



ATM OAM Traffic Reduction

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The ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature is a mechanism for reducing overhead when loopback cells are being used for fault detection in bidirectional virtual circuits (VCs) over ATM.

Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest feature information and caveats, see 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 for ATM OAM Traffic Reduction”](#) section on page 10.

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Prerequisites for the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction Feature

The Operation, Administration, and Maintenance (OAM) loopback cells described in this document are defined in International Telecommunication Union (ITU) specification *I.610 SERIES I: INTEGRATED SERVICES DIGITAL NETWORK, Maintenance principles*, and understanding this specification is requisite to understanding the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature.

Restrictions for the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction Feature

- This feature supports only Permanent Virtual Circuits (PVCs) for F5 END_TO_END OAM loopback cells. This feature is not applicable for F4 OAM cells, AIS/RDI cells, or F5 SEGMENT OAM loopback cells.
- This feature breaks OAM loopback functionality when there is a unidirectional breakage and when retry frequency is configured to be the same as the F5 OAM loopback frequency.

Information About the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction Feature

To configure ATM OAM traffic reduction, you need to understand the following concept:

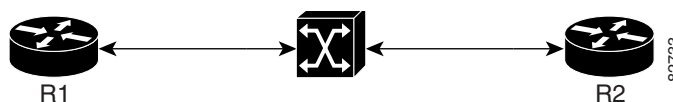
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OAM Traffic Flow

The OAM management portion of a PVC sends OAM loopback cells at periodic intervals. When OAM management is enabled at both ends of the PVC, the cells are transmitted and looped back at both ends. This transmission is redundant, because the OAM cells travel through the same physical circuit twice.

In [Figure 1](#), assume PVCs are configured between router R1 and router R2, and that OAM management is enabled on both ends of the PVC. Router R1, upon receiving OAM command cells from router R2, can stop its own OAM command cell transmission and can manage the link on the basis of incoming OAM command cells. Router R1 can reinitiate OAM command cell transmission upon discovering the absence of command cells from router R2.

Figure 1 ATM OAM Traffic Flow



When router R1 detects the first OAM command cell from router R2, time-stamp T1 is noted. When the next OAM command cell is detected, time-stamp T2 is noted. The interval T1 minus T2 provides the OAM the loopback frequency of router R2. The average value of this interval is taken by measuring it a random number of times. (The interval needs to be taken a random number of times to avoid a race condition that *might* happen when routers R1 and R2 implement this algorithm and the frequency is the same.)

At the end of the random time period, router R1 stops sending OAM command cells and starts the OAM traffic monitoring timer. This timer in router R1 checks for a change in interval frequency in router R2. If there is a change, the traffic monitoring timer is stopped and the VC goes into Retry mode and checks

whether the link is still up. In Retry mode, OAM command loopback cells are transmitted at an interval of one per second for 3 seconds. If router R1 does not receive a response to the command cell, the link is changed to the Down state.

**Note**

If ATM OAM traffic reduction is enabled on routers R1 and R2, then because of the random nature of the traffic reduction algorithm, either router can initiate OAM command cells and the other router will have to listen to the incoming OAM command cells.

If this feature is enabled on only one router (R1, for example), then the frequency of that router must be greater than or equal to the interval frequency set in the other router (R2) in order for router R1 to stop sending OAM command cells.

The ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature is enabled by the **oam-pvc** command. When the **optimum** keyword is enabled, and when a change in the interval frequency of router R2 is detected, the VC initiates an OAM command cell from router R1 and does not go into Retry mode immediately. If no response is obtained, the VC goes into Retry mode and follows the OAM Retry procedure.

How to Configure the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction Feature

This section contains the following procedures.

- [Configuring ATM OAM Traffic Reduction on an ATM Interface, page 3](#) (optional)
- [Configuring ATM OAM Traffic Reduction on a VC Class, page 4](#) (optional)
- [Verifying ATM OAM Traffic Reduction, page 6](#) (optional)

Configuring ATM OAM Traffic Reduction on an ATM Interface

To configure ATM OAM traffic reduction on an ATM interface, use the following commands.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure** *terminal*
3. **interface atm** *interface-number*
4. **pvc** *interface-number*
5. **oam-pvc** [*frequency*] **manage** [*frequency*] [**auto-detect** [**optimum**]] | **keep-vc-up** [**seg aisrdi failure**]] | **auto-detect** [**optimum**]] | **keep-vc-up** [**seg aisrdi failure**]] | **loop-detection**]]]
6. **exit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	interface atm interface-number Example: Router(config)# interface atm 1/0	Configures an ATM interface type and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 4	pvc interface-number Example: Router(config-if)# pvc 0/100	Assigns a name to an ATM PVC and enters ATM VC configuration mode.
Step 5	oam-pvc [frequency manage [frequency [auto-detect [optimum] keep-vc-up [seg aisrdi failure]] auto-detect [optimum] keep-vc-up [seg aisrdi failure] loop-detection]]] Example: Router(config-if-atm-vc)# oam-pvc manage auto-detect optimum	Enables end-to-end F5 OAM loopback cell generation and OAM management for an ATM PVC or VC class, including the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> auto-detect—Initiates auto-detection of peer OAM command cells. optimum—Configures an optimum mode so that when the traffic monitoring timer expires, the PVC sends an OAM command cell at the locally configured frequency instead of going into Retry mode immediately. If there is no response, the PVC goes into Retry mode.
Step 6	exit Example: Router(config-if-atm-vc)# exit	Exits the configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter the exit command for each command mode to exit.

Configuring ATM OAM Traffic Reduction on a VC Class

To configure ATM OAM traffic reduction on a VC class, use the following commands.

SUMMARY STEPS

- enable**
- configure terminal**
- vc-class atm vc-class-name**
- oam-pvc [frequency | manage [frequency [auto-detect [optimum] | loop-detection]]]**

5. **exit**
6. **interface atm** *interface-number*
7. **class-int** *vc-class-name*
8. **pvc** *vpi/vci*
9. **exit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	vc-class atm <i>vc-class-name</i> Example: Router(config)# vc-class atm atm1	Creates a VC class to an ATM VC bundle member and enters ATM VC class configuration mode.
Step 4	oam-pvc [<i>frequency</i> manage [<i>frequency</i> [auto-detect [optimum] loop-detection]]] Example: Router(config-vc-class)# oam-pvc manage auto-detect optimum	Enables end-to-end F5 OAM loopback cell generation and OAM management for an ATM PVC or VC class, including the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • auto-detect—Initiates autodetection of peer OAM command cells. • optimum—Configures an optimum mode so that when the traffic monitoring timer expires, the PVC sends an OAM command cell at the locally configured frequency instead of going into Retry mode. If there is no response, the PVC goes into Retry mode.
Step 5	exit Example: Router(config-vc-class)# exit	Exits ATM VC class configuration mode.
Step 6	interface atm <i>interface-number</i> Example: Router(config)# interface atm 1/0	Configures an ATM interface and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 7	class-int <i>vc-class-name</i> Example: Router(config-if)# class-int test	Assigns a VC class to an ATM main interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	<code>pvc vpi/vci</code> Example: Router(config-if)# pvc 0/100	Creates an ATM PVC and attaches it to the designated network virtual path identifier (VPI) and virtual channel interface (VCI).
Step 9	<code>exit</code> Example: Router(config-if)# exit	Exits the configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter the exit command for each command mode to exit.

Verifying ATM OAM Traffic Reduction

To verify that the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature is working, perform the following steps.

SUMMARY STEPS

- `enable`
- `show atm oam auto-detect [atm interface-number]`
- `show atm pvc [interface atm type number[vpi/vci | vci | name] vpi/vci | vci | name]`

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<code>enable</code> Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	<code>show atm oam auto-detect [atm interface-number]</code> Example: Router# show atm oam auto-detect atm 2/0	(Optional) Displays the state of the OAM cells when the ATM OAM traffic reduction is enabled. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The show atm oam auto-detect command reports the number of VCs in autodetection mode and in OAM loopback mode.
Step 3	<code>show atm pvc [interface atm type number[vpi/vci vci name] vpi/vci vci name]</code> Example: Router# show atm pvc	(Optional) Displays ATM PVCs and traffic reduction information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The show atm pvc command reports the OAM autodetect state, the OAM peer frequency, and the time the last OAM command cell was received.

Configuration Examples for ATM OAM Traffic Reduction

This section provides the following configuration examples to match the identified configuration tasks in the previous section:

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- [ATM OAM Traffic Reduction on a VC Class: Example, page 7](#)
- [Verifying ATM OAM Traffic Reduction: Example, page 7](#)

ATM OAM Traffic Reduction on an ATM Interface: Example

The following example enables ATM OAM traffic reduction on an ATM interface:

```
interface atm 1/0
  pvc 0/100
  oam-pvc manage auto-detect optimum
```

ATM OAM Traffic Reduction on a VC Class: Example

The following example enables ATM OAM traffic reduction using a VC class:

```
vc-class atm
  oam-pvc manage 10 auto-detect optimum

interface atm 1/0
class-int test
  pvc 0/100
  pvc 0/200
```

Verifying ATM OAM Traffic Reduction: Example

In the following examples, the output is displayed for each command in the task.

Sample Output for the show atm oam auto-detect Command

The following is sample output from the **show atm oam auto-detect** command:

```
Router# show atm oam auto-detect atm 2/0

ATM OAM Auto Detect statistics on ATM2/0

Number of VCs in Auto Detection:
  ATM OAM AUTO DETECT INIT      : 0
  ATM OAM SENDING MONITORING    : 0
  ATM OAM MONITORING            : 0

Number of VCs in OAM Loopback:
  DownRetry      : 0
  UpRetry        : 0
  Verified       : 0
  Not Verified   : 0
```

Sample Output for the show atm pvc Command

The following is sample output from the **show atm pvc** command with ATM OAM traffic reduction enabled:

```
Router# show atm pvc 0/100

ATM1/0: VCD: 1, VPI: 0, VCI: 100
UBR, PeakRate: 149760
AAL5-LLC/SNAP, etype:0x0, Flags: 0xC20, VCmode: 0x0
OAM frequency: 10 second(s), OAM retry frequency: 1 second(s)
OAM up retry count: 3, OAM down retry count: 5
OAM Loopback status: OAM Received
OAM VC state: Verified
OAM Auto Detect state: ATM OAM AUTO DETECT INIT
OAM PEER frequency: 0 second(s)
Last OAM Command Cell was received at 00:02:09
ILMI VC state: Not Managed
```

Additional References

The following sections provide references related to the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature.

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Configuring VC management	“Configuring ATM” chapter in the Cisco IOS Asynchronous Transfer Mode Configuration Guide
VC management commands	Cisco IOS Asynchronous Transfer Mode Command Reference

Standards

Standards	Title
ITU-I Specification	<i>I.610 SERIES I: INTEGRATED SERVICES DIGITAL NETWORK, Maintenance principles</i>

MIBs

MIBs	MIBs Link
None	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs

RFCs

RFCs	Title
None	—

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Feature Information for ATM OAM Traffic Reduction

Table 1 lists the release history for this feature.

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Note

Table 1 lists only the Cisco IOS software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given Cisco IOS software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that Cisco IOS software release train also support that feature.

Table 1 Feature Information for ATM OAM Traffic Reduction

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
ATM OAM Traffic Reduction	12.0(23)S 12.2(28)SB 15.0(1)M	<p>The ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature is a mechanism for reducing overhead when loopback cells are being used for fault detection in bidirectional virtual circuits (VCs) over ATM.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 12.0(23)S, this feature was introduced. The following command was introduced or modified in the feature documented in this module: show atm pvc.</p> <p>This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(28)SB.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.0(1)M, support was added for the ATM OAM Traffic Reduction feature.</p>

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