



Configuring ERSPAN

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About ERSPAN

ERSPAN consists of an ERSPAN source session, routable ERSPAN generic routing encapsulation (GRE)-encapsulated traffic, and an ERSPAN destination session. You can separately configure ERSPAN source sessions and destination sessions on different switches. You can also configure ERSPAN source sessions to filter ingress traffic by using ACLs.

ERSPAN Sources

The interfaces from which traffic can be monitored are called ERSPAN sources. Sources designate the traffic to monitor and whether to copy ingress, egress, or both directions of traffic. ERSPAN sources include the following:

- Ethernet ports, port channels, and subinterfaces.
- VLANs—When a VLAN is specified as an ERSPAN source, all supported interfaces in the VLAN are ERSPAN sources.

ERSPAN source ports have the following characteristics:

- A port configured as a source port cannot also be configured as a destination port.
- ERSPAN does not monitor any packets that are generated by the supervisor, regardless of their source.
- Ingress traffic at source ports can be filtered by using ACLs so that they mirror only those packets of information that match the ACL criteria.

Multiple ERSPAN Sessions

Although you can define up to 18 ERSPAN sessions, only a maximum of four ERSPAN or SPAN sessions can be operational simultaneously. If both receive and transmit sources are configured in the same session, only two ERSPAN or SPAN sessions can be operational simultaneously. You can shut down any unused ERSPAN sessions.

For information about shutting down ERSPAN sessions, see [Shutting Down or Activating an ERSPAN Session, on page 16](#).

High Availability

The ERSPAN feature supports stateless and stateful restarts. After a reboot or supervisor switchover, the running configuration is applied.

Prerequisites for ERSPAN

ERSPAN has the following prerequisite:

You must first configure the Ethernet interfaces for ports on each device to support the desired ERSPAN configuration. For more information, see the Interfaces configuration guide for your platform.

Guidelines and Limitations for ERSPAN



Note For scale information, see the release-specific *Cisco Nexus 3600 NX-OS Verified Scalability Guide*.

ERSPAN has the following configuration guidelines and limitations:

- The same source can be part of multiple sessions.
- Multiple ACL filters are supported on the same source.
- ERSPAN supports the following:
 - From 4 to 6 tunnels
 - Nontunnel packets
 - IPinIP tunnels
 - IPv4 tunnels (limited)
 - ERSPAN source session type (packets are encapsulated as generic routing encapsulation (GRE)-tunnel packets and sent on the IP network. However, unlike other Cisco devices, the ERSPAN header is not added to the packet.)
- ERSPAN packets are dropped if the encapsulated mirror packet fails Layer 2 MTU checks.
- There is a 112-byte limit for egress encapsulation. Packets that exceed this limit are dropped. This scenario might be encountered when tunnels and mirroring are intermixed.

- ERSPAN sessions are shared with local sessions. A maximum of 18 sessions can be configured; however only a maximum of four sessions can be operational at the same time. If both receive and transmit sources are configured in the same session, only two sessions can be operational.
- ERSPAN and ERSPAN ACLs are not supported for packets that are generated by the supervisor.
- ERSPAN and ERSPAN with ACL filtering are not supported for packets that are generated by the supervisor.
- ACL filtering is supported only for Rx ERSPAN. Tx ERSPAN that mirrors all traffic that is egressed at the source interface.
- ACL filtering is not supported for IPv6 and MAC ACLs because of TCAM width limitations.
- If the same source is configured in more than one ERSPAN session, and each session has an ACL filter that is configured, the source interface is programmed only for the first active ERSPAN session. The ACEs that belong to the other sessions will not have this source interface programmed.
- If you configure an ERSPAN session and a local SPAN session (with filter access-group and allow-sharing option) to use the same source, the local SPAN session goes down when you save the configuration and reload the switch.
- The drop action is not supported with the VLAN access-map configuration with the filter access-group for a monitor session. The monitor session goes into an error state if the VLAN access-map with a drop action is configured with the filter access-group in the monitor session.
- Both permit and deny ACEs are treated alike. Packets that match the ACE are mirrored irrespective of whether they have a permit or deny entry in the ACL.
- ERSPAN is not supported for management ports.
- A destination port can be configured in only one ERSPAN session at a time.
- You cannot configure a port as both a source and destination port.
- A single ERSPAN session can include mixed sources in any combination of the following:
 - Ethernet ports or port channels but not subinterfaces.
 - VLANs or port channels, which can be assigned to port channel subinterfaces.
 - Port channels to the control plane CPU.



Note ERSPAN does not monitor any packets that are generated by the supervisor, regardless of their source.

- Destination ports do not participate in any spanning tree instance or Layer 3 protocols.
- When an ERSPAN session contains source ports that are monitored in the transmit or transmit and receive direction, packets that these ports receive may be replicated to the ERSPAN destination port although the packets are not actually transmitted on the source ports. Some examples of this behavior on source ports are as follows:
 - Traffic that results from flooding
 - Broadcast and multicast traffic

- For VLAN ERSPAN sessions with both ingress and egress that is configured, two packets (one from ingress and one from egress) are forwarded from the destination port if the packets get switched on the same VLAN.
- VLAN ERSPAN monitors only the traffic that leaves or enters Layer 2 ports in the VLAN.
- When the Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switch is the ERSPAN destination, GRE headers are not stripped off before sending mirrored packets out of the terminating point. Packets are sent along with the GRE headers as GRE packets and the original packet as the GRE payload.
- The egress interface for the ERSPAN source session is now printed in the output of the **show monitor session <session-number>** CLI command. The egress interface can be a physical port or a port-channel. For ECMP, one interface among the ECMP members is displayed in the output. This particular interface is used for the traffic egress.
- TCAM carving is not required for SPAN/ERSPAN on Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switches.
- You can view the SPAN/ERSPAN ACL statistics using the **show monitor filter-list** command. The output of the command displays all the entries along with the statistics from the SPAN TCAM. The ACL name is not printed, but only the entries are printed in the output. You can clear the statistics using the **clear monitor filter-list statistics** command. The output is similar to **show ip access-list** command. The Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switch does not provide support per ACL level statistics. This enhancement is supported for both local SPAN and ERSPAN.
- The traffic to and/or from the CPU is spanned. It is similar to any other interface SPAN. This enhancement is supported only in local SPAN. It is not supported with ACL source. The Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switch does not span the packets with (RCPU.dest_port != 0) header that is sent out from the CPU.
- For SPAN forward drop traffic, SPAN only the packets that get dropped due to various reasons in the forwarding plane. This enhancement is supported only for ERSPAN Source session. It is not supported along with SPAN ACL, Source VLAN, and Source interface. Three ACL entries are installed to SPAN dropped traffic. Priority can be set for the drop entries to have a higher or lower priority than the SPAN ACL entries and the VLAN SPAN entries of the other monitor sessions. By default, the drop entries have a higher priority.
- SPAN UDF (User-Defined Field) based ACL support
 - You can match any packet header or payload (certain length limitations) in the first 128 bytes of the packet.
 - You can define the UDFs with particular offset and length to match.
 - You can match the length as 1 or 2 bytes only.
 - Maximum of 8 UDFs are supported.
 - Additional UDF match criteria is added to ACL.
 - The UDF match criteria can be configured only for SPAN ACL. This enhancement is not supported for other ACL features, for example, RACL, PACL, and VACL.
 - Each ACE can have up to 8 UDF match criteria.
 - The UDF and http-redirect configuration should not coexist in the same ACL.
 - The UDF names need to be qualified for the SPAN TCAM.
 - The UDFs are effective only if they are qualified by the SPAN TCAM.

- The configuration for the UDF definition and the UDF name qualification in the SPAN TCAM require the use of **copy r s** command and reload.
 - The UDF match is supported for both Local SPAN and ERSPAN Src sessions.
 - The UDF name can have a maximum length of 16 characters.
 - The UDF offset starts from 0 (zero). If offset is specified as an odd number, 2 UDFs are used in the hardware for one UDF definition in the software. The configuration is rejected if the number of UDFs usage in the hardware goes beyond 8.
 - The UDF match requires the SPAN TCAM region to go double-wide. Therefore, you have to reduce the other TCAM regions' size to make space for SPAN.
 - The SPAN UDFs are not supported in tap-aggregation mode.
- If a sup-eth source interface is configured in the erspan-src session, the acl-span cannot be added as a source into that session and vice versa.
 - IPv6 User Defined Field (UDF) on ERSPAN support
 - ERSPAN source and ERSPAN destination sessions must use dedicated loopback interfaces. Such loopback interfaces should not be having any control plane protocols.

Default Settings for ERSPAN

The following table lists the default settings for ERSPAN parameters.

Table 1: Default ERSPAN Parameters

Parameters	Default
ERSPAN sessions	Created in the shut state.

Configuring ERSPAN

Configuring an ERSPAN Source Session

You can configure an ERSPAN session on the local device only. By default, ERSPAN sessions are created in the shut state.

For sources, you can specify Ethernet ports, port channels, and VLANs. A single ERSPAN session can include mixed sources in any combination of Ethernet ports or VLANs.



Note ERSPAN does not monitor any packets that are generated by the supervisor, regardless of their source.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure terminal**
2. **monitor erspan origin ip-address *ip-address* global**
3. **no monitor session {*session-number* | all}**
4. **monitor session {*session-number* | all} type erspan-source**
5. **description *description***
6. **filter access-group *acl-name***
7. **source {interface *type* [**rx** | **tx** | **both**] | vlan {*number* | *range*} [**rx**]}**
8. (Optional) Repeat Step 6 to configure all ERSPAN sources.
9. (Optional) **filter access-group *acl-filter***
10. **destination ip *ip-address***
11. (Optional) **ip ttl *ttl-number***
12. (Optional) **ip dscp *dscp-number***
13. **no shut**
14. (Optional) **show monitor session {all | *session-number* | range *session-range*}**
15. (Optional) **show running-config monitor**
16. (Optional) **show startup-config monitor**
17. (Optional) **copy running-config startup-config**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure terminal Example: <pre>switch# config t switch(config)#</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	monitor erspan origin ip-address <i>ip-address</i> global Example: <pre>switch(config)# monitor erspan origin ip-address 10.0.0.1 global</pre>	Configures the ERSPAN global origin IP address.
Step 3	no monitor session {<i>session-number</i> all} Example: <pre>switch(config)# no monitor session 3</pre>	Clears the configuration of the specified ERSPAN session. The new session configuration is added to the existing session configuration.
Step 4	monitor session {<i>session-number</i> all} type erspan-source Example: <pre>switch(config)# monitor session 3 type erspan-source switch(config-erspan-src)#</pre>	Configures an ERSPAN source session.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	description <i>description</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# description erspan_src_session_3</pre>	Configures a description for the session. By default, no description is defined. The description can be up to 32 alphanumeric characters.
Step 6	filter access-group <i>acl-name</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# filter access-group acl1</pre>	Filters ingress traffic at source ports based on the ACL list. Only packets that match the access list are spanned. The <i>acl-name</i> is an IP access-list, but not an access-map.
Step 7	source { interface type [rx tx both] vlan { <i>number</i> <i>range</i> } [rx]} Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# source interface ethernet 2/1-3, ethernet 3/1 rx</pre> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# source interface port-channel 2</pre> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# source interface sup-eth 0 both</pre> Example: <pre>switch(config-monitor)# source interface ethernet 101/1/1-3</pre>	
Step 8	(Optional) Repeat Step 6 to configure all ERSPAN sources.	—
Step 9	(Optional) filter access-group <i>acl-filter</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# filter access-group ACL1</pre>	Associates an ACL with the ERSPAN session. Note You can create an ACL using the standard ACL configuration process. For more information, see the Cisco Nexus NX-OS Security Configuration Guide for your platform.
Step 10	destination ip <i>ip-address</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip 10.1.1.1</pre>	Configures the destination IP address in the ERSPAN session. Only one destination IP address is supported per ERSPAN source session.
Step 11	(Optional) ip ttl <i>ttl-number</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# ip ttl 25</pre>	Configures the IP time-to-live (TTL) value for the ERSPAN traffic. The range is from 1 to 255.
Step 12	(Optional) ip dscp <i>dscp-number</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# ip dscp 42</pre>	Configures the differentiated services code point (DSCP) value of the packets in the ERSPAN traffic. The range is from 0 to 63.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 13	no shut Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut</pre>	Enables the ERSPAN source session. By default, the session is created in the shut state. Note Only two ERSPAN source sessions can be running simultaneously.
Step 14	(Optional) show monitor session {all <i>session-number</i> range <i>session-range</i> } Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# show monitor session 3</pre>	Displays the ERSPAN session configuration.
Step 15	(Optional) show running-config monitor Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# show running-config monitor</pre>	Displays the running ERSPAN configuration.
Step 16	(Optional) show startup-config monitor Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# show startup-config monitor</pre>	Displays the ERSPAN startup configuration.
Step 17	(Optional) copy running-config startup-config Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# copy running-config startup-config</pre>	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Configuring SPAN Forward Drop Traffic for ERSPAN Source Session

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure terminal**
2. **monitor session** {*session-number* | all} **type erspan-source**
3. **vrf** *vrf-name*
4. **destination ip** *ip-address*
5. **source forward-drops rx** [*priority-low*]
6. **no shut**
7. (Optional) **show monitor session** {all | *session-number* | range *session-range*}

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure terminal Example: <pre>switch# config t switch(config)#</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	monitor session { <i>session-number</i> all } type erspan-source Example: <pre>switch(config)# monitor session 1 type erspan-source switch(config-erspan-src)#</pre>	Configures an ERSPAN source session.
Step 3	vrf <i>vrf-name</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# vrf default</pre>	Configures the VRF that the ERSPAN source session uses for traffic forwarding.
Step 4	destination ip <i>ip-address</i> Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip 10.1.1.1</pre>	Configures the destination IP address in the ERSPAN session. Only one destination IP address is supported per ERSPAN source session.
Step 5	source forward-drops rx [<i>priority-low</i>] Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# source forward-drops rx [priority-low]</pre>	Configures the SPAN forward drop traffic for the ERSPAN source session. When configured as a low priority, this SPAN ACE matching drop condition takes less priority over any other SPAN ACEs configured by the interface ACL SPAN or VLAN ACL SPAN. Without the priority-low keyword, these drop ACEs take high priority compared to the regular interface or the VLAN SPAN ACLs. The priority matters only when the packet matching drop ACEs and the interface/VLAN SPAN ACLs are configured.
Step 6	no shut Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut</pre>	Enables the ERSPAN source session. By default, the session is created in the shut state. Note Only two ERSPAN source sessions can be running simultaneously.
Step 7	(Optional) show monitor session { all <i>session-number</i> range session-range } Example: <pre>switch(config-erspan-src)# show monitor session 3</pre>	Displays the ERSPAN session configuration.

Example

```
switch# config t
switch(config)# monitor session 1 type erspan-source
switch(config-erspan-src)# vrf default
switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip 40.1.1.1
switch(config-erspan-src)# source forward-drops rx
switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut
switch(config-erspan-src)# show monitor session 1

switch# config t
switch(config)# monitor session 1 type erspan-source
switch(config-erspan-src)# vrf default
switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip 40.1.1.1
switch(config-erspan-src)# source forward-drops rx priority-low
```

```
switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut
switch(config-erspan-src)# show monitor session 1
```

Configuring an ERSPAN ACL

You can create an IPv4 ERSPAN ACL on the device and add rules to it.

Before you begin

To modify the DSCP value or the GRE protocol, you need to allocate a new destination monitor session. A maximum of four destination monitor sessions are supported.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure terminal**
2. **ip access-list *acl-name***
3. [*sequence-number*] {**permit** | **deny**} *protocol source destination* [**set-erspan-dscp** *dscp-value*] [**set-erspan-gre-proto** *protocol-value*]
4. (Optional) **show ip access-lists *name***
5. (Optional) **show monitor session** {**all** | *session-number* | **range** *session-range*} [**brief**]
6. (Optional) **copy running-config startup-config**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure terminal Example: switch# configure terminal switch(config)#	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	ip access-list <i>acl-name</i> Example: switch(config)# ip access-list erspan-acl switch(config-acl)#	Creates the ERSPAN ACL and enters IP ACL configuration mode. The <i>acl-name</i> argument can be up to 64 characters.
Step 3	[<i>sequence-number</i>] { permit deny } <i>protocol source destination</i> [set-erspan-dscp <i>dscp-value</i>] [set-erspan-gre-proto <i>protocol-value</i>] Example: switch(config-acl)# permit ip 192.168.2.0/24 any set-erspan-dscp 40 set-erspan-gre-proto 5555	Creates a rule in the ERSPAN ACL. You can create many rules. The <i>sequence-number</i> argument can be a whole number between 1 and 4294967295. The permit and deny commands support many ways of identifying traffic. The set-erspan-dscp option sets the DSCP value in the ERSPAN outer IP header. The range for the DSCP value is from 0 to 63. The DSCP value configured in the ERSPAN ACL overrides the value configured in the monitor session. If you do not include this option in the ERSPAN ACL, 0 or the DSCP value configured in the monitor session will be set.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<p>The set-erspan-gre-proto option sets the protocol value in the ERSPAN GRE header. The range for the protocol value is from 0 to 65535. If you do not include this option in the ERSPAN ACL, the default value of 0x88be will be set as the protocol in the GRE header for ERSPAN-encapsulated packets.</p> <p>Each access control entry (ACE) with the set-erspan-gre-proto or set-erspan-dscp action consumes one destination monitor session. A maximum of three ACEs with one of these actions is supported per ERSPAN ACL. For example, you can configure one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One ERSPAN session with an ACL having a maximum of three ACEs with the set-erspan-gre-proto or set-erspan-dscp action • One ERSPAN session with an ACL having two ACEs with the set-erspan-gre-proto or set-erspan-dscp action and one additional local or ERSPAN session • A maximum of two ERSPAN sessions with an ACL having one ACE with the set-erspan-gre-proto or set-erspan-dscp action
Step 4	(Optional) show ip access-lists name Example: <pre>switch(config-acl)# show ip access-lists erspan-acl</pre>	Displays the ERSPAN ACL configuration.
Step 5	(Optional) show monitor session {all session-number range session-range} [brief] Example: <pre>switch(config-acl)# show monitor session 1</pre>	Displays the ERSPAN session configuration.
Step 6	(Optional) copy running-config startup-config Example: <pre>switch(config-acl)# copy running-config startup-config</pre>	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Configuring User Defined Field (UDF) Based ACL Support

You can configure User Defined Field (UDF) based ACL support on Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switches. See the following steps to configure ERSPAN based on UDF. See the Guidelines and Limitations for ERSPAN section for more information.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. switch# **configure terminal**

2. switch(config)# **udf** <udf-name> <packet start> <offset> <length>
3. switch(config)# **udf** <udf-name> header <Layer3/Layer4> <offset> <length>
4. switch(config)# **hardware profile tcam region span qualify udf** <name1>..... <name8>
5. switch(config)# **permit** <regular ACE match criteria> **udf** <name1> <val> <mask> <name8> <val> <mask>
6. switch(config)# **show monitor session** <session-number>

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# udf <udf-name> <packet start> <offset> <length> Example: (config)# udf udf1 packet-start 10 2 (config)# udf udf2 packet-start 50 2	Defines the UDF. Note You can define multiple UDFs but it is recommended to configure only the required UDFs. This configuration takes affect only after attaching the UDFs to a TCAM region and rebooting the box, as the UDFs are added to a region's qualifier set at TCAM carving time (boot up time).
Step 3	switch(config)# udf <udf-name> header <Layer3/Layer4> <offset> <length> Example: (config)# udf udf3 header outer 14 0 1 (config)# udf udf3 header outer 14 10 2 (config)# udf udf3 header outer 14 50 1	Defines the UDF.
Step 4	switch(config)# hardware profile tcam region span qualify udf <name1>..... <name8> Example: (config)# hardware profile tcam region span qualify udf udf1 udf2 udf3 udf4 udf5 [SUCCESS] Changes to UDF qualifier set will be applicable only after reboot. You need to 'copy run start' and 'reload' config)#	Configure UDF Qualification in SPAN TCAM. Add the UDFs to qualifier set for a TCAM region at TCAM carving time (happens at boot up time). The configuration allows maximum 4 UDFs that can be attached to a span region, all UDFs listed in a single command for a region. A new configuration for a region replaces the current configuration, but note that it needs a reboot for the configuration to come to the effect. When the UDF qualifier is added to the SPAN TCAM, the TCAM region expands from single wide to double wide. Make sure enough free space (128 more single wide entries) is available for the expansion or else the command gets rejected. Re-enter the command after creating the space by reducing TCAM space from the unused regions. Once the UDFs are detached from SPAN/TCAM region using the no hardware profile tcam region span qualify udf <name1> ..<name8> command, the SPAN TCAM region is considered as a single wide entry.
Step 5	switch(config)# permit <regular ACE match criteria> udf <name1> <val> <mask> <name8> <val> <mask>	Configure an ACL with UDF match.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p>Example:</p> <pre>(config)# ip access-list test 10 permit ip any any udf udf1 0x1234 0xffff udf3 0x56 0xff 30 permit ip any any dscp af11 udf udf5 0x22 0x22 config)#</pre>	
Step 6	<pre>switch(config)# show monitor session <session-number></pre> <p>Example:</p> <pre>(config)# show monitor session 1 session 1 ----- type : erspan-source state : up vrf-name : default destination-ip : 40.1.1.1 ip-ttl : 255 ip-dscp : 0 acl-name : test origin-ip : 100.1.1.10 (global) source intf : rx : Eth1/20 tx : Eth1/20 both : Eth1/20 source VLANs : rx : source fwd drops : egress-intf : Eth1/23 switch# config)#</pre>	Displays the ACL using the show monitor session <session-number> command. You can check if the SPAN TCAM region is carved or not using the BCM SHELL command.

Configuring IPv6 User Defined Field (UDF) on ERSPAN

You can configure IPv6 User Defined Field (UDF) on ERSPAN on Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switches. See the following steps to configure ERSPAN based on IPv6 UDF. See the Guidelines and Limitations for ERSPAN section for more information

SUMMARY STEPS

1. switch# **configure terminal**
2. switch(config)# **udf** < udf -name> <packet start> <offset> <length>
3. switch(config)# **udf** < udf -name> header <Layer3/Layer4> <offset> <length>
4. switch(config)# **hardware profile tcam region ipv6-span-l2 512**
5. switch(config)# **hardware profile tcam region ipv6-span 512**
6. switch(config)# **hardware profile tcam region span spanv6 qualify udf** <name1>..... <name8>
7. switch(config)# **hardware profile tcam region span spanv6-12 qualify udf** <name1>..... <name8>
8. switch (config-erspan-src)# **filter** ipv6 access-group.... <aclname>.... <allow-sharing>
9. switch(config)# **permit** <regular ACE match criteria> **udf** <name1> < val > <mask> <name8> < val > <mask>
10. switch(config)# **show monitor session** <session-number>

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# udf < udf -name> <packet start> <offset> <length> Example: (config)# udf udf1 packet-start 10 2 (config)# udf udf2 packet-start 50 2	Defines the UDF. Note You can define multiple UDFs but it is recommended to configure only the required UDFs. This configuration takes affect only after attaching the UDFs to a TCAM region and rebooting the box, as the UDFs are added to a region's qualifier set at TCAM carving time (boot up time).
Step 3	switch(config)# udf < udf -name> header <Layer3/Layer4> <offset> <length> Example: (config)# udf udf3 header outer 14 0 1 (config)# udf udf3 header outer 14 10 2 (config)# udf udf3 header outer 14 50 1	Defines the UDF.
Step 4	switch(config)# hardware profile tcam region ipv6-span-l2 512 Example: (config)# hardware profile tcam region ipv6-span-l2 512 Warning: Please save config and reload the system for the configuration to take effect. config)#	Configure IPv6 on UDF on layer 2 ports. A new configuration for a region replaces the current configuration and you must reboot the switch for the configuration to come to the effect.
Step 5	switch(config)# hardware profile tcam region ipv6-span 512 Example: (config)# hardware profile tcam region ipv6-span 512 Warning: Please save config and reload the system for the configuration to take effect. config)#	Configure IPv6 on UDF on layer 3 ports. A new configuration for a region replaces the current configuration and you must reboot the switch for the configuration to come to the effect.
Step 6	switch(config)# hardware profile tcam region span spanv6 qualify udf <name1>..... <name8> Example: (config)# hardware profile tcam region spanv6 qualify udf udf1 [SUCCESS] Changes to UDF qualifier set will be applicable only after reboot. You need to 'copy run start' and	Configure UDF Qualification in SPAN for layer 3 ports. This enables the UDF match for ipv6-span TCAM region. Add the UDFs to qualifier set for a TCAM region at TCAM carving time (happens at boot up time). The configuration allows maximum of 2 IPv6 UDFs that can be attached to a SPAN region, all UDFs listed in a single command for a region. A new configuration for a region replaces the current configuration, but note that it needs a reboot for the configuration to come to the effect.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	'reload' config)#	
Step 7	switch(config)# hardware profile tcam region span spanv6-12 qualify udf <name1>..... <name8> Example: (config)# hardware profile tcam region spanv6-12 qualify udf udf1 [SUCCESS] Changes to UDF qualifier set will be applicable only after reboot. You need to 'copy run start' and 'reload' config)#	Configure UDF Qualification in SPAN for layer 2 ports. This enables the UDF match for ipv6-span-12 TCAM region. Add the UDFs to qualifier set for a TCAM region at TCAM carving time (happens at boot up time). The configuration allows a maximum of 2 IPv6 UDFs that can be attached to a SPAN region, all UDFs listed in a single command for a region. A new configuration for a region replaces the current configuration, but note that it needs a reboot for the configuration to come to the effect.
Step 8	switch (config-erspan-src)# filter <i>ipv6 access-group</i> <aclname>.... <allow-sharing> Example: (config-erspan-src)# ipv6 filter access-group test (config)#	Configure a IPv6 ACL in SPAN and ERSPAN mode. You can have only one of “filter ip access-group” or “filter ipv6 access-group” configuration in one monitor session. If same source interface is part of a IPv4 and IPv6 ERSPAN ACL monitor session, the “allow-sharing” needs to be configured with the “filter [ipv6] access-group” in the monitor session configuration.
Step 9	switch(config)# permit <regular ACE match criteria> udf <name1> < val > <mask> <name8> < val > <mask> Example: (config-erspan-src)# ipv6 access-list test (config-ipv6-acl)# permit ipv6 any any udf udf1 0x1 0x0	Configure an ACL with UDF match.
Step 10	switch(config)# show monitor session <session-number> Example: (config)# show monitor session 1 session 1 ----- type : erspan-source state : up vrf-name : default destination-ip : 40.1.1.1 ip-ttl : 255 ip-dscp : 0 acl-name : test origin-ip : 100.1.1.10 (global) source intf : rx : Eth1/20 tx : Eth1/20 both : Eth1/20 source VLANs : filter VLANs : filter not specified rx : source fwd drops : egress-intf : Eth1/23 switch# config)#	Displays the ACL using the show monitor session <session-number> command.

Shutting Down or Activating an ERSPAN Session

You can shut down ERSPAN sessions to discontinue the copying of packets from sources to destinations. Because only a specific number of ERSPAN sessions can be running simultaneously, you can shut down a session to free hardware resources to enable another session. By default, ERSPAN sessions are created in the shut state.

You can enable ERSPAN sessions to activate the copying of packets from sources to destinations. To enable an ERSPAN session that is already enabled but operationally down, you must first shut it down and then enable it. You can shut down and enable the ERSPAN session states with either a global or monitor configuration mode command.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configuration terminal**
2. **monitor session** {*session-range* | **all**} **shut**
3. **no monitor session** {*session-range* | **all**} **shut**
4. **monitor session** *session-number* **type** **erspan-source**
5. **monitor session** *session-number* **type** **erspan-destination**
6. **shut**
7. **no shut**
8. (Optional) **show monitor session all**
9. (Optional) **show running-config monitor**
10. (Optional) **show startup-config monitor**
11. (Optional) **copy running-config startup-config**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configuration terminal Example: <pre>switch# configuration terminal switch(config)#</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	monitor session { <i>session-range</i> all } shut Example: <pre>switch(config)# monitor session 3 shut</pre>	Shuts down the specified ERSPAN sessions. The session range is from 1-18. By default, sessions are created in the shut state. Four unidirectional sessions or two bidirectional sessions can be active at the same time. Note <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Cisco Nexus 5000 and 5500 platforms, two sessions can run simultaneously. • In Cisco Nexus 5600 and 6000 platforms, 16 sessions can run simultaneously.
Step 3	no monitor session { <i>session-range</i> all } shut Example: <pre>switch(config)# no monitor session 3 shut</pre>	Resumes (enables) the specified ERSPAN sessions. The session range is from 1-18. The session range is from 1-18. By default, sessions are created in the shut state. Four unidirectional sessions or two bidirectional sessions can be active at the same time.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		Note If a monitor session is enabled but its operational status is down, then to enable the session, you must first specify the monitor session shut command followed by the no monitor session shut command.
Step 4	monitor session <i>session-number</i> type erspan-source Example: switch(config)# monitor session 3 type erspan-source switch(config-erspan-src)#	Enters the monitor configuration mode for the ERSPAN source type. The new session configuration is added to the existing session configuration.
Step 5	monitor session <i>session-number</i> type erspan-destination Example: switch(config-erspan-src)# monitor session 3 type erspan-destination	Enters the monitor configuration mode for the ERSPAN destination type.
Step 6	shut Example: switch(config-erspan-src)# shut	Shuts down the ERSPAN session. By default, the session is created in the shut state.
Step 7	no shut Example: switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut	Enables the ERSPAN session. By default, the session is created in the shut state.
Step 8	(Optional) show monitor session all Example: switch(config-erspan-src)# show monitor session all	Displays the status of ERSPAN sessions.
Step 9	(Optional) show running-config monitor Example: switch(config-erspan-src)# show running-config monitor	Displays the running ERSPAN configuration.
Step 10	(Optional) show startup-config monitor Example: switch(config-erspan-src)# show startup-config monitor	Displays the ERSPAN startup configuration.
Step 11	(Optional) copy running-config startup-config Example: switch(config-erspan-src)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Verifying the ERSPAN Configuration

Use the following command to verify the ERSPAN configuration information:

Command	Purpose
show monitor session {all <i>session-number</i> range <i>session-range</i> }	Displays the ERSPAN session configuration.
show running-config monitor	Displays the running ERSPAN configuration.
show startup-config monitor	Displays the ERSPAN startup configuration.

Configuration Examples for ERSPAN

Configuration Example for an ERSPAN Source Session

The following example shows how to configure an ERSPAN source session:

```
switch# config t
switch(config)# interface e14/30
switch(config-if)# no shut
switch(config-if)# exit
switch(config)# monitor erspan origin ip-address 3.3.3.3 global
switch(config)# monitor session 1 type erspan-source
switch(config-erspan-src)# filter access-group acl1
switch(config-erspan-src)# source interface e14/30
switch(config-erspan-src)# ip ttl 16
switch(config-erspan-src)# ip dscp 5
switch(config-erspan-src)# vrf default
switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip 9.1.1.2
switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut
switch(config-erspan-src)# exit
switch(config)# show monitor session 1
```

Configuration Example for an ERSPAN ACL

This example shows how to configure an ERSPAN ACL:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# ip access-list match_11_pkts
switch(config-acl)# permit ip 11.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 any
switch(config-acl)# exit
switch(config)# ip access-list match_12_pkts
switch(config-acl)# permit ip 12.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 any
switch(config-acl)# exit
switch(config)# vlan access-map erspan_filter 5
switch(config-access-map)# match ip address match_11_pkts
switch(config-access-map)# action forward
switch(config-access-map)# exit
switch(config)# vlan access-map erspan_filter 10
switch(config-access-map)# match ip address match_12_pkts
switch(config-access-map)# action forward
switch(config-access-map)# exit
```

```
switch(config)# monitor session 1 type erspan-source
switch(config-erspan-src)# filter access_group erspan_filter
```

Configuration Examples for UDF-Based ERSPAN

This example shows how to configure UDF-based ERSPAN to match on the inner TCP flags of an encapsulated IP-in-IP packet using the following match criteria:

- Outer source IP address: 10.0.0.2
- Inner TCP flags: Urgent TCP flag is set
- Bytes: Eth Hdr (14) + Outer IP (20) + Inner IP (20) + Inner TCP (20, but TCP flags at 13th byte)
- Offset from packet-start: 14 + 20 + 20 + 13 = 67
- UDF match value: 0x20
- UDF mask: 0xFF

```
udf udf_tcpflags packet-start 67 1
hardware access-list tcam region racl qualify udf udf_tcpflags
copy running-config startup-config
reload
ip access-list acl-udf
 permit ip 10.0.0.2/32 any udf udf_tcpflags 0x20 0xff
monitor session 1 type erspan-source
 source interface Ethernet 1/1
 filter access-group acl-udf
```

This example shows how to configure UDF-based ERSPAN to match regular IP packets with a packet signature (DEADBEEF) at 6 bytes after a Layer 4 header start using the following match criteria:

- Outer source IP address: 10.0.0.2
- Inner TCP flags: Urgent TCP flag is set
- Bytes: Eth Hdr (14) + IP (20) + TCP (20) + Payload: 112233445566DEADBEEF7788
- Offset from Layer 4 header start: 20 + 6 = 26
- UDF match value: 0xDEADBEEF (split into two-byte chunks and two UDFs)
- UDF mask: 0xFFFFFFFF

```
udf udf_pktsig_msb header outer 13 26 2
udf udf_pktsig_lsb header outer 13 28 2
hardware access-list tcam region racl qualify udf udf_pktsig_msb udf_pktsig_lsb
copy running-config startup-config
reload
ip access-list acl-udf-pktsig
 permit udf udf_pktsig_msb 0xDEAD 0xFFFF udf udf_pktsig_lsb 0xBEEF 0xFFFF
monitor session 1 type erspan-source
 source interface Ethernet 1/1
 filter access-group acl-udf-pktsig
```

Additional References

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
ERSPAN commands: complete command syntax, command modes, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco Nexus NX-OS System Management Command Reference</i> for your platform.