



# IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM

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This feature allows you to configure IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM. It also permits the rewriting of QinQ tags for Multiple Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) Layer 2 VPNs (L2VPNs).

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## Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest feature information and caveats, see the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the Feature Information Table at the end of this document.

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## Prerequisites for IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM

The QinQ (short for 802.1Q-in-802.1Q) tunneling and tag rewrite feature is supported on the following line cards:

- 8-port Fast Ethernet line card (ESR-HH-8FE-TX)
- 2-port half-height Gigabit Ethernet line card (ESR-HH-1GE)
- 1-port full-height Gigabit Ethernet line card (ESR-1GE)



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## Restrictions for IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM

- Up to a maximum of 447 outer-VLAN IDs and up to 4095 inner VLAN IDs can be supported by this feature.
- Only Unambiguous VLAN tagged Ethernet QinQ interfaces are supported in this release. That is, the Ethernet VLAN QinQ rewrite of both VLAN Tags capability is supported only on Ethernet subinterfaces with a QinQ encapsulation and explicit pair of VLAN IDs defined.


**Note**

Ambiguous inner VLAN IDs are not supported in this release.

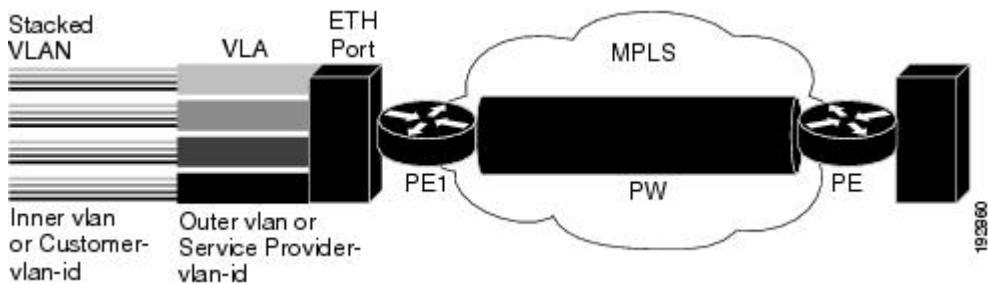
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## Ethernet VLAN QinQ AToM

In Metro Ethernet deployment, in which CE routers and PE routers are connected through an Ethernet switched access network, packets that arrive at PE routers can contain up to two IEEE 802.1q VLAN tags (one inner VLAN tag which identifies the customer; and another outer VLAN tag which denotes the customer's service provider). This technique of allowing multiple VLAN tagging on the same Ethernet packet and creating a stack of VLAN IDs is known as QinQ (short for 802.1Q-in-802.1Q). The figure below shows how different edge devices can do L2 switching on the different levels of the VLAN stack.

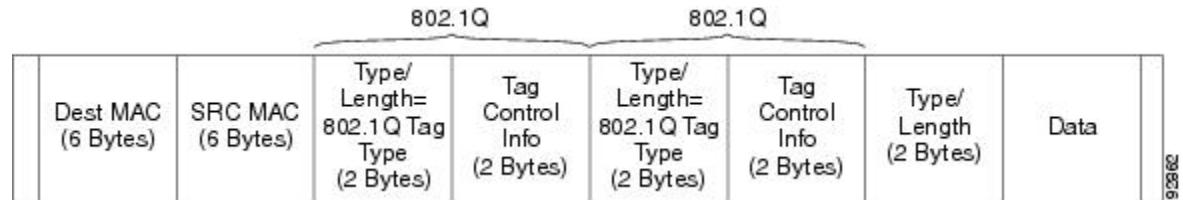
**Figure 1**      **Ethernet VLAN QinQ**



When the outer VLAN tag is the service-delimiting VLAN tag, QinQ packets are processed similar to the ones with one VLAN tag (case previously named Ethernet VLAN Q-in-Q modified, which is already supported in the 12.2(31) SB release). However, when a customer must use a combination of the outer and inner VLAN tags to delimit service for customers, the edge device should be able to choose a unique pseudowire based on a combination of the inner and outer VLAN IDs on the packet shown in the figure

below. The customer may want to be able to rewrite both the inner and the outer VLAN IDs on the traffic egress side.

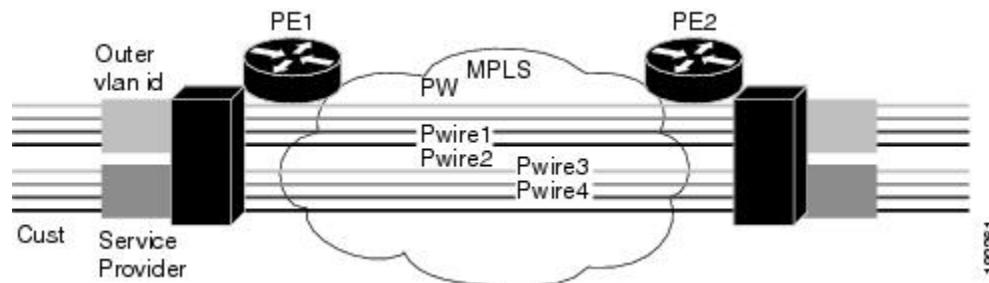
**Figure 2**      **Ethernet VLAN QinQ Header**



## QinQ Tunneling Based on Inner and Outer VLAN Tags

When handling incoming QinQ Ethernet traffic, the edge router allows a customer to choose a unique pseudowire endpoint to switch the traffic based on the combination of inner and outer VLAN IDs. For example, the figure below shows how a unique pseudowire is selected depending upon the combination of inner (customer edge) and outer (service provider) VLAN IDs. Thus, traffic for different customers can be kept separate.

**Figure 3**      **QinQ Connection**



## Rewritten Inner and Outer VLAN Tags on QinQ Frames

When managing incoming AToM Ethernet QinQ traffic, the edge router does the following tasks:

- 1 Strips off the MPLS labels.
- 2 Allows the customer to rewrite both the inner and outer VLAN IDs before sending the packets to the egress QinQ interface. Note this capability is provided only for AToM like-to-like Ethernet QinQ traffic.

The QinQ AToM feature is a like-to-like interworking case over AToM. This feature requires changes to the microcode to allow it to overwrite two layers of VLAN tags on Ethernet QinQ traffic, transported across AToM pseudowires.

- On the ingress side--The packets preserve their L2 header with the two VLAN tags, and it is sent across the pseudowire with VC type of 4.
- On the egress side--The MPLS label is stripped, and up to two levels of VLAN tags are rewritten per the configuration.

Only Unambiguous VLAN tagged Ethernet QinQ interfaces are supported in this release. The Ethernet VLAN Q-in-Q rewrite of both VLAN Tags capability is supported only on Ethernet subinterfaces with a QinQ encapsulation and explicit pair of VLAN IDs defined.

## How to Configure IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM

This section explains how to configure IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM and includes the following procedures. While all of the procedures are listed as optional, you must choose one of the first two listed.

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## Configuring Unambiguous IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface gigabitethernet slot / subslot / port . [subinterface]**
4. **encapsulation dot1q vlan-id second-dot1q {any | vlan-id[,vlan-id[-vlan-id]]}**
5. **xconnect peer-router-id vcid encapsulation mpls**

### DETAILED STEPS

Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b> <b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b> <b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b> <b>interface gigabitethernet slot / subslot / port . [subinterface]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet1/0/0.100	Specifies the Gigabit Ethernet interface and enters interface configuration mode.

Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b> <code>encapsulation dot1q <i>vlan-id</i> second-dot1q {any   <i>vlan-id</i>[,<i>vlan-id</i>[-<i>vlan-id</i>]]}</code>	Defines the matching criteria to map Q-in-Q ingress frames on an interface to the appropriate service instance.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# encapsulation dot1q 100 second-dot1q 200</pre>	
<b>Step 5</b> <code>xconnect peer-router-id <i>vcid</i> encapsulation mpls</code>	Creates the VC to transport the Layer 2 packets.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# xconnect 10.0.0.16 410 encapsulation mpls</pre>	

## Configuring Ambiguous IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `interface gigabitethernet slot / subslot / port . [subinterface]`
4. `encapsulation dot1q vlan-id second-dot1q {any | vlan-id[,vlan-id[-vlan-id]]}`
5. `xconnect peer-router-id vcid encapsulation mpls`
6. `exit`
7. `interface gigabitethernet slot / subslot / port . [subinterface]`
8. `encapsulation dot1q vlan-id second-dot1q {any | vlan-id[,vlan-id[-vlan-id]]}`
9. `xconnect peer-router-id vcid encapsulation mpls`

### DETAILED STEPS

Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b> <code>enable</code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Router&gt; enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b> <code>configure terminal</code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.

Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 3</b> <code>interface gigabitethernet slot / subslot / port . [subinterface]</code>	Specifies the Gigabit Ethernet subinterface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet1/0/0.200</pre>	
<b>Step 4</b> <code>encapsulation dot1q vlan-id second-dot1q {any   vlan-id[,vlan-id[-vlan-id]]}</code>	Defines the matching criteria to map Q-in-Q ingress frames on an interface to the appropriate service instance.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# encapsulation dot1q 200 second-dot1q 1000-2000,3000,3500-4000</pre>	
<b>Step 5</b> <code>xconnect peer-router-id vcid encapsulation mpls</code>	Creates the VC to transport the Layer 2 packets.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# xconnect 10.0.0.16 420 encapsulation mpls</pre>	
<b>Step 6</b> <code>exit</code>	Exits interface configuration mode.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# exit</pre>	
<b>Step 7</b> <code>interface gigabitethernet slot / subslot / port . [subinterface]</code>	Specifies the next Gigabit Ethernet interface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet1/0/0.201</pre>	
<b>Step 8</b> <code>encapsulation dot1q vlan-id second-dot1q {any   vlan-id[,vlan-id[-vlan-id]]}</code>	Defines the matching criteria to map Q-in-Q ingress frames on an interface to the appropriate service instance.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# encapsulation dot1q 201 second-dot1q any</pre>	
<b>Step 9</b> <code>xconnect peer-router-id vcid encapsulation mpls</code>	Creates the VC to transport the Layer 2 packets.
<b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# xconnect 10.0.0.16 430 encapsulation mpls</pre>	

## Verifying the IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for ATM Configuration

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. show mpls l2transport vc

### DETAILED STEPS

Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Example:</b>  Router> enable	
<b>Step 2</b> show mpls l2transport vc	Displays information about Any Transport over MPLS (AToM) virtual circuits (VCs) and static pseudowires that have been enabled to route Layer 2 packets on a router.
<b>Example:</b>  Router# show mpls l2transport vc	

## Configuration Examples for IEEE 801.2 Tunneling (QinQ) for ATM

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### Example Configuring Unambiguous IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for ATM

```
Router> enable
Router# configure terminal
Router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet1/0/0.100
Router(config-if)# encapsulation dot1q 100 second-dot1q 200
Router(config-if)# xconnect 10.0.0.16 410 encapsulation mpls
```

### Example Configuring Ambiguous IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for ATM

The following is an example of an ambiguous IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for ATM configuration.

```
Router> enable
Router# configure terminal
Router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet1/0/0.200
Router(config-if)# encapsulation dot1q 200 second-dot1q 1000-2000,3000,3500-4000
Router(config-if)# xconnect 10.0.0.16 420 encapsulation mpls
```

**Additional References**

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Router(config-if)# exit
Router(config)# interface GigabitEthernet1/0/0.201
Router(config-if) encapsulation dot1q 201 second-dot1q any
Router(config-if) xconnect 10.0.0.16 430 encapsulation mpls

```

**Example Verifying the IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for ATM Configuration**

The following is sample output of the **show mpls l2transport vc** command, which is used to verify the VC set up in EoMPLS QinQ mode.

Local intf	Local circuit	Dest address	VC ID	Status
Gil/0/0.1	Eth VLAN:100/200	10.1.1.2	1	UP

**Additional References****Related Documents**

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Commands List, All Releases</a>
Description of commands associated with MPLS and MPLS applications	<i>Cisco IOS Multiprotocol Label Switching Command Reference</i>
AToM and MPLS	Any Transport over MPLS

**Standards**

Standards	Title
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## Feature Information for IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM

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**Table 1 Feature Information for IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM	Cisco IOS XE Release 2.4	<p>This feature allows you to configure IEEE 802.1Q Tunneling (QinQ) for AToM. It also permits the rewriting of QinQ tags for Multiple Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) layer 2 VPNs (L2VPNs).</p> <p>In Cisco IOS XE Release 2.4, this feature was introduced on the Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified:</p> <b>interface , encapsulation dot1q second-dot1q , xconnect .</b>

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