broadcast-based network topology because the overhead protocols (such as hello and LSA packets) cannot be successfully suppressed, which means the link will remain up.

Configuring the router for an OSPF on-demand circuit with an asynchronous interface is not a supported configuration. The supported configuration is to use dialer interfaces on both ends of the circuit. For more information, refer to Why OSPF Demand Circuit Keeps Bringing Up the Link.

### Logging Neighbors Going Up or Down

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `router ospf process-id`  
4. `log-adjacency-changes [detail]`
5. `end`

**DETAILED STEPS**

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<td>Example: <code>Device&gt; enable</code></td>
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| **Step 2** | Enters global configuration mode. |
| `configure terminal` | |
| Example: `Device# configure terminal` | |

| **Step 3** | Enables OSPF routing and enters router configuration mode. |
| `router ospf process-id` | |
| Example: `Device(config)# router ospf 109` | |

| **Step 4** | Changes the group pacing of LSAs. |
| `log-adjacency-changes [detail]` | |
| Example: `Device(config-router)# log-adjacency-changes detail` | |

**Note**

Configure the `log-adjacency-changes` command if you want to know about OSPF neighbors going up or down without turning on the `debug ip ospf adjacency` EXEC command because the `log-adjacency-changes` command provides a higher-level view of the peer relationship with less output. Configure the `log-adjacency-changes detail` command if you want to see messages for each state change.
Changing the LSA Group Pacing Interval

SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. router ospf process-id
4. timers pacing lsa-group seconds
5. end

DETAILED STEPS

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<td><strong>Step 4</strong></td>
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<td>timers pacing lsa-group</td>
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<td>seconds</td>
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<td><strong>Step 5</strong></td>
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<td>end</td>
<td>Exits router configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</td>
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<td>Device(config-router)# end</td>
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Blocking OSPF LSA Flooding

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<td><code>ip ospf database-filter all out</code></td>
<td>Blocks the flooding of OSPF LSA packets to the interface.</td>
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On point-to-multipoint networks, to block flooding of OSPF LSAs, use the following command in router configuration mode:

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<td><code>neighbor ip-address database-filter all out</code></td>
<td>Blocks the flooding of OSPF LSA packets to the specified neighbor.</td>
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Reducing LSA Flooding

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<td><code>ip ospf flood-reduction</code></td>
<td>Suppresses the unnecessary flooding of LSAs in stable topologies.</td>
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Ignoring MOSPF LSA Packets

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<td><code>ignore lsa mospf</code></td>
<td>Prevents the router from generating syslog messages when it receives MOSPF LSA packets.</td>
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Monitoring and Maintaining OSPF

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<td><code>show ip ospf [process-id]</code></td>
<td>Displays general information about OSPF routing processes.</td>
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<td><code>show ip ospf border-routers</code></td>
<td>Displays the internal OSPF routing table entries to the ABR and ASBR.</td>
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<td>Displays lists of information related to the OSPF database.</td>
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<td><code>show ip ospf [process-id [area-id]] database</code></td>
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<td><code>show ip ospf [process-id [Router# area-id]] database [external] [link-state-id]</code></td>
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<td><code>show ip ospf [process-id [area-id]] database [nssa-external] [link-state-id]</code></td>
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<td><code>show ip ospf [process-id [area-id]] database [opaque-link] [link-state-id]</code></td>
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<td>show ip ospf [process-id] [area-id]</td>
<td>Displays a list of LSAs waiting to be flooded over an interface (to observe OSPF packet pacing).</td>
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<td>show ip ospf flood-list interface type</td>
<td>Displays OSPF-related interface information.</td>
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<tr>
<td>show ip ospf [process-id] [area-id] database [opaque-area] [link-state-id]</td>
<td>Displays OSPF neighbor information on a per-interface basis.</td>
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<td>show ip ospf request-list [neighbor] [interface] [interface-neighbor]</td>
<td>Displays a list of all LSAs requested by a router.</td>
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<td>show ip ospf retransmission-list [neighbor] [interface] [interface-neighbor]</td>
<td>Displays a list of all LSAs waiting to be re-sent.</td>
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<tr>
<td>show ip ospf [process-id] summary-address</td>
<td>Displays a list of all summary address redistribution information configured under an OSPF process.</td>
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<tr>
<td>show ip ospf virtual-links</td>
<td>Displays OSPF-related virtual links information.</td>
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To restart an OSPF process, use the following command in EXEC mode:

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<td>clear ip ospf [pid] {process</td>
<td>redistribution</td>
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### Displaying OSPF Update Packet Pacing

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `show ip ospf flood-list interface-type interface-number`
DETAILED STEPS

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Example:

Device> show ip ospf flood-list ethernet 1

Restrictions for OSPF

On systems with a large number of interfaces, it may be possible to configure OSPF such that the number of links advertised in the router LSA causes the link-state update packet to exceed the size of a “huge” Cisco buffer. To resolve this problem, reduce the number of OSPF links or increase the huge buffer size by entering the `buffers huge size size` command.

A link-state update packet containing a router LSA typically has a fixed overhead of 196 bytes, and an additional 12 bytes are required for each link description. With a huge buffer size of 18024 bytes, there can be a maximum of 1485 link descriptions.

Because the maximum size of an IP packet is 65,535 bytes, there is still an upper bound on the number of links possible on a router.

Configuration Examples for OSPF

Example: OSPF Point-to-Multipoint

In the figure below, Router 1 uses data-link connection identifier (DLCI) 201 to communicate with Router 2, DLCI 202 to communicate with Router 4, and DLCI 203 to communicate with Router 3. Router 2 uses DLCI 101 to communicate with Router 1 and DLCI 102 to communicate with Router 3. Router 3 communicates with Router 2 (DLCI 401) and Router 1 (DLCI 402). Router 4 communicates with Router 1 (DLCI 301).

Configuration examples follow the figure.

Figure 4: OSPF Point-to-Multipoint Example

Router 1 Configuration

```
hostname Router 1
```

Example: OSPF Point-to-Multipoint with Broadcast

The following example illustrates a point-to-multipoint network with broadcast:
interface Serial0
ip address 10.0.1.1 255.255.255.0
encapsulation frame-relay
ip ospf cost 100
ip ospf network point-to-multipoint
frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.3 202 broadcast
frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.4 203 broadcast
frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.5 204 broadcast
frame-relay local-dlci 200
!
router ospf 1
network 10.0.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
neighbor 10.0.1.5 cost 5
neighbor 10.0.1.4 cost 10

The following example shows the configuration of the neighbor at 10.0.1.3:

interface serial 0
ip address 10.0.1.3 255.255.255.0
ip ospf network point-to-multipoint
encapsulation frame-relay
frame-relay local-dlci 301
frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.1 300 broadcast
no shutdown
!
router ospf 1
network 10.0.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0

The output shown for neighbors in the first configuration is as follows:

Device# show ip ospf neighbor
Neighbor ID Pri State Dead Time Address Interface
172.16.1.1 1 FULL/ - 00:01:50 10.0.1.5 Serial0
172.16.1.4 1 FULL/ - 00:01:47 10.0.1.4 Serial0
172.16.1.8 1 FULL/ - 00:01:45 10.0.1.3 Serial0

The route information in the first configuration is as follows:

Device# show ip route
Codes: C - connected, S - static, I - IGRP, R - RIP, M - mobile, B - BGP
D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, O - OSPF, IA - OSPF inter area
N1 - OSPF NSSA external type 1, N2 - OSPF NSSA external type 2
E1 - OSPF external type 1, E2 - OSPF external type 2, E - EGP
i - IS-IS, L1 - IS-IS level-1, L2 - IS-IS level-2, * - candidate default
U - per-user static route, o - ODR
Gateway of last resort is not set
C 10.0.0.0/8 is directly connected, Loopback0
10.0.0.0/8 is variably subnetted, 4 subnets, 2 masks
O 10.0.1.3/32 [110/100] via 10.0.1.3, 00:39:08, Serial0
C 10.0.1.0/24 is directly connected, Serial0
O 10.0.1.5/32 [110/10] via 10.0.1.5, 00:39:08, Serial0
O 10.0.1.4/32 [110/10] via 10.0.1.4, 00:39:08, Serial0

Example: OSPF Point-to-Multipoint with Nonbroadcast

The following example illustrates a point-to-multipoint network with nonbroadcast:

interface Serial0
ip address 10.0.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf network point-to-multipoint non-broadcast
encapsulation frame-relay
no keepalive
frame-relay local-dlci 200
frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.3 202
frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.4 203
frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.5 204
no shutdown
!
router ospf 1
  network 10.0.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
  neighbor 10.0.1.3 cost 5
  neighbor 10.0.1.4 cost 10
  neighbor 10.0.1.5 cost 15

The following example is the configuration for the router on the other side:

interface Serial9/2
  ip address 10.0.1.3 255.255.255.0
  encapsulation frame-relay
  ip ospf network point-to-multipoint non-broadcast
  no ip mroute-cache
  no keepalive
  no fair-queue
  frame-relay local-dlci 301
  frame-relay map ip 10.0.1.1 300
  no shutdown
  !
  router ospf 1
  network 10.0.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0

The output shown for neighbors in the first configuration is as follows:

Device# show ip ospf neighbor

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<tr>
<th>Neighbor ID</th>
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<th>State</th>
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<th>Address</th>
<th>Interface</th>
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<tr>
<td>172.16.1.1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>FULL/</td>
<td>00:01:52</td>
<td>10.0.1.5</td>
<td>Serial0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>172.16.1.4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>FULL/</td>
<td>00:01:52</td>
<td>10.0.1.4</td>
<td>Serial0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>172.16.1.8</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>FULL/</td>
<td>00:01:52</td>
<td>10.0.1.3</td>
<td>Serial0</td>
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Example: Variable-Length Subnet Masks

OSPF, static routes, and IS-IS support variable-length subnet masks (VLSMs). With VLSMs, you can use different masks for the same network number on different interfaces, which allows you to conserve IP addresses and more efficiently use available address space.

In the following example, a 30-bit subnet mask is used, leaving two bits of address space reserved for serial-line host addresses. There is sufficient host address space for two host endpoints on a point-to-point serial link.

interface ethernet 0
  ip address 172.16.10.1 255.255.255.0
  ! 8 bits of host address space reserved for ethernets
interface serial 0
  ip address 172.16.20.1 255.255.255.252
  ! 2 bits of address space reserved for serial lines
! Router is configured for OSPF and assigned AS 107
router ospf 107
  ! Specifies network directly connected to the router
  network 172.16.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0.0.0.0
Example: Configuring OSPF NSSA

In the following example, an Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) stub network is configured to include OSPF Area 0 and OSPF Area 1, using five devices. Device 3 is configured as the NSSA Autonomous System Border Router (ASBR). Device 2 configured to be the NSSA Area Border Router (ABR). OSPF Area 1 is defined as a Not-So-Stubby Area (NSSA).

Device 1

hostname Device1
!
interface Loopback1
 ip address 10.1.0.1 255.255.255.255
!
interface Ethernet0/0
 ip address 192.168.0.1 255.255.255.0
 ip ospf 1 area 0
 no cdp enable
!
interface Serial10/0
 description Device2 interface s11/0
 ip address 192.168.10.1 255.255.255.0
 ip ospf 1 area 1
 serial restart-delay 0
 no cdp enable
!
router ospf 1
 area 1 nssa
!
end

Device 2

hostname Device2
!
!
interface Loopback1
 ip address 10.1.0.2 255.255.255.255
!
interface Serial10/0
 description Device2 interface s11/0
 no ip address
 shutdown
 serial restart-delay 0
 no cdp enable
!
interface Serial11/0
 description Device1 interface s10/0
 ip address 192.168.10.2 255.255.255.0
 ip ospf 1 area 1
 serial restart-delay 0
 no cdp enable
!
interface Serial14/0
 description Device3 interface s13/0
 ip address 192.168.14.2 255.255.255.0
 ip ospf 1 area 1
 serial restart-delay 0
 no cdp enable
!
router ospf 1
  area 1 nssa
!
end

**Device 3**

hostname Device3
!
interface Loopback1
  ip address 10.1.0.3 255.255.255.255
!
interface Ethernet3/0
  ip address 192.168.3.3 255.255.255.0
  no cdp enable
!
interface Serial13/0
  description Device2 interface s14/0
  ip address 192.168.14.3 255.255.255.0
  ip ospf 1 area 1
  serial restart-delay 0
  no cdp enable
!
router ospf 1
  log-adjacency-changes
  area 1 nssa
  redistribute rip subnets
!
router rip
  version 2
  redistribute ospf 1 metric 15
  network 192.168.3.0
end

**Device 4**

hostname Device4
!
interface Loopback1
  ip address 10.1.0.4 255.255.255.255
!
interface Ethernet3/0
  ip address 192.168.3.4 255.255.255.0
  no cdp enable
!
interface Ethernet4/1
  ip address 192.168.41.4 255.255.255.0
!
router rip
  version 2
  network 192.168.3.0
  network 192.168.41.0
!
end

**Device 5**

hostname Device5
!
interface Loopback1
ip address 10.1.0.5 255.255.255.255
!
interface Ethernet0/0
 ip address 192.168.0.10 255.255.255.0
 ip ospf 1 area 0
 no cdp enable
!
interface Ethernet1/1
 ip address 192.168.11.10 255.255.255.0
 ip ospf 1 area 0
!
routing ospf 1
!
end

Example: OSPF NSSA Area with RFC 3101 Disabled and RFC 1587 Active

In the following example, the output for the `show ip ospf` and `show ip ospf database nssa` commands shows an Open Shortest Path First Not-So-Stubby Area (OSPF NSSA) area where RFC 3101 is disabled, RFC 1587 is active, and an NSSA Area Border Router (ABR) device is configured as a forced NSSA LSA translator. If RFC 3101 is disabled, the forced NSSA LSA translator remains inactive.

```
Device# show ip ospf
Routing Process "ospf 1" with ID 10.0.2.1
Start time: 00:00:25.512, Time elapsed: 00:01:02.200
Supports only single TOS(TOS0) routes
Supports opaque LSA
Supports Link-local Signaling (LLS)
Supports area transit capability
Supports NSSA (compatible with RFC 1587)
Event-log enabled, Maximum number of events: 1000, Mode: cyclic
Initial SPF schedule delay 5000 msecs
Minimum hold time between two consecutive SPFs 10000 msecs
Maximum wait time between two consecutive SPFs 10000 msecs
Incremental-SPF disabled
Minimum LSA interval 5 secs
Minimum LSA arrival 1000 msecs
LSA group pacing timer 240 secs
Interface flood pacing timer 33 msecs
Retransmission pacing timer 66 msecs
Number of external LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x000000
Number of opaque AS LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x000000
Number of DCbitless external and opaque AS LSA 0
Number of DoNotAge external and opaque AS LSA 0
Number of areas in this router is 1. 0 normal 0 stub 1 nssa
Number of areas transit capable is 0
External flood list length 0
IETF NSF helper support enabled
Cisco NSF helper support enabled
Reference bandwidth unit is 100 mbps
Area 1
Number of interfaces in this area is 1
It is a NSSA area
Configured to translate Type-7 LSAs, inactive (RFC3101 support disabled)
Area has no authentication
SPF algorithm last executed 00:00:07.160 ago
SPF algorithm executed 3 times
Area ranges are
```
Number of LSA 3. Checksum Sum 0x0245F0
Number of opaque link LSA 0. Checksum Sum 0x000000
Number of DCbitless LSA 0
Number of indication LSA 0
Number of DoNotAge LSA 0
Flood list length 0

The table below describes the `show ip ospf` display fields and their descriptions.

### Table 1: `show ip ospf` Field Descriptions

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Supports NSSA (compatible with RFC 1587)</td>
<td>Specifies that RFC 1587 is active or that the OSPF NSSA area is RFC 1587 compatible.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Configured to translate Type-7 LSAs, inactive (RFC3101 support disabled)</td>
<td>Specifies that OSPF NSSA area has an ABR device configured to act as a forced translator of Type 7 LSAs. However, it is inactive because RFC 3101 is disabled</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Device2# `show ip ospf database nssa`

Router Link States (Area 1)
LS age: 28
Options: (No TOS-capability, DC)
LS Type: Router Links
Link State ID: 10.0.2.1
Advertising Router: 10.0.2.1
LS Seq Number: 80000004
Checksum: 0x5CA2
Length: 36
Area Border Router
AS Boundary Router
Unconditional NSSA translator
Number of Links: 1
Link connected to: a Stub Network
  (Link ID) Network/subnet number: 192.0.2.5
  (Link Data) Network Mask: 255.255.255.0
Number of MTID metrics: 0
TOS 0 Metrics: 10

The table below describes the `show ip ospf database nssa` display fields and their descriptions.

### Table 2: `show ip ospf database nssa` Field Descriptions

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<td>Unconditional NSSA translator</td>
<td>Specifies that NSSA ASBR device is a forced NSSA LSA translator</td>
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**Example: OSPF Routing and Route Redistribution**

OSPF typically requires coordination among many internal routers, ABRs, and ASBRs. At a minimum, OSPF-based routers can be configured with all default parameter values, with no authentication, and with interfaces assigned to areas.

Three types of examples follow:

- The first is a simple configuration illustrating basic OSPF commands.
• The second example illustrates a configuration for an internal router, ABR, and ASBRs within a single, arbitrarily assigned, OSPF autonomous system.

• The third example illustrates a more complex configuration and the application of various tools available for controlling OSPF-based routing environments.

Example: Basic OSPF Configuration

The following example illustrates a simple OSPF configuration that enables OSPF routing process 9000, attaches Ethernet interface 0 to area 0.0.0.0, and redistributes RIP into OSPF and OSPF into RIP:

```plaintext
interface ethernet 0
  ip address 10.93.1.1 255.255.255.0
  ip ospf cost 1
!
interface ethernet 1
  ip address 10.94.1.1 255.255.255.0
!
router ospf 9000
  network 10.93.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0.0.0.0
  redistribute rip metric 1 subnets
!
router rip
  network 10.94.0.0
  redistribute ospf 9000
default-metric 1
```

Example: Basic OSPF Configuration for Internal Router ABR and ASBRs

The following example illustrates the assignment of four area IDs to four IP address ranges. In the example, OSPF routing process 109 is initialized, and four OSPF areas are defined: 10.9.50.0, 2, 3, and 0. Areas 10.9.50.0, 2, and 3 mask specific address ranges, and area 0 enables OSPF for all other networks.

```plaintext
router ospf 109
  network 192.168.10.0 0.0.0.255 area 10.9.50.0
  network 192.168.20.0 0.0.255.255 area 2
  network 192.168.30.0 0.0.0.255 area 3
  network 192.168.40.0 255.255.255.255 area 0
!
! Interface Ethernet0 is in area 10.9.50.0:
interface ethernet 0
  ip address 192.168.10.5 255.255.255.0
!
! Interface Ethernet1 is in area 2:
interface ethernet 1
  ip address 192.168.20.5 255.255.255.0
!
! Interface Ethernet2 is in area 2:
interface ethernet 2
  ip address 192.168.20.7 255.255.255.0
!
! Interface Ethernet3 is in area 3:
interface ethernet 3
  ip address 192.169.30.5 255.255.255.0
!
! Interface Ethernet4 is in area 0:
interface ethernet 4
  ip address 192.168.40.1 255.255.255.0
!
```
! Interface Ethernet5 is in area 0:
interface ethernet 5
   ip address 192.168.40.12 255.255.0.0

Each network area router configuration command is evaluated sequentially, so the order of these commands in the configuration is important. The Cisco software sequentially evaluates the address/wildcard-mask pair for each interface. See the network area command page in the Cisco IOS IP Routing: OSPF Command Reference for more information.

Consider the first network area command. Area ID 10.9.50.0 is configured for the interface on which subnet 192.168.10.0 is located. Assume that a match is determined for Ethernet interface 0. Ethernet interface 0 is attached to area 10.9.50.0 only.

The second network area command is evaluated next. For area 2, the same process is then applied to all interfaces (except Ethernet interface 0). Assume that a match is determined for Ethernet interface 1. OSPF is then enabled for that interface, and Ethernet interface 1 is attached to area 2.

This process of attaching interfaces to OSPF areas continues for all network area commands. Note that the last network area command in this example is a special case. With this command, all available interfaces (not explicitly attached to another area) are attached to area 0.

**Example: Complex Internal Router with ABR and ASBR**

The following example outlines a configuration for several routers within a single OSPF autonomous system. The figure below provides a general network map that illustrates this sample configuration.
In this configuration, five routers are configured with OSPF:

- Router A and Router B are both internal routers within area 1.
- Router C is an OSPF ABR. Note that for Router C, Area 1 is assigned to E3 and area 0 is assigned to S0.
- Router D is an internal router in area 0 (backbone area). In this case, both `network` router configuration commands specify the same area (area 0, or the backbone area).
- Router E is an OSPF ASBR. Note that BGP routes are redistributed into OSPF and that these routes are advertised by OSPF.

You do not need to include definitions of all areas in an OSPF autonomous system in the configuration of all routers in the autonomous system. Only the directly connected areas must be defined. In the example that follows, routes in area 0 are learned by the routers in area 1 (Router A and Router B) when the ABR (Router C) injects summary LSAs into area 1.
The OSPF domain in BGP autonomous system 109 is connected to the outside world via the BGP link to the external peer at IP address 10.0.0.6. Sample configurations follow.

Following is the sample configuration for the general network map shown in the figure above.

**Router A Configuration—Internal Router**

```
interface ethernet 1
  ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.0
router ospf 1
  network 192.168.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 1
```

**Router B Configuration—Internal Router**

```
interface ethernet 2
  ip address 192.168.1.2 255.255.255.0
router ospf 202
  network 192.168.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 1
```

**Router C Configuration—ABR**

```
interface ethernet 3
  ip address 192.168.1.3 255.255.255.0
interface serial 0
  ip address 192.168.2.3 255.255.255.0
router ospf 999
  network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 1
  network 192.168.2.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
```

**Router D Configuration—Internal Router**

```
interface ethernet 4
  ip address 10.0.0.4 255.0.0.0
interface serial 1
  ip address 192.168.2.4 255.255.255.0
router ospf 50
  network 192.168.2.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
  network 10.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 0
```

**Router E Configuration—ASBR**

```
interface ethernet 5
  ip address 10.0.0.5 255.0.0.0
interface serial 2
  ip address 172.16.1.5 255.255.255.0
router ospf 65001
  network 10.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 0
  redistribute bgp 109 metric 1 metric-type 1
router bgp 109
  network 192.168.0.0
  network 10.0.0.0
  neighbor 172.16.1.6 remote-as 110
```
Example: Complex OSPF Configuration for ABR

The following sample configuration accomplishes several tasks in setting up an ABR. These tasks can be split into two general categories:

- Basic OSPF configuration
- Route redistribution

The specific tasks outlined in this configuration are detailed briefly in the following descriptions. The figure below illustrates the network address ranges and area assignments for the interfaces.

*Figure 6: Interface and Area Specifications for OSPF Sample Configuration*

The basic configuration tasks in this example are as follows:

- Configure address ranges for Ethernet interface 0 through Ethernet interface 3.
- Enable OSPF on each interface.
- Set up an OSPF authentication password for each area and network.
- Assign link-state metrics and other OSPF interface configuration options.
- Create a stub area with area ID 36.0.0.0. (Note that the authentication and stub options of the area router configuration command are specified with separate area command entries, but can be merged into a single area command.)
- Specify the backbone area (area 0).

Configuration tasks associated with redistribution are as follows:

- Redistribute IGRP and RIP into OSPF with various options set (including including metric-type, metric, tag, and subnet).
- Redistribute IGRP and OSPF into RIP.

The following is a sample OSPF configuration:

```
interface ethernet 0
```
ip address 192.0.2.201 255.255.255.0
ip ospf authentication-key abcdefgh
ip ospf cost 10

interface ethernet 1
ip address 172.19.251.202 255.255.255.0
ip ospf authentication-key ijklmnop
ip ospf cost 20
ip ospf retransmit-interval 10
ip ospf transmit-delay 2
ip ospf priority 4

interface ethernet 2
ip address 172.19.254.2 255.255.255.0
ip ospf authentication-key abcdefgh
ip ospf cost 10

interface ethernet 3
ip address 10.56.0.0 255.255.255.0
ip ospf authentication-key ijklmnop
ip ospf cost 20
ip ospf dead-interval 80

In the following configuration, OSPF is on network 172.16.0.0:

router ospf 201
network 10.10.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 10.10.0.0
network 192.42.110.0 0.0.0.255 area 192.42.110.0
area 0 authentication
area 10.10.0.0 stub
area 10.10.0.0 authentication
area 10.10.0.0 default-cost 20
area 192.42.110.0 authentication
area 10.10.0.0 range 10.10.0.0 255.0.0.0
area 192.42.110.0 range 192.42.110.0 255.255.255.0
area 0 range 172.16.251.0 255.255.255.0
area 0 range 172.16.254.0 255.255.255.0
redistribute igrp 200 metric-type 2 metric 1 tag 200 subnets
redistribute rip metric-type 2 metric 1 tag 200

In the following configuration, IGRP autonomous system 200 is on 192.0.2.1:

router igrp 200
network 172.31.0.0

! RIP for 192.168.110
!
router rip
network 192.168.110.0
redistribute igrp 200 metric 1
redistribute ospf 201 metric 1

Examples: Route Map

The examples in this section illustrate the use of redistribution, with and without route maps. Examples from the IP and Connectionless Network Service (CLNS) routing protocols are given.

The following example redistributes all OSPF routes into IGRP:
router igrp 109
redistribute ospf 110

The following example redistributes RIP routes with a hop count equal to 1 into OSPF. These routes will be redistributed into OSPF as external LSAs with a metric of 5, a metric type of Type 1, and a tag equal to 1.

router ospf 109
  redistribute rip route-map rip-to-ospf
  !
  route-map rip-to-ospf permit
  match metric 1
  set metric 5
  set metric-type type1
  set tag 1

The following example redistributes OSPF learned routes with tag 7 as a RIP metric of 15:

router rip
  redistribute ospf 109 route-map 5
  !
  route-map 5 permit
  match tag 7
  set metric 15

The following example redistributes OSPF intra-area and interarea routes with next-hop routers on serial interface 0 into BGP with an INTER_AS metric of 5:

router bgp 109
  redistribute ospf 109 route-map 10
  !
  route-map 10 permit
  match route-type internal
  match interface serial 0
  set metric 5

The following example redistributes two types of routes into the integrated IS-IS routing table (supporting both IP and CLNS). The first type is OSPF external IP routes with tag 5; these routes are inserted into Level 2 IS-IS link state packets (LSPs) with a metric of 5. The second type is ISO-IGRP derived CLNS prefix routes that match CLNS access list 2000; these routes will be redistributed into IS-IS as Level 2 LSPs with a metric of 30.

router isis
  redistribute ospf 109 route-map 2
  redistribute iso-igrp nsfnet route-map 3
  !
  route-map 2 permit
  match route-type external
  match tag 5
  set metric 5
  set level level-2
  !
  route-map 3 permit
  match address 2000
  set metric 30

With the following configuration, OSPF external routes with tags 1, 2, 3, and 5 are redistributed into RIP with metrics of 1, 1, 5, and 5, respectively. The OSPF routes with a tag of 4 are not redistributed.

router rip
In the following configuration, a RIP-learned route for network 192.168.0.0 and an ISO-IGRP-learned route with prefix 49.0001.0002 are redistributed into an IS-IS Level 2 LSP with a metric of 5:

```
router isis
    redistribute rip route-map 1
    redistribute iso-igrp remote route-map 1
    
    route-map 1 permit
    match ip address 1
    match clns address 2
    set metric 5
    set level level-2
    
    access-list 1 permit 192.168.0.0 0.0.255.255
    clns filter-set 2 permit 49.0001.0002...
```

The following configuration example illustrates how a route map is referenced by the `default-information` router configuration command. This type of reference is called conditional default origination. OSPF will originate the default route (network 0.0.0.0) with a Type 2 metric of 5 if 172.16.0.0 is in the routing table.

```
route-map ospf-default permit
    match ip address 1
    set metric 5
    set metric-type type-2
    
    access-list 1 permit 172.16.0.0 0.0.255.255
    
    router ospf 109
    default-information originate route-map ospf-default
```

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**Example: Changing the OSPF Administrative Distances**

The following configuration changes the external distance to 200, making it less trustworthy. The figure below illustrates the example.
Figure 7: OSPF Administrative Distance

Router A Configuration

router ospf 1
  redistribute ospf 2 subnet
distance ospf external 200
!
router ospf 2
  redistribute ospf 1 subnet
distance ospf external 200

Router B Configuration

router ospf 1
  redistribute ospf 2 subnet
distance ospf external 200
!
router ospf 2
  redistribute ospf 1 subnet
distance ospf external 200

Example: OSPF over On-Demand Routing

The following configuration allows OSPF over an on-demand circuit, as shown in the figure below. Note that the on-demand circuit is defined on one side only (BRI 0 on Router A); it is not required to be configured on both sides.
Router A Configuration

username RouterB password 7 060C1A2F47
isdn switch-type basic-5ess
ip routing
! interface TokenRing0
  ip address 192.168.50.5 255.255.255.0
  no shutdown
! interface BRI0
  no cdp enable
description connected PBX 1485
  ip address 192.168.45.30 255.255.255.0
dialer map ip 192.0.2.6 name RouterB broadcast 61484
dialer-group 1
  ppp authentication chap
  no shutdown
! router ospf 100
  network 192.168.45.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
  network 192.168.45.50 0.0.0.255 area 0
  dialer-list 1 protocol ip permit

Router B Configuration

username RouterA password 7 04511E0804
isdn switch-type basic-5ess
ip routing
! interface Ethernet0
  ip address 192.168.50.16 255.255.255.0
  no shutdown
! interface BRI0
  no cdp enable
description connected PBX 1484
  ip address 192.168.45.17 255.255.255.0
dialer map ip 192.168.45.19 name RouterA broadcast 61485
dialer-group 1
  ppp authentication chap
  no shutdown
! router ospf 100
  network 192.168.45.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
  network 192.168.45.50 0.0.0.255 area 0
  dialer-list 1 protocol ip permit
Example: LSA Group Pacing

The following example changes the OSPF pacing between LSA groups to 60 seconds:

```
router ospf
timers pacing lsa-group 60
```

Example: Blocking OSPF LSA Flooding

The following example prevents flooding of OSPF LSAs to broadcast, nonbroadcast, or point-to-point networks reachable through Ethernet interface 0:

```
interface ethernet 0
ip ospf database-filter all out
```

The following example prevents flooding of OSPF LSAs to point-to-multipoint networks to the neighbor at IP address 10.10.10.45:

```
router ospf 109
neighbor 10.10.10.45 database-filter all out
```

Example: Ignoring MOSPF LSA Packets

The following example configures the router to suppress the sending of syslog messages when it receives MOSPF packets:

```
router ospf 109
ignore lsa mospf
```

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