

Configure Multipoint Layer 2 Services

This module provides the conceptual and configuration information for Multipoint Layer 2 Bridging Services, also called Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS).

Note VPLS supports Layer 2 VPN technology and provides transparent multipoint Layer 2 connectivity for customers. This approach enables service providers to host a multitude of new services such as broadcast TV and Layer 2 VPNs.

Table 1: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS)	Release 7.4.1	This feature is now supported on routers that have Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operates in native and compatibility modes. Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) is a class of VPN that supports the connection of multiple sites in a single bridged domain over a MPLS network.

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Prerequisites for Implementing Multipoint Layer 2 Services

Before configuring Multipoint Layer 2 Services, ensure that these tasks and conditions are met:

• 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.

- Configure IP routing in the core so that the provider edge (PE) routers can reach each other through IP.
- Configure a loopback interface to originate and terminate Layer 2 traffic. Make sure that the PE routers can access the other router's loopback interface.

Information About Implementing Multipoint Layer 2 Services

To implement Multipoint Layer 2 Services, you must understand these concepts:

Multipoint Layer 2 Services Overview

Multipoint Layer 2 Services enable geographically separated local-area network (LAN) segments to be interconnected as a single bridged domain over an MPLS network. The full functions of the traditional LAN such as MAC address learning, aging, and switching are emulated across all the remotely connected LAN segments that are part of a single bridged domain. A service provider can offer VPLS service to multiple customers over the MPLS network by defining different bridged domains for different customers. Packets from one bridged domain are never carried over or delivered to another bridged domain, thus ensuring the privacy of the LAN service.



Note VPLS PW is not supported over BGP multipath.

Some of the components present in a Multipoint Layer 2 Services network are described in these sections.



Note Multipoint Layer 2 services are also called as Virtual Private LAN Services.

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Note Traffic to directly connected neighbor on EVPN or VPLS bridge won't work in the following scenarios:

- If neighbor doesn't advertise MPLS explicit null.
- If imposition node has a mix of implicit-null and labeled paths in ECMP or LFA deployment.

Bridge Domain

The native bridge domain refers to a Layer 2 broadcast domain consisting of a set of physical or virtual ports (including VFI). Data frames are switched within a bridge domain based on the destination MAC address. Multicast, broadcast, and unknown destination unicast frames are flooded within the bridge domain. In addition, the source MAC address learning is performed on all incoming frames on a bridge domain. A learned address

is aged out. Incoming frames are mapped to a bridge domain, based on either the ingress port or a combination of both an ingress port and a MAC header field.

When the number of bridge domains exceeds 200, to enable clean up and reprogramming, it takes about 120 seconds for unconfiguring L2VPN and rollback.

The following table details the minimum interval required between unconfiguring L2VPN and rollback:

Number of BDs	Minimum interval in seconds
250	180
500	300
750 or greater	600

Bridge Domain and BVI Scale

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Bridge Domain and MAC Address Scale	Release 7.4.1	 This feature is now supported on Cisco NCS 5700 series fixed port routers and the Cisco NCS 5500 series routers that have the Cisco NC57 line cards installed and operating in the native mode. This feature is supported with the following scale values: 8K Bridge Domain 4K Pseudowires 300K MAC addresses

The number of bridge domains (BDs) depends on the number of attachment circuits (ACs) configured per BD and also if Bridge-Group Virtual Interface (BVI) is configured or not. The number of logical interfaces (LIF) supported is less than 4000.

The following table provides an example of how the number of logical interfaces (LIF) required is calculated when two ACs are configured per BD.

Bridge Domain	Number of Bridges	AC	Total LIF required
BD with BVI	625	2	3750
BD without BVI	125	2	250
Total BD	750	-	-

Here is how the number of LIF required is calculated:

a*3+b, where a is the number of ACs with BVI and b is the number of ACs without BVI, must not exceed 4000.

Pseudowires

A pseudowire is a point-to-point connection between pairs of PE routers. Its primary function is to emulate services like Ethernet over an underlying core MPLS network through encapsulation into a common MPLS format. By encapsulating services into a common MPLS format, a pseudowire allows carriers to converge their services to an MPLS network.

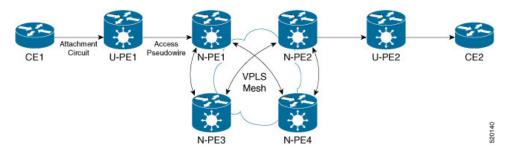
Access Pseudowire

The Access Pseudowire feature allows you to reduce the number of pseudowires (PWs) between the network Provider Edge (N-PE) devices. The user Provider Edge (U-PE) device connects to the N- PE device using access pseudowire (PW). This feature prevents signalling overhead and packet replication.

Unlike traditional VPLS where PWs terminate on a physical or logical port, an access PW terminates on N-PE devices. For each VPLS service, create an access PW between U-PEs and N-PEs.

VPLS requires a full mesh of pseudowire (PWs) between L2VPN PEs that participate in the VPLS service. For each VPLS service, PWs must be set up between the PEs. In a full mesh of PWs, the number of PWs increases as the number of PEs increases causing scalability issues. You can decrease the number of PWs with a hierarchy of PEs.

Figure 1: Access Pseudowire



In this topology, a user Provider Edge (U-PE) device has ACs to the CEs. The U-PE device transports the CE traffic over an access PW to a network Provider Edge (N-PE) device. The N-PE is a core VPLS PE connected with other N-PEs in a VPLS mesh. On the N-PE, the access PW coming from the U-PE is much like an AC. The U-PE is not part of the mesh with the other N-PEs. So the N-PE considers the access PW as an AC. The N-PE forwards traffic from that access PW to the core PWs that are part of the VPLS full mesh. Configure the core PWs between N-PEs under a VFI. Apply the split horizon rule to all the core PWs configured under the VFI. Access PWs from U-PEs are not configured under a VFI, so they do not belong to the same Split Horizon Groups (SHGs) as the VFI PWs. Traffic is forwarded from an access PW to a VFI PW and conversely.

You must configure the access pseudowire in a split-horizon group.

Configure Access Pseudowire

Perform this task to configure Access Pseudowire feature.

```
/* Configure U-PE1 */
Router#configure
Router(config)# interface TenGigE0/1/0/5.2 l2transport
Router(config-l2vpn-subif)# encapsulation dotlq 2
Router(config-l2vpn-subif)# rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
Router(config-l2vpn-subif)# exit
Router# configure
Router(config)# l2vpn
Router(config-l2vpn)# xconnect group XCON1
```

```
Router(config-l2vpn-xc) # p2p xcl
Router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# interface TenGigE0/1/0/5.2
Router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p) # neighbor 172.16.0.1 pw-id 1
Router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p-pw) # commit
/* Configure N-PE1 */
Router#configure
Router (config) 12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) #router-id 172.16.0.1
Router(config-12vpn) #pw-class class1
Router (config-12vpn-pwc) #encapsulation mpls
Router(config-l2vpn-pwc-mpls)#transport-mode ethernet
Router(config-l2vpn-pwc-mpls) #exit
Router# configure
Router(config) # 12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) # bridge group bg1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain bd1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/3.2
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac) # split-horizon group
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #vfi vfil
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi) #neighbor 10.0.0.1 pw-id 2
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) #pw-class class1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw-pw)#commit
```

Running Configuration

This sections shows Access Pseudowire running configuration.

```
/* On U-PE1 */
configure
interface TenGigE0/1/0/5.2
 encapsulation dot1q 2
 rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
1
12vpn
xconnect group XCON1
 p2p xc1
  interface TenGigE0/1/0/5.2
  neighbor 172.16.0.1 pw-id 1
   !
1
           _____
/* On N-PE1 */
12vpn
router-id 172.16.0.1
pw-class class1
encapsulation mpls
transport-mode ethernet
1
1
12vpn
bridge group bg1
 bridge-domain bd1
  interface GigabitEthernet0/1/0/3.2
   split-horizon group
  !
 !
I.
vfi vfl
neighbor 10.0.0.1 pw-id 2
 pw-class class1
```

! !

Verification

Verify Access Pseudowire configuration.

Legend: S1	[= State,	UP = U	onnect group XCON p, DN = Down, AD = Standby Ready, (H	= Admin Down,		
XConnect Group	Name	ST	Segment 1 Description	ST	Segment 2 Description	ST
xcon_1	xc1	UP	Te0/1/0/5.2	UP	172.16.0.1 1	UP

```
Router:N-PE1#show 12vpn bridge-domain bd1
PW: neighbor 10.0.0.1, PW ID 2, state is up ( established )
    PW class mpls, XC ID 0xc000008
    Encapsulation MPLS, protocol LDP
    Source address 172.16.0.1
    PW type Ethernet, control word disabled, interworking none
    PW backup disable delay 0 sec
    Sequencing not set
    LSP : Up
    PW Status TLV in use
      MPLS Local
                                         Remote
                -----
                                                _____
      Label 24752
                                         24752
      Group ID 0x2
                                         0x2
      Interface Access PW
                                         Access PW
      MTU
                1500
                                        1500
                                        disabled
Ethernet
      Control word disabled
      PW type Ethernet
                                         0x2
      VCCV CV type 0x2
                (LSP ping verification) (LSP ping verification)
             (router alert label) (TTL expiry) (TTL expiry)
      VCCV CC type 0x6
      _____
                              _____
```

Related Topics

• Access Pseudowire, on page 4

Associated Commands

- show l2vpn xconnect group
- show l2vpn bridge-domain

Virtual Forwarding Instance

VPLS is based on the characteristic of virtual forwarding instance (VFI). A VFI is a virtual bridge port that is capable of performing native bridging functions, such as forwarding, based on the destination MAC address, source MAC address learning and aging, and so forth.

A VFI is created on the PE router for each VPLS instance. The PE routers make packet-forwarding decisions by looking up the VFI of a particular VPLS instance. The VFI acts like a virtual bridge for a given VPLS instance. More than one attachment circuit belonging to a given VPLS are connected to the VFI. The PE router establishes emulated VCs to all the other PE routers in that VPLS instance and attaches these emulated VCs to the VFI. Packet forwarding decisions are based on the data structures maintained in the VFI.

VPLS for an MPLS-based Provider Core

VPLS is a multipoint Layer 2 VPN technology that connects two or more customer devices using bridging techniques. A bridge domain, which is the building block for multipoint bridging, is present on each of the PE routers. The access connections to the bridge domain on a PE router are called attachment circuits. The attachment circuits can be a set of physical ports, virtual ports, or both that are connected to the bridge at each PE device in the network.

After provisioning attachment circuits, neighbor relationships across the MPLS network for this specific instance are established through a set of manual commands identifying the end PEs. When the neighbor association is complete, a full mesh of pseudowires is established among the network-facing provider edge devices, which is a gateway between the MPLS core and the customer domain.

The MPLS/IP provider core simulates a virtual bridge that connects the multiple attachment circuits on each of the PE devices together to form a single broadcast domain. This also requires all of the PE routers that are participating in a VPLS instance to form emulated virtual circuits (VCs) among them.

Now, the service provider network starts switching the packets within the bridged domain specific to the customer by looking at destination MAC addresses. All traffic with unknown, broadcast, and multicast destination MAC addresses is flooded to all the connected customer edge devices, which connect to the service provider network. The network-facing provider edge devices learn the source MAC addresses as the packets are flooded. The traffic is unicasted to the customer edge device for all the learned MAC addresses.

VPLS for Layer 2 Switching

VPLS technology includes the capability of configuring the router to perform Layer 2 bridging. In this mode, the router can be configured to operate like other Cisco switches.



Note

Storm control counters are not supported.

The storm control that is applied to multiple subinterfaces of the same physical port pertains to that physical port only. All subinterfaces with storm control configured are policed as aggregate under a single policer rate shared by all EFPs. None of the subinterfaces are configured with a dedicated policer rate. When a storm occurs on several subinterfaces simultaneously, and because subinterfaces share the policer, you can slightly increase the policer rate to accommodate additional policing.

These features are supported:

• Bridging IOS XR Trunk Interfaces

· Bridging on EFPs

Storm Control on Bridge Domain

Table 3: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Storm Control Configuration for Subinterfaces	Release 7.8.1	Storm control helps prevent LAN ports from being disrupted by a broadcast, multicast, or unicast traffic storm.
		You can now configure different storm control rates for each subinterface on a physical port. This will give you control at a granular level and prevent flooding of excess traffic at the subinterface level.
		In earlier releases, storm control could be configured only at the physical port level or only on one subinterface under a main interface.
		This feature modifies the hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw enable command to enable per subinterface configuration support for storm control.

Storm Control provides Layer 2 port security under a Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) bridge by preventing excess traffic from disrupting the bridge.

A traffic storm occurs when packets flood a VPLS bridge, creating excessive traffic and degrading network performance. Storm control prevents VPLS bridge disruption by suppressing traffic when the number of packets reaches configured threshold levels. You can configure separate threshold levels for different types of traffic on an access circuit (AC) under a VPLS bridge.

Storm control monitors incoming traffic levels on a port or a subinterface, and drops traffic when the number of packets reaches the configured threshold level during any 1-second interval. The 1-second interval is set in the hardware and is not configurable. The number of packets allowed to pass during this interval is configurable, per subinterface, per port, per traffic type. During this interval, the traffic level is compared with the configured storm control level. When the incoming traffic reaches the storm control level configured on the bridge port, storm control drops traffic until the end of storm control interval. At the beginning of a new interval, traffic of the specified type is allowed to pass on the port. The thresholds are configured using a packets per second (pps) and kilobit per second (kbps) rate.

Storm control has little impact on router performance. Packets passing through ports are counted regardless of whether the feature is enabled. Additional counting occurs only for the drop counters, which monitor

dropped packets. Storm control counts the number of packets dropped per port. The drop counters are cumulative for all traffic types.

Supported Traffic Types for Storm Control

On each VPLS bridge port, you can configure up to three storm control thresholds—one for each of the supported traffic types. If you do not configure a threshold for a traffic type, then storm control is not enabled on that port or interface for that traffic type.

The supported traffic types are:

- Broadcast traffic—Packets with a packet destination MAC address equal to FFFF.FFFF.FFFF.
- Multicast traffic—Packets with a packet destination MAC address not equal to the broadcast address, but with the multicast bit set to 1. The multicast bit is bit 0 of the most significant byte of the MAC address.
- Unknown unicast traffic—Packets with a packet destination MAC address not yet learned.

Combined Policer Mode

Combined policer mode is introduced in Cisco NCS routers to conserve the policer resources used which helps in increasing the storm control policer scale.

In this mode when more than one policer is defined under a single attachment circuit [AC], then the result of policer is sum of all the policers applied under that AC. Layer 2 storm control feature is applicable only for the BUM traffic type in that particular AC.

Use the **hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw enable** command to enable the policer mode.



Note You must manually reload the router to activate the hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw command.

With the combined mode policer profile, any policer type configured is applicable for any of the *broadcast*, *unknown-unicast*, or *multicast* traffic under that AC and all are rate limited up to the policer configured value.

For example, *broadcast* policer is configured at 1000 kbps will rate limit any of the *broadcast*, *unknown-unicast*, *multicast* to a maximum of 1000 kbps combined. *Broadcast* policer configured at 1000 kbps in addition to the multicast policer configured at 2000 kbps, will rate limit any of the *broadcast*, *unknown-unicast*, *multicast* to the maximum of 3000 kbps combined.

Starting from Release 7.8.1, you can use the **hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw enable** command to enable storm control configuration per subinterface. When you configure storm control on the subinterfaces, for each subinterface configuration, a policer ID is derived from the logical interface. The multicast destination will derive the policer ID for further processing of packets.

Restrictions for Storm Control

Configure Storm Control on Bridge Domain

You can configure storm control on a physical port or on a subinterface. The storm control rates that are configured on a subinterface is applied to all the subinterfaces in the main port.

The thresholds are configured using packets per second (pps) or kilobit per second (kbps) rate.

Configuration Example

- **1.** Create a bridge group with bridge domain.
- 2. Assign an interface or subinterface to the bridge domain.
- 3. Configure storm control for the interface or subinterface.

The following example shows storm control configured for broadcast traffic type on an interface:

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# l2vpn
Router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group bg0
Router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd0
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# interface HundredGigE0/0/0/1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# storm-control broadcast pps 4500
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# commit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# exit
```

Running Configuration

```
configure
l2vpn
bridge group bg0
bridge-domain bd0
interface HundredGigE0/0/0/1
storm-control broadcast pps 4500
!
```

Verification

The following example shows a truncated output.

```
Router# show 12vpn bridge-domain bd-name bd0 detail
Legend: pp = Partially Programmed.
Bridge group: bg0, bridge-domain: bd0, id: 0, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 No status change since creation
  ACs: 1 (0 up), VFIs: 0, PWs: 0 (0 up), PBBs: 0 (0 up), VNIs: 0 (0 up)
  List of ACs:
    AC: HundredGigE0/0/0/1, state is unresolved
      MAC learning: enabled
      Flooding:
       Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
       Unknown unicast: enabled
      MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
      MAC limit: 131072, Action: none, Notification: syslog
      MAC limit reached: no, threshold: 75%
      MAC port down flush: enabled
      MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
      Split Horizon Group: none
      E-Tree: Root
      Dynamic ARP Inspection: disabled, Logging: disabled
      IP Source Guard: disabled, Logging: disabled
      DHCPv4 Snooping: disabled
      DHCPv4 Snooping profile: none
      IGMP Snooping: disabled
```

```
IGMP Snooping profile: none
MLD Snooping profile: none
Storm Control:
Broadcast: enabled(4500 pps)
Multicast: disabled
Unknown unicast: disabled
Static MAC addresses:
PD System Data: Learn key: 0
```

Configure Storm Control per Subinterface

Starting from Release 7.8.1, you can enable per subinterface configuration support for storm control by using the **hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw enable** command. For more information, see Combined Policer Mode, on page 9.

By default, when storm control is configured on a subinterface, the same configuration is applied to all the subinterfaces in that main port.

Configuration Example

- 1. Configure combined policer to enable the storm control configuration on subinterfaces.
- 2. Create a bridge group with bridge domain.
- **3.** Assign a subinterface to the bridge domain.
- 4. Configure storm control for the subinterface.
- **5.** Assign another subinterface to the bridge domain and configure storm control with different parameters for the subinterface.

You can repeat the configuration of storm control on different subinterfaces of the same main port.

```
/* Configure combined policer */
```

```
Router# configure
```

```
Router(config)# hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw enable
```



Note You must manually reload the router to activate the **hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw enable** command.

```
/* Create a bridge group */
```

```
Router(config)# 12vpn
Router(config-12vpn)# bridge group bg1
Router(config-12vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd1
/* Assign a subinterface and configure storm control */
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# interface HundredGigE0/0/0/1.10
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)# storm-control unknown-unicast pps 500
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)# storm-control multicast pps 2000
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)# storm-control broadcast pps 1000
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)# exit
/* Assign another subinterface and configure storm control with different parameters */
```

```
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# interface HundredGigE0/0/0/1.20
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# storm-control unknown-unicast pps 200
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# storm-control multicast pps 1000
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# storm-control broadcast pps 2000
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# commit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# exit
```

Running Configuration

```
configure
hw-module storm-control-combine-policer-bw enable
l2vpn
bridge group bg1
    bridge-domain bd1
    interface HundredGigE0/0/0/1.10
    storm-control unknown-unicast pps 500
    storm-control broadcast pps 2000
    storm-control broadcast pps 1000
    !
    interface HundredGigE0/0/0/1.20
    storm-control unknown-unicast pps 200
    storm-control multicast pps 1000
    storm-control broadcast pps 2000
    !
```

Verification

The following example shows a truncated output.

```
Router# show 12vpn bridge-domain bd-name bd1 detail
Legend: pp = Partially Programmed.
Bridge group: bg1, bridge-domain: bd1, id: 1, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
 . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 ACs: 2 (0 up), VFIs: 0, PWs: 0 (0 up), PBBs: 0 (0 up), VNIs: 0 (0 up)
  List of ACs:
    AC: HundredGigE0/0/0/1.10, state is unresolved
     MAC learning: enabled
      Flooding:
        Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
       Unknown unicast: enabled
      MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
      MAC limit: 131072, Action: none, Notification: syslog
      MAC limit reached: no, threshold: 75%
      MAC port down flush: enabled
      MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
      Split Horizon Group: none
      E-Tree: Root
      Dynamic ARP Inspection: disabled, Logging: disabled
      IP Source Guard: disabled, Logging: disabled
      DHCPv4 Snooping: disabled
      DHCPv4 Snooping profile: none
      IGMP Snooping: disabled
      IGMP Snooping profile: none
      MLD Snooping profile: none
      Storm Control:
        Broadcast: enabled(1000 pps)
        Multicast: enabled(2000 pps)
        Unknown unicast: enabled(500 pps)
```

```
Static MAC addresses:
 PD System Data: Learn key: 0
AC: HundredGigE0/0/0/1.20, state is unresolved
 MAC learning: enabled
  Flooding:
   Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
   Unknown unicast: enabled
 MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
 MAC limit: 131072, Action: none, Notification: syslog
 MAC limit reached: no, threshold: 75%
 MAC port down flush: enabled
 MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
 Split Horizon Group: none
 E-Tree: Root
 Dynamic ARP Inspection: disabled, Logging: disabled
  IP Source Guard: disabled, Logging: disabled
  DHCPv4 Snooping: disabled
 DHCPv4 Snooping profile: none
 IGMP Snooping: disabled
  IGMP Snooping profile: none
 MLD Snooping profile: none
  Storm Control:
   Broadcast: enabled(2000 pps)
   Multicast: enabled(1000 pps)
   Unknown unicast: enabled(200 pps)
  Static MAC addresses:
  PD System Data: Learn key: 0
```

Interoperability Between Cisco IOS XR and Cisco IOS on VPLS LDP Signaling

The Cisco IOS Software encodes the NLRI length in the fist byte in bits format in the BGP Update message. However, the Cisco IOS XR Software interprets the NLRI length in 2 bytes. Therefore, when the BGP neighbor with VPLS-VPWS address family is configured between the IOS and the IOS XR, NLRI mismatch can happen, leading to flapping between neighbors. To avoid this conflict, IOS supports **prefix-length-size 2** command that needs to be enabled for IOS to work with IOS XR. When the **prefix-length-size 2** command is configured in IOS, the NLRI length is encoded in bytes. This configuration is mandatory for IOS to work with IOS XR.

This is a sample IOS configuration with the **prefix-length-size 2** command:

```
router bgp 1
address-family l2vpn vpls
neighbor 5.5.5.2 activate
neighbor 5.5.5.2 prefix-length-size 2 -----> NLRI length = 2 bytes
exit-address-family
```

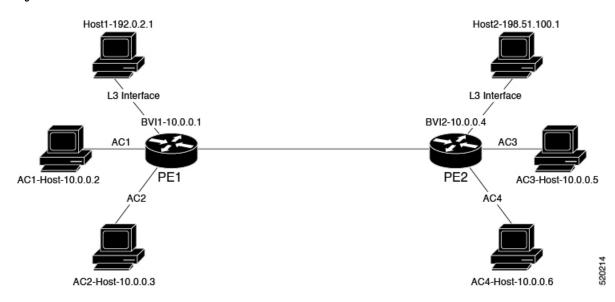
VPLS VFI with BVI as Routed Interface

The VPLS VFI with BVI as Routed Interface feature allows you to route the VPLS PW traffic over the BVI interface.

Integrated routing and bridging (IRB) enables you to route the packets in and out of a bridge domain using a Bridge-Group Virtual Interface (BVI). The BVI is a virtual interface configured on the router. It acts as a gateway routed interface towards the core network.

Configure a BVI on a single bridge domain that represents the link between the bridging and the routing domains on the router. To receive the packets from a bridged interface that are destined to a routed interface, configure BVI with the appropriate IP address, which is in the same subnet as the hosts in the bridge domain.

Figure 2: VPLS VFI with BVI as Routed Interface



This topology explains two types of traffic flow:

- Routed local traffic: Consider a traffic flow from AC1 Host to Host1. AC1 Host sends the traffic to BVI1. Attach AC1 Host and BVI1 to the same bridge domain of PE1. PE1 routs the traffic through BVI1 and sends it to Host1. L3 interface connects Host1 and PE1.
- Routed remote traffic: Consider a traffic flow from AC2 Host to Host2. AC2 Host sends the traffic to the bridge domain of PE1. PE1 sends the traffic to BVI2. AC2 Host is part of BVI2 subnet. PW sends the traffic to the bridge domain of PE2. PE2 routes the traffic through BVI2 and sends it to Host2. L3 interface connects Host2 and PE2.

Restrictions

• The following protocols are not supported when the bridge domain is attached with both PW and BVI: DHCP, ERPS, CDP, HSRP, IGMP Snooping, VRRP, CFM, LACP, and BFDoBVI.

Configure VPLS VFI with BVI as Routed Interface

Perform this task to route the VPLS PW traffic dynamically over the BVI interface.

Configuration Example

```
/* PE1 Configuration */
Router# configure
Router(config)#12vpn
Router(config-12vpn)#bridge group bg1
Router(config-12vpn-bg)#bridge-domain bd1
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/0.1 -> AC1-L2 Sub-Interface (AC)
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)#vfi core
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#neighbor 209.165.200.225 pw-id 1 -> VPLS Core-PW
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#exit
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#neighbor 209.165.200.225 pw-id 1 -> VPLS Core-PW
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#exit
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#exit
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#exit
```

```
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-bvi) #root
Router(config) #interface BVI1
Router(config-if) #ipv4 address 10.0.0.1 255.0.0.0
Router (config-if) #commit
/* PE2 Configuration */
Router# configure
Router (config) #12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) #bridge group bg1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg) #bridge-domain bd1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/0/0/1.1 -> AC3 L2 subinterface(AC)
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #vfi core
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi) #neighbor 209.165.200.226 pw-id 1 -> VPLS Core-PW
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi) #exit
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #routed interface BVI2 -> BVI-2 Interface
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd-bvi) #root
Router(config) #interface BVI2
Router(config-if)#ipv4 address 10.0.0.4 255.0.0.0
Router(config-if) #commit
```

Running Configuration

This section shows VPLS VFI with BVI as Routed Interface configuration.

```
/* PE1 Configuration */
configure
12vpn
 bridge group bg1
  bridge-domain bd1
   interface TenGigE0/0/0/0.1 -> AC1-L2 Sub-Interface (AC)
    !
   vfi core
    neighbor 209.165.200.225 pw-id 1 -> VPLS Core-PW
    1
    1
    routed interface BVI1 -> BVI-1 Interface
    !
  !
interface BVI1
ipv4 address 10.0.0.1 255.0.0.0
/* PE2 Configuration */
configure
12vpn
 bridge group bgl
  bridge-domain bd2
    interface TenGigE0/0/0/1.1 -> AC3 L2 Sub-Interface (AC)
    1
   vfi core
    neighbor 209.165.200.226 pw-id 1 -> VPLS Core-PW
    1
    !
    routed interface BVI2 -> BVI2 Interface
    1
 1
interface BVI2
ipv4 address 10.0.0.4 255.0.0.0
```

Verification

Verify that you have configured the VPLS VFI with BVI as Routed Interface feature successfully.

```
Router-PE1#show l2vpn bridge-domain neighbor 209.165.200.225 detail
Legend: pp = Partially Programmed.
Bridge group: 1, bridge-domain: 1, id: 0, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
 VINE state: BVI Resolved
 MAC learning: enabled
 MAC withdraw: enabled
 Flooding:
   Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
   Unknown unicast: enabled
 MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
 Create time: 10/01/2020 04:18:29 (00:14:06 ago)
 ACs: 2 (2 up), VFIs: 1, PWs: 1 (1 up), PBBs: 0 (0 up), VNIs: 0 (0 up)
 List of Access PWs:
 List of VFIs:
   VFI 1 (up)
     PW: neighbor 209.165.200.225, PW ID 1, state is up ( established )
       PW class mpls, XC ID 0xc0000002
       Encapsulation MPLS, protocol LDP
       Source address 209.165.200.226
       PW type Ethernet, control word disabled, interworking none
       Sequencing not set
       LSP : Up
       PW Status TLV in use
        MPLS Local
                                                Remote
                    ------
        Label 24006
                                                24002
        Group ID 0x0
                                                0x0
        Interface 1
                                                1
        MTU 1500
                                                1500
        Control word disabled
                                                disabled
         _____ ____
```

Related Topics

• VPLS VFI with BVI as Routed Interface, on page 13

Associated Commands

show l2vpn bridge-domain detail

MAC Address-related Parameters

The MAC address table contains a list of the known MAC addresses and their forwarding information. In the current VPLS design, the MAC address table and its management are maintained on the route processor (RP) card.

These topics provide information about the MAC address-related parameters:

MAC Address Flooding

Ethernet services require that frames that are sent to broadcast addresses and to unknown destination addresses be flooded to all ports. To obtain flooding within VPLS broadcast models, all unknown unicast, broadcast,

and multicast frames are flooded over the corresponding pseudowires and to all attachment circuits. Therefore, a PE must replicate packets across both attachment circuits and pseudowires.

MAC Address-based Forwarding

To forward a frame, a PE must associate a destination MAC address with a pseudowire or attachment circuit. This type of association is provided through a static configuration on each PE or through dynamic learning, which is flooded to all bridge ports.

MAC Address Source-based Learning

When a frame arrives on a bridge port (for example, pseudowire or attachment circuit) and the source MAC address is unknown to the receiving PE router, the source MAC address is associated with the pseudowire or attachment circuit. Outbound frames to the MAC address are forwarded to the appropriate pseudowire or attachment circuit.

MAC address source-based learning uses the MAC address information that is learned in the hardware forwarding path. The updated MAC tables are propagated and programs the hardware for the router.



Note Static MAC move is not supported from one port, interface, or AC to another port, interface, or AC. For example, if a static MAC is configured on AC1 (port 1) and then, if you send a packet with the same MAC as source MAC on AC2 (port 2), then you can't attach this MAC to AC2 as a dynamic MAC. Therefore, do not send any packet with a MAC as any of the static MAC addresses configured.

The number of learned MAC addresses is limited through configurable per-port and per-bridge domain MAC address limits.

MAC Address Aging

A MAC address in the MAC table is considered valid only for the duration of the MAC address aging time. When the time expires, the relevant MAC entries are repopulated. When the MAC aging time is configured only under a bridge domain, all the pseudowires and attachment circuits in the bridge domain use that configured MAC aging time.

A bridge forwards, floods, or drops packets based on the bridge table. The bridge table maintains both static entries and dynamic entries. Static entries are entered by the network manager or by the bridge itself. Dynamic entries are entered by the bridge learning process. A dynamic entry is automatically removed after a specified length of time, known as *aging time*, from the time the entry was created or last updated.

If hosts on a bridged network are likely to move, decrease the aging-time to enable the bridge to adapt to the change quickly. If hosts do not transmit continuously, increase the aging time to record the dynamic entries for a longer time, thus reducing the possibility of flooding when the hosts transmit again.

The range of MAC address aging time is from 300 seconds to 30,000 seconds. The maximum MAC address aging time among all bridges is considered for calculating the age. You cannot configure the MAC address aging time on each AC or PW interface. Configure MAC address aging time in the bridge domain configuration mode. There is no show command to display the highest MAC address aging time.

MAC Address Limit

Table 4: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
Configure MAC Address Limit for Bridge Domains to Learn Static Addresses	Release 7.8.1	 You can now configure the MAC address limit for bridge domains to learn only static MAC addresses and to drop traffic from unknown sources. Malicious attackers can spoof a Layer 2 MAC address to change dynamic entries in the MAC table. However, with this functionality enabling you to configure the MAC address limit for bridge domains to learn only static MAC addresses, the dynamic MAC addresses are blocked. In addition, a static entry always overrules dynamic entries. This functionality thus prevents the interception of your data by unauthorized users and improves your network security.

The MAC address limit is used to limit the number of learned MAC addresses. The default value for the MAC address limit is 32000.

When you configure MAC address limit for a bridge-domain, the following MAC addresses are considered by the network:

- Dynamic MAC addresses that are learned automatically via an ARP request.
- Static MAC addresses that are manually configured.
- EVPN Sync MAC addresses that are MAC entries synchronized across EVPN PEs.
- EVPN Remote MAC addresses that are assigned to remote EVPN PEs.

Configure MAC Address Limit

Configure the MAC address limit using the **maximum** command. The MAC address learning is restricted to the configured limit.

When the number of learned MAC addresses reaches the configured limit, you can configure the bridge behavior by using the **action** command. You can configure the action to perform one of the following:

- flood: All the unknown unicast packets, with unknown destinations addresses, are flooded over the bridge.
- no-flood: All the unknown unicast packets, with unknown destination addresses, are dropped.
- shutdown : All the packets are dropped.

When the MAC limit is exceeded, use the **notification {both | none | trap}** command to send notifications in one of the following forms:

- trap: Sends Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) trap notification.
- both: Sends both syslog and trap notifications.
- none: No notifications are sent.

By default, syslog message is sent.

MAC address limit action applies only when the number of local MAC addresses exceeds the configured limit. The software unlearns the MAC addresses until it reaches the configured MAC limit threshold value. Later, the router restarts learning new MAC addresses. In the event when the MAC limit threshold is not configured, the default threshold is 75% of the configured MAC address limit.

Configuration Example

In this example, MAC address limit is configured as 5000 and MAC limit action is set to flood the packets. As notification is not configured, syslog entries are sent when the MAC limit is exceeded.

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# 12vpn
Router(config-12vpn)# bridge group bg-0
Router(config-12vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd-0
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# mac
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# limit
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# maximum 5000
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# action flood
```

Verification

Use the **show l2vpn bridge-domain** command to view the MAC address limit configuration.

```
Router# show 12vpn bridge-domain bd-name bd-0 detail
Legend: pp = Partially Programmed.
Bridge group: bg-0, bridge-domain: bd-0, id: 25, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
 Coupled state: disabled
  VINE state: EVPN Native
 MAC learning: enabled
 MAC withdraw: enabled
   MAC withdraw for Access PW: enabled
   MAC withdraw sent on: bridge port up
   MAC withdraw relaying (access to access): disabled
  Flooding:
   Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
   Unknown unicast: enabled
 MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
 MAC limit: 5000, Action: flood, Notification: syslog
 MAC limit reached: no, threshold: 80%
  MAC port down flush: enabled
 MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
```

Configure MAC Address Limit for Static MAC Addresses

The dynamic MAC addresses are not learned when the MAC address limit is configured to be less than the number of static MAC address entries. When you configure the MAC address limit as zero using the **maximum** command, the dynamic MAC addresses are blocked and only static MAC addresses are learned.

To discard the traffic arriving from an unknown source, set the MAC limit action as **no-flood**, so that all the unknown unicast, broadcast, and multicast packets are dropped.

Configuration Example

In this example, MAC address limit is configured as zero and MAC limit action is set to **no-flood**.

```
Router# configure
Router(config)# l2vpn
Router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group bg-0
Router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd-0
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mac
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# limit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# maximum 0
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-limit)# action no-flood
```

Verification

Use the **show l2vpn bridge-domain** command to view the MAC address limit configuration.

```
Router# show 12vpn bridge-domain bd-name bd-0 detail
Legend: pp = Partially Programmed.
Bridge group: bg-0, bridge-domain: bd-0, id: 25, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
  Coupled state: disabled
  VINE state: EVPN Native
  MAC learning: enabled
  MAC withdraw: enabled
   MAC withdraw for Access PW: enabled
   MAC withdraw sent on: bridge port up
   MAC withdraw relaying (access to access): disabled
  Flooding:
   Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
   Unknown unicast: enabled
  MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
 MAC limit: 0, Action: no-flood, Notification: syslog
  MAC limit reached: no, threshold: 80%
  MAC port down flush: enabled
  MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
```

MAC Address Withdrawal

For faster VPLS convergence, you can remove or unlearn the MAC addresses that are learned dynamically. The Label Distribution Protocol (LDP) Address Withdrawal message is sent with the list of MAC addresses, which need to be withdrawn to all other PEs that are participating in the corresponding VPLS service.

For the Cisco IOS XR VPLS implementation, a portion of the dynamically learned MAC addresses are cleared by using the MAC addresses aging mechanism by default. The MAC address withdrawal feature is added through the LDP Address Withdrawal message. To enable the MAC address withdrawal feature, use the **withdrawal** command in l2vpn bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode. To verify that the MAC address withdrawal is enabled, use the **show l2vpn bridge-domain** command with the **detail** keyword.



Note

By default, the LDP MAC Withdrawal feature is enabled on Cisco IOS XR.

The LDP MAC Withdrawal feature is generated due to these events:

Attachment circuit goes down. You can remove or add the attachment circuit through the CLI.

• MAC withdrawal messages are received over a VFI pseudowire. RFC 4762 specifies that both wildcards (by means of an empty Type, Length and Value [TLV]) and a specific MAC address withdrawal. Cisco IOS XR software supports only a wildcard MAC address withdrawal.

How to Implement Services

This section describes the tasks that are required to implement Multipoint Layer 2 Services:

Configuring a Bridge Domain

These topics describe how to configure a bridge domain:

Creating a Bridge Domain

Perform this task to create a bridge domain .

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#

Procedure

Step 1 configure Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure Enters the XR Config mode. Step 2 l2vpn Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # 12vpn RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# Enters L2VPN configuration mode. Step 3 bridge group bridge-group-name **Example:** RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn)# bridge group csco RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# Creates a bridge group that can contain bridge domains, and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain. Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain-name Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain abc

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Associating Members with a Bridge Domain

After a bridge domain is created, perform this task to assign interfaces to the bridge domain. These types of bridge ports are associated with a bridge domain:

· Ethernet and VLAN

• VFI

Procedure

Step 1	configure
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
	Enters the XR Config mode.
Step 2	l2vpn
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# 12vpn
	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 3	bridge group bridge group name
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csco RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#
	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
Step 4	bridge-domain bridge-domain name
	Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config=l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 interface type interface-path-id

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) # interface GigabitEthernet 0/4/0/0
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#
```

Enters interface configuration mode and adds an interface to a bridge domain that allows packets to be forwarded and received from other interfaces that are part of the same bridge domain.

Step 6 (*Optional*) **static-mac-address** { *MAC-address* }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# static-mac-address 1.1.1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#
```

Configures the static MAC address to associate a remote MAC address with a pseudowire or any other bridge interface.

Step 7 Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Configuring Bridge Domain Parameters

To configure bridge domain parameters, associate these parameters with a bridge domain:

- Maximum transmission unit (MTU)—Specifies that all members of a bridge domain have the same MTU. The bridge domain member with a different MTU size is not used by the bridge domain even though it is still associated with a bridge domain.
- Flooding—Flooding is enabled always.

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Example:

Configure Multipoint Layer 2 Services

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure

Enters the XR Config mode.

Step 2 l2vpn

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # l2vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) #
```

Enters the l2vpn configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge-group-name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) # bridge group csco
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) #
```

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain-name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters l2vpn bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 flooding disable

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# flooding disable
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#
```

Disables flooding.

Step 6 mtu bytes

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mtu 1000

Adjusts the maximum packet size or maximum transmission unit (MTU) size for the bridge domain.

• Use the *bytes* argument to specify the MTU size, in bytes. The range is from 64 to 65535.

Step 7 Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session. **end** - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Disabling a Bridge Domain

Perform this task to disable a bridge domain. When a bridge domain is disabled, all VFIs that are associated with the bridge domain are disabled. You are still able to attach or detach members to the bridge domain and the VFIs that are associated with the bridge domain.

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure

Enters the XR Config mode.

Step 2 l2vpn

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # 12vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn) #

Enters L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge group name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) # bridge group csco
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) #
```

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters l2vpn bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 shutdown

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# shutdown

Shuts down a bridge domain to bring the bridge and all attachment circuits and pseudowires under it to admin down state.

Step 6 Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Flooding Disable

The Flooding Disable feature prevents forwarding of Broadcast, Unknown-unicast and Multicast (BUM) traffic on the bridge domain. You can disable flooding of BUM traffic at the bridge level or at the interface level. By disabling flooding at the bridge level, you can prevent forwarding of BUM traffic on attachment circuit (AC), pseudowire (PW), and EVPN LIFs.

You can also disable only unknown unicast traffic at the bridge level or at the interface level. By disabling flooding of unknown unicast traffic at the bridge level, you can prevent forwarding of unknown unicast traffic on attachment circuit (AC), pseudowire (PW), and EVPN LIFs.

By disabling flooding of unknown unicast traffic at the interface level, you can prevent forwarding of unknown unicast traffic on AC alone.

Configure Flooding Disable

Perform this task to configure Flooding Disable feature.

You can disable flooding of:

- BUM traffic at the bridge level
- Unknown-unicast traffic at the bridge level
- Unknown-unicast traffic at the interface level

However, the flooding disable of unknown-unicast traffic at the bridge level takes effect only when the **flooding disable** command is not configured for BUM traffic at the bridge level.

The flooding disable of unknown-unicast traffic at the interface level takes effect only when **flooding disable** and **flooding unknown-unicast disable** commands are not configured at the bridge level.

Configuration Example

```
/* Configuration to disable flooding of BUM traffic at the bridge level */ Router# {\bf configure}
```

```
Router (config) #12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) #bridge group bg1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg) #bridge-domain bd1
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #flooding disable \
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd) #commit
/* Configuration to disable flooding of unknown-unicast traffic at the bridge level */
Router# configure
Router (config) #12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) #bridge group bg1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg) #bridge-domain bd1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#flooding unknown-unicast disable
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd) #commit
/* Configuration to disable flooding of unknown-unicast traffic at the interface level */
Router(config-l2vpn) #bridge group bg1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg) #bridge-domain bd1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #interface TenGigE0/0/0/0.2
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac) #flooding unknown-unicast disable
```

Running Configuration

This section shows flooding disable running configuration.

Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac) #commit

```
/* Configuration to disable flooding of BUM traffic at the bridge level */
configure
12vpn
 bridge group bg1
  bridge-domain bd1
    flooding disable
   flooding unknown-unicast disable
   interface TenGigE0/0/0/0.2
      flooding unknown-unicast disable
   I.
/* Configuration to disable flooding of unknown-unicast traffic at the bridge level */
configure
12vpn
 bridge group bg1
  bridge-domain bd1
    flooding unknown-unicast disable
    1
  !
/* Configuration to disable flooding of unknown-unicast traffic at the interface level */
configure
12vpn
 bridge group bg1
  bridge-domain bd1
   interface TenGigE0/0/0/0.2
      flooding unknown-unicast disable
     1
   !
 1
```

Associated Commands

- · flooding disable
- · flooding unknown-unicast disable

Configuring a Layer 2 Virtual Forwarding Instance

These topics describe how to configure a Layer 2 virtual forwarding instance (VFI):

Creating the Virtual Forwarding Instance

Perform this task to create a Layer 2 Virtual Forwarding Instance (VFI) on all provider edge devices under the bridge domain.

Procedure

configure
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
Enters the XR Config mode.
l2vpn
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# 12vpn RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn)#
Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
bridge group bridge group name
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csco RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#
Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
bridge-domain bridge-domain name
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#
Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
vfi {vfi-name}
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#
Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.
Use the commit or end command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- · Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Associating Pseudowires with the Virtual Forwarding Instance

After a VFI is created, perform this task to associate one or more pseudowires with the VFI.

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure

Enters the XR Config mode.

Step 2 l2vpn

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # 12vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn) #

Enters L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge-group-name

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) # bridge group csco RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) #

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain-name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 vfi { *vfi name* }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) # vfi v1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi) #
```

Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.

Step 6 neighbor { *A.B.C.D* } { **pw-id** *value* }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#
```

Adds a pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI).

- Use the A.B.C.D argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.
- Use the **pw-id** keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.
- **Step 7** Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Associating a Virtual Forwarding Instance to a Bridge Domain

Perform this task to associate a VFI to be a member of a bridge domain.

Proced	lure
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Step 1 configure

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure

Enters the XR Config mode.

Step 2 l2vpn

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # 12vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn) #

Enters the L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge group name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csco
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#
```

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 vfi { vfi name }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) # vfi v1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi) #
```

Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.

Step 6 neighbor { *A.B.C.D* } { pw-id value }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#
```

Adds a pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI).

- Use the A.B.C.D argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.
- Use the **pw-id** keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.

Step 7 static-mac-address { MAC-address }

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config=l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# static-mac-address 1.1.1

Configures the static MAC address to associate a remote MAC address with a pseudowire or any other bridge interface.

Step 8 Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Attaching Pseudowire Classes to Pseudowires

Perform this task to attach a pseudowire class to a pseudowire.

	Procedure
	configure
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
	Enters the XR Config mode.
	l2vpn
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# 12vpn RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn)#
	Enters the L2VPN configuration mode.
	bridge group bridge group name
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn)# bridge group csco RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg)#
	Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.
	bridge-domain bridge-domain name
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)#
	Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.
	vfi { vfi-name }
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#

Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.

Step 6 neighbor { *A.B.C.D* } { pw-id value }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#
```

Adds a pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI).

- Use the A.B.C.D argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.
- Use the **pw-id** keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.
- Step 7 pw-class { class-name }

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) # pw-class canada

Configures the pseudowire class template name to use for the pseudowire.

Step 8 Use the commit or end command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Configuring Pseudowires Using Static Labels

Perform this task to configure the Any Transport over Multiprotocol (AToM) pseudowires by using the static labels. A pseudowire becomes a static AToM pseudowire by setting the MPLS static labels to local and remote.

Procedure

Step 1	configure
	Example:
	RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
	Enters the XR Config mode.
Step 2	l2vpn

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # l2vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) #

Enters the L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group *bridge-group-name*

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csco
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#
```

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain-name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)# bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 vfi { vfi-name }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#
```

Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.

Step 6 neighbor { *A.B.C.D* } { pw-id value }

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 10.1.1.2 pw-id 1000
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)#
```

Adds a pseudowire port to a bridge domain or a pseudowire to a bridge virtual forwarding interface (VFI).

- Use the A.B.C.D argument to specify the IP address of the cross-connect peer.
- Use the **pw-id** keyword to configure the pseudowire ID and ID value. The range is 1 to 4294967295.

Step 7 mpls static label { local value } { remote value }

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) # mpls static label local 800 remote 500

Configures the MPLS static labels and the static labels for the pseudowire configuration. You can set the local and remote pseudowire labels.

Step 8 Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Disabling a Virtual Forwarding Instance

Perform this task to disable a VFI. When a VFI is disabled, all the previously established pseudowires that are associated with the VFI are disconnected. LDP advertisements are sent to withdraw the MAC addresses that are associated with the VFI. However, you can still attach or detach attachment circuits with a VFI after a shutdown.

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure

Enters the XR Config mode.

Step 2 l2vpn

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # l2vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) #

Enters the L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge group name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) # bridge group csco
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) #
```

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 vfi { *vfi-name* }

Step 6

Example:

shutdown

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# vfi v1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)#
```

Configures virtual forwarding interface (VFI) parameters and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain VFI configuration mode.

 Example:

 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# shutdown

 Disables the virtual forwarding interface (VFI).

 Step 7
 Use the commit or end command.

 commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

 end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

 • Yes - Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.

 • No - Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.

 • Cancel - Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

 Step 8
 show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]

 Example:

 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail

Displays the state of the VFI. For example, if you shut down the VFI, the VFI is shown as shut down under the bridge domain.

Configuring the MAC Address-related Parameters

These topics describe how to configure the MAC address-related parameters:

The MAC table attributes are set for the bridge domains.



Note The show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain BRIDGE_GROUP:BRIDGE_DOMAIN mac-address location R/S/I command does not automatically dump MAC address hardware information. The show output information might not be current. Perform any of the following actions before executing the show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain BRIDGE_GROUP:BRIDGE_DOMAIN mac-address location R/S/I command:

- Resynchronize the MAC address entries by executing l2vpn resynchronize forwarding mac-address location R/S/I command.
- Dump the MAC address table by running **show l2vpn forwarding bridge-domain mac-address location R/S/I** command.

Configuring the MAC Address Source-based Learning

Perform this task to configure the MAC address source-based learning.

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure

Enters the XR Config mode.

Step 2 l2vpn

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # 12vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn) #

Enters the L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge group name

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) # bridge group csco RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) #

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domainname

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #
```

I

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

mac
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)# mac RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#
Enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode.
learning disable
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# learning disable
Use the commit or end command.
commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.
end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:
 Yes - Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session. No - Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes. Cancel - Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.
show l2vpn bridge-domain [detail]
Example:
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show 12vpn bridge-domain detail

Configuring the MAC Address Aging

Perform this task to configure the parameters for MAC address aging.

Procedure

C	onfigure
E	xample:
R	P/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure
Е	nters the XR Config mode.
12	2vpn
14	whu
E	xample:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # 12vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn) #

Enters the L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge-group-name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csco
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#
```

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain-name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 mac

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) # mac RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#

Enters L2VPN bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode.

Step 6 aging

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)# aging RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-aging)#

Enters the MAC aging configuration submode to set the aging parameters such as time and type.

Step 7 time { *seconds* }

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config=l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-aging) # time 300

Configures the maximum aging time.

• Use the *seconds* argument to specify the maximum age of the MAC address table entry. Aging time is counted from the last time that the switch saw the MAC address. The range of MAC address aging time is from 300 seconds to 30,000 seconds. The default value is 300 seconds.

Step 8 Use the **commit** or **end** command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

```
Step 9 show l2vpn bridge-domain [ detail ]
```

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail

Displays the details about the aging fields.

Disabling MAC Flush at the Bridge Port Level

Perform this task to disable the MAC flush at the bridge domain level.

You can disable the MAC flush at the bridge domain or bridge port level. By default, the MACs learned on a specific port are immediately flushed, when that port becomes nonfunctional.

Procedure

Step 1	configure
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Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure

Enters the XR Config mode.

Step 2 l2vpn

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config) # l2vpn
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) #

Enters L2VPN configuration mode.

Step 3 bridge group bridge-group-name

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# bridge group csco RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#

Creates a bridge group so that it can contain bridge domains and then assigns network interfaces to the bridge domain.

Step 4 bridge-domain bridge-domain-name

Example:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg) # bridge-domain abc
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #
```

Establishes a bridge domain and enters l2vpn bridge group bridge domain configuration mode.

Step 5 mac

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config=l2vpn-bg-bd)# mac RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config=l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#

Enters l2vpn bridge group bridge domain MAC configuration mode.

Step 6 port-down flush disable

Example:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac)#
port-down flush disable

Disables MAC flush when the bridge port becomes nonfunctional.

Step 7 Use the commit or end command.

commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.

end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:

- Yes Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
- No Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
- · Cancel Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

MAC Address Withdrawal

The MAC Address Withdrawal feature provides faster convergence by removing MAC addresses that are dynamically learned. This feature uses Label Distribution Protocol (LDP)-based MAC address withdrawal message. A MAC list Type Length Value (TLV) is part of the MAC address withdrawal message.

This feature also supports optimization of MAC address withdrawal. The optimization allows PEs to retain the MAC addresses that are learned from the CE devices over the access side. Only MAC addresses that are learned from peer PEs are flushed out. This avoids unnecessary MAC flushing toward attachment circuit (AC) side and ensures better utilization of bandwidth and resources.

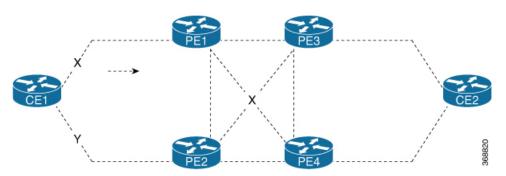
The MAC address withdrawal feature is enabled by default. Use **mac withdraw disable** command to disable the MAC address withdrawal feature.

Topology

Consider the following topology in which CE1 is dual-homed to PE1 and PE2. The link X actively participates in VPLS while Y is a redundant link. Initially PE1, PE2, PE3, and PE4 learn their MAC forwarding tables that are based on the traffic profile and traffic becomes a known unicast. When the MAC address withdrawal feature is enabled on all PEs, PEs delete MAC entries when they receive MAC address withdrawal message. The following are the MAC address withdrawal messages that are based on the status of link:

- Scenario 1: When link X, which is the AC of PE1 goes down, PE1 sends an LDP MAC withdrawal TLV
 message "FLUSH ALL MAC FROM ME" to neighbor PEs. Peer PEs delete MAC addresses that are
 learned only from PE1. PE2, PE3, and PE4 flush only MAC addresses that are learned from PE1. The
 PE1 initiates MAC flush when its access side AC goes down.
- Scenario 2: When link Y, which is the AC of PE2 comes up, PE2 sends an LDP MAC withdrawal TLV
 message "FLUSH ALL MAC BUT ME" to neighbor PEs. Peer PEs flush all MAC addresses except
 those from the PE which receives the request.

Figure 3: MAC Address Withdrawal



Restrictions

To configure MAC address withdrawal, the following restrictions are applicable:

- This feature is not supported over H-VPLS network.
- This feature is not supported over BGP signaling and discovery.
- MAC withdraw relaying is not supported.

Configure MAC Address Withdrawal

Configuration Example

Perform this task to configure MAC address withdrawal.

```
/* Configure MAC address withdrawal on PE1. This configuration is required for scenario 1
*/
Router# configure
Router(config=12vpn)# bridge group bg1
Router(config=12vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd1
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd)# mac
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# withdraw state-down
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# exit
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd)# interface tenGigE0/0/0/0
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd)# vf1
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd)# vf1
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1
Router(config=12vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# commit
/* Configure optimization of MAC address withdrawal on PE1. This configuration is required
```

for scenario 1 */

```
Router# configure

Router(config)# 12vpn

Router(config-12vpn)# bridge group bg1

Router(config-12vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd1

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# mac

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# withdraw optimize

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# exit

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# exit

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1234

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-pw)# exit

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 192.0.2.2 pw-id 1

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 192.0.2.2 pw-id 1

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi)# neighbor 192.0.2.3 pw-id 2

Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# commit
```

```
/* MAC address withdrawal is enabled by default when AC comes up. Use the following
configuration if you want to disable MAC address withdrawal. This configuration is required
for scenario 2 */
Router# configure
Router(config)# 12vpn
Router(config-12vpn)# bridge group bg1
Router(config-12vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd1
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# mac
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# withdraw disable
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac)# commit
```

Running Configuration

This section shows the running configuration of MAC address withdrawal.

```
/* Configure MAC address withdrawal on PE1 */
12vpn
bridge group bg1
 bridge-domain bd1
   mac
    withdraw state-down
   I.
   interface tengige 0/0/0/0
   1
   vfi vfl
    neighbor 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1
    1
/* Configure optimization of MAC address withdrawal on PE1 */
12vpn
bridge group bg1
 bridge-domain bd1
   mac
    withdraw optimize
   I.
   neighbor neighbor 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1234
   1
   vfi vfl
    neighbor neighbor 192.0.2.2 pw-id 1
    neighbor neighbor 192.0.2.3 pw-id 2
/* Disable MAC address widhrawal on PE2 */
12vpn
bridge group bgl
  bridge-domain bd1
```

```
mac
withdraw disable
!
```

Verification

Verify MAC address withdrawal configuration.

```
/* Verify if MAC address widhrawal is configured on PE1 */
Router:PE1# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail
MAC learning: enabled
MAC withdraw: enabled
/* Verify if optimization of MAC address withdrawal is configured on PE1 */
Router:PE1# show l2vpn bridge-domain detail
MAC learning: enabled
MAC withdraw: enabled
MAC withdraw sent on: bridge port down (optimization)
```

Related Topics

• MAC Address Withdrawal, on page 41

Associated Commands

- mac withdraw
- show l2vpn bridge-domain detail

MAC Loop Prevention

Table 5: Feature History Table

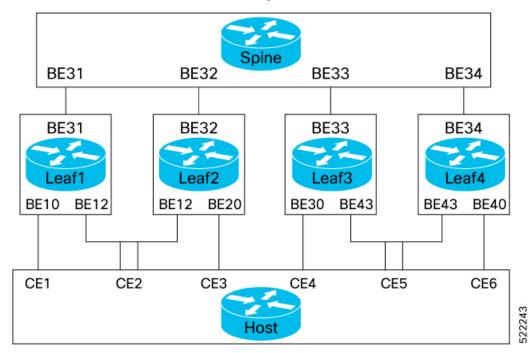
Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
MAC Loop Prevention	Release 7.5.2	This feature helps reduce network congestion and avoid traffic loss by shutting down a port after it reaches the configured number of MAC moves within the specified move interval. You can configure this feature at the bridge-domain level using the mac secure command. This feature is now supported on routers that operate in native and compatibility modes.

In case of network instability like an interface flap, a MAC address might be learned from a new interface. This is normal network convergence, and the mac-address-table is updated dynamically. A MAC move occurs when the same MAC address is learned on multiple interfaces. However, constant MAC moves often indicate network instability during an L2 loop. This feature lets you report MAC moves and take corrective actions such as shutting down an offending port.

The MAC Loop Prevention feature allows you to shut down the port after it exceeds the configured number of MAC moves within the specified move interval. You can configure this feature at the bridge-domain level

using the **mac secure** command. The default number of MAC moves is five times for a move interval of 180 seconds. If the number of MAC moves exceeds the configured value, the MAC entry is marked as duplicate and the port is shut down. This feature helps you to reduce network congestion and avoid traffic loss. This feature is supported on physical and bundle AC, PW, and EVPN.

You can recover the shutdown port after a particular time by using the **shutdown-recovery-timeout** command after which the port automatically becomes active. If the recovery time is not configured, the shutdown port is recovered after three times of move interval. For example, if the move interval is 30 seconds, the shutdown port becomes active after 90 seconds.



Let's see how this feature works in the following scenarios:

- MAC learning within the node When Leaf1 learns the same MAC address on both the interfaces, BE10 and BE12, the MAC is marked as duplicate and the port is shutdown after it exceeds the configured number of MAC moves within specified interval. For example, consider the MAC move count is configured as 5 for 180 seconds. If the traffic flows starts from BE10, and, the configured MAC move count ends at interface BE12, the port at the interface BE12 is shutdown.
- MAC learning between the nodes When the same MAC address is learnt on BE10 and 20, the MAC is marked as duplicate and the port is shutdown after it exceeds the configured number of MAC moves within specified interval. For example, consider the MAC move count is configured as 5 for 180 seconds. If the traffic starts from BE10, the configured MAC move count ends at interface BE20, the port at the interface BE20 is shutdown.



Note

When a Leaf that is enabled with this feature receives two MACs from the Leafs that are not enabled with this feature, this feature won't take effect.

Configuration Example

Perfrom this task on a Leaf to configure MAC loop prevention.

```
/* MAC Loop Prevention for VPLS */
Router#configure
Router (config) #12vpn
Router (config-12vpn) #bridge-group BG1
Router (config-12vpn-bg) #bridge-domain BD1
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd) #mac secure
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec)#action shutdown
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec)#threshold
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec) #shutdown-recovery-timeout 300
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec)#exit
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.1
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac) #exit
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.2
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac) #commit
/* MAC Loop Prevention for PW */
Router#configure
Router (config) #12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) #bridge-group BG1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg) #bridge-domain BD1
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd) #mac secure
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec) #action shutdown
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec)#threshold
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec)#shutdown-recovery-timeout 300
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec) #exit
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.3
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #vfi VFI1
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi) #neighbor 192.168.0.4 pw-id 3
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) #commit
/* MAC Loop Prevention for EVPN */
Router#configure
Router (config) #12vpn
Router(config-12vpn) #bridge-group BG1
Router (config-12vpn-bg) #bridge-domain BD1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #mac secure
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec)#action shutdown
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec)#threshold
Router (config-l2vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec) #shutdown-recovery-timeout 300
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd-mac-sec) #exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.3
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd) #evi 100
Router (config-12vpn-bg-bd-evi) #commit
/* Configure move count and move-interval */
```

```
Router (config-evpn) #mac secure
Router (config-evpn) #mac secure
Router (config-evpn-mac-secure) #move-count 7
Router (config-evpn-mac-secure) #move-interval 30
Router (config-evpn-mac-secure) #commit
```

Running Configuration

This section shows the MAC loop prevention running configuration.

```
/* MAC Loop Prevention for VPLS */
12vpn
bridge group BG1
 bridge-domain BD1
   mac
   secure
    action shutdown
    threshold
    shutdown-recovery-timeout 300
    !
   interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.1
  interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.2
  1
/* MAC Loop Prevention for PW */
12vpn
bridge group BG1
 bridge-domain BD1
  mac
   secure
    action shutdown
     threshold
    shutdown-recovery-timeout 300
    !
   interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.3
  1
   vfi VFI1
   neighbor 192.168.0.4 pw-id 3
/* MAC Loop Prevention for EVPN */
12vpn
bridge group BG1
 bridge-domain BD1
  mac
   secure
    action shutdown
    threshold
     shutdown-recovery-timeout 300
    1
   interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.3
  !
   evi 100
!
/* Configure move-count and move-interval */
evpn
mac
 secure
  move-count 7
   move-interval 30
 1
```

Verification

Verify that you have successfully configured the MAC Loop Prevention feature. The following show output displays the MAC security information:

```
Router# show l2vpn bridge-doamin detail
Bridge group: bg1, bridge-domain: bd1, id: 0, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
MAC Secure: enabled, Logging: disabled, Action: shutdown, Threshold: enabled
MAC Secure Shutdown recovery timer : 300
List of ACs:
    AC: interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.1, state is up
```

```
AC: interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.2, state is up
MAC Secure: enabled, Logging: disabled, Action: shutdown, Threshold: enabled
MAC Secure Shutdown recovery timer: 300
```

Configuration Examples for Multipoint Layer 2 Services

This section includes these configuration examples:

Multipoint Layer 2 Services Configuration for Provider Edge-to-Provider Edge: Example

These configuration examples show how to create a Layer 2 VFI with a full-mesh of participating Multipoint Layer 2 Services provider edge (PE) nodes.

This configuration example shows how to configure PE 1:

```
configure
l2vpn
bridge group 1
bridge-domain PE1-VPLS-A
interface TenGigE0/0/0/0
vfi 1
neighbor 172.16.0.1 pw-id 1
neighbor 192.168.0.1 pw-id 1
!
interface loopback 0
ipv4 address 10.0.0.1 255.0.0.0
```

This configuration example shows how to configure PE 2:

```
configure
l2vpn
bridge group 1
bridge-domain PE2-VPLS-A
interface TenGigE0/0/0/1
vfi 1
neighbor 10.0.0.1 pw-id 1
neighbor 192.168.0.1 pw-id 1
!
interface loopback 0
ipv4 address 172.16.0.1 255.240.0.0
```

This configuration example shows how to configure PE 3:

```
configure
l2vpn
bridge group 1
bridge-domain PE3-VPLS-A
interface TenGigE0/0/0/2
vfi 1
neighbor 10.0.0.1 pw-id 1
neighbor 172.16.0.1 pw-id 1
!
interface loopback 0
ipv4 address 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0
```

Multipoint Layer 2 Services Configuration for Provider Edge-to-Customer Edge: Example

This configuration shows how to configure Multipoint Layer 2 Services for a PE-to-CE nodes:

```
configure
interface TenGigE0/0/0/0
l2transport---AC interface
```

```
no ipv4 address
no ipv4 directed-broadcast
negotiation auto
no cdp enable
```

Displaying MAC Address Withdrawal Fields: Example

This sample output shows the MAC address withdrawal fields:

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show 12vpn bridge-domain detail

```
Legend: pp = Partially Programmed.
Bridge group: 222, bridge-domain: 222, id: 0, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
 Coupled state: disabled
 MAC learning: enabled
 MAC withdraw: enabled
   MAC withdraw sent on: bridge port up
   MAC withdraw relaying (access to access): disabled
 Flooding:
   Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
   Unknown unicast: enabled
 MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
 MAC limit: 4000, Action: none, Notification: syslog
 MAC limit reached: no
 MAC port down flush: enabled
 MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
  Split Horizon Group: none
 Dynamic ARP Inspection: disabled, Logging: disabled
  IP Source Guard: disabled, Logging: disabled
 DHCPv4 snooping: disabled
 IGMP Snooping: enabled
  IGMP Snooping profile: none
 MLD Snooping profile: none
 Storm Control: disabled
 Bridge MTU: 1500
 MIB cvplsConfigIndex: 1
 Filter MAC addresses:
  P2MP PW: disabled
 Create time: 01/03/2017 11:01:11 (00:21:33 ago)
 No status change since creation
 ACs: 1 (1 up), VFIs: 1, PWs: 1 (1 up), PBBs: 0 (0 up)
 List of ACs:
   AC: TenGigE0/2/0/1.7, state is up
     Type VLAN; Num Ranges: 1
     Outer Tag: 21
     VLAN ranges: [22, 22]
     MTU 1508; XC ID 0x208000b; interworking none
     MAC learning: enabled
     Flooding:
       Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
```

```
Unknown unicast: enabled
     MAC aging time: 300 s, Type: inactivity
     MAC limit: 4000, Action: none, Notification: syslog
     MAC limit reached: no
     MAC port down flush: enabled
     MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
     Split Horizon Group: none
     Dynamic ARP Inspection: disabled, Logging: disabled
     IP Source Guard: disabled, Logging: disabled
     DHCPv4 snooping: disabled
     IGMP Snooping: enabled
     IGMP Snooping profile: none
     MLD Snooping profile: none
     Storm Control: bridge-domain policer
     Static MAC addresses:
     Statistics:
      packets: received 714472608 (multicast 0, broadcast 0, unknown unicast 0, unicast
0), sent 97708776
      bytes: received 88594603392 (multicast 0, broadcast 0, unknown unicast 0, unicast
0), sent 12115888224
      MAC move: 0
     Storm control drop counters:
       packets: broadcast 0, multicast 0, unknown unicast 0
       bytes: broadcast 0, multicast 0, unknown unicast 0
     Dynamic ARP inspection drop counters:
       packets: 0, bytes: 0
     IP source guard drop counters:
      packets: 0, bytes: 0
 List of VFIs:
   VFI 222 (up)
     PW: neighbor 10.0.0.1, PW ID 222, state is up ( established )
       PW class not set, XC ID 0xc00000a
       Encapsulation MPLS, protocol LDP
       Source address 21.21.21.21
       PW type Ethernet, control word disabled, interworking none
       Sequencing not set
       PW Status TLV in use
                                                  Remote
         MPLS
                    Local
         _____
         Label
                    24017
                                                   24010
         Group ID
                    0x0
                                                   0x0
         Interface 222
                                                   2.2.2
         MTU
                     1500
                                                   1500
         Control word disabled
                                                   disabled
         PW type Ethernet
                                                  Ethernet
         VCCV CV type 0x2
                                                  0x2
                     (LSP ping verification)
                                                  (LSP ping verification)
         VCCV CC type 0x6
                                                  0x6
                     (router alert label)
                                                   (router alert label)
                     (TTL expiry)
                                                  (TTL expiry)
                                        -----
         -----
       Incoming Status (PW Status TLV):
         Status code: 0x0 (Up) in Notification message
       MIB cpwVcIndex: 3221225482
       Create time: 01/03/2017 11:01:11 (00:21:33 ago)
       Last time status changed: 01/03/2017 11:21:01 (00:01:43 ago)
       Last time PW went down: 01/03/2017 11:15:21 (00:07:23 ago)
       MAC withdraw messages: sent 0, received 0
       Forward-class: 0
       Static MAC addresses:
       Statistics:
         packets: received 95320440 (unicast 0), sent 425092569
         bytes: received 11819734560 (unicast 0), sent 52711478556
```

```
MAC move: 0
Storm control drop counters:
   packets: broadcast 0, multicast 0, unknown unicast 0
   bytes: broadcast 0, multicast 0, unknown unicast 0
DHCPv4 snooping: disabled
IGMP Snooping profile: none
MLD Snooping profile: none
VFI Statistics:
   drops: illegal VLAN 0, illegal length 0
```

Bridging on IOS XR Trunk Interfaces: Example

This example shows how to configure a as a simple L2 switch.

Important notes:

Create a bridge domain that has four attachment circuits (AC). Each AC is an IOS XR trunk interface (i.e. not a subinterface/EFP).

- This example assumes that the running config is empty, and that all the components are created.
- This example provides all the necessary steps to configure the to perform switching between the interfaces. However, the commands to prepare the interfaces such as no shut, negotiation auto, etc., have been excluded.
- The bridge domain is in a no shut state, immediately after being created.
- Only trunk (i.e. main) interfaces are used in this example.
- The trunk interfaces are capable of handling tagged (i.e. IEEE 802.1Q) or untagged (i.e. no VLAN header) frames.
- The bridge domain learns, floods, and forwards based on MAC address. This functionality works for frames regardless of tag configuration.
- The bridge domain entity spans the entire system. It is not necessary to place all the bridge domain ACs on a single LC. This applies to any bridge domain configuration.
- The show bundle and the show l2vpn bridge-domain commands are used to verify that the router was configured as expected, and that the commands show the status of the new configurations.
- The ACs in this example use interfaces that are in the admin down state.

Configuration Example

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#config
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)#interface Bundle-ether10
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#12transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)#interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/5
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if) #bundle id 10 mode active
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/6
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if) #bundle id 10 mode active
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)#interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#12transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)#interface TenGigE0/1/0/2
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#12transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)#12vpn
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) #bridge group examples
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg)#bridge-domain test-switch
```

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)#interface Bundle-ether10 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/1/0/2 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)#commit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:Jul 26 10:48:21.320 EDT: config[65751]: %MGBL-CONFIG-6-DB COMMIT : Configuration committed by user 'lab'. Use 'show configuration commit changes 1000000973' to view the changes. RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#end RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:Jul 26 10:48:21.342 EDT: config[65751]: %MGBL-SYS-5-CONFIG I : Configured from console by lab RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#show bundle Bundle-ether10 Bundle-Ether10 Status Down

Status.		DOWII			
Local links <active s<="" th=""><th>standby/configured</th><th>. 0 / 0 /</th><th>2</th><th></th><th></th></active>	standby/configured	. 0 / 0 /	2		
Local bandwidth <effe< th=""><th>ctive/available>:</th><th>0 (0) k</th><th>bps</th><th></th><th></th></effe<>	ctive/available>:	0 (0) k	bps		
MAC address (source):		0024.f7	1e.22eb (Chassis	pool)
Minimum active links	/ bandwidth:	1 / 1 k	bps		
Maximum active links:		64			
Wait while timer:		2000 ms			
LACP:		Operati	onal		
Flap suppression ti	.mer:	Off			
mLACP:		Not con	figured		
IPv4 BFD:		Not con	figured		
Port	Device	State	Port ID		B/W, kbps
Gi0/2/0/5	Local	Configured	0x8000,	0x0001	1000000
Link is down					
Gi0/2/0/6	Local	Configured	0x8000,	0x0002	1000000
Link is down					

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#show 12vpn bridge-domain group examples
Bridge group: examples, bridge-domain: test-switch, id: 2000, state: up, ShgId: 0, MSTi: 0
Aging: 300 s, MAC limit: 4000, Action: none, Notification: syslog
Filter MAC addresses: 0
ACs: 4 (1 up), VFIs: 0, PWs: 0 (0 up), PBBs: 0 (0 up)
List of ACs:
    BE10, state: down, Static MAC addresses: 0
Gi0/2/0/0, state: up, Static MAC addresses: 0
Gi0/2/0/1, state: down, Static MAC addresses: 0
Te0/5/0/1, state: down, Static MAC addresses: 0
List of VFIs:
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#
```

This table lists the configuration steps (actions) and the corresponding purpose for this example:

Procedure

Step 1 configure

Enters global configuration mode.

Step 2 interface Bundle-ether10

Creates a new bundle trunk interface.

Step 3	l2transport
	Changes Bundle-ether10 from an L3 interface to an L2 interface.
Step 4	interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/5
	Enters interface configuration mode. Changes configuration mode to act on GigabitEthernet0/2/0/5.
Step 5	bundle id 10 mode active
	Establishes GigabitEthernet0/2/0/5 as a member of Bundle-ether10. The mode active keywords specify LACP protocol.
Step 6	interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/6
	Enters interface configuration mode. Changes configuration mode to act on GigabitEthernet0/2/0/6.
Step 7	bundle id 10 mode active
	Establishes GigabitEthernet0/2/0/6 as a member of Bundle-ether10. The mode active keywords specify LACP protocol.
Step 8	interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0
	Enters interface configuration mode. Changes configuration mode to act on GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0.
Step 9	l2transport
	Change GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0 from an L3 interface to an L2 interface.
Step 10	interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/1
	Enters interface configuration mode. Changes configuration mode to act on GigabitEthernet0/2/0/1.
Step 11	l2transport
	Change GigabitEthernet0/2/0/1 from an L3 interface to an L2 interface.
Step 12	interface TenGigE0/1/0/2
	Enters interface configuration mode. Changes configuration mode to act on TenGigE0/1/0/2.
Step 13	l2transport
	Changes TenGigE0/1/0/2 from an L3 interface to an L2 interface.
Step 14	l2vpn
	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 15	bridge group examples
	Creates the bridge group examples .
Step 16	bridge-domain test-switch
	Creates the bridge domain test-switch , that is a member of bridge group examples .
Step 17	interface Bundle-ether10
	Establishes Bundle-ether10 as an AC of bridge domain test-switch.

Step 18	exit
	Exits bridge domain AC configuration submode, allowing next AC to be configured.
Step 19	interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0
	Establishes GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0 as an AC of bridge domain test-switch.
Step 20	exit
	Exits bridge domain AC configuration submode, allowing next AC to be configured.
Step 21	interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/1
	Establishes GigabitEthernet0/2/0/1 as an AC of bridge domain test-switch .
Step 22	exit
	Exits bridge domain AC configuration submode, allowing next AC to be configured.
Step 23	interface TenGigE0/1/0/2
	Establishes interface TenGigE0/1/0/2 as an AC of bridge domain test-switch.
Step 24	Use the commit or end command.
	commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.
	end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:
	• Yes - Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
	• No - Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
	• Cancel - Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

Bridging on Ethernet Flow Points: Example

This example shows how to configure a to perform Layer 2 switching on traffic that passes through Ethernet Flow Points (EFPs). EFP traffic typically has one or more VLAN headers. Although both IOS XR trunks and IOS XR EFPs can be combined as attachment circuits in bridge domains, this example uses EFPs exclusively.

Important notes:

- An EFP is a Layer 2 subinterface. It is always created under a trunk interface. The trunk interface must exist before the EFP is created.
- In an empty configuration, the bundle interface trunk does not exist, but the physical trunk interfaces are automatically configured. Therefore, only the bundle trunk is created.
- In this example the subinterface number and the VLAN IDs are identical, but this is out of convenience, and is not a necessity. They do not need to be the same values.
- The bridge domain test-efp has three attachment circuits (ACs). All the ACs are EFPs.
- Only frames with a VLAN ID of 999 enter the EFPs. This ensures that all the traffic in this bridge domain has the same VLAN encapsulation.

• The ACs in this example use interfaces that are in the admin down state (**unresolved** state). Bridge domains that use nonexistent interfaces as ACs are legal, and the commit for such configurations does not fail. In this case, the status of the bridge domain shows **unresolved** until you configure the missing interface.

Configuration Example

```
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router#configure
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config) #interface Bundle-ether10
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-if)#interface Bundle-ether10.999 l2transport
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1q 999
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-subif)#interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/5
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-if) #bundle id 10 mode active
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-if)#interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/6
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-if) #bundle id 10 mode active
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-if)#interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/7.999 l2transport
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1q 999
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-subif)#interface TenGigE0/1/0/2.999 l2transport
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1g 999
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-subif) #12vpn
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn) #bridge group examples
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg)#bridge-domain test-efp
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface Bundle-ether10.999
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd)#interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/7.999
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#exit
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)#interface TenGigE0/1/0/2.999
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-ac)#commit
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router(config-12vpn-bg-bd-ac)#end
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router#
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router#show 12vpn bridge group examples
Fri Jul 23 21:56:34.473 UTC Bridge group: examples, bridge-domain: test-efp, id: 0, state:
 up, ShqId: 0, MSTi: 0
Aging: 300 s, MAC limit: 4000, Action: none, Notification: syslog
  Filter MAC addresses: 0
  ACs: 3 (0 up), VFIs: 0, PWs: 0 (0 up), PBBs: 0 (0 up)
  List of ACs:
   BE10.999, state: down, Static MAC addresses: 0
    Gi0/6/0/7.999, state: unresolved, Static MAC addresses: 0
   Te0/1/0/2.999, state: down, Static MAC addresses: 0
  List of VFIs:
RP/0/RSP1/CPU0:router#
```

This table lists the configuration steps (actions) and the corresponding purpose for this example:

Procedure

```
Step 1 configure
```

Enters global configuration mode.

Step 2 interface Bundle-ether10

Creates a new bundle trunk interface.

Step 3 interface Bundle-ether10.999 l2transport

Creates an EFP under the new bundle trunk.

Step 4	encapsulation dot1q 999
	Assigns VLAN ID of 999 to this EFP.
Step 5	interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/5
	Enters interface configuration mode. Changes configuration mode to act on GigabitEthernet0/6/0/5.
Step 6	bundle id 10 mode active
	Establishes GigabitEthernet0/6/0/5 as a member of Bundle-ether10. The mode active keywords specify LACP protocol.
Step 7	interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/6
	Enters interface configuration mode. Changes configuration mode to act on GigabitEthernet0/6/0/6.
Step 8	bundle id 10 mode active
	Establishes GigabitEthernet0/6/0/6 as a member of Bundle-ether10. The mode active keywords specify LACP protocol.
Step 9	interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/7.999 l2transport
	Creates an EFP under GigabitEthernet0/6/0/7.
Step 10	encapsulation dot1q 999
	Assigns VLAN ID of 999 to this EFP.
Step 11	interface TenGigE0/1/0/2.999 l2transport
	Creates an EFP under TenGigE0/1/0/2.
Step 12	encapsulation dot1q 999
	Assigns VLAN ID of 999 to this EFP.
Step 13	l2vpn
	Enters L2VPN configuration mode.
Step 14	bridge group examples
	Creates the bridge group named examples .
Step 15	bridge-domain test-efp
	Creates the bridge domain named test-efp , that is a member of bridge group examples .
Step 16	interface Bundle-ether10.999
	Establishes Bundle-ether10.999 as an AC of the bridge domain named test-efp .
Step 17	exit
	Exits bridge domain AC configuration submode, allowing next AC to be configured.
Step 18	interface GigabitEthernet0/6/0/7.999
	Establishes GigabitEthernet0/6/0/7.999 as an AC of the bridge domain named test-efp.

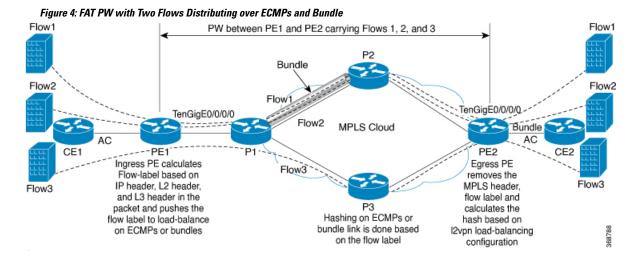
Step 19	exit
	Exits bridge domain AC configuration submode, allowing next AC to be configured.
Step 20	interface TenGigE0/1/0/2.999
	Establishes interface TenGigE0/1/0/2.999 as an AC of bridge domain named test-efp .
Step 21	Use the commit or end command.
	commit - Saves the configuration changes and remains within the configuration session.
	end - Prompts user to take one of these actions:
	• Yes - Saves configuration changes and exits the configuration session.
	• No - Exits the configuration session without committing the configuration changes.
	• Cancel - Remains in the configuration mode, without committing the configuration changes.

LDP-Based VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire

The LDP-based VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire feature enables provider (P) routers to use the flow-based load balancing to forward traffic between the provider edge (PE) devices. This feature uses Flow-Aware Transport (FAT) of pseudowires (PW) over an MPLS packet switched network for load-balancing traffic across LDP-based signaled pseudowires for Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) and Virtual Private Wire Service (VPWS).

FAT PWs provide the capability to identify individual flows within a PW and provide routers the ability to use these flows to load-balance the traffic. FAT PWs are used to load balance the traffic in the core when equal cost multipaths (ECMP) are used. A flow label is created based on indivisible packet flows entering an imposition PE. This flow label is inserted as the lower most label in the packet. P routers use the flow label for load balancing to provide better traffic distribution across ECMP paths or link-bundled paths in the core. A flow is identified either by the source and destination IP address of the traffic, or the source and destination MAC address of the traffic.

The following figure shows a FAT PW with two flows distributing over ECMPs and bundle links.



An extra label is added to the stack, called the flow label, which is generated for each unique incoming flow on the PE. A flow label is a unique identifier that distinguishes a flow within the PW, and is derived from source and destination MAC addresses, and source and destination IP addresses. The flow label contains the end of label stack (EOS) bit set. The flow label is inserted after the VC label and before the control word (if any). The ingress PE calculates and forwards the flow label. The FAT PW configuration enables the flow label. The egress PE discards the flow label such that no decisions are made.

Core routers perform load balancing using the flow-label in the FAT PW with other information like MAC address and IP address. The flow-label adds greater entropy to improve traffic load balancing. Therefore, it's possible to distribute flows over ECMPs and link bundles.

In this topology, the imposition router, PE1, adds a flow label in the traffic. The disposition router, PE2, allows mixed types of traffic of which some have flow label, others do not. The P router uses flow label to load balance the traffic between the PEs. PE2 ignores the flow label in traffic, and uses one label for all unicast traffic.

Configure LDP-Based VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire

This feature is not supported for traffic across BGP-signaled pseudowires for VPLS and VPWS services.

Configuration Example

Perform this task to configure VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire on both PE1 and PE2.

```
/* Configure LDP-based VPLS FAT Pseudowire */
Router# configure
Router(config)# 12vpn
Router(config-12vpn)# pw-class vpls
Router(config-12vpn-pwc)# encapsulation mpls
Router(config-12vpn-pwc-mpls)# load-balancing
Router(config-12vpn-pwc-mpls-load-bal)# flow-label both
Router(config-12vpn-pwc-mpls-load-bal)# exit
Router# configure
Router(config)# 12vpn
Router(config-12vpn)# bridge group bg0
Router(config-12vpn-bg)# bridge-domain bd1
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)#
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# exit
Router(config-12vpn-bg-bd)# exit
```

```
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi) # neighbor 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw) # pw-class vpls
Router(config-l2vpn-bg-bd-vfi-pw)# commit
/* Configure LDP-based VPWS FAT Pseudowire */
Router# configure
Router(config) # 12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) # pw-class vpws
Router(config-l2vpn-pwc)# encapsulation mpls
Router(config-l2vpn-pwc-mpls) # load-balancing
Router(config-l2vpn-pwc-mpls-load-bal) # flow-label both
Router(config-l2vpn-pwc-mpls-load-bal)# exit
Router# configure
Router(config) # 12vpn
Router(config-l2vpn) # xconnect group vpws
Router(config-l2vpn-xc) # p2p 1001
Router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)#
Router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# neighbor ipv4 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1001
Router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p-pw)# pw-class vpws
Router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p-pw) # commit
```

Running Configuration

This section shows the running configuration of VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire.

```
/* Configure LDP-based VPLS FAT Pseudowire */
12vpn
pw-class vpls
 encapsulation mpls
   load-balancing
    flow-label both
   1
  !
bridge group bg0
 bridge-domain bd1
   I.
   vfi 2001
    neighbor 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1
     pw-class vpls
    1
    1
/* Configure LDP-based VPWS FAT Pseudowire */
12vpn
pw-class vpws
  encapsulation mpls
   load-balancing
    flow-label both
   !
 !
!
12vpn
xconnect group vpws
 p2p 1001
   neighbor ipv4 192.0.2.1 pw-id 1001
   pw-class vpws
   1
  !
```

Verification

Verify that you have successfully configure the LDP-based VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire feature.

```
/* Verify the LDP-based VPLS FAT Pseudowire configuration */
Router# show 12vpn bridge-domain group bg0 bd-name bd1 detail
Fri May 17 06:00:45.745 UTC
 List of VFIs:
   VFI 1 (up)
     PW: neighbor 192.0.2.1, PW ID 1, state is up ( established )
       PW class vpws, XC ID 0xc0000001
       Encapsulation MPLS, protocol LDP
       Source address 192.0.2.5
       PW type Ethernet, control word disabled, interworking none
       Sequencing not set
       LSP : Up
       Flow Label flags configured (Tx=1,Rx=1), negotiated (Tx=1,Rx=1)
       PW Status TLV in use
         MPLS Local
                                                  Remote
         _____ ____
         Label 24000
                                                  24000
                    0x0
         Group ID
                                                  0x0
         Interface 1
                                                  1
         MTU
                     1500
                                                  1500
         Control word disabled
                                                  disabled
         PW type Ethernet
                                                  Ethernet
         VCCV CV type 0x2
                                                  0x2
                     (LSP ping verification)
                                                  (LSP ping verification)
         VCCV CC type 0x6
                                                  0x6
                     (router alert label)
                                                  (router alert label)
                     (TTL expiry)
                                                  (TTL expiry)
         -----
                                ----- -----
                                                              -----
       Incoming Status (PW Status TLV):
         Status code: 0x0 (Up) in Notification message
       MIB cpwVcIndex: 3221225473
       Create time: 12/05/2019 11:17:59 (4d18h ago)
       Last time status changed: 12/05/2019 11:24:03 (4d18h ago)
       MAC withdraw messages: sent 7, received 9
       Forward-class: 0
       Static MAC addresses:
       Statistics:
         packets: received 0 (unicast 0), sent 0
         bytes: received 0 (unicast 0), sent 0
         MAC move: 0
       Storm control drop counters:
         packets: broadcast 0, multicast 0, unknown unicast 0
         bytes: broadcast 0, multicast 0, unknown unicast 0
     MAC learning: enabled
     Flooding:
       Broadcast & Multicast: enabled
       Unknown unicast: enabled
     MAC aging time: 900 s, Type: inactivity
     MAC limit: 32000, Action: none, Notification: syslog
     MAC limit reached: no, threshold: 75%
     MAC port down flush: enabled
     MAC Secure: disabled, Logging: disabled
     Split Horizon Group: none
     E-Tree: Root
     DHCPv4 Snooping: disabled
     DHCPv4 Snooping profile: none
     IGMP Snooping: disabled
     IGMP Snooping profile: none
```

```
MLD Snooping profile: none
     Storm Control: bridge-domain policer
     DHCPv4 Snooping: disabled
     DHCPv4 Snooping profile: none
     IGMP Snooping: disabled
     IGMP Snooping profile: none
     MLD Snooping profile: none
/* Verify the LDP-based VPWS FAT Pseudowire configuration */
Router# show 12vpn xconnect group vpws detail
Group vpws, XC 1001, state is up; Interworking none
 AC: , state is up
   Type VLAN; Num Ranges: 1
   Rewrite Tags: []
   VLAN ranges: [1001, 1001]
   MTU 1504; XC ID 0x47f; interworking none
   Statistics:
     packets: received 0, sent 0
     bytes: received 0, sent 0
     drops: illegal VLAN 0, illegal length 0
  PW: neighbor 192.0.2.1, PW ID 1001, state is up ( established )
   PW class vpws, XC ID 0xc0000548
   Encapsulation MPLS, protocol LDP
   Source address 192.0.2.2
   PW type Ethernet, control word disabled, interworking none
   PW backup disable delay 0 sec
   Sequencing not set
   LSP : Up
   Flow Label flags configured (Tx=1,Rx=1), negotiated (Tx=1,Rx=1)
   PW Status TLV in use
                                              Remote
     MPLS Local
            _____ ____
     Label 25011
Group ID 0xf000190
                                               25010
                                               0x228
     Interface
     MTU
                1504
                                             1504
     Control word disabled
                                              disabled
     PW type Ethernet
                                              Ethernet
     VCCV CV type 0x2
                                              0x2
                 (LSP ping verification)
                                              (LSP ping verification)
     VCCV CC type 0x6
                                             0x6
                 (router alert label)
                                             (router alert label)
                 (TTL expiry)
                                              (TTL expiry)
                                -----
      ------
                                                         _____
   Incoming Status (PW Status TLV):
    Status code: 0x0 (Up) in Notification message
   Outgoing Status (PW Status TLV):
     Status code: 0x0 (Up) in Notification message
   MIB cpwVcIndex: 3221226824
   Create time: 17/05/2019 05:52:59 (00:05:22 ago)
   Last time status changed: 17/05/2019 05:53:11 (00:05:10 ago)
   Statistics:
     packets: received 0, sent 0
    bytes: received 0, sent 0
```

Related Topics

LDP-Based VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire, on page 57

Associated Commands

show l2vpn xconnect detail

PPPoE Traffic-Based Load Balancing

Table 6: Feature History Table

Feature Name	Release Information	Feature Description
PPPoE Traffic-Based Load Balance using Flow-Aware Transport Labels	Release 7.4.1	 This feature allows you to load balance the incoming PPPoE traffic received based on the inner PPPoE payload, source and destination IPv4 or IPv6 header. When you enable this feature, the router generates a unique Flow-Aware Transport (FAT) label for the incoming traffic based on inner IPv4 or IPv6 headers and uses the FAT labels for load balancing the PPPoE traffic. This feature introduces the hw-module profile load-balance algorithm PPPoE command.

Point-To-Point Protocol over Ethernet (PPPoE) is a network protocol that encapsulates Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) frames inside Ethernet frames to allow data communication between two network entities or points.

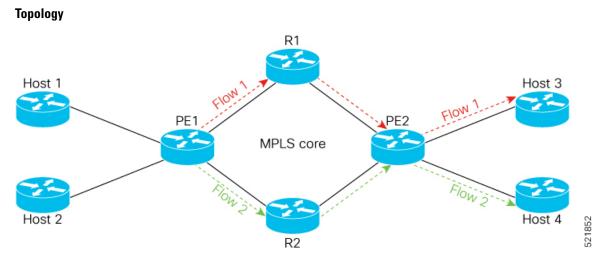
For most of L2 switched packets, the source and destination MAC address in outer layer header remains the same, it becomes challenging to load balance the incoming PPPoE traffic based on outer headers. So, inner payloads or headers has been taken for hashing.

To enable PPPoE load-balancing feature, use the **hw-module profile load-balance algorithm PPPoE** command.

When you enable the feature, a unique Flow-Aware Transport (FAT) label is generated based on the inner PPPoE payload IPv4/IPv6 header. The traffic is load balanced using the FAT label.

A flow is defined as a sequence of related packets having the same source and destination pair which is sent from a source PE to a destination PE. FAT labels provide the capability to identify individual flows within a PW and provide routers the ability to use these flows to load balance the traffic.

For more information on Flow-Aware Transport, see LDP-Based VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire, on page 57.



In this topology, PE1 receives two packets flows, let's consider Flow 1 as traffic from Host 1 (source) to Host 3 (destination) and Flow 2 as traffic from Host 2 (source) to Host 4 (destination).

- Flow 1: When PE1 receives traffic from Host 1, PE1 adds a unique FAT label for flow 1 and forwards the traffic through R1. So when ever Host 1 sends the traffic to Host 3, PE1 always forwards the traffic through R1.
- Flow 2: When PE1 receives traffic from Host 2, it checks for the destination address and adds a different FAT label for Flow 2. PE1 forwards the traffic through R2. So when ever Host 2 sends the traffic to Host 4, PE1 always forwards the traffic through R2.

Restrictions

- Supports only transit PPPoE header over Ethernet transport.
- The PPPoE load-balancing feature can't coexist with features such as SRv6 and GUE.

Configure Load balancing for PPPoE Traffic

To enable load balancing for PPPoE traffic:

Prerequisites

You must configure the FAT label for L2VPN, before you enable the PPPoE load-balancing feature. For configuring the FAT label, see LDP-Based VPLS and VPWS FAT Pseudowire, on page 57.

Configuration Example



Note After you enable or disable the PPPoE load-balancing feature, you should reload the line card for this configuration to take effect.

```
Router# configure terminal
Router(config)# hw-module profile load-balance algorithm pppoe
```

Router(config)# commit Router(config)# exit Router# reload

To disable load balancing for PPPoE traffic:

```
Router# configure terminal
Router(config)# no hw-module profile load-balance algorithm pppoe
Router(config)# commit
Router(config)# exit
Router# reload
```

Verification

Router**# Show interface accounting** Bundle-Ether1.1 Protocol Pkts In Chars In Pkts Out Chars Out IPV4_UNICAST 4494 251664 4494 251664 IPV6_UNICAST 3 228 0 0 MPLS 0 0 252573 35360220 IPV6_ND 12 1032 4 320 CLNS 152 91885 26 2028

Bundle-Ether2.1 Protocol Pkts In Chars In Pkts Out Chars Out IPV4_UNICAST 4494 251664 4494 251664 IPV6_UNICAST 3 228 0 0 MPLS 0 0 252573 35360220 IPV6_ND 12 1032 4 320 CLNS 155 95324 26 2028