Configuring Frame Relay-ATM Interworking

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The Frame Relay-ATM Interworking features enable Frame Relay and ATM networks to exchange data, despite differing network protocols. There are two types of Frame Relay-ATM Interworking:

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For further general information about Frame Relay-ATM Interworking, see the "Wide-Area Networking Overview" chapter at the beginning of this book.

For a description of the commands used to configure Frame Relay-ATM Interworking, refer to the chapter "Frame Relay-ATM Interworking Commands" in the Cisco IOS Wide-Area Networking Command Reference. To locate documentation of other commands that appear in this chapter, use the command reference master index or search online.

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For Cisco IOS Release 12.2, Frame Relay-ATM Interworking is supported on the following platforms and interface types:

- Cisco MC3810: T1/E1 ATM interface
- Cisco 3600 series routers: OC-3 and inverse multiplexing over ATM (IMA) network modules
- Cisco 2600 series routers: OC-3 and IMA network modules
- Cisco 7200 series routers: all Cisco 7200 series ATM interface types

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### Prerequisites

If the end station is a Cisco router that is connected to an FRF.8 router or switch in translation mode, you must configure the end station with IETF encapsulation (not Cisco encapsulation, which is the default). To do so, you use the `encapsulation frame relay ietf` command.

IETF encapsulation on the end station is not required for FRF.8 in transparent mode (or for FRF.5 in translation mode or transparent mode). The FRF.5 or FRF.8 router or switch itself does not need IETF encapsulation in translation mode or transparent mode.

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### FRF.5 Frame Relay-ATM Network Interworking

FRF.5 provides network interworking functionality that allows Frame Relay end users to communicate over an intermediate ATM network that supports FRF.5. Multiprotocol encapsulation and other higher-layer procedures are transported transparently, just as they would be over leased lines. The figure below illustrates this concept.

Figure 1: Frame Relay-to-ATM Network Interworking (FRF.5)

FRF.5 describes network interworking requirements between Frame Relay Bearer Services and Broadband ISDN (BISDN) permanent virtual circuit (PVC) services.
The FRF.5 standard is defined by the Frame Relay Forum Document Number FRF.5: *Frame Relay/ATM PVC Network Interworking Implementation Agreement*. For more information about which sections of this implementation agreement are supported by Cisco IOS software, see the appendix "Frame Relay-ATM Interworking Supported Standards" in this book.

**Note**
On Cisco 7200 series routers, Frame Relay-ATM interworking does not support congestion management bit mapping.

### FRF.8 Frame Relay-ATM Service Interworking
FRF.8 provides service interworking functionality that allows a Frame Relay end user to communicate with an ATM end user. Traffic is translated by a protocol converter that provides communication between dissimilar Frame Relay and ATM equipment. The figure below illustrates this concept.

![Frame Relay-to-ATM Service Interworking](image)

FRF.8 describes a one-to-one mapping between a Frame Relay and an ATM PVC.

The FRF.8 standard is defined by the Frame Relay Forum Document Number FRF.8: *Frame Relay/ATM PVC Network Service Interworking Implementation Agreement*. For more information about which sections of this implementation agreement are supported, see the appendix "Frame Relay-ATM Interworking Supported Standards" in this book.

**Note**
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Configuring an FRF.5 One-to-One Network Interworking Connection

To configure FRF.5 encapsulation for a one-to-one connection between two Frame Relay end users over an intermediate ATM network, use the following commands beginning in global configuration mode:

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. `Router(config)# interface serial number`
2. `Router(config-if)# frame-relay interface-dlci dlci switched`
3. `Router(config)# interface atm number`
4. `Router(config-if)# pvc [PVC-name] vpi / vci`
5. `Router(config-if-atm-vc)# encapsulation aal5mux frame-relay`
6. `Router(config)# connect connection-name FR-interface FR-DLCI ATM-interface ATM-PVC network-interworking`
7. Do one of the following:
   - `Router(config-frf5)# clp-bit {0 | 1 | map-de}`
   - `Router(config-frf5)# de-bit map-clp`
8. `Router( config-frf5 )# end`

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<td><strong>Step 1</strong> <code>Router(config)# interface serial number</code></td>
<td>Configures the Frame Relay interface and enters interface configuration mode.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 2</strong> <code>Router(config-if)# frame-relay interface-dlci dlci switched</code></td>
<td>Configures a switched Frame Relay DLCI.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 3</strong> <code>Router(config)# interface atm number</code></td>
<td>Configures the ATM interface and enters interface configuration mode.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 4</strong> <code>Router(config-if)# pvc [PVC-name] vpi / vci</code></td>
<td>Creates the ATM PVC and virtual path identifier/virtual channel identifier (VPI/VCI). The VCI is a 16-bit field in the header of the ATM cell.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 5</strong> <code>Router(config-if-atm-vc)# encapsulation aal5mux frame-relay</code></td>
<td>Configures the ATM adaption layer (AAL) and encapsulation type for the ATM PVC.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 6</strong> <code>Router(config)# connect connection-name FR-interface FR-DLCI ATM-interface ATM-PVC network-interworking</code></td>
<td>Creates a connection to connect the Frame Relay DLCI to the ATM PVC and configures FRF.5 encapsulation.</td>
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</table>
To disconnect the FRF.5 interworking connection, use the `shutdown connect` subcommand.

**Configuring an FRF.5 Many-to-One Network Interworking Connection**

To configure FRF.5 encapsulation for a many-to-one connection between two Frame Relay end users over an intermediate ATM network, use the following commands beginning in global configuration command mode:

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. `Router(config)# interface serial number`
2. `Router(config-if)# frame-relay interface-dlci dlci switched`
3. `Router(config)# vc-group group-name`
4. `Router(config-vc-group)# FR-interface-name FR-DLCI[FR-SSCS-DLCI]`
5. `Router(config)# interface atm number`
6. `Router(config-if)# pvc [PVC-name] vpi / vci`
7. `Router(config-if-atm-vc)# encapsulation aal5mux frame-relay`
8. `Router(config)# connect connection-name vc-group group-name ATM-interface ATM-vpi/vci`
9. Do one of the following:
   - `Router(config-frf5)# clp-bit {0 | 1 | map-de}`
10. `Router( config-frf5 )# end`

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<td><strong>Step 2</strong> <code>Router(config-if)# frame-relay interface-dlci dlci switched</code></td>
<td>Configures a switched Frame Relay DLCI.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 3</strong> Router(config)# vc-group group-name</td>
<td>Assigns multiple Frame Relay DLCIs to a VC group.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 4</strong> Router(config-vc-group)# FR-interface-name FR-DLCI[FR-SSCS-DLCI]</td>
<td>Specifies the Frame Relay DLCIs in the VC group and maps them to the Frame Relay-SSCS DLCIs. If the optional Frame Relay-SSCS DLCI value is not specified, its value will default to 1022.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 5</strong> Router(config)# interface atm number</td>
<td>Configures the ATM interface and enters interface configuration mode.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 6</strong> Router(config-if)# pvc [PVC-name] vpi / vci</td>
<td>Creates the ATM PVC and VPI/VCI. The VCI is a 16-bit field in the header of the ATM cell.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 7</strong> Router(config-if-atm-vc)# encapsulation aal5mux frame-relay</td>
<td>Configures the AAL and encapsulation type for the ATM PVC.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 8</strong> Router(config)# connect connection-name vc-group group-name ATM-interface ATM-vpi/vci</td>
<td>Creates a connection to connect the VC group to the ATM PVC.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 9</strong> Do one of the following:</td>
<td>(On Cisco MC3810, 2600 series, and 3600 series routers only) Sets the ATM CLP field in the ATM cell header.</td>
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<td>• Router(config-frf5)# clp-bit {0</td>
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<td><strong>Example:</strong> Router(config-frf5)# de-bit map-clp</td>
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<td><strong>Step 10</strong> Router(config-frf5)# end</td>
<td>Ends configuration mode and enters EXEC mode.</td>
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<td>Use the exit command to exit a submode and reenter global configuration command mode.</td>
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To disconnect the FRF.5 interworking connection, use the **shutdown** command.

### Verifying FRF.5 Configuration

To verify correct configuration of the Frame Relay-to-ATM Network Interworking (FRF.5) feature, perform the following tasks:

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. Enter the **show connect id** EXEC command to view information, including interworking parameters set, for the specified connection identifier:
2. Enter the **show connect port** EXEC command to view information about the connection on a specific interface:
3. Enter the **show frame-relay pve** EXEC command to view statistics about Frame Relay interfaces:
4. Enter the **show atm pve** EXEC command to view ATM PVCs and statistics:
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Step 1
Enter the `show connect id` EXEC command to view information, including interworking parameters set, for the specified connection identifier:

Example:
```
Router# show connect id 5
FR/ATM Network Interworking Connection: network-1
  Status - UP
  Segment 1 - VC-Group network-1
  Segment 2 - ATM3/0 VPI 1 VCI 34
  Interworking Parameters -
    de-bit map-clp
    clp-bit map-de
```

Step 2
Enter the `show connect port` EXEC command to view information about the connection on a specific interface:

Example:
```
Router# show connect port atm3/0
ID Name Segment 1 Segment 2 State
========================================================================
5 network-1 VC-Group network-1 ATM3/0 1/34 UP
```

Step 3
Enter the `show frame-relay pvc` EXEC command to view statistics about Frame Relay interfaces:

Example:
```
Router# show frame-relay pvc
PVC Statistics for interface Serial1/0 (Frame Relay DCE)
  Active        Inactive       Deleted       Static
  Local          0            0            0            0
  Switched       1            0            0            0
  Unused         0            0            0            0
DLCI = 18, DLCI USAGE = FRF.5, PVC STATUS = ACTIVE, INTERFACE =
Serial1/0
  input pkts 22   output pkts 21   in bytes 2140
  out bytes 2110   dropped pkts 0    in FECN pkts 0
  in BECN pkts 0   out FECN pkts 0   out BECN pkts 0
  in DE pkts 0     out DE pkts 0
  out bcast pkts 0 out bcast bytes 0 Num Pkts
  Switched 22
  pvc create time 02:02:49, last time pvc status changed 02:02:42
```

Step 4
Enter the `show atm pvc` EXEC command to view ATM PVCs and statistics:

Example:
```
Router# show atm pvc
VCD/
Interface Name VPI VCI Type Encaps SC Peak Avg/Min Burst
3/0 10 1 32 PVC FR-ATM UBR 155000
```

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Configuring an FRF.8 Service Interworking Connection

To configure FRF.8 one-to-one protocol mapping between a Frame Relay end user and an ATM end user, use the following commands beginning in global configuration command mode:

**SUMMARY STEPS**
1. Router(config)# interface serial number
2. Router(config-if)# frame-relay interface-dlci dlci switched
3. Router(config)# interface atm number
4. Router(config-if)# pvc [PVC-name] vpi / vci
5. Router(config-if)# encapsulation aal5mux fr-atm-srv
6. Router(config)# connect connection-name FR-interface FR-DLCI ATM-interface ATM-vpi / vci service-interworking
7. Do one of the following:
   - Router(config-frf8)# clp-bit {0 | 1 | map-de}
   - 
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   - 
8. Router(config-frf8)# service translation
9. Router(config-frf8)# end

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<td><strong>Step 1</strong> Router(config)# interface serial number</td>
<td>Configures the Frame Relay interface and enters interface configuration mode.</td>
</tr>
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<td><strong>Step 2</strong> Router(config-if)# frame-relay interface-dlci dlci switched</td>
<td>Configures a switched Frame Relay DLCI.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Step 3</strong> Router(config)# interface atm number</td>
<td>Configures the ATM interface and enters interface configuration mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Step 4</strong> Router(config-if)# pvc [PVC-name] vpi / vci</td>
<td>Creates the ATM PVC and virtual path identifier/virtual channel identifier (VPI/VCI). The VCI is a 16-bit field in the header of the ATM cell.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 5</strong> Router(config-if)# encapsulation aal5mux fr-atm-srv</td>
<td>Configures the ATM adaption layer (AAL) and encapsulation type for the ATM PVC.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 6</strong> Router(config)# connect connection-name FR-interface FR-DLCI ATM-interface ATM-vpi vci service-interworking</td>
<td>Creates a connection to connect the Frame Relay DLCI to the ATM PVC and configures FRF.8 encapsulation.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 7</strong> Do one of the following:</td>
<td>(On Cisco MC3810, 2600 series, and 3600 series routers only) Sets the ATM cell loss priority (CLP) field in the ATM cell header.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Router(config-frf8)# clp-bit {0</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>(On Cisco MC3810, 2600 series, and 3600 series routers only) Sets the explicit forward congestion indication (EFCI) bit field in the ATM cell header.</td>
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<td><strong>Example:</strong></td>
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<td>Router(config-frf8)# de-bit {0</td>
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<td><strong>Step 8</strong> Router(config-frf8)# service translation</td>
<td>Enables upper layer user protocol encapsulation for Frame Relay-to-ATM service interworking.</td>
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<td><strong>Step 9</strong> Router(config-frf8)# end</td>
<td>Ends configuration mode and enters EXEC mode. Use the exit command to exit a submode and reenter global configuration command mode.</td>
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To disconnect the FRF.8 interworking connection, use the shutdown connect subcommand.

**Verifying FRF.8 Configuration**

To verify correct configuration of the Frame Relay-to-ATM Service Interworking (FRF.8) feature, perform the following tasks:
SUMMARY STEPS

1. Enter the `show connect id` EXEC command to view information, including interworking parameters set, about the specified connection identifier:

2. Enter the `show connect port` EXEC command to view information about the connection on a specific interface:

3. Enter the `show frame-relay pvc` EXEC command to view statistics about Frame Relay interfaces:

4. Enter the `show atm pvc` EXEC command to view ATM PVCs and statistics:

DETAILED STEPS

Step 1
Enter the `show connect id` EXEC command to view information, including interworking parameters set, about the specified connection identifier:

Example:

```
Router# show connect id 10
FR/ATM Service Interworking Connection: service-1
  Status - UP
  Segment 1 - Serial1/0 DLCI 16
  Segment 2 - ATM3/0 VPI 1 VCI 32
Interworking Parameters -
  service translation
efci-bit 0
dec-bit map-clp
clip-bit map-de
```

Step 2
Enter the `show connect port` EXEC command to view information about the connection on a specific interface:

Example:

```
Router# show connect port atm3/0
ID   Name               Segment 1            Segment 2           State
========================================================================
10   service-1         Serial1/0 16         ATM3/0 1/32          UP
```

Step 3
Enter the `show frame-relay pvc` EXEC command to view statistics about Frame Relay interfaces:

Example:

```
Router# show frame-relay pvc
PVC Statistics for interface Serial1/0 (Frame Relay DCE)
                   Active     Inactive     Deleted     Static
Local              0          0           0           0
Switched           1          0           0           0
Unused             0          0           0           0
DLCI = 18, DLCI USAGE = FRF.5, PVC STATUS = ACTIVE, INTERFACE =
Serial1/0
input pkts 22      output pkts 21   in bytes 2140
out bytes 2110     dropped pkts 0    in FECN pkts 0
in BECN pkts 0     out FECN pkts 0   out BECN pkts 0
in DE pkts 0       out DE pkts 0
out bcast pkts 0   out bcast bytes 0 Num Pkts
Switched 22
pvc create time 02:02:49, last time pvc status changed 02:02:42
```

Step 4
Enter the `show atm pvc` EXEC command to view ATM PVCs and statistics:
Example:

Router# show atm pvc

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<th>VCD/ Name</th>
<th>VPI</th>
<th>VCI</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Encaps</th>
<th>SC</th>
<th>Peak Kbps</th>
<th>Avg/Min Kbps</th>
<th>Burst Cells</th>
<th>Sts</th>
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<td>3/0</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>PVC</td>
<td>FRATMSRV</td>
<td>UBR</td>
<td>155000</td>
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To display the status of the virtual circuits and the Frame Relay-to-ATM interworking connections, use any of the following commands in EXEC mode:

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<td>Router# show atm pvc {signalling</td>
<td>interface</td>
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<tr>
<td>vcd}</td>
<td>Displays all ATM PVCs, switched virtual circuits (SVCs), and traffic information. Use the signalling keyword to display ATM interface signalling information for all interfaces. Use the interface keyword to display all PVCs and SVCs on the interface or subinterface. Use the vcd argument to specify the ATM VCD number (1-1023) about which to display information.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Router# show connect {all</td>
<td>element</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Router# show frame-relay pvc</td>
<td>Displays statistics about Frame Relay interfaces.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Router# show vc-group</td>
<td>Displays the names of all VC groups.</td>
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FRF.5 One-to-One Connection Example

The following example shows how to configure an FRF.5 one-to-one connection:

! Configure a switched Frame Relay DLCI
! interface serial0
  frame-relay interface-dlci 100 switched
! Configure ATM PVC with FRF.5 encapsulation
FRF.5 Many-to-One Connection Example

The following example shows how to configure an FRF.5 many-to-one connection:

```
! Configure a Frame Relay VC group
! The vc-group command assigns Frame Relay DLCI 16, 17, 18, and 19 to a VC group named 'friends'.
vc-group friends
  serial0 16 16
  serial0 17 17
  serial0 18 18
  serial0 19 19
! Configure an ATM PVC with FRF.5 encapsulation
interface atm3/0
  pvc 0/32
  encapsulation aal5mux frame-relay
! Create a connection which connects VC group 'friends' to ATM PVC 0/32 and configure FR DE field mapping to match ATM CLP field
connect vc-group friends atm3/0 0/32
debit map-clp
```

Note: Congestion management parameters are not available for Frame Relay-ATM Interworking on the Cisco 7200 series routers.

FRF.8 Service Interworking Example

The following example shows how to configure an FRF.8 service interworking connection:

```
! Configure a switched Frame Relay DLCI
interface serial 0
  frame-relay interface-dlci 100 switched
! Configure an ATM PVC with FRF.8 encapsulation
interface atm1/0
  pvc 0/32
  encapsulation aal5mux fr-atm-srv
! Create a connection that connects Frame Relay DLCI 100 to ATM PVC 1/32
```
! connect service-1 Serial0 100 ATM3/0 0/32 service-interworking
efc-i-bit map-fecn

**Note**

Congestion management parameters are not available for Frame Relay-ATM Interworking on the Cisco 7200 series routers.

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