

Configuring Traffic Mirroring

This module describes the configuration of the traffic mirroring feature. Traffic mirroring is sometimes called port mirroring, or switched port analyzer (SPAN).

Feature	History	for	Traffic	Mirr	oring
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Release 3.9.1	This feature was introduced.	
Release 4.0.1	These traffic mirroring features were added: • Traffic mirroring over a pseudowire	
	Flow or ACL-based traffic mirroring	
	• Layer 3 interface support	
	Partial packet mirroring	
Release 5.1.0	The Sampled Traffic Mirroring feature was introduced.	
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Release 7.1.2	The File Mirroring feature was introduced.	

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Introduction to Traffic Mirroring

Traffic mirroring, which is sometimes called port mirroring, or Switched Port Analyzer (SPAN) is a Cisco proprietary feature that enables you to monitor Layer 2 or Layer 3 network traffic passing in, or out of, a set of Ethernet interfaces. You can then pass this traffic to a network analyzer for analysis.

Traffic mirroring copies traffic from one or more Layer 3 or Layer 2 interfaces or sub-interfaces, including Layer 2 link bundle interfaces or sub-interfaces, and sends the copied traffic to one or more destinations for analysis by a network analyzer or other monitoring device. Traffic mirroring does not affect the switching of traffic on the source interfaces or sub-interfaces, and allows the mirrored traffic to be sent to a destination interfaceor sub-interface.

Traffic mirroring was introduced on switches because of a fundamental difference between switches and hubs. When a hub receives a packet on one port, the hub sends out a copy of that packet from all ports except from the one at which the hub received the packet. In the case of switches, after a switch boots, it starts to build up a Layer 2 forwarding table on the basis of the source MAC address of the different packets that the switch receives. After this forwarding table is built, the switch forwards traffic that is destined for a MAC address directly to the corresponding port.

For example, if you want to capture Ethernet traffic that is sent by host A to host B, and both are connected to a hub, just attach a traffic analyzer to this hub. All other ports see the traffic between hosts A and B.



Figure 1: Traffic Mirroring Operation on a Hub

On a switch or router, after the host B MAC address is learned, unicast traffic from A to B is only forwarded to the B port. Therefore, the traffic analyzer does not see this traffic.



In this configuration, the traffic analyzer captures only traffic that is flooded to all ports, such as:

- · Broadcast traffic
- Multicast traffic with CGMP or Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) snooping disabled
- · Unknown unicast traffic on a switch

An extra feature is necessary that artificially copies unicast packets that host A sends. This extra feature is traffic mirroring. When traffic mirroring is enabled, the traffic analyzer is attached to a port that is configured to receive a copy of every packet that host A sends. This port is called a traffic mirroring port. The other sections of this document describe how you can fine tune this feature.

Sampled Traffic Mirroring

SPAN is supported on all types of forwarding interfaces of the main interface (port level) such as, L2, L3 interfaces, sub-interface, bundle interface, and BNG interface. But Sampled SPAN is supported only at port level. Sampled SPAN is configurable in ingress direction only. SPAN and Sampled SPAN cannot be configured at the same time on main interface (at port level). When Sampled SPAN is enabled on main interface, SPAN is still configurable on rest of the forwarding interfaces on the port.

When Sampled SPAN is enabled on the underlying physical port and SPAN is configured on a forwarding interface, the packets are mirrored as follows:

- Sampled packet on the physical port is mirrored just to the destination port of the Sampled SPAN session.
- Non-sampled packet is mirrored for each of the regular SPAN session on the associated forwarding interface.

Sampled Traffic Mirroring allows you to:

- 1. Sample the packets based on a configured interval.
- 2. Apply Sampled SPAN on a physical port in order to include all forwarding interfaces on that port.
- **3.** Configure the Sampling rate of monitoring that is configured for each source port. You can choose to configure one of these sampling rates; 1K, 2K, 4K, 8K, and 16K. For example, when 4K is configured as the sampling rate, for every 4K packets on the source port one packet is sampled and mirrored to the destination port.
- 4. Use Sampled SPAN along with Traffic Mirroring.
- 5. Enable Sampled SPAN on every bundle member, if the physical port is part of a link bundle.
- 6. Use all destination ports that were supported for SPAN.
- 7. Enable statistics support on each monitoring session.
- **8.** Truncate and mirror a fixed portion of each mirrored packet (for example, the first 64 bytes of every packet received from the source port is mirrored to the destination port). You can configure the offset or the amount of fixed portion.

You can configure these source to destination combinations in sampled SPAN:

- · Physical Port mirrored to Physical Port
- · Physical Port mirrored to Pseudo-wire
- · Bundle member port mirrored to Physical Port
- · Bundle member port mirrored to Pseudo-wire

Implementing Traffic Mirroring on the Cisco ASR 9000 Series Router

Traffic Mirroring Terminology

- Ingress traffic—Traffic that enters the switch.
- Egress traffic—Traffic that leaves the switch.

- Source port—A port that is monitored with the use of traffic mirroring. It is also called a monitored port.
- Destination port—A port that monitors source ports, usually where a network analyzer is connected. It is also called a monitoring port.
- Monitor session—A designation for a collection of traffic mirroring configurations consisting of a single destination and, potentially, many source interfaces.

Characteristics of the Source Port

A source port, also called a monitored port, is a switched or routed port that you monitor for network traffic analysis. In a single local or remote traffic mirroring session, you can monitor source port traffic, such as received (Rx) for ingress traffic, transmitted (Tx) for egress traffic, or bidirectional (for both ingress and egress traffic). Your router can support any number of source ports (up to a maximum number of 800).

A source port has these characteristics:

• It can be any port type, such as Bundle Interface, Gigabit Ethernet, 10-Gigabit Ethernet, or EFPs.



Note Bridge group virtual interfaces (BVIs) are not supported.

- Each source port can be monitored in only one traffic mirroring session.
- It cannot be a destination port.
- Partial Packet Mirroring. The first 64 to 256 bytes of the packet can be mirrored.
- Each source port can be configured with a direction (ingress, egress, or both) to monitor. For bundles, the monitored direction applies to all physical ports in the group.

Figure 2: Network Analysis on a Cisco ASR 9000 RouterWith Traffic Mirroring



In the figure above, the network analyzer is attached to a port that is configured to receive a copy of every packet that host A sends. This port is called a traffic mirroring port.

Characteristics of the Monitor Session

A monitor session is a collection of traffic mirroring configurations consisting of a single destination and, potentially, many source interfaces. For any given monitor session, the traffic from the source interfaces (called *source ports*) is sent to the monitoring port (called the *destination port*). Some optional operations such as VLAN tag imposition and ACL filtering can be performed on the mirrored traffic streams. If there is

more than one source port in a monitoring session, the traffic from the several mirrored traffic streams is combined at the destination port. The result is that the traffic that comes out of the destination port is a combination of the traffic from one or more source ports, and the traffic from each source port may or may not have VLAN push operations or ACLs applied to it.

Monitor sessions have these characteristics:

- A single Cisco ASR 9000 Router can have a maximum of eight monitor sessions.
- A single monitor session can have only one destination port.
- A single destination port can belong to only one monitor session.
- A single Cisco ASR 9000 Router can have a maximum of 800 source ports.
- A monitor session can have a maximum of 800 source ports, as long as the maximum number of source ports from all monitoring sessions does not exceed 800.

Characteristics of the Destination Port

Each local session or remote destination session must have a destination port (also called a monitoring port) that receives a copy of the traffic from the source ports.

A destination port has these characteristics:

- A destination port must reside on the same router as the source port.
- A destination port can be any Ethernet physical port, EFP, pseudowire, but not a bundle interface.
- A destination port can only be a Layer 2 transport interface. An L3 interface as a SPAN destination cannot be configured on the Cisco ASR 9000 Series Router.
- A destination port can be a trunk (main) interface or a subinterface.
- At any one time, a destination port can participate in only one traffic mirroring session. A destination
 port in one traffic mirroring session cannot be a destination port for a second traffic mirroring session.
 In other words, no two monitor sessions can have the same destination port.
- A destination port cannot also be a source port.
- Figure 3: Network Analysis on a Cisco ASR 9000 Router With Traffic Mirroring



Supported Traffic Mirroring Types

These traffic mirroring types are supported:

- Local traffic mirroring. This is the most basic form of traffic mirroring. The network analyzer or sniffer is directly attached to the destination interface. In other words, all monitored ports are all located on the same switch as the destination port.
- Remote traffic mirroring (known as R-SPAN). In this case, the network analyzer is not attached directly to the destination interface, but is on a VLAN accessible to the switch. For example, the destination interface is a sub-interface with a VLAN encapsulation.

A restricted form of remote traffic mirroring can be implemented by sending traffic to a single destination port that pushes a VLAN tag, instead of switching through a bridge domain. Remote traffic mirroring:

- Allows decoupling of the network analyzer and destination, but there is no on-the-box redundancy.
- Allows multiple remote network analyzers as long as they can attach to the traffic mirroring VLAN.

This is supported on Cisco IOS XR software because the destination port is an EFP that can push a VLAN tag.

- Pseudowire traffic mirroring (known as PW-SPAN in Cisco IOS Software). Instead of using a standard
 destination interface, traffic is mirrored to a remote site through an MPLS pseudowire.
- ACL-based traffic mirroring. Traffic is mirrored based on the configuration of the global interface ACL.
- Partial Packet Mirroring. The first 64 to 256 bytes of the packet can be mirrored.
- Layer 2 or Layer 3 traffic mirroring is supported. Both Layer 2 and Layer 3 source ports can be mirrored.

Pseudowire Traffic Mirroring

You can configure the traffic mirroring destination port to be a pseudowire rather than a physical port. In this case, the system mirrors the designated traffic on the source port over the pseudowire to a central location. This allows the centralization of expensive network traffic analysis tools.

Because the pseudowire carries only mirrored traffic, this traffic is unidirectional. There must not be any traffic coming from the remote provider edge.

In such a pseudowire traffic mirroring scenario, though the system mirrors traffic successfully, the statistics for sent pseudowire packet statistics remains zero.

To protect the pseudowire traffic mirroring path against network failures, it is possible to configure a traffic engineering tunnel as the preferred path and enable fast reroute protection for the pseudowire.

Figure 4: Pseudowire Traffic Mirroring



ACL-Based Traffic Mirroring

You can mirror traffic based on the definition of a global interface access list (ACL). If you are mirroring Layer 2 traffic, the ACL is configured using the **ethernet-services access-list** command with the **capture** keyword. When you are mirroring Layer 3 traffic, the ACL is configured using the **ipv4 access-list** or **ipv6 access-list** command with the **capture** keyword. The **permit** and **deny** commands determine the behavior of regular traffic. The **capture** keyword designates that the packet is to be mirrored to the destination port.

Restrictions for Traffic Mirroring

A maximum of eight monitoring sessions are supported. You can configure 800 source ports on a single monitoring session or an aggregate of 800 source ports over eight monitoring sessions.

These forms of traffic mirroring are not supported:

- ACL-Based SPAN on Layer 3 interface configured with a dot1q encapsulation.
- Mirroring traffic to a GRE tunnel (also known as Encapsulated Remote Switched Port Analyzer [ER-SPAN] in Cisco IOS Software).
- Mirroring traffic from a full bridge domain (also known as VLAN-based SPAN in Cisco IOS Software).
- Mirroring traffic on an individual bundle member interface is not supported. SPAN must be configured only on a bundle interface and it is applied to all members.
- If the destination of traffic mirroring is an nV satellite port and ICL is configured with a bundle interface, then replicated packets are not forwarded to the destination.
- The system does not support MAP-T inline and SPAN on the same NPU.
- To avoid traffic loss, disable SPAN, if enabled on MAP-E/T service-inline interfaces.

- SPAN is not supported on those line card ports that are carrying traffic bound for a VSM. This behaviour is observed only on the Cisco ASR 9000 High Density 100GE Ethernet line cards and Cisco ASR 9000 Series 24-Port and 48-Port Dual-Rate 10GE/1GE line cards.
- When you configure ingress port SPAN on an interface, BFD sessions such as BFD-over-BVI, may
 encounter flaps during traffic congestion. This happens because the BFD-over-BVI traffic is handled via
 Priority Normal Traffic Manager Loopback queue in spite of prioritising the BFD-over-BVI packets.
 Except for the Cisco ASR 9000 Series 5th Generation High-Density Line Cards and Cisco ASR 9000
 Series 4th Generation QSFP28 based dense 100GE Line Cards, this limitation is observed in all the other
 line cards.
- On Cisco ASR 9903 routers, the Online Insertion and Removal (OIR) of a Port Expansion Card (PEC) with BFD sessions, support 300ms asynchronous timers and 150ms echo timers. BFD sessions with less than the supported timer values may encounter flaps during the PEC OIR.

Restrictions of Sampled Traffic Mirroring

These are the restrictions of Sampled Traffic Mirroring:

- Sampled SPAN can be applied to ingress traffic only.
- The source for sampled SPAN must be on Cisco ASR 9000 Enhanced Ethernet Line Cards.
- Sampled SPAN works only on physical interfaces.
- The source port cannot be on bundles; however it can be applied to bundle member links.
- Sampled SPAN does not work on sub-interfaces, however it can be applied to a physical port with sub-interfaces(main port).
- Only these intervals are accepted: 512, 1K, 2K, 4K, 8K, and 16K. The default interval is 16K.
- Sampled SPAN is configurable at physical port level only.
- Sampled SPAN rate is ingress port specific and not session specific. This means that a destination port
 can take multiple ingress sampled ports at different sampling rates.
- In the case of a bundle interface, you must configure Sampled SPAN on all the physical ports that are members of the bundle.
- ACL filtering is not supported for Sampled Mirrored Traffic.

Performance Impact with Traffic Mirroring

It is recommended that you do not mirror more than 15% of your total transit traffic. On the Cisco ASR 9000 Ethernet Line Card, that uses Ten Gigabit Ethernet interfaces or bundle interfaces there is a limit of 1.5G of data on each of the ingress and egress traffic that can be mirrored. This limitation is not applicable on the Cisco ASR 9000 Enhanced Ethernet Line Card.

Configuring Traffic Mirroring

These tasks describe how to configure traffic mirroring:

How to Configure Local Traffic Mirroring

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. configure
- **2.** monitor-session session-name
- **3.** destination interface dest-interface
- 4. exit
- **5. interface** *source-interface*
- 6. l2transport
- 7. monitor-session session-name [direction {rx-only | tx-only]
- 8. end or commit
- 9. show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	
Step 2	monitor-session session-name	Defines a monitor session and enters monitor session
	Example:	configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# monitor-session mon1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)#</pre>	
Step 3	destination interface dest-interface	Specifies the destination interface to which traffic is
	Example:	replicated.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/15</pre>	
Step 4	exit	Exits monitor session configuration mode and returns to
	Example:	global configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)#</pre>	
Step 5	interface source-interface	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified
	Example:	interface. The interface number is entered in <i>rack/slot/module/port</i> notation. For more information about
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/11</pre>	the syntax for the router, use the question mark (?) online help function.
Step 6	l2transport	(Optional) Enables Layer 2 transport mode on the interface
	Example:	and enters Layer 2 transport configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transport	• Use the l2transport command to mirror all traffic types.
Step 7	monitor-session session-name [direction {rx-only tx-only]	Specifies the monitor session to be used on this interface. Use the direction keyword to specify that only ingress or only egress traffic is mirrored.
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)# monitor-session mon1	
Step 8	end or commit	Saves configuration changes.
	Example:	• When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# end	
	or	Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting (yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# commit	- Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.
		- Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.
		- Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.
		• Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.
Step 9	show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]	Displays information about the monitor session.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session	

How to Configure Remote Traffic Mirroring

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. configure
- 2. monitor-session session-name
- **3. destination interface** *dest-subinterface*
- 4. exit

- 5. interface dest-subinterface l2transport
- 6. encapsulation dot1q vlan
- 7. rewrite ingress tag pop *tag-to-remove*
- 8. interface source-subinterface [l2transport]
- 9. monitor-session session-name [direction {rx-only | tx-only]
- 10. end or commit
- **11.** show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	
Step 2	monitor-session session-name	Defines a monitor session and enters monitor session
	Example:	comparation mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# monitor-session mon1</pre>	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)#	
Step 3	destination interface dest-subinterface	Specifies the destination subinterface to which traffic is
	Example:	lepheatea.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/15</pre>	
Step 4	exit	Exits monitor session configuration mode and returns to
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)#</pre>	
Step 5	interface dest-subinterface l2transport	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified sub-interface. The interface number is entered in
	Example:	<i>rack/slot/module/port</i> notation. For more information about
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/11.10 l2transport</pre>	the syntax for the router, use the question mark (?) online help function.
		The l2transport keyword is used to enable Layer 2 transport mode on the destination subinterface.
Step 6	encapsulation dot1q vlan	Specifies 802.1Q encapsulation and the VLAN number that is used
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# encapsulation dot1q 1</pre>	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	rewrite ingress tag pop tag-to-remove	Specifies to remove the outer tag only for the EFP.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# rewrite ingress tag pop 1	
Step 8	interface source-subinterface [l2transport]	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified
	Example:	subinterface. The interface number is entered in <i>rack/slot/module/port</i> notation. For more information about the syntax for the router, use the question mark (?) online
	gigabitethernet0/0/0/11.10 l2transport	help function.
		To configure a Layer 2 subinterface to be the source interface, use the l2transport keyword to enable Layer 2 transport mode on the subinterface.
Step 9	monitor-session session-name [direction {rx-only tx-only]	Specifies the monitor session to be used on this interface. Use the direction keyword to specify that only ingress or
	Example:	egress traffic is mirrored.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# monitor-session mon1</pre>	
Step 10	end or commit	Saves configuration changes.
	Example:	• When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# end	
	or	Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting (yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# commit	- Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.
		- Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.
		- Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.
		• Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.
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	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 11	show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]	Displays information about the traffic mirroring session.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session	

How to Configure Traffic Mirroring over Pseudowire

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. configure
- 2. monitor-session session-name
- **3**. destination psuedowire
- 4. exit
- **5. interface** *source-interface*
- 6. l2transport
- 7. monitor-session *session-name* [direction {rx-only | tx-only}]
- 8. exit
- 9. exit
- **10**. exit
- 11. l2vpn
- 12. pw-class class-name
- **13**. encapsulation mpls
- 14. exit
- 15. exit
- **16. xconnect group** *group-name*
- **17. p2p** *xconnect-name*
- **18.** monitor-session session-name
- **19.** neighbor peer-ip pw-id pseudowire-id
- 20. pw-class class-name
- 21. end or commit
- 22. show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	
Step 2	monitor-session session-name	Defines a monitor session and enters monitor session
	Example:	configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config) # monitor-session mon1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon) #	
Step 3	destination psuedowire	Specifies that the traffic is replicated to a pseudowire.
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination pseudowire</pre>	
Step 4	exit	Exits monitor session configuration mode and returns to
	Example:	global configuration mode.
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)#	
Step 5	interface source-interface	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified
	Example:	<i>rack/slot/module/port</i> notation. For more information about
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/11.10</pre>	the syntax for the router, use the question mark (?) online help function.
Step 6	l2transport	(Optional) Enables Layer 2 transport mode on the
	Example:	subinterface and enters Layer 2 transport configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transport</pre>	Note • Use the l2transport command to mirror all traffic types.
Step 7	monitor-session session-name [direction {rx-only	Specifies the monitor session to be used on this interface.
	tx-only}]	Use the direction keyword to specify that only ingress or egress traffic is mirrored.
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# monitor-session mon1</pre>	
Step 8	exit	Exits monitor session configuration mode and returns to
	Example:	12transport configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-mon)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)#</pre>	
Step 9	exit	Exits l2transport configuration mode and returns to
	Example:	interface configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#</pre>	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 10	exit Example:	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)#</pre>	
Step 11	l2vpn	Enters Layer 2 VPN configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)#	
Step 12	pw-class class-name	Configures a pseudowire class template and enters
	Example:	pseudowire class template configuration mode.
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# pw-class pw1	
Step 13	encapsulation mpls	Configures the pseudowire encapsulation to MPLS.
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-pwc)# encapsulation mpls</pre>	
Step 14	exit	Exits pseudowire encapsulation configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-pwc-mpls)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-pwc)	
Step 15	exit	Exits pseudowire class template configuration mode.
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-pwc)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)</pre>	
Step 16	xconnect group group-name	Configures a group cross connect.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# xconnect group g1	
Step 17	p2p xconnect-name	Configures a point-to-point cross connect.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc)# p2p xc1	
Step 18	monitor-session session-name	Attaches a traffic mirroring session to the point-to-point
	Example:	cross connect.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# monitor-session mon1</pre>	
Step 19	neighbor peer-ip pw-id pseudowire-id	Configures the point-to-point cross connect.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# neighbor 192.168.2.2 pw-id 3	
Step 20	pw-class class-name	Specifies the pseudowire class template to use for the cross
	Example:	connect.
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# pw-class pwl	
Step 21	end or commit	Saves configuration changes.
	Example:	• When you issue the end command, the system
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p-pw)# end OF	Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting (yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p-pw)# commit	- Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.
		- Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.
		- Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.
		• Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.
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Step 22	show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]	Displays information about the traffic mirroring session.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session	

How to Configure ACL-Based Traffic Mirroring

Before you begin

The global interface ACL should be configured using one of these commands with the capture keyword:

- ipv4 access-list
- ipv6 access-list
- ethernet-services access-list

For more information, refer to the *Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router IP Addresses* and Services Command Reference or the ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services Router L2 VPN and Ethernet Services Command Reference.

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. configure
- 2. monitor-session session-name
- **3. destination interface** *dest-interface*
- 4. exit
- 5. interface source-interface
- 6. l2transport
- 7. exit
- 8. ethernet-services access-group *access-list-name* [ingress | egress]
- 9. monitor-session session-name [ipv4|ipv6] [direction {rx-only|tx-only}]
- 10. acl
- 11. end or commit
- 12. show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	configure	Enters global configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure		
Step 2	monitor-session session-name	Defines a monitor session and enters monitor session	
	Example:	configuration mode.	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config) # monitor-session mon1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon) #		
Stop 2	destination interface dast interface	Specifics the destination interface to which traffic should	
Example: Specifies the destination interface dest-interface be replicated.	destination interface desi-interface	be replicated.	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/15</pre>	
Step 4	exit Example:	Exits monitor session configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)#</pre>	
Step 5	<pre>interface source-interface Example: RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gigabitathermat0/0/0/11</pre>	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified interface. The interface number is entered in <i>rack/slot/module/port</i> notation. For more information about the syntax for the router, use the question mark (?) online help function.
Step 6	12transport Example:	(Optional) Enables Layer 2 transport mode on the subinterface and enters Layer 2 transport configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transport</pre>	Note • Use the l2transport command to mirror all traffic types.
Step 7	exit Example:	Exits Layer 2 transport configuration mode and returns to interface configuration mode.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)#</pre>	
Step 8	ethernet-services access-group access-list-name [ingress egress]	Associates the access list definition with the interface being mirrored.
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# ethernet-services access-group acl1 ingress</pre>	
Step 9	monitor-session session-name [ipv4 ipv6] [direction {rx-only tx-only}]	Specifies the monitor session to be used on this interface.
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if) # monitor-session mon1 direction rx-only</pre>	
Step 10	acl Example:	Specifies that the traffic mirrored is according to the defined global interface ACL.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-mon)# acl</pre>	
Step 11	end or commit	Saves configuration changes.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Example:	• When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# end	
	or	Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting (yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# commit	- Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.
		- Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.
		- Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.
		• Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.
Step 12	show monitor-session [session-name] status [detail] [error]	Displays information about the monitor session.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session	

Troubleshooting ACL-Based Traffic Mirroring

Take note of these configuration issues:

- If an ACL-Based SPAN is configured on a Layer 3 interface configured with a dot1q encapsulation, the configuration will not commit.
- Even when the **acl** command is configured on the source mirroring port, if the ACL configuration command does not use the **capture** keyword, no traffic gets mirrored.
- If the ACL configuration uses the **capture** keyword, but the **acl** command is not configured on the source port, traffic is mirrored, but no access list configuration is applied.
- All ingress traffic is mirrored, regardless of the ACL definition; only egress traffic permitted in the ACL definition is mirrored.

This example shows both the **capture** keyword in the ACL definition and the **acl** command configured on the interface:

```
monitor-session tm_example
!
ethernet-services access-list tm_filter
10 deny 0000.1234.5678 0000.abcd.abcd any capture
!
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/0
monitor-session tm_example direction rx-only
acl
!
l2transport
!
ethernet-services access-group tm_filter ingress
end
```

How to Configure Partial Packet Mirroring

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. configure
- 2. monitor-session session-name
- **3.** destination interface *dest-interface*
- 4. exit
- **5.** interface source-interface
- 6. monitor-session session-name[direction {rx-only | tx-only]
- 7. mirror first bytes
- 8. end or commit
- 9. show monitor-session [session-name] status

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure	
Step 2	Step 2 monitor-session session-name Defines a monitor session	Defines a monitor session and enters monitor session
Example: configu	configuration mode.	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# monitor-session mon1 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)#</pre>	
Step 3 destination interfa	destination interface dest-interface	Specifies the destination interface to which traffic should
	Example:	be replicated.
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/15</pre>	
Step 4	exit	Exits monitor session configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	<pre>RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# exit RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)#</pre>	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<pre>interface source-interface Example: RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/11.10</pre>	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified interface. The interface number is entered in <i>rack/slot/module/port</i> notation. For more information about the syntax for the router, use the question mark (?) online help function.
Step 6	monitor-session session-name[direction {rx-only tx-only] Example:	Specifies the monitor session to be used on this interface. Use the direction keyword to specify that only ingress or egress traffic is mirrored.
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# monitor-session monl	
Step 7	<pre>mirror first bytes Example: RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-mon)# mirror first bytes</pre>	Specifies the number of bytes of the packet to mirror. Values can range from 64 to 256.
Step 8	end or commit	Saves configuration changes.
•	Example: RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# end	• When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes:
	or	Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting (yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# commit	- Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode.
		- Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.
		- Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.
		• Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.
Step 9	show monitor-session [session-name] status	Displays information about the traffic mirroring session.
	Example:	
	RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session	

Traffic Mirroring Configuration Examples

This section contains examples of how to configure traffic mirroring:

Traffic Mirroring with Physical Interfaces (Local): Example

This example shows a basic configuration for traffic mirroring with physical interfaces. When traffic flows over the point-to-point cross connect between gig0/2/0/19 and gig0/2/0/11, packets received and transmitted on gig0/2/0/19 are also mirrored to gig0/2/0/15.

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# monitor-session ms1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination interface gig0/2/0/15
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# commit
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/11
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-subif)# 12transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/15
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-subif)# 12transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-subif)# 12transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-subif)# 12transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)# commit
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)# commit
```

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/19
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-subif)# l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-subif-l2)# monitor-session ms1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# commit
```

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# xconnect group xgl
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc)# p2p xgl_pl
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# interface gig0/2/0/11
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# interface gig0/2/0/19
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# commit
```

Traffic Mirroring with EFPs (Remote): Example

This example shows a basic configuration for remote traffic mirroring with EFP interfaces. When traffic flows over the point-to-point cross connect between gig0/2/0/19.10 and gig0/2/0/11.10, packets received and transmitted on gig0/2/0/19.10 are also mirrored to gig0/2/0/10.1.

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#monitor-session ms1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# destination interface gig0/2/0/10.1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/10.1 l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)# encapsulation dot1q 1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)# rewrite ingress tag pop 1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/11.10 l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/11.10 l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-12)# encapsulation dot1q 10
```

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/19.10 l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# encapsulation dotlq 10
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# monitor-session ms1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# xconnect group xg1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc)# p2p xg1_p1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# interface gig0/2/0/11.10
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# interface gig0/2/0/19.10
```

Viewing Monitor Session Status: Example

This example shows sample output of the **show monitor-session** command with the **status** keyword:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session status
Monitor-session cisco-rtp1
Destination interface GigabitEthernet0/5/0/38
_____
Source Interface Dir Status
    _____ _
Gi0/5/0/4 Both Operational
Gi0/5/0/17 Both Operational
         Both Operational
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session status detail
Monitor-session sess1
Destination interface is not configured
Source Interfaces
 _____
GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
 Direction: Both
 ACL match: Enabled
 Portion: Full packet
 Status: Not operational (destination interface not known).
GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
 Direction: Both
 ACL match: Disabled
 Portion: First 100 bytes
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session status error
Monitor-session ms1
Destination interface GigabitEthernet0/2/0/15 is not configured
_____
Source Interface Dir Status
    _____
Monitor-session ms2
Destination interface is not configured
_____
Source Interface Dir Status
   _____
```

Monitor Session Statistics: Example

Use the **show monitor-session** command with the **counters** keyword to show the statistics/counters (received/transmitted/dropped) of different source ports. For each monitor session, this command displays a list of all source interfaces and the replicated packet statistics for that interface.

The full set of statistics displayed for each interface is:

- · RX replicated packets and octets
- · TX replicated packets and octets
- Non-replicated packet and octets

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session counters

```
Monitor-session ms1
GigabitEthernet0/2/0/19.10
Rx replicated: 1000 packets, 68000 octets
Tx replicated: 1000 packets, 68000 octets
Non-replicated: 0 packets, 0 octets
```

Use the **clear monitor-session counters** command to clear any collected statistics. By default this command clears all stored statistics; however, an optional interface filter can be supplied.

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# clear monitor-session counters

Traffic Mirroring over Pseudowire: Example

This example shows how to configure traffic mirroring over a pseudowire:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/11/0/1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# monitor-session pw-span-test
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# monitor-session pw-span-test
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# l2vpn
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# pw-class class1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# pw-class class1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn)# xconnect group g1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc)# p2p x1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# monitor-session pw-span-test
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# monitor-session pw-span-test
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p)# neighbor 2.2.2.2 pw-id 1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-l2vpn-xc-p2p-pw)# pw-class class1
```

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config=l2vpn-xc-p2p-pw)# commit

Layer 3 ACL-Based Traffic Mirroring: Example

This example shows how to configure Layer 3 ACL-based traffic mirroring:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
```

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# commit
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/11
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# ipv4 access-group span ingress
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# monitor-session ms1

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config) # monitor-session ms1

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-mon) # commit

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# ipv4 access-list span
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-ipv4-acl)# 5 permit ipv4 any any dscp 5 capture
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-ipv4-acl)# 10 permit ipv4 any any
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-ipv4-acl)# commit
```

Layer 2 ACL-Based Traffic Mirroring: Example

This example shows how to configure Layer 2 ACL-based traffic mirroring:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# monitor-session ms1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# destination interface gig0/2/0/15
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-mon)# commit
```

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gig0/2/0/11
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# exit
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# ethernet-services access-group acl_mirror ingress
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# acl
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if)# monitor-session ms1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-mon)# commit
```

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config)# ipv4 access-list acl_mirror
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-ipv4-acl)# 5 permit ipv4 any any dscp 5 capture
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-ipv4-acl)# 10 permit ipv4 any any
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-ipv4-acl)# commit
```

Partial Packet Mirroring: Example

This example shows how to configure mirroring of the first 100 bytes of the packet:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0/0/11
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-if-l2)# monitor-session mon1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router(config-if-mon)# mirror first 100
```

Sampled Traffic Mirroring: Example

This example shows how to configure Sampled Traffic Mirroring:

Destination Port

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# configure
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config)# interface TenGigE 0/3/1/3
```

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-if)# l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-if-l2)# commit
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config)# monitor-session sampled-span1
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-mon)# destination interface TenGigE 0/3/1/3
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-mon)# commit
```

Source Port

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config)# interface TenGigE 0/3/0/0
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-if)# l2transport
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-if-l2)# monitor-session sampled-span1 direction rx-only port-level
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-if-mon)# mirror interval 512
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:(config-if-mon)# commit
```

In order to display the session status with the Sampled SPAN information, use the **show monitor-session status detail** command.

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0 # show monitor-session status detail
Monitor-session sampled-span1
Destination interface TenGigE0/3/1/3
Source Interfaces
------
TenGigE0/3/0/0
Direction: Rx-only
Port level: True
ACL match: Disabled
Portion: Full packet
Interval: 512
Status: Operational
```

In order to display the session statistics, use the **show monitor-session counters** command.

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session counters
Monitor-session sampled-span1
TenGigE0/3/0/0
Rx replicated: 1952 packets, 390400 octets
Tx replicated: 0 packets, 0 octets
Non-replicated: 0 packets, 0 octets
```

Troubleshooting Traffic Mirroring

When you encounter any issue with traffic mirroring, begin troubleshooting by checking the output of the **show monitor-session status** command. This command displays the recorded state of all sessions and source interfaces:

```
Monitor-session sess1

<Session status>

Source Interface Dir Status

Gi0/0/0/0 Both <Source interface status>

Gi0/0/0/2 Both <Source interface status>
```

Session Status	Explanation
Session is not configured globally	The session does not exist in global configuration. Check show run command output to ensure that a session with a correct name has been configured.
Destination interface <intf> is not configured</intf>	The interface that has been configured as the destination does not exist. For example, the destination interface may be configured to be a VLAN subinterface, but the VLAN subinterface may not have been yet created.
Destination interface <intf> (<down-state>)</down-state></intf>	The destination interface is not in Up state in the Interface Manager. You can verify the state using the show interfaces command. Check the configuration to see what might be keeping the interface from coming up (for example, a sub-interface needs to have an appropriate encapsulation configured).
Destination pseudowire is not configured	The L2VPN configuration that is to set up the pseudowire is missing. Configure the traffic mirroring session name as one segment of the xconnect p2p.
Destination pseudowire <name> (down)</name>	The pseudowire is configured, but is down. Check the L2VPN configuration to identify why the pseudowire is not coming up.

In the preceding example, the line marked as <session status> can indicate one of these configuration errors:

The <Source interface status> can report these messages:

Source Interface Status	Explanation
Operational	Everything appears to be working correctly in traffic mirroring PI. Please follow up with the platform teams in the first instance, if mirroring is not operating as expected.
Not operational (Session is not configured globally)	The session does not exist in global configuration. Check the show run command output to ensure that a session with the right name has been configured.
Not operational (destination interface not known)	The session exists, but it either does not have a destination interface specified, or the destination interface named for the session does not exist (for example, if the destination is a sub-interface that has not been created).
Not operational (source same as destination)	The session exists, but the destination and source are the same interface, so traffic mirroring does not work.
Not operational (destination not active)	The destination interface or pseudowire is not in the Up state. See the corresponding <i>Session status</i> error messages for suggested resolution.

Source Interface Status	Explanation
Not operational (source state <down-state>)</down-state>	The source interface is not in the Up state. You can verify the state using the show interfaces command. Check the configuration to see what might be keeping the interface from coming up (for example, a sub-interface needs to have an appropriate encapsulation configured).
Error: see detailed output for explanation	Traffic mirroring has encountered an error. Run the show monitor-session status detail command to display more information.

The **show monitor-session status detail** command displays full details of the configuration parameters, and of any errors encountered. For example:

RP/0/RSP0 show monitor-session status detail

```
Monitor-session sess1
Destination interface is not configured
Source Interfaces
 -----
GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
 Direction: Both
 ACL match: Enabled
 Portion: Full packet
 Status: Not operational (destination interface not known)
GigabitEthernet0/0/0/2
 Direction: Both
 ACL match: Disabled
 Portion: First 100 bytes
 Status: Not operational (destination interface not known). Error: 'Viking SPAN PD' detected
the 'warning' condition 'PRM connection creation failure'.
Monitor-session foo
Destination next-hop GigabitEthernet 0/0/0/0
Source Interfaces
  _____
GigabitEthernet 0/1/0/0.100:
 Direction: Both
 Status: Operating
GigabitEthernet 0/2/0/0.200:
 Direction: Tx
 Status: Error: <blah>
Monitor session bar
No destination configured
Source Interfaces
 _____
GigabitEthernet 0/3/0/0.100:
 Direction: Rx
 Status: Not operational (no destination)
```

Here are additional trace and debug commands:

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session platform trace ?

all Turn on all the trace errors Display errors events Display interesting events

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session trace ?
process Filter debug by process
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# debug monitor-session platform ?
 all
     Turn on all the debugs
 errors VKG SPAN EA errors
 event VKG SPAN EA event
 info VKG SPAN EA info
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# debug monitor-session platform all
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# debug monitor-session platform event
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# debug monitor-session platform info
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session status ?
 detail Display detailed output
 errors Display only attachments which have errors
 internal Display internal monitor-session information
      Output Modifiers
 RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session status
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router# show monitor-session status errors
```

Where to Go Next

When you have configured an Ethernet interface, you can configure individual VLAN subinterfaces on that Ethernet interface.

For information about modifying Ethernet management interfaces for the shelf controller (SC), route processor (RP), and distributed RP, see the Advanced Configuration and Modification of the Management Ethernet Interface on the Cisco ASR 9000 Series Router module later in this document.

For information about IPv6 see the Implementing Access Lists and Prefix Lists on

Cisco IOS XR Software module in the Cisco IOS XR IP Addresses and Services Configuration Guide.

SPAN to File

Starting with Cisco IOS XR Software Release 7.1.2, the SPAN to File is an extension of the pre-existing SPAN feature to allow network packets to be mirrored to a file instead of an interface, so that they can be analyzed later. The file format is pcap, so that it can be easily used with tools such as tcpdump or wireshark.



Note

SPAN to File supports 100 local SPAN sessions, each supporting 1 destination file and 100 source interfaces.

A maximum of 1000 source ports are supported across the system. Individual platforms may support lower numbers. The SPAN session may be any of these currently supported classes: Ethernet, IPv4, IPv6, MPLS-IPv4, and MPLS-IPv6.

When a file is configured as a destination for a SPAN session, a buffer is created on each node to which the network packets are logged. The buffer is for all packets on the node regardless of which interface they are from, that is, multiple interfaces may be providing packets for the same buffer. The buffers are deleted when the session configuration is removed. The file is written by each node to a location on the active RP which contains the node ID of the node on which the buffer was located.

If multiple interfaces are attached to a session, then interfaces on the same node are expected to have their packets sent to the same file. Bundle interfaces can be attached to a session with a file destination, which is similar to attaching individual interfaces. For example, this would result in a file on each node on which the bundle has members which contains packets from all members on that node.



Note

The maximum traffic rate that can be mirrored for any SPAN (ingress or egress) is limited to 10% of the line rate. Exceeding this threshold may result in the loss of transit traffic.

Guidelines and Restrictions for SPAN to File

- SPAN to File feature is designed for low traffic rate (Maximum: 500 Mbps). SPAN to File may not capture all the frames when SPAN is applied on higher traffic rate.
- If the SPAN traffic exceeds 10% of the line rate, it may lead to a loss of transit traffic.
- To limit the SPAN traffic, use SPAN along with ACL.
- Immediately after the SPAN to File configuration is applied, the network processor begins the SPAN processing. This processing continues regardless of the status of the action commands explained in the following section.

Action Commands for SPAN to File

Action commands are added to start and stop network packet collection. The commands may only be run on sessions where the destination is a file. The action command auto-completes names of globally configured SPAN to File sessions. See the table below for more information on action commands.

Action	Command	Description
Start	monitor-session <name> packet-collection start</name>	Issue this command to start writing packets for the specified session to the configured buffer.

Action	Command	Description
Stop	<pre>monitor-session <name> packet-collection stop [discard-data write directory <dir> filename <filename>]</filename></dir></name></pre>	Issue this command to stop writing packets to the configured buffer. If the discard-data option is specified, the buffer is simply cleared, whereas if the write option is specified, the buffer is written to disk before clearing. If the buffer is to be written, it is done so in .pcap format to this location: / <directory>/<node_id>/<filename>.pcap. If the user adds a .pcap extension when specifying the filename, this is removed so that the extension is not added twice.</filename></node_id></directory>

Configuring SPAN to File

Use the following command to configure SPAN to File:

```
monitor-session <name> [ethernet|ipv4|ipv6|mpls-ipv4|mpls-ipv6]
    destination file [size <kbytes>] [buffer-type linear]
```

The monitor-session <name> [ethernet|ipv4|ipv6|mpls-ipv4|mpls-ipv6] part of the command creates a monitor-session with the specified name and class and is a pre-existing chain point from the current SPAN feature. The destination file [size <kbytes>] [buffer-type linear] part of the command adds a new "file" option to the existing "destination".

destination file has the following configuration options:

- Buffer size.
- Two types of buffer:
 - Circular: Once the buffer is full, the start is overwritten.
 - · Linear: Once the buffer is full, no further packets are logged.



Note The default buffer-type is circular. Only linear buffer is explicitly configurable. Changing any of the parameters (buffer size or type) recreates the session, and clears any buffers of packets.

All configuration options which are applied to an attachment currently supported for other SPAN types should also be supported by SPAN to file. This may include:

- ACLs
- Write only first X bytes of packet.
- Mirror interval from 512 to 16k.

Note These options are implemented by the platform when punting the packet.

Once a session has been created, then interfaces may be attached to it using the following configuration:

```
interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0/0
    monitor-session <name> [ethernet|ipv4|ipv6|mpls-ipv4|mpls-ipv6]
```

The attachment configuration is unchanged by SPAN to File feature.

Configuration Examples

To configure a mon1 monitor session, use the following commands:

```
monitor-session mon1 ethernet
destination file size 230000
```

In the above example, omitting the buffer-type option results in default circular buffer.

To configure a mon2 monitor session, use the following commands:

```
monitor-session mon2 ethernet
    destination file size 1000 buffer-type linear
!
```

To attach monitor session to a physical or bundle interface, use the following commands:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#show run interface Bundle-Ether 1
Fri Apr 24 12:12:59.348 EDT
interface Bundle-Ether1
monitor-session ms7 ethernet
'
```

Running Configuration

```
!! IOS XR Configuration 7.1.1.124I
!! Last configuration change at Tue Nov 26 19:29:05 2019 by root
!
hostname OC
logging console informational
!
monitor-session mon1 ethernet
destination file size 230000 buffer-type circular
!
monitor-session mon2 ethernet
destination file size 1000 buffer-type linear
!
interface Bundle-Ether1
monitor-session ms7 ethernet
end
```

Verification

To verify monitor session counters:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router#show monitor-session counters
Monitor-session mon2
Bundle-Ether2.1
Rx replicated: 9463555 packets, 1287043296 octets
Tx replicated: 0 packets, 0 octets
Non-replicated: 0 packets, 0 octets
```

```
Monitor-session mon4
```

```
Bundle-Ether1.1
Rx replicated: 0 packets, 0 octets
Tx replicated: 9732869 packets, 1284738317 octets
Non-replicated: 0 packets, 0 octets
```

To verify packet collection status:

RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router#show monitor-session status Monitor-session mon1 Destination File - Packet collecting _____ Source Interface Dir Status _____ ____ Hu0/9/0/2 Rx Operational Monitor-session mon2 Destination File - Packet collecting _____ Source Interface Dir Status _____ _ _____ BE2.1 Rx Operational

If packet collection is not active, the following line is displayed:

Monitor-session mon2 Destination File - Not collecting

Introduction to File Mirroring

Prior to Cisco IOS XR Software Release 7.1.2, the router did not support file mirroring from active RP to standby RP. Administrators had to manually perform the task or use EEM scripts to sync files across active RP and standby RP. Starting with Cisco IOS XR Software Release 7.1.2, file mirroring feature enables the router to copy files or directories automatically from /harddisk:/mirror location in active RP to /harddisk:/mirror location in standby RP or RSP without user intervention or EEM scripts.

Two new CLIs have been introduced for the file mirroring feature:

• mirror enable

The /harddisk:/mirror directory is created by default, but file mirroring functionality is only enabled by executing the mirror enable command from configuration terminal. Status of the mirrored files can be viewed with show mirror status command.

• mirror enable checksum

The mirror enable checksum command enables MD5 checksum across active to standby RP to check integrity of the files. This command is optional.

Limitations

The following limitations apply to file mirroring:

- Supported only on Dual RP systems.
- Supports syncing only from active to standby RP. If files are copied into standby /harddisk:/mirror location, it won't be synced to active RP.

- A slight delay is observed in show mirror command output when mirror checksum configuration is enabled.
- Not supported on multichassis systems.

Configure File Mirroring

File mirroring has to be enabled explicitly on the router. It is not enabled by default.

RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#show run mirror

```
Thu Jun 25 10:12:17.303 UTC mirror enable mirror checksum
```

Following is an example of copying running configuration to harddisk:/mirror location:

```
RP/0/RSP0/CPU0:router#copy running-config harddisk:/mirror/run_config
Wed Jul 8 10:25:51.064 PDT
Destination file name (control-c to abort): [/mirror/run_config]?
Building configuration..
32691 lines built in 2 seconds (16345)lines/sec
[OK]
```

Verification

To verify the syncing of file copied to mirror directory, use the show mirror command.

If checksum is disabled, show mirror command displays the following output:

If there is a mismatch during the syncing process, use show mirror mismatch command to verify.