



Configuring BGP-RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Rewrite Wildcard

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Restrictions for BGP-RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Rewrite Wildcard

- A range (specified in the `set extcommunity rt` command or the `set extcommunity vpn-distinguisher` command) can include a maximum of 450 extended communities.
- The VPN distinguisher range is not relayed to an iBGP peer.

Information About BGP—RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Rewrite Wildcard

The BGP—RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Rewrite Wildcard feature introduces the ability to set a range of route target (RT) community attributes or VPN distinguisher community attributes when mapping them. A network administrator might want to map one or more RTs at an egress ASBR to different RTs at an ingress ASBR. The VPN Distinguisher Attribute feature allows an administrator to map RTs to a VPN distinguisher that is carried through an eBGP and then mapped to RTs at an ingress ASBR. The mapping is achieved by configuring a route map that sets an RT range or VPN distinguisher range of extended community attributes. Specifying a range rather than individual RTs saves time and simplifies the configuration. Furthermore, a VPN distinguisher range allows more than one VPN distinguisher attribute per route-map clause, thereby removing the restriction that applied prior to this feature.

Benefits of RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Mapping Range

A network administrator might want to rewrite (or map) one or more route targets (RTs) at an egress ASBR to different RTs at an ingress ASBR. One use case would be to keep the RTs at the egress ASBR private from the ingress ASBR.

The rewrite is achieved by using inbound route maps, matching prefixes to route-map clauses that match inbound RTs, and mapping those RTs to different RTs recognized by the neighbor AS. Such a rewrite configuration could be complex on inbound route maps, with potentially hundreds of RTs that would need to be specified individually (configuring **set extcommunity rt value1 value2 value3 ...**). If the RTs being attached to the prefixes are consecutive, the configuration can be simplified by specifying a range of RTs. Thus, the benefits of the RT mapping range are saving time and simplifying the configuration.

Likewise, the mapping of RTs to a VPN distinguisher attribute (and vice versa) can also be simplified by specifying a range of RTs or VPN distinguishers. The BGP—VPN Distinguisher Attribute feature allows a network administrator to keep source RTs private from an ASBR in a destination AS. An RT at an egress ASBR is mapped to a VPN distinguisher, the VPN distinguisher is carried through the eBGP, and then it is mapped to an RT at the ingress ASBR.

The RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Mapping Range feature introduces the ability to specify a range of either route targets (RTs) or VPN distinguishers when mapping them.

Another benefit applies to setting a VPN distinguisher. Prior to this feature, only one **set extcommunity vpn-distinguisher** value was allowed per route-map clause. With the introduction of the mapping range, a range of VPN distinguishers can be set on a route.

How to Map RTs to RTs Using a Range

The following sections provide configurational information on how to map RTs to RTs using a range.

Replacing an RT with a Range of RTs

Perform this task on an egress ASBR to replace a route target (RT) with an RT range. Remember to replace the range of RTs with an RT on the ingress ASBR; that task is described in the “Replacing a Range of RTs with an RT” section.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip extcommunity-list *expanded-list* {permit | deny}**
4. **exit**
5. **route-map *map-tag* {permit | deny} [*sequence-number*]**
6. **match extcommunity *extended-community-list-name***
7. **set extcomm-list *extcommunity-name* delete**
8. **set extcommunity rt range *start-value end-value***
9. **exit**
10. **route-map *map-tag* {permit | deny} [*sequence-number*]**
11. **exit**
12. **router bgp *as-number***

13. **neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *autonomous-system-number*
14. **address-family** **vpn4**
15. **neighbor** *ip-address* **activate**
16. **neighbor** *ip-address* **route-map** *map-tag* **out**
17. **exit-address-family**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	ip extcommunity-list <i>expanded-list</i> { permit deny } Example: Device(config)# ip extcommunity-list 22 permit	Configures an IP extended community list to configure Virtual Private Network (VPN) route filtering.
Step 4	exit Example: Device(config-extcomm-list)# exit	Exits the configuration mode and enters the next higher configuration mode.
Step 5	route-map <i>map-tag</i> { permit deny } [<i>sequence-number</i>] Example: Device(config)# route-map rt-mapping permit 10	Configures a route map that permits or denies the routes allowed by the subsequent match command. This example permits the routes allowed by the subsequent match command.
Step 6	match extcommunity <i>extended-community-list-name</i> Example: Device(config-route-map)# match extcommunity 22	Matches on the specified community list. For this example, routes that match the extended community list 22 (which was configured in Step 3) are subject to the subsequent set commands.
Step 7	set extcomm-list <i>extcommunity-name</i> delete Example: Device(config-route-map)# set extcomm-list 22 delete	Deletes the RT from routes that are in the specified extended community list. For this example, RTs are deleted from routes that are in extended community list 22.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	set extcommunity rt range <i>start-value end-value</i> Example: <pre>Device(config-route-map)# set extcommunity rt range 500:1 500:9</pre>	<p>For the routes that are permitted by the route map, sets the specified RT range of extended community attributes, inclusive.</p> <p>For this example, routes that match extended community 22 have their RT extended community attribute values set to 500:1, 500:2, 500:3, 500:4, 500:5, 500:6, 500:7, 500:8, and 500:9.</p>
Step 9	exit Example: <pre>Device(config-route-map)# exit</pre>	Exits route-map configuration mode and enters global configuration mode.
Step 10	route-map <i>map-tag</i> { permit deny } [<i>sequence-number</i>] Example: <pre>Device(config)# route-map rt-mapping permit 20</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures a route map entry that permits routes.</p> <p>This example configures a route map entry that permits other routes not subject to the RT-to-RT range mapping. If you do not perform this step, all other routes are subject to an implicit deny.</p>
Step 11	exit Example: <pre>Device(config-route-map)# exit</pre>	Exits route-map configuration mode and enters global configuration mode.
Step 12	router bgp <i>as-number</i> Example: <pre>Device(config)# router bgp 3000</pre>	Enters router configuration mode and creates a BGP routing process.
Step 13	neighbor ip-address remote-as <i>autonomous-system-number</i> Example: <pre>Device(config-router)# neighbor 192.168.103.1 remote-as 3000</pre>	Specifies that the neighbor belongs to the autonomous system.
Step 14	address-family vpnv4 Example: <pre>Device(config-router)# address-family vpnv4</pre>	Enters address family configuration mode to configure BGP peers to accept address family-specific configurations.
Step 15	neighbor ip-address activate Example: <pre>Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 192.168.103.1 activate</pre>	Activates the specified neighbor.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 16	neighbor ip-address route-map map-tag out Example: <pre>Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 192.168.103.1 route-map rt-mapping out</pre>	Applies the specified outgoing route map to the specified neighbor.
Step 17	exit-address-family Example: <pre>Device(config-router-af)# exit-address-family</pre>	Exits address family configuration mode and enters privileged EXEC mode.

Replacing a Range of RTs with an RT

Perform this task on an ingress ASBR to replace an RT range of attributes with an RT attribute. This task assumes you already configured the egress ASBR to replace the RT with an RT range; that task is described in the “Replacing an RT with a Range of RTs” section.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip extcommunity-list expanded-list {permit | deny} rt reg-exp**
4. **exit**
5. **route-map map-tag {permit | deny} [sequence-number]**
6. **match extcommunity extended-community-list-name**
7. **set extcomm-list extcommunity-name delete**
8. **set extcommunity rt value additive**
9. **exit**
10. **route-map map-tag {permit | deny} [sequence-number]**
11. **exit**
12. **router bgp as-number**
13. **neighbor ip-address remote-as autonomous-system-number**
14. **address-family vpnv4**
15. **neighbor ip-address activate**
16. **neighbor ip-address route-map map-tag in**
17. **exit-address-family**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Device> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password if prompted.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# <code>configure terminal</code>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	ip extcommunity-list <i>expanded-list</i> {permit deny} rt <i>reg-exp</i> Example: Device(config)# <code>ip extcommunity-list 128 permit rt 500:[1-9]</code>	Configures an IP extended community list to configure Virtual Private Network (VPN) route filtering, such that routes with the specified RT range are in the extended community list. This example permits routes having RTs in the range 500:1 to 500:9 into the extended community list 128.
Step 4	exit Example: Device(config-extcomm-list)# <code>exit</code>	Exits the configuration mode and enters the next higher configuration mode.
Step 5	route-map <i>map-tag</i> {permit deny} [<i>sequence-number</i>] Example: Device(config)# <code>route-map rmap2 permit 10</code>	Configures a route map that permits or denies the routes allowed by the subsequent match command. This example permits the routes allowed by the subsequent match command.
Step 6	match extcommunity <i>extended-community-list-name</i> Example: Device(config-route-map)# <code>match extcommunity 128</code>	Matches on the specified community list. In this example, routes that match the extended community list 128 (which was configured in Step 3) are subject to the subsequent set commands.
Step 7	set extcomm-list <i>extcommunity-name</i> delete Example: Device(config-route-map)# <code>set extcomm-list 128 delete</code>	Deletes the RTs in the range from routes that are in the specified extended community list. In this example, RTs in the range are deleted from routes that are in extended community list 128.
Step 8	set extcommunity rt <i>value</i> additive Example: Device(config-route-map)# <code>set extcommunity rt 400:1 additive</code>	Sets the routes that are permitted by the route map with the specified RT. In this example, routes that match extended community 128 have their RT set to 400:1. The additive keyword causes the RT to be added to the RT list without replacing any RTs.
Step 9	exit Example: Device(config-route-map)# <code>exit</code>	Exits route-map configuration mode and enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 10	route-map <i>map-tag</i> { permit deny } [<i>sequence-number</i>] Example: Device(config)# route-map <i>rtmap2</i> permit 20	(Optional) Configures a route map entry that permits routes. This example configures a route map entry that permits other routes not subject to the RT-range-to-RT mapping. If you do not perform this step, all other routes are subject to an implicit deny.
Step 11	exit Example: Device(config-route-map)# exit	Exits route-map configuration mode and enters global configuration mode.
Step 12	router bgp <i>as-number</i> Example: Device(config)# router bgp 4000	Enters router configuration mode and creates a BGP routing process.
Step 13	neighbor <i>ip-address</i> remote-as <i>autonomous-system-number</i> Example: Device(config-router)# neighbor 192.168.0.50 remote-as 4000	Specifies that the neighbor belongs to the autonomous system.
Step 14	address-family vpnv4 Example: Device(config-router-af)# address-family vpnv4	Enters address family configuration mode to configure BGP peers to accept address-family-specific configurations.
Step 15	neighbor <i>ip-address</i> activate Example: Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 192.168.0.50 activate	Activates the specified neighbor.
Step 16	neighbor <i>ip-address</i> route-map <i>map-tag</i> in Example: Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 192.168.0.50 route-map <i>rtmap2</i> in	Applies the specified incoming route map to the specified neighbor.
Step 17	exit-address-family Example: Device(config-router-af)# exit-address-family	Exits address family configuration mode and enters privileged EXEC mode.

Example: Replacing an RT with a Range of VPN Distinguishers

In the following example, on the egress ASBR, routes having RT 201:100 are in the extended community list 22. A route-map named rt-mapping matches on extended community list 22 and deletes the RT from routes in the community list. Routes that match the community list have their VPN distinguishers set to VPN distinguishers in the range from 600:1 to 600:8. The route map is applied to the neighbor 192.168.103.1.

Egress ASBR

```
ip extcommunity-list 22 permit rt 201:100
!
route-map rt-mapping permit 10
match extcommunity 22
set extcomm-list 22 delete
set extcommunity vpn-distinguisher range 600:1 600:8
!
route-map rt-mapping permit 20
!
router bgp 3000
neighbor 192.168.103.1 remote-as 3000
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 192.168.103.1 activate
neighbor 192.168.103.1 route-map rt-mapping out
exit-address-family
!
```

On the ingress ASBR, VPN distinguishers in the range 600:1 to 600:8 belong to extended community list 101. A route map named rmap2 maps those VPN distinguishers to RT range 700:1 700:10. The route map is applied to the neighbor 192.168.0.50. The additive option adds the new range to the existing value without replacing it.

Ingress ASBR

```
ip extcommunity-list 101 permit VD:600:[1-8]
!
route-map rmap2 permit 10
match extcommunity 101
set extcomm-list 101 delete
set extcommunity rt 700:1 700:10 additive
!
route-map rmap2 permit 20
!
router bgp 4000
neighbor 192.168.0.50 remote-as 4000
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 192.168.0.50 activate
neighbor 192.168.0.50 route-map rmap2 in
exit-address-family
!
```


Additional References for BGP-RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Rewrite Wildcard

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
BGP commands	<i>Cisco IOS IP Routing: BGP Command Reference</i>
BGP—VPN Distinguisher Attribute	“BGP—VPN Distinguisher Attribute” module in the <i>IP Routing: BGP Configuration Guide, Cisco IOS XE Release 3S</i>

Feature Information for BGP—RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Rewrite Wildcard

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.

Table 1: Feature Information for BGP—RT and VPN Distinguisher Attribute Rewrite Wildcard

Releases	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.10.1	The feature was introduced.

