



## **Multicast Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers, IOS XR Release 26.1.x**

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## Preface

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- [Communications, Services, and Additional Information, on page ix](#)

## Changes to This Document

Describes the changes in the document from the initial release of this document.

*Table 1: Changes to This Document*

| Date       | Summary                          |
|------------|----------------------------------|
| March 2026 | Initial release of this document |

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# CHAPTER 1

## New and Changed Multicast Features

This chapter lists all the features that have been added or modified in this guide. The table also contains references to these feature documentation sections.

- [Multicast Features Added or Modified in IOS XR Release 26.x.x, on page 1](#)

## Multicast Features Added or Modified in IOS XR Release 26.x.x

*Table 2: New and Changed Features*

| Feature                         | Description                | Release        |   |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|---|
| MBB duplicate packet mitigation | Introduced in this release | Release 26.1.1 | <a href="#">MBB duplicate packet mitigation</a> |
| Egress LSM statistics for mLDP  | Introduced in this release | Release 26.1.1 | <a href="#">Egress LSM statistics for mLDP</a>  |





## CHAPTER 2

# YANG Data Models for Multicast Features

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This chapter provides information about the YANG data models for Multicast features.

- [Using YANG Data Models, on page 3](#)

## Using YANG Data Models

Cisco IOS XR supports a programmatic way of configuring and collecting operational data of a network device using YANG data models. Although configurations using CLIs are easier and human-readable, automating the configuration using model-driven programmability results in scalability.

The data models are available in the release image, and are also published in the [Github](#) repository. Navigate to the release folder of interest to view the list of supported data models and their definitions. Each data model defines a complete and cohesive model, or augments an existing data model with additional XPath. To view a comprehensive list of the data models supported in a release, navigate to the **Available-Content.md** file in the repository.

You can also view the data model definitions using the [YANG Data Models Navigator](#) tool. This GUI-based and easy-to-use tool helps you explore the nuances of the data model and view the dependencies between various containers in the model. You can view the list of models supported across Cisco IOS XR releases and platforms, locate a specific model, view the containers and their respective lists, leaves, and leaf lists presented visually in a tree structure. This visual tree form helps you get insights into nodes that can help you automate your network.

To get started with using the data models, see the *Programmability Configuration Guide*.





## CHAPTER 3

# Implementing Layer 2 Multicast

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## Implementing IGMP Snooping

*Table 3: Feature History Table*

| Feature Name                  | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Support for Layer 2 Multicast | Release 7.4.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in native and compatibility mode. |

Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) snooping restricts multicast flows at Layer 2 to only those segments with at least one interested receiver. This module describes how to implement IGMP snooping.



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**Note** Multicast traffic without Spanning-Tree protocol is supported at Layer 2 for multicast traffic without snooping enabled.

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## Prerequisites for IGMP Snooping

Before implementing IGMP snooping, make sure that the network is configured with a Layer 2 VPN (L2VPN).

## Supported Features and Restrictions for IGMP Snooping

- EVPN dual-homed Active Active (AA) IGMP State Sync using IGMP snooping profile is supported.
- BVI under bridge domain is supported.
- IGMP snooping is supported only under L2VPN bridge domains.
- Explicit host tracking (an IGMPv3 snooping feature) is not supported.
- IPv6 Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) snooping is not supported.
- IGMPv1 is not supported.
- IGMP snooping with VPLS on bridge domain is not supported.
- IGMP snooping over access and core Pseudo-wire is not supported.
- ISSU is not supported on Layer 2 Multicast.
- IGMPv3-exclude is not supported in EVPN multi-homing or proxy scenarios.
- For EVPN AA, IGMPv2 and IGMPv3 joins for same groups are not supported.
- **router-alert-check disable** configuration command is not supported.
- PIM control packets (join and hello) processing is not supported when snooping is enabled, so a multicast router selection based on PIM packets won't occur.
- In an EVPN dual-home AA scenario:
  - If the multicast source and receiver are in the same bridge domain (BD), the receiver might receive permanent traffic duplication.
  - In an EVPN dual-home receiver AA scenario, transient traffic duplication is expected when the DH node role changes from DF to nDF and vice versa.
  - Source=ESI1=BE-X.A, Receiver=ESI1=BE-X.B under the same BD is not supported (where X.A and X.B represent two AC ports for the bundle interface BE).
  - Source=ESI1=BE-X.A (for NCS 5700 line cards), Receiver=ESI2=BE-Y.A (for NCS 5500 line cards) under the same BD is not supported (where X.A and Y.A represent two AC ports for the bundle interface BE).



**Note** IPv4 multicast is supported for a multicast source that is behind the BVI interface. For example, the below configuration shows how to configure source behind BVI for IPv4 multicast:

```
l2vpn
bridge group 1
  bridge-domain 1
    multicast-source ipv4
    igmp snooping profile grp1
    !
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/3.32
    !
    routed interface BVI1
```

IGMP snooping for bridge domains without Bridged Virtual Interface (BVI) is supported with the following design consideration: You must configure the `multicast-source ipv4` command in the source switch where bridge domain and IGMP snooping are enabled.

## Information About IGMP Snooping

### IGMP Snooping Overview

#### Description of Basic Functions

IGMP snooping provides a way to constrain multicast traffic at Layer 2. By snooping the IGMP membership reports sent by hosts in the bridge domain, the IGMP snooping application can set up Layer 2 multicast forwarding tables to deliver traffic only to ports with at least one interested member, significantly reducing the volume of multicast traffic.

Configured at Layer 3, IGMP provides a means for hosts in an IPv4 multicast network to indicate which multicast traffic they are interested in and for routers to control and limit the flow of multicast traffic in the network at Layer 3.

IGMP snooping uses the information in IGMP membership report messages to build corresponding information in the forwarding tables to restrict IP multicast traffic at Layer 2. The forwarding table entries are in the form `<Route, OIF List>`, where:

- Route is a `<*, G>` route or `<S, G>` route, where `*` is any source, `G` is group and `S` is the source.
- OIF List comprises all bridge ports that have sent IGMP membership reports for the specified route.

Implemented in a multicast network, IGMP snooping has the following attributes:

- In its basic form, it reduces bandwidth consumption by reducing multicast traffic that would otherwise flood an entire bridge domain.
- With the use of some optional configurations, it provides security between bridge domains by filtering the IGMP reports received from hosts on one bridge port and preventing leakage towards the hosts on other bridge ports.

## High Availability Features

All high availability features apply to the IGMP snooping processes with no additional configuration beyond enabling IGMP snooping. The following high availability features are supported:

- Process restarts
- RP Failover
- Stateful Switch-Over (SSO)
- Non-Stop Forwarding (NSF)—Forwarding continues unaffected while the control plane is restored following a process restart or route processor (RP) failover.
- Line card online insertion and removal (OIR)

## Bridge Domain Support

IGMP snooping operates at the bridge domain level. When IGMP snooping is enabled on a bridge domain, the snooping functionality applies to all ports under the bridge domain, including:

- Physical ports under the bridge domain.
- Ethernet flow points (EFPs)—An EFP can be a VLAN.
- Ethernet bundles—Ethernet bundles include IEEE 802.3ad link bundles and Cisco EtherChannel bundles. From the perspective of the IGMP snooping application, an Ethernet bundle is just another EFP. The forwarding application in the Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers randomly nominates a single port from the bundle to carry the multicast traffic.




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**Note** The **efp-visibility** configuration is required when a bridge has attachment circuits as VLAN sub-interfaces from the same bundle-ether or physical interface.

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IGMP snooping for bridge domains without Bridged Virtual Interface (BVI) is supported with the following design consideration.

You must configure **multicast-source ipv4** under L2VPN if snooping is enabled and multicast traffic source is located behind the AC port.

### Configuration Example:

```
Router(config)# l2vpn
Router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group 1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg)#bridge-domain 1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#multicast-source ipv4
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#efp-visibility
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#igmp snooping profile igmpsn
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/3.31
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/3.32
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#routed interface BVI1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-bvi)#exit
```

## Multicast Router Port

A Multicast router (Mrouter) port is a port that connects to a Multicast router. The device includes the Multicast router port(s) numbers when it forwards the Multicast streams and IGMP registration messages. This is required so that the Multicast routers can, in turn, forward the Multicast streams and propagate the registration messages to other subnets. The reports would be re-injected over mrouter ports.

## Multicast Host Ports

IGMP snooping classifies each port (for example, EFPs, physical ports, or EFP bundles) as a host ports, that is, any port that is not an mrouter port is a host port.

## Multicast Traffic Handling within a Bridge Domain with IGMP Snooping Enabled

The following tables describe traffic handling behaviors by IGMP snooping and host ports. [Table 4: Multicast Traffic Handling for an IGMPv2 Querier, on page 9](#) describes traffic handling for an IGMPv2 querier. [Table 5: Multicast Traffic Handling for an IGMPv3 Querier, on page 9](#) applies to an IGMPv3 querier.

By default, IGMP snooping supports IGMPv2 and IGMPv3. The version of the IGMP querier discovered in the bridge domain determines the operational version of the snooping processes. If you change the default, configuring IGMP snooping to support a minimum version of IGMPv3, IGMP snooping ignores any IGMPv2 queriers.

**Table 4: Multicast Traffic Handling for an IGMPv2 Querier**

| Traffic Type                | Received on Host Ports   |
|-----------------------------|--|
| IP multicast source traffic | Forwards to all mrouter ports and to host ports that indicate interest.  |
| IGMP general queries        | —  |
| IGMP group-specific queries | Dropped  |
| IGMPv2 joins                | Examines (snoops) the reports. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If report suppression is enabled, forwards first join for a new group or first join following a general query for an existing group.</li> <li>• If report suppression is disabled, forwards on all mrouter ports.</li> </ul> |
| IGMPv3 reports              | Ignores  |
| IGMPv2 leaves               | Invokes last member query processing.  |

**Table 5: Multicast Traffic Handling for an IGMPv3 Querier**

| Traffic Type                | Received on Host Ports  |
|-----------------------------|---|
| IP multicast source traffic | Forwards to all mrouter ports and to host ports that indicate interest. |
| IGMP general queries        | —   |
| IGMP group-specific queries | —   |
| IGMPv2 joins                | Handles as IGMPv3 IS_EX{} reports.                                      |

| Traffic Type   | Received on Host Ports   |
|----------------|--|
| IGMPv3 reports | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If proxy reporting is enabled—For state changes or source-list changes, generates a state change report on all mrouter ports.</li> <li>• If proxy reporting is disabled—Forwards on all mrouter ports.</li> </ul> |
| IGMPv2 leaves  | Handles as IGMPv3 IS_IN{} reports.   |

## IGMP Snooping Configuration Profiles

To enable IGMP snooping on a bridge domain, you must attach a profile to the bridge domain. The minimum configuration is an empty profile if BVI is configured. An empty profile enables the default configuration options and settings for IGMP snooping, as listed in the [Default IGMP Snooping Configuration Settings, on page 12](#).



**Note** You must configure the **system-ip-address** and **internal-querier** when the BVI is not configured, and no other queriers are present in the same domain.

### Configuration Example:

```
Router(config)#igmp snooping profile igmpsn
Router(config-igmp-snooping-profile)#system-ip-address 192.0.2.1
Router(config-igmp-snooping-profile)#internal-querier
```

You can attach IGMP snooping profiles to bridge domains or to ports under a bridge domain. The following guidelines explain the relationships between profiles attached to ports and bridge domains:

- Any IGMP Snooping profile attached to a bridge domain, even an empty profile, enables IGMP snooping. To disable IGMP snooping, detach the profile from the bridge domain.
- An empty profile configures IGMP snooping on the bridge domain and all ports under the bridge using default configuration settings.
- A bridge domain can have only one IGMP snooping profile attached to it (at the bridge domain level) at any time.
- Port profiles are not in effect if the bridge domain does not have a profile attached to it.
- IGMP snooping must be enabled on the bridge domain for any port-specific configurations to be in effect.
- If a profile attached to a bridge domain contains port-specific configuration options, the values apply to all of the ports under the bridge, including all mrouter and host ports, unless another port-specific profile is attached to a port.
- When a profile is attached to a port, IGMP snooping reconfigures that port, disregarding any port configurations that may exist in the bridge-level profile.

## Creating Profiles

To create a profile, use the **igmp snooping profile** command in global configuration mode.

## Attaching and Detaching Profiles

To attach a profile to a bridge domain, use the **igmp snooping profile** command in l2vpn bridge group bridge domain configuration mode. To attach a profile to a port, use the **igmp snooping profile** command in the interface configuration mode under the bridge domain. To detach a profile, use the **no** form of the command in the appropriate configuration mode.

When you detach a profile from a bridge domain or a port, the profile still exists and is available for use at a later time. Detaching a profile has the following results:

- If you detach a profile from a bridge domain, IGMP snooping is deactivated in the bridge domain.
- If you detach a profile from a port, IGMP snooping configuration values for the port are instantiated from the bridge domain profile.

## Changing Profiles

You cannot make changes to an active profile. An active profile is one that is currently attached.

- If the active profile is configured under the bridge, you must detach it from the bridge, and reattach it.
- If the active profile is configured under a specific bridge port, you must detach it from the bridge port, and reattach it.

Another way to do this is to create a new profile incorporating the desired changes and attach it to the bridges or ports, replacing the existing profile. This deactivates IGMP snooping and then reactivates it with parameters from the new profile.

## Default IGMP Snooping Configuration Settings

Table 6: IGMP Snooping Default Configuration Values

| Scope         | Feature                     | Default Value   |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Bridge Domain | IGMP snooping               | Disabled on a bridge domain until an enabling IGMP snooping profile is attached to the bridge domain.   |
|               | internal querier            | By default Internal Querier is disabled. To enable Internal Querier, add it to the IGMP snooping profile. Internal Querier is not recommended, when BVI and IGMP snooping is configured under a bridge. |
|               | last-member-query-count     | 2   |
|               | last-member-query-interval  | 1000 (milliseconds)   |
|               | minimum-version             | 2 (supporting IGMPv2 and IGMPv3)  |
|               | querier query-interval      | 60 (seconds)<br><b>Note</b><br>This is a nonstandard default value.   |
|               | report-suppression          | Enabled (enables report suppression for IGMPv2 and proxy-reporting for IGMPv3)  |
|               | querier robustness-variable | 2   |
|               | router alert check          | Enabled   |
|               | tcn query solicit           | Disabled  |
|               | tcn flood                   | Enabled   |
|               | ttl-check                   | Enabled   |
|               | unsolicited-report-timer    | 1000 (milliseconds)   |
| Port          | immediate-leave             | Disabled  |
|               | mrouter                     | No static mrouter configured; dynamic discovery occurs by default.  |
|               | router guard                | Disabled  |
|               | static group                | None configured   |

## IGMP Snooping Configuration at the Bridge Domain Level

### IGMP Minimum Version

The **minimum-version** command determines which IGMP versions are supported by IGMP snooping in the bridge domain:

- When minimum-version is 2, IGMP snooping intercepts IGMPv2 and IGMPv3 messages. This is the default value.
- When minimum-version is 3, IGMP snooping intercepts only IGMPv3 messages and drops all IGMPv2 messages.

IGMPv1 is not supported. The scope for this command is the bridge domain. The command is ignored in a profile attached to a port.

## Group Membership Interval, Robustness Variable, and Query Interval

The group membership interval (GMI) controls when IGMP snooping expires stale group membership states. The **show igmp snooping group** command shows groups with an expiry time of 0 until that stale state is cleaned up following the next query interval.

The GMI is calculated as:

$GMI = (\text{robustness-variable} * \text{query-interval}) + \text{maximum-response-time}$

where:

- maximum-response-time (MRT) is the amount of time during which receivers are required to report their membership state.
- robustness-variable is an integer used to influence the calculated GMI.
- query-interval is the amount of time between general queries.

Values for the components in the GMI are obtained as follows:

- MRT is advertised in the general query, for both IGMPv2 and IGMPv3.
- If the querier is running IGMPv2, IGMP snooping uses the IGMP-snooping-configured values for the robustness-variable and query-interval. These parameter values must match the configured values for the querier. In most cases, if you are interacting with other Cisco routers, you should not need to explicitly configure these values—the default values for IGMP snooping should match the default values of the querier. If they do not, use the **querier robustness-variable** and **querier query-interval** commands to configure matching values.
- IGMPv3 general queries convey values for robustness-variable and query-interval (QRV and QQI, respectively). IGMP snooping uses the values from the query, making the IGMP snooping GMI exactly match that of the querier.

# EVPN All-Active Multi-homed Multicast Source Behind a BVI

Table 7: Feature History Table

| Feature Name  | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| EVPN All-Active Multi-homed Multicast Source Behind a BVI | Release 7.11.1      | <p>Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 fixed port routers; NCS 5700 fixed port routers; NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5500 line cards; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native])</p> <p>We have enhanced multicast routing efficiency, load balancing, and latency in EVPN topology by optimizing redundancy and enabling support for All-Active (AA) multicast multi-homed sources. The multi-homed multicast data sources are located behind a Bridge-Group Virtual Interface (BVI), while multicast receivers can be in either the core or a bridge domain.</p> <p>This feature introduces the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CLI</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>ole-collapse-disable</b> keyword is introduced in the <b>hw-module multicast evpn</b> command.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>YANG Data Model</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New leaf <b>evpn-ole-collapse-disable</b> added in <a href="#">Cisco-IOS-XR-fia-hw-profile-cfg.yang</a> (see <a href="#">GitHub</a>, <a href="#">YANG Data Models Navigator</a>).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

EVPN AA multi-homed refers to a specific deployment model within the EVPN technology. In the multi-homed setup, a customer site or device (CE) is connected to multiple provider edge (PE) routers or attachment circuits (ACs). Multi-homing provides redundancy and load balancing by allowing a CE to connect to multiple PE routers, enabling traffic to be distributed across different paths. In case of a link (CE to PE and local PE to remote PE) or router failure, traffic can be quickly redirected to an alternate path.

In multi-homing, an AA mode means that all the links or paths between the EVPN sites are active and forwarding traffic simultaneously. This is in contrast to other deployment models, such as Single-Active or Port-Active Load-balancing mode, where only a subset of the links is active at any given time.

Placing the CE device behind the BVI interface has the following advantages:

- It allows for a simplified configuration on the CE side. The CE only needs to be configured with a single default gateway, which is the BVI interface. The CE doesn't have to manage multiple interfaces or deal with complex routing protocols.
- The BVI interface also enables efficient replication and forwarding of multicast traffic to the appropriate multicast distribution trees within the service provider network. This eliminates the need for the CE to handle multicast replication, reducing its processing load and potentially improving overall multicast performance.
- Placing the CE behind the BVI accept interface allows for greater flexibility in multi-homing scenarios. The CE can connect to multiple provider edge (PE) routers through the BVI accept interface, enabling seamless failover and load balancing between the PE routers during link or router failures.

### Prerequisites

The network must support the following topology, protocols, and features to use the EVPN AA multi-homed multicast source feature:

- EVPN Control Plane with BGP
- BVI
- IGMP Snooping and MLD Snooping
- MLDP, MPLS, and OSPF (for L3 multicast receivers at core)
- Native multicast, MVPN GRE, or mVPN Profile 14 (core)

For more information related to EVPN technology and supported protocols, refer *EVPN Features* chapter in *L2VPN and Ethernet Services Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers*.

For more information related to IGMP Snooping and MLD Snooping features, refer *Implementing Layer 2 Multicast* chapter in *Multicast Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers*.

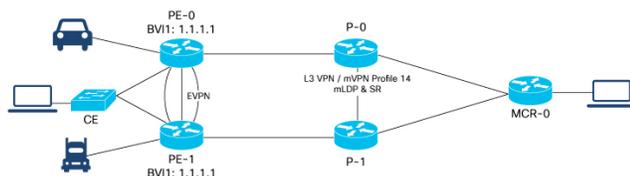
The EVPN AA multi-homed multicast source feature enables multicast data packet support for multi-homed sources in an EVPN AA (All-Active) topology.

In this setup, the multicast traffic is forwarded to the core by EVPN with BVI as the accept interface.

This deployment model combines the benefits of AA forwarding and multi-homing. It's particularly useful in scenarios where high availability, fault tolerance, and optimized bandwidth utilization are essential requirements.

The following illustration shows the multicast data traffic route between a multi-homed source and the multi-homed receivers.

**Figure 1: EVPN All-Active Multi-homed Multicast Source behind a BVI Topology**



In this illustration, the multicast data sources are connected behind a CE, which is multi-homed to PE-0 and PE-1. PE-1 is configured with a BVI that has an anycast IP address. The image displays an example where the BVI has the IP address 1.1.1.1. The receiver that is behind the MCR-0 has a PIM connection toward the multicast data source.

The data packet flow between the multicast data source and receiver occurs in the following manner:

1. The receiver, located behind Multicast Receiver (MCR-0), initiates an Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) join, which triggers a Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM) join towards the source.
2. The PIM join message reaches one of the PE routers (either PE-0 or PE-1) with the incoming or accept interface being the BVI and the outgoing interface leading towards the core network.
3. When the source sends traffic, it reaches one of the PE routers (PE-0 or PE-1). The next path for the traffic depends on the following IGMP snooping configurations:
  - If IGMP snooping is enabled and the multicast source is configured for both IPv4 and IPv6 traffic, the traffic is forwarded to either a route with a BVI interface or the default IGMP snooping route.
  - If IGMP snooping is disabled, the traffic floods the multicast ID (MCID) on the bridge. As part of the flood MCID logic, the packet is recycled for the BVI and flooded to all the ACs, including the EVPN Optimized Local Egress (OLE). The recycled packets for the BVI undergo Layer 3 lookup. If there is a route with the BVI as an accepted interface, the packet is forwarded to the Olist for Layer 3 forwarding.



**Note** The same packet is not sent back to the CE device due to SHL (Split Horizon Label) filtering for EVPN traffic.

### Usage Guidelines and Limitations

The supported scenarios for AA MH multicast are as follows:

- IPv4 SSM with BVI as accept interface is supported.
- IPv4 SM with BVI as accept interface is supported.
- IPv6 SSM with BVI as accept interface is supported.
- IPv4 SSM without BVI (only layer 2 multicast) and multicast source behind L2 is supported.
- IPv4 SM without BVI as accept interface (only layer 2 multicast) is supported.
- IPv6 SSM without BVI as accept interface (only layer 2 multicast) is supported.
- IPv6 SM without BVI as accept interface (only layer 2 multicast) is supported.

This feature has the following limitations:

- IPv6 SM with BVI as accept interface is not supported.
- Dual-homed source and Dual-homed receiver over MLDP profile on the same BD is not supported. It is recommended to disable MVPN peering between the MH nodes to prevent redundant traffic path formation in the core.
- Layer 2 IPv6 traffic is only supported on NCS 5700 fixed port routers and NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Native]).
- In an EVPN dual-home AA scenario:
  - If the multicast source and receiver are in the same BD, the receiver might receive permanent traffic duplication.
  - Transient traffic duplication might occur when the DH node role changes between DF and nDF.
  - In a BD, the following EVPN configuration is not supported:
    - Multicast source—ESI1=BE-X.A
    - Multicast receiver—ESI1=BE-X.B




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**Note** ESI is the Ethernet Segment identifier, whereas X.A and X.B represents two AC ports for the bundle interface BE.

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- In a BD, the following EVPN configuration is not supported:
  - Multicast source—ESI1=BE-X.A (NCS 5700 line cards)
  - Multicast receiver—ESI1=BE-Y.A (NCS 5500 line cards)




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**Note** ESI is the Ethernet Segment identifier, whereas X.A and Y.A represents two AC ports for the bundle interface BE.

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### Configure EVPN All-Active Multi-homed Multicast Source with a BVI Interface

To configure an EVPN All-Active Multi-homed multicast source with a BVI interface, use the following example configuration:

```
Router#configure
Router(config)#l2vpn
Router(config-l2vpn)#bridge group BG1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg)#bridge-domain BD1
Router(config-bg-bd)#multicast-source ipv4-ipv6
Router(config-bg-bd)#mld snooping profile mldsn
Router(config-bg-bd)#igmp snooping profile igmpsn
Router(config-bg-bd)#interface Bundle-Ether1
Router(config-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/23.1
Router(config-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-bg-bd)#routed interface BVI1
```

```
Router(config-bg-bd)#evi 3000
Router(config-bg-bd-bvi)#commit
```

### Running Configuration

This section shows the EVPN All-Active Multi-homed multicast source with BVI as accept interface running configuration.

```
l2vpn
bridge group bgl
bridge-domain bd1
multicast-source ipv4-ipv6
mld snooping profile mldsn
igmp snooping profile igmpsn
interface Bundle-Ether1
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/23.1
!
routed interface BVI1
!
evi 3000
!
!
!
```

### Disable EVPN Core Replications

Default behavior in EVPN involves collapsing core replications into L2 multicast routes (BD, S, G). To modify this behaviour and collapse EVPN Core to Bridge ingress multicast ID (MCID) and Snooping default routes instead of L2 multicast routes, use the following command:

```
Router(config)# hw-module multicast evpn ole-collapse-disable
```

### Sample Configuration

```
Router(config)# hw-module multicast evpn ole-collapse-disable
```

```
Mon Apr 3 20:37:39.218 UTC
```

```
/*To apply the disable or re-enable EVPN OLE collapse settings, you must reload the chassis
and all the installed line cards*/
```

```
Router# commit
```

```
Mon Apr 3 20:37:46.886 UTC
```

```
Router# end
```

```
Router# admin
```

```
Mon Apr 3 20:37:52.234 UTC
```

```
lab connected from 1.1.1.1 using ssh on sysadmin-vm:0_RP0
```

```
Reloading the RP in Order to apply the HW-cli Evpn ole collapse disable command to set
```

```
sysadmin-vm:0_RP0# hw-module location 0/RP0 reload
```

```
Mon Apr 3 20:38:15.290 UTC+00:00
```

```
Reload hardware module ? [no,yes]
```

```
/*Verification After Reload*/
```

```
Router# sh dpa objects global location 0/0/cPU0 | i evpn
```

```
Mon Apr 3 20:48:38.939 UTC
```

```
ofa_bool_t mcast_evpn_ole_collapse_disable => TRUE.
```

```
Router# sh running-config | i hw-
```

```
Mon Apr 3 20:48:43.575 UTC
hw-module multicast evpn ole-collapse-disable
```

### Verification

Verify that you have configured multicast over BVI. The BVI acts as a forwarding interface for the L3 multicast packets.

```
/*PE-0*/
Router# show mrib vrf green ipv4 route 40.0.0.5
Mon May 8 12:15:44.924 UTC
(40.0.0.5,232.0.0.1) RPF nbr: 40.0.0.5 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:04:03
Incoming Interface List
BVI1 Flags: F A LI, Up: 00:04:03
Outgoing Interface List
BVI1 Flags: F A LI, Up: 00:04:03

/*Local L3 multicast join*/
TenGigE0/0/0/0.2 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:04:03

/*PE-1*/
Router# show mrib vrf green ipv4 route 40.0.0.5 detail
Thu May 11 09:19:07.958 UTC
(40.0.0.5,232.0.0.1) Ver: 0x1008 RPF nbr: 40.0.0.5 Flags: RPF EID, FGID: 15481, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 05:29:49
RPF-ID: 0, Encap-ID: 262146
Incoming Interface List
BVI1 Flags: F A LI, Up: 05:29:49
Outgoing Interface List
BVI1 Flags: F A LI, Up: 05:29:49
/*Remote L3 join from multicast receiver learnt on PE-1. Multicast traffic to remote L3
multicast receiver is forwarded from PE-1*/
Lmdtgreen Flags: F LMI TR, Up: 05:27:02, Head LSM-ID: 0x00001

/*Local L3 multicast join*/
TenGigE0/0/0/23.2 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 05:29:48
```

## How to Configure IGMP Snooping

The first two tasks are required to configure basic IGMP snooping configuration.

### Creating an IGMP Snooping Profile

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **igmp snooping profile** *profile-name*
3. Optionally, add commands to override default configuration values.
4. **commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose  |
|---------------|--|--|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>configure</b>   |  |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>igmp snooping profile</b> <i>profile-name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# igmp snooping profile default-bd-profile</pre> | <p>Enters IGMP snooping profile configuration mode and creates a named profile.</p> <p>The default profile enables IGMP snooping. You can commit the new profile without any additional configurations, or you can include additional configuration options to the profile. You can also return to the profile later to add configurations, as described in other tasks in this module.</p>  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | Optionally, add commands to override default configuration values.   | <p>If you are creating a bridge domain profile, consider the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An empty profile is appropriate for attaching to a bridge domain. An empty profile enables IGMP snooping with default configuration values.</li> <li>• You can optionally add more commands to the profile to override default configuration values.</li> <li>• If you include port-specific configurations in a bridge domain profile, the configurations apply to all ports under the bridge, unless another profile is attached to a port.</li> </ul> <p>If you are creating a port-specific profile, consider the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• While an empty profile could be attached to a port, it would have no effect on the port configuration.</li> <li>• When you attach a profile to a port, IGMP snooping reconfigures that port, overriding any inheritance of configuration values from the bridge-domain profile. You must repeat the commands in the port profile if you want to retain those configurations.</li> </ul> <p>You can detach a profile, change it, and reattach it to add commands to a profile at a later time.</p> |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <b>commit</b>  |  |

## Where to Go Next

You must attach a profile to a bridge domain or to a port to have it take effect. See one of the following tasks:

## Attaching a Profile and Activating IGMP Snooping on a Bridge Domain

To activate IGMP snooping on a bridge domain, attach an IGMP snooping profile to the bridge domain, as described in the following steps.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **multicast-source ipv4**
6. **igmp snooping profile** *profile-name*
7. **commit**
8. **show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail**
9. **show l2vpn bridge-domain detail**

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>configure</b>   |   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>l2vpn</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn   | Enters Layer 2 VPN configuration mode.  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group GRP1       | Enters Layer 2 VPN bridge group configuration mode for the named bridge group.                |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain ISP1 | Enters Layer 2 VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode for the named bridge domain. |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <b>multicast-source ipv4</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# multicast-source ipv4                         | Configures Layer 2 multicast routes with IGMP snooping.                                       |

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose  |
|---------------|--|--|
| <b>Step 6</b> | <b>igmp snooping profile</b> <i>profile-name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# igmp snooping profile default-bd-profile</pre> | Attaches the named IGMP snooping profile to the bridge domain, enabling IGMP snooping on the bridge domain.  |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <b>commit</b>  |  |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <b>show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail</pre>                        | (Optional) Verifies that IGMP snooping is enabled on a bridge domain and shows the IGMP snooping profile names attached to bridge domains and ports. |
| <b>Step 9</b> | <b>show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain</pre>   | (Optional) Verifies that IGMP snooping is implemented in the forwarding plane (Layer 2) on a bridge domain.  |

## Detaching a Profile and Deactivating IGMP Snooping on a Bridge Domain

To deactivate IGMP snooping on a bridge domain, remove the profile from the bridge domain using the following steps.



**Note** A bridge domain can have only one profile attached to it at a time.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **no igmp snooping disable**
6. **commit**
7. **show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail**
8. **show l2vpn bridge-domain detail**

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>configure</b>   |   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>l2vpn</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn   | Enters Layer 2 VPN configuration mode.  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group GRP1           | Enters Layer 2 VPN bridge group configuration mode for the named bridge group.  |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain ISP1     | Enters Layer 2 VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode for the named bridge domain.   |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <b>no igmp snooping disable</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# no igmp snooping disable           | Detaches the IGMP snooping profile from the bridge domain, disabling IGMP snooping on that bridge domain.<br><br><b>Note</b><br>Only one profile can be attached to a bridge domain at a time. If a profile is attached, IGMP snooping is enabled. If a profile is not attached, IGMP snooping is disabled. |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <b>commit</b>  |   |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <b>show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail | (Optional) Verifies that IGMP snooping is disabled on a bridge domain.  |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <b>show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain                        | (Optional) Verifies that IGMP snooping is disabled in the forwarding plane (Layer 2) on a bridge domain.  |

# Attaching and Detaching Profiles to Ports Under a Bridge

## Before you begin

IGMP snooping must be enabled on the bridge domain for port-specific profiles to affect IGMP snooping behavior.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **l2vpn**
3. **bridge group** *bridge-group-name*
4. **bridge-domain** *bridge-domain-name*
5. **interface** *interface-type interface-number*
6. **multicast-source ipv4**
7. Do one of the following:
  - **igmp snooping profile** *profile-name*
  - **no igmp snooping**
8. **commit**
9. **show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail**
10. **show l2vpn bridge-domain detail**

## DETAILED STEPS

### Procedure

|        | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|--------|--|---|
| Step 1 | <b>configure</b>   |   |
| Step 2 | <b>l2vpn</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn   | Enters Layer 2 VPN configuration mode.  |
| Step 3 | <b>bridge group</b> <i>bridge-group-name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group GRP1       | Enters Layer 2 VPN bridge group configuration mode for the named bridge group.                |
| Step 4 | <b>bridge-domain</b> <i>bridge-domain-name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain ISP1 | Enters Layer 2 VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode for the named bridge domain. |

|         | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------|--|---|
| Step 5  | <b>interface</b> <i>interface-type interface-number</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# interface gig 1/1/1/1</pre>   | Enters Layer 2 VPN bridge group bridge domain interface configuration mode for the named interface or PW.   |
| Step 6  | <b>multicast-source ipv4</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# multicast-source ipv4</pre>  | Configures L2 multicast routes in L2 multicast with IGMP Snooping.  |
| Step 7  | Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>igmp snooping profile</b> <i>profile-name</i></li> <li>• <b>no igmp snooping</b></li> </ul> <b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-if)# igmp snooping profile mrouter-port-profile</pre> | Attaches the named IGMP snooping profile to the port.<br><b>Note</b><br>A profile on a port has no effect unless there is also a profile attached to the bridge.<br>The <b>no</b> form of the command detaches a profile from the port. Only one profile can be attached to a port. |
| Step 8  | <b>commit</b>  |   |
| Step 9  | <b>show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show igmp snooping bridge-domain detail</pre>  | (Optional) Verifies that IGMP snooping is enabled on a bridge domain and shows the IGMP snooping profile names attached to bridge domains and ports.  |
| Step 10 | <b>show l2vpn bridge-domain detail</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain</pre>   | (Optional) Verifies that IGMP snooping is implemented in the forwarding plane (Layer 2) on a bridge domain.   |

## Verifying Multicast Forwarding

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain** [*bridge-group-name:bridge-domain-name*] **mroute ipv4** [**group** *group\_IPaddress* ] [**hardware** {**ingress** | **egress**}] [**detail**]**location** *node-id*
3. **show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain** [*bridge-group-name:bridge-domain-name*] **mroute ipv4** **summary** **location** *node-id*

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>configure</b>   |   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain</b><br>[ <i>bridge-group-name:bridge-domain-name</i> ] <b>mroute ipv4</b><br>[ <b>group</b> <i>group_IPAddress</i> ] [ <b>hardware</b> { <b>ingress</b>   <b>egress</b> }]<br>[ <b>detail</b> ] <b>location</b> <i>node-id</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain bg1:bd1 mroute ipv4 group 234.192.4.1 hardware ingress detail location 0/1/cPU0</pre> | Displays multicast routes as they are converted into the forwarding plane forwarding tables. Use optional arguments to limit the display to specific bridge groups or bridge domains.<br><br>If these routes are not as expected, check the control plane configuration and correct the corresponding IGMP snooping profiles. |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain</b><br>[ <i>bridge-group-name:bridge-domain-name</i> ] <b>mroute ipv4</b><br><b>summary location</b> <i>node-id</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain bg1:bd1 mroute ipv4 summary location 0/3/CPU0</pre>  | Displays summary-level information about multicast routes as stored in the forwarding plane forwarding tables. Use optional arguments to limit the display to specific bridge domains.  |

## Configuration Examples for IGMP Snooping

The following examples show how to enable IGMP snooping on Layer 2 bridge domains on Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers:

### Configuring IGMP Snooping on Physical Interfaces Under a Bridge: Example

1. Create two profiles.

```
igmp snooping profile bridge_profile
!
igmp snooping profile port_profile
!
```

2. Configure two physical interfaces for L2 transport.

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/38
 negotiation auto
 l2transport
 no shut
!
```

```

!
interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/39
 negotiation auto
 l2transport
 no shut
!
!

```

3. Add interfaces to the bridge domain. Attach `bridge_profile` to the bridge domain and `port_profile` to one of the Ethernet interfaces. The second Ethernet interface inherits IGMP snooping configuration attributes from the bridge domain profile.

```

l2vpn
 bridge group bg1
 bridge-domain bd1
 igmp snooping profile bridge_profile
 interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/38
 igmp snooping profile port_profile
 interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/39
!
!
!

```

4. Verify the configured bridge ports.

```
show igmp snooping port
```

## Configuring IGMP Snooping on VLAN Interfaces Under a Bridge: Example

1. Configure two profiles.

```

multicast-source ipv4
 igmp snooping profile bridge_profile

 igmp snooping profile port_profile
!

```

2. Configure VLAN interfaces for L2 transport.

```

interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/8
 negotiation auto
 no shut
!
!
interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/8.1 l2transport
 encapsulation dot1q 1001
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
!
!
interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/8.2 l2transport
 encapsulation dot1q 1002
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
!
!

```

3. Attach a profile and add interfaces to the bridge domain. Attach a profile to one of the interfaces. The other interface inherits IGMP snooping configuration attributes from the bridge domain profile.

```
l2vpn
  bridge group bg1
    bridge-domain bd1
    multicast-source ipv4
    igmp snooping profile bridge_profile
    interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/8.1
      igmp snooping profile port_profile
    interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/8.2
  !
!
```

4. Verify the configured bridge ports.

```
show igmp snooping port
```

## Configuring IGMP Snooping on Ethernet Bundles Under a Bridge: Example

1. Configure two IGMP snooping profiles.

```
multicast-source ipv4
  igmp snooping profile bridge_profile
  !
multicast-source ipv4
  igmp snooping profile port_profile
  !
```

2. Configure interfaces as bundle member links.

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
  bundle id 1 mode on
  negotiation auto
  !
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/1
  bundle id 1 mode on
  negotiation auto
  !
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
  bundle id 2 mode on
  negotiation auto
  !
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/3
  bundle id 2 mode on
  negotiation auto
  !
```

3. Configure the bundle interfaces for L2 transport.

```

interface Bundle-Ether 1
  l2transport
  !
!
interface Bundle-Ether 2
  l2transport
  !
!

```

4. Add the interfaces to the bridge domain and attach IGMP snooping profiles.

```

l2vpn
  bridge group bg1
  bridge-domain bd1
  multicast-source ipv4
  igmp snooping profile bridge_profile
  interface bundle-Ether 1
    multicast-source ipv4
    igmp snooping profile port_profile
  interface bundle-Ether 2
    !
  !
!

```

5. Verify the configured bridge ports.

```
show igmp snooping port
```

## Configuring Multicast over Integrated Routing Bridging Active/Active Multihome

### Configurations performed on peer 1:

#### 1. Layer 2 Base Configuration

```

hostname peer1
!
interface Bundle-Ether2
!
interface Bundle-Ether2.2 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 2
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/0
  bundle id 2 mode on
  no shut
!

```

#### 2. EVPN Configuration

```

hostname peer1
!
router bgp 100
  bgp router-id 1.1.1.1

```

```

    bgp graceful-restart
    address-family l2vpn evpn
    !
    neighbor 3.3.3.3
      remote-as 100
      update-source Loopback0
      address-family l2vpn evpn
    !
    !
  !
evpn
  evi 2
    advertise-mac
    !
    !
  interface Bundle-Ether2
    ethernet-segment
      identifier type 0 02.02.02.02.02.02.02.02
      bgp route-target 0002.0002.0002
    !
  !
!
!

```

### 3. IGMPv2 Snoop Configurations

```

hostname peer1
!
router igmp

  version 2
  !
  !
l2vpn
  bridge group VLAN2
  bridge-domain VLAN2
  multicast-source ipv4
  igmp snooping profile 1
  interface Bundle-Ether2.2
  !

  evi 2
  !
  !
!
multicast-source ipv4
igmp snooping profile 1
!

```

### Configurations Performed on Peer 2:

#### 1. Layer 2 Base Configuration

```

hostname peer2
!
interface Bundle-Ether2
!
interface Bundle-Ether2.2 l2transport
  encapsulation dot1q 2
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/0
  bundle id 2 mode on
  no shut
!

```

#### 2. EVPN Configuration

```

hostname peer2
!
router bgp 100
  bgp router-id 2.2.2.2
  bgp graceful-restart
  address-family l2vpn evpn
  !
  neighbor 3.3.3.3
    remote-as 100
    update-source Loopback0
    address-family l2vpn evpn
  !
!
!
evpn
  evi 2
    advertise-mac
  !
!
interface Bundle-Ether2
  ethernet-segment
    identifier type 0 02.02.02.02.02.02.02.02
    bgp route-target 0002.0002.0002
  !
!
!

```

### 3. IGMPv2 Snoop Configurations

```

hostname peer2
!
router igmp
  version 2
  !
!
l2vpn
  bridge group VLAN2
  bridge-domain VLAN2
  multicast-source ipv4
  igmp snooping profile 1
  interface Bundle-Ether2.2
  !
  evi 2
  !
!
multicast-source ipv4
igmp snooping profile 1
!

```

## Verifying IGMP Snooping and EVPN Sync

In this example, the receiver sends an IGMPv2 join for the group 239.0.0.2. On Peer2, this group has a D Flag, that means the actual IGMP joined peer2, but not peer1. On Peer1, this group has a B flag, that means this group is learnt from BGP with the EVPN sync feature.

```

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:peer1#show igmp snooping group
Fri Aug 31 22:27:46.363 UTC

```

```

Key: GM=Group Filter Mode, PM=Port Filter Mode

```

Flags Key: S=Static, D=Dynamic, B=BGP Learnt, E=Explicit Tracking, R=Replicated

Bridge Domain VLAN10:VLAN10

| Group     | Ver | GM | Source | PM | Port  | Exp   | Flgs |
|-----------|-----|----|--------|----|-------|-------|------|
| -----     | --- | -- | -----  | -- | ----  | ---   | ---- |
| 239.0.0.2 | V2  | -  | *      | -  | BE2.2 | never | B    |

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:peer2#show igmp snooping group
Fri Aug 31 22:27:49.686 UTC
```

Key: GM=Group Filter Mode, PM=Port Filter Mode

Flags Key: S=Static, D=Dynamic, B=BGP Learnt, E=Explicit Tracking, R=Replicated

Bridge Domain VLAN10:VLAN10

| Group     | Ver | GM | Source | PM | Port  | Exp | Flgs |
|-----------|-----|----|--------|----|-------|-----|------|
| -----     | --- | -- | -----  | -- | ----  | --- | ---- |
| 239.0.0.2 | V2  | -  | *      | -  | BE2.2 | 74  | D    |

## Verifying Dual DR PIM Uplink

In this example, when the source 126.0.0.100 sends traffic to group 239.0.0.2, you see both Peer1 and Peer2 are sending PIM join upstream. The incoming interface for (\*,G) and (S,G) should be the interface toward the RP and source respectively. For both Peer1 and Peer2, the outgoing interface should be the BVI interface facing the receiver.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:peer1#show mrib route
:
:
(*,239.0.0.2) RPF nbr: 30.0.0.4 Flags: C RPF
Up: 00:13:41
Incoming Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/1 Flags: A NS, Up: 00:13:41
Outgoing Interface List
  BVI2 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:13:41

(126.0.0.100,239.0.0.2) RPF nbr: 30.0.0.4 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:03:34
Incoming Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/1 Flags: A, Up: 00:03:34
Outgoing Interface List
  BVI2 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:03:34
:
:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:peer2#show mrib route
:
:
(*,239.0.0.2) RPF nbr: 50.0.0.4 Flags: C RPF
Up: 00:13:33
Incoming Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/2 Flags: A NS, Up: 00:13:33
Outgoing Interface List
  BVI2 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:13:33

(126.0.0.100,239.0.0.2) RPF nbr: 50.0.0.4 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:03:24
```

```

Incoming Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/2 Flags: A, Up: 00:03:24
Outgoing Interface List
  BVI2 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:03:24
:
:

```

## Verifying Designated Forwarder Election

As described in the previous example, both peer1 and peer2 have BVI2 as outgoing interface. However, only one of the peer should forward the traffic. Designated forwarder election elects one of them to do the forwarding. In this example, peer2 is selected as the forwarder. Peer1 has Bundle-Ether2.2 marked as NDF.

```

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:peer1#show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain VLAN2:VLAN2 mroute ipv4 hardware
ingress detail location 0/0/cPU0
Bridge-Domain: VLAN2:VLAN2, ID: 0
:
:

```

```

Bridge-Domain: VLAN2:VLAN2, ID: 0
  Prefix: (0.0.0.0,239.0.0.2/32)
  P2MP enabled: N
  IRB platform data: {0x0, 0x2d, 0x0, 0x0}, len: 32
  Bridge Port:
  EVPN, Xconnect id: 0x80000001 NH:2.2.2.2
  Bundle-Ether2.2, Xconnect id: 0xa0000015 (NDF)

```

```

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:peer2#show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain VLAN2:VLAN2 mroute ipv4 hardware
ingress detail location 0/0/cPU0
:
:

```

```

Bridge-Domain: VLAN2:VLAN2, ID: 0
  Prefix: (0.0.0.0,239.0.0.2/32)
  P2MP enabled: N
  IRB platform data: {0x0, 0x30, 0x0, 0x0}, len: 32
  Bridge Port:
  EVPN, Xconnect id: 0x80000001 NH:1.1.1.1
  Bundle-Ether2.2, Xconnect id: 0xa0000029

```

## Additional References

### Related Documents

| Related Topic                    | Document Title   |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Configuring MPLS VPLS bridges    | Implementing Virtual Private LAN Services on Cisco IOS XR Software module in the <i>MPLS Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers</i> |
| Getting started information      |  |
| Configuring EFPs and EFP bundles | <i>Interface and Hardware Component Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers</i>  |

**Standards**

| Standards <sup>1</sup>  | Title |
|---|-------|
| No new or modified standards are supported by this feature, and support for existing standards has not been modified by this feature. | —     |

<sup>1</sup> Not all supported standards are listed.

**MIBs**

| MIBs                           | MIBs Link  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| No MIBs support IGMP snooping. | To locate and download MIBs using Cisco IOS XR software, use the Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL and choose a platform under the Cisco Access Products menu:<br><a href="http://cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml">http://cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml</a> |

**RFCs**

| RFCs     | Title   |
|----------|---|
| RFC-4541 | Considerations for Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) and Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) Snooping Switches |

**Technical Assistance**

| Description   | Link  |
|---|---|
| The Cisco Technical Support website contains thousands of pages of searchable technical content, including links to products, technologies, solutions, technical tips, and tools. Registered Cisco.com users can log in from this page to access even more content. | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/techsupport">http://www.cisco.com/techsupport</a> |

## MLD Snooping

Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) snooping provides a way to constrain multicast traffic at Layer 2. By snooping the MLD membership reports sent by hosts in the bridge domain, the MLD snooping application can set up Layer 2 multicast forwarding tables to deliver traffic only to ports with at least one interested member, significantly reducing the volume of multicast traffic.

MLD snooping uses the information in MLD membership report messages to build corresponding information in the forwarding tables to restrict IPv6 multicast traffic at Layer 2. The forwarding table entries are in the form <Route, OIF List>, where:

- Route is a <\*, G> route or <S, G> route.
- OIF List comprises all bridge ports that have sent MLD membership reports for the specified route plus all multicast router (mrouter) ports in the bridge domain.

For more information regarding MLD snooping, refer the *Multicast Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers*.

## Prerequisites for MLD Snooping

- The network must be configured with a layer2 VPN.
- You must be in a user group associated with a task group that includes the proper task IDs. The command reference guides include the task IDs required for each command. If you suspect user group assignment is preventing you from using a command, contact your AAA administrator for assistance.

## Supported Features and Restrictions for MLD Snooping

- BVI under bridge domain is supported.
- Receiver behind L2 ACs in the same L2 bridge domain is supported.
- Source behind L2 ACs in the same L2 bridge domain is only supported on NCS 5700 fixed port routers and NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native].
- MLDv1 not supported over BVI.
- EVPN MLD sync is not supported.
- VPLS is not supported.
- On the NCS 5700 line cards, MLD snooping can be enabled alongside IGMP snooping only.
- The **router-alert-check disable** configuration command is not supported.
- EVPN dual-home source AA is not supported on the NCS 5500 line cards line cards.
- Both IGMP and MLD snooping configurations are necessary to enable MLD snooping on the NCS 5700 line cards.
- PIM control packets (join and hello) processing is not supported when snooping is enabled, so a multicast router selection based on PIM packets won't occur.
- Explicit host tracking.
- Multicast Admission Control.
- Security filtering.
- Report rate limiting.
- Multicast router discovery.
- In an EVPN dual-home AA scenario:
  - If the multicast source and receiver are in the same bridge domain (BD), the receiver might receive permanent traffic duplication.
  - In an EVPN dual-home receiver AA scenario, transient traffic duplication is expected when the DH node role changes from DF to nDF and vice versa.

- Source=ESI1=BE-X.A, Receiver=ESI1=BE-X.B under the same BD is not supported (where X.A and X.B represent two AC ports for the bundle interface BE).
- Source=ESI1=BE-X.A (for NCS 5700 line cards), Receiver=ESI2=BE-Y.A (for NCS 5500 line cards) under the same BD is not supported (where X.A and Y.A represent two AC ports for the bundle interface BE).




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**Note** MLD Snooping is not supported until Cisco IOS XR Release 6.5.3.

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## Advantages of MLD Snooping

- In its basic form, it reduces bandwidth consumption by reducing multicast traffic that would otherwise flood an entire VPLS bridge domain.
- With the use of some optional configurations, it provides security between bridge domains by filtering the MLD reports received from hosts on one bridge port and preventing leakage towards the hosts on other bridge ports.

## High Availability (HA) features for MLD

MLD supports the following HA features:

- Process restarts
- RP Failover
- Stateful Switch-Over (SSO)
- Non-Stop Forwarding (NSF)—Forwarding continues unaffected while the control plane is restored following a process restart or route processor (RP) failover.
- Line card online insertion and removal (OIR)

## Bridge Domain Support for MLD

MLD snooping operates at the bridge domain level. When MLD snooping is enabled on a bridge domain, the snooping functionality applies to all ports under the bridge domain, including:

- Physical ports under the bridge domain.
- Ethernet flow points (EFPs)—An EFP can be a VLAN, VLAN range, list of VLANs, or an entire interface port.
- Ethernet bundles—Ethernet bundles include IEEE 802.3ad link bundles and Cisco EtherChannel bundles. From the perspective of the MLD snooping application, an Ethernet bundle is just another EFP. The forwarding application in the Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers randomly nominates a single port from the bundle to carry the multicast traffic.



**Note** The **efp-visibility** configuration is required when a bridge has attachment circuits as VLAN sub-interfaces from the same bundle-ether or physical interface.

## Multicast Router and Host Ports

MLD snooping classifies each port as one of the following:

- Multicast router ports (mrouter ports)—These are ports to which a multicast-enabled router is connected. Mrouter ports are usually dynamically discovered, but may also be statically configured. Multicast traffic is always forwarded to all mrouter ports, except when an mrouter port is the ingress port.
- Host ports—Any port that is not an mrouter port is a host port.

## Multicast Router Discovery for MLD

MLD snooping discovers mrouter ports dynamically. You can also explicitly configure a port as an emrouter port.

- Discovery- MLD snooping identifies upstream mrouter ports in the bridge domain by snooping mld query messages and Protocol Independent Multicast Version 2 (PIMv2) hello messages. Snooping PIMv2 hello messages identifies mld nonqueriers in the bridge domain.
- Static configuration—You can statically configure a port as an mrouter port with the **mrouter** command in a profile attached to the port. Static configuration can help in situations when incompatibilities with non-Cisco equipment prevent dynamic discovery.

## Multicast Traffic Handling for MLD

The following tables describe the traffic handling behavior by MLD mrouter ports and host ports.

**Table 8: Multicast Traffic Handling for a MLDv1 Querier**

| Traffic Type                | Received on MRouter Ports   | Received on Host Ports  |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| IP multicast source traffic | Forwards to all mrouter ports and to host ports that indicate interest. | Forwards to all mrouter ports and to host ports that indicate interest. |
| MLD general queries         | Forwards to all ports.  | —   |
| MLD group-specific queries  | Forwards to all other mrouter ports.                                    | Dropped   |

| Traffic Type  | Received on MRouter Ports  | Received on Host Ports   |
|---------------|--|--|
| MLDv1 joins   | Examines (snoops) the reports. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If report suppression is enabled, forwards first join for a new group or first join following a general query for an existing group.</li> <li>If report suppression is disabled, forwards on all mrouter ports.</li> </ul> | Examines (snoops) the reports. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If report suppression is enabled, forwards first join for a new group or first join following a general query for an existing group.</li> <li>If report suppression is disabled, forwards on all mrouter ports.</li> </ul> |
| MLDv2 reports | Ignores  | Ignores  |
| MLDv1 leaves  | Invokes last member query processing.  | Invokes last member query processing.  |

Table 9: Multicast Traffic Handling for a MLDv2 Querier

| Traffic Type                | Received on MRouter Ports  | Received on Host Ports   |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| IP multicast source traffic | Forwards to all mrouter ports and to host ports that indicate interest.  | Forwards to all mrouter ports and to host ports that indicate interest.  |
| MLD general queries         | Forwards to all ports.   | —  |
| MLD group-specific queries  | If received on the querier port floods on all ports.   | —  |
| MLDv1 joins                 | Handles as MLDv2 IS_EX{} reports.  | Handles as MLDv2 IS_EX{} reports.  |
| MLDv2 reports               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If proxy reporting is enabled—For state changes or source-list changes, generates a state change report on all mrouter ports.</li> <li>If proxy reporting is disabled—Forwards on all mrouter ports.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If proxy reporting is enabled—For state changes or source-list changes, generates a state change report on all mrouter ports.</li> <li>If proxy reporting is disabled—Forwards on all mrouter ports.</li> </ul> |
| MLDv1 leaves                | Handles as MLDv2 IS_IN{} reports.  | Handles as MLDv2 IS_IN{} reports.  |

## Multicast Listener Discovery over BVI

Multicast IPv6 packets received from core, which has BVI as forwarding interface, is forwarded to access over snooped L2 AC or interface.



### Note

- As per MLDv2 RFC recommendation the MLDv2 reports should carry the Hop-by-Hop options header for the reports to get punted up.
- MLDv2 is supported over BVI only when BVI is configured as a forwarding interface.

## MLD and BVI Overview

Routers use the Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) (IPv4) and Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) (IPv6) to learn whether members of a group are present on their directly attached subnets. Hosts join multicast groups by sending IGMP or MLD report messages.

MLDv1 and MLDv2 are supported on NCS 5500. However, MLDv2 is enabled when you configure MLD by default.

MLDv2 shares feature parity with IGMPv3 with respect to all supported interface types with the exception of PPOE and subinterfaces. MLDv2 enables a node to report interest in listening to packets only from specific multicast source addresses.

A BVI interface is a routed interface representing a set of interfaces (bridged) in the same L2 broadcast domain. MLD join messages coming in or out of this broadcast domain passes through the BVI interface.

## Configuration for Routers with Cisco NC57 Line Cards

*Table 10: Feature History Table*

| Feature Name                          | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Multicast Listener Discovery over BVI | Release 7.5.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in native and compatible modes.<br><br>Routers use MLD to learn whether members of a group are present on their directly attached subnets over BVI interface. |

For routers with Cisco NC57 line cards, before configuring MLD over BVI, enable IGMP profile under bridge domain similar to MLD profile configuration.

```
router# configure
router(config)# interface BVI100
router(config-bvi)# igmp snooping profile profile-name
```

## Multicast Traffic Over Layer 2 IPv6 Network

Table 11: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                                | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---|---------------------|---|
| Multicast Traffic Over Layer 2 IPv6 Network | Release 7.9.1       | <p>This feature is supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in native and compatible modes.</p> <p>Routers use Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) protocol to discover the devices in a network and create route entries or update the route status in an IPv6 multicast network.</p> <p>This feature allows you to forward the multicast IPv6 packets on layer 2 bridge domain interfaces to the interested MLD snooped Access Controllers (AC).</p> <p>Use the <b>multicast-source ipv6</b> command to configure the bridge to enable this feature.</p> |

On routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and which operate in native and compatible modes, Layer 2 IPv6 multicast traffic is supported. The MLD control packets received over Layer 2 (L2) Access Controllers (AC) are snooped and punted to create and update the route entries and statuses of the routes. These route entries and statuses of routes is required to avail the following support:

- When BVI is the forwarding interface, the snooped ACs become part of the outgoing interface list (Olist) and packets are forwarded toward access.
- Layer 2 multicast (L2 MC) support: When IPv6 packets are received over Layer 2 ACs and interfaces, the lookup is done for Virtual Switch Interfaces (VSI), Groups (G), and Services (S) or for VSI and G. The VSI details show the VLAN or VXLAN segment to which the packet belongs, while the G and S identifies the multicast groups and services to which the packet should be forwarded. Based on this lookup, the traffic is forwarded to the interested receivers connected to the L2 ACs.
- EVPN sync: Supported only for IPv4 routes. It is not supported on IPv6 routes.

When IPv6 multicast packets are received over L2 interfaces which are part of a bridge domain, the packets are forwarded to the interested receivers (MLD snooped ACs).

### Limitations and Restrictions

- This feature is not supported for MLD sync.
- With L2MC IPv6 support, the existing L2MC IPv4 scale is reduced proportionally.

## Configuration

You can configure the bridge to enable the L2 MC IPv6 support as it's not enabled by default. The following example shows how to configure the bridge:

```
router(config)# l2vpn
router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group 1
router(config-l2vpn-bg)#bridge-domain 1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#multicast-source ipv6 □=====
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#efp-visibility
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#mld snooping profile prof1 □=====
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#igmp snooping profile prof1 □=====
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/0
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/4.1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/4.2
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#routed interface BVI1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-bvi)#exit
!
!

router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#mld snooping profile prof1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#internal-querier
!
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#igmp snooping profile prof1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#system-ip-address 1.2.3.4
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#internal-querier
```

With BVI configurations, MLD snoop profiles with internal queries address configured is not required. Hence, in BVI configurations, BVI can be the `internal-querier`.

## Verifying

The following command shows the information about group membership in the Layer 2 Forwarding tables.

```
router# show mld snooping group

Flags Key: S=Static, D=Dynamic, E=Explicit Tracking

          Bridge Domain bg1:bd1

Group          Ver GM Source          PM Port          Exp Flg
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc -          - GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 122 DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::1    Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 5 DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::1    Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/2 never S
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::1    Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/3 - DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::2    Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 202 DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::2    Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 - DE
Ff12:1:1::2    V2 Exc 2002:1::1    Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 145 DE
Ff12:1:1::2    V2 Exc 2002:1::1    Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 0 DE
Ff12:1:1::2    V2 Exc 2002:1::1    Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/2 11 DE

          Bridge Domain bg1:bd4

Group          Ver GM Source          PM Port          Exp Flg
Ff24:1:1::2    V1 Exc -          - GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 122 DE
Ff28:1:1::1    V1 - -          - GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 33 DE
```

```
Ff29:1:2::3    V1  Exc  -           -   GigabitEthernet0/1/2/0    122  DE
Ff22:1:2::3    V2  Exc  2000:1:1::2     Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/2/1    5    DE
```

The following command summarizes the number of bridge domains, mrouter ports, host ports, groups, and sources configured on the router.

```
router#show mld snooping summary
Bridge Domains:                1
MLD Snooping Bridge Domains:  1
Ports:                          3
MLD Snooping Ports:           3
M routers:                      0
STP Forwarding Ports:         0
ICCP Group Ports:             0
MLD Groups:                    0
  Member Ports:                0
MLD Source Groups:            0
  Static/Include/Exclude:      0/0/0
  Member Ports (Include/Exclude): 0/0
```

## Multicast Traffic Over Layer 2 IPv6 Network

Table 12: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                                | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---|---------------------|---|
| Multicast Traffic over Layer 2 IPv6 Network | Release 7.9.1       | <p>This feature allows you to forward the IPv6 multicast packets only to the interested MLD-snooped Access Controllers (AC), whereas in the default case, the bridge floods the IPv6 multicast packets to all AC.</p> <p>Routers use Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) protocol to discover the devices in a network and create route entries in an IPv6 multicast network.</p> <p>This feature introduces following CLI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>multicast-source ipv6</b></li> </ul> |

The Multicast Traffic over Layer 2 IPv6 Network (L2MC IPv6) is an optimized forwarding technique, and it helps in saving the bandwidth. By default, the bridge floods IPv6 multicast packets to all AC, whereas the L2MC IPv6 feature allows you to forward the IPv6 multicast packets only to the interested MLD-snooped AC.

When IPv6 multicast packets are received over Layer 2 AC and interfaces, the lookup gets done for Virtual Switch Interfaces (VSI), Groups (G), and Services (S) or for VSI and G. The VSI details show the VLAN or VXLAN segment to which the packet belongs, while the G and S identify the multicast groups and services to which the packet should be forwarded. Based on this lookup, the traffic is forwarded to the interested receivers connected to the Layer 2 AC.

The MLD control packets received over Layer 2 AC are snooped and punted to create the route entries. This route entries are needed to avail the following supports:

- Layer 2 Multicast IPv6 support.
- EVPN sync support for IPv4 routes.

### Hardware Supported

This feature is supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in native and compatible modes.

### Limitations and Restrictions

- This feature doesn't support MLD sync.
- With L2MC IPv6 support, the existing L2MC IPv4 scale reduces proportionally.

### Configuration Example

The L2MC IPv6 feature is not enabled by default. Following is a configuration example that shows how to enable the feature.

```
router(config)# l2vpn
router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group 1
router(config-l2vpn-bg)#bridge-domain 1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#multicast-source ipv6
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#efp-visibility
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#mld snooping profile prof1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#igmp snooping profile prof1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/0
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/4.1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/4.2
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#routed interface BVI1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-bvi)#exit
!
!

router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#mld snooping profile prof1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#internal-querier
!
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#igmp snooping profile prof1
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#system-ip-address 1.2.3.4
router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#internal-querier
```




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**Note** With BVI configurations, there is no need to have internal queries address configured MLD snooping profile. It implies that you can make BVI as querier under BVI configuration.

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### Verification

The following command shows the information about group membership in the Layer 2 Forwarding tables.

```

router# show mld snooping group

Flags Key: S=Static, D=Dynamic, E=Explicit Tracking

          Bridge Domain bg1:bd1

Group          Ver GM Source          PM Port          Exp Flg
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc -          - GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 122 DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::1  Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 5 DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::1  Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/2 never S
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::1  Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/3 - DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::2  Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 202 DE
Ff12:1:1::1    V2 Exc 2002:1::2  Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 - DE
Ff12:1:1::2    V2 Exc 2002:1::1  Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 145 DE
Ff12:1:1::2    V2 Exc 2002:1::1  Inc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 0 DE
Ff12:1:1::2    V2 Exc 2002:1::1  Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/1/2 11 DE

          Bridge Domain bg1:bd4

Group          Ver GM Source          PM Port          Exp Flg
Ff24:1:1::2    V1 Exc -          - GigabitEthernet0/1/1/0 122 DE
Ff28:1:1::1    V1 - -          - GigabitEthernet0/1/1/1 33 DE
Ff29:1:2::3    V1 Exc -          - GigabitEthernet0/1/2/0 122 DE
Ff22:1:2::3    V2 Exc 2000:1:1::2  Exc GigabitEthernet0/1/2/1 5 DE

```

The following command summarizes the number of bridge domains, mrouter ports, host ports, groups, and sources configured on the router.

```

router#show mld snooping summary
Bridge Domains:                1
MLD Snooping Bridge Domains:  1
Ports:                          3
MLD Snooping Ports:           3
Mroouters:                      0
STP Forwarding Ports:         0
ICCP Group Ports:              0
MLD Groups:                    0
  Member Ports:                0
MLD Source Groups:             0
  Static/Include/Exclude:      0/0/0
  Member Ports (Include/Exclude): 0/0

```

## IPv6 Multicast Listener Discovery Snooping over BVI

Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) snooping provides a way to constrain multicast traffic at L2. By snooping the MLD membership reports sent by hosts in the bridge domain, the MLD snooping application can set up L2 multicast forwarding tables. This table is later used to deliver traffic only to ports with at least one interested member, significantly reducing the volume of multicast traffic.

MLDv2 support over BVI enables implementing IPv6 multicast routing over a L2 segment of the network that is using an IPv6 VLAN. The multicast routes are bridged via BVI interface from L3 segment to L2 segment of the network.

MLDv2 snooping over BVI enables forwarding MLDv2 membership reports received over the L2 domain to MLD snooping instead of MLD.

### Restrictions

- You cannot configure `tll-check` and disable `router-alert-check` on the router for mld messages.
- Static mrouter are not supported for MLD snooping.
- Querier is supported for MLDV2, but it is not supported on MLDV1.

## Configuring Internal Querier for MLD Snooping

This configuration enables a multicast router acting as a MLD querier to send out group-and-source-specific query:

```
router# config
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile grp1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# system-ip-address fe80::1 link-local
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# internal-querier
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# commit
```

### Verification

Use the `show mld snooping profile detail` command to verify the MLD snooping configuration:

```
router# show mld snooping profile detail
Thu Nov 22 13:58:18.844 UTC
MLD Snoop Profile grp1:
  System IP Address:          fe80::1
  Bridge Domain References:   2
  Port References:           12

MLD Snoop Profile grp10:
  System IP Address:          fe80::5610
  Bridge Domain References:   0
  Port References:           0
```

## Creating a MLD Snooping Profile

### Configuration

```
/* Enter the global configuration mode */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router # configure
/* Enters MLD snooping profile configuration mode and creates a named profile. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile default-bd-profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router # commit
```

The default profile enables MLD snooping. You can commit the new profile without any additional configurations, or you can include additional configuration options to the profile. You can also return to the profile later to add configurations, as described in other tasks in this module.

If you are creating a bridge domain profile, consider the following:

- An empty profile is appropriate for attaching to a bridge domain. An empty profile enables MLD snooping with default configuration values.
- You can optionally add more commands to the profile to override default configuration values.

- If you include port-specific configurations in a bridge domain profile, the configurations apply to all ports under the bridge, unless another profile is attached to a port.

If you are creating a port-specific profile, consider the following:

- While an empty profile could be attached to a port, it would have no effect on the port configuration.
- When you attach a profile to a port, MLD snooping reconfigures that port, overriding any inheritance of configuration values from the bridge-domain profile. You must repeat the commands in the port profile if you want to retain those configurations.

You can detach a profile, change it, and reattach it to add commands to a profile at a later time.

### Running Configuration

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# show running-config
configure
  mld snooping profile default-bd-profile
!
```

### Verification

Verify that the MLD snooping profile is created:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router#show mld snooping profile
```

| Profile                   | Bridge Domain | Port |
|---------------------------|---------------|------|
| -----                     | -----         | ---- |
| <b>default-bd-profile</b> | 0             | 0    |
| grp1                      | 1             | 2    |
| grp10                     | 1             | 2    |

## Deactivating MLD Snooping on a Bridge Domain

To deactivate MLD snooping from a bridge domain, remove the profile from the bridge domain:




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**Note** A bridge domain can have only one profile attached to it at a time.

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### Configuration

```
/* Enter the global configuration mode followed by the bridge group and the bridge domain
mode */
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configuration
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group GRP1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge domain ISP1

/* Detach the MLD snooping profile from the bridge domain. This disables MLD snooping on
that bridge domain */
/* Note: Only one profile can be attached to a bridge domain at a time. If a profile is
attached, MLD snooping is enabled.
If a profile is not attached, MLD snooping is disabled. */
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# no mld snooping profile
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit
```

**Running Configuration**

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
l2vpn
  bridge-group GRP1
  bridge-domain ISP1
  no mld snooping profile
!
```

# Configuring Static Mrouter Ports (MLD)

**Prerequisite**

MLD snooping must be enabled on the bridge domain for port-specific profiles to affect MLD snooping behavior.




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**Note** Static mrouter port configuration is a port-level option and should be added to profiles intended for ports. It is not recommended to add mrouter port configuration to a profile intended for bridge domains.

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**Configuration**

```
/* Enter the global configuration mode */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configuration

/* Enter the MLD snooping profile configuration mode and create a new profile or accesses
an existing profile.*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile mrouter-port-profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# mrouter
/* Configures a static mrouter on a port. */

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# commit
```

**Running Configuration**

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
  mld snooping profile mrouter-port-profile
  mrouter
!
```

**Verification**

The below show command output confirms that the mrouter configuration is enabled:

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mld snooping profile mrouter-port-profile

MLD Snoop Profile mrouter-port-profile:

  Static Mrouter:                Enabled
  Bridge Domain References:      0
  Port References:               0
```

# Configuring Router Guard (MLD)

To prevent multicast routing protocol messages from being received on a port and, therefore, prevent a port from being a dynamic mrouter port, follow these steps. Note that both router guard and static mrouter commands may be configured on the same port.

## Prerequisite

MLD snooping must be enabled on the bridge domain for port-specific profiles to affect MLD snooping behavior.




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**Note** Router guard configuration is a port-level option and should be added to profiles intended for ports. It is not recommended to add router guard configuration to a profile intended for bridge domains. To do so would prevent all mrouter, including MLD queriers, from being discovered in the bridge domain.

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## Configuration

```

/* Enter the global configuration mode and create the Bridge Group GRP1 and the Bridge
Domain ISP1*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configuration

/* Enter the MLD snooping profile configuration mode and create a new profile or accesses
an existing profile. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile host-port-profile

/* Configure router guard. This protects the port from dynamic discovery.*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ml-d-snooping-profile)# router-guard
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit

```

## Running Configuration

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
  mld snooping profile host-port-profile
  router-guard
  !

```

## Verification

Verify that the router guard config in the named profile is enabled:

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mld snooping profile host-port-profile detail
MLD Snoop Profile host-port-profile:

  Router Guard:                Enabled

  Bridge Domain References:    0
  Port References:             0

```

# Configuring Immediate-leave for MLD

To add the MLD snooping immediate-leave option to an MLD snooping profile:

## Configuration

```
/* Enter the global configuration mode. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configuration

/* Enter MLD snooping profile configuration mode and create a new profile or accesses an
existing profile. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile host-port-profile
/* Enable the immediate-leave option */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# immediate-leave
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit
```

If you add the **immediate-leave** option:

- to a profile attached to a bridge domain, it applies to all ports under the bridge.
- to a profile attached to a port, it applies to the port.

## Running Configuration

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
  mld snooping profile host-port-profile
  immediate-leave
!
```

## Verification

Verify that the immediate leave config in the named profile is enabled:

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mld snooping profile host-port-profile detail

MLD Snoop Profile host-port-profile:

  Immediate Leave:           Enabled
  Router Guard:              Enabled

  Bridge Domain References:  0
  Port References:           0
```

# Configuring Internal Querier for MLD

## Prerequisite

MLD snooping must be enabled on the bridge domain for this procedure to take effect.

## Configuration

```
/* Enter the global configuration mode. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configuration
```

```

/* Enter MLD snooping profile configuration mode and create a new profile or accesses an
existing profile. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile internal-querier-profile

/* Configure an IP address for internal querier use. The default system-ip-address value
(0.0.0.0) is not valid for the internal querier.
You must explicitly configure an IP address. Enter a valid link-local IPv6 address. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# system-ip-address fe80::98 link-local

/* Enable an internal querier with default values for all options.*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# internal-querier
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# commit

```

### Running Configuration

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
  mld snooping profile internal-querier-profile
  system-ip-address fe80::98 link-local
  internal-querier
!
```



**Note** Internal Querier is not recommended, when BVI and MLD snooping is configured under a bridge.

### Verification

Verify that the internal querier config is enabled:

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mld snooping profile internal-querier-profile detail

MLD Snoop Profile internal-querier-profile:

  System IP Address:                fe80::98

  Internal Querier Support:         Enabled

  Bridge Domain References:         0
  Port References:                  0

```

## Configuring Static Groups for MLD

To add one or more static groups or MLDv2 source groups to an MLD snooping profile, follow these steps:

### Prerequisite

MLD snooping must be enabled on the bridge domain for port-specific profiles to affect MLD snooping behavior.

### Configuration

```

/* Enter the global configuration mode. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configuration

/* Enter MLD snooping profile configuration mode and create a new profile or accesses an
existing profile. */

```

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile host-port-profile

/* Configure a static group. */
/* Note: Repeat this step to add additional static groups. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ml-d-snooping-profile)# static group 239.1.1.1 source 198.168.1.1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ml-d-snooping-profile)# commit
```

If you add the **static group** option:

- to a profile attached to a bridge domain, it applies to all ports under the bridge.
- to a profile attached to a port, it applies to the port.

### Running Configuration

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
 mld snooping profile host-port-profile
 static group 239.1.1.1 source 198.168.1.1
!
```

### Verification

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mld snooping bridge-domain f1:100 detail
```

| Bridge Domain | Profile | Act | Ver | #Ports | #Mrtrs | #Grps     |
|---------------|---------|-----|-----|--------|--------|-----------|
| #SGs          |         |     |     |        |        |           |
| -----         | -----   | --- | --- | -----  | -----  | -----     |
| ----          |         |     |     |        |        |           |
| f1:100        | grp1    | Y   | v2  | 3      | 1      | 1000 1002 |

#### Profile Configured Attributes:

```
System IP Address:          fe80::99
Minimum Version:            1
Report Suppression:         Enabled
Unsolicited Report Interval: 1000 (milliseconds)
TCN Query Solicit:          Disabled
TCN Membership Sync:        Disabled
TCN Flood:                  Enabled
TCN Flood Query Count:      2
Router Alert Check:         Disabled
TTL Check:                  Enabled
nV Mcast Offload:           Disabled
Internal Querier Support:   Disabled
Querier Query Interval:     125 (seconds)
Querier LMQ Interval:       1000 (milliseconds)
Querier LMQ Count:          2
Querier Robustness:         2
Startup Query Interval:     31 seconds
Startup Query Count:        2
Startup Query Max Response Time: 10.0 seconds
Mrouter Forwarding:         Enabled
P2MP Capability:            Disabled
Default IGMP Snooping profile: Disabled
IP Address:                  fe80::f278:16ff:fe63:4d81
Port:                        BVI1000
Version:                     v2
Query Interval:              125 seconds
Robustness:                  2
Max Resp Time:               10.0 seconds
Time since last G-Query:    97 seconds
```

```

Mrouter Ports:                1
  Dynamic:                    BVI1000
STP Forwarding Ports:        0
ICCP Group Ports:            0
Groups:                       1000
  Member Ports:              0
V2 Source Groups:            1002
  Static/Include/Exclude:    0/1002/0
  Member Ports (Include/Exclude): 1002/0

```

## Configuring MLD Snooping

### Configure

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
/* Create two profiles. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile bridge_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# mld snooping profile port_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# mrouter
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#

/* Configure two physical interfaces for L2 support.*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/38
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# negotiation auto
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transport
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# no shut
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/39
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# negotiation auto
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transport
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# no shut
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit

/* Add interfaces to the bridge domain. Attach bridge_profile to the bridge domain and
port_profile to one of the Ethernet interfaces.
The second Ethernet interface inherits MLD snooping configuration attributes from the bridge
domain profile.*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group bg1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bdl
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mld snooping profile bridge_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mld-snooping)# interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/38
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mld-snooping-if)# mld snooping profile port_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mld-snooping-if)# interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/39
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mld-snooping-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mld-snooping)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# commit

```

### Running Configuration

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
  mld snooping profile bridge_profile
  !
  mld snooping profile port_profile
  mrouter
  !

```

```

interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/38
  negotiation auto
  l2transport
  no shut
  !
!
interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/39
  negotiation auto
  l2transport
  no shut
  !
!
l2vpn
  bridge group bgl
  bridge-domain bd1
  mld snooping profile bridge_profile
  interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/38
    mld snooping profile port_profile
  interface GigabitEthernet0/8/0/39
    !
  !
!
!

```

### Verification

Verify the configured bridge ports.

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mld snooping port
```

```

                                Bridge Domain f10:109

```

| Port                    | State |     |     | #Grps | #SGs  |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
|                         | Oper  | STP | Red |       |       |
| ----                    | ----  | --- | --- | ----- | ----- |
| BVI1009                 | Up    | -   | -   | 0     | 0     |
| GigabitEthernet0/8/0/38 | Up    | -   | -   | 1000  | 1000  |
| GigabitEthernet0/8/0/39 | Up    | -   | -   | 1000  | 1000  |

## Configuring MLD Snooping on Ethernet Bundles

This example assumes that the front-ends of the bundles are preconfigured. For example, a bundle configuration might consist of three switch interfaces, as follows:

### Configure

```

/* Configure the front-ends of the bundles consisting of three switch interfaces.*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface bundle-ether 1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# channel-group 1 mode on
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit

```

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/3
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# channel-group 1 mode on
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit

/* Configure two MLD snooping profiles. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile bridge_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# exit !
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# mld snooping profile port_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# mrouter
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# exit

/* Configure interfaces as bundle member links. */

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# bundle id 1 mode on
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# negotiation auto
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# bundle id 1 mode on
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# negotiation auto
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# bundle id 2 mode on
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# negotiation auto
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/3
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# bundle id 2 mode on
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# negotiation auto
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit

/* Configure the bundle interfaces for L2 transport. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface Bundle-Ether 1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transpor
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface Bundle-Ether 2
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transpor
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit

/* Add the interfaces to the bridge domain and attach MLD snooping profiles. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group bg1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# mld snooping profile bridge_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-mld-snooping-profile)# interface bundle-Ether 1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-mld-snooping-profile-if)# mld snooping profile
port_profile
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-mld-snooping-profile-if)# interface bundle-Ether 2
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-mld-snooping-profile-if)# commit

```

### Running Configuration

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show running-config
configuration
  interface Port-channel1
  !
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
  !
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/1
  !
    interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
      channel-group 1 mode on
    !
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/3

```

```

        channel-group 1 mode on
    !
mld snooping profile bridge_profile
    !
        mld snooping profile port_profile
            mrouter
    !
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
    bundle id 1 mode on
    negotiation auto
    !
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/1
    bundle id 1 mode on
    negotiation auto
    !
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
    bundle id 2 mode on
    negotiation auto
    !
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/3
    bundle id 2 mode on
    negotiation auto
    !
interface Bundle-Ether 1
    l2transport
    !
    !
interface Bundle-Ether 2
    l2transport
    !
    !
!

l2vpn
    bridge group bg1
        bridge-domain bd1
        mld snooping profile bridge_profile
        interface bundle-Ether 1
            mld snooping profile port_profile
        interface bundle-Ether 2
    !
    !
!

```

## Verification

```

RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mld snooping port
Bridge Domain BG1:BD1
State
Port Oper STP Red #Grps #SGs
---- ----
HundredGigE0/0/0/3 Up - - 1 1
HundredGigE0/0/0/7 Up - - 1 1
HundredGigE0/19/0/11 Up - - 1 1
HundredGigE0/19/0/5 Up - - 1 1
RP0/0/RP1/CPU0:Router#

```

## MLD Snooping Synchronization for EVPN Multi-Homing

Table 13: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                                       | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|--|---------------------|---|
| MLD Snooping Synchronization for EVPN Multi-Homing | Release 7.11.1      | <p>Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 fixed port routers; NCS 5700 fixed port routers; NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5500 line cards; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native])</p> <p>The Designated Forwarder (DF) PE router in an EVPN multi-homed network can now efficiently forward multicast traffic from the source to the interested receivers, avoiding unnecessary replication and reducing network bandwidth consumption.</p> <p>This is made possible by introducing support for Multicast Listener Discovery, MLDv1, and MLDv2 (IPv6) snooping state synchronization for EVPN multi-homing peers or provider edge (PE) devices, expanding the scope of the previous support for IGMP (IPv4) snooping state synchronization.</p> |

In an EVPN multi-homing network, where customer edge devices (CEs) are multi-homed to more than one PE device, the MLD snooping synchronization feature enables routers to accurately track multicast group membership information and forward multicast traffic only to the interested receivers.

In an All-Active redundancy mode, the CEs can send an MLD message to any one of the multi-homed PEs, either DF or non-DF. Only the EVPN DF forwards traffic for the bridge domain (BD) for any group. Therefore, all PEs attached to a given EVPN Segment (ES) must coordinate MLD Join and Leave Group (x, G) state, where x may be either '\*' (unspecified multicast source address) or a particular source address 'S', and G represents the multicast group address, for each [EVI, broadcast domain (BD)] on that ES. This allows the DF for that ES, EVI, or BD to correctly advertise or withdraw a Selective Multicast Ethernet Tag route for that (x, G) group in that EVI or BD when needed.

In Single-Active redundancy mode, the PEs attached to a multi-homed ES coordinate the MLD Join (x, G) state. MLD join messages (MLD host membership reports) are received by the DF PE and distributed to the non-DF PEs for faster convergence. The non-DF PE also receives traffic by building the distribution tree toward the Rendezvous Point (RP) or multicast source, but doesn't forward it to the receivers in a multicast group. When a non-DF PE becomes the DF PE, it starts forwarding traffic to the CE.

Some benefits of the MLD state synchronization feature are as follows:

- **Seamless Mobility Support**—It ensures smooth mobility support for multicast listeners. When listeners move between different network devices or ports, the synchronized MLD snooping state helps maintain consistent multicast group membership information. The DF intelligently updates the forwarding information, ensuring uninterrupted multicast service delivery to mobile listeners.
- **Reduced Control Plane Overhead**—By synchronizing the MLD snooping state, we have reduced signaling messages overhead in the control plane for routing. The DF processes and propagates multicast control messages, such as MLD join and leave messages, only to the relevant ports based on the synchronized group membership information. This minimizes unnecessary control plane processing and improves network scalability.
- **Enhanced Network Stability**—It contributes to network stability by maintaining consistent multicast group membership information across PE devices. This ensures reliable multicast service delivery and prevents disruptions or inconsistencies that could impact the network's overall performance.
- **Efficient Resource Utilization**—It uses a DF to optimize resource utilization by forwarding multicast traffic only to the ports where receivers are present. This prevents unnecessary multicast data replication and conserves network bandwidth, improving overall network efficiency.

### MLD Snooping Synchronization with Proxy Querier

Each subnet has one of the two roles:

- **Querier**—the router with the lowest IP address in a subnet. Querier is responsible for sending the MLD or IGMP queries to know which multicast groups are active on the subnet.
- **Non-Querier**—the router that listens for MLD or IGMP queries and forwards them to the entire VLAN.

Initially, all multicast routers start up as a Querier on each attached network. If a router hears a Query message from a lower IP address, it becomes a Non-Querier. If a router doesn't hear a Query message for a certain period, it becomes the Querier again. The Querier router regularly sends a General Query on each attached network to gather multicast group membership information.

In this feature, two peer PEs in EVPN can both act as Queriers for the same BD. The first PE receiving the MLD join from CE sends an EVPN Join sync message to the second peer PE, which, upon receipt, sets the "learnt via EVPN " flag on the group. The group is not expired for lack of a direct MLD Join response to the initiated query (by second PE) as long as the 'learnt via EVPN' flag is set.




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**Note** The MLD queries are not sent over the MPLS core. ACL filter is applied on the core facing interface to drop all the MLD queries.

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### Usage Guidelines and Limitations

A BD can have a combination of MLDv1 and MLDv2 receivers, sending corresponding Join messages to the PE router. Additionally, MLDv2 Join messages could either be in the include or exclude mode, where a multicast receiver can specify to either listen only for packets from some list of source addresses (include) or only for packets that don't come from some list of source addresses (exclude). Handling such mixed MLD Joins involves ensuring that the PE routers can properly interpret and forward multicast traffic to hosts accordingly.

In the following table, use the supported and unsupported scenarios for the MLDv1 and MLDv2 Joins at PE as guidelines for using the MLD snooping synchronization feature:

Table 14: MLDv1 and MLDv2 Combination Joins at PE—Supported and Unsupported Scenarios

| Current MLD Join State | MLD Join Update Received |                   |                   |                   |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                        | v1 (*, G)                | v2 Include (S, G) | v2 Exclude (*, G) | v2 Exclude (S, G) |
| No state               | Accepted                 | Accepted          | Accepted          | Drop              |
| v1 (*, G)              | Accepted                 | Drop              | Accepted          | Drop              |
| v2 Include (S, G)      | Drop                     | Accepted          | Drop              | Drop              |
| v2 Exclude (*, G)      | Accepted                 | Drop              | Accepted          | Drop              |

This feature has the following limitations:

- If the source is directly connected to the PE where the MLD Join is received, no MLD sync route is generated.
- Any router behind an All-Active multi-homed network is not supported.
- Configuring different MLD snooping profiles on peer PEs in an All-Active multi-homed network is not supported.
- An mrouter port behind CE is not supported.
- To prevent convergence issues, per multicast route DF election is not supported.
- The IGMP and MLD snooping profiles must be enabled together.

## Configure MLD Snooping Synchronization for EVPN Multi-Homing

To configure MLD Snooping Synchronization for EVPN Multi-Homing, use the following example configuration:

```
/* Configure the EVPN EVI */

Router(config)# evpn
Router(config-evpn)# interface Bundle-Ether34
Router(config-evpn-ac)# ethernet-segment
Router(config-evpn-ac-es)# identifier type 0 23.23.23.11.FF.11.11.11.11
Router(config-evpn-ac-es)# exit
Router(config-evpn-ac)# exit
Router(config-evpn)# evi 5
Router(config-evpn-instance)# advertise-mac
Router(config-evpn-instance)# exit
Router(config-evpn)# exit

/* Configure the L2VPN BD with MLD snooping profile and EVI */

Router(config)# l2vpn
Router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group bg1
```

```

Router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd5
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mld snooping profile prof1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mld-snooping-profile)# exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# igmp snooping profile prof2
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-igmp-snooping-profile)# exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# interface Bundle-Ether34.5
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# routed interface BVI5
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-bvi)# exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# evi 5
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-evpn-instance)# exit

/* Configure the MLD snooping profile

Router(config)# mld snooping profile prof1
Router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# internal-querier
Router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# internal-querier query-interval 5
Router(config-mld-snooping-profile)# commit

```

### Running Configuration

```

/*EVPN EVI*/
evpn
    interface Bundle-Ether34
        ethernet-segment
            identifier type 0 23.23.23.11.FF.11.11.11.11
        !
        evi 5
            advertise-mac
        !
    !

/* Configure the L2VPN BD with MLD snooping profile and EVI */
l2vpn
    bridge group bg1
        bridge-domain bd5
            mld snooping profile prof1
            igmp snooping profile prof2
            interface Bundle-Ether34.5
            !
            routed interface BVI5
            !
            evi 5
            !

/*MLD Snooping Profile*/
mld snooping profile prof1
    internal-querier
    internal-querier query-interval 5

```

## Verify MLD Snooping Synchronization for EVPN Multi-Homing

To verify the configuration for this feature, use the following example commands.

```

/*Verify MLD Snooping Synchronization*/

RP/0/RP1/CPU0:tb11-r8#show mld snooping group
Fri Oct 6 17:53:42.640 UTC

```

Key: GM=Group Filter Mode, PM=Port Filter Mode  
 Flags Key: S=Static, D=Dynamic, E=Explicit Tracking, R=Replicated

Bridge Domain bg-1:bd-1001

```
Ver GM PM Port                               Exp  Flgs Group,Source
--- -- -- ----                               ---  ---  -----
*/B indicates MLD snooping sync through BGP*/
V2  IN IN BE1.1001                          never B   ff03::1,1108:101::100

*/D indicates MLD snooping state is locally learned through EVPN*/
V2  IN IN BE2.1001                          223  D   ff03::1,1108:101::100
```

/\*Verify DF Election\*/

RP/0/RP1/CPU0:tb11-r8#show evpn ethernet-segment carving detail

Tue Oct 17 18:14:56.607 UTC

Legend:

- B - No Forwarders EVPN-enabled,
- C - MAC missing (Backbone S-MAC PBB-EVPN / Grouping ES-MAC vES),
- RT - ES-Import Route Target missing,
- E - ESI missing,
- H - Interface handle missing,
- I - Name (Interface or Virtual Access) missing,
- M - Interface in Down state,
- O - BGP End of Download missing,
- P - Interface already Access Protected,
- Pf - Interface forced single-homed,
- R - BGP RID not received,
- S - Interface in redundancy standby state,
- X - ESI-extracted MAC Conflict
- SHG - No local split-horizon-group label allocated
- Hp - Interface blocked on peering complete during HA event
- Rc - Recovery timer running during peering sequence

```
Ethernet Segment Id      Interface                               Nexthops
-----
0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 BE1
                               7.7.7.7
                               8.8.8.8

ES to BGP Gates      : Ready
ES to L2FIB Gates   : Ready
Main port           :
  Interface name     : Bundle-Ether1
  Interface MAC      : b402.1657.e485
  IfHandle           : 0x2000a164
  State              : Up
  Redundancy         : Not Defined
ESI ID              : 1
ESI type            : 0
  Value              : 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00
ES Import RT        : 0001.00ac.0000 (from ESI)
Source MAC          : 0000.0000.0000 (N/A)
Topology            :
  Operational        : MH, All-active
  Configured         : All-active (AApF) (default)
Service Carving     : Auto-selection
  Multicast          : Disabled
Convergence         :
Peering Details     : 2 Nexthops
  7.7.7.7 [MOD:P:00:T]
  8.8.8.8 [MOD:P:00:T]
Service Carving Synchronization:
  Mode               : NONE
```

```

Peer Updates      :
    7.7.7.7 [SCT: N/A]
    8.8.8.8 [SCT: N/A]
Service Carving Results:
Forwarders      : 999
Elected       : 500
    EVI E : 1001, 1003, 1005, 1007, 1009, 1011
    EVI E : 1013, 1015, 1017, 1019, 1021, 1023,
    ....
    EVI E : 1999, 2001
Not Elected      : 499
    EVI NE : 1002, 1004, 1006, 1008, 1010, 1012
    ...
    EVI NE : 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000,
    EVI NE : 2002
....
Main port        :
Interface name   : Bundle-Ether2
Interface MAC    : b402.1657.e484
IfHandle        : 0x2000a16c
State           : Up
Redundancy      : Not Defined
ESI ID          : 1
ESI type        : 0
Value          : 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00
ES Import RT    : 1102.00ac.0000 (from ESI)
Source MAC      : 0000.0000.0000 (N/A)
Topology        :
Operational     : MH, All-active
Configured      : All-active (AApF) (default)
Service Carving : Auto-selection
Multicast       : Disabled
Convergence     :
Peering Details : 2 Nexthops
    7.7.7.7 [MOD:P:00:T]
    8.8.8.8 [MOD:P:00:T]
Service Carving Synchronization:
Mode            : NONE
Peer Updates    :
    7.7.7.7 [SCT: N/A]
    8.8.8.8 [SCT: N/A]
Service Carving Results:
Forwarders      : 998
Elected       : 500
    EVI E : 1001, 1003, 1005, 1007, 1009, 1011
    ...
    EVI E : 1987, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1997,
    EVI E : 1999, 2001
Not Elected     : 498
    EVI NE : 1002, 1004, 1006, 1008, 1010, 1012
    EVI NE : 1980, 1982, 1984, 1986, 1988, 1990,
    EVI NE : 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002
EVPN-VPWS Service Carving Results:
Primary         : 0
Backup         : 0
Non-DF         : 0
MAC Flushing mode : STP-TCN
Peering timer   : 3 sec [not running]
Recovery timer  : 30 sec [not running]
Carving timer   : 0 sec [not running]
Revert timer    : 0 sec [not running]
HRW Reset timer : 5 sec [not running]
Local SHG label : 27051
Remote SHG labels : 1

```

```

                27051 : nexthop 7.7.7.7
Access signal mode: Bundle OOS

N/A                Te0/1/0/4/0                8.8.8.8
ES to BGP Gates   : Ready
ES to L2FIB Gates : Ready
Main port         :
  Interface name   : TenGigE0/1/0/4/0
  Interface MAC    : b402.1657.e0a0
  IfHandle         : 0x020040c8
  State            : Up
  Redundancy       : Not Defined
ESI ID            : 0
ESI type          : Invalid
ES Import RT      : 0000.0000.0000 (Incomplete Configuration)
Source MAC        : b402.1657.e480 (PBB BSA, no ESI)
Topology          :
  Operational      : SH
  Configured       : Single-active (AApS) (default)
Service Carving   : Auto-selection
  Multicast        : Disabled
Convergence       :
Peering Details   : 1 Nexthops
  8.8.8.8 [MOD:P:00]
Service Carving Synchronization:
  Mode             : NONE
  Peer Updates     :
    8.8.8.8 [SCT: N/A]
Service Carving Results:
  Forwarders      : 10
  Elected         : 10
    EVI E         : 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006
    EVI E         : 1007, 1008, 1009, 1010
  Not Elected    : 0
EVPN-VPWS Service Carving Results:
  Primary         : 0
  Backup          : 0
  Non-DF         : 0
MAC Flushing mode : STP-TCN
Peering timer     : 0 sec [not running]
Recovery timer    : 0 sec [not running]
Carving timer     : 0 sec [not running]
Revert timer      : 0 sec [not running]
HRW Reset timer   : 5 sec [not running]
Local SHG label   : None
Remote SHG labels : 0
Access signal mode: Unsupported

```

/\*Verify EVPN IGMP Snooping\*/

```

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:tb8-r3-AVA2#show evpn igmp
Mon Nov 6 11:18:19.497 UTC

```

| EVI  | Ethernet Segment Type    | (S,G)                     | Source             |
|------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 1001 | 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 | (1108:101::100,ff03::1)   | Bundle-Ether1.1001 |
|      | JOIN                     |                           |                    |
| 1001 | 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 | (1108:101::100,ff03::1)   | Bundle-Ether2.1001 |
|      | JOIN                     |                           |                    |
| 1001 | 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 | (1108:101::100,ff03::1:2) | Bundle-Ether1.1001 |
|      | JOIN                     |                           |                    |
| 1001 | 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 | (1108:101::100,ff03::1:2) | Bundle-Ether2.1001 |

```

      JOIN
1001 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:1::1) Bundle-Ether2.1001
      JOIN
1001 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:1::1) Bundle-Ether1.1001
      JOIN
1001 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:1::1) Bundle-Ether2.1001
      JOIN
1001 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (2205:101::23,ff03:13:1::1) Bundle-Ether1.1001
      JOIN
1001 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (2205:101::23,ff03:13:1::1) Bundle-Ether2.1001
      JOIN
1002 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::2) Bundle-Ether1.1002
      JOIN
1002 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::2) Bundle-Ether2.1002
      JOIN
1002 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:2::1) Bundle-Ether2.1002
      JOIN
1002 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:2::1) Bundle-Ether1.1002
      JOIN
1002 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:2::1) Bundle-Ether2.1002
      JOIN
1002 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (2205:101::23,ff03:14:1::1) Bundle-Ether1.1002
      JOIN
1002 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (2205:102::441,ff03:14:1::1) Bundle-Ether2.1002
      JOIN
1003 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::3) Bundle-Ether1.1003
      JOIN
1003 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::3) Bundle-Ether2.1003
      JOIN
1003 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:3::1) Bundle-Ether2.1003
      JOIN
1003 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:3::1) Bundle-Ether1.1003
      JOIN
1003 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:3::1) Bundle-Ether2.1003
      JOIN
1004 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::4) Bundle-Ether1.1004
      JOIN
1004 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::4) Bundle-Ether2.1004
      JOIN
1004 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:4::1) Bundle-Ether2.1004
      JOIN
1004 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:4::1) Bundle-Ether1.1004
      JOIN
1004 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:4::1) Bundle-Ether2.1004
      JOIN
1005 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::5) Bundle-Ether1.1005
      JOIN
1005 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::5) 7.7.7.7
      JOIN
1005 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:5::1) Bundle-Ether2.1005
      JOIN
1005 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:5::1) Bundle-Ether1.1005
      JOIN
1005 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:5::1) Bundle-Ether2.1005
      JOIN
1006 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::6) Bundle-Ether1.1006
      JOIN
1006 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::6) Bundle-Ether2.1006
      JOIN
1006 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:6::1) Bundle-Ether2.1006
      JOIN
1006 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:6::1) Bundle-Ether1.1006

```

```

      JOIN
1006 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:6::1)      7.7.7.7
      JOIN
1007 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::7)          Bundle-Ether1.1007
      JOIN
1007 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::7)          Bundle-Ether2.1007
      JOIN
1007 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:7::1)    7.7.7.7
      JOIN
1007 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:7::1)    Bundle-Ether1.1007
      JOIN
1007 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:7::1)    Bundle-Ether2.1007
      JOIN
1008 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::8)          Bundle-Ether1.1008
      JOIN
1008 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::8)          7.7.7.7
      JOIN
1008 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:8::1)    Bundle-Ether2.1008
      JOIN
1008 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:8::1)    Bundle-Ether1.1008
      JOIN
1008 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:8::1)    Bundle-Ether2.1008
      JOIN
1009 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::9)          Bundle-Ether1.1009
      JOIN
1009 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::9)          Bundle-Ether2.1009
      JOIN
1009 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:9::1)    Bundle-Ether2.1009
      JOIN
1009 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:9::1)    Bundle-Ether1.1009
      JOIN
1009 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:9::1)    Bundle-Ether2.1009
      JOIN
1010 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::a)          Bundle-Ether1.1010
      JOIN
1010 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03::a)          Bundle-Ether2.1010
      JOIN
1010 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:16:a::1)    7.7.7.7
      JOIN
1010 0000.0100.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:a::1)    Bundle-Ether1.1010
      JOIN
1010 0011.0200.ac00.0001.0a00 (1108:101::100,ff03:123:a::1)    Bundle-Ether2.1010
      JOIN

```

## Multicast IRB

Multicast IRB provides the ability to route multicast packets between a bridge group and a routed interface using a bridge-group virtual interface (BVI). It can be enabled with multicast-routing. THE BVI is a virtual interface within the router that acts like a normal routed interface. For details about BVI, refer *Interface and Hardware Component Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers*

BV interfaces are added to the existing VRF routes and integrated with the replication slot mask. After this integration, the traffic coming from a VRF BVI is forwarded to the VPN.

## Supported Bridge Port Types

- Bundles

- Satellites
- EFPs (physical, vlans, etc)
- Access Pseudowires

## Restrictions

- Supported only on Ethernet line cards and enhanced ethernet line cards.
- Support only for IPv4

## Example

The CE-PE is collapsed into 1 router (IRB) and IGMP snooping is enabled on the BVIs.

BVI type is included in a multicast VRF. After the BVI slot mask is included in the VRF route slot mask, the traffic from the VRF BVI is forwarded to the VPN/ core.

## Access Pseudowire in VPLS Bridge Domains

*Table 15: Feature History Table*

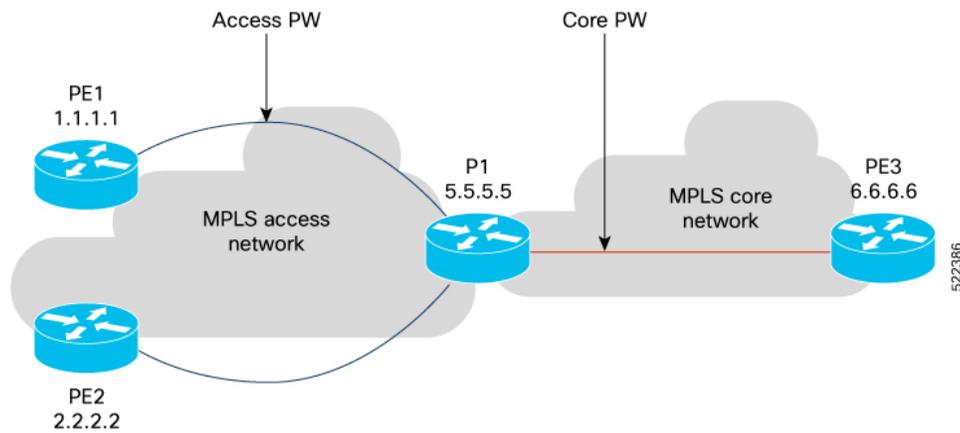
| Feature Name                             | Release Information | Description   |
|--|---------------------|---|
| Access Pseudowire in VPLS Bridge Domains | Release 7.6.1       | You can configure EVPN in the access node under the same bridge domain as EVPN in the core and create a pseudowire (PW) to the nearest PE that binds the access circuits using EVPN. This PW between the access PE and the single-homed PE ensures that the access nodes can leverage the benefits of EVPN. |

You can enable VPLS Access Pseudowire in a Bridge Domain (BD) where flooding is enabled.

VPLS is a multipoint Layer 2 VPN technology that connects two or more customer devices using bridging techniques. In scenarios where an L3 multicast route has invalid or incorrect OLEs (Output List Element: a hardware instance of a multicast outgoing interface in a multicast route), instead of dropping the packets, they are sent again to the receiver. If the L3 multicast route already has valid OLE entries apart from the invalid ones, at the receiver end, you can see duplicate packets.

To ensure an uninterrupted flow of packets, the egress traffic management model employs a two-pass model. When you enable access pseudowire, in the two-pass model, at egress, the duplicate IP packet is recycled and gets embedded and egresses from the bundle-ether as OLE.

Following figure shows the interconnection between the provider edge (PE) routers over IP/MPLS networks. The VPLS network requires a bridge domain (Layer 2 broadcast domain) on each PE router. It is responsible for all flooding broadcast frames and multicast replications. The PEs are connected with Pseudowires (PWs).



### Limitations

This Access Pseudowire on VPLS bridge domains feature is supported on the following line cards:

- NC55-5504-FC
- NC55-5508-FC
- NC55-5516-FC
- NCS55-5504-FC2
- NC55-5508-FC2
- NC55-5516-FC2

This feature is not supported when IGMP snooping is enabled.

The multicast L3 to L2 traffic is supported only in flood BD configuration.

### Configure Access Pseudowire

To enable Access Pseudowire in a VPLS BD, use the following command:

```
Router#configure terminal
Router(config)#hw-module multicast access-pw-enable
```



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# Implementing Layer 3 Multicast

Multicast routing allows a host to send packets to a subset of all hosts as a group transmission rather than to a single host, as in unicast transmission, or to all hosts, as in broadcast transmission. The subset of hosts is known as group members and are identified by a single multicast group address that falls under the IP Class D address range from 224.0.0.0 through 239.255.255.255.

The multicast environment consists of senders and receivers. Any host, regardless of whether it is a member of a group, can send to a group. However, only the members of a group receive the message.

The following protocols are supported to implement multicast routing:

- IGMP—IGMP is used between hosts on a network (for example, LAN) and the routers on that network to track the multicast groups of which hosts are members.
- PIM SSM— Protocol Independent Multicast in Source-Specific Multicast (PIM-SSM) has the ability to report interest in receiving packets from specific source addresses (or from all but the specific source addresses), to an IP multicast address.

## Prerequisites for Implementing Multicast Routing

- You must install and activate the multicast RPM package.
- You must be familiar with IPv4 multicast routing configuration tasks and concepts.
- Unicast routing must be operational.

## Restrictions

- NSF is enabled by default. You can't configure **nsr** under multicast-routing manually.

# Enabling Multicast

## Configuration Example

Enables multicast routing and forwarding on all new and existing interfaces.

```
Router#config
Router(config)#multicast-routing
Router(config-mcast)#address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#interface all enable
*/In the above command, you can also indicate a specific interface (For example, interface
TenGigE0/0/0/3)
for enabling multicast only on that interface/*
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#commit
```

## Running Configuration

```
Router#show running multicast routing
multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
    interface all enable
  !
```

## Verification

Verify that the Interfaces are enabled for multicast.

```
Router#show mfib interface location 0/3/CPU0
Interface : FINT0/3/CPU0 (Enabled)
SW Mcast pkts in : 0, SW Mcast pkts out : 0
TTL Threshold : 0
Ref Count : 2
Interface : TenGigE0/3/0/0/0 (Enabled)
SW Mcast pkts in : 0, SW Mcast pkts out : 0
TTL Threshold : 0
Ref Count : 3
Interface : TenGigE0/3/0/9/0 (Enabled)
SW Mcast pkts in : 0, SW Mcast pkts out : 0
TTL Threshold : 0
Ref Count : 13
Interface : Bundle-Ether1 (Enabled)
SW Mcast pkts in : 0, SW Mcast pkts out : 0
TTL Threshold : 0
Ref Count : 4
Interface : Bundle-Ether1.1 (Enabled)
SW Mcast pkts in : 0, SW Mcast pkts out : 0
TTL Threshold : 0
```

# Supported Multicast Features

- Hardware Offloaded BFD for PIMv4 is supported.
- IPv4 and IPV6 static groups for both IGMPv2/v3 and MLDv1/v2 are supported.
- Protocol Independent Multicast in Source-Specific Multicast (PIM-SSM) mapping is supported.
- PIMv4 SSM and PIMv6 SSM over Bundle sub-interface are supported.
- Load balancing for multicast traffic for ECMP links and bundles is supported. However, an RPF check is performed on the multicast routers to ensure loop prevention in multicast trees.
- Redundant sources for IPv6 PIM SSM is supported.



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**Note** You must enable **multicast-routing** in the default VRF to use multicast in some other VRF.

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# Protocol Independent Multicast

Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM) is a multicast routing protocol used to create multicast distribution trees, which are used to forward multicast data packets.

Proper operation of multicast depends on knowing the unicast paths towards a source or an RP. PIM relies on unicast routing protocols to derive this reverse-path forwarding (RPF) information. As the name PIM implies, it functions independently of the unicast protocols being used. PIM relies on the Routing Information Base (RIB) for RPF information. Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM) is designed to send and receive multicast routing updates.

NCS 5500 series router supports Protocol Independent Multicast in Source-Specific Multicast (PIM-SSM). PIM on Bundle-Ethernet subinterface is supported.

## PIM BFD Overview

The BFD Support for Multicast (PIM) feature, also known as PIM BFD, registers PIM as a client of BFD. PIM can then utilize BFD's fast adjacency failure detection. When PIM BFD is enabled, BFD enables faster failure detection without waiting for hello messages from PIM.

At PIMs request, as a BFD client, BFD establishes and maintains a session with an adjacent node for maintaining liveness and detecting forwarding path failure to the adjacent node. PIM hellos will continue to be exchanged between the neighbors even after BFD establishes and maintains a BFD session with the neighbor. The behavior of the PIM hello mechanism is not altered due to the introduction of this feature. Although PIM depends on the Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP) and BFD is supported in IGP, PIM BFD is independent of IGP's BFD.

Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM) uses a hello mechanism for discovering new PIM neighbors between adjacent nodes. The minimum failure detection time in PIM is 3 times the PIM Query-Interval. To enable faster failure detection, the rate at which a PIM hello message is transmitted on an interface is configurable. However, lower intervals increase the load on the protocol and can increase CPU and memory utilization and cause a system-wide negative impact on performance. Lower intervals can also cause PIM neighbors to expire frequently as the neighbor expiry can occur before the hello messages received from those neighbors are processed. When PIM BFD is enabled, BFD enables faster failure detection without waiting for hello messages from PIM.

## Configure PIM BFD

This section describes how you can configure PIM BFD

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# router pim address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# interface HundredGigE0/1/0/1
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd minimum-interval 10
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd fast-detect
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd multiplier 3
Router(config-pim-ipv4)# exit
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# interface TenGigE0/0/0/4
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd minimum-interval 50
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd fast-detect
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd multiplier 3
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# exit
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# interface TenGigE 0/0/0/4.101
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd minimum-interval 50
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd fast-detect
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd multiplier 3
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# exit
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# interface Bundle-Ether 101
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd minimum-interval 50
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd fast-detect
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# bfd multiplier 3
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# exit
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# commit
```

### Running Configuration

```
router pim
```

```

address-family ipv4
 interface HundredGigE 0/1/0/1
   bfd minimum-interval 10
   bfd fast-detect
   bfd multiplier 3
 !
 interface TenGigE 0/0/0/4
   bfd minimum-interval 50
   bfd fast-detect
   bfd multiplier 3
 !
 interface TenGigE 0/0/0/4.101
   bfd minimum-interval 50
   bfd fast-detect
   bfd multiplier 3
 !
 interface Bundle-Ether 101
   bfd minimum-interval 50
   bfd fast-detect
   bfd multiplier 3
 !
 !
 !
 !

```

## Verification

The show outputs given in the following section display the details of the configuration of the PIM BFD, and the status of their configuration.

```
Router# show bfd session
```

```
Wed Nov 22 08:27:35.952 PST
```

| Interface<br>H/W      NPU | Dest Addr    | Local det time(int*mult) | State | Echo | Async     |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------|------|-----------|
| Hu0/0/1/3<br>0/0/CPU0     | 10.12.12.2   | 0s(0s*0) 90ms(30ms*3)    | UP    |      | Yes       |
| Hu0/0/1/2<br>0/0/CPU0     | 10.12.12.2   | 0s(0s*0) 90ms(30ms*3)    | UP    |      | Yes       |
| Hu0/0/1/1<br>0/0/CPU0     | 10.18.18.2   | 0s(0s*0) 90ms(30ms*3)    | UP    |      | Yes       |
| Te0/0/0/4.101<br>0/0/CPU0 | 10.112.112.2 | 0s(0s*0) 90ms(30ms*3)    | UP    |      | Yes       |
| BE101                     | 10.18.18.2   | n/a      n/a             | UP    |      | No    n/a |
| BE102                     | 10.12.12.2   | n/a      n/a             | UP    |      | No    n/a |

```
Router# show bfd client
```

| Name       | Node       | Num sessions |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| L2VPN_ATOM | 0/RP0/CPU0 | 0            |

```

MPLS-TR          0/RP0/CPU0 0
bgp-default      0/RP0/CPU0 0
bundlemgr_distrib 0/RP0/CPU0 14
isis-1           0/RP0/CPU0 0
object_tracking  0/RP0/CPU0 0
pim6             0/RP0/CPU0 0
pim            0/RP0/CPU0 0
service-layer    0/RP0/CPU0 0

```

## PIM Bootstrap Router

The PIM bootstrap router (BSR) provides a fault-tolerant, automated RP discovery and distribution mechanism that simplifies the Auto-RP process. This feature is enabled by default allowing routers to dynamically learn the group-to-RP mappings.

PIM uses the BSR to discover and announce RP-set information for each group prefix to all the routers in a PIM domain. This is the same function accomplished by Auto-RP, but the BSR is part of the PIM specification. The BSR mechanism interoperates with Auto-RP on Cisco routers.

To avoid a single point of failure, you can configure several candidate BSRs in a PIM domain. A BSR is elected among the candidate BSRs automatically.

Candidates use bootstrap messages to discover which BSR has the highest priority. The candidate with the highest priority sends an announcement to all PIM routers in the PIM domain that it is the BSR.

Routers that are configured as candidate RPs unicast to the BSR the group range for which they are responsible. The BSR includes this information in its bootstrap messages and disseminates it to all PIM routers in the domain. Based on this information, all routers are able to map multicast groups to specific RPs. As long as a router is receiving the bootstrap message, it has a current RP map.

## Configuring PIM Bootstrap Router

### Configuration Example

Configures the router as a candidate BSR with a hash mask length of 30:

```

Router#config
Router(config)#router pim
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#bsr candidate-bsr 1.1.1.1 hash-mask-len 30 priority 1
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4-if)#commit

```

Configures the router to advertise itself as a candidate rendezvous point to the BSR in its PIM domain. Access list number 4 specifies the prefix associated with the candidate rendezvous point address 1.1.1.1. This rendezvous point is responsible for the groups with the prefix 239.

```

Router#config
Router(config)#router pim
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#bsr candidate-rp 1.1.1.1 group-list 4 priority 192 interval 60

Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#exit
Router(config)#ipv4 access-list 4
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#permit ipv4 any 239.0.0.0 0.255.255.255
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#commit

```

## Running Configuration

```
Router#show run router pim
router pim
  address-family ipv4
    bsr candidate-bsr 1.1.1.1 hash-mask-len 30 priority 1
    bsr candidate-rp 1.1.1.1 group-list 4 priority 192 interval 60
```

## Verification

```
Router#show pim rp mapping
PIM Group-to-RP Mappings
Group(s) 239.0.0.0/8
  RP 1.1.1.1 (?), v2
    Info source: 1.1.1.1 (?), elected via bsr, priority 192, holdtime 150
    Uptime: 00:02:50, expires: 00:01:54

Router#show pim bsr candidate-rp
PIM BSR Candidate RP Info
Cand-RP      mode  scope priority uptime      group-list
1.1.1.1      BD    16      192      00:04:06    4

Router#show pim bsr election
PIM BSR Election State
Cand/Elect-State      Uptime      BS-Timer      BSR                                     C-BSR
Elected/Accept-Pref  00:03:49  00:00:25  1.1.1.1 [1, 30]                       1.1.1.1 [1, 30]
```

# Reverse Path Forwarding

Reverse-path forwarding (RPF) is an algorithm used for forwarding multicast datagrams. It functions as follows:

- If a router receives a datagram on an interface it uses to send unicast packets to the source, the packet has arrived on the RPF interface.
- If the packet arrives on the RPF interface, a router forwards the packet out the interfaces present in the outgoing interface list of a multicast routing table entry.
- If the packet does not arrive on the RPF interface, the packet is silently discarded to prevent loops.

PIM uses both source trees and RP-rooted shared trees to forward datagrams; the RPF check is performed differently for each, as follows:

- If a PIM router has an (S,G) entry present in the multicast routing table (a source-tree state), the router performs the RPF check against the IP address of the source for the multicast packet.
- If a PIM router has no explicit source-tree state, this is considered a shared-tree state. The router performs the RPF check on the address of the RP, which is known when members join the group.

Sparse-mode PIM uses the RPF lookup function to determine where it needs to send joins and prunes. (S,G) joins (which are source-tree states) are sent toward the source. (\*,G) joins (which are shared-tree states) are sent toward the RP.

## Setting the Reverse Path Forwarding Statically

### Configuration Example

The following example configures the static RPF rule for IP address 10.0.0.1:

```
Router#configure
Router(config)#multicast-routing
Router(config-mcast)#address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast)#static-rpf 10.0.0.1 32 TenGigE 0/0/0/1 192.168.0.2
Router(config-mcast)#commit
```

### Running Configuration

```
multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
    static-rpf 10.10.10.2 32 TenGigE0/0/0/1 192.168.0.2
```

### Verification

Verify that RPF is chosen according to the static RPF configuration for 10.10.10.2

```
Router#show pim rpf
Table: IPv4-Unicast-default
* 10.10.10.2/32 [0/0]
  via GigabitEthernet0/0/0/1 with rpf neighbor 192.168.0.2
```

## RPF Vector Encoding Using IETF Standard

RPF vector is a PIM proxy that lets core routers without RPF information forward join and prune messages for external sources (for example, a MPLS-based BGP-free core, where the MPLS core router is without external routes learned from BGP). The RPF vector encoding is now compatible with the new IETF encoding. The new IETF standard encodes PIM messages using PIM Hello option 26.

## Configuring RPF Vector (IETF Standard Encoding)

This example shows how to enable RPF encoding using IETF standard:

```
(config)# router pim
(config-pim-default-ipv4)# address-family ipv4
(config-pim-default-ipv4)# rpf-vector use-standard-encoding
!
(config)# multicast-routing
(config-mcast)# interface TenGigE0/1/0/7/0
(config-mcast)# interface TenGigE0/0/0/0/2
```

### Verification

```
Router#show pim neighbor
Tue Apr 17 10:15:40.961 PDT

PIM neighbors in VRF default
Flag: B - Bidir capable, P - Proxy capable, DR - Designated Router,
      E - ECMP Redirect capable
      * indicates the neighbor created for this router
```

| Neighbor Address   | Interface               | Uptime      | Expires         | DR pri        | Flags        |
|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| 25.25.25.1         | TenGigE0/1/0/7/0        | 1w3d        | 00:01:36        | 1             | B P          |
| <b>25.25.25.2*</b> | <b>TenGigE0/1/0/7/0</b> | <b>1w3d</b> | <b>00:01:41</b> | <b>1 (DR)</b> | <b>B P E</b> |
| 32.32.32.2*        | TenGigE0/0/0/0/2        | 1w4d        | 00:01:40        | 1             | B P E        |
| <b>32.32.32.3</b>  | <b>TenGigE0/0/0/0/2</b> | <b>1w4d</b> | <b>00:01:42</b> | <b>1 (DR)</b> | <b>B P</b>   |

In the above output, you can see "P" tag on the multicast enabled interfaces.

## PIM-Source Specific Multicast

When PIM is used in SSM mode, multicast routing is easier to manage. This is because RPs (rendezvous points) are not required and therefore, no shared trees (\*,G) are built.

There is no specific IETF document defining PIM-SSM. However, RFC4607 defines the overall SSM behavior.

In the rest of this document, we use the term PIM-SSM to describe PIM behavior and configuration when SSM is used.

PIM in Source-Specific Multicast operation uses information found on source addresses for a multicast group provided by receivers and performs source filtering on traffic.

- By default, PIM-SSM operates in the 232.0.0.0/8 multicast group range for IPv4 and FF3x::/32 for IPv6. To configure these values, use the **ssm range** command.




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**Note** PIM-SSM supports IPv6 from Cisco IOS XR Release 6.2.2

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- If SSM is deployed in a network already configured for PIM-SM, only the last-hop routers must be upgraded with Cisco IOS XR Software that supports the SSM feature.
- No MSDP SA messages within the SSM range are accepted, generated, or forwarded.
- SSM can be disabled using the **ssm disable** command.
- The **ssm allow-override** command allows SSM ranges to be overridden by more specific ranges.

In many multicast deployments where the source is known, protocol-independent multicast-source-specific multicast (PIM-SSM) mapping is the obvious multicast routing protocol choice to use because of its simplicity. Typical multicast deployments that benefit from PIM-SSM consist of entertainment-type solutions like the ETTH space, or financial deployments that completely rely on static forwarding.

In SSM, delivery of data grams is based on (S,G) channels. Traffic for one (S,G) channel consists of datagrams with an IP unicast source address S and the multicast group address G as the IP destination address. Systems receive traffic by becoming members of the (S,G) channel. Signaling is not required, but receivers must subscribe or unsubscribe to (S,G) channels to receive or not receive traffic from specific sources. Channel subscription signaling uses IGMP to include mode membership reports, which are supported only in Version 3 of IGMP (IGMPv3).

To run SSM with IGMPv3, SSM must be supported on the multicast router, the host where the application is running, and the application itself. Cisco IOS XR Software allows SSM configuration for an arbitrary subset of the IP multicast address range 224.0.0.0 through 239.255.255.255.

When an SSM range is defined, existing IP multicast receiver applications do not receive any traffic when they try to use addresses in the SSM range, unless the application is modified to use explicit (S,G) channel subscription.

### Benefits of PIM-SSM over PIM-SM

PIM-SSM is derived from PIM-SM. However, whereas PIM-SM allows for the data transmission of all sources sending to a particular group in response to PIM join messages, the SSM feature forwards traffic to receivers only from those sources that the receivers have explicitly joined. Because PIM joins and prunes are sent directly towards the source sending traffic, an RP and shared trees are unnecessary and are disallowed. SSM is used to optimize bandwidth utilization and deny unwanted Internet broad cast traffic. The source is provided by interested receivers through IGMPv3 membership reports.

## IGMPv2

To support IGMPv2, SSM mapping configuration must be added while configuring IGMP to match certain sources to group range.

### Configuring Example

Configures the access-list (mc1):

```
Router#configure
Router(config)#ipv4 access-list mc1
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#permit ipv4 any 232.1.1.0 0.0.0.255
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#commit
```

Configures the multicast source (1.1.1.1) as part of a set of sources that map SSM groups described by the specified access-list (mc1):

```
Router#configure
Router(config)#router igmp
Router(config-igmp)#ssm map static 1.1.1.1 mc1
Router(config-igmp)#commit
```

### Running Configuration

```
Router#show run router igmp
router igmp
ssm map static 1.1.1.1 mc1
```

## Multipath Option

The multipath option is available under `router pim` configuration mode. After multipath option is enabled, SSM selects different path to reach same destination instead of choosing common path. The multipath option helps load balance the SSM traffic.

### Configuring Multipath Option

```
Router#configure
Router(config)#router pim address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#multipath hash source
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#commit
```

## Running Configuration

```
Router#show running router pim
router pim
  address-family ipv4
    dr-priority 100
    multipath hash source /*SSM traffic takes different path to reach same destination
based on source hash value.*/
```

## Verification

The Bundle-Ether132 and TenGigE0/4/0/18/0.132 are two paths to reach the destination router Turin-56. Since we have enabled multipath option, the source has two IP addresses 50.11.30.12 and 50.11.30.11. The Multicast traffic from two sources take two different paths Bundle-Ether132 and TenGigE0/4/0/18/0.132 to reach same destination.

This show run output shows that Bundle-Ether132 and TenGigE0/4/0/18/0.132 are connected to same destination router Turin-56:

```
Router#show run int TenGigE0/1/0/6/3.132
interface TenGigE0/1/0/6/3.132
  description Connected to Turin-56 ten0/0/0/19.132
  ipv4 address 13.0.2.1 255.255.255.240
  ipv6 address 2606::13:0:2:1/120
  encapsulation dot1q 132
  !

Router#show run int bel32
interface Bundle-Ether132
  description Bundle between Fretta-56 and Turin-56
  ipv4 address 28.0.0.1 255.255.255.240
  ipv6 address 2606::28:0:0:1/120
  load-interval 30

Router#show mrib route 50.11.30.11 detail

IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
  C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
  IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
  MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
  CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
  MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
  MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,
  NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
  II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
  LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
  EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
  EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
  MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
  IRMI - IR MDT Interface

(50.11.30.11,225.255.11.1) Ver: 0x523cc294 RPF nbr: 50.11.30.11 Flags: L RPF, FGID: 11453,
-1, -1
  Up: 4d15h
  Incoming Interface List
    HundredGigE0/4/0/10.1130 Flags: A, Up: 4d15h
  Outgoing Interface List
    FortyGigE0/1/0/5 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h
    TenGigE0/4/0/6/0 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h
    TenGigE0/1/0/6/3.132 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h
    TenGigE0/4/0/18/0.122 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h
```

```

Router#show mrib route 50.11.30.12 detail

IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
             C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
             IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
             MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
             CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
             MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
             MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,
                NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
                LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
                EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
                EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
                MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
                IRMI - IR MDT Interface

(50.11.30.12,226.255.12.1) Ver: 0x5fe02e5b RPF nbr: 50.11.30.12 Flags: L RPF, FGID: 12686,
-1, -1
Up: 4d15h
Incoming Interface List
  HundredGigE0/4/0/10.1130 Flags: A, Up: 4d15h
Outgoing Interface List
  Bundle-Ether121 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h
  Bundle-Ether132 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h
  FortyGigE0/1/0/5 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h
  TenGigE0/4/0/6/0.117 Flags: F NS, Up: 4d15h

```

## Configuring PIM-SSM

### Configuration Example

Configures SSM default range for the IPv4 address range defined by access list 4.

```

Router#config
Router(config)#ipv4 access-list 4
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#permit ipv4 any 224.2.151.0 0.0.0.255
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#exit
Router(config)#multicast-routing
Router(config-mcast)#address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#ssm range 4
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#commit
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#end

```

Configures SSM service for the IPv6 address range defined by access list 6.

```

Router#config
Router(config)#ipv6 access-list 6
Router(config-ipv6-acl)#permit ipv6 any ff30:0:0:2::/32
Router(config-ipv6-acl)#exit
Router(config)#multicast-routing
Router(config-mcast)#address-family ipv6
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv6)#ssm range 6
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv6)#commit
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv6)#end

```

### Running Configuration

```

Router#show running multicast-routing
multicast-routing

```

```

address-family ipv4
  ssm range 4
  interface all enable
!

Router#show running multicast-routing
multicast-routing
address-family ipv6
  ssm range 6
  interface all enable
!

```

## Verification

Verify if the SSM range is configured according to the set parameters:

```

Router#show access-lists 4
ipv4 access-list 4
 10 permit ipv4 any 224.2.151.0 0.0.0.255

*/Verify if the SSM is configured for 224.2.151.0/24/*:

Router#show pim group-map
IP PIM Group Mapping Table
(* indicates group mappings being used)
Group Range      Proto Client  Groups RP address  Info
224.0.1.39/32*   DM    perm    1    0.0.0.0
224.0.1.40/32*   DM    perm    1    0.0.0.0
224.0.0.0/24*    NO    perm    0    0.0.0.0
224.2.151.0/24*  SSM   config  0    0.0.0.0

```

## Configuring PIM Parameters

To configure PIM-specific parameters, the router pim configuration mode is used. The default configuration prompt is for IPv4 and will be seen as config-pim-default-ipv4. To ensure the election of a router as PIM DR on a LAN segment, use the **dr-priority** command. The router with the highest DR priority will win the election. By default, at a preconfigured threshold, the last hop router can join the shortest path tree to receive multicast traffic. To change this behavior, use the command **spt-threshold infinity** under the router pim configuration mode. This will result in the last hop router permanently joining the shared tree. The frequency at which a router sends PIM hello messages to its neighbors can be configured by the hello-interval command. By default, PIM hello messages are sent once every 30 seconds. If the hello-interval is configured under router pim configuration mode, all the interfaces with PIM enabled will inherit this value. To change the hello interval on the interface, use the **hello-interval** command under interface configuration mode, as follows:

### Configuration Example

```

Router#configure
Router(config)#router pim
Router(config-pim-default)#address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#dr-priority 2
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#spt-threshold infinity
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/1
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)#dr-priority 4
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)#hello-interval 45
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)#commit

```

### Running Configuration

```
Router#show run router pim
router pim
  address-family ipv4
    dr-priority 2
    spt-threshold infinity
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/1
    dr-priority 4
    hello-interval 45
```

### Verification

Verify if the parameters are set according to the configured values:

```
Router#show pim interface te0/0/0/1
PIM interfaces in VRF default
Address          Interface          PIM  Nbr  Hello  DR    DR Count Intvl
  Prior
100.1.1.1        TenGigE0/0/0/1    on   1    45    4    this system
```

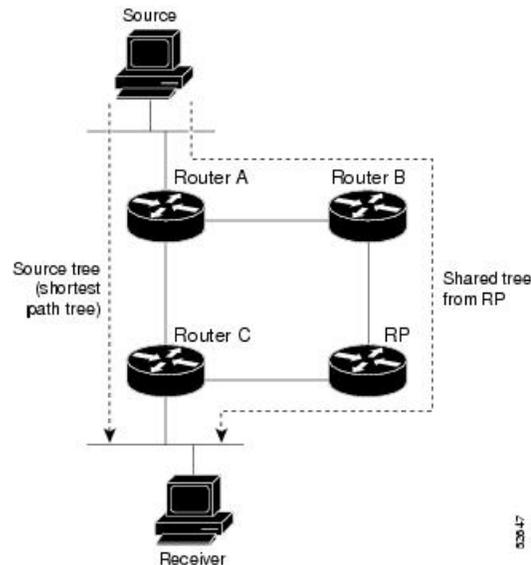
## PIM-Sparse Mode

Typically, PIM in sparse mode (PIM-SM) operation is used in a multicast network when relatively few routers are involved in each multicast. Routers do not forward multicast packets for a group, unless there is an explicit request for traffic. Requests are accomplished using PIM join messages, which are sent hop by hop toward the root node of the tree. The root node of a tree in PIM-SM is the rendezvous point (RP) in the case of a shared tree or the first-hop router that is directly connected to the multicast source in the case of a shortest path tree (SPT). The RP keeps track of multicast groups, and the sources that send multicast packets are registered with the RP by the first-hop router of the source.

As a PIM join travels up the tree, routers along the path set up the multicast forwarding state so that the requested multicast traffic is forwarded back down the tree. When multicast traffic is no longer needed, a router sends a PIM prune message up the tree toward the root node to prune (or remove) the unnecessary traffic. As this PIM prune travels hop by hop up the tree, each router updates its forwarding state appropriately. Ultimately, the forwarding state associated with a multicast group or source is removed. Additionally, if prunes are not explicitly sent, the PIM state will timeout and be removed in the absence of any further join messages.

This image shows IGMP and PIM-SM operating in a multicast environment.

**Figure 2: Shared Tree and Source Tree (Shortest Path Tree)**



In PIM-SM, the rendezvous point (RP) is used to bridge sources sending data to a particular group with receivers sending joins for that group. In the initial set up of state, interested receivers receive data from senders to the group across a single data distribution tree rooted at the RP. This type of distribution tree is called a shared tree or rendezvous point tree (RPT) as illustrated in Figure 4: Shared Tree and Source Tree (Shortest Path Tree), above. Data from senders is delivered to the RP for distribution to group members joined to the shared tree.

Unless the command is configured, this initial state gives way as soon as traffic is received on the leaf routers (designated router closest to the host receivers). When the leaf router receives traffic from the RP on the RPT, the router initiates a switch to a data distribution tree rooted at the source sending traffic. This type of distribution tree is called a shortest path tree or source tree. By default, the Cisco IOS XR Software switches to a source tree when it receives the first data packet from a source.

The following process describes the move from shared tree to source tree in more detail:

1. Receiver joins a group; leaf Router C sends a join message toward RP.
2. RP puts link to Router C in its outgoing interface list.
3. Source sends data; Router A encapsulates data in Register and sends it to RP.
4. RP forwards data down the shared tree to Router C and sends a join message toward Source. At this point, data may arrive twice at the RP, once encapsulated and once natively.
5. When data arrives natively (unencapsulated) at RP, RP sends a register-stop message to Router A.
6. By default, receipt of the first data packet prompts Router C to send a join message toward Source.
7. When Router C receives data on (S,G), it sends a prune message for Source up the shared tree.
8. RP deletes the link to Router C from outgoing interface of (S,G). RP triggers a prune message toward Source.
9. Join and prune messages are sent for sources and RPs. They are sent hop by hop and are processed by each PIM router along the path to the source or RP. Register and register-stop messages are not sent hop

by hop. They are exchanged using direct unicast communication between the designated router that is directly connected to a source and the RP for the group.



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**Note** The **spt-threshold infinity** command lets you configure the router so that it never switches to the shortest path tree (SPT).

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## Restrictions and Usage Guidelines

This section describes the restrictions and guidelines related to the PIM protocol.

The following restrictions and guidelines apply for the Protocol Independent Multicast-Sparse Mode (PIM-SM) protocol:

- IPv6 is not supported.
- Native multicast, mVPN GRE and profile 14 are supported.
- Auto RP is not supported.
- Static RP is supported by native multicast, mVPN GRE and profile 14.
- BSR is not supported in profile 14.

## Multicast Source Discovery Protocol

Multicast Source Discovery Protocol (MSDP) is a mechanism to connect multiple PIM sparse-mode domains. MSDP allows multicast sources for a group to be known to all rendezvous points (RPs) in different domains. Each PIM-SM domain uses its own RPs and need not depend on RPs in other domains.

An RP in a PIM-SM domain has MSDP peering relationships with MSDP-enabled routers in other domains. Each peering relationship occurs over a TCP connection, which is maintained by the underlying routing system.

MSDP speakers exchange messages called Source Active (SA) messages. When an RP learns about a local active source, typically through a PIM register message, the MSDP process encapsulates the register in an SA message and forwards the information to its peers. The message contains the source and group information for the multicast flow, as well as any encapsulated data. If a neighboring RP has local joiners for the multicast group, the RP installs the S, G route, forwards the encapsulated data contained in the SA message, and sends PIM joins back towards the source. This process describes how a multicast path can be built between domains.



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**Note** Although you should configure BGP or Multiprotocol BGP for optimal MSDP interdomain operation, this is not considered necessary in the Cisco IOS XR Software implementation. For information about how BGP or Multiprotocol BGP may be used with MSDP, see the MSDP RPF rules listed in the Multicast Source Discovery Protocol (MSDP), Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) Internet draft.

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### MSDP Configuration Submode

When you issue the **router msdp** command, the CLI prompt changes to “config-msdp,” indicating that you have entered router MSDP configuration submode.

## Interconnecting PIM-SM Domains with MSDP

To set up an MSDP peering relationship with MSDP-enabled routers in another domain, you configure an MSDP peer to the local router.

If you do not want to have or cannot have a BGP peer in your domain, you could define a default MSDP peer from which to accept all Source-Active (SA) messages.

Finally, you can change the Originator ID when you configure a logical RP on multiple routers in an MSDP mesh group.

### Before you begin

You must configure MSDP default peering, if the addresses of all MSDP peers are not known in BGP or multiprotocol BGP.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **interface** *type interface-path-id*
3. **ipv4 address** *address mask*
4. **exit**
5. **router msdp**
6. **default-peer** *ip-address* [**prefix-list** *list*]
7. **originator-id** *type interface-path-id*
8. **peer** *peer-address*
9. **connect-source** *type interface-path-id*
10. **mesh-group** *name*
11. **remote-as** *as-number*
12. **commit**
13. **show msdp** [**ipv4**] **globals**
14. **show msdp** [**ipv4**] **peer** [*peer-address*]
15. **show msdp** [**ipv4**] **rpf** *rpf-address*

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|        | Command or Action   | Purpose   |
|--------|---|---|
| Step 1 | <b>configure</b>  |   |
| Step 2 | <b>interface</b> <i>type interface-path-id</i><br><br><b>Example:</b> | (Optional) Enters interface configuration mode to define the IPv4 address for the interface.<br><br><b>Note</b> |

|               | Command or Action   | Purpose  |
|---------------|---|--|
|               | <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface loopback 0</pre>   | This step is required if you specify an interface type and number whose primary address becomes the source IP address for the TCP connection.  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <p><b>ipv4 address</b> <i>address mask</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# ipv4 address 10.0.1.3 255.255.255.0</pre>                       | <p>(Optional) Defines the IPv4 address for the interface.</p> <p><b>Note</b><br/>This step is required only if you specify an interface type and number whose primary address becomes the source IP address for the TCP connection. See optional for information about configuring the <b>connect-source</b> command.</p>  |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <p><b>exit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# end</pre>   | Exits interface configuration mode.  |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <p><b>router msdp</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# router msdp</pre>   | Enters MSDP protocol configuration mode.   |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <p><b>default-peer</b> <i>ip-address</i> [<b>prefix-list</b> <i>list</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp)# default-peer 172.23.16.0</pre> | (Optional) Defines a default peer from which to accept all MSDP SA messages.   |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <p><b>originator-id</b> <i>type interface-path-id</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp)# originator-id /1/1/0</pre>                         | (Optional) Allows an MSDP speaker that originates a (Source-Active) SA message to use the IP address of the interface as the RP address in the SA message.   |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <p><b>peer</b> <i>peer-address</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp)# peer 172.31.1.2</pre>   | <p>Enters MSDP peer configuration mode and configures an MSDP peer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Configure the router as a BGP neighbor.</li> <li>• If you are also BGP peering with this MSDP peer, use the same IP address for MSDP and BGP. You are not required to run BGP or multiprotocol BGP with the MSDP peer, as long as there is a BGP or multiprotocol BGP path between the MSDP peers.</li> </ul> |

|         | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------|--|---|
| Step 9  | <b>connect-source</b> <i>type interface-path-id</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp-peer)# connect-source loopback 0</pre> | (Optional) Configures a source address used for an MSDP connection.     |
| Step 10 | <b>mesh-group</b> <i>name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp-peer)# mesh-group internal</pre>                             | (Optional) Configures an MSDP peer to be a member of a mesh group.      |
| Step 11 | <b>remote-as</b> <i>as-number</i><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp-peer)# remote-as 250</pre>                               | (Optional) Configures the remote autonomous system number of this peer. |
| Step 12 | <b>commit</b>  |   |
| Step 13 | <b>show msdp [ipv4] globals</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show msdp globals</pre>   | Displays the MSDP global variables.                                     |
| Step 14 | <b>show msdp [ipv4] peer [peer-address]</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show msdp peer 172.31.1.2</pre>                           | Displays information about the MSDP peer.                               |
| Step 15 | <b>show msdp [ipv4] rpf rpf-address</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show msdp rpf 172.16.10.13</pre>                              | Displays the RPF lookup.  |

## Controlling Source Information on MSDP Peer Routers

Your MSDP peer router can be customized to control source information that is originated, forwarded, received, cached, and encapsulated.

When originating Source-Active (SA) messages, you can control to whom you will originate source information, based on the source that is requesting information.

When forwarding SA messages you can do the following:

- Filter all source/group pairs
- Specify an extended access list to pass only certain source/group pairs
- Filter based on match criteria in a route map

When receiving SA messages you can do the following:

- Filter all incoming SA messages from an MSDP peer
- Specify an extended access list to pass certain source/group pairs
- Filter based on match criteria in a route map

In addition, you can use time to live (TTL) to control what data is encapsulated in the first SA message for every source. For example, you could limit internal traffic to a TTL of eight hops. If you want other groups to go to external locations, you send those packets with a TTL greater than eight hops.

By default, MSDP automatically sends SA messages to peers when a new member joins a group and wants to receive multicast traffic. You are no longer required to configure an SA request to a specified MSDP peer.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **router msdp**
3. **sa-filter** {in | out} {ip-address | peer-name} [**list** access-list-name] [**rp-list** access-list-name]
4. **cache-sa-state** [**list** access-list-name] [**rp-list** access-list-name]
5. **tth-threshold** ttl-value
6. **exit**
7. **ipv4 access-list** name [sequence-number] **permit** source [source-wildcard]
8. **commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>configure</b>   |   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>router msdp</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# router msdp   | Enters MSDP protocol configuration mode.  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>sa-filter</b> {in   out} {ip-address   peer-name} [ <b>list</b> access-list-name] [ <b>rp-list</b> access-list-name]<br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp)# sa-filter out | Configures an incoming or outgoing filter list for messages received from the specified MSDP peer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you specify both the <b>list</b> and <b>rp-list</b> keywords, all conditions must be true to pass any source, group (S, G) pairs in outgoing Source-Active (SA) messages.</li> </ul> |

|               | Command or Action   | Purpose  |
|---------------|---|--|
|               | <pre>router.cisco.com list 100</pre>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You must configure the <b>ipv4 access-list</b> command in <a href="#">Step 7, on page 87</a>.</li> <li>If all match criteria are true, a <b>permit</b> from the route map passes routes through the filter. A <b>deny</b> filters routes.</li> <li>This example allows only (S, G) pairs that pass access list 100 to be forwarded in an SA message to the peer named router.cisco.com.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <p><b>cache-sa-state</b> [<b>list</b> <i>access-list-name</i>] [<b>rp-list</b> <i>access-list-name</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp)# cache-sa-state list 100</pre>                                  | Creates and caches source/group pairs from received Source-Active (SA) messages and controls pairs through access lists.   |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <p><b>ttl-threshold</b> <i>ttl-value</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp)# ttl-threshold 8</pre>   | <p>(Optional) Limits which multicast data is sent in SA messages to an MSDP peer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only multicast packets with an IP header TTL greater than or equal to the <i>ttl-value</i> argument are sent to the MSDP peer specified by the IP address or name.</li> <li>Use this command if you want to use TTL to examine your multicast data traffic. For example, you could limit internal traffic to a TTL of 8. If you want other groups to go to external locations, send those packets with a TTL greater than 8.</li> <li>This example configures a TTL threshold of eight hops.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <p><b>exit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-msdp)# exit</pre>  | Exits the current configuration mode.  |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <p><b>ipv4 access-list</b> <i>name</i> [<i>sequence-number</i>] <b>permit</b> <i>source</i> [<i>source-wildcard</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# ipv4 access-list 100 20 permit 239.1.1.1 0.0.0.0</pre> | <p>Defines an IPv4 access list to be used by SA filtering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In this example, the access list 100 permits multicast group 239.1.1.1.</li> <li>The <b>ipv4 access-list</b> command is required if the keyword <b>list</b> is configured for SA filtering in <a href="#">Step 3, on page 86</a>.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <b>commit</b>   |  |

## Understanding Enabling and Disabling Interfaces

When the Cisco IOS XR software multicast routing feature is configured on your router, by default, no interfaces are enabled.

To enable multicast routing and protocols on a single interface or multiple interfaces, you must explicitly enable interfaces using the **interface** command in multicast routing configuration mode.

To set up multicast routing on all interfaces, enter the **interface all** command in multicast routing configuration mode. For any interface to be fully enabled for multicast routing, it must be enabled specifically (or be default) in multicast routing configuration mode, and it must not be disabled in the PIM and IGMP/MLD configuration modes.

For example, in the following configuration, all interfaces are explicitly configured from multicast routing configuration submode:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config) # multicast-routing
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-mcast) # interface all enable
```

To disable an interface that was globally configured from the multicast routing configuration submode, enter interface configuration submode, as illustrated in the following example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-mcast) # interface GigabitEthernet0pos 0/1/0/0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-mcast-default-ipv4-if) # disable
```

## Designated Routers

Cisco routers use PIM-SM to forward multicast traffic and follow an election process to select a designated router (DR) when there is more than one router on a LAN segment.

The designated router is responsible for sending PIM register and PIM join and prune messages toward the RP to inform it about host group membership.

If there are multiple PIM-SM routers on a LAN, a designated router must be elected to avoid duplicating multicast traffic for connected hosts. The PIM router with the highest IP address becomes the DR for the LAN unless you choose to force the DR election by use of the **dr-priority** command. The DR priority option allows you to specify the DR priority of each router on the LAN segment (default priority = 1) so that the router with the highest priority is elected as the DR. If all routers on the LAN segment have the same priority, the highest IP address is again used as the tiebreaker.




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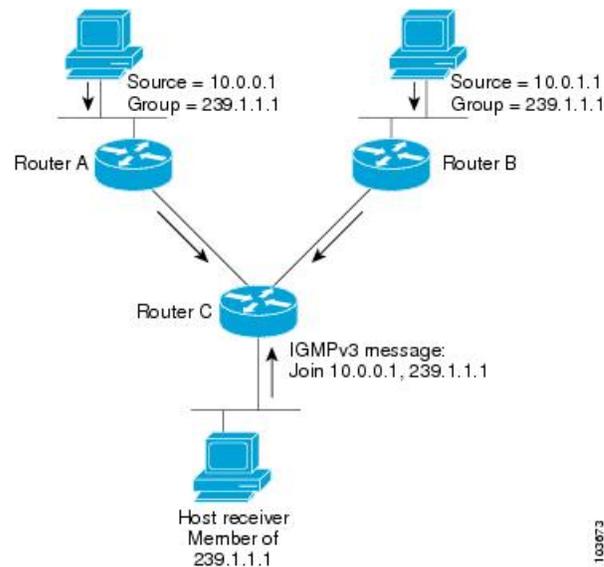
**Note** DR election process is required only on multi access LANs. The last-hop router directly connected to the host is the DR.

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The figure "Designated Router Election on a Multiaccess Segment", below illustrates what happens on a multi access segment. Router A (10.0.0.253) and Router B (10.0.0.251) are connected to a common multi access Ethernet segment with Host A (10.0.0.1) as an active receiver for Group A. As the Explicit Join model is used, only Router A, operating as the DR, sends joins to the RP to construct the shared tree for Group A. If Router

B were also permitted to send (\*,G) joins to the RP, parallel paths would be created and Host A would receive duplicate multicast traffic. When Host A begins to source multicast traffic to the group, the DR's responsibility is to send register messages to the RP. Again, if both routers were assigned the responsibility, the RP would receive duplicate multicast packets.

**Figure 3: Designated Router Election on a Multiaccess Segment**



If the DR fails, the PIM-SM provides a way to detect the failure of Router A and to elect a failover DR. If the DR (Router A) were to become inoperable, Router B would detect this situation when its neighbor adjacency with Router A timed out. Because Router B has been hearing IGMP membership reports from Host A, it already has IGMP state for Group A on this interface and immediately sends a join to the RP when it becomes the new DR. This step reestablishes traffic flow down a new branch of the shared tree using Router B. Additionally, if Host A were sourcing traffic, Router B would initiate a new register process immediately after receiving the next multicast packet from Host A. This action would trigger the RP to join the SPT to Host A, using a new branch through Router B.



**Note** Two PIM routers are neighbors if there is a direct connection between them. To display your PIM neighbors, use the `show pim neighbor` command in EXEC mode.

- They are not used for unicast routing but are used only by PIM to look up an IPv4 next hop to a PIM source.
- They are not published to the Forwarding Information Base (FIB).
- When `mcast-intact` is enabled on an IGP, all IPv4 destinations that were learned through link-state advertisements are published with a set equal-cost `mcast-intact` next-hops to the RIB. This attribute applies even when the native next-hops have no IGP shortcuts.
- In IS-IS, the `max-paths` limit is applied by counting both the native and `mcast-intact` next-hops together. (In OSPFv2, the behavior is slightly different.)

### Configuration Example

Configures the router to use DR priority 4 for TenGigE interface 0/0/0/1, but other interfaces will inherit DR priority 2:

```
Router#configure
Router(config)#router pim
Router(config-pim-default)#address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#dr-priority 2
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/1
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)#dr-priority 4
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#commit
```

### Running Configuration

```
Router#show run router pim
router pim
  address-family ipv4
    dr-priority 2
    spt-threshold infinity
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/1
    dr-priority 4
    hello-interval 45
```

### Verification

Verify if the parameters are set according to the configured values:

```
Router#show pim interface
PIM interfaces in VRF default
Address          Interface          PIM  Nbr  Hello  DR    DR Count Intvl  Prior
100.1.1.1        TenGigE0/0/0/1    on   1    45    4    this system
26.1.1.1         TenGigE0/0/0/26   on   1    30    2    this system
```

## Designated Router Election Using StickyDR

Table 16: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                              | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---|---------------------|---|
| Designated Router Election Using StickyDR | Release 7.4.1       | <p>With this feature, the router sends a PIM <i>hello</i> message with a special PIM DR priority value on a multi-access LAN. The router with this special DR priority value is always elected as the designated router. The traffic now flows in the same path even when a new router is added.</p> <p>This feature introduces the <b>sticky-dr</b> command.</p> |

When you enable PIM on an interface or reload a router, router periodically sends the PIM Hello messages on each interface. PIM Hello messages allow a router to learn neighboring PIM routers on each interface and

elects a Designated Router (DR) based on the DR Priority. The DR election avoids duplicating multicast traffic for connected hosts.

Each time the DR is reelected, the multicast control tree sets up a new path and the multicast traffic flows in different direction.

With Sticky DR feature, the designated router remains the same and doesn't allow any other router to become the designated router. The multicast control tree does not set up a new path and the multicast traffic flows in same direction, thus avoids traffic loss. DR election isn't based on DR priority.

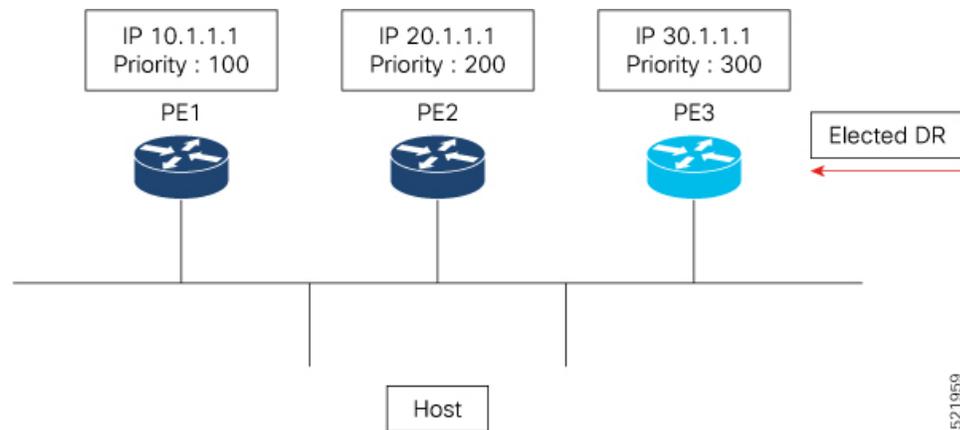
After you enable the sticky DR feature, the elected DR no longer advertises configured DR. Instead the router sends PIM Hello message with special PIM DR priority value which is reserved for Sticky PIM DR.

**Restrictions**

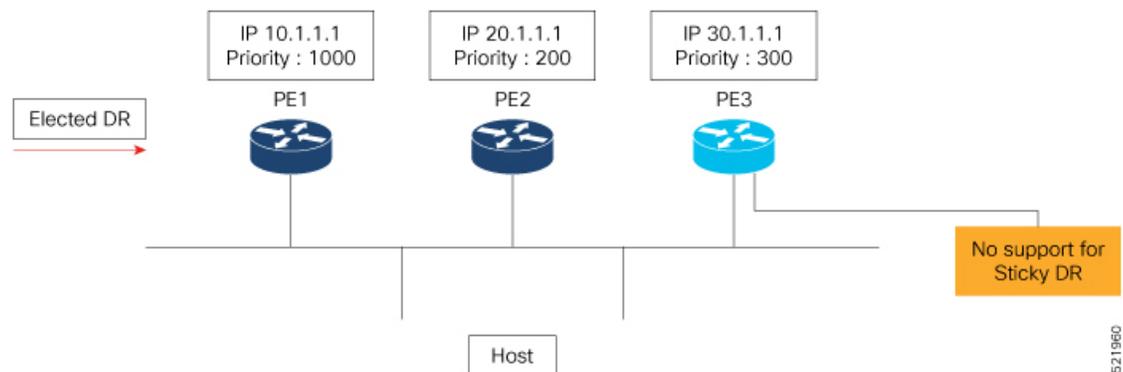
- The Sticky DR priority value is 4294967294. You must not configure DR priority with the value 4294967294 or any number greater than this value.

**Topology**

In this topology, PE1, PE2, PE3 are three PIM routers connected on a LAN. PE3 has the maximum priority and hence PE3 is elected as DR.

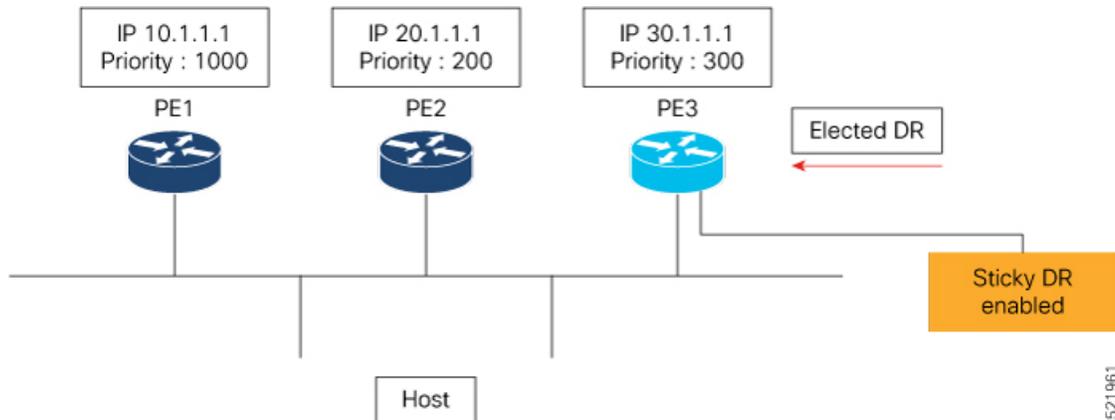


Now, when you configure PE1 with DR priority 1000, DR election process is re-initiated and PE1 becomes the new DR.



Every time a new DR is elected, the control tree computes a new path for traffic flow.

Now if you enable sticky DR on PE3, the PE3 remains the designated router irrespective of the DR priority of the PE devices.



In this example, the sticky DR is configured on PE3 and PE3 always remains as the DR.

### Configuration

Let's configure sticky DR on PE3. To configure sticky DR on an interface, perform the following task:

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# router pim
Router(config-pim-default)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# interface bundle-ether 72.1
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# sticky-dr
Router(config-ipv4-acl)# commit
```

### Verification

The following output specifies that the Sticky DR is enabled on the interface and active:

```
Router# show pim interface bundle-ether 72.1 detail

PIM interfaces in VRF default
IP PIM Multicast Interface State
Flag: B - Bidir enabled, NB - Bidir disabled
      P - PIM Proxy enabled, NP - PIM Proxy disabled
      V - Virtual Interface, S - Sticky DR enabled
BFD State - State/Interval/Multiplier

Interface                PIM  Nbr  Hello  DR
                        Count Intvl Prior

Bundle-Ether72.1         on   2    30    100000
  Primary Address : 200.1.72.1
    Flags : B NP S V
    BFD : On/150 ms/3
    DR : this system
  Propagation delay : 500
  Override Interval : 2500
    Hello Timer : 00:00:24
  Neighbor Filter : -
    Sticky DR : Configured, Active since Mon Jul 26 16:53:01 2021

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```

```

Sticky DR Event History
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Event                State          Time
-----
Dynamic Batch        Active         (null)

```

The following output specifies that the Sticky DR is enabled on the interface and is inactive:

```
Router# show pim interface bundle-ether 72.1 detail
```

```

PIM interfaces in VRF default
IP PIM Multicast Interface State
Flag: B - Bidir enabled, NB - Bidir disabled
      P - PIM Proxy enabled, NP - PIM Proxy disabled
      V - Virtual Interface, S - Sticky DR enabled
BFD State - State/Interval/Multiplier

Interface                PIM Nbr  Hello  DR
                        Count Intvl Prior

Bundle-Ether72.1         on   2     30     1
  Primary Address : 200.1.72.1
  Flags : B NP S V
  BFD : On/150 ms/3
  DR : 200.1.72.2
  Propagation delay : 500
  Override Interval : 2500
  Hello Timer : 00:00:18
  Neighbor Filter : -
  Sticky DR : Configured, Inactive

```

```
Router# show pim neighbor detail
```

```

PIM neighbors in VRF default
Flag: B - Bidir capable, P - Proxy capable, DR - Designated Router,
      E - ECMP Redirect capable, S - Sticky DR Neighbor
      * indicates the neighbor created for this router

Neighbor Address          Interface                Uptime    Expires  DR pri    Flags
-----
201.7.7.7*                tunnel-mte1019           2d17h    00:01:36 1        (DR) B
E
  Expiry Timer: 00:01:05
201.7.7.7*                tunnel-mte1001           2d17h    00:01:36 1        (DR) B
E
  Expiry Timer: 00:01:12
200.1.71.1*               Bundle-Ether71.1        2d17h    00:01:31 99       (DR) B
  Expiry Timer: 00:00:02
200.1.71.2                Bundle-Ether71.1        2d17h    00:01:19 1        B
BFD State: enabled
201.7.7.7*                Loopback0                2d17h    00:01:41 1        (DR) B
E
  Expiry Timer: 00:01:12
201.202.7.7*             Loopback1                2d17h    00:01:40 1        (DR) B
E
  Expiry Timer: 00:01:11
200.1.72.1*               Bundle-Ether72.1        2d17h    00:01:15 -        (DR) B
S
  Expiry Timer: 00:01:21

```

### Disable Sticky DR

To disable the sticky DR feature, perform the following task:

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# router pim
Router(config-pim-default)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# interface bundle-ether 72.1
Router(config-pim-ipv4-if)# no sticky-dr
Router(config-ipv4-acl)# commit
```

To clear the DR stickiness and force the DR reelection, use the following command:

```
Router# clear pim interface bundle-ether 72.1 sticky-dr
```

## Multicast VPN

Multicast VPN (MVPN) provides the ability to dynamically provide multicast support over MPLS networks. MVPN introduces an additional set of protocols and procedures that help enable a provider to support multicast traffic in a VPN.



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**Note** PIM-Bidir is not supported on MVPN.

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There are two ways MCAST VPN traffic can be transported over the core network:

- Rosen GRE (native): MVPN uses GRE with unique multicast distribution tree (MDT) forwarding to enable scalability of native IP Multicast in the core network. MVPN introduces multicast routing information to the VPN routing and forwarding table (VRF), creating a Multicast VRF. In Rosen GRE, the MCAST customer packets (c-packets) are encapsulated into the provider MCAST packets (p-packets), so that the PIM protocol is enabled in the provider core, and mrib/mfib is used for forwarding p-packets in the core.
- MLDP ones (Rosen, partition): MVPN allows a service provider to configure and support multicast traffic in an MPLS VPN environment. This type supports routing and forwarding of multicast packets for each individual VPN routing and forwarding (VRF) instance, and it also provides a mechanism to transport VPN multicast packets across the service provider backbone. In the MLDP case, the regular label switch path forwarding is used, so core does not need to run PIM protocol. In this scenario, the c-packets are encapsulated in the MPLS labels and forwarding is based on the MPLS Label Switched Paths (LSPs), similar to the unicast case.

In both the above types, the MVPN service allows you to build a Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM) domain that has sources and receivers located in different sites.

To provide Layer 3 multicast services to customers with multiple distributed sites, service providers look for a secure and scalable mechanism to transmit customer multicast traffic across the provider network. Multicast VPN (MVPN) provides such services over a shared service provider backbone, using native multicast technology similar to BGP/MPLS VPN.

MVPN emulates MPLS VPN technology in its adoption of the multicast domain (MD) concept, in which provider edge (PE) routers establish virtual PIM neighbor connections with other PE routers that are connected to the same customer VPN. These PE routers thereby form a secure, virtual multicast domain over the provider network. Multicast traffic is then transmitted across the core network from one site to another, as if the traffic were going through a dedicated provider network.

Multi-instance BGP is supported on multicast and MVPN. Multicast-related SAFIs can be configured on multiple BGP instances.

## Multicast VPN Routing and Forwarding

Dedicated multicast routing and forwarding tables are created for each VPN to separate traffic in one VPN from traffic in another.

The VPN-specific multicast routing and forwarding database is referred to as **MVRF**. On a PE router, an MVRF is created when multicast is enabled for a VRF. Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM), and Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) protocols run in the context of MVRF, and all routes created by an MVRF protocol instance are associated with the corresponding MVRF. In addition to VRFs, which hold VPN-specific protocol states, a PE router always has a global VRF instance, containing all routing and forwarding information for the provider network.

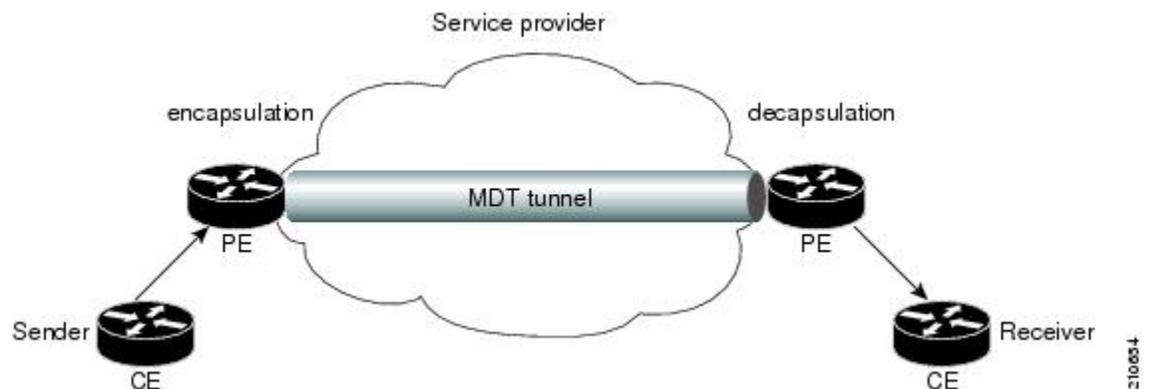
## Multicast Distribution Tree Tunnels

The multicast distribution tree (MDT) can span multiple customer sites through provider networks, allowing traffic to flow from one source to multiple receivers. For MLDP, the MDT tunnels are called Labeled MDT (LMDT).

Secure data transmission of multicast packets sent from the customer edge (CE) router at the ingress PE router is achieved by encapsulating the packets in a provider header and transmitting the packets across the core. At the egress PE router, the encapsulated packets are decapsulated and then sent to the CE receiving routers.

Multicast distribution tree (MDT) tunnels are point-to-multipoint. A MDT tunnel interface is an interface that MVRF uses to access the multicast domain. It can be deemed as a passage that connects an MVRF and the global MVRF. Packets sent to an MDT tunnel interface are received by multiple receiving routers. Packets sent to an MDT tunnel interface are encapsulated, and packets received from a MDT tunnel interface are decapsulated.

**Figure 4: Virtual PIM Peer Connection over an MDT Tunnel Interface**



Encapsulating multicast packets in a provider header allows PE routers to be kept unaware of the packets' origin—all VPN packets passing through the provider network are viewed as native multicast packets and are routed based on the routing information in the core network. To support MVPN, PE routers only need to support native multicast routing.

MVPN also supports optimized VPN traffic forwarding for high-bandwidth applications that have sparsely distributed receivers. A dedicated multicast group can be used to encapsulate packets from a specific source,

and an optimized MDT can be created to send traffic only to PE routers connected to interested receivers. This is referred to **data MDT**.

## Naming Data MDTs

*Table 17: Feature History Table*

| Feature Name     | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|------------------|---------------------|--|
| Naming Data MDTs | Release 7.5.2       | You can decide on the multicast flow that must be mapped to a specific MDT by naming it and assigning the flows to the named data MDT. |

This feature enables you to deterministically map flows to data MDT at ingress PE by assigning the flows to a named data MDT.

You can define and create policies to map flows, which must flow to the required PEs, to specific data MDTs instead of dynamically multiplexing the flow to existing data MDT. This mapping makes the distribution of flows to data MDT more deterministic and solves the inherent inefficiencies.

Transitioning a flow to a data MDT occurs in one of the following conditions:

- The rate of the flow reaches the configured threshold limit.

You can set the threshold limit of data MDTs by using the following command:

```
mdt data <max nr of data groups> (threshold)
```

- Immediate switch is configured in which case the flow when detected is transitioned to a data MDT.

For more details of immediate switch option configuration, see [mdt data ingress replication](#) command.

The multicast flow is transitioned into named data MDT if the following conditions are met:

- The criteria for a flow to be part of the data MDT is met.
- The flow satisfies the rules that are associated with the route-policy.

### Named Data MDT

Based on the configured threshold, when the multicast flow is chosen to be transitioned to data MDT, the flow is compared against the configured route-policy. If it satisfies the specified conditions, the Cisco IOS XR software creates a named data MDT and transitions the flow to the new named data MDT.

The transport-specific parameters that are required to build the distribution tree based on the underlay transport (like FEC for MLDP) are autogenerated. Subsequent flows that match the policy and are mapped to the same named data MDT, are multiplexed to the same multicast transport tree in the core.

Even if you are using only named data MDTs, and the number of named data MDTs that can be configured is independent of the number of data MDTs configured, you have to configure a nonzero data MDT value for creating named data MDTs.

## Flow-Mapping Rules for Named Data MDT

When you use route-policy to create named data MDTs, the following rules may be applicable:

- You can map disparate multicast flows to the same named data-mdt.
- You can specify multiple named data MDTs in one policy.
- Only the flows that are mapped using the route-policy use a named data MDT.

Flows which do not match the route-policy but are eligible to be transitioned to data-mdt, are transitioned to regular data-mdt.

- You can map a named-data MDT to only one path (Refer Chapter: Flexible Algorithm for MLDP).  
You can have a rule for creating a new named-data-mdt, that uses the same flexible algorithm which is used by another rule.
- You can map the named data MDT to only one color (configured using the **set on-demand-color <val>** command), when Tree-SID is used as core.
- Named data MDTs with the same name in different VRFs create different named data MDTs.
- If you use the same route-policies across VRFs, it creates different data MDTs.
- Named data MDTs with same name in IPv4 and IPv6 AF of a VRF creates different named data MDTs.
- Flows that do not match the route policy are mapped to dynamic MDTs.




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**Note** Any change to the route-policy, deletes the existing named-data-mdt and recreates it.

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## Restrictions and Limitation of Named Data MDT

- The total number of named data MDTs and the number of dynamic data MDTs across all VRFs and address families (AF) must not exceed the router-supported limit for a given transport.
- The number of flows that can be transitioned to a single named data MDT is restricted to 255 by default. You can change this default 255 value using the **mdt data max-aggregation <value>** command. However, the total number of named data MDTs that can be created is not limited by the total number of regular data MDTs allowed by the configuration.

When you update the maximum aggregation (**max-aggregation**) value, it does not re-evaluate the existing flows. However, the updated value is applicable to the new flows.

## Configuring Named Data MDT

You can apply the route-policy for named data MDT using the following sample configurations and verify using the show commands:

```
Router(config)#multicast-routing vrf red address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-red-ipv4) #mdt data mldp 10 route-policy RedGroup-1
Router(config-mcast-red-ipv4) #
Router(config-mcast-red-ipv4) #exit

Router(config) #route-policy RedGroup-1
Router(config-rpl) #if destination in (228.0.0.0/24 le 32) then
```

```

Router(config-rpl-if) #set data-mdt RedGroup-1
Router(config-rpl-if) #set flex-algo 128
Router(config-rpl-if) #pass
Router(config-rpl-if) #endif
Router(config-rpl) #end-policy

```

### Verifying Named Data MDT

The following command outputs show the Name column which has the data MDT name.

```

Router#show pim vrt von1 mdt cache
Fri Aug 6 09:39:17.210 PDT

```

```

Core Source Cust (Source, Group) Core Data Expires Name
192.0.2.4 (31.3.233.7, 232.0.0.1) [tree-id 524296] never RedGroup-1

```

```

Leaf AD: 192.0.2.2
192.0.2.1

```

```

192.0.2.4 (31.3.233.7, 232.0.0.2) [tree-id 524296] never RedGroup-2

```

```

Leaf AD: 192.0.2.1

```

```

Router#show pim vrf vpn1 mdt sr-p2mp local
Fri Aug 6 09:39:20.435 PDT

```

```

Tree MDT Cache DIP Local VRF Routes On-demand Name
Identifier Source Count Entry Using Cache Color
[tree-id 524296 (0x80008)] 192.0.2.4 2 N Y 2 0 RedGroup-1

```

```

Tree.SID Leaf: 192.0.2.1
192.0.2.2

```

```

Router#

```

```

Router#sh pim vrf vpn2 mdt cache

```

```

Tue Aug 17 04:39:58.751 PDT

```

```

Core Source Cust (Source, Group) Core Data Expires Name
192.0.2.4 (31.3.234.7, 232.0.0.1) [global-id 7] 00:02:14 n-mdt-vrf-vpn2
192.0.2.4 (31.3.234.7, 232.0.0.2) [global-id 7] 00:02:14 n-mdt-vrf-vpn2
192.0.2.4 (31.3.234.7, 232.0.0.3) [global-id 7] 00:02:14 n-mdt-vrf-vpn2

```

```

Router#

```

```

Router#

```

```

Router#sh pim vrf von2 mdt mldp local

```

```

Tue Aug 17 04:40:19.160 PDT

```

```

Core MDT Cache Max DIP Local VRF Routes Name
Identifier Source Count Agg Entry Using Cache
[global-id 71 3 255 N Y 3 n-mdt-vrf-von2

```

```

Router#

```

## Internet Group Management Protocol

Cisco IOS XR Software provides support for Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) over IPv4.

IGMP provides a means for hosts to indicate which multicast traffic they are interested in and for routers to control and limit the flow of multicast traffic throughout the network. Routers build state by means of IGMP messages; that is, router queries and host reports.

A set of routers and hosts that receive multicast data streams from the same source is called a multicast group. Hosts use IGMP messages to join and leave multicast groups.



**Note** IGMP messages use group addresses, which are Class D IP addresses. The high-order four bits of a Class D address are 1110. Host group addresses can be in the range 224.0.0.0 to 239.255.255.255. The address is guaranteed not to be assigned to any group. The address 224.0.0.1 is assigned to all systems on a subnet. The address 224.0.0.2 is assigned to all routers on a subnet.

NCS 5500 supports IGMPv3 by default. No configuration is required. IGMP Version 3 permits joins and leaves for certain source and group pairs instead of requesting traffic from all sources in the multicast group.

### Restrictions

IGMP snooping under VPLS bridge domain is not supported.

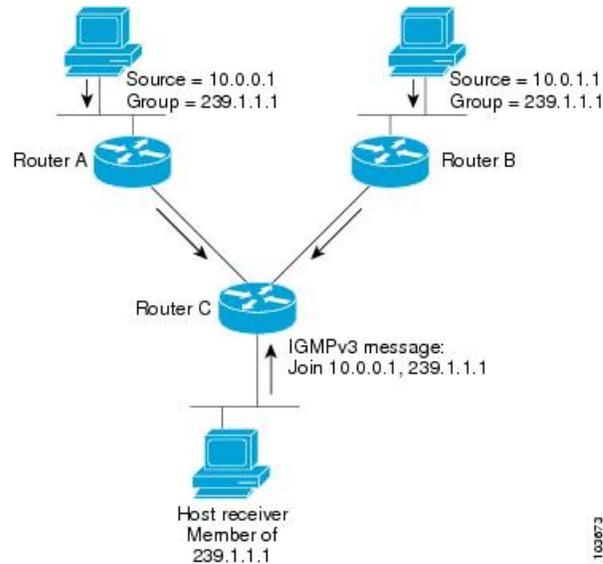
### Functioning of IGMP Routing

The following image "IGMP Singaling" , illustrates two sources, 10.0.0.1 and 10.0.1.1, that are multicasting to group 239.1.1.1.

The receiver wants to receive traffic addressed to group 239.1.1.1 from source 10.0.0.1 but not from source 10.0.1.1.

The host must send an IGMPv3 message containing a list of sources and groups (S, G) that it wants to join and a list of sources and groups (S, G) that it wants to leave. Router C can now use this information to prune traffic from Source 10.0.1.1 so that only Source 10.0.0.1 traffic is being delivered to Router C.

**Figure 5: IGMP Signaling**



## Configuring Maximum IGMP Per Interface Group Limit

The IGMP Per Interface States Limit sets a limit on creating OIF for the IGMP interface. When the set limit is reached, the group is not accounted against this interface but the group can exist in IGMP context for some other interface.

- If a user has configured a maximum of 20 groups and has reached the maximum number of groups, then no more groups can be created. If the user reduces the maximum number of groups to 10, the 20 joins will remain and a message of reaching the maximum is displayed. No more joins can be added until the number of groups has reached less than 10.
- If a user already has configured a maximum of 30 joins and add a max of 20, the configuration occurs displaying a message that the maximum has been reached. No state change occurs and also no more joins can occur until the threshold number of groups is brought down below the maximum number of groups.

### Configuration Example

Configures all interfaces with 4000 maximum groups per interface except TenGigE interface 0/0/0/6, which is set to 3000:

```
Router#config
Router(config)#router igmp
Router(config-igmp)#maximum groups-per-interface 4000
Router(config-igmp)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
Router(config-igmp-default-if)#maximum groups-per-interface 3000
Router(config-igmp-default-if)#commit
```

### Running Configuration

```
router igmp
 interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
   maximum groups-per-interface 3000
 !
 maximum groups-per-interface 4000
 !
```

### Verification

```
Router#show igmp summary
Robustness Value 2
No. of Group x Interfaces 37
Maximum number of Group x Interfaces 50000
Supported Interfaces : 9
Unsupported Interfaces: 0
Enabled Interfaces : 8
Disabled Interfaces : 1
MTE tuple count : 0
Interface                Number  Max #
                          Groups   Groups
Loopback0                 4       4000
TenGigE0/0/0/0            5       4000
TenGigE0/0/0/1            5       4000
TenGigE0/0/0/2            0       4000
TenGigE0/0/0/3            5       4000
TenGigE0/0/0/6            5       3000
TenGigE0/0/0/18           5       4000
TenGigE0/0/0/19           5       4000
TenGigE0/0/0/6.1         3       4000
```

## SSM Static Source Mapping

Configure a source (1.1.1.1) as part of a set of sources that map SSM groups described by the specified access-list (4).

## Configuration Example

```

Router#configure
Router(config)#ipv4 access-list 4
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#permit ipv4 any 229.1.1.0 0.0.0.255
Router(config-ipv4-acl)#exit
Router(config)# multicast-routing
Router(config-mcast)#address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#ssm range 4
Router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#exit
Router(config-mcast)#exit
Router(config)#router igmp
Router(config-igmp)#ssm map static 1.1.1.1 4
*/Repeat the above step as many times as you have source addresses to include in the set
for SSM mapping/*
Router(config-igmp)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
Router(config-igmp-default-if)#static-group 229.1.1.1
Router(config-igmp-default-if)#commit

```

## Running Configuration

```

Router#show run multicast-routing
multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
    ssm range 4
  interface all enable
  !
!
Router#show access-lists 4
ipv4 access-list 4
  10 permit ipv4 any 229.1.1.0 0.0.0.255

Router#show run router igmp
router igmp
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
  static-group 229.1.1.1
  !
  ssm map static 1.1.1.1 4

```

## Verification

Verify if the parameters are set according to the configured values:

```

Router#show mrib route 229.1.1.1 detail
IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
             C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
             IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
             MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
             CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
             MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
             MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,
                NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
                LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
                EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
                EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
                MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
                IRMI - IR MDT Interface
(1.1.1.1,229.1.1.1) RPF nbr: 1.1.1.1 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:01:11
Incoming Interface List

```

```

Loopback0 Flags: A, Up: 00:01:11
Outgoing Interface List
TenGigE0/0/0/3 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:01:11

```

## IPv6 Multicast for Multiple Sources

Table 18: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                        | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| IPv6 Multicast for Multiple Sources | Release 7.5.1       | <p>This feature extends the existing support for NCS 5700 line cards to routers equipped with Cisco NCS 5700 line cards, whether they are operating in native or compatible modes.</p> <p>IPv6 multicast supports multiple sources for a single multicast group.</p> |



**Note** When a router has LCs (with and without external TCAMs), it operates with default IPv6 multicast route scale, which is programmed on the LC without an external TCAM.

Prior to Cisco IOS XR Release 24.2.21, by default, the SOC property was set to achieve the multicast route scale on NCS-57C3-MODS-SYS with external TCAM. Starting from Cisco IOS XR Release 24.2.21, to achieve the multicast route scale on NCS-57C3-MODS-SYS with external TCAM, use the **hw-module multicast route-scale-kbp** command in the XR configuration mode. With this configuration, you can achieve up to 100K IPv4 routes and 60K IPv6 routes.



**Note** The **hw-module multicast route-scale-kbp** configuration is supported on Cisco IOS XR Release 24.2.21, 24.4.02 and later.

# Display Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MFIB) Routes

Table 19: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                               | Release Information | Description   |
|--|---------------------|---|
| Multicast Layer 3 VPNs<br>CLI enhancements | Release 24.2.1      | You can now view the detailed information about the IPv4 and IPv6 Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MFIB) hardware routes for a specified source and group at a specific location.<br><br>Previously the command only showed the MFIB routes for software, additional steps were required to verify the hardware routes, by checking in the SDK. |

Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MFIB) hardware routes are often used to view the hardware routes for both IPv4 and IPv6 multicast forwarding.

This table lists commands used to display multicast routes managed by the hardware.

Table 20: show commands for Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MFIB) Hardware Routes

| Command   | Description  |
|---|--|
| <b>show mfib ipv4 hardware route &lt;source ipv4 address&gt; &lt;group ipv4 address&gt; detail location &lt;node-id&gt;</b> | Displays hardware Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MFIB) entry for a specified IPv4 source and group address on a specific location. |
| <b>show mfib ipv6 hardware route &lt;source ipv4 address&gt; &lt;group ipv4 address&gt; detail location &lt;node-id&gt;</b> | Displays hardware Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MFIB) entry for a specified IPv6 source and group address on a specific location. |

To display detailed MFIB hardware route information for the IPv4 address, use the **show mfib ipv4 hardware route** command.

```
RP/0/RSP0CPU0:router:hostname#show mfib ipv4 hardware route 198.51.100.1 232.1.1.1 detail
location 0/0/CPU0
Tue Jun 25 14:27:45.147 UTC
Route (198.51.100.1: 232.1.1.1)
  HAL PD context
    VRF ID: 0 Core MCID : 0 Core backup MCID 0 Routeid: 69 trans_id 824

  HAL Ingress route context:
    Route FGID: 12576 RPF IF signal : not-set Local receivers: set
    Encap ID flag: not-set, Encap ID: 0
    Tunnel RIF: 0x0
    Statistics enabled: not-set

  Ingress engine context:
    local_route: set, is_accept_intf_bvi: not-set is_tun_rif_set: not-set
    VRF ID: 0 RPF ID: 0 Tunnel RIF: 0x0
  HAL Egress route context:
    RPF ID: 0

  Egress engine context:
```

```

    bvi_count: 1

DPA Route context:
  Handle: 308abad770
  Dpa_trans_id: 394553
  Number of OLE: 1   VRF ID: 0
  Incoming interface : Te0/0/0/20.100 A_intf_id: 0x20 Merged flag 1
  Tunnel RIF : 0x0 Tunnel LIF : 0x0 FGID: 12576
  FEC ID : 0x2000ffb4 Punt action: 0x0
  TCAM entry ID : 0x0 IPMC action: 0x0 FEC Accessed 1
  L3 Intf Refhandle : 0x308ba9d098 L3 interface ref key: 0x0
  Statistics enabled : not-set Statistics activated : not-set

NPU Ingress Resource:
  NPU: 0
  vrf:0 ,src:198.51.100.1, grp:232.1.1.1, result: 0x2000ffb4
  FEC Idx: 0x2000ffb4, RPF: 32 MCID: 12576

Egress Route OLEs:
  Handle: 308ea3d098
  Dpa_trans_id: 394552
  NPU ID: 0 Outgoing intf: Te0/0/0/20.300
  OLE Type : BVI
  is_recycle_lif_ole: not-set recycle_lif:0
  outgoing port : 0x26 cud: 0x0 is_bundle: 0
  Sys_port : 0x0 mpls encap id: 0x0 LAG ID: 0
  is_pw_access: 0 pw_encap_id:0
  L3 intf refhdl : 0x0 L3 intf refkey: 0x0
  L2 Port refhandle : 0x308ba47178 L2 Port refkey: 0x130
  MPLS nh refhandle : 0x0 MPLS nh refkey: 0x0
  LAG port refhandle : 0x0 LAG port refkey: 0x0
  EFP-Visibility: set
  Parent Ifhandle: 0x8012, Parent Interface: Te0/0/0/20.300
  BVI Ifhandle: 0x2000801c, BVI Interface BVI
  Total fwd packets : 0 Total fwd bytes: 0

NPU Egress Resource:
  NPU: 0
  replications: 1
  gport: 0x4000026 cud1: 0x6 cud2: 0x2000

```

To display detailed MFIB hardware route information for the IPv6 address, use the **show mfib ipv6 hardware route** command.

```

RP/0/RSP0CPU0:router:hostname#show mfib ipv6 hardware route 2001:DB8::2 FF3E::8000:2 detail
location 0/0/CPU0

Tue Jun 18 15:38:03.590 UTC
Route (2001:DB8::2: FF3E::8000:2)
  HAL PD context
    VRF ID: 0 Core MCID : 0 Core backup MCID 0 Routeid: 51 trans_id 292

  HAL Ingress route context:
    Route FGID: 8242 RPF IF signal : not-set Local receivers: set
    Encap ID flag: not-set, Encap ID: 0
    Tunnel RIF: 0x0
    Statistics enabled: not-set

  Ingress engine context:
    local_route: set, is_accept_intf_bvi: not-set is_tun_rif_set: not-set
    VRF ID: 0 RPF ID: 0 Tunnel RIF: 0x0

  HAL Egress route context:
    RPF ID: 0

```

```

Egress engine context:
  bvi_count: 1

DPA Route context:
Handle: 3090e8d728
Dpa_trans_id: 6834
Number of OLE: 1   VRF ID: 0
Incoming interface : Te0/0/0/17.200 A_intf_id: 0x2c Merged flag 0
Tunnel RIF : 0x0 Tunnel LIF : 0x0 FGID: 8242
FEC ID : 0x20013369 Punt action: 0x0
TCAM entry ID : 0x0 IPMC action: 0x0 FEC Accessed 0
L3 Intf Refhandle : 0x30904dd7d8 L3 interface ref key: 0x0
Statistics enabled : not-set Statistics activated : not-set

NPU Ingress Resource:
NPU: 0
vrf:0 ,src:2001:DB8::2, grp:FF3E::8000:2
result1:2, result2: 0x20013369
FEC Idx: 0x13369, RPF: 44 MCID: -1

Egress Route OLEs:
Handle: 3090eb7db8
Dpa_trans_id: 6833
NPU ID: 0 Outgoing intf: Te0/0/0/17.300
OLE Type : BVI
is_recycle_lif_ole: not-set recycle_lif:0
outgoing port : 0x24 cud: 0x302800 is_bundle: 0
Sys_port : 0x0 mpls encap id: 0x0 LAG ID: 0
is_pw_access: 0 pw_encap_id:0
L3 intf refhdl : 0x0 L3 intf refkey: 0x0
L2 Port refhandle : 0x30904ecab8 L2 Port refkey: 0x3c000120
MPLS nh refhandle : 0x0 MPLS nh refkey: 0x0
LAG port refhandle : 0x0 LAG port refkey: 0x0
EFP-Visibility: set
Parent Ifhandle: 0x3c008002, Parent Interface: Te0/0/0/17.300
BVI Ifhandle: 0x3c00801c, BVI Interface BVI
Total fwd packets : 0 Total fwd bytes: 0

NPU Egress Resource:
NPU: 0
replications: 1
gport: 0x4000024 cud1: 0x302800 cud2: 0xffffffff

```

## Statistics for Ingress Multicast Routes

Multicast and interface statistics are often used for accounting purpose. By default Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MFIB) does not store multicast route statistics.

This table lists commands used to display or reset multicast route statistics stored in MFIB.

**Table 21: show and clear commands for Multicast Statistics**

| Command   | Description  |
|---|--|
| <b>show mfib hardware route statistics detail</b><br><b>&lt;source-address&gt; location &lt;node-id&gt;</b> | Displays platform-specific MFIB information for the packet and byte counters for multicast routes originating from the specified source. |

| Command  | Description   |
|--|---|
| <b>Show mfib hardware route statistics detail</b><br><b>&lt;source-address&gt;&lt;group-address&gt; location</b><br><b>&lt;node-id&gt;</b> | Displays platform-specific MFIB information for the packet and byte counters for multicast routes originating from the specified source and belonging to specified multicast group. |
| <b>clear mfib hardware route statistics location</b><br><b>&lt;node-id&gt;</b>   | Resets allocated counter values regardless of the MFIB hardware statistics mode from the designated node.   |
| <b>clear mfib hardware route statistics</b><br><b>&lt;source-address&gt; location &lt;node-id&gt;</b>                                      | Resets allocated counter values regardless of the MFIB hardware statistics mode from the designated node (0/0/CPU0) for specified multicast route source.                           |
| <b>clear mfib hardware route statistics</b><br><b>&lt;source-address&gt;&lt;group-address&gt; location</b><br><b>&lt;node-id&gt;</b>       | Resets allocated counter values regardless of the MFIB hardware statistics mode from the designated node (0/0/CPU0) for specified multicast route source and multicast group.       |

## Configuring Statistics for Ingress Multicast Routes

### Configuration Example

In this example you will enable MRIB route statistics logging for ingress multicast routes for all locations:

```
/*Configure IPv4 ACL enabling multicast route statistics for the configured ACLs. */

ipv6 access-list v6
10 permit ipv6 any host ff33::1
!
ipv4 access-list v4
10 permit ipv4 any host 232.1.1.1
!

/* Enable multicast route statistics for the configured ACL. */
/* VRF */
Router#config
Router(config)#hw-module route-stats l3mcast vrf [default | <vrf_name>] [ipv4 | ipv6] ingress
<access_list_name>
Router(config)#commit
Router(config)#exit

* IPv4 */
Router#config
Router(config)#hw-module route-stats l3mcast ipv4 ingress <access_list_name>
Router(config)#commit
Router(config)#exit

* IPv6 */
Router#config
Router(config)#hw-module route-stats l3mcast ipv6 ingress <access_list_name>
Router(config)#commit
Router(config)#exit
```

### Running Configuration

```

multicast-routing
address-family ipv4
rate-per-route
interface all enable
!
address-family ipv6
rate-per-route
interface all enable
!
!

```

### Verification

The below show commands display the multicast statistics for source (20.0.0.2), group (232.1.1.1) for ingress route:



**Note** The multicast egress statistics per flow (per SG) is not supported. But egress interface level multicast statistics is supported. Also the drop statistics is not supported.

```

Router#show mfib route rate
IP Multicast Forwarding Rates
(20.0.0.2,232.1.1.1)
Incoming rate :
Node : 0/0/CPU0 : 1000 / 367998
Outgoing rate :
Node : 0/0/CPU0 : 0 / 0

```

## Multicast Route Statistics

*Table 22: Feature History Table*

| Feature Name                              | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---|---------------------|---|
| Enhancement to Multicast Route Statistics | Release 7.3.1       | When enabled, this feature provides information on the rate of packets received and OLE for a multicast route. Starting this release, the feature is extended on the Cisco NCS 5500 series routers.<br><br>In addition, this feature is supported on ingress IPv6 stats on routers installed with SE cards. |

Multicast route statistic feature provides information about the multicast routes. The multicast statistics information includes the rate at which packets are received.

Before enabling multicast route statistics, you must configure an ACL to specify which of the IP route statistics to be captured.

## Restrictions and Usage Guidelines for Multicast Route Statistics

These are the points that you should consider before implementing multicast route statistics feature:

- Multicast route statistics are available for <S,G> routes only. The statistics for <\*,G> routes are not available.
- Multicast route statistics for egress direction is not supported.
- When ACL is mapped with **hw-module router-stats** configuration, you can't modify the ACL. To modify ACLs that are mapped with router-stats, remove the existing **hw-module router-stats** configuration and update the ACL entries. Then, configure the **hw-module router-stats** again.

This feature supports:

- L3 Multicast traffic
- MVPN GRE
- Multicast over GRE
- LSM

## Configure Multicast Route Statistics

*Table 23: Feature History Table*

| Feature Name                                      | Release Information | Description   |
|---|---------------------|---|
| YANG Data Models for Multicast Interface Counters | Release 7.4.1       | This feature introduces YANG data model support for multicast packets, in and out bytes per interface and sub-interface. With this feature, you can programmatically retrieve the operational details of multicast interfaces. You can access the data models from the <a href="#">Github</a> repository. |

Configuring multicast route statistics includes these main tasks:

- Configuring an ACL
- Enabling multicast route statistics for the configured ACLs

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

```
/* Configure an ACL matching the (S,G) routes for which statistics have to be captured:*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# ipv4 access-list mcast-counter
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)# 10 permit ipv4 host 10.1.1.2 host 224.2.151.1
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)# 30 permit ipv4 10.1.1.0/24 232.0.4.0/22
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)# 50 permit ipv4 192.168.0.0/24 232.0.4.0/22
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)#commit
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)#exit
```

```
/* Enable multicast route statistics for the configured ACL in the ingress direction on the
```

```

default VRF. */
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# hw-module route-stats l3mcast vrf default ipv4 egress
mcast-router
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# hw-module route-stats l3mcast vrf default ipv4 ingress
mcast-router

```

**Note**

- If you are enabling the route stats for a router on the global table, use **vrf default**. If you are enabling the route stats for specific vrf, use the **vrf vrfname** option.
- In case, you want to enable route stats for all tables, do not use the **vrf**.

For example:

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#hw-module route-stats l3mcast ipv4 ingress mcast-counter
```

- If you configure **hw-module route-stats** on both vrf default and vpn routes for either IPv4 or IPv6 ACLs, then to switch vrf default to other VRF, remove the configuration of the existing **hw-module route-stats** and commit it, and then configure the hw-module stats with the required vrf and commit it.

**Verification**

Use the **show mfib route rate** command to verify if the multicast route information is captured for the traffic that matches the ACL:



**Note** The ingress stats are always per S, G.

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mfib route rate
Thu Aug 16 18:04:47.312 PDT
```

```

IP Multicast Forwarding Rates
(Source Address, Group Address)
  Incoming rate:
    Node: (Incoming node) : pps/bps
  Outgoing rate:
    Node: (Outgoing node) : pps/bps

(10.1.1.2,232.0.0.1)
  Incoming rate :
    Node : 0/0/CPU0 : 4593 / 18153671
  Outgoing rate :
    Node : 0/0/CPU0 : 0 / 0

```

The above output shows that the multicast source **10.1.1.2** is sending packets to multicast group **232.0.0.1** and is received at **4593** pps.

**IPv6 Egress Multicast Route Statistics Example**

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

```

/* Configure an ACL matching the (S,G) routes for which statistics have to be captured:*/
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# ipv6 access-list 12
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)# 10 permit ipv6 any ff33:1:3::1/48
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)#commit

```

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-acl)#exit
```

```
/* Enable multicast route statistics for the configured ACL in the egress direction on the
   named VRF. */
```

```
RP0/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# hw-module route-stats l3mcast vrf vrf1 ipv6 egress 12
```

For the information on the interface accounting stats, use the show interface accounting command. The following show command displays interface accounting stats for ingress:

```
Router# show int tenGigE 0/0/0/15 accounting
```

```
Mon Nov 12 10:26:20.592 UTC
```

```
TenGigE0/0/0/15
```

| Protocol       | Pkts In     | Chars In      | Pkts Out | Chars Out |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|----------|-----------|
| IPV6_MULTICAST | 22125711958 | 1814308380556 | 0        | 0         |
| IPV6_ND        | 0           | 0             | 1243     | 128960    |

Cisco IOS XR Release 7.4.1 and later support YANG data model for multicast interface counters.

- Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-statsd-oper:infra-statistics/interfaces/interface/protocols/protocol
- Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-statsd-oper:infra-statistics/interfaces/interface[interface-name=TenGigE0/0/0/18]/protocols/protocol



**Note** The YANG model does not support ingress and egress multicast route stats.

The following show command displays interface accounting stats for egress:

```
Router# show interfaces bundle-ether 100.1001 accounting rates
```

```
Mon Aug 26 15:56:41.738 IST
```

```
Bundle-Ether100.1001
```

| Protocol       | Ingress  |          | Egress   |          |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                | Bits/sec | Pkts/sec | Bits/sec | Pkts/sec |
| IPV4_MULTICAST | 0        | 0        | 11455000 | 990      |
| IPV6_MULTICAST | 0        | 0        | 11455000 | 990      |
| ARP            | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| IPV6_ND        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        |

# Statistics for Egress Multicast Traffic Route Rate

Table 24: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                                       | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Statistics for Egress Multicast Traffic Route Rate | Release 7.11.1      | <p>Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5500 line cards; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native])</p> <p>With the ability to now view the route rates or rate of data being forwarded or transmitted per interface, you can monitor your network performance at a granular level, effectively troubleshoot network issues, and have greater control over bandwidth management.</p> <p>Previously, you could view the route rates only at the line card level.</p> <p>This feature introduces the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CLI</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>rate</b> keyword is introduced in the <b>show mrib route</b> command.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>YANG Data Model</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New XPath for <code>Cisco-IOS-XR-mfwd-oper.yang</code> (see <a href="#">GitHub</a>, <a href="#">YANG Data Models Navigator</a>).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

Multicast and interface statistics are used for accounting purpose. Route rates play a crucial role in identifying any potential traffic drops. By introducing support for multicast route rates and per outgoing interface (OIF) statistics on compatible platforms, this feature aims to leverage per-source group (SG) telemetry traffic data. This data enables us to efficiently detect where traffic drops occur and identify the router causing them, both at the node and interface levels. As a result, you can improve network monitoring and troubleshooting by using streaming telemetry and enhanced data analysis.

## Verify Multicast Traffic Route Rate Statistics

To verify the OIF egress rates per mroute, use the following example configuration:

```

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:LA# show mrib route rate

Fri Dec 17 19:30:21.733 UTC
(11.1.1.2,232.1.1.1) RPF nbr: 11.1.1.2 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:40:52
Incoming Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/2 Flags: A, Up: 00:40:52
  Node Rate (0/0/CPU0):   99 pps / 38407 bps
  HW Incoming count: 205444 packets
  HW Drop count:      0 packets
Outgoing Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/1 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:40:52
  Node Rate (0/0/CPU0):   99 pps / 38407 bps
  HW Forwarding count: 205444 packets
  HW Drop count:      0 packets
Interface Rates:
  Interface: HundredGigE0/0/0/1
  Outgoing Packet Rate (PPS rate / BPS rate): 100 / 100
  HW Forwarding count: 10000 packets
  HW Drop count: 0 packets

(11.1.1.2,232.2.2.2) RPF nbr: 11.1.1.2 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:40:52
Incoming Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/2 Flags: A, Up: 00:40:52
  Node Rate (0/0/CPU0):   74 pps / 28798 bps
  HW Incoming count: 154084 packets
  HW Drop count:      0 packets
Outgoing Interface List
  HundredGigE0/0/0/1 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:40:52
  Node Rate (0/0/CPU0):   74 pps / 28798 bps
  HW Forwarding count: 154084 packets
  HW Drop count:      0 packets
Interface Rates:
  Interface: HundredGigE0/0/0/1
  Outgoing Packet Rate (PPS rate / BPS rate): 100 / 100
  HW Forwarding count: 10000 packets
  HW Drop count: 0 packets

```

## Bundle Member Selection

Table 25: Feature History Table

| Feature Name            | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Bundle Member Selection | Release 7.3.1       | <p>This feature enables selecting a bundle member in the control plane to steer the L2 and L3 multicast traffic traversing over bundle at the egress NP.</p> <p>This feature helps optimize fabric bandwidth as the member selection is performed in the control plane.</p> |

This feature enables selecting a bundle member in the control plane to steer the L2 and L3 multicast traffic traversing over bundle at the egress NP.

This feature brings following benefits:

- Optimizes fabric bandwidth as the member selection is performed in the control plane
- Reduces NP bandwidth and processing as number of OLE replications are less
- Supports bundle member change in MVPN head node with local receiver

## Multicast Over IPv4 Unicast GRE Tunnels

Table 26: Feature History Table

| Feature Name  | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---|---------------------|---|
| Multicast Over IPv4 Unicast GRE Tunnels             | Release 7.5.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NCS 5700 line cards installed and operate in native and compatible modes.<br><br>Multicast over GRE allows encapsulation of multicast packets using GRE tunnels, thereby enabling transport of multicast packets securely between source and destination routers located in different IP clouds. |
| Support for Multicast Over IPv4 Unicast GRE Tunnels | Release 7.2.2       | This feature allows encapsulation of multicast packets using GRE tunnels, thereby enabling transport of multicast packets securely between source and destination routers located in different IP clouds.   |

Use IPv4 unicast GRE tunnels to transport multicast traffic securely over the network.

Generic Routing Encapsulation (GRE) is a tunneling protocol that encapsulates and transport packets of one protocol over another protocol.

If you want to send multicast packets from a source to destination router configured with a different routing protocol, you can encapsulate the packets using GRE unicast tunnels. The encapsulated packets are forwarded like any other IPv4 unicast packet to the destination endpoint of the tunnel. The destination router then de-encapsulates the packet to retrieve the multicast packets.

For more information [Configuring GRE Tunnels](#).

### Restrictions

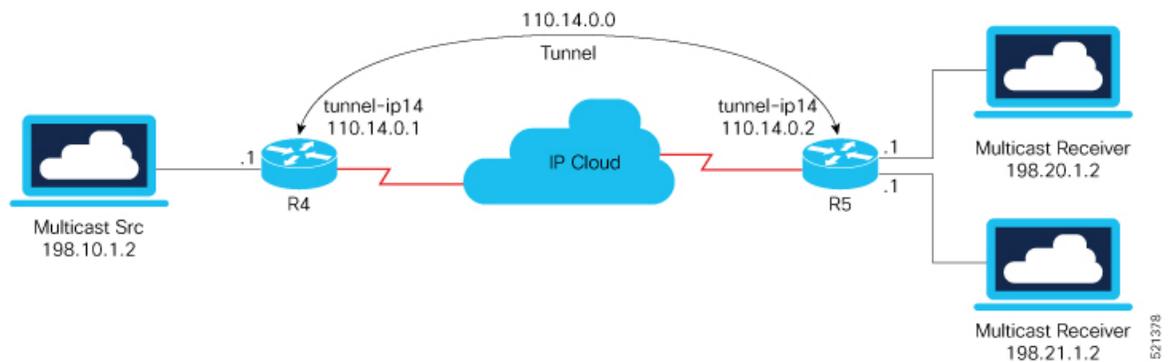
- ECMP and LAG hash based on GRE header is not supported on the NCS 5500 line cards line cards.

- Multicast over GRE with L3VPN is only supported on UFI and not on the NCS 5500 line cards and NCS 5700 line cards.
- Only SSM V4 and V6 address family traffic is supported.
- Supports up to 500 GRE tunnels
- Only up to 16 unique source IP addresses are supported for the tunnel source
- Multicast over GRE tunnel is supported only with 2-pass GRE tunnel configuration.
- Configurable MTU is not supported on Single-pass GRE interface, but supported on 2-pass GRE interface.
- This is a native Multicast over GRE feature and not Multicast VPN (mVPN) Profile 0 or Rosen GRE.

### Configuration

In this topology, the multicast source (198.10.1.2) is connected to R4. The multicast receivers are connected to R5 and is configured to receive multicast packets. Separating the source (R4) and receiver (R5) is an IP cloud, which is not configured for multicast routing.

Multicast packets are encapsulated with GRE headers and transported via GRE tunnel (tunnel-ip14).



### Configuration Example

```
R4
interface TenGigE0/0/0/32.1
  ipv4 address 198.10.1.1 255.255.255.0
  ipv6 address 2002:10:1::1/64
  encapsulation dot1q 1
!

interface Loopback14
  ipv4 address 10.10.10.14 255.255.255.255
!
interface tunnel-ip14
  ipv4 address 110.14.0.1 255.255.255.0
  ipv6 address 110:14::1/64
  tunnel mode gre ipv4
  tunnel source 10.10.10.14
  tunnel destination 20.20.20.14
!
router ospf core_native_mcast
  nsr
```

```
router-id 10.10.10.1
area 0.0.0.0
 interface Bundle-Ether121
 !
 interface Loopback14
 !

router ospf mogre_edge_native_mcast
nsr
router-id 10.10.10.11
area 0.0.0.0
 interface tunnel-ip14
 !
 interface TenGigE0/0/0/32.1

R5

interface TenGigE0/0/0/0.1
 ipv4 address 198.20.1.1 255.255.255.0
 ipv6 address 2002:20:1::1/64
 encapsulation dot1q 1
 !

interface TenGigE0/0/0/1.1
 ipv4 address 198.21.1.1 255.255.255.0
 ipv6 address 2002:21:1::1/64
 encapsulation dot1q 1
 !

interface Loopback14
 ipv4 address 20.20.20.14 255.255.255.255
 !

interface tunnel-ip14
 ipv4 address 110.14.0.2 255.255.255.0
 ipv6 address 110:14::2/64
 tunnel mode gre ipv4
 tunnel source 20.20.20.14
 tunnel destination 10.10.10.14
 !

router ospf core_native_mcast
nsr
router-id 20.20.20.1
area 0.0.0.0
 interface Bundle-Ether121
 !
 interface Loopback14

router ospf mogre_edge_native_mcast
nsr
router-id 20.20.20.11
area 0.0.0.0
 interface tunnel-ip14
 !
 interface TenGigE0/0/0/0.1
 !
 interface TenGigE0/0/0/1.1
```

## Verification

In this example, Router R4 receives joins for group 232.1.0.0 from source 198.10.1.2 connected to R4. PIM joins are traversed from R5 to R4, as shown in the **show PIM topology** command output. The joins are learnt on Router R4 via tunnel-ip, as it acts as the transport layer.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R4# show pim topology 232.1.0.0 198.10.1.2

IP PIM Multicast Topology Table
Entry state: (*S,G)[RPT/SPT] Protocol Uptime Info
Entry flags: KAT - Keep Alive Timer, AA - Assume Alive, PA - Probe Alive
             RA - Really Alive, IA - Inherit Alive, LH - Last Hop
             DSS - Don't Signal Sources, RR - Register Received
             SR - Sending Registers, SNR - Sending Null Registers
             E - MSDP External, EX - Extranet
             MFA - Mofrr Active, MFP - Mofrr Primary, MFB - Mofrr Backup
             DCC - Don't Check Connected, ME - MDT Encap, MD - MDT Decap
             MT - Crossed Data MDT threshold, MA - Data MDT Assigned
             SAJ - BGP Source Active Joined, SAR - BGP Source Active Received,
             SAS - BGP Source Active Sent, IM - Inband mLDP, X - VxLAN
Interface state: Name, Uptime, Fwd, Info
Interface flags: LI - Local Interest, LD - Local Dissinterest,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Dissinterest,
                LH - Last Hop, AS - Assert, AB - Admin Boundary, EX - Extranet,
                BGP - BGP C-Multicast Join, BP - BGP Source Active Prune,
                MVS - MVPN Safi Learned, MV6S - MVPN IPv6 Safi Learned

(198.10.1.2,232.1.0.0)SPT SSM Up: 00:33:51
JP: Join(now) RPF: TenGigE0/0/0/32.1,198.10.1.2* Flags:
tunnel-ip14 00:29:34 fwd Join(00:03:00)
```

From the following **show mrib route** command output, you can see that TenGigE0/0/0/32.1 is the incoming interface and tunnel-ip14 is the outgoing interface for (S,G) 198.10.1.2, 232.1.0.0.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R4# show mrib route 232.1.0.0 detail
IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
             C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
             IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
             MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
             CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
             MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
             MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,
                NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
                LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
                EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
                EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
                MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
                IRMI - IR MDT Interface, TRMI - TREE SID MDT Interface, MH - Multihome Interface

(198.10.1.2,232.1.0.0) Ver: 0x6e42 RPF nbr: 198.10.1.2 Flags: RPF, FGID: 16915, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: -1
Up: 00:32:54
Incoming Interface List
TenGigE0/0/0/32.1 Flags: F A LI, Up: 00:32:54
Outgoing Interface List
tunnel-ip14 (0/0/0) Flags: F NS, Up: 00:28:37

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R4#sh mfib route 232.1.0.0 198.10.1.2

IP Multicast Forwarding Information Base
Entry flags: C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, D - Drop,
```

IA - Inherit Accept, IF - Inherit From, EID - Encap ID,  
 ME - MDT Encap, MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,  
 MH - MDT interface handle, CD - Conditional Decap,  
 DT - MDT Decap True, EX - Extranet, RPFID - RPF ID Set,  
 MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, X - VXLAN  
 Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,  
 NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,  
 EG - Egress, EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface,  
 EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept  
 Forwarding/Replication Counts: Packets in/Packets out/Bytes out  
 Failure Counts: RPF / TTL / Empty Olist / Encap RL / Other

(198.10.1.2,232.1.0.0), Flags:  
 Up: 00:35:39  
 Last Used: never  
 SW Forwarding Counts: 0/0/0  
 SW Replication Counts: 0/0/0  
 SW Failure Counts: 0/0/0/0/0  
**tunnel-ip14 (0xe0) Flags: NS, Up:00:31:16**

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R4# **show mfib hardware route 232.1.0.0 198.10.1.2 location 0/0/cPU0**  
 Route (198.10.1.2: 232.1.0.0)

HAL PD context  
 VRF ID: 0 Core MCID : 0 Core backup MCID 0

HAL Ingress route context:  
 Route FGID: 16915 RPF IF signal : not-set Local receivers: set  
 Encap ID flag: not-set, Encap ID: 0  
 Tunnel RIF: 0x0  
 Statistics enabled: not-set

Ingress engine context:  
 local\_route: set, is\_accept\_intf\_bvi: not-set is\_tun\_rif\_set: not-set  
 VRF ID: 0 RPF ID: 0 Tunnel RIF: 0x0

HAL Egress route context:  
 RPF ID: 0

Egress engine context:  
 out\_of\_sync: not-set, local\_intf: not-set  
 bvi\_count: 0

DPA Route context:  
 Handle: 30895ef540  
 Transaction ID: 91864  
 Number of OLE: 4 VRF ID: 0  
**Incoming interface : Te0/0/0/32.1 A\_intf\_id: 0x39 Merged flag 0**  
 Tunnel RIF : 0x0 FGID: 16915  
 FEC ID : 0x2001f888 Punt action: 0x0  
 TCAM entry ID : 0x0 IPMC action: 0x4 FEC Accessed 1  
 L3 Intf Refhandle : 0x308ccbd448 L3 interface ref key: 0x0  
 Statistics enabled : not-set Statistics activated : not-set

Egress Route OLEs:  
 Handle: 308e669960  
 Transaction ID: 267707  
**NPU ID: 0 Outgoing intf: ti14**  
 OLE Type : Gre tunnel interface  
 outgoing port : 0x0 cud: 0x13878 is\_bundle: 0  
 Sys\_port : 0x0 mpls encap id: 0x0 LAG ID: 0  
 is\_pw\_access: 0 pw\_encap\_id: 0  
 L3 intf refhdl : 0x308d47bee8 L3 intf refkey: 0x200040fc  
 L2 Port refhandle : 0x0 L2 Port refkey: 0x0  
 MPLS nh refhandle : 0x0 MPLS nh refkey: 0x0

```
LAG port refhandle : 0x0 LAG port refkey: 0x0
EFP-Visibility: not-set
Total fwd packets : 0 Total fwd bytes: 0
```

The following command output shows that the PIM joins received from TenGigE0/0/0/0.1 and TenGigE0/0/0/1.1 for group 232.1.0.0.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R5# show pim topology 232.1.0.0 198.10.1.2
```

```
IP PIM Multicast Topology Table
Entry state: (*S,G)[RPT/SPT] Protocol Uptime Info
Entry flags: KAT - Keep Alive Timer, AA - Assume Alive, PA - Probe Alive
             RA - Really Alive, IA - Inherit Alive, LH - Last Hop
             DSS - Don't Signal Sources, RR - Register Received
             SR - Sending Registers, SNR - Sending Null Registers
             E - MSDP External, EX - Extranet
             MFA - Mofrr Active, MFP - Mofrr Primary, MFB - Mofrr Backup
             DCC - Don't Check Connected, ME - MDT Encap, MD - MDT Decap
             MT - Crossed Data MDT threshold, MA - Data MDT Assigned
             SAJ - BGP Source Active Joined, SAR - BGP Source Active Received,
             SAS - BGP Source Active Sent, IM - Inband mLDP, X - VxLAN
Interface state: Name, Uptime, Fwd, Info
Interface flags: LI - Local Interest, LD - Local Dissinterest,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Dissinterest,
                LH - Last Hop, AS - Assert, AB - Admin Boundary, EX - Extranet,
                BGP - BGP C-Multicast Join, BP - BGP Source Active Prune,
                MVS - MVPN Safi Learned, MV6S - MVPN IPv6 Safi Learned

(198.10.1.2,232.1.0.0)SPT SSM Up: 00:44:09
JP: Join(00:00:02) RPF: tunnel-ip14,110.14.0.1 Flags:
    TenGigE0/0/0/0.1          00:44:09 fwd LI LH
    TenGigE0/0/0/1.1          00:44:06 fwd LI LH
```

The traffic received from tunnel-ip is then forwarded to multicast receivers TenGigE0/0/0/0.1 and TenGigE0/0/0/1.1 acting as OLE, as shown in the following output.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R5# show mrib route 232.1.0.0 detail
```

```
IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
             C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
             IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
             MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
             CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
             MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
             MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,
                NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
                LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
                EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
                EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
                MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
                IRMI - IR MDT Interface, TRMI - TREE SID MDT Interface, MH - Multihome Interface

(198.10.1.2,232.1.0.0) Ver: 0x8ef6 RPF nbr: 110.14.0.1 Flags: RPF, FGID: 28465, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: -1
Up: 00:42:42
Incoming Interface List
    tunnel-ip14 Flags: A, Up: 00:38:24
Outgoing Interface List
    TenGigE0/0/0/0.1 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:42:42
```

TenGigE0/0/0/1.1 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:42:40

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R5# show mfib route 232.1.0.0 198.10.1.2

IP Multicast Forwarding Information Base  
 Entry flags: C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, D - Drop,  
 IA - Inherit Accept, IF - Inherit From, EID - Encap ID,  
 ME - MDT Encap, MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,  
 MH - MDT interface handle, CD - Conditional Decap,  
 DT - MDT Decap True, EX - Extranet, RPFID - RPF ID Set,  
 MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, X - VXLAN  
 Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,  
 NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,  
 EG - Egress, EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface,  
 EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept  
 Forwarding/Replication Counts: Packets in/Packets out/Bytes out  
 Failure Counts: RPF / TTL / Empty Olist / Encap RL / Other

(198.10.1.2,232.1.0.0), Flags:  
 Up: 00:43:30  
 Last Used: never  
 SW Forwarding Counts: 0/0/0  
 SW Replication Counts: 0/0/0  
 SW Failure Counts: 0/0/0/0/0  
 tunnel-ip14 Flags: A, Up:00:39:09  
 TenGigE0/0/0/0.1 Flags: NS, Up:00:43:30  
 TenGigE0/0/0/1.1 Flags: NS, Up:00:43:17

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:R5# show mfib hardware route 232.1.0.0 198.10.1.2 location 0/0/CPU0

Route (198.10.1.2: 232.1.0.0)  
 HAL PD context  
 VRF ID: 0 Core MCID : 0 Core backup MCID 0  
  
 HAL Ingress route context:  
 Route FGID: 28465 RPF IF signal : not-set Local receivers: set  
 Encap ID flag: not-set, Encap ID: 0  
 Tunnel RIF: 0x0  
 Statistics enabled: not-set  
  
 Ingress engine context:  
 local\_route: set, is\_accept\_intf\_bvi: not-set is\_tun\_rif\_set: not-set  
 VRF ID: 0 RPF ID: 0 Tunnel RIF: 0x0  
 HAL Egress route context:  
 RPF ID: 0  
  
 Egress engine context:  
 out\_of\_sync: not-set, local\_intf: not-set  
 bvi\_count: 0  
  
 DPA Route context:  
 Handle: 308852aed0  
 Transaction ID: 228831  
 Number of OLE: 2 VRF ID: 0  
**Incoming interface : ti14 A\_intf\_id: 0x43 Merged flag 0**  
 Tunnel RIF : 0x0 FGID: 28465  
 FEC ID : 0x2001fd37 Punt action: 0x0  
 TCAM entry ID : 0x0 IPMC action: 0x4 FEC Accessed 1  
 L3 Intf Refhandle : 0x308d76fee8 L3 interface ref key: 0x0  
 Statistics enabled : not-set Statistics activated : not-set  
  
 Egress Route OLEs:  
 Handle: 308e27d930

```

Transaction ID: 103691
NPU ID: 0 Outgoing intf: Te0/0/0/1.1
OLE Type : Main Interface
outgoing port : 0x1d cud: 0x0 is_bundle: 0
Sys_port : 0x0 mpls encap id: 0x0 LAG ID: 0
is_pw_access: 0 pw_encap_id:0
L3 intf refhdl : 0x308cf40b08 L3 intf refkey: 0x4178
L2 Port refhandle : 0x308cf49358 L2 Port refkey: 0xe8
MPLS nh refhandle : 0x0 MPLS nh refkey: 0x0
LAG port refhandle : 0x0 LAG port refkey: 0x0
EFP-Visibility: not-set
Total fwd packets : 0 Total fwd bytes: 0

NPU ID: 0 Outgoing intf: Te0/0/0/0.1
OLE Type : Main Interface
outgoing port : 0x1e cud: 0x0 is_bundle: 0
Sys_port : 0x0 mpls encap id: 0x0 LAG ID: 0
is_pw_access: 0 pw_encap_id:0
L3 intf refhdl : 0x308cf3e668 L3 intf refkey: 0x4168
L2 Port refhandle : 0x308cf470a8 L2 Port refkey: 0xf0
MPLS nh refhandle : 0x0 MPLS nh refkey: 0x0
LAG port refhandle : 0x0 LAG port refkey: 0x0
EFP-Visibility: not-set
Total fwd packets : 0 Total fwd bytes: 0

```

### Associated Commands

- [interface tunnel-ip](#)
- [tunnel mode](#)
- [tunnel source](#)
- [tunnel destination](#)

## Load Balancing in Unicast GRE Tunnels

*Table 27: Feature History Table*

| Feature Name                          | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Load Balancing in Unicast GRE Tunnels | Release 7.9.1       | We now support the Equal-Cost Multipath (ECMP) and Link Aggregation Groups (LAG) load-balancing techniques for transporting multicast traffic over unicast GRE tunnels.<br><br>ECMP and LAG provide higher bandwidth and redundancy, better network performance, and fault tolerance. |

Load balancing is a forwarding mechanism that distributes traffic over multiple links, based on Layer 3 and Layer 4 routing information. When transporting multicast traffic over unicast GRE tunnels, load balancing is taken care by ECMP and LAG (bundle). It happens at the encapsulation node, based on the GRE header.

Equal-Cost Multipath routing (ECMP) is a routing strategy where next-hop packet forwarding to a single destination can occur over multiple best paths which tie for top place in routing metric calculations. Multipath routing can be used with most routing protocols, as it is a per-hop decision that is limited to a single router. It potentially offers substantial increases in bandwidth by load-balancing traffic over multiple paths.

Unlike unicast forwarding, where the ECMP path is decided at the ingress line card, the multicast forwarding ECMP path-selection is based on the interface which receives the `join` message from the downstream router. However, GRE tunnel is a virtual tunnel interface, which can be physically via any Layer 3 (L3) unicast forwarding interface on this router as long as it has unicast reachability to the tunnel destination.

Although the `join` message from the downstream router via a GRE tunnel can be from any physical interface of this GRE tunnel, the multicast forwarding interface is this GRE tunnel via any local interface capable to transport this GRE tunnel. It is not limited to the physical interface which received the `join` message.

When the GRE tunnel is across two different ECMP paths, if one of the physical interface flaps, then the unicast traffic is still seamlessly delivered to the tunnel-end through another interface. The GRE keepalive and BFD over GRE are not affected, as there is no unicast traffic drop and this GRE tunnel is not declared down. There is no convergence that is triggered from the GRE tunnel as well.

However, multicast traffic over GRE tunnel is not seamless in this scenario.

For multicast traffic, to determine which path (ECMP) to choose, the system computes a hash. Certain bits out of this hash are used to identify the path to be taken. Due to the change in the physical interface or in the available ECMP path, Multicast Forwarding Information Base (MRIB) Control plane performs a re-hash for the new changed interface for the GRE tunnel (for S, G) accordingly. Egress LC also re-programs the GRE tunnel replication list. This re-programming is not seamless and impacts the multicast traffic transiently even though the GRE tunnel was never down.

The result of re-hashing is load-balancing multicast traffic across available ECMP paths and better network resource utilization.

The same load -balancing is applicable in a link-bundle scenario.

Link Aggregation Group (LAG) multiplies the bandwidth, increases the port flexibility, and provides link redundancy between two network devices. Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) is a part of IEEE specification (802.3az) that can control the bundling of several physical ports together to form a single logical channel. Traffic load balancing over the active member ports of a LAG is managed by the hash-based distribution function that distributes unicast and multicast traffic based on Layer 2 or Layer 3 packet header information. LACP helps to form one single LAG by bundling many physical ports.

Any change in the link bundle member, triggers the same re-hash and reprogramming similar to ECMP path selection. The result of re-hashing is load balancing multicast traffic across available bundle members.

ECMP and LAG key are derived based on the forwarding header which has the Destination IP address, Source IP address, and the Protocol/Next Header as well as the inner header which is the multicast payload for Destination IP address, Source IP address, and the protocol/Next header. These details are used for hash calculation.

## Use Case: Video Streaming

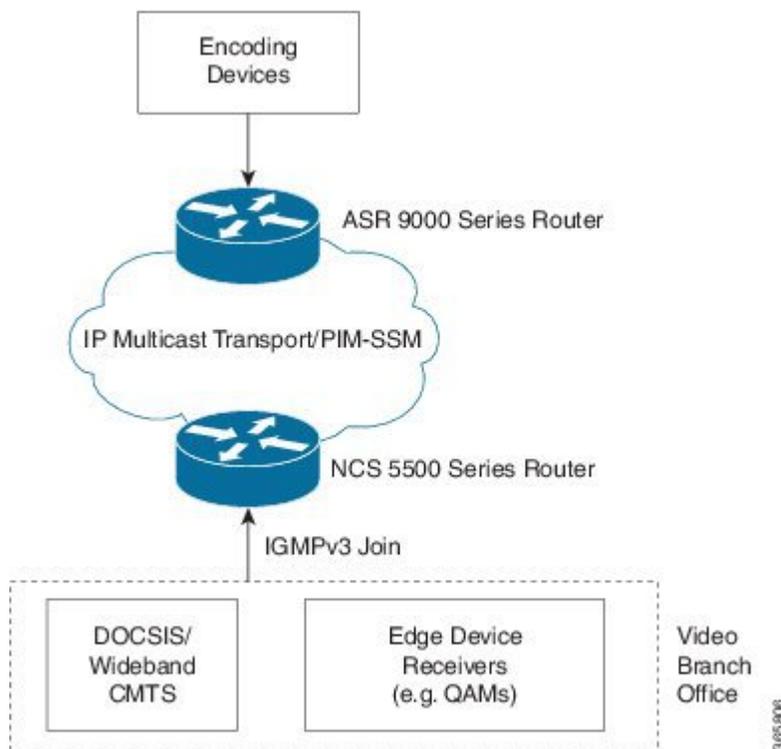
In today's broadcast video networks, proprietary transport systems are used to deliver entire channel line-ups to each video branch office. IP based transport network would be a cost efficient/convenient alternative to deliver video services combined with the delivery of other IP based services. (Internet delivery or business services)

By its very nature, broadcast video is a service well-suited to using IP multicast as a more efficient delivery mechanism to reach end customers.

The IP multicast delivery of broadcast video is explained as follows:

1. Encoding devices in digital primary headends, encode one or more video channels into a Moving Pictures Expert Group (MPEG) stream which is carried in the network via IP multicast.
2. Devices at video branch office are configured by the operator to request the desired multicast content via IGMP joins.
3. The network, using PIM-SSM as its multicast routing protocol, routes the multicast stream from the digital primary headend to edge device receivers located in the video branch office. These edge devices could be edge QAM devices which modulate the MPEG stream for an RF frequency, or CMTS for DOCSIS.

**Figure 6: Video Streaming**



## Multicast Label Distribution Protocol

This section contains information related to Multicast Label Distribution Protocol (MLDP) and the associated features.

## Multicast Label Distribution Protocol (MLDP) for Core

Table 28: Feature History Table

| Feature Name   | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|--|---------------------|--|
| MLDP Aggregated and Drop Statistics Measurement (v6 ingress stats on J2) | Release 7.3.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in compatible mode. |

Multicast Label Distribution Protocol (MLDP) provides extensions to the Label Distribution Protocol (LDP) for the setup of point-to-multipoint (P2MP) and multipoint-to-multipoint (MP2MP) Label Switched Paths (LSPs) in Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) networks.

MLDP eliminates the use of native multicast PIM to transport multicast packets across the core. In MLDP multicast traffic is label switched across the core. This saves a lot of control plane processing effort.

### Restrictions for MLDP

- Recursive FEC is not supported on NCS 5500 series routers.

## Characteristics of MLDP Profiles on Core

The following MLDP profiles are supported when the router is configured as a core router:

- Profile 5—Partitioned MDT - MLDP P2MP - BGP-AD - PIM C-mcast Signaling
- Profile 6—VRF MLDP - In-band Signaling
- Profile 7—Global MLDP In-band Signaling
- Profile 12—Default MDT - MLDP - P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-mcast Signaling
- Profile 14—Partitioned MDT - MLDP P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-mcast Signaling
- Profile 17—Default MDT - MLDP - P2MP - BGP-AD - PIM C-mcast Signaling

### Point-to-Multipoint TE Profiles on Core and Edge Routers

The following profiles are supported when the router is configured as a core router and edge router for p2mp:

- Profile 8—Global P2MP-TE
- Profile 10—VRF Static-P2MP-TE with BGP AD
- Profile 22—RSVP-TE P2MP

## Label Switching Multicast for Edge Router

The following MLDP profiles are supported when the router is configured as an edge router:

- Profile 6—VRF MLDP - In-Band Signaling
- Profile 7—Global MLDP In-band Signaling

- Profile 14—MLDP Partitioned MDT P2MP with BGP AD and BGP-C Multicast Signaling

## Multicast MLDP Profile 14 support on an Edge Router

*Table 29: Feature History Table*

| Feature Name  | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---|---------------------|---|
| Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM) SM for Multicast VPN (MVPN) Profile 14 | Release 7.10.1      | Introduced from this release on:<br>NCS 5700 fixed port routers<br>NCS 5500 modular routers<br>(NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native])<br><br>With this release, MVPN profile 14 is now extended to support PIM SM mode for IPv4 and static RP. |
| PIM SM for mVPN Profile 14  | Release 7.5.1       | With this feature, MVPN profile 14 is now extended to support PIM SM mode for IPv4 and static RP.<br><br>PIM SM for MVPN is not supported on Cisco NC57 line cards.   |
| MLDP Profile 14 support on an Edge Router                                   | Release 7.3.1       | This feature is now supported on Cisco NCS 5500 routers and the NCS57 line cards installed and operate in native and compatible mode.   |

The MLDP Profile 14 is supported when the router is configured as an edge router.

IP based transport network is a cost efficient and convenient alternative to deliver video services combined with the delivery of other IP based services. To deliver IPTV content MLDP Profile 14 also called as the partitioned MDT, is supported when a router is configured as an edge router.

These are the characteristics of the profile 14:

- Customer traffic is SSM.
- PIM SM mode for IPv4 and static RP.




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**Note** PIM SM for MVPN is not supported on Cisco NC57 line cards.

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- Inter-AS Option A, B and C is supported.
- All PEs must have a unique BGP Route Distinguisher (RD) value.

### Configuration Example for mLDP Profile 14 on Edge Routers

```
vrf one
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    import route-target
      1:1
    !
    export route-target
      1:1
    !
  !

router pim
  vrf one
    address-family ipv4
      rpf topology route-policy rpf-for-one
      mdt c-multicast-routing bgp
    !
    interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/0
      enable
    !
  !
  !
  !

route-policy rpf-for-one
  set core-tree mldp-partitioned-p2mp
end-policy
!

multicast-routing
  vrf one
    address-family ipv4
      mdt source Loopback0
      mdt partitioned mldp ipv4 p2mp
      rate-per-route
    interface all enable
    bgp auto-discovery mldp
    !
    accounting per-prefix
  !
  !
  !

mpls ldp
  mldp
    logging notifications
    address-family ipv4
  !
  !

router bgp 100
  bgp router-id 23.23.23.23
  bgp graceful-restart
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    redistribute connected
  !
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv6 unicast
    redistribute connected
  !
  address-family vpnv6 unicast
```

```

!
address-family ipv4 mdt
!
address-family ipv4 mvpn
!
address-family ipv6 mvpn
!
neighbor 5.5.5.5
  remote-as 100
  update-source Loopback0
  address-family ipv4 unicast
  !
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv6 unicast
  !
  address-family vpnv6 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv4 mdt
  !
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
  !
  address-family ipv6 mvpn
  !
neighbor 11.11.11.11
  remote-as 100
  update-source Loopback0
  address-family ipv4 unicast
  !
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv6 unicast
  !
  address-family vpnv6 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv4 mdt
  !
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
  !
  address-family ipv6 mvpn
  !
!
neighbor 21.21.21.21
  remote-as 100
  update-source Loopback0
  address-family ipv4 unicast
  !
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv6 unicast
  !
  address-family vpnv6 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv4 mdt
  !
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
  !
  address-family ipv6 mvpn
  !
!
vrf vrf2
  rd 2:2
  address-family ipv4 unicast
  redistribute connected

```

```

!
address-family ipv6 unicast
  redistribute connected
!
address-family ipv4 mvpn
!
address-family ipv6 mvpn
!
!
!

```

## Egress LSM statistics for mLDP

Egress Label Switched Multicast (LSM) statistics is a monitoring feature that:

- provides accounting for multicast traffic per label switched path,
- supports mLDP-based profiles running over Segment Routing (SR) MPLS cores, and
- enables traffic visibility on transit P-nodes and PE-nodes (leaf nodes).

**Table 30: Feature History Table**

| Feature Name                   | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Egress LSM statistics for mLDP | Release 26.1.1      | <p>Introduced in this release on: NCS 5700 fixed port routers; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native])</p> <p>You can now monitor egress multicast traffic accounting for mLDP labels on NCS 5700 routers and line cards. This feature provides visibility into Label Switched Multicast (LSM) forwarding for transit P-nodes and leaf nodes. The system allocates egress statistics resources from the stats infrastructure and associates them with mLDP labels. This functionality supports mLDP-based profiles running over segment routing cores, ensuring accurate traffic tracking per label switched path.</p> <p>The feature introduces these changes:</p> <p>CLI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>hw-module multicast lsm-stats egress</b></li> </ul> |

In complex network profiles such as MVPN Profile 12 or 14 running over a Segment Routing (SR) MPLS core, operators need to know if multicast packets are being forwarded correctly. This feature enables the hardware to maintain counters for these outgoing packets and provides visibility into Label Switched Multicast (LSM) traffic.

### Benefits of Egress LSM statistics for mLDP

Egress LSM statistics for mLDP offers these benefits:

- Enables egress accounting for multicast traffic per label switched path.

- Supports classic mLDP profiles on both leaf and spine nodes.
- Provides better traffic visibility on NCS 5700 series routers.

## Restrictions for egress LSM statistics

The restrictions for egress LSM statistics for mLDP include:

- Supported only for multicast MVPN mLDP Profile-14 based use cases.
- Supported exclusively on NCS 5700 series routers functioning as P-Nodes.
- Statistics resources are limited as LSM and L3FIB share the same hardware resource bank for egress statistics.
- Out-of-Resource (OOR) handling is not supported for egress LSM statistics. If the statistics resource is exhausted, forwarding will continue, but egress accounting will not function for replications that exceed the available resources.
- Egress LSM statistics have limitations regarding Fast Reroute (FRR). Backup paths and phases triggered by FRR are not supported for egress LSM statistics.
- Statistics during FRR switchover is not supported. The system does not support egress statistics for the new intermediate unicast path during a Fast Reroute (FRR) switchover. Statistics collection resumes once the path is fully established and stabilized.

## Configure egress LSM statistics

The purpose of this task is to enable egress forwarding counters for Label Switched Multicast (LSM) on mLDP-based profiles to monitor traffic accounting.

Use this task to configure egress accounting for multicast traffic per label switched path on Provider Edge (PE) and Provider (P) nodes. This feature is specifically supported on NCS 5700 fixed-port routers and line cards for transit P-nodes.

### Before you begin

- Ensure the device uses NCS 5700 series routers.
- Verify that mLDP-based profiles (profile 14) is running over the SR MPLS core.

### Procedure

**Step 1** Enable egress LSM statistics using the `hw-module` command.

#### Example:

```
Router# config
Router(config)# hw-module multicast lsm-stats egress
Router(config)# commit
```

**Step 2** View the detailed egress statistics collected for a specific label by using the `show mpls forwarding labels <in_mldp_label> detail` command.

#### Example:

```
Router# show mpls forwarding labels 24005
```

```
Wed Mar 26 22:05:01.762 UTC
Local Outgoing Prefix Outgoing Next Hop Bytes
Label Label or ID Interface Switched
-----
24005 24009 mLDP/IR: 0x00004 BE2818 11.1.1.2 29880000
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:JJ2Mod2028#
```

```
Router# show mpls forwarding labels 24005 detail
```

```
Wed Mar 26 22:05:06.675 UTC
Local Outgoing Prefix Outgoing Next Hop Bytes
Label Label or ID Interface Switched
-----
24005 mLDP/IR: 0x00004 (0x00004)
Updated Mar 26 21:55:17.759
mLDP/IR LSM-ID: 0x00004, MDT: 0x0
Flags:IP Lookup:not-set, Expnulv4:not-set, Expnulv6:not-set
Payload Type v4:not-set, Payload Type v6:not-set, l2vpn:not-set
Head:not-set, Tail:not-set, Bud:not-set, Peek:not-set, inclusive:not-set
Ingress Drop:not-set, Egress Drop:not-set
RPF-ID:0, Encap-ID:0
Disp-Tun:[ifh:0x0, label:-]
Platform Data [32]:
{ 0 0 68 12 0 0 68 12
  0 0 0 3 0 0 0 0
  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1
  255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255
}
mpls paths: 1, local mpls paths: 1, protected mpls paths: 0

24009 mLDP/IR: 0x00004 (0x00004) \
BE2818 11.1.1.2 29880000
Updated: Mar 26 21:55:17.759
My Nodeid:0x1000
Interface Nodeids:
[ 0x24 - - - - - ]
Interface Handles:
[ 0x60040c8 - - - - - ]
Backup Interface Nodeids:
[ - - - - - ]
Backup Interface Handles:
[ - - - - - ]
Packets Switched: 30000
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:JJ2Mod2028#
```

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Egress LSM statistics are enabled, and the forwarding counter details are displayed in the command output.

## Label Switched Multicast (LSM) Multicast Label Distribution Protocol (mLDP) based Multicast VPN (mVPN) Support

Table 31: Feature History Table

| Feature Name | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|--------------|---------------------|--|
| MVPN Support | Release 7.3.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in compatible mode. |

Label Switch Multicast (LSM) is MPLS technology extensions to support multicast using label encapsulation. Next-generation MVPN is based on Multicast Label Distribution Protocol (mLDP), which can be used to build P2MP and MP2MP LSPs through a MPLS network. These LSPs can be used for transporting both IPv4 and IPv6 multicast packets, either in the global table or VPN context. mLDP is supported on both core and edge routers.

When router is positioned as the core router running mLDP, it only supports the Profiles 5, 6, 7, 12, 14, and 17 irrespective of the profiles supported on the edge router.

When router is positioned as the edge router running mLDP, it only supports the Profiles 6, 7, and 14.

For more information about the characteristics of each of the mLDP Profiles, [Characteristics of mLDP Profiles](#).

### Benefits of LSM MLDP based MVPN

LSM provides these benefits when compared to GRE core tunnels that are currently used to transport customer traffic in the core:

- It leverages the MPLS infrastructure for transporting IP multicast packets, providing a common data plane for unicast and multicast.
- It applies the benefits of MPLS to IP multicast such as Fast ReRoute (FRR) and
- It eliminates the complexity associated PIM.

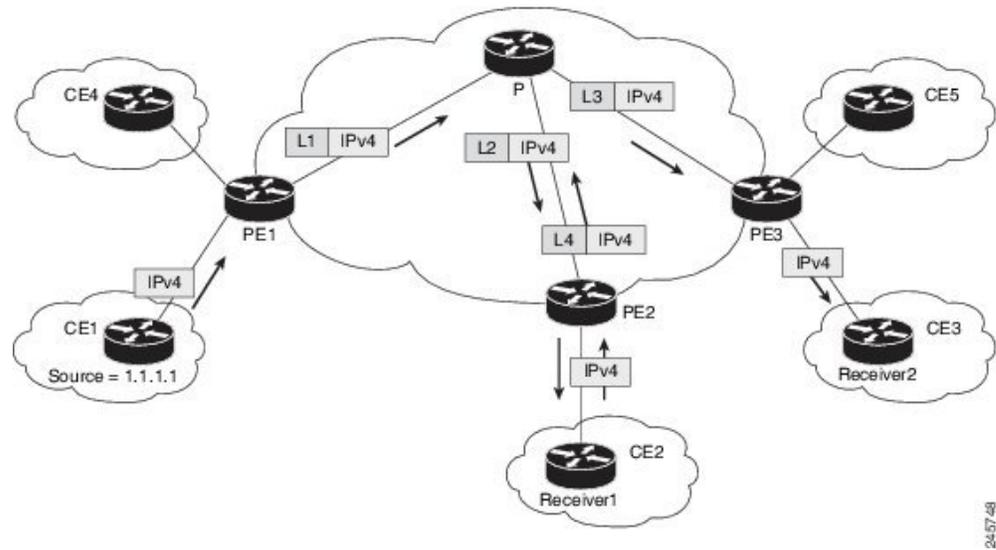
### Configuring MLDP MVPN

The MLDP MVPN configuration enables IPv4 multicast packet delivery using MPLS. This configuration uses MPLS labels to construct default and data Multicast Distribution Trees (MDTs). The MPLS replication is used as a forwarding mechanism in the core and edge network. For MLDP MVPN configuration to work, ensure that the global MPLS mLDP configuration is enabled. To configure MVPN extranet support, configure the source multicast VPN Routing and Forwarding (mVRF) on the receiver Provider Edge (PE) router or configure the receiver mVRF on the source PE. MLDP MVPN is supported for both intranet and extranet.



**Note** If a tail-end router has multiple VRFs with the same import Route Target (RT), issues can occur. These issues arise when the intended Label Switched Multicast (LSM) is not an extranet setup. The router may perform incorrect signaling. It may also fail to build core trees.

Figure 7: MLDP based MPLS Network for Core and Edge Routers



## Packet Flow in mLDP-based Multicast VPN

For each packet coming in, MPLS creates multiple out-labels. Packets from the source network are replicated along the path to the receiver network. The CE1 router sends out the native IP multicast traffic. The Provider Edge1 (PE1) router imposes a label on the incoming multicast packet and replicates the labeled packet towards the MPLS core network. When the packet reaches the core router (P), the packet is replicated with the appropriate labels for the MP2MP default MDT or the P2MP data MDT and transported to all the egress PEs. Once the packet reaches the egress PE (edge routers), the label is removed and the IP multicast packet is replicated onto the VRF interface. Basically, the packets are encapsulated at headend and decapsulated at tailend on the PE routers.

## Realizing a mLDP-based Multicast VPN

There are different ways a Label Switched Path (LSP) built by mLDP can be used depending on the requirement and nature of application such as:

- P2MP LSPs for global table transit Multicast using in-band signaling.
- P2MP/MP2MP LSPs for MVPN based on MI-PMSI or Multidirectional Inclusive Provider Multicast Service Instance (Rosen Draft).
- P2MP/MP2MP LSPs for MVPN based on MS-PMSI or Multidirectional Selective Provider Multicast Service Instance (Partitioned E-LAN).

The router performs the following important functions for the implementation of MLDP:

1. Encapsulating VRF multicast IP packet with GRE/Label and replicating to core interfaces (imposition node).
2. Replicating multicast label packets to different interfaces with different labels (Mid node).
3. Decapsulate and replicate label packets into VRF interfaces (Disposition node).



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**Note** In native multicast and draft-rosen mVPN, load-balancing between bundle members is performed based on outer IP/User Datagram Protocol (UDP) header fields. However, in all MPLS based mVPN design solution, a single tunnel is pinned down to a bundle member.

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## Characteristics of mLDP Profiles

The characteristics of various mLDP profiles are listed in this section.

### Configuration rules for profiles

#### MLDP inband signaling

MLDP Inband signaling allows the core to create (S,G) or (\*,G) state without using out-of-band signaling such as BGP or PIM. It is supported in VRF (and in the global context). Both IPv4 and IPv6 multicast groups are supported.

In MLDP Inband signaling, one can configure an ACL range of multicast (S,G). This (S,G) can be transported in MLDP LSP. Each multicast channel (S,G), is 1 to 1 mapped to each tree in the inband tree. The (S,G) join, through IGMP/MLD/PIM, will be registered in MRIB, which is the client of MLDP.

MLDP In-band signalling supports transiting PIM (S,G) or (\*,G) trees across a MPLS core without the need for an out-of-band protocol. In-band signaling is only supported for shared-tree-only forwarding (also known as sparse-mode threshold infinity). PIM Sparse-mode behavior is not supported (switching from (\*,G) to (S,G)).

The details of the MLDP profiles are discussed in the *Multicast Configuration Guide for Cisco NCS 5500 Series Routers*

## Restrictions for mLDP on Edge Routers

The restrictions applicable for mLDP on edge routers are as follows:

- NETCONF/YANG on MVPN for Profile 6 and Profile 7 is not supported.
- MLDP ping traceroute is not supported.
- IPv6 BVI is not supported.
- Netflow for MPLS-encapsulated multicast packets is not supported.
- MLDP Fast-Reroute (FRR) is supported for Profile 14 only.
- The MLDP Fast-Reroute and Egress Traffic Management (ETM) features are mutually exclusive.

## Configuration Process for MLDP MVPN (Intranet)

These steps provide a broad outline of the different configuration process of MLDP MVPN for intranet:

- Enabling MPLS MLDP
  - configure
  - mpls ldp mldp

- Configuring a VRF entry
  - configure
  - vrf *vrf\_name*
  - address-family ipv4/ipv6 unicast
  - import route-target route-target-ext-community
  - export route-target route-target-ext-community
- Configuring VPN ID
  - configure
  - vrf *vrf\_name*
  - vpn id *vpn\_id*
- Configuring MVPN Routing and Forwarding instance
  - configure
  - multicast-routing vrf *vrf\_name*
  - address-family ipv4
  - mdt default mldp ipv4 *root-node*
- Configuring the Route Distinguisher
  - configure
  - router bgp *AS Number*
  - vrf *vrf\_name*
  - rd *rd\_value*
- Configuring Data MDTs (optional)
  - configure
  - multicast-routing vrf *vrf\_name*
  - address-family ipv4
  - mdt data <1-255>
- Configuring BGP MDT address family
  - configure
  - router bgp *AS Number*
  - address-family ipv4 mdt
- Configuring BGP vpnv4 address family

- configure
- router bgp *AS Number*
- address-family vpv4 unicast
- Configuring BGP IPv4 VRF address family
  - configure
  - router bgp *AS Number*
  - vrf *vrf\_name*
  - address-family ipv4 unicast
- Configuring PIM SM/SSM Mode for the VRFs
  - configure
  - router pim
  - vrf *vrf\_name*
  - address-family ipv4
  - rpf topology route-policy *rosen\_mvpn\_mldp*

For each profile, a different route-policy is configured.

- Configuring route-policy
  - route-policy *rosen\_mvpn\_mldp*
  - set core-tree *tree-type*
  - pass
  - end-policy




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**Note** The configuration of the above procedures depends on the profile used for each configuration.

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## Enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM

Enhanced bundle load balancing in Label Switched Multicast (LSM) is a load-balancing feature that improves the LSM mechanism by enabling better distribution of multicast streams across the bundle members.

Table 32: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                          | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM | Release 25.3.1      | <p>Introduced in this release on: NCS 5700 fixed port routers.</p> <p>The enhanced bundle load-balancing feature enables better distribution of multicast streams across the bundle members, which prevents link saturation. This enhancement addresses the limitation where only the MPLS label is used for load balancing.</p> <p>The NCS 5700 fixed-port routers support the use of bundle IDs in hardware, enabling load balancing at the hardware level.</p> <p>The feature introduces these changes:</p> <p>CLI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>hw-module multicast enable-hw-bundle-load-balancing</code></li> </ul> |

The existing LSM implementation uses only MPLS label for load balancing. When multiple multicast streams share the same label, the streams are routed over a single link, which leads to congestion. This impacts both link aggregation groups (LAG) and equal-cost multipath (ECMP) environments. The enhanced bundle load balancing feature enables better distribution of multicast streams across the bundle members preventing link saturation.

### Benefits of enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM

Enhanced bundle load balancing for multicast streams offers these benefits:

- improves traffic distribution across all available links,
- reduces the risk of link saturation and packet loss,
- ensures consistent and efficient use of network resources, and
- aligns multicast load balancing behavior with unicast traffic.

## Restrictions for enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM

The restrictions for enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM include:

- Supported only for NCS 5700 fixed port routers.
- MVPN GRE with IPv6 is not supported.

## How enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM works

Load balancing for multicast streams now considers more traffic attributes in addition to the MPLS label. This feature supports hardware-based bundle load balancing by using the hardware command `hw-module multicast enable-hw-bundle-load-balancing`.

These attributes are used to distribute the traffic:

- label stack,
- IP header information (source and group addresses, UDP ports), and
- router ID and router port (if applicable).

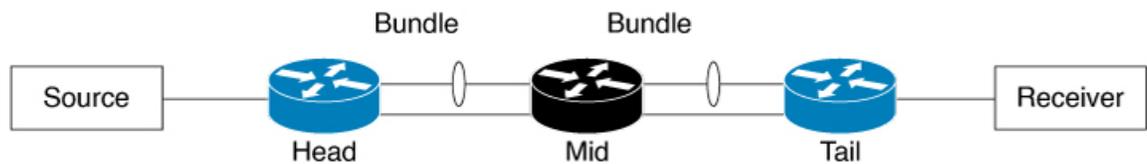
### Summary

The key components involved in enhanced load balancing are:

- Source session: The box where the traffic originates or is SPANned.
- Head: A router on which the bundle interface is configured.
- Mid: A router through which the bundle interface passes.
- Tail: The router on which the bundle interface terminates.
- Receiver or termination: The box where the traffic is analyzed.

### Workflow

*Figure 8: Topology for load balancing in LSM*



These stages describe how hardware-based bundle load balancing for LSM works:

1. The system receives a bundle creation event and links the new bundle to the interface database.
2. When interfaces are added to or removed from the bundle, the system updates the hardware configuration accordingly.
3. If the `hw-module multicast enable-hw-bundle-load-balancing` command is enabled, the system configures the bundle interface in hardware during route scans, using the new load balancing method.
4. The system ignores updates to bundle members if there are no changes to the bundle interface itself.
5. When a bundle is deleted, the system also removes the corresponding bundle interface from hardware.

### Result

Multicast packet replication over the bundle is now load balanced by hardware. The packet flow for the bundle remains unchanged, except that hardware load balancing has improved its performance.

## Configure enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM

Use this procedure to configure enhanced bundle load balancing in LSM.

## Procedure

**Step 1** Enable hardware-based bundle load balancing by using the **hw-module multicast enable-hw-bundle-load-balancing** command.

### Example:

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# hw-module multicast enable-hw-bundle-load-balancing
Router(config)# commit
```

**Step 2** Verify the configuration.

### Example:

```
Router# show dpa objects global location 0/0/cPU0

[LOG_TIME] : OFA_SHOW_CLIENT : START : Wed Jul 23 03:43:45 2025
[LOG_TIME] : START : Wed Jul 23 03:43:45 2025
global element 0 (hdl:0x3087198098):
  base
  |-- dpd_slf - pending(cr/up/dl):0/0/0, sibling:(nil), child:0, num_parents:0, visits:0
  color_mask:0, last_bwalk_id:0 num_bwalks_started:0
  |-- flag - 4000
  |   |-- flag.is_fwalk_true - 0x1
  |-- keylen - 1
  |-- trans_id - 1589358
  |-- create_trans_id - 2
  |-- obj_handle - 0x3087198098
  |-- obj_rc - 0x0
  |-- reason - 0
  |-- table_operation - 6
  |-- total_obj_size - 2037
  |-- idempotent - 1
  |-- inflight - 0
  |-- table_prop - jid=148 mtime=(UTC)2025.Jul.23 03:43:06.700146
  |-- (cont'd) - replayed=0times
  `-- obj_rc - 0:Success
  ofa_npu_id_t npu_id => 0
  @uint8_t global => 0
  uint8_t propagate_ttl => 1
  uint8_t propagate_cos => (not set)
  uint8_t srv6_pmap_extend => 0
  uint32_t mac_learn_limit_system => 300000
  uint8_t hash_type => 0
  uint32_t router_id => 2841370852
  uint32_t load_balance_profile => 0
  uint32_t hash_poly_index => 0
  ofa_bool_t bundle_hash_ignore_ing_port => FALSE
  ofa_bool_t bundle_hash_per_pkt_round_robin => FALSE
  uint32_t bundle_hash_lag_lb_hash_index => 0
  uint32_t srpm_enable => 0
  ofa_bool_t is_ipv4_tcam_key => (not set)
  ofa_bool_t is_ipv6_tcam_key => (not set)
  ofa_bool_t v4_changed => FALSE
  ofa_bool_t v6_changed => FALSE
  hw_qualifiers 0x0
  dpa_tcam_key_format_st tcam_key =>
  uint32_t otn_only_200g => (not set)
  uint32_t hqos_enable => 0
  uint32_t physical_hqos_enable => 0
  uint32_t wred_stats_enable => 0
```

```

uint32_t v6mcast_scale_optimized => (not set)
uint32_t v6mcast_is_ip => (not set)
ofa_bool_t v4_egress_acl_over_bvi => FALSE
ofa_bool_t v4_egress_acl_over_bvi_actv => (not set)
uint8_t ext_header_permit => 0
uint8_t egress_acl_two_pass_enable => (not set)
uint32_t max_trunks => 256
uint8_t mac_learning_action => 1
ofa_bool_t is_role_active => TRUE
ofa_bool_t custom_ipv4_internet_optimized => FALSE
ofa_bool_t custom_mpls_push_label_lsr_optimized => FALSE
ofa_bool_t custom_propagate_ttl_exception => FALSE
ofa_bool_t custom_tcam_label_optimize => FALSE
ofa_bool_t custom_ipv6_o_sr_policy => FALSE
uint8_t recy_for_rsvpte => 0
uint32_t ipv6_qos_profile => 0
uint32_t short_l2qos_enable => 0
uint32_t qos_ipv6_short_etm_profile => 0
uint32_t sr_global_range_min => (not set)
uint8_t SR_global_check => (not set)
uint32_t cbf_range_min => (not set)
uint32_t cbf_range_max => (not set)
uint8_t CBF_check => (not set)
ofa_bool_t cbf_label_range_enable => (not set)
ofa_bool_t flowspec_v6_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t mac_aging_pulse => (not set)
int32_t mac_aging_time => (not set)
uint8_t update_op => 0
ofa_bool_t vrrp_scale_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t igp_dlb_enable => FALSE
uint8_t is_2_label_leaf_enable => 0
ofa_bool_t bgp_mp_pic_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t bgp_mp_auto_protect_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t bgp_pic_level_3_evpn_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t bgp_ip_if_peering_collapse_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t oam_48byte_cfm_maid_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t npu_native_mode => FALSE
ofa_bool_t l2pt_ext_protocols_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t lacp_p2mp_tunnel_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t bum_optimization_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t stormcontrol_combine_policer_bw_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t stormcontrol_policer_enable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t l2_core_replication_optimization_enabled => FALSE
uint8_t mdbprofile_type => 0
uint8_t disable_trap_id => 0
uint64_t qosg_dscp_mark_map => 0
uint8_t multicast_egr_rsrc_bitmap => 0
ofa_bool_t no_bvi_ingress => (not set)
ofa_bool_t srte_nexthop_separation_mode => (not set)
uint8_t bvi_ingress_1_pass => (not set)
uint8_t bvi_egress_1_pass => (not set)
uint8_t bvi_mcast_l3l2_2_pass => (not set)
uint32_t arp_isis_prior_enable => 0
ofa_bool_t urpf_disable => FALSE
ofa_bool_t strict_urpf_enable => FALSE
uint8_t bgppa_stats_mode => 0
uint32_t l2_match_dest_addr_v4v6 => 0
ofa_bool_t etcam_lpts_internal => FALSE
ofa_bool_t custom_bgp_label_lsr_optimized => FALSE
ofa_bool_t mpls_ext_v6_dscp_preserve => FALSE
uint32_t gre_exp_cls_enable => 0
uint16_t free_buffer_int_threshold => 0
ofa_bool_t span_l2_rx_filter_enabled => FALSE
ofa_bool_t span_l2_l3_tx_filter_enabled => FALSE

```

```

uint32_t nif_hp_fifo_reserve => 0
uint32_t policer_scale => 0
ofa_saf_policy_data_t saf_policy => (not set)
uint16_t vxlan_udp_dest_port => (not set)
uint16_t vxlan_src_port_msb => (not set)
uint32_t irb_recycle_bandwidth => 400
ofa_bool_t mcast_evpn_ole_collapse_disable => FALSE
uint32_t egress_compensation_force_set_enable => 0
ofa_user_hash_data_array_t user_hash_data_array => (not set)
ofa_bool_t hw_module_bfd_stats => FALSE
ofa_bool_t bfd_offload_disable_v6 => FALSE
uint32_t lag_scheduler_enable => 0
uint32_t li_rcy_bw => 0
ofa_bool_t ipttl_propagate_disable_mpls_push_exception => FALSE
ofa_bool_t ipttl_propagate_disable_mpls_php_exception => FALSE
ofa_bool_t ipttl_propagate_disable_mpls_pop_exception => FALSE
ofa_bool_t ipttl_propagate_disable_mpls_php_cos_exception => FALSE
ofa_bool_t ipttl_propagate_disable_mpls_php_ttl_exception => FALSE
ofa_bool_t mcast_enable_hw_bundle_lb => TRUE
ofa_bool_t mac_learning_throttle => (not set)
uint8_t ingress_fadt_bitmap => 0
dpa_npu_mask_t npu_bmap => (not set)
0:uint32_t etm_low_rate_connector_reserve => (not set)
***** GLOBAL: NPD BEGIN *****
***** GLOBAL: NPD END *****
[LOG_TIME] : END : Wed Jul 23 03:43:45 2025
[LOG_TIME] : TOTAL : 0 seconds
[LOG_TIME] =====
[LOG_TIME] : OFA_SHOW_CLIENT : END : Wed Jul 23 03:43:45 2025
[LOG_TIME] : TOTAL : 0 seconds
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:ios#

```

When bundle load balancing is enabled, the `ofa_bool_t mcast_enable_hw_bundle_lb` value is set to **TRUE**.

## Configuration Example for MLDP on Core

```

mpls ldp
  mldp
    logging notifications
    address-family ipv4
    !
  !
!

```

## Flexible Algorithm for MLDP

Table 33: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                                  | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| Flexible Algorithm for Multicast VPN profiles | Release 7.5.2       | Flexible Algorithm is now available for the following profiles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Profile 12: Default MDT - MLDP - P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-Mcast Signaling</li> <li>• Profile 14: Partitioned MDT - MLDP P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-Mcast Signaling</li> </ul>   |
| Flexible Algorithm for MLDP                   | Release 7.5.1       | This feature gives you the flexibility to customize the metrics that IGP uses to route traffic for MLDP tunnels. With this feature, your router can generate two multicast streams for the same feed, thus ensuring low latency and high availability of multicast traffic.<br><br>This feature introduces the <b>flex-algo</b> keyword. |

IGP determines the shortest path to send traffic through MLDP tunnels. However, at times, you may require to choose a path other than the shortest one. For instance, when you want to achieve low latency or want to send the traffic on a specific path to avoid a set of links or build totally two or more disjoint paths.

Multipoint LDP (mLDP) flexible algorithm allows you to customize the IGP path computation based on the business needs.

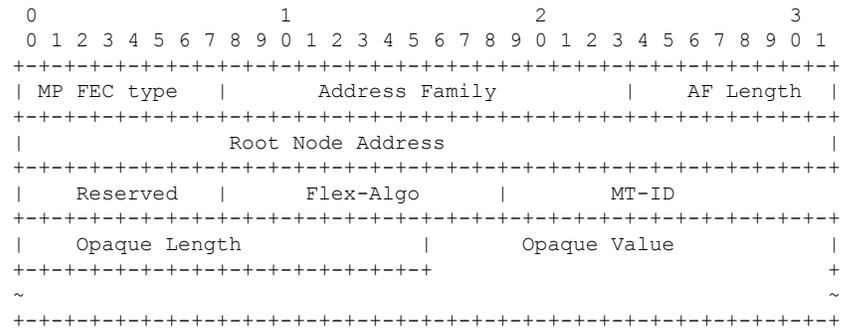
With this feature, you can get disjoint paths for two multicast streams. Each stream carries traffic within a separate network and helps reduce a connection loss or delay ensuring low latency and high availability of multicast traffic. This feature allows you to segregate multicast traffic to specific regions.

mLDP flexible algorithm is based on Segment Routing flexible algorithm that allows operators to customize IGP shortest path computation according to their own needs. For more information, see [Enabling Segment Routing Flexible Algorithm](#).

To compute two different paths, the mLDP flexible algorithm uses a 2-tuple hash algorithm, which includes MPLS Multi-Topology Identifier (MT-ID) and IGP algorithm.

MPLS multi topology Identifier (MT-ID) is a unique identifier that is used to associate an LSP with multi topology. This identifier is part of the mLDP FEC encoding so that LDP peers are able to set up an MP LSP through their own defined policy and avoid conflicting policies for the same mLDP FEC. The MT-ID and IGP Algorithm must be part of the FEC so that different values result in unique MP-LSP FEC elements.

mLDP flexible algorithm is stored in IGP Algorithm (IPA) Registry field. A 16-bit reserved field is included and out of which 8 bits are used for flexible algorithm. The root is an IP address identifying the Root of an MLDP-P2MP tree. Only IPv4 address is supported.



For example, two flexible algorithms are required to implement a disjoint-paths scenario.

Leafs belonging to the first plane are associated with flexible algorithm 130 and leafs belonging another plane are associated with flexible algorithm 128.

mLDP with flexible algorithm also provides the following support:

- [Profile 12](#): Default MDT - MLDP - P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-Mcast Signaling
- [Profile 14](#): Partitioned MDT - MLDP P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-Mcast Signaling
- MLDP Loop-Free Alternative Fast Reroute
- Data Multicast Distribution Tree (MDT) route policy supports `none` keyword.

### Restrictions

The following features are not supported with flexible algorithm:

- PIM BiDir in the core
- Carrier supporting carrier (CSC)
- Inter-AS
- Extranet
- Default MDT
- MVPN profiles except profile-14

### How to configure mLDP Flexible Algorithm?

Configure partitioned MDT with flexible algorithm MVPN profile:

```

Router #configure
Router(config)# multicast-routing
Router(config-mcast)# vrf red
Router(config-mcast-red)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-red-ipv4)# mdt partitioned mldp ipv4 p2mp flex-algo 128

```

Configure data MDT with flexible algorithm:

```

Router# configure
Router(config)# multicast-routing

```

```
Router(config-mcast)# vrf red
Router(config-mcast-red)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-red-ipv4)# mdt data mldp 10 flex-algo 130
```

Configure route policy for Data MDT with flexible algorithm:

```
Router # configure
Router(config)# multicast-routing vrf red address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-red-ipv4)# mdt data mldp 10 route-policy rpl-for-red flex-algo 130
```



**Note** We recommend having 1:1 allocation of Data MDTs with number of flows. However, you can configure less Data MDTs than the number of flows. But you may not see the expected results. You cannot modify the flexible algorithm configuration without removing the MDT configuration. You must reconfigure MDT with the new flexible algorithm. Other combinations like no flexible algorithm to flexible algorithm are not supported.

### Configuration Example

The route-policy and flexible algorithm are configured on Data MDT CLI.

In this example,

- Multicast groups 232.1.1.1 and 232.1.1.2 match the route policy it uses the Data MDT created with flexible algorithm 128.
- Multicast groups 232.1.1.3 and 232.1.1.4 also match the route-policy it uses the Data MDT created with flexible algorithm 129.

All other groups do not match the route-policy so it uses the Data MDT created with flexible algorithm 130 which is configured in Data MDT CLI.

```
route-policy c1-data-mdt
  if destination in (232.1.1.1, 232.1.1.2) then
    set flex-algo 128
  elseif destination in (232.1.1.3, 232.1.1.4) then
    set flex-algo 129
  endif
end-policy
!
multicast-routing
  vrf red
  address-family ipv4
  mdt partitioned mldp ipv4 p2mp flex-algo 131
  mdt data mldp 100 route-policy c1-data-mdt flex-algo 130
  !
  !
  !
```

In the following example, route-policy is configured on Data MDT CLI but without flexible algorithm.

```
route-policy c1-data-mdt
  if destination in (232.1.1.1, 232.1.1.2) then
    set flex-algo 128
  elseif destination in (232.1.1.3, 232.1.1.4) then
    set flex-algo 129
```

```

endif
end-policy
!
multicast-routing
vrf red
address-family ipv4
mdt partitioned mldp ipv4 p2mp flex-algo 131
mdt data mldp 100 route-policy cl-data-mdt
!
!
!

```

Flexible algorithm is configured on Data MDT CLI and all groups uses the Data MDT created with flexible algorithm 130.

```

multicast-routing
vrf red
address-family ipv4
mdt partitioned mldp ipv4 p2mp flex-algo 131
mdt data mldp 100 flex-algo 130

```

In the following example, flexible algorithms are configured in Partitioned MDT. All groups use the Data MDT created with Flexible Algorithm 131 which is configured in Partitioned MDT CLI.

```

multicast-routing
vrf red
address-family ipv4
mdt partitioned mldp ipv4 p2mp flex-algo 131
mdt data mldp 100

```

## Verification

```
Router# show mvpn vrf red context private
```

```
MVPN context information for VRF red (0xa99dbf8)
```

```

RD: 1:1 (Valid, IID 0x1), VPN-ID: 0:0
Import Route-targets : 2
  RT:10.0.0.4:0, BGP-AD
  RT:10.0.0.4:17, BGP-AD
BGP Auto-Discovery Enabled (I-PMSI added) , MS-PMSI sent
MLDP Core-tree data:
  MDT Name: Lmdtred, Handle: 0x8041b0, idb: 0xa9b1c18
  MTU: 1376, MaxAggr: 255, SW_Int: 30, AN_Int: 60
  RPF-ID: 9/0, C:0, O:1, D:0, CP:0
  MLDP Number of Roots: 0 (Local: 0), HLI: 0x00000, Rem HLI: 0x00000
Discovery Type,Value: Flex-Algo,131
Data MDT Discovery Type,Value: Flex-Algo,130
  Partitioned MDT: Configured, P2MP (RD:Not added, ID:Added), HLI: 0x00005, Loc Label:
  24017, Remote: None
  ID: 2 (0xa79ce90), Ctrl Trees : 0/0/0, Ctrl ID: 0 (0x0), IR Ctrl ID: 0 (0x0), Ctrl HLI:
  0x00000
  P2MP Def MDT ID: 0 (0x0), added: 0, HLI: 0x00000, Cfg: 0/0

```

```
Router# show mpls mldp database root 10.0.0.21 opaquetype global-id 5
```

```

mLDP database
LSM-ID: 0x00020 Type: P2MP Uptime: 2d17h
FEC Root      : 10.0.0.21
IGP Algorithm   : Flex-Algo 129
Opaque decoded : [global-id 5]

```

```

Upstream neighbor(s) :
  10.0.0.4:0 [Active] Uptime: 1d22h
  Local Label (D) : 24040
Downstream client(s):
  PIM MDT          Uptime: 2d17h
  Egress intf     : LmdtWHITE
  Table ID        : IPv4: 0xe0000012 IPv6: 0xe0800012
  RPF ID          : 15
  RD              : 257:18154475

```

```

Router# show pim vrf vpn1 mdt cache
Core Source      Cust (Source, Group)      Core Data      Expires
5.15.15.15      (100.0.1.1, 233.1.1.1)  [global-id 17, Flex-Algo 129] never
5.15.15.15      (100.0.1.1, 233.1.1.2)  [global-id 18, Flex-Algo 129] never
5.15.15.15      (100.0.1.1, 233.1.1.3)  [global-id 19, Flex-Algo 129] never
5.15.15.15      (100.0.1.1, 233.1.1.4)  [global-id 20, Flex-Algo 129] never
5.15.15.15      (100.0.1.1, 233.1.1.5)  [global-id 21, Flex-Algo 129] never

```

## Configure VRF MLDP In-Band Signaling on Edge Routers

To configure VRF MLDP in-band signaling (Profile 6) on edge routers, you must complete the following tasks:

1. Assign a route policy in PIM to select a reverse-path forwarding (RPF) topology.
2. Configure route policy to set the Multicast Distribution Tree (MDT) type to MLDP inband.
3. Enable MLDP-inband signaling in multicast routing.
4. Enable MPLS for MLDP.

### Configuration

```

/* Assign a route policy in PIM to select a reverse-path forwarding (RPF) topology */
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router pim
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim)#vrf one
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-one)#address-family ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-one-ipv4)#rpf topology route-policy rpf-vrf-one

/* Configure route policy to set the MDT type to MLDP inband */
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#route-policy rpf-vrf-one
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-rpl)#set core-tree mldp-inband
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-rpl)#end-policy

/* Enable MLDP-inband signaling in multicast routing */
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#multicast-routing
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast)#vrf one
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-one)#address-family ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-one-ipv4)#mdt source loopback 0

```

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-one-ipv4)#mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-one-ipv4)#interface all enable

/* Enable MPLS MLDP */

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#mpls ldp
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)#mldp
```

## Configure Global MLDP In-band Signaling on Edge Routers

To configure global MLDP in-band signaling (Profile 7) on edge routers, you must complete the following tasks:

1. Assign a route policy in PIM to select a reverse-path forwarding (RPF) topology.
2. Configure route policy to set the MDT type to MLDP Inband.
3. Enable MLDP inband signaling in multicast routing.
4. Enable MPLS MLDP.

### Configuration

```
/* Assign a route policy in PIM to select a reverse-path forwarding (RPF) topology */

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router pim
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim)#address-family ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#rpf topology route-policy rpf-global
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-default-ipv4)#interface TenGigE 0/0/0/21
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-ipv4-if)#enable

/* Configure route policy to set the MDT type to MLDP inband */

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#route-policy rpf-global
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-rpl)#set core-tree mldp-inband
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-rpl)#end-policy

/* Enable MLDP-inband signaling in multicast routing */

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#multicast-routing
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast)#address-family ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#interface loopback 0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4-if)#enable
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4-if)#exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#mdt source loopback 0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)#interface all enable

/* Enable MPLS MLDP */

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#mpls ldp
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)#mldp
```

## Configuration Examples for Inband mLDP Profiles on Edge Routers

### Running Configuration for VRF MLDP In-Band Signaling (Profile 6)

```
router pim
vrf one
address-family ipv4
```

```

rpf topology route-policy rpf-vrf-one

route-policy rpf-vrf-one
  set core-tree mldp-inband
end-policy

multicast-routing
vrf one
  address-family ipv4
  mdt source Loopback0
  mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
  interface all enable

mpls ldp
mldp

```

### Running Configuration for Global MLDP In-band Signaling (Profile 7)

```

router pim
  address-family ipv4
  rpf topology route-policy rpf-global
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/21
  enable

route-policy rpf-global
  set core-tree mldp-inband
end-policy

multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
  interface Loopback0
  enable
  !
  mdt source Loopback0
  mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
  interface all enable
  !
mpls ldp
mldp

```

## Verification of MLDP Configuration on Edge Routers

Use the following commands to verify the MLDP configuration on edge routers.

To check the MLDP neighbors, use the **show mpls mldp neighbor** command.

```

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:Head# show mpls mldp neighbors
mLDP neighbor database
MLDP peer ID      : 2.2.2.2:0, uptime 07:47:59 Up,
  Capabilities    : GR, Typed Wildcard FEC, P2MP, MP2MP
  Target Adj      : No
  Upstream count  : 1
  Branch count    : 1
  LDP GR          : Enabled
                  : Instance: 1
  Label map timer : never
  Policy filter in :
  Path count      : 1
  Path(s)         : 12.1.1.2          TenGigE0/0/1/0/3.2000 LDP
  Adj list        : 12.1.1.2          TenGigE0/0/1/0/3.2000
  Peer addr list  : 2.25.32.2

```

```

: 2.2.2.2
: 11.1.1.1
: 12.1.1.2
: 13.10.1.1

```

To display the contents of the Label Information Base (LIB), use the **show mpls mldp bindings** command.

```

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:Head#show mpls mldp bindings
mLDP MPLS Bindings database

LSP-ID: 0x00001 Paths: 7 Flags:
0x00001 P2MP 5.5.5.5 [vpngv6 1:1 2015:1:1::3 ff3e::1]
  Local Label: 70009
  Remote Label: 64018 NH: 12.1.1.2 Inft: TenGigE0/0/1/0/3.2000
  Remote Label: 64022 NH: 50.1.1.1 Inft: TenGigE0/0/1/3/0
  Remote Label: 30002 NH: 30.10.1.2 Inft: Bundle-Ether56
  Remote Label: 64023 NH: 60.1.1.2 Inft: HundredGigE0/0/1/1
  Remote Label: 64024 NH: 70.1.1.1 Inft: TenGigE0/0/1/2/0
  Remote Label: 64022 NH: 40.1.1.1 Inft: TenGigE0/0/0/18

```

To display the MLDP event traces, use the **show mpls mldp trace** command.

```

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:Head#show mpls mldp trace
3535 wrapping entries (631040 possible, 35584 allocated, 0 filtered, 3535 total)
May 30 23:30:21.121 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Trace pre-init iox success
May 30 23:30:21.121 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Debug pre-init iox success
May 30 23:30:21.121 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : API pre-init iox success
May 30 23:30:21.121 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Bitfield pre-init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.465 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : mldp_evm 0x563de8f01698 allocated
May 31 12:08:39.465 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : EVM init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.472 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Registered EDM on active success
May 31 12:08:39.472 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : EDM Ac/St init iox again
May 31 12:08:39.472 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Registered EDM Location on active
success
May 31 12:08:39.472 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : EDM Loc init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.475 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : LMRIB init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.475 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t18944 MRIB : MRIB connection established
May 31 12:08:39.475 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Interface manager init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.475 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Async init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.475 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Boolean init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.475 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Timers init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.479 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : RUMP init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.479 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Chunks init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.509 MLDP ERR 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 RIB : RIB not ready
May 31 12:08:39.509 MLDP ERR 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 RIB : RIB not ready
May 31 12:08:39.512 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : mldp_ens_event_ctx_chunk is NULL
May 31 12:08:39.512 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : Context Table init iox success
May 31 12:08:39.512 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : mldp_rib_main_evm 0x563de8fd23e8
allocated
May 31 12:08:39.512 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : RIB Thread EVM init rib success
May 31 12:08:39.512 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : RIB Thread Chunk init rib success
May 31 12:08:39.512 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 GEN : RIB Thread queue init rib success
May 31 12:08:39.512 MLDP GLO 0/RP0/CPU0 t6746 RIB : Bound to RIB, fd: 354

```

## MLDP Loop-Free Alternative Fast Reroute

Table 34: Feature History Table

| Feature Name   | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|--|---------------------|---|
| Flexible Algorithm for MLDP Loop-Free Alternative Fast Reroute | Release 7.5.2       | You can build disjoint live-live paths or create specific paths with flexible algorithm constraints, have low-latency routing without IGP constraints.<br><br>MLDP route-policy supporting flexible algorithm-based filtering, which provides more granular enablement of FRR for LSPs, is also available.  |
| MLDP Loop-Free Alternative Fast Reroute                        | Release 7.5.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in native and compatible mode.<br><br>With this feature, the router can quickly switch traffic to a precomputed loop-free alternative (LFA) path by allocating a label to the incoming traffic. This minimizes the traffic loss ensuring fast convergence. |
| MLDP Loop-Free Alternative Fast Reroute                        | Release 7.3.1       | In the event of a link failure, this feature enables the router to quickly switch traffic to a precomputed loop-free alternative (LFA) path by allocating a label to the incoming traffic. This minimizes the traffic loss ensuring fast convergence.   |

Generally, in a network, a network topology change, caused by a failure in a network, results in a loss of connectivity until the control plane convergence is complete. There can be various levels of loss of connectivity depending on the performance of the control plane, fast convergence tuning, and leveraged technologies of the control plane on each node in the network.

The amount of loss of connectivity impacts some loss-sensitive applications, which have severe fault tolerance (typically of the order of hundreds of milliseconds and up to a few seconds). To ensure that the loss of connectivity conforms to such applications, a technology implementation for data plane convergence is essential. **Fast Reroute (FRR)** is one of such technologies that is primarily applicable to the network core.

With the FRR solution, at each node, the backup path is precomputed, and the traffic is routed through this backup path. As a result, the reaction to failure is local; immediate propagation of the failure and subsequent processing on to other nodes is not required. With FRR, if the failure is detected quickly, a loss of connectivity as low as 10s of milliseconds is achieved.

## Loop-Free Alternative Fast Reroute

IP Loop Free Alternative FRR is a mechanism that enables a router to rapidly switch traffic to a pre-computed or a pre-programmed **loop-free alternative (LFA)** path (Data Plane Convergence), following either an adjacent link and node failure, or an adjacent link or node failure in both IP and LDP networks. The LFA path is used to switch traffic till the router installs the new primary next-hops based on the changed network topology (Control Plane Convergence).

The goal of LFA FRR is to reduce the loss of connectivity to tens of milliseconds by using a pre-computed alternative next-hop, in the case where the selected primary next-hop fails.

There are two approaches to computing LFA paths:

- **Link-based (per-link):** In link-based LFA paths, all prefixes reachable through the primary (protected) link share the same backup information. This means that the whole set of prefixes sharing the same primary also shares the repair and FRR ability.
- **Prefix-based (per-prefix):** Prefix-based LFAs allow computing backup information for each prefix. This means that the repair and backup information computed for a given prefix using prefix-based LFA may be different from the one computed by link-based LFA.

Node-protection support is available with per-prefix LFA FRR on ISIS currently. It uses a tie-breaker mechanism in the code to select node-protecting backup paths.

The per-prefix LFA approach is preferred to the per-link LFA approach for the following reasons:

- Better node failure resistance.
- Better coverage: Each prefix is analyzed independently.
- Better capacity planning: Each flow is backed up on its own optimized shortest path.

## MLDP LFA FRR

The point-to-point physical or bundle interface FRR mechanism is supported on MLDP. FRR with LFA backup is also supported on MLDP. When there is a link failure, MLDP automatically sets up and chooses the backup path. With this implementation, you must configure the physical or bundle interface for unicast traffic, so that the MLDP can act as an MLDP FRR.

LFA FRR support on MLDP is a per-prefix backup mechanism. As part of computing the LFA backup for a remote IP, the LFA backup paths for the loopback address of the downstream intermediate nodes are also computed. MLDP uses this small subset of information, by using the loopback address of the peer to compute the LFA backup path.



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**Note** Both IPv4 and IPv6 traffic is supported on the MLDP LFA FRR solution.

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For information on use cases, see the [MLDP with Flex- Algo in Service Provider Networks White Paper](#).

## MLDP LFA FRR with Flexible Algorithm

The MLDP LFA FRR with Flexible Algorithm uses the segment routed (SR) LFA FRR-selected primary and backup paths to the peers and emulates a multicast distribution tree, instead of multicast label-switched paths (LSP). It helps in having a more efficient FRR with low-latency routing, live-live disjoint paths, or constraining

multicast flows to a specific region. Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP) calculates LFA path for each learned node SID within the IGP domain.



**Note** All the following limitations of MLDP LFR FRR without Flexible Algorithm also apply to MLDP LFA FRR with Flexible Algorithm:

- Node protection is not supported.
- TE tunnel as a backup path is not supported.

### Supported MLDP Profiles with Flexible Algorithm

The list of supported MLDP profiles is the following

- Profile 12: Default MDT - MLDP - P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-Mcast Signaling
- Profile 14: Partitioned MDT - MLDP P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-Mcast Signaling

### Supported MLDP Profiles

The following MLDP profile is supported:

- Profile 14: Partitioned MDT - MLDP P2MP - BGP-AD - BGP C-Mcast Signaling

## Advantages of LFA FRR

The following are the advantages of the LFA FRR solution:

- The backup path for the traffic flow is pre-computed.
- Reaction to failure is local, an immediate propagation and processing of failure on to other nodes is not required.
- If the failure is detected in time, the loss of connectivity of up to 10s of milliseconds can be achieved. Prefix independency is the key for a fast switchover in the forwarding table.
- The mechanism is locally significant and does not impact the Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP) communication channel.
- LFA next-hop can protect against:
  - a single link failure
  - failure of one of more links within a shared risk link group (SRLG)
  - any combination of the above

## MLDP LFA FRR - Features

The following are the features of mLDLP LFA FRR solution:

- Supports both IPv4 and IPv6 traffic
- Supports Profile 14 mLDLP profile

- Supports the LAG interfaces and sub-interfaces in the core
- Supports both ISIS and OSPF routing protocols
- Supports switchover time of less than 50 milliseconds
- Supports switchover time to be independent of the number of multicast routes that has to be switched over



**Note** ECMP primary and backup paths are not supported.

## Limitations of LFA FRR

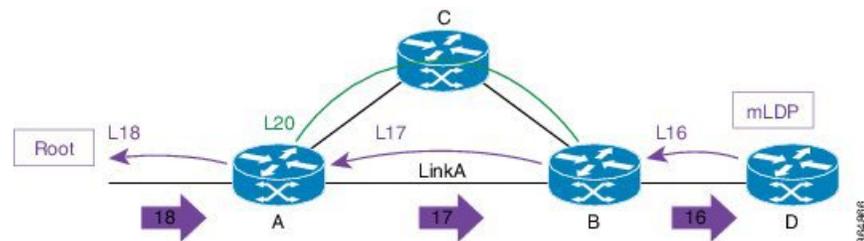
The following are some of the known limitations of the LFA FRR solution:

- When a failure that is more extensive than that which the alternate was intended to protect occurs, there is the possibility of temporarily looping traffic (micro looping until Control Plane Convergence).
- Topology dependent. For example, either MPLS or MLDP dependent.
- Complex implementation.
- The solution is currently not supported on all platforms.
- MLDP FRR over TI-LFA is currently not supported.

## MLDP LFA FRR - Working

To enable FRR for mLDP over physical or bundle interfaces, LDP session-protection has to be configured. The sequence of events that occur in an mLDP LFA FRR scenario is explained with the following example:

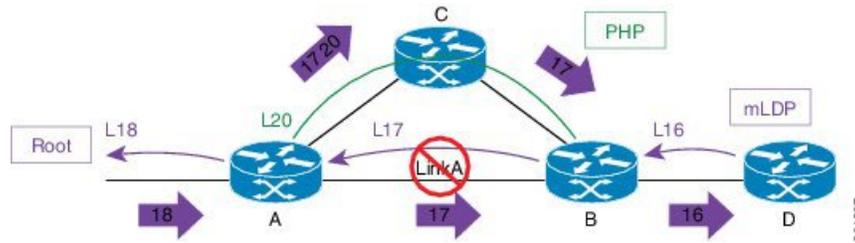
**Figure 9: MLDP LFA FRR - Setup**



In this figure:

1. Router A is the source provider edge router, and the next Hop is Router B.
2. The primary path is Router A -> Router B -> Router D, and the backup path is from Router A -> Router C -> Router B -> Router D. The backup path is pre-computed by IGP through LFA prefix-based selection.
3. MLDP LSP is build from D, B, and A towards the root.
- 4.

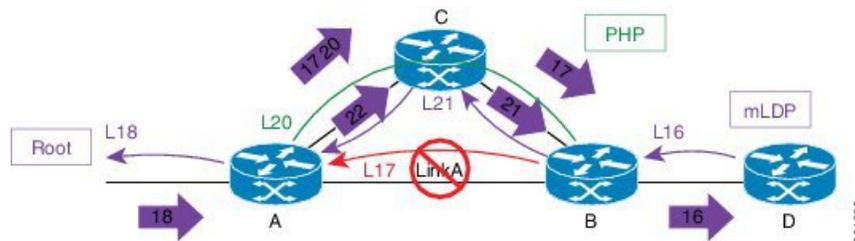
Figure 10: Link Failure



When a link failure occurs on Link A:

1. Traffic over Link A is rerouted over the backup tunnel by imposing the traffic engineering (TE) label 20 towards mid Router C.
2. Router C performs penultimate hop popping (PHP) and removes the outer label 20.
3. Router B receives the mLDP packets with label 17 and forwards to Router D.

Figure 11: Re-optimization - Make-Before-Break



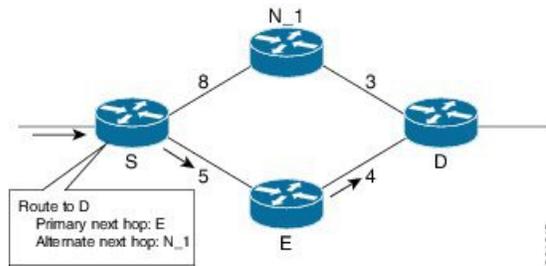
During re-optimization:

1. mLDP is notified that the root is reachable through Router C, and mLDP converges. With this, a new mLDP path is built to router A through Router C.
2. Router A forwards packets natively with old label 17 and also new label 22.
3. Router B drops traffic carried from new label 22 and forwards traffic with label 17.
4. Router B uses make-before-break (MBB) trigger to switch from either physical or bundle interface to native, label 17 to 21.
5. Router B prunes off the physical or bundle interface with a label withdraw to router A.

## MLDP LFA FRR - Behavior

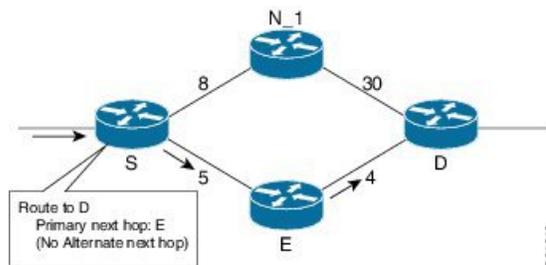
In the following scenarios, S is source router, D is the destination router, E is primary next hop, and N\_1 is the alternative next hop.

Figure 12: LFA FRR Behavior - LFA Available



With LFA FRR, the source router S calculates an alternative next hop N\_1 to forward traffic towards the destination router D through N\_1, and installs N\_1 as the alternate next hop. On detecting the link failure between routers S and E, router S stops forwarding traffic destined for router D towards E through the failed link; instead it forwards the traffic to a pre-computed alternate next hop N\_1, until a new SPF is run and the results are installed.

Figure 13: LFA FRR Behavior - LFA Not Available



In the above scenario, if the link cost between the next hop N\_1 and the destination router D is increased to 30, then the next hop N\_1 would no longer be a loop-free alternative. (The cost of the path, from the next hop N\_1 to the destination D through the source S, would be 17, while the cost from the next hop N\_1 directly to destination D would be 30). Thus, the existence of a LFA next hop is dependent on the topology and the nature of the failure, for which the alternative is calculated.

### LFA Criteria

In the above example, the LFA criteria of whether N is to be the LFA next-hop is met, when:

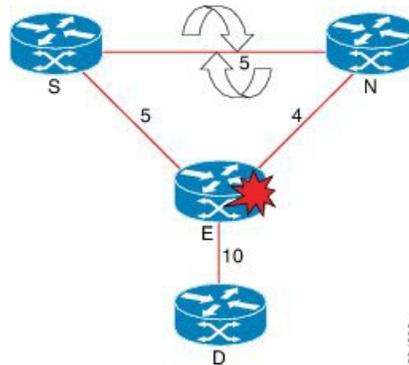
$$\text{Cost of path (N\_1, D)} < \text{Cost of path (N\_1, S)} + \text{Cost of path (E, S)} + \text{Cost of path (D, E)}$$

Downstream Path criteria, which is subset of LFA, is met when:

$$\text{Cost of path (N\_1, D)} < \text{Cost of path (E, S)} + \text{Cost of path (D, E)}$$

### Link Protecting LFA

Figure 14: Link Protecting LFA



In the above illustration, if router E fails, then both router S and router N detect a failure and switch to their alternates, causing a forwarding loop between both routers S and N. Thus, the Link Protecting LFA causes Loop on Node Failure; however, this can be avoided by using a down-stream path, which can limit the coverage of alternates. Router S will be able to use router N as a downstream alternate, however, router N cannot use S. Therefore, N would have no alternate and would discard the traffic, thus avoiding the micro-looping.

### Node Protecting LFA

Link and node protecting LFA guarantees protection against either link or node failure. Depending on the protection available at the downstream node, the downstream path provides protection against a link failure; however, it does not provide protection against a node failure, thereby preventing micro looping.

The criteria for LFA selection priority is that: the Link and Node protecting LFA is greater than the Link Protecting Downstream is greater than the Link Protecting LFA.

### Configure MLDP Route-Policy for Flexible Algorithm FRR

Using the MLDP route-policy option, you can enable the FRR for selected LSPs. You can enable FRR only for flexible algorithm-based LSPs, non-flexible algorithm-based LSPs, or for both. This route policy helps when you have a large number of flows and you have enabled FRR on all of them. If you have some flows that are critical and need FRR and other flows without FRR, you can apply the customization using the route policy.

If you do not configure any route policy, then the FRR is enabled on all LSPs.

The following example shows how to configure MLDP route-policy with flexible algorithm and apply the same:

```

Router#config
Router(config)#route-policy mldp-fa-frr
Router(config-rpl)#if mldp flex-algo?
<128-255>
Algorithm number
any
Any Algorithm
Router (config-rpi)#if mldp flex-algo 128 then
Router (config-rpl-if)#pass
Router (config-rpl-if)Hendif
Router (config-rpl)#if mldp flex-algo any then
Router (config-rpl-if)#pass
Router (config-rpl-if)Hendif
Router (config-rpl)Hend-policy

Router#config
  
```

```
Router(config)#mpls ldp mldp address-family ipv4
Router(config-ldp-mldp-af)#forwarding recursive route-policy mldp-fa-frr
Router(config-ldp-mldp-af)#
```

## Configurations to Enable LFA FRR

### Key Configurations To Enable LFA FRR

The key configurations to enable LFA FRR feature include:

- Router OSPF configuration

The various configurations available under OSPF are:

- Enabling Per-Prefix LFA
- Excluding Interface from Using Backup
- Adding Interfaces to LFA Candidate List
- Restricting LFA Candidate List
- Limiting Per-Prefix Calculation by Prefix Priority
- Disabling Load Sharing of Backup Paths

- Router ISIS configuration
- Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) configuration
- MPLS configuration

The various configurations available under MPLS are:

- MBB (MLDP) configuration
- Make Before Break (MBB) Delay X <sec> Delete Y <sec>
- Configure FRR Timer for Scale Number of MLDP LSPs

### Configuring Router OSPF LFA FRR

In OSPF configuration, configure per-prefix link based LFA to enable the LFA FRR feature. The detailed configuration steps with an example follows:

#### Procedure

---

#### Step 1 **configure**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

#### Step 2 **router ospf 0**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF configuration mode.

### Step 3 area 0

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# area 0
```

Enters the area submode under the OSPF configuration mode.

### Step 4 interface Bundle-Ether10

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Bundle-Ether10
```

Enters the interface submode configuration, under OSPF area submode.

### Step 5 fast-reroute per-prefix

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix
```

Enables the per-prefix mode of LFA calculation on the specified interface.

### Step 6 commit

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#### Example

#### Example: Configuration to Enable OSPF LFA FRR

```
!
router ospf {tag}
area {area-id}
interface {interface}
fast-reroute per-prefix enable
!
```

#### Enabling Per Prefix LFA

Lists the steps required to enable per-prefix LFA mode of LFA calculation using OSPF configuration.

#### Procedure

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### Step 1 configure

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

### Step 2 router ospf 0

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 3 area 0****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# area 0
```

Enters the area sub mode under the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 4 interface Bundle-Ether10****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Bundle-Ether10
```

Enters the interface sub mode configuration, under OSPF area sub mode.

**Step 5 fast-reroute per-prefix****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix
```

Enables the per-prefix mode of LFA backup path calculation on the specified interface.

**Step 6 fast-reroute per-prefix remote-lfa tunnel mpls-ldp****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix remote-lfa tunnel mpls-ldp
```

Enables the remote LFA on the specified interface.

**Step 7 commit**

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**Adding Interfaces to LFA Candidate List**

Lists the steps required to add an interface to the LFA candidate list.

**Procedure**

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**Step 1 configure****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

**Step 2 router ospf 0****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 3 area 0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# area 0
```

Enters the area submode under the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 4 interface Bundle-Ether10****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Bundle-Ether10
```

Enters the interface submode configuration, under OSPF area submode.

**Step 5 fast-reroute per-prefix lfa-candidate****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix lfa-candidate Bundle-Ether10
```

Adds the listed interface to the LFA candidate list to compute backup paths.

**Note**

By default, no interfaces are on the LFA candidate list.

**Step 6 commit***Exclude Interface from Backup*

Lists the steps required to exclude an interface from using backup paths for LFA calculation using OSPF configuration.

**Procedure****Step 1 configure****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

**Step 2 router ospf 0****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 3 area 0****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# area 0
```

Enters the area submode under the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 4 interface Bundle-Ether10****Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Bundle-Ether10
```

Enters the interface submode configuration, under OSPF area submode.

**Step 5 fast-reroute per-prefix exclude**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix exclude Bundle-Ether10
```

Excludes the specific listed interface while calculating the LFA backup paths.

**Note**

By default, no interfaces are excluded from the LFA backup path calculation.

**Step 6 commit**

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*Restricting the Backup Interfaces to the LFA Candidate List*

Lists the steps required to restrict the backup interface to the LFA candidate list.

**Procedure**

---

**Step 1 configure**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

**Step 2 router ospf 0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 3 area 0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# area 0
```

Enters the area submode under the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 4 interface Bundle-Ether10**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Bundle-Ether10
```

Enters the interface submode configuration, under OSPF area submode.

**Step 5 fast-reroute per-prefix use-candidate-only**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix use-candidate-only
```

Restricts the calculation of the backup paths to only the interfaces listed on the LFA candidate list.

**Note**

By default, the **fast-reroute per-prefix use-candidate-only** is disabled.

**Step 6**     **commit**

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*Limiting the Per-Prefix Calculation by Prefix-Priority*

Lists the steps required to limit the per-prefix calculation by prefix-priority.

**Procedure**

**Step 1**     **configure**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

**Step 2**     **router ospf 0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 3**     **area 0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# area 0
```

Enters the area submode under the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 4**     **interface Bundle-Ether10**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Bundle-Ether10
```

Enters the interface submode configuration, under OSPF area submode.

**Step 5**     **fast-reroute per-prefix prefix-limit {priority}**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix prefix-limit
{priority}
```

Limits the per-prefix LFA backup path calculation by prefix-priority.

Only prefixes with the same or higher priority as specified are subjected to the per-prefix backup paths calculation.

**Note**

By default, backup path is calculated for prefixes regardless of their priority.

**Step 6**     **commit**

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### Disabling Load Sharing of the Backup Paths

Lists the steps required to disable the load sharing of the backup paths.

#### Procedure

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**Step 1**     **configure**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

**Step 2**     **router ospf 0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 3**     **area 0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# area 0
```

Enters the area submode under the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 4**     **interface Bundle-Ether10**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Bundle-Ether10
```

Enters the interface submode configuration, under OSPF area submode.

**Step 5**     **fast-reroute per-prefix load-sharing disable**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix load-sharing disable
```

Disables the load sharing of the backup paths.

It is used to control the load-balancing of the backup paths on a per-prefix basis.

**Note**

By default, load-balancing of per-prefixes across all backup paths is enabled.

**Step 6**     **commit**

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### Configuring Router ISIS LFA FRR

In ISIS configuration, configure fast-reroute per-prefix to enable the LFA FRR feature.

## Procedure

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### Step 1 **configure**

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters the global configuration mode.

### Step 2 **router isis *instance id***

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# router isis MCAST
```

Enables IS-IS routing for the specified routing instance, and places the router in router configuration mode.

### Step 3 **net *network-entity-title***

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-isis)# net 49.0001.0000.0000.0001.00
```

Configures network entity titles (NETs) for the routing instance.

- Specify a NET for each routing instance if you are configuring multi-instance IS-IS.
- This example, configures a router with area ID 49.0001.0000.0000 and system ID 0000.0001.0000.0000
- To specify more than one area address, specify additional NETs. Although the area address portion of the NET differs for all of the configured items, the system ID portion of the NET must match exactly.

### Step 4 **address-family ipv4 unicast**

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-isis)# address-family ipv4 unicast
```

Enters the address-family submenu. This is supported only on unicast topologies.

### Step 5 **commit**

### Step 6 **interface *GigabitEthernet0/0/1/1***

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-isis-af)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/1/1
```

Enters the interface submenu.

### Step 7 **address-family ipv4 unicast**

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-isis-if-af)# address-family ipv4 unicast
```

Enters the address-family submenu. This is supported on unicast topologies only.

### Step 8 **fast-reroute per-prefix remote-lfa tunnel mpls-ldp**

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-isis-if-af)# fast-reroute per-prefix remote-lfa tunnel mpls-ldp
```

Enables LFA FRR remote LFA.

**Step 9**     **commit**

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### Configuring Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

When a local interface is down, that is, due to either a fiber cut or because of interface shutdown configuration is run, it can take a long delay in the order of tens of milliseconds for the remote peer to detect the link disconnection; so, to quickly detect the remote shut on physical port or on bundle interfaces, the physical port and bundle interfaces must be running Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) to ensure faster failure detection.

#### Procedure

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**Step 1**     **configure**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

**Step 2**     **router ospf *instance id***

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config)#router ospf 0
```

Enters the OSPF routing configuration mode.

**Step 3**     **nsr**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf)# nsr
```

Enables nonstop routing.

**Step 4**     **router-id *instance id***

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf)# router-id 21.21.21.21
```

Specifies the router ID of the particular IPv4 address.

**Step 5**     **nsf *instance name***

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf)# interface cisco
```

Enters the interface submode configuration, under OSPF mode.

**Step 6**     **address-family ipv4 unicast**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ospf)# address-family ipv4 unicast
```

Enters the address-family submode. This is supported only on unicast topologies.

**Step 7** `area instance id`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# area 0
```

Enters the area submode under the OSPF configuration mode.

**Step 8** `bfd minimum-interval value`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# bfd minimum-interval 3
```

Sets the bidirectional forwarding detection minimum-interval value to 3.

**Step 9** `bfd fast-detect`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# bfd fast-detect
```

Configures bidirectional forwarding detection to fast detection.

**Step 10** `bfd multiplier value`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# bfd multiplier 2
```

Configures bidirectional forwarding detection to fast detection.

**Step 11** `fast-reroute per-prefix`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# fast-reroute per-prefix
```

Enables the per-prefix mode of LFA calculation on the specified interface.

**Step 12** `mpls traffic-eng`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# mpls traffic-eng
```

Configures the MPLS TE under the OSPF area.

**Step 13** `interface instance id`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# interface Bundle-Ether100.1
```

Configures the specified interface.

**Step 14** `bfd fast-detect`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af-if)# bfd fast-detect
```

Configures bidirectional forwarding detection to fast detection.

**Step 15** `fast-reroute per-prefix`

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix
```

Enables the per-prefix mode of LFA calculation on the specified interface.

**Step 16**      **commit**

**Step 17**      **interface** *instance id*

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af)# interface Bundle-Ether100.1
```

Configures the specified interface.

**Step 18**      **bfd fast-detect**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af-if)# bfd fast-detect
```

Configures bidirectional forwarding detection to fast detection.

**Step 19**      **fast-reroute per-prefix**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-af-if)# fast-reroute per-prefix
```

Enables the per-prefix mode of LFA calculation on the specified interface.

**Step 20**      **commit**

**Step 21**      **interface loopback0**

**Example:**

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface loopback0
```

### Example

```
router ospf 0
 nsr
 router-id 21.21.21.21
 nsf cisco
 address-family ipv4 unicast
 area 0
  bfd minimum-interval 3
  bfd fast-detect
  bfd multiplier 2
  fast-reroute per-prefix
 mpls traffic-eng
 interface Bundle-Ether100.1
  bfd fast-detect
  fast-reroute per-prefix
!
 interface Bundle-Ether100.2
  bfd fast-detect
  fast-reroute per-prefix
!
 interface Loopback0
!
```

In the above configuration example, **bfd minimum-interval 3** and **bfd multiplier 2** is configured; this means, that when a core-facing interface of a remote peer is down, the router detects this disconnect event in as short a time as 6 milliseconds.

## Configuring MPLS LFA FRR

In MPLS configuration, configure session protection to support LFA FRR feature. The detailed configuration steps and an example follows.

### Procedure

#### Step 1 **configure**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

#### Step 2 **router ospf 0**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config)#mpls ldp
```

Enters the LDP configuration mode.

#### Step 3 **nsr**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ldp)# nsr
```

Configures non-stop routing.

#### Step 4 **graceful-restart**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ldp)# graceful-restart
```

Restarts the interface.

#### Step 5 **router-id 20.20.20.20**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ldp)# router-id 20.20.20.20
```

Configures a router-id for the LDP process.

#### Step 6 **session protection**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-ldp)# session protection
```

Enables LFA FRR in the per-prefix mode.

#### Step 7 **address-family ipv4**

##### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)# address-family ipv4
```

Enters address family configuration mode.

### Step 8 forwarding recursive

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)# forwarding recursive
```

Enables MLDP LFA FRR.

### Step 9 make-before-break delay 60 10

#### Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)# make-before-break delay 60 10
```

Configures make before break (MBB) delay.

### Step 10 commit

#### Example

#### Example: Configuration to enable MLDP LFA FRR

```
mpls ldp
 nsr
 graceful-restart
 !
 router-id 20.20.20.20
 session protection
 address-family ipv4
 make-before-break delay 60 10
 !
 !
```

### Make Before Break Configuration for LFA FRR

Make Before Break (MBB) is an inherent nature of MLDP. In MBB configuration, configure forwarding recursive to enable LFA FRR feature. If forwarding recursive is not configured, MLDP uses non-recursive method to select MLDP core facing interface towards next hop. The detailed configuration steps and an example follows.

#### Procedure

|        | Command or Action   | Purpose                            |
|--------|---|------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>configure</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# <b>configure</b>       | Enters global configuration mode.  |
| Step 2 | <b>mpls ldp</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# <b>mpls ldp</b> | Enters the LDP configuration mode. |

|                | Command or Action   | Purpose  |
|----------------|---|--|
| <b>Step 3</b>  | <b>log</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)# <b>log</b>   | Enters the log sub mode under the LDP sub mode.                      |
| <b>Step 4</b>  | <b>neighbor</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-log)# <b>neighbor</b>   | Configures the specified neighbor to the MLDP policy.                |
| <b>Step 5</b>  | <b>nsr</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-log)# <b>nsr</b>   | Configures non-stop routing.   |
| <b>Step 6</b>  | <b>graceful-restart</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)# <b>graceful-restart</b>                                       | Restarts the interface.  |
| <b>Step 7</b>  | <b>commit</b>   |  |
| <b>Step 8</b>  | <b>mldp</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)# <b>mldp</b>   | Enters the MLDP sub mode under the LDP sub mode.                     |
| <b>Step 9</b>  | <b>address-family ipv4</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-mldp-af)#<br><b>address-family ipv4</b>                      | Enters the Address Family sub mode under the MLDP sub mode.          |
| <b>Step 10</b> | <b>forwarding recursive</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-mldp-af)#<br><b>forwarding recursive</b>                    | Enables LFA FRR.   |
| <b>Step 11</b> | <b>make-before-break delay {seconds}</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-mldp-af)#<br><b>make-before-break delay 60</b> | Sets the make-before-break delay to the specified number of seconds. |
| <b>Step 12</b> | <b>commit</b>   |  |

### Example

#### Example Configuration Example of MBB for LFA FRR

```
mpls ldp
log
neighbor
```

```

nsr
 graceful-restart
 !
 mldp
  address-family ipv4
  forwarding recursive
  make-before-break delay 60
  !
 !

```

### Configuring Make Before Break Delay and Delete

By default, MBB is set to 10 seconds. You can configure different MBB timing to determine when the merge node starts to accept the new label.

#### Procedure

|        | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|--------|--|---|
| Step 1 | <b>configure</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# <b>configure</b>  | Enters global configuration mode.                           |
| Step 2 | <b>mpls ldp</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# <b>mpls ldp</b>  | Enters the LDP configuration mode.                          |
| Step 3 | <b>mldp</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp)# <b>mldp</b>  | Enters the MLDP sub mode under the LDP sub mode.            |
| Step 4 | <b>address-family ipv4</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-mldp)#<br><b>address-family ipv4</b>  | Enters the Address Family sub mode under the MLDP sub mode. |
| Step 5 | <b>make-before-break delay {seconds}</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-mldp-af)#<br><b>make-before-break delay 90</b>                            | Sets the Make Before Break delay to 90 seconds.             |
| Step 6 | <b>make-before-break delay {seconds} delete {seconds}</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ldp-mldp-af)#<br><b>make-before-break delay 90 delete 60</b> | Sets the Make Before Break delete delay to 60 seconds.      |
| Step 7 | <b>commit</b>  |   |

## Example

### Example: Make Before Break Delay And Delete

```
mldp
address-family ipv4
make-before-break delay ?
<0-600> Forwarding delay in seconds
make-before-break delay 90 ?
<0-60> Delete delay in seconds
make-before-break delay 90 delete 60
!
!
```

In the above configuration example, the MBB (delay) period is set of 90 seconds. The merge node starts accepting new label 90 seconds after detecting the link disconnection towards the head node. The delete delay is set to 60 seconds; that is, when MBB expires, the time period after which the merge node sends old label delete request to head node is 60 seconds. The default value is zero. The range of delete delay is from 30 to 60, for scale LSPs.

# MBB duplicate packet mitigation

MLDP Make-Before-Break (MBB) duplicate packet mitigation is a multicast label distribution protocol (mLDP) feature that

- prevents duplicate multicast packets during network link-up events
- minimizes packet loss during label-switched path (LSP) transitions, and
- offers configurable control over LSP switchover timing.

Table 35: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                    | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| MBB duplicate packet mitigation | Release 26.1.1      | <p>Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 fixed port routers; NCS 5700 fixed port routers; NCS 5500 modular routers (NCS 5500 line cards; NCS 5700 line cards [Mode: Compatibility; Native])</p> <p>MLDP Make-Before-Break (MBB) duplicate packet mitigation is an enhancement to the existing MBB feature. This feature minimizes packet loss during the transition from an old Label Switched Path (LSP) to a new one. This process is particularly important in dynamic network environments where path changes can occur due to link-up or link-down events.</p> <p>This feature prevents duplicate packets during MLDP MBB events, especially during link-up and due to differential path latency.</p> <p>The feature introduces these changes:</p> <p>CLI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>duplicate-mitigation</b> keyword is introduced in the <b>make-before-break</b> command.</li> </ul> |

### About MBB duplicate packet mitigation

The MBB feature in mLDP enables a new label-switched path (LSP) to be set up before the old one is removed, reducing packet loss but potentially causing duplicate packets due to both LSPs being active briefly. The MLDP MBB duplicate packet mitigation feature addresses this by deactivating the old LSP before activating the new one and allows a configurable delay (0–50 ms) to further minimize duplicates, especially when path latencies differ. It also maintains timer states during high-availability events to prevent duplicates and integrates seamlessly with Cisco IOS-XR without affecting other mLDP features like Fast Re-Route (FRR).

### Benefits of MBB duplicate packet mitigation

MLDP MBB duplicate packet mitigation offers these benefits:

- Helps to prevent duplicate packets during MLDP MBB link-up events.
- Ensures High Availability (HA) during LDP process restarts or Route Processor Failover (RPFO) events.

## Configuration guidelines for MBB duplicate packet mitigation

Consider these guidelines for configuring MBB duplicate packet mitigation effectively.

- Enable this feature if your primary goal is to avoid duplicate packets during LSP transitions.
- To minimize potential packet loss, adjust the duplicate mitigation timer settings during configuration.

## Configure duplicate mitigation

Use this procedure to enable MLDP MBB duplicate mitigation and configure its parameters.

### Before you begin

- Ensure you have access to the mLDP address-family in MPLS LDP configuration mode.

### Procedure

**Step 1** Enable the MLDP MBB duplicate mitigation feature.

#### Example:

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# mpls ldp
Router(config-ldp)# router-id 1.23.4.4
Router(config-ldp)# mldp
Router(config-ldp-mldp)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-ldp-mldp-af)# make-before-break delay 60
Router(config-ldp-mldp-af)# make-before-break delay 60 duplicate-mitigation
```

**Step 2** (Optional) Configure the duplicate mitigation delay timer (0–50 milliseconds) to control the switchover interval between the old and new LSPs.

#### Example:

```
Router(config-ldp-mldp-af)# make-before-break delay 60
Router(config-ldp-mldp-af)# make-before-break delay 60 duplicate-mitigation 10
```

**Step 3** Verify feature activation and timer status using the enhanced **show mpls mldp database** command.

#### Example:

```
Router# show mpls mldp database
Wed Aug 6 22:30:16.393 PDT
mLDP database
LSM-ID: 0x00001 Type: P2MP Uptime: 00:03:03
  FEC Root      : 1.1.1.1
  Opaque decoded : [global-id 1]
  Features      : MBB
  Upstream neighbor(s) :
  Is CSI accepting : N
    4.4.4.4:0 [Inactive] [Activate 00:00:59] [MBB] Uptime: 00:01:41
      Local Label (D) : 24015
  Is CSI accepting : N
    1.1.1.1:0 [Inactive] [Delete 00:00:49] [MBB] Uptime: 00:03:03
      Local Label (D) : 24012
  Downstream client(s):
    LDP 3.3.3.3:0 Uptime: 00:03:03
      Next Hop      : 10.2.3.3
      Interface     : GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0
      Remote label (D) : 24013
```

MLDP MBB duplicate mitigation is enabled; duplicate multicast packets are prevented during MBB transitions, with the switchover order and timing governed by your configuration.

# Overriding VRFs in IGMP Interfaces

Table 36: Feature History Table

| Feature Name                                       | Release Information | Feature Description   |
|--|---------------------|---|
| Support for IGMP VRF Override in Multicast Routers | Release 7.5.1       | <p>Using this feature, you can configure a multicast router interface to override the configuration specified in the local VRF table. When an IGMP client sends a join message to the multicast router, it performs a Reverse-path Forwarding (RPF) lookup for the IGMP join in the local VRF table. If the local VRF table does not have the information, the feature extends the lookup to the default (global) VRF table.</p> <p>This ensures that the interface in a specific VRF table is part of the outgoing list of interfaces in the global routing table for a multicast route.</p> |

All unicast traffic on the user-to-network interfaces of next-generation aggregation or core networks must be mapped to a specific VRF. They must then be mapped to an MPLS VPN on the network-to-network side. This requires the configuration of a physical interface in this specific VRF.

This feature allows mapping of IGMP packets entering through a user-to-user interface to the multicast routes in the global multicast routing table. This ensures that the interface in a specific VRF can be part of the outgoing list of interfaces in the table for a multicast route.

IGMP packets entering through a non-default VRF interface in the default (global) VRF are processed, with IGMP later distributing the interface-related multicast state (route/interface) to MRIB. This occurs through the default VRF rather than through the VRF to which the interface belongs. MRIB, PIM, MSDP, and MFIB then process the multicast state for this interface through the default VRF.

When an IGMP join for a specific (S, G) is received on the configured interface, IGMP stores this information in its VRF-specific databases. But, when sending an update to MRIB, IGMP sends this route through the default VRF. MRIB then programs this (S, G) along with this interface as an OLIST member in the default multicast routing table.

Similarly, when PIM requests information about IGMP routes from MRIB, MRIB sends this update to PIM in the context of the default VRF.

This feature specifically supports:

- Mapping of IGMP requests on an interface in a non-default VRF to the default VRF multicast routing table.
- Enabling and disabling of VRF override functionality at run time.

- Routing policy configuration at the global (default) VRF level, because routing policy configuration cannot be done at the granularity of an individual interface.
- Enablement and disablement of an IGMP VRF override on all Layer- 3 and Layer- 2 interface types, including physical Ethernet, VLAN sub-interface, bundles and VLANs over bundles.
- The same scale of multicast routes and OLIST interfaces currently supported by the platform even when VRF override functionality is operational.

### Restriction

IGMP VRF Override is not supported with BVI interfaces.

## Configuring IGMP VRF Override

This process consists of the following tasks:

### Specifying VRF definition

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **vrf *vrf-name***
3. **address-family ipv4 unicast**
4. **import route-target 1:1**
5. **export route-target 1:1**
6. **commit**

#### DETAILED STEPS

##### Procedure

|               | Command or Action   | Purpose   |
|---------------|---|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>configure</b>  |   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>vrf <i>vrf-name</i></b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config) # vrf name1                                  | Enters the VRF configuration sub mode.                                    |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>address-family ipv4 unicast</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router (config-vrf) # address-family<br>ipv4 unicast | AFI configuration for IPv4. This is supported on unicast topologies only. |

|        | Command or Action  | Purpose             |
|--------|--|---------------------|
| Step 4 | <b>import route-target 1:1</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-vrf-af)# import route-target 1:1</pre> | Enables VRF import. |
| Step 5 | <b>export route-target 1:1</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-vrf-af)# export route-target 1:1</pre> | Enables VRF export. |
| Step 6 | <b>commit</b>  |                     |

## Enabling Multicast Routing on default and non-default VRFs

This task enables multicast routing and forwarding on all new and existing interfaces. For the VRF override feature, multicast routing needs to be enabled on both, the default and the non-default VRFs.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **multicast-routing vrf** [*vrf-name* | *default*]
3. **interface** {*type interface-path-id* | **all**} **enable**
4. **commit**

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|        | Command or Action   | Purpose  |
|--------|---|--|
| Step 1 | <b>configure</b>  |  |
| Step 2 | <b>multicast-routing vrf</b> [ <i>vrf-name</i>   <i>default</i> ]<br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# multicast-routing vrf green</pre>                  | Enters multicast configuration mode for the specified VRF. Note that the default configuration mode for multicast routing is default vrf (if the non-default VRF name is not specified). |
| Step 3 | <b>interface</b> { <i>type interface-path-id</i>   <b>all</b> } <b>enable</b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-green)# interface all enable</pre> | Enables multicast routing and forwarding on one or on all new and existing interfaces.   |

|        | Command or Action | Purpose |
|--------|-------------------|---------|
| Step 4 | commit            |         |

## Configuring an Interface for a Non-default VRF Instance

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **interface** *type interface-path-id*
3. **vrf** *vrf-name*
4. **ipv4 address** *address mask*
5. **commit**

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|        | Command or Action   | Purpose                                  |
|--------|---|--|
| Step 1 | configure   |  |
| Step 2 | <b>interface</b> <i>type interface-path-id</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface tengige<br>0/1/0/0   | Enters PIM address-family IPv4 submode.  |
| Step 3 | <b>vrf</b> <i>vrf-name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# vrf name1                                       | Sets the VRF for the interface.          |
| Step 4 | <b>ipv4 address</b> <i>address mask</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# ipv4 address<br>10.1.1.1 255.0.0.0 | Sets the IPv4 address for the interface. |
| Step 5 | commit  |  |

## Configuring route-policy

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**

2. **route-policy** *policy-name*
3. **set rpf-topology vrf default**
4. **end-policy**
5. **commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>configure</b>   |   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>route-policy</b> <i>policy-name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# route-policy policy1          | Defines a route policy.                                   |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>set rpf-topology vrf default</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-rpl)# set rpf-topology vrf default | Sets the PIM RPF topology attributes for the default VRF. |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <b>end-policy</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-rpl)# end-policy                                     | Ends the route-policy definition configuration.           |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <b>commit</b>  |   |

## Associating a route policy to PIM configuration for the VRF receiving IGMP reports

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **router pim vrf** *vrf-name* **address-family ipv4**
3. **rpf-topology route-policy** *policy-name*
4. **commit**

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|        | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|--------|--|---|
| Step 1 | <code>configure</code>   |   |
| Step 2 | <code>router pim vrf <i>vrf-name</i> address-family ipv4</code>  | Enters PIM address-family IPv4 submode.   |
| Step 3 | <b>rpf-topology route-policy <i>policy-name</i></b><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-rpl)# rpf-topology route-policy policy1</pre> | Associates a previously defined route-policy with the non-default VRF that receives the IGMP reports. |
| Step 4 | <code>commit</code>  |   |

## Configure MVPN using Draft-Rosen (Profile 0)

Table 37: Feature History Table

| Feature Name  | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| Draft-Rosen Multicast VPN (Profile 0) in PIM Sparse Mode (SM) | Release 7.10.1      | <p>Introduced in this release on: NCS 5500 fixed port routers; NCS 5500 modular routers</p> <p>Draft-Rosen Multicast VPN (Profile 0) is now supported in PIM sparse mode (PIM-SM) between the PE routers that are running in VRF mode. PIM SM provides precise control in cases of large multicast traffic when there is less bandwidth available. This control is possible because it uses a temporary Rendezvous Point (RP) router to connect the multicast traffic source to the next hop router.</p> <p>Prior to this release, Profile 0 was supported only in PIM Source Specific Multicast (SSM) mode.</p> |

| Feature Name  | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| Draft-Rosen Multicast VPN (Profile 0) in PIM Sparse Mode (SM) | Release 7.7.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the NCS 5700 line cards installed and operate in native and compatible modes.<br><br>Draft-Rosen Multicast VPN (Profile 0) is now supported in PIM sparse mode (PIM-SM) between the PE routers that are running in VRF mode. Prior to this release, Profile 0 was supported only in PIM Source Specific Multicast (SSM) mode. |
| Draft-Rosen Multicast VPN (Profile 0)                         | Release 7.5.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the NCS 5700 line installed and operate in native and compatible modes.<br><br>MVPN profile 0 uses GRE tunnels to securely transmit multicast traffic between the PE routers.   |
| Draft-Rosen Multicast VPN (Profile 0)                         | Release 7.4.1       | Draft-Rosen (profile 0) is a widely used MVPN model and uses GRE tunnels to securely transmit multicast traffic between the PE routers. It also enables ease of deployment by using the Protocol-Independent Multicast (PIM) protocol between edge routers (PE) and hosts (CE), and between PE routers that are running in VRF mode.   |

Draft-Rosen Multicast VPN (Profile 0) uses Generic Routing Encapsulation (GRE) as an overlay protocol. All multicast packets are encapsulated inside GRE. Profile 0 has PIM as the multicast routing protocol between the edge routers (PE) and hosts (CE), and between the PE routers in the VRF mode. The PE routers directly connect using a Default Multicast Distribution Tree (MDT) formed between the PE routers. The PE routers connect to each other as PIM neighbors across the Default MDT.



**Note** In native multicast and draft-rosen mVPN, load-balancing between bundle members is performed based on outer IP/User Datagram Protocol (UDP) header fields. However, in all MPLS based mVPN design solution, a single tunnel is pinned down to a bundle member.

### Benefits

- Profile 0 is a widely used model and fairly easy to deploy as Profile 0 uses the native multicast in the core and does not require any additional configuration on customers routers and in the core.

### Restrictions and usage guidelines

- IPv6 is not supported on both VRF and core.
- BVI is not supported in the core.
- In-Service Software Upgrade (ISSU) is not supported for MVPN GRE and L2 multicast.
- Auto-RP is not supported.
- If there is an IPv4 Unicast GRE tunnel configured in your network, the Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) size of the configured Unicast GRE tunnel impacts the MTU of the Profile-0 MDT multicast. Ensure that the Profile-0 MDT multicast packet size does not exceed the MTU value of the IPv4 unicast GRE tunnel. If the multicast packet size value exceeds the MTU value of the tunnel, then the packet is dropped.
- Use the **immediate-switch** keyword only for data MDT switchover. Switchover from the default MDT to the data MDT is not supported based on the threshold.
- Starting with Cisco IOS XR Release 25.2.1, GRE tunnels operate in UNIFORM mode. In this mode, the outer IP header inherits the TOS and TTL values from the incoming VRF packet on the encapsulating PE (Encap-PE). At the decapsulating PE (Decap-PE), the TOS and TTL values of the outer header are stripped and discarded.

### Configuration Example

Perform the following steps to configure Profile 0 on the PE devices:

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# route-policy rosen-gre
Router(config-rpl)# set core-tree pim-default
Router(config-rpl)# end-policy

Router(config)# multicast-routing
Router(config-mcast)# vrf vpn101
Router(config-mcast-vpn101)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-mcast-vpn101-ipv4)# mdt source Loopback0
Router(config-mcast-vpn101-ipv4)# mdt default ipv4 232.100.0.1
Router(config-mcast-vpn101-ipv4)# mdt data 232.101.0.1/24
Router(config-mcast-vpn101-ipv4)# interface all enable

Router(config)# router pim
Router(config-pim)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-default-ipv4)# vrf vpn101
Router(config-pim-vpn101)# address-family ipv4
Router(config-pim-vpn101-ipv4)# rpf topology route-policy rosen-gre
Router(config-pim-vpn101-ipv4)# exit
Router(config-pim-vpn101-ipv4)# commit
```

### Running Configuration

```
/*Head Configuration*/ :

hostname PE1
logging console disable
vrf vpn101
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  import route-target
  1:1
```

```
!
export route-target
 1:1
!
!
address-family ipv6 unicast
import route-target
 1:1
!
export route-target
 1:1
!
!
!
line console
exec-timeout 0 0
absolute-timeout 0
session-timeout 0
!
line default
exec-timeout 0 0
absolute-timeout 0
session-timeout 0
!
call-home
service active
contact smart-licensing
profile CiscoTAC-1
active
destination transport-method email disable
destination transport-method http
!
!
interface Bundle-Ether1
load-interval 30
l2transport
!
!
interface Loopback0
ipv4 address 4.4.4.4 255.255.255.255
ipv6 address 4::4/124
!
interface Loopback1
vrf vpn101
ipv4 address 4.1.1.1 255.255.255.255
ipv6 address 4::1:1/124
!
interface MgmtEth0/RP0/CPU0/0
ipv4 address 7.1.10.55 255.255.0.0
!
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/4
ipv4 address 10.2.0.1 255.255.255.0
ipv6 address 10::2:1/124
load-interval 30
!
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/18
vrf vpn101
ipv4 address 2.0.0.1 255.255.0.0
ipv6 address 2::1/124
load-interval 30
!
!
route-policy PASS
pass
```

```

end-policy
!
route-policy rosen-gre
  set core-tree mldp-partitioned-p2mp
end-policy
!
route-policy pim-mdt-default
  set core-tree pim-default
end-policy
!
router static
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    0.0.0.0/0 7.1.0.1
  !
!
router ospf core
  router-id 4.4.4.4
  mpls ldp auto-config
  area 0
    interface Loopback0
    !
    interface TenGigE0/0/0/4
    !
  !
!
router bgp 100
  bgp router-id 4.4.4.4
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    redistribute connected
    allocate-label all
  !
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv6 unicast
    redistribute connected
    allocate-label all
  !
  address-family vpnv6 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv4 mdt
  !
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
  !
  address-family ipv6 mvpn
  !
  neighbor 21.21.21.21
    remote-as 100
    update-source Loopback0
    address-family ipv4 unicast
    !
    address-family vpnv4 unicast
    !
    address-family ipv6 unicast
    !
    address-family vpnv6 unicast
    !
    address-family ipv4 mdt
    !
    address-family ipv4 mvpn
    !
    address-family ipv6 mvpn
    !
  !
vrf vpn101

```

```

rd 1:1
address-family ipv4 unicast
  route-target download
  redistribute connected
!
address-family ipv6 unicast
  route-target download
  redistribute connected
!
!
!
mpls ldp
  mldp
    address-family ipv4
    !
    !
  router-id 4.4.4.4
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/4
  !
!
multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
    interface all enable
  !
  address-family ipv6
    interface all enable
  !
vrf vpn101
  address-family ipv4
    mdt source Loopback0
    rate-per-route
    interface all enable
    mdt default ipv4 232.1.0.1
    mdt data 232.100.1.1/24 immediate-switch
  !
  address-family ipv6
    mdt source Loopback0
    rate-per-route
    interface all enable
    mdt default ipv4 232.2.0.1
    mdt data 232.200.1.1/24 immediate-switch
  !
!
!
lldp
!
router pim
  vrf vpn101
    address-family ipv4
      rpf topology route-policy pim-mdt-default
      hello-interval 1
      rp-address 21.1.1.1
    !
    address-family ipv6
      rpf topology route-policy pim-mdt-default
      hello-interval 1
    !
  !
!
mld snooping profile mldsn
  system-ip-address fe80::1 link-local
  internal-querier
!
igmp snooping profile igmpsn

```

```

system-ip-address 4.4.4.4
internal-querier
!
igmp snooping profile snjoin
static group 232.1.1.1 source 40.0.0.2
!
end

/*Tail Configuration*/ :

hostname PE2
logging console disable
vrf vpn101
address-family ipv4 unicast
import route-target
1:1
!
export route-target
1:1
!
!
address-family ipv6 unicast
import route-target
1:1
!
export route-target
1:1
!
!
!
line console
exec-timeout 0 0
absolute-timeout 0
session-timeout 0
!
line default
exec-timeout 0 0
absolute-timeout 0
session-timeout 0
!
call-home
service active
contact smart-licensing
profile CiscoTAC-1
active
destination transport-method email disable
destination transport-method http
!
!
interface Loopback0
ipv4 address 21.21.21.21 255.255.255.255
ipv6 address 21::21/124
!
interface Loopback1
vrf vpn101
ipv4 address 21.1.1.1 255.255.255.255
ipv6 address 21::1:1/124
!
interface MgmtEth0/RP0/CPU0/0
ipv4 address 7.1.10.57 255.255.0.0
shutdown
!

```

```
interface TenGigE0/0/0/4
  ipv4 address 10.2.0.2 255.255.255.0
  ipv6 address 10::1:1/124
  load-interval 30
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
  vrf vpn101
  ipv4 address 3.0.0.1 255.255.0.0
  ipv6 address 3::1/124
  load-interval 30
!
!
route-policy PASS
  pass
end-policy
!
route-policy rosen-gre
  set core-tree mldp-partitioned-p2mp
end-policy
!
route-policy pim-mdt-default
  set core-tree pim-default
end-policy
!
router static
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    0.0.0.0/0 7.1.0.1
  !
!
router ospf core
  router-id 21.21.21.21
  mpls ldp auto-config
  area 0
  interface Loopback0
  !
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/4
  !
!
router bgp 100
  bgp router-id 21.21.21.21
  bgp graceful-restart
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    redistribute connected
  !
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv6 unicast
    redistribute connected
  !
  address-family vpnv6 unicast
  !
  address-family ipv4 mdt
  !
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
  !
  address-family ipv6 mvpn
  !
  neighbor 4.4.4.4
    remote-as 100
    update-source Loopback0
  address-family ipv4 unicast
  !
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
```

```

!
address-family ipv6 unicast
!
address-family vpv6 unicast
!
address-family ipv4 mdt
!
address-family ipv4 mvpn
!
address-family ipv6 mvpn
!
!
vrf vpn101
rd 1:1
address-family ipv4 unicast
route-target download
redistribute connected
!
address-family ipv6 unicast
route-target download
redistribute connected
!
!
!
multicast-routing
address-family ipv4
interface all enable
!
address-family ipv6
interface all enable
!
vrf vpn101
address-family ipv4
mdt source Loopback0
rate-per-route
interface all enable
mdt default ipv4 232.1.0.1
mdt data 232.100.1.1/24 immediate-switch
!
address-family ipv6
mdt source Loopback0
rate-per-route
interface all enable
mdt default ipv4 232.2.0.1
mdt data 232.200.1.1/24 immediate-switch
!
!
!
lldp
!
router pim
vrf vpn101
address-family ipv4
rpf topology route-policy pim-mdt-default
hello-interval 1
rp-address 21.1.1.1
!
address-family ipv6
rpf topology route-policy pim-mdt-default
hello-interval 1
!
!
!
router igmp

```

```

vrf vpn101
  interface interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
    static-group 232.1.1.1 3.0.0.2
  !
!
!
end

```

## Verification

```

Router# show pim vrf vpn101 context
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```

PIM context information for VRF vpn101 (0x55845d7772b0)

```

VRF ID: 0x60000002
Table ID: 0xe0000002
Remote Table ID: 0xe0800002
MDT Default Group : 232.1.0.1
MDT Source : (4.4.4.4, Loopback0) Per-VRF
MDT Immediate Switch Not Configured
MDT handle: 0x2000806c(mdtvpn101)
Context Active, ITAL Active
Routing Enabled
Registered with MRIB
Owner of MDT Interface
Raw socket req: T, act: T, LPTS filter req: T, act: T
UDP socket req: T, act: T, UDP vbind req: T, act: T
Reg Inj socket req: T, act: T, Reg Inj LPTS filter req: T, act: T
Mhost Default Interface : TenGigE0/0/0/18 (publish pending: F)
Remote MDT Default Group : 232.2.0.1
Backup MLC virtual interface: Null
Neighbor-filter: -
MDT Neighbor-filter: -

```

```

Router# show mrib vrf vpn101 route detail
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```

```

IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
             C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
             IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
             MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
             CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
             MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
             MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,
                NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
                LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
                EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
                EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
                MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
                IRMI - IR MDT Interface, TRMI - TREE SID MDT Interface, MH - Multihome Interface

(*,224.0.0.0/4) Ver: 0x9b0d RPF nbr: 21.1.1.1 Flags: L C RPF P, FGID: 11903, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:03:33
  Outgoing Interface List
    Decapstunnell1 Flags: NS DI, Up: 00:03:28

(*,224.0.0.0/24) Ver: 0xec6c Flags: D P, FGID: 11901, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:03:33

```

```

(*,224.0.1.39) Ver: 0xe7dc Flags: S P, FGID: 11899, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:03:33

(*,224.0.1.40) Ver: 0xf5fb Flags: S P, FGID: 11900, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:03:33
Outgoing Interface List
TenGigE0/0/0/6 Flags: II LI, Up: 00:03:33

(*,232.0.0.0/8) Ver: 0x96d1 Flags: D P, FGID: 11902, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:03:33

(2.0.0.2,232.1.1.1) Ver: 0x2c3f RPF nbr: 4.4.4.4 Flags: RPF RPFID, FGID: 11907, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x26, Tunnel LIF: 0xa000, Flags2: 0x2
Up: 00:00:22
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
mdtvpn101 Flags: A MI, Up: 00:00:22
Outgoing Interface List
TenGigE0/0/0/6 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:00:22

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IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,
NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
IRMI - IR MDT Interface, TRMI - TREE SID MDT Interface, MH - Multihome Interface

(*,224.0.0.0/24) Ver: 0x7f6e Flags: D P, FGID: 9235, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54

(*,224.0.1.39) Ver: 0x7af2 Flags: S P, FGID: 9233, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54

(*,224.0.1.40) Ver: 0x9f9b Flags: S P, FGID: 9234, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54
Outgoing Interface List
TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: II LI, Up: 00:06:54

(*,232.0.0.0/8) Ver: 0x517d Flags: D P, FGID: 9236, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54

(4.4.4.4,232.1.0.1) Ver: 0xc19e RPF nbr: 4.4.4.4 Flags: RPF ME MH, FGID: 9242, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2

```

```

MVPN TID: 0xe0000002
MVPN Remote TID: 0x0
MVPN Payload: IPv4
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:06:49
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49
Outgoing Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49
  TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:04:13

(21.21.21.21,232.1.0.1) Ver: 0xa354 RPF nbr: 10.2.0.2 Flags: RPF MD MH CD, FGID: 9244,
Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2
MVPN TID: 0xe0000002
MVPN Remote TID: 0x0
MVPN Payload: IPv4
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:04:13
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
  TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: A, Up: 00:04:13
Outgoing Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:04:13

(4.4.4.4,232.2.0.1) Ver: 0xbab2 RPF nbr: 4.4.4.4 Flags: RPF ME MH, FGID: 9243, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2
MVPN TID: 0x0
MVPN Remote TID: 0xe0800002
MVPN Payload: IPv6
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:06:49
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49
Outgoing Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49

(4.4.4.4,232.100.1.0) Ver: 0x86b RPF nbr: 4.4.4.4 Flags: RPF ME MH, FGID: 9246, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2
MVPN TID: 0xe0000002
MVPN Remote TID: 0x0
MVPN Payload: IPv4
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:01:17
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:01:17
Outgoing Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:01:17
  TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:01:17

```

```
Router# show mrib route detail
```

```
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```

```

IP Multicast Routing Information Base
Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accept,
IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy,

```

```

NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
IRMI - IR MDT Interface, TRMI - TREE SID MDT Interface, MH - Multihome Interface

(*,224.0.0.0/24) Ver: 0x7f6e Flags: D P, FGID: 9235, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54

(*,224.0.1.39) Ver: 0x7af2 Flags: S P, FGID: 9233, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54

(*,224.0.1.40) Ver: 0x9f9b Flags: S P, FGID: 9234, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54
Outgoing Interface List
TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: II LI, Up: 00:06:54

(*,232.0.0.0/8) Ver: 0x517d Flags: D P, FGID: 9236, Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF:
0xffffffff, Tunnel LIF: 0xffffffff
Up: 00:06:54

(4.4.4.4,232.1.0.1) Ver: 0xc19e RPF nbr: 4.4.4.4 Flags: RPF ME MH, FGID: 9242, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2
MVPN TID: 0xe0000002
MVPN Remote TID: 0x0
MVPN Payload: IPv4
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:06:49
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49
Outgoing Interface List
Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49
TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:04:13

(21.21.21.21,232.1.0.1) Ver: 0xa354 RPF nbr: 10.2.0.2 Flags: RPF MD MH CD, FGID: 9244,
Statistics enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2
MVPN TID: 0xe0000002
MVPN Remote TID: 0x0
MVPN Payload: IPv4
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:04:13
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: A, Up: 00:04:13
Outgoing Interface List
Loopback0 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:04:13

(4.4.4.4,232.2.0.1) Ver: 0xbab2 RPF nbr: 4.4.4.4 Flags: RPF ME MH, FGID: 9243, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2
MVPN TID: 0x0
MVPN Remote TID: 0xe0800002
MVPN Payload: IPv6
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:06:49
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49
Outgoing Interface List

```

```

Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:06:49

(4.4.4.4,232.100.1.0) Ver: 0x86b RPF nbr: 4.4.4.4 Flags: RPF ME MH, FGID: 9246, Statistics
enabled: 0x0, Tunnel RIF: 0x35, Tunnel LIF: 0xc000, Flags2: 0x2
MVPN TID: 0xe0000002
MVPN Remote TID: 0x0
MVPN Payload: IPv4
MDT IFH: 0x2000806c
Up: 00:01:17
RPF-ID: 1, Encap-ID: 0
Incoming Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:01:17
Outgoing Interface List
  Loopback0 Flags: F A, Up: 00:01:17
  TenGigE0/0/0/4 Flags: F NS, Up: 00:01:17
    
```

## Multicast VPN Support based on Point to Multipoint Traffic Engineering (P2MPE)

Table 38: Feature History Table

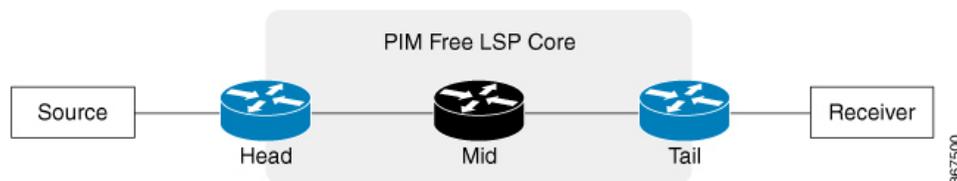
| Feature Name   | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Multicast VPN Support based on Point to Multipoint Traffic Engineering (P2MPE) | Release 7.4.1       | This feature is now supported on routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operate in native and compatibility mode. |

To carry multicast traffic in service provider networks, a multicast protocol like PIM needs to be deployed to set up forwarding paths in the service provider core. However for an MPLS backbone network, service providers can use label encapsulation instead of IP tunneling. This approach helps to reduce the control traffic overhead on the service provider core and also leverages the MPLS traffic engineering and protection features.

The label encapsulation could be either point-to-multipoint (P2MP) label switched paths (LSPs) or multipoint-to-multipoint (MP2MP) LSPs. For creating multicast LSPs, RSVP-TE protocol extensions can be used. The RSVP-TE protocol is extended to signal P2MP LSPs across the MPLS networks. P2MP-TE feature enables transporting multicast traffic through a PIM free service provider core using P2MP-TE tunnels.

The following figure explains the topology that is used in this feature.

Figure 15: PIM Free LSP Core



In this figure, the following terminologies are used:

- Head—A router on which a TE tunnel is configured.
- Tail—The router on which the TE tunnel terminates.

- Mid—A router through which the TE tunnel passes.

A Multicast VPN (mVPN) profile is configured for the global context or per VRF. Different mVPN profiles can be applied depending on where the multicast streams need to be transported.

The following mVPN profiles are supported for the P2MP-TE feature:

- mVPN profile 8 for global context
- mVPN profile 10 for L3VPN context

### Restrictions and Usage Guidelines

The following restrictions and guidelines apply for this feature:

- Only Source-Specific Multicast (SSM) traffic is supported.
- For profile 8, both IPv4 and IPv6 are supported.
- For profile 10, only IPv4 is supported.
- Fast Reroute (FRR) for P2MP-TE tunnel is not supported.
- BVI interface toward core is not supported.

### Configuration Example: P2MP-TE Profile 8

This example shows the P2MP-TE configuration for profile 8. You need to configure the head, mid, and tail routers in the P2MP tunnel.

The head router configuration is given as follows. This configuration includes IGP, MPLS-TE tunnel, and multicast configurations. You should also configure LDP and RSVP while configuring this feature.

The running configuration for the head router is given as follows.

The mid router only requires MPLS-TE, RSVP and an IGP like OSPF configurations. The running configuration for the mid router is given as follows:

The tail router configuration is given as follows. This configuration includes IGP, MPLS-TE tunnel and multicast configurations. Similar to head router, you should also configure RSVP and LDP while configuring this feature.

The running configuration for the tail router is given as follows:

### Configuration Example: P2MP-TE Profile 10

This example shows the P2MP-TE configuration for profile 10. You need to configure the head, mid, and tail routers.

The head router configuration is given as follows. This configuration includes IGP, L3VPN, and multicast configurations. You should also configure MPLS-TE, LDP, and RSVP while configuring this feature.

The running configuration for the head router is given as follows.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# router ospf 1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-router)# area 0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# mpls traffic-eng
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-mpls-te)# exit
```

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface Loopback0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# cost 1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# network point-to-point
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar-if)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf-ar)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# mpls traffic-eng router-id loopback 0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ospf)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# vrf vpn_2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-vrf)# address-family ipv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-vrf-af)# import route-target 100:2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-vrf-af)# export route-target 120:2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface TengigE0/0/0/6
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# vrf vpn_2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if-vrf)# ipv4 address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# route-policy pass-all
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# pass
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# end-policy
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# router bgp 1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp)# bgp router-id 10.2.2.2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp)# address-family ipv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-af)# address-family vpnv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-af)# address-family ipv4 mvpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp)# neighbor 10.1.1.1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# remote-as 1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# address-family ipv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all in
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all out
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# address-family vpnv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all in
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all out
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# address-family ipv4 mvpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# multicast-routing
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast)# address-family ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)# interface Loopback0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4-if)# enable
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4-if)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-default-ipv4)# mdt source Loopback0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast)# vrf vpn_2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-vpn_2)# address-family ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-vpn_2-ipv4)# mdt source loopback0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-vpn_2-ipv4)# core-tree-protocol rsvp-te
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-vpn_2-ipv4)# rate-per-route
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-vpn_2-ipv4)# interface all enable
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-mcast-vpn_2-ipv4)# bgp auto-discovery p2mp-te
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# router igmp
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-igmp)# vrf vpn_2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-igmp-vpn_2)# interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-igmp-vpn_2-if)# version 3
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-igmp-vpn_2-if)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# router pim
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim)# vrf vpn_2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-vpn_2)# address-family ipv4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-vpn_2-ipv4)# interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-pim-vpn_2-ipv4-if)# enable
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)#router bgp 1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp)# bgp router-id 192.168.1.2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp)# address-family ipv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-af)# address-family vpnv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-af)# address-family ipv4 mvpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp)# neighbor 192.168.1.1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# remote-as 2002
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# address-family ipv4 unicast
```

```

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all in
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all out
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# address-family vpnv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all in
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr-af)# route-policy pass-all out
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-nbr)# address-family ipv4 mvpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp)# vrf vpn_2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-vrf)#rd 100:2
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-vrf)#address-family ipv4 unicast
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-vrf-af)#label mode per-prefix
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-vrf-af)#redistribute connected
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-vrf-af)#exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-bgp-vrf)# address-family ipv4 mvpn

```

Running configuration for the tail router is given as follows:

```

interface Loopback0
  ipv4 address 10.2.2.2 255.255.255.255
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
  ipv4 address 10.3.0.2 255.255.255.0
!
router ospf 1
  area 0
    mpls traffic-eng
    interface Loopback0
    !
    interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
      cost 1
      network point-to-point
    !
!
mpls traffic-eng router-id Loopback0
!
rsvp
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
    bandwidth percentage 100
!
!
mpls traffic-eng
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
!
mpls ldp
  discovery
    targeted-hello interval 10
!
  router-id 10.2.2.2
  address-family ipv4
    discovery targeted-hello accept
!
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
!
! vrf vpn_2
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    import route-target
      100:2
    export route-target
      100:2

interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
  vrf vpn_2
  ipv4 address 10.6.0.2 255.255.255.0

route-policy pass-all

```

```

    pass
end-policy

router bgp 1
  bgp router-id 10.2.2.2
  address-family ipv4 unicast
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
  neighbor 10.1.1.1
    remote-as 1
  update-source Loopback0
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    route-policy pass-all in
    route-policy pass-all out
  address-family vpnv4 unicast
    route-policy pass-all in
    route-policy pass-all out
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
vrf vpn_2
  rd 100:2
  address-family ipv4 unicast
    label mode per-prefix
  redistribute connected
  address-family ipv4 mvpn
!
multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
    interface Loopback0
      enable
    !
    mdt source Loopback0
    !
  vrf vpn_2
    address-family ipv4
      mdt source Loopback0
      core-tree-protocol rsvp-te
      rate-per-route
    interface all enable
    bgp auto-discovery p2mp-te
    !
!
router igmp
  vrf vpn_2
    interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
      version 3
    !
!
router pim
  vrf vpn_2
    address-family ipv4
      interface TenGigE0/0/0/6
        enable
    !
!
!

```

**Verification: P2MP-TE**

This example shows how to verify if the multicast control state is correct on the head router using the **show mrib vrf vpn\_2 route** command.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mrib vrf vpn_2 route
```

```
(10.0.0.100,232.0.0.1) RPF nbr: 10.0.0.100 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:00:38
Incoming Interface List
  TenGigE0/0/0/0 Flags: A, Up: 00:00:38
Outgoing Interface List
  Tunnel-mte2 Flags: F NS LI LVIF, Up: 00:00:38
```

You can also verify the multicast control state on the tail router.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mrib vrf vpn_2 route

(10.0.0.100,232.0.0.1) RPF nbr: 10.1.1.1 Flags: RPF
Up: 00:03:55
Outgoing Interface List
  TenGigE0/0/0/6 Flags: F NS LI, Up: 00:03:55
```

This example shows how to check if the TE tunnel is established on the head router by using the **show mpls traffic-eng tunnels p2mp** command.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels p2mp 2

Name: tunnel-mte2
Signalled-Name: head_mt2
Status:
  Admin: up Oper: up (Up for 00:09:37)
Config Parameters:
  Bandwidth: 0 kbps (CT0) Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xffff
  Interface Bandwidth: 0 kbps
  Metric Type: TE (global)
  Fast Reroute: Not Enabled, Protection Desired: None
  Record Route: Not Enabled
  Reoptimization after affinity failure: Enabled
  Destination summary: (1 up, 0 down, 0 disabled) Affinity: 0x0/0xffff
  Auto-bw: disabled
  Destination: 10.2.2.2
  State: Up for 00:09:37
  Path options:
    path-option 1 dynamic [active]
Current LSP:
  lsp-id: 10002 p2mp-id: 2 tun-id: 2 src: 10.1.1.1 extid: 10.1.1.1
  LSP up for: 00:09:37 (since Fri May 25 22:32:03 UTC 2018)
  Reroute Pending: No
  Inuse Bandwidth: 0 kbps (CT0)
  Number of S2Ls: 1 connected, 0 signaling proceeding, 0 down S2L Sub LSP:
Destination 2.2.2.2 Signaling Status: connected
  S2L up for: 00:09:37 (since Fri May 25 22:32:03 UTC 2018)
  Sub Group ID: 1 Sub Group Originator ID: 10.1.1.1
  Path option path-option 1 dynamic (path weight 2)
  Path info (OSPF 1 area 0)
    10.0.0.5
    10.0.0.2
    10.2.2.2
  Reoptimized LSP (Install Timer Remaining 0 Seconds):
  None
  Cleaned LSP (Cleanup Timer Remaining 0 Seconds):
  None
Displayed 1 (of 101) heads, 0 (of 0) midpoints, 0 (of 0) tails
Displayed 1 up, 0 down, 0 recovering, 0 recovered heads
```

This example shows how to verify the label assignment on the head router using the **show mpls forwarding p2mp** command.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show mpls forwarding p2mp

Local  Outgoing  Prefix                Outgoing  Next Hop  Bytes
```

| Label | Label | or ID      | Interface      | Switched   |
|-------|-------|------------|----------------|------------|
| 64106 | 64008 | P2MP TE: 2 | TenGigE0/0/0/2 | 10.0.0.5 0 |

## Configure mVPN using RSVP-TE P2MP (Profile 22)

**Table 39: Feature History Table**

| Feature Name                         | Release Information |   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| mVPN using RSVP-TE P2MP (Profile 22) | Release 7.5.1       | This feature uses RSVP-TE to establish MPLS transport LSPs through traffic engineering and securely transmits multicast traffic between the PE routers in a MPLS network. |

Profile 22 is a mVPN profile used for multicast traffic engineering using RSVP-TE P2MP. RSVP-TE is used to establish MPLS transport LSPs when there are traffic engineering requirements. The Default MDT consists of a full mesh of P2MP-TE tree. The P2MP tunnels are P2MP-TE auto-tunnels. PIM is used for C-Multicast signaling.

These are the characteristics of this profile:

- Dynamic P2MP-TE tunnels with BGP C-Multicast routing.
- All UMH options are supported.
- Default and Data MDT are supported.
- Customer traffic can be SSM.

### Benefits

- More flexible designs per VPN.
- Proven functionality (Default-MDT and Data-MDT).
- Supports mLDP and P2MP-TE core tree protocols.
- Traffic engineering for multicast along with mVPN.

### Configuration

Perform the following tasks on the edge routers (PE devices):

- Configure VRF
- Enable PIM with Profile 22

```
vrf one
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  import route-target
  1:1
  !
```

```

export route-target
  1:1
  !
  !

router pim
vrf one
  address-family ipv4
  rpf topology route-policy rpf-vrf-one
  mdt c-multicast-routing bgp
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/1.100
  enable

route-policy rpf-vrf-one
  set core-tree p2mp-te-default
end-policy

multicast-routing
vrf one
  address-family ipv4
  mdt source Loopback0
  mdt default p2mp-te
  rate-per-route
  interface all enable
  mdt data p2mp-te 100
  bgp auto-discovery p2mp-te
  !
  accounting per-prefix

ipv4 unnumbered mpls traffic-eng Loopback0

mpls traffic-eng
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
  !
  interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
  !
  auto-tunnel p2mp
  tunnel-id min 1000 max 2000

```

## Verification

```

Router# show mrib vrf p22_20 route detail
IP Multicast Routing Information Base

```

```

Entry flags: L - Domain-Local Source, E - External Source to the Domain,
             C - Directly-Connected Check, S - Signal, IA - Inherit Accep
             IF - Inherit From, D - Drop, ME - MDT Encap, EID - Encap ID,
             MD - MDT Decap, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed, MH - MDT interface handle
             CD - Conditional Decap, MPLS - MPLS Decap, EX - Extranet
             MoFE - MoFRR Enabled, MoFS - MoFRR State, MoFP - MoFRR Primary
             MoFB - MoFRR Backup, RPFID - RPF ID Set, X - VXLAN
Interface flags: F - Forward, A - Accept, IC - Internal Copy
                NS - Negate Signal, DP - Don't Preserve, SP - Signal Present,
                II - Internal Interest, ID - Internal Disinterest, LI - Local Interest,
                LD - Local Disinterest, DI - Decapsulation Interface
                EI - Encapsulation Interface, MI - MDT Interface, LVIF - MPLS Encap,
                EX - Extranet, A2 - Secondary Accept, MT - MDT Threshold Crossed,
                MA - Data MDT Assigned, LMI - mLDP MDT Interface, TMI - P2MP-TE MDT Interface
                IRMI - IR MDT Interface, TRMI - TREE SID MDT Interface, MH - Multihome Interface

(80.0.0.11,232.1.1.1) Ver: 0xb009 RPF nbr: 80.0.0.11 Flags: RPF EID,
PD: Slotmask: 0x0
MGID: 592

```

```

Up: 00:07:14
RPF-ID: 0, Encap-ID: 262145
Incoming Interface List
  TenGigE0/1/0/1.2 Flags: A, Up: 00:07:14
Outgoing Interface List
  Tmdtp22/ssm/v4/vrf2 Flags: F TMI, Up: 00:07:14, Head LSM-ID: 0x4000360

```

## Restrictions for MVPN Profiles

The following restriction applies to the configuration of MVPN profile:

- A router being Route Reflector (RR) and Provider Edge (PE) at that same time for BGP mVPN implementation is not supported, a type 7 and type 6 IPv4 mVPN route is not advertised by a RR, which is also a PE router, if the PE router has the VRF locally configured and when there is a local receiver.

Use full mesh for iBGP mVPN address-family or elect any core (P) router to be the RR.

## Configuration Examples for MVPN Profiles

This section provides profile-wise configuration examples for the various MVPN profiles.

### Configuration Examples for Inband mLDP Profiles on Core Routers

Profile-6: VRF Inband mLDP

```

router bgp 100
  mvpn
  !
multicast-routing
  vrf v61
  address-family ipv4
    mdt source Loopback0
    mdt mtu 1600
    mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
    interface all enable
  !
  address-family ipv6
    mdt mtu 1600
    mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
    interface all enable
  !
  !
router pim
  vrf v61
  address-family ipv4
    rpf topology route-policy mldp-inband
  !
  address-family ipv6
    rpf topology route-policy mldp-inband
  !
  !
route-policy mldp-inband
  set core-tree mldp-inband
end-policy
!

```

### Profile-7: Global Inband mLDP

```
multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
    mdt source Loopback0
    mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
    ssm range Global-SSM-Group
    interface all enable
  !
  address-family ipv6
    mdt source Loopback0
    mdt mldp in-band-signaling ipv4
    ssm range Global-SSM-Group-V6
    interface all enable
  !
  router pim
    address-family ipv4
      rpf topology route-policy mldp-inband
    !
    address-family ipv6
      rpf topology route-policy mldp-inband
    !
  !
  route-policy mldp-inband
    set core-tree mldp-inband
  end-policy
  !
```

# Multicast Traceroute v2

Table 40: Feature History Table

| Feature Name  | Release Information | Feature Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| Mtrace version 2 - Traceroute facility for IP Multicast | Release 7.7.1       | <p>This feature enables you to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trace the path a packet would take from a source to the receiver.</li> <li>• To isolate packet-loss problems.</li> <li>• To isolate configuration problems.</li> </ul> <p>Mtrace version2, or Mtrace2, is an IP multicast traceroute facility which allows the tracing of an IP multicast routing path. Based on RFC 8487, Mtrace2 is usually initiated from an Mtrace2 client by sending a Mtracev2 query to a Last-Hop Router (LHR) or to a Rendezvous Point (RP).</p> <p>This feature introduces the <b>mtrace2 IPv4</b> and <b>mtrace2 IPv6</b> commands.</p> |

Mtrace version2, or Mtrace2 is a diagnostic tool to trace the route taken by a packet on an IP multicast network. Mtrace2 is usually initiated from a Mtrace2 client by sending a Mtrace2 query to a Last-Hop Router (LHR) or a Rendezvous Point (RP). From the LHR/RP receiving the query, the tracing is directed towards a specified source if a source address is specified, and a source-specific state exists on the receiving router. If a source address is not specified, or if a source-specific state does not exist on a receiving router, the tracing is directed towards the RP for the specified group address. Mtrace2 also provides additional information such as the packet rates and losses as well as other diagnostic information.

This feature has three main benefits:

- To trace the path that a packet takes from a source to a receiver.
- To isolate packet-loss problems.
- To isolate configuration problems.

The advantages Mtrace2 exhibits over previous versions of Mtrace are:

- It is based on RFC 8487.
- It is UDP based, and not IGMP based.

- Though IANA (Internet Assigned Numbers Authority) has allocated a specific UDP port number for this feature, the source port can be assigned by the local host system as well.
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- It supports both IPv4 and IPv6.

### Mtrace2 Packet Flow Over a Network

All Mtrace2 messages are UDP packets that are encoded in the Type/Length/Value (TLV) format. The first TLV of a message is a message header TLV which specifies the type of message and additional context of information that is required to process the message and to parse subsequent TLVs in the message. Subsequent TLVs in a message are referred to as Blocks and are appended after the header TLV to provide additional information associated with the message.

A Mtrace2 client creates a query packet and forwards this to a LHR. The LHR modifies the Type field of the query TLV to turn it into a request before appending a standard response block and forwarding it upstream to a First-Hop Router (FHR), which is a router that is connected to the Mtrace2 client. Each node in the path attaches its response to this packet. If a node finds an error, it sets an appropriate forwarding error code to the packet. Once the request packet reaches the FHR, the FHR converts it to a reply and sends it back to the Mtrace2 client.

**Table 41: Mtrace2 Defined TLV Types**

| Code | Type                     |
|------|--------------------------|
| 0x00 | Reserved                 |
| 0x01 | Mtrace2 Query            |
| 0x02 | Mtrace2 Request          |
| 0x03 | Mtrace2 Reply            |
| 0x04 | Standard Response Block  |
| 0x05 | Augmented Response Block |
| 0x06 | Extended Query Block     |

### Mtrace2 Guidelines

- For IPv4, Mtrace2 messages must not be fragmented. Mtrace2 clients, LHRs and RPs must set the IP header *do-not-fragment (DF)* bit for all Mtrace2 messages.
- For IPv6, the packet size for the Mtrace2 messages must not exceed 1280 bytes, which is the smallest Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) for an IPv6 interface.
- Mtrace2 does not support mixed IPv4 and IPv6 packets.