Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation over PVCs

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The Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation over PVCs feature provides the functionality of bridged ATM interface support to ATM switched virtual circuits (SVCs). Unlike permanent virtual circuits (PVCs), SVCs must be triggered by ongoing traffic and can be brought down when idle for some time. The SVCs are triggered, if down, and the traffic is passed on to the SVCs belonging to bridged ATM interface.

ATM routed bridge encapsulation (RBE) is used to route IP over bridged RFC 1483 Ethernet traffic from a stub-bridged LAN.

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 Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation" section on page 16.

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Prerequisites for Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation over PVCs

- When ATM SVCs are used, support for a form of bridging, such as integrated routing and bridging, is required.
- Before configuring connectivity from a remote bridged Ethernet network to a routed network using ATM routed bridge encapsulation, you must understand the concepts in the *Understanding Broadband Access Aggregation* module.

Restrictions for Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation over PVCs

- Unlike PVCs, SVCs must be triggered by ongoing traffic and might be brought down after they have been idle for some time. The Bridged 1483 Encapsulated Traffic over ATM SVCs feature allows for the SVC to be triggered if down, and to pass the traffic on to the SVCs belonging to the bridged ATM interface.
- ATM RBE does not support MAC-layer access lists; only IP access lists are supported.

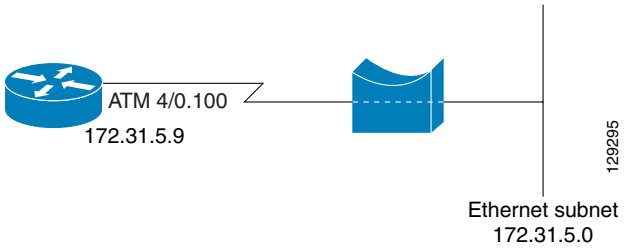
Information About Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation over PVCs

Overview on Bridged 1483 Encapsulated Traffic over ATM SVCs

ATM RBE is used to route IP over bridged RFC 1483 Ethernet traffic from a stub-bridged LAN.

Figure 1 shows an ATM subinterface on a headend router that is configured to function in ATM routed-bridge encapsulation mode. This configuration is useful when a remote bridged Ethernet network device needs connectivity to a routed network via a device bridging from an Ethernet LAN to an ATM RFC 1483 bridged encapsulation.

Figure 1 ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation



Because PVCs are statically configured along the entire path between the end systems, it would not be suitable to route bridged encapsulated traffic over them when the user wants to configure the virtual circuits (VCs) dynamically and tear down the VCs when there is no traffic.

ATM RBE Subinterface Grouping by PVC Range

You can configure ATM routed bridge encapsulation using an ATM PVC range rather than individual PVCs. When you configure a PVC range for routed bridge encapsulation, a point-to-point subinterface is created for each PVC in the range. The number of PVCs in a range can be calculated using the following formula:

number of PVCs = (*end-vpi* – *start-vpi* + 1) x (*end-vci* – *start-vci* +1)

Subinterface numbering begins with the subinterface on which the PVC range is configured and increases sequentially through the range.

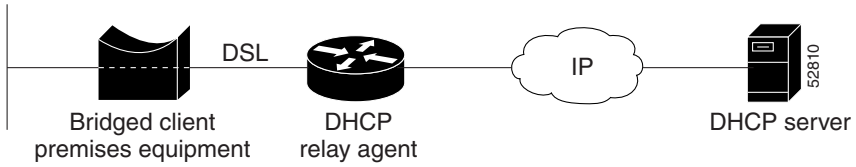
Note You cannot explicitly configure the individual point-to-point subinterfaces created by the PVC range on a point-to-point subinterface. All the point-to-point subinterfaces in the range share the same configuration as the subinterface on which the PVC range is configured.

DHCP Option 82 Support for RBE

The DHCP relay agent information option (option 82) enables a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) relay agent to include information about itself when forwarding client-originated DHCP packets to a DHCP server. The DHCP server can use this information to implement IP address or other parameter-assignment policies.

The DHCP Option 82 Support for RBE feature provides support for the DHCP relay agent information option when ATM RBE is used. Figure 2 shows a typical network topology in which ATM RBE and DHCP are used. The aggregation router that is using ATM RBE is also serving as the DHCP relay agent.

Figure 2 Network Topology Using ATM RBE and DHCP



This feature communicates information to the DHCP server using a suboption of the DHCP relay agent information option called *agent remote ID*. The information sent in the agent remote ID includes an IP address identifying the relay agent and information about the ATM interface and the PVC over which the DHCP request came in. The DHCP server can use this information to make IP address assignments and security policy decisions.

Figure 3 shows the format of the agent remote ID suboption.

Figure 3 Format of the Agent Remote ID Suboption

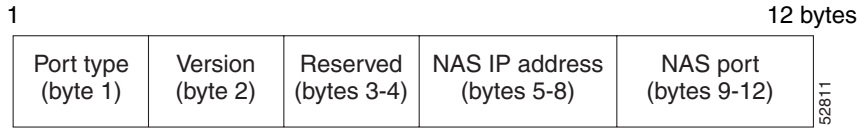


Table 1 describes the agent remote ID suboption fields displayed in Figure 3.

Table 1 Agent Remote ID Suboption Field Descriptions

Field	Description
Port Type	Port type. The value 0x01 indicates RBE. (1 byte)
Version	Option 82 version. The value 0x01 specifies the RBE version of Option 82 (1 byte).
Reserved	RBE reserved (2 bytes).
NAS IP Address	One of the interfaces on the DHCP relay agent. The **rbe nasip** command can be used to specify which IP address will be used. (4 bytes)
NAS Port	RBE-enabled virtual circuit on which the DHCP request has come in. See Figure 4 for the format of this field. (4 bytes)

Figure 4 shows the format of the network access server (NAS) port field in the agent remote ID suboption.

Figure 4 Format of the NAS Port Field

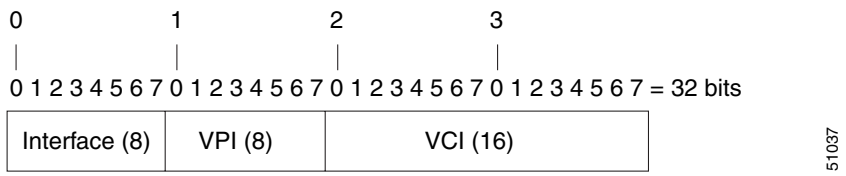
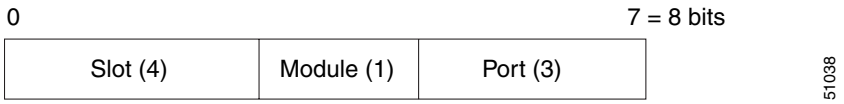


Figure 5 shows the format of the interface field. If there is no module, the value of the module bit is 0.

Figure 5 Format of the Interface Field



DHCP Lease Limit per ATM RBE Unnumbered Interface

The DHCP lease limit per ATM RBE Unnumbered Interface feature is enabled on a Cisco IOS DHCP relay agent connected to clients through unnumbered interfaces. The relay agent keeps information about the DHCP leases offered to the clients per subinterface. When a DHCPACK message is forwarded to the client, the relay agent increments the number of leases offered to clients on that subinterface. If a new DHCP client tries to obtain an IP address and the number of leases has already reached the configured lease limit, DHCP messages from the client will be dropped and will not be forwarded to the DHCP server.

If this feature is enabled on the Cisco IOS DHCP server directly connected to clients through unnumbered interfaces, the server allocates addresses and increments the number of leases per subinterface. If a new client tries to obtain an IP address, the server will not offer an IP address if the number of leases on the subinterface has already reached the configured lease limit.

Benefits of Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation

Bridged IP packets received on an ATM interface configured in routed-bridge mode are routed via the IP header. Such interfaces take advantage of the characteristics of a stub LAN topology commonly used for digital subscriber line (DSL) access and offer increased performance and flexibility over integrated routing and bridging (IRB).

Another benefit of ATM RBE is that it reduces the security risk associated with normal bridging or IRB by reducing the size of the nonsecured network. By using a single VC allocated to a subnet (which could be as small as a single IP address), ATM RBE uses an IP address in the subnet to limit the “trust environment” to the premises of a single customer.

ATM RBE supports Cisco Express Forwarding (CEF), fast switching, and process switching.

The DHCP Option 82 Support for RBE feature enables those service providers to use DHCP to assign IP addresses and DHCP option 82 to implement security and IP address assignment policies.

The DHCP Lease Limit per ATM RBE Unnumbered Interface feature allows an Internet service provider (ISP) to globally limit the number of leases available to clients per household or connection.

How to Configure ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation over PVCs

This section contains the following procedures:

- Configuring ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation Using PVCs, page 6 (required)
- Configuring DHCP Option 82 for RBE, page 8 (required)
- Configuring the DHCP Lease Limit, page 10 (required)
- Troubleshooting the DHCP Lease Limit, page 10 (optional)

Configuring ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation Using PVCs

Perform the following task to configure ATM RBE using PVCs. Only the specified network layer (IP) is routed. Any remaining protocols can be passed on to bridging or other protocols. In this manner, ATM RBE can be used to route IP, while other protocols (such as IPX) are bridged normally.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface atm** *slot*/**0.***subinterface-number* **point-to-point**
4. **pvc** *vpi*/*vci*

   or

   range [*range-name*] **pvc** *start-vpi*/*start-vci end-vpi*/*end-vci*
5. **exit**
6. **ip address** *ip-address mask* [**secondary**]
7. **end**
8. **show arp**

   or

   show ip cache verbose

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	**enable** **Example:** `Router> enable`	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	**configure terminal** **Example:** `Router# configure terminal`	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	**interface atm** *slot*/**0.***subinterface-number* **point-to-point** **Example:** `Router(config)# interface atm 5/0.5 point-to-point`	Specifies an ATM point-to-point subinterface and enters subinterface mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose

Step 4	**pvc** *vpi/vci*
	or
	range [*range-name*] **pvc** *start-vpi/start-vci end-vpi/end-vci*
	Example:
	`Router(config-subif)# pvc 0/32`
	or
	Example:
	`Router(config-subif)# range range1 pvc 1/200 1/299`
		Configures a PVC to carry the routed bridge traffic and enters ATM VC class configuration mode.
		Configures a range of PVCs to carry the routed bridge traffic and enters ATM PVC range configuration mode.

Step 5	**exit** **Example:** `Router(config-if-atm-vc)# exit`	Exits to subinterface configuration mode.
Step 6	**ip address** *ip-address mask* [**secondary**] **Example:** `Router(config-subif)# ip address 209.165.200.224 255.255.255.0`	Provides an IP address on the same subnetwork as the remote network.
Step 7	**end** **Example:** `Router(config-subif)# end`	Exits to privileged EXEC mode.

Step 8	**show arp**
	or
	show ip cache verbose
	Example:
	`Router# show arp`
	or
	Example:
	`Router# show ip cache verbose`
		(Optional) Displays ATM RBE configuration information.

Examples

To confirm that ATM RBE is enabled, use the **show arp** command and the **show ip cache verbose** command in privileged EXEC mode:

```
Router# show arp

Protocol  Address          Age (min)  Hardware Addr   Type   Interface
Internet 209.165.201.51          6   0001.c9f2.a81d  ARPA   Ethernet3/1
Internet 209.165.201.49          -   0060.0939.bb55  ARPA   Ethernet3/1
Internet 209.165.202.128        30   0010.0ba6.2020  ARPA   Ethernet3/0
Internet 209.165.201.52          6   00e0.1e8d.3f90  ARPA   ATM1/0.4
Internet 209.165.201.53          5   0007.144f.5d20  ARPA   ATM1/0.2
```

```
Internet 209.165.202.129          -   0060.0939.bb54  ARPA   Ethernet3/0
Internet 209.165.201.125         30   00b0.c2e9.bc55  ARPA   Ethernet3/1#

Router# show ip cache verbose

IP routing cache 3 entries, 572 bytes
   9 adds, 6 invalidates, 0 refcounts
Minimum invalidation interval 2 seconds, maximum interval 5 seconds,
   quiet interval 3 seconds, threshold 0 requests
Invalidation rate 0 in last second, 0 in last 3 seconds
Last full cache invalidation occurred 00:30:34 ago

Prefix/Length       Age       Interface Next Hop
209.165.201.51/32-24 00:30:10  Ethernet3/1 10.1.0.51 14  0001C9F2A81D00600939 BB550800

209.165.202.129/32-24 00:00:04 ATM1/0.2 10.8.100.50 28
00010000AAAA030080C2000700000007144F5D2000600939 BB1C0800

209.165.201.125/32-24 00:06:09 ATM1/0.4 10.8.101.35 28
00020000AAAA030080C20007000000E01E8D3F9000600939 BB1C0800
```

Configuring DHCP Option 82 for RBE

Perform this task to configure the DHCP Option 82 Support for RBE feature.

Prerequisites for Configuring DHCP Option 82 for RBE

DHCP option 82 support must be configured on the DHCP relay agent using the **ip dhcp relay information option** command before you can use the DHCP Option 82 Support for RBE feature.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp relay information option**
4. **rbe nasip** *source-interface*
5. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	**enable** **Example:** `Router> enable`	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	**configure terminal** **Example:** `Router# configure terminal`	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command	Purpose
Step 3	**ip dhcp relay information option** **Example:** `Router(config)# ip dhcp relay information option`	Enables the DHCP option 82 support on relay agent. • Enabling the DHCP option 82 support allows the system to insert the DHCP relay agent information option in forwarded BOOT REQUEST messages to a Cisco IOS DHCP server.
Step 4	**rbe nasip** *source-interface* **Example:** `Router(config)# rbe nasip loopback0`	Specifies the IP address of an interface on the DHCP relay agent that will be sent to the DHCP server via the Agent Remote ID suboption.
Step 5	**end** **Example:** `Router(config)# end`	Exits global configuration mode and enters privileged configuration mode.

Configuring the DHCP Lease Limit

Perform this task to limit the number of DHCP leases allowed on ATM RBE unnumbered or serial unnumbered interfaces.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp limit lease per interface** *lease-limit*
4. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	**enable** **Example:** `Router> enable`	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	**configure terminal** **Example:** `Router# configure terminal`	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	**ip dhcp limit lease per interface** *lease-limit* **Example:** `Router(config)# ip dhcp limit lease per interface 2`	Limits the number of leases offered to DHCP clients behind an ATM RBE unnumbered or serial unnumbered interface.
Step 4	**end** **Example:** `Router(config)# end`	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Troubleshooting the DHCP Lease Limit

Perform this task to troubleshoot the DHCP lease limit.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **debug ip dhcp server packet**
3. **debug ip dhcp server events**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	**enable** **Example:** `Router> enable`	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	**debug ip dhcp server packet** **Example:** `Router# debug ip dhcp server packet`	(Optional) Decodes DHCP receptions and transmissions.
Step 3	**debug ip dhcp server events** **Example:** `Router(config)# debug ip dhcp server events`	(Optional) Displays server events.

Configuration Examples for Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation

The following examples show various ways to provide connectivity from a remote bridged network to a routed network using ATM RBE.

Example: Configuring ATM RBE on PVCs

The following example shows a typical ATM routed bridge encapsulation configuration:

```
enable
 configure terminal
 interface atm 4/0.100 point-to-point
  ip address 209.165.200.225 255.255.255.224
   pvc 0/32
    end
```

Example: Configuring ATM RBE on an Unnumbered Interface

The following example uses a static route to point to an unnumbered interface:

```
enable
 configure terminal
 interface loopback 0
 ip address 209.165.200.226 255.255.255.224
 interface atm 4/0.100 point-to-point
```

```
 ip unnumbered loopback 0
 pvc 0/32
  atm route-bridge ip
  exit
ip route 209.165.200.228 255.255.255.224 atm 4/0.100
end
```

Example: Concurrent Bridging and ATM RBE

The following example shows concurrent use of ATM RBE with normal bridging. IP datagrams are route-bridged, and other protocols (such as IPX or AppleTalk) are bridged.

```
bridge 1 protocol ieee

interface atm 4/0.100 point-to-point
 ip address 209.165.200.225 255.255.255.224
 pvc 0/32
 bridge-group 1
 atm route-bridge ip
```

Example: DHCP Option 82 for RBE Configuration

In the following example, DHCP option 82 support is enabled on the DHCP relay agent using the **ip dhcp relay information option** command. The **rbe nasip** command configures the router to forward the IP address for Loopback0 to the DHCP server.

```
ip dhcp-server 209.165.200.225
!
ip dhcp relay information option
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 209.165.201.0 255.255.255.248
!
interface atm 4/0
 no ip address
!
interface atm 4/0.1 point-to-point
 ip unnumbered Loopback0
 ip helper-address 209.165.201.3
 atm route-bridged ip
 pvc 88/800
  encapsulation aal5snap
!
!
interface Ethernet5/1
 ip address 209.165.201.4 255.255.255.248
!
router eigrp 100
 network 209.165.201.0
 network 209.165.200.0
!
rbe nasip Loopback0
```

For the configuration example, the value (in hexadecimal) of the agent remote ID suboption would be 010100000B01018140580320. Table 2 shows the value of each field within the agent remote ID suboption.

Table 2 Agent Remote ID Suboption Field Values

Agent Remote ID Suboption Field	Value
Port Type	0x01
Version	0x01
Reserved	undefined
NAS IP Address	0x0B010181 (hexadecimal value of 11.1.1.129)
NAS Port • Interface (slot/module/port) • VPI • VCI	• 0x40 (The slot/module/port values are 01 00/0/000.) • 0x58 (hexadecimal value of 88) • 0x320 (hexadecimal value of 800)

Example: DHCP Lease Limit

In the following example, if more than three clients try to obtain an IP address from interface ATM4/0.1, the DHCPDISCOVER packets will not be forwarded to the DHCP server. If the DHCP server resides on the same router, DHCP will not reply to more than three clients.

```
ip dhcp limit lease per interface 3
!
interface loopback0
 ip address 209.165.201.3 255.255.255.248
!
interface atm 4/0.1
 no ip address
!
interface atm 4/0.1 point-to-point
 ip helper-address 172.16.1.2
 ip unnumbered loopback0
 atm route-bridged ip
  pvc 88/800
  encapsulation aal5snap
```

Additional References

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	*Cisco IOS Master Commands List, All Releases*
Broadband Access Aggregation and DSL commands	*Cisco IOS Broadband Access Aggregation and DSL Command Reference*
Broadband access aggregation concepts	*Understanding Broadband Access Aggregation*
Preparing for broadband access aggregation task	*Preparing for Broadband Access Aggregation*
DHCP commands	*Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference*
DHCP configuration tasks	"Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Server" module in the *Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Configuration Guide*

Standards

Standards	Title
None	—

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Feature Information for Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation

Table 3 lists the features in this module and provides links to specific configuration information.

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Table 3 lists only the software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

Table 3 Feature Information for Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Bridged 1483 Encapsulated Traffic over ATM SVCs	12.4(15)T 12.2(33)SRE	The Bridged 1483 Encapsulated Traffic over ATM SVCs feature provides support for bridged 1483 encapsulated packets to trigger ATM SVC and also support for sending this traffic on triggered ATM SVCs. The following section provides information about this feature: • "Information About Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation over PVCs" section on page 2

Table 3 Feature Information for Providing Connectivity Using ATM Routed Bridge Encapsulation (continued)

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
DHCP Option 82 Support for Routed Bridge Encapsulation	15.1(1)S 12.2(2)T	This feature provides support for the DHCP relay agent information option when ATM RBE is used. The following sections provide information about this feature: • "DHCP Option 82 Support for RBE" section on page 3 • "Configuring DHCP Option 82 for RBE" section on page 8 The following command was introduced: **rbe nasip**
DHCP Lease Limit per ATM RBE Unnumbered Interface	12.3(2)T	This feature limits the number of DHCP leases per subinterface offered to DHCP clients connected from an ATM RBE unnumbered interface or serial unnumbered interface of the DHCP server or DHCP relay agent. The following sections provide information about this feature: • "DHCP Lease Limit per ATM RBE Unnumbered Interface" section on page 5 • "Configuring the DHCP Lease Limit" section on page 10 The following command was introduced: **ip dhcp limit lease per interface**