



OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

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Information About OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

The OSPFv3 max-metric router LSA feature enables OSPFv3 to advertise its locally generated router LSAs with a maximum metric. The feature allows OSPFv3 processes to converge but not attract transit traffic through the device if there are better alternate paths. After a specified timeout or a notification from Border Gateway Protocol (BGP), OSPFv3 advertises the LSAs with normal metrics.

The max-metric LSA control places the OSPFv3 router into the stub router role using its LSA advertisement. A stub router only forwards packets destined to go to its directly connected links. In OSPFv3 networks, a device could become a stub router by advertising large metrics for its connected links, so that the cost of a path through this device becomes larger than that of an alternative path. OSPFv3 stub router advertisement allows a device to advertise the infinity metric (0xFFFF) for its connected links in router LSAs and advertise the normal interface cost if the link is a stub network.

How to Configure OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

Configuring the OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **router ospfv3 *process-id***
4. **address-family ipv6 unicast**
5. **max-metric router-lsa [*external-lsa* [*max-metric-value*]] [*include-stub*] [*inter-area-lsas* [*max-metric-value*]] [*on-startup* {*seconds* | *wait-for-bgp*}] [*prefix-lsa*] [*stub-prefix-lsa* [*max-metric-value*]] [*summary-lsa* [*max-metric-value*]]**
6. **end**
7. **show ospfv3 [*process-id*] max-metric**

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure		
	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Device> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: <pre>Device# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	router ospfv3 <i>process-id</i> Example: <pre>Device(config)# router ospfv3 1</pre>	Enables OSPFv3 router configuration mode.
Step 4	address-family ipv6 unicast Example: <pre>Device(config)# address-family ipv6 unicast</pre>	Configures an instance of the OSPFv3 process in the IPv6 address family.
Step 5	max-metric router-lsa [<i>external-lsa</i> [<i>max-metric-value</i>]] [<i>include-stub</i>] [<i>inter-area-lsas</i> [<i>max-metric-value</i>]] [<i>on-startup</i> {<i>seconds</i> <i>wait-for-bgp</i>}] [<i>prefix-lsa</i>]	Configures a device that is running the OSPFv3 protocol to advertise a maximum metric so that other devices do not prefer the device as an intermediate hop in their SPF calculations.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	[stub-prefix-lsa [max-metric-value]] [summary-lsa [max-metric-value]] Example: Device(config-router-af)# max-metric router-lsa on-startup wait-for-bgp	
Step 6	end Example: Device(config-router-af)# end	Exits address family configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 7	show ospfv3 [process-id] max-metric Example: Device# show ospfv3 1 max-metric	Displays OSPFv3 maximum metric origination information.

Configuration Examples for OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

Example: Verifying the OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

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Router# show ipv6 ospf max-metric

      OSPFv3 Router with ID (192.1.1.1) (Process ID 1)

Start time: 00:00:05.886, Time elapsed: 3d02h
Originating router-LSAs with maximum metric
Condition: always, State: active
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Additional References for OSPF Nonstop Routing

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases
OSPF commands	Cisco IOS IP Routing: OSPF Command Reference
Configuring IETF NSF or Cisco NSF	“Configuring NSF-OSPF” module in the <i>Cisco IOS High Availability Configuration Guide</i>

Standard and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFC 2328	<i>OSPF Version 2</i>
RFC 3623	<i>Graceful OSPF Restart</i>

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
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Feature Information for OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

The following table provides release information about the feature or features described in this module. This table lists only the software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to www.cisco.com/go/cfn. An account on Cisco.com is not required.

Table 1: Feature Information for OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.4S	The OSPFv3 max-metric router LSA feature enables OSPF to advertise its locally generated router LSAs with a maximum metric. The following commands were introduced or modified: max-metric router-lsa, show ipv6 ospf max-metric, show ospfv3 max-metric.

Table 2: Feature Information for OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
OSPFv3 Max-Metric Router LSA	Cisco IOS XE Release 17.4	This feature was introduced.