

Configuring BGP

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Restrictions for BGP

- The BGP hold time must always be configured higher than the Graceful Restart hold time on a device, even with Graceful Restart disabled. A peer device with an unsupported hold time can establish a session with a device through an open message, but once Graceful Restart is enabled the session will flap.
- Layer 3 forwarding is delayed until routing tables are populated on a device when you switch on the device or execute the **clear ip bgp** command.



Note

The routing tables require around 80 seconds for population. You can use the **show ip bgp** *ip-address* command, in privileged EXEC mode, to check whether the routing tables are populated or not.

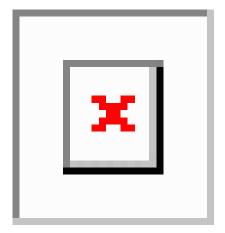
Information About BGP

The Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is an exterior gateway protocol used to set up an interdomain routing system that guarantees the loop-free exchange of routing information between autonomous systems. Autonomous systems are made up of routers that operate under the same administration and that run Interior Gateway Protocols (IGPs), such as RIP or OSPF, within their boundaries and that interconnect by using an Exterior Gateway Protocol (EGP). BGP Version 4 is the standard EGP for interdomain routing in the Internet. The protocol is defined in RFCs 1163, 1267, and 1771.

BGP Network Topology

Routers that belong to the same autonomous system (AS) and that exchange BGP updates run internal BGP (IBGP), and routers that belong to different autonomous systems and that exchange BGP updates run external BGP (EBGP). Most configuration commands are the same for configuring EBGP and IBGP. The difference is that the routing updates are exchanged either between autonomous systems (EBGP) or within an AS (IBGP). The figure given below shows a network that is running both EBGP and IBGP.

Figure 1: EBGP, IBGP, and Multiple Autonomous Systems



Before exchanging information with an external AS, BGP ensures that networks within the AS can be reached by defining internal BGP peering among routers within the AS and by redistributing BGP routing information to IGPs that run within the AS, such as IGRP and OSPF.

Routers that run a BGP routing process are often referred to as BGP speakers. BGP uses the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) as its transport protocol (specifically port 179). Two BGP speakers that have a TCP connection to each other for exchanging routing information are known as peers or neighbors. In the above figure, Routers A and B are BGP peers, as are Routers B and C and Routers C and D. The routing information is a series of AS numbers that describe the full path to the destination network. BGP uses this information to construct a loop-free map of autonomous systems.

The network has these characteristics:

- Routers A and B are running EBGP, and Routers B and C are running IBGP. Note that the EBGP peers are directly connected and that the IBGP peers are not. As long as there is an IGP running that allows the two neighbors to reach one another, IBGP peers do not have to be directly connected.
- All BGP speakers within an AS must establish a peer relationship with each other. That is, the BGP speakers within an AS must be fully meshed logically. BGP4 provides two techniques that reduce the requirement for a logical full mesh: confederations and route reflectors.
- AS 200 is a transit AS for AS 100 and AS 300—that is, AS 200 is used to transfer packets between AS 100 and AS 300.

BGP peers initially exchange their full BGP routing tables and then send only incremental updates. BGP peers also exchange keepalive messages (to ensure that the connection is up) and notification messages (in response to errors or special conditions).

In BGP, each route consists of a network number, a list of autonomous systems that information has passed through (the autonomous system path), and a list of other path attributes. The primary function of a BGP

system is to exchange network reachability information, including information about the list of AS paths, with other BGP systems. This information can be used to determine AS connectivity, to prune routing loops, and to enforce AS-level policy decisions.

A router or device running Cisco IOS does not select or use an IBGP route unless it has a route available to the next-hop router and it has received synchronization from an IGP (unless IGP synchronization is disabled). When multiple routes are available, BGP bases its path selection on attribute values. See the "Configuring BGP Decision Attributes" section for information about BGP attributes.

BGP Version 4 supports classless interdomain routing (CIDR) so you can reduce the size of your routing tables by creating aggregate routes, resulting in supernets. CIDR eliminates the concept of network classes within BGP and supports the advertising of IP prefixes.

Nonstop Forwarding Awareness

The BGP NSF Awareness feature is supported for IPv4 in the . To enable this feature with BGP routing, you need to enable Graceful Restart. When the neighboring router is NSF-capable, and this feature is enabled, the Layer 3 device continues to forward packets from the neighboring router during the interval between the primary Route Processor (RP) in a router failing and the backup RP taking over, or while the primary RP is manually reloaded for a nondisruptive software upgrade.

Information About BGP Routing

To enable BGP routing, you establish a BGP routing process and define the local network. Because BGP must completely recognize the relationships with its neighbors, you must also specify a BGP neighbor.

BGP supports two kinds of neighbors: internal and external. Internal neighbors are in the same AS; external neighbors are in different autonomous systems. External neighbors are usually adjacent to each other and share a subnet, but internal neighbors can be anywhere in the same AS.

The switch supports the use of private AS numbers, usually assigned by service providers and given to systems whose routes are not advertised to external neighbors. The private AS numbers are from 64512 to 65535. You can configure external neighbors to remove private AS numbers from the AS path by using the **neighbor remove-private-as** router configuration command. Then when an update is passed to an external neighbor, if the AS path includes private AS numbers, these numbers are dropped.

If your AS will be passing traffic through it from another AS to a third AS, it is important to be consistent about the routes it advertises. If BGP advertised a route before all routers in the network had learned about the route through the IGP, the AS might receive traffic that some routers could not yet route. To prevent this from happening, BGP must wait until the IGP has propagated information across the AS so that BGP is synchronized with the IGP. Synchronization is enabled by default. If your AS does not pass traffic from one AS to another AS, or if all routers in your autonomous systems are running BGP, you can disable synchronization, which allows your network to carry fewer routes in the IGP and allows BGP to converge more quickly.

Routing Policy Changes

Routing policies for a peer include all the configurations that might affect inbound or outbound routing table updates. When you have defined two routers as BGP neighbors, they form a BGP connection and exchange routing information. If you later change a BGP filter, weight, distance, version, or timer, or make a similar configuration change, you must reset the BGP sessions so that the configuration changes take effect.

There are two types of reset, hard reset and soft reset. Cisco IOS Releases 12.1 and later support a soft reset without any prior configuration. To use a soft reset without preconfiguration, both BGP peers must support the soft route refresh capability, which is advertised in the OPEN message sent when the peers establish a TCP session. A soft reset allows the dynamic exchange of route refresh requests and routing information between BGP routers and the subsequent re-advertisement of the respective outbound routing table.

- When soft reset generates inbound updates from a neighbor, it is called dynamic inbound soft reset.
- When soft reset sends a set of updates to a neighbor, it is called outbound soft reset.

A soft inbound reset causes the new inbound policy to take effect. A soft outbound reset causes the new local outbound policy to take effect without resetting the BGP session. As a new set of updates is sent during outbound policy reset, a new inbound policy can also take effect.

The table given below lists the advantages and disadvantages hard reset and soft reset.

Table 1: Advantages and Disadvantages of Hard and Soft Resets

Type of Reset	Advantages	Disadvantages
Hard reset	No memory overhead	The prefixes in the BGP, IP, and FIB t provided by the neighbor are lost. Not recommended.
Outbound soft reset	No configuration, no storing of routing table updates	Does not reset inbound routing table u
Dynamic inbound soft reset	Does not clear the BGP session and cache Does not require storing of routing table updates and has no memory overhead	Both BGP routers must support the rocapability (in Cisco IOS Release 12.1

BGP Decision Attributes

When a BGP speaker receives updates from multiple autonomous systems that describe different paths to the same destination, it must choose the single best path for reaching that destination. When chosen, the selected path is entered into the BGP routing table and propagated to its neighbors. The decision is based on the value of attributes that the update contains and other BGP-configurable factors.

When a BGP peer learns two EBGP paths for a prefix from a neighboring AS, it chooses the best path and inserts that path in the IP routing table. If BGP multipath support is enabled and the EBGP paths are learned from the same neighboring autonomous systems, instead of a single best path, multiple paths are installed in the IP routing table. Then, during packet switching, per-packet or per-destination load-balancing is performed among the multiple paths. The **maximum-paths** router configuration command controls the number of paths allowed.

These factors summarize the order in which BGP evaluates the attributes for choosing the best path:

1. If the path specifies a next hop that is inaccessible, drop the update. The BGP next-hop attribute, automatically determined by the software, is the IP address of the next hop that is going to be used to reach a destination. For EBGP, this is usually the IP address of the neighbor specified by the neighbor remote-as router configuration command. You can disable next-hop processing by using route maps or the neighbor next-hop-self router configuration command.

- 2. Prefer the path with the largest weight (a Cisco proprietary parameter). The weight attribute is local to the router and not propagated in routing updates. By default, the weight attribute is 32768 for paths that the router originates and zero for other paths. Routes with the largest weight are preferred. You can use access lists, route maps, or the **neighbor weight** router configuration command to set weights.
- 3. Prefer the route with the highest local preference. Local preference is part of the routing update and exchanged among routers in the same AS. The default value of the local preference attribute is 100. You can set local preference by using the **bgp default local-preference** router configuration command or by using a route map.
- **4.** Prefer the route that was originated by BGP running on the local router.
- **5.** Prefer the route with the shortest AS path.
- **6.** Prefer the route with the lowest origin type. An interior route or IGP is lower than a route learned by EGP, and an EGP-learned route is lower than one of unknown origin or learned in another way.
- 7. Prefer the route with the lowest multi -exit discriminator (MED) metric attribute if the neighboring AS is the same for all routes considered. You can configure the MED by using route maps or by using the **default-metric** router configuration command. When an update is sent to an IBGP peer, the MED is included.
- **8.** Prefer the external (EBGP) path over the internal (IBGP) path.
- **9.** Prefer the route that can be reached through the closest IGP neighbor (the lowest IGP metric). This means that the router will prefer the shortest internal path within the AS to reach the destination (the shortest path to the BGP next-hop).
- 10. If the following conditions are all true, insert the route for this path into the IP routing table:
 - Both the best route and this route are external.
 - Both the best route and this route are from the same neighboring autonomous system.
 - Maximum-paths is enabled.
- 11. If multipath is not enabled, prefer the route with the lowest IP address value for the BGP router ID. The router ID is usually the highest IP address on the router or the loopback (virtual) address, but might be implementation-specific.

Route Maps

Within BGP, route maps can be used to control and to modify routing information and to define the conditions by which routes are redistributed between routing domains. Each route map has a name that identifies the route map (*map tag*) and an optional sequence number.

BGP Filtering

You can filter BGP advertisements by using AS-path filters, such as the **as-path access-list** global configuration command and the **neighbor filter-list** router configuration command. You can also use access lists with the **neighbor distribute-list** router configuration command. Distribute-list filters are applied to network numbers. See the "Controlling Advertising and Processing in Routing Updates" section for information about the **distribute-list** command.

You can use route maps on a per-neighbor basis to filter updates and to modify various attributes. A route map can be applied to either inbound or outbound updates. Only the routes that pass the route map are sent or accepted in updates. On both inbound and outbound updates, matching is supported based on AS path, community, and network numbers. Autonomous system path matching requires the **match as-path access-list** route-map command, community based matching requires the **match community-list** route-map command, and network-based matching requires the **ip access-list** global configuration command.

Prefix List for BGP Filtering

You can use prefix lists as an alternative to access lists in many BGP route filtering commands, including the **neighbor distribute-list** router configuration command. The advantages of using prefix lists include performance improvements in loading and lookup of large lists, incremental update support, easier CLI configuration, and greater flexibility.

Filtering by a prefix list involves matching the prefixes of routes with those listed in the prefix list, as when matching access lists. When there is a match, the route is used. Whether a prefix is permitted or denied is based upon these rules:

- An empty prefix list permits all prefixes.
- An implicit deny is assumed if a given prefix does not match any entries in a prefix list.
- When multiple entries of a prefix list match a given prefix, the sequence number of a prefix list entry identifies the entry with the lowest sequence number.

By default, sequence numbers are generated automatically and incremented in units of five. If you disable the automatic generation of sequence numbers, you must specify the sequence number for each entry. You can specify sequence values in any increment. If you specify increments of one, you cannot insert additional entries into the list; if you choose very large increments, you might run out of values.

BGP Community Filtering

One way that BGP controls the distribution of routing information based on the value of the COMMUNITIES attribute. The attribute is a way to groups destinations into communities and to apply routing decisions based on the communities. This method simplifies configuration of a BGP speaker to control distribution of routing information.

A community is a group of destinations that share some common attribute. Each destination can belong to multiple communities. AS administrators can define to which communities a destination belongs. By default, all destinations belong to the general Internet community. The community is identified by the COMMUNITIES attribute, an optional, transitive, global attribute in the numerical range from 1 to 4294967200. These are some predefined, well-known communities:

- internet—Advertise this route to the Internet community. All routers belong to it.
- no-export—Do not advertise this route to EBGP peers.
- **no-advertise**—Do not advertise this route to any peer (internal or external).
- local-as—Do not advertise this route to peers outside the local autonomous system.

Based on the community, you can control which routing information to accept, prefer, or distribute to other neighbors. A BGP speaker can set, append, or modify the community of a route when learning, advertising,

or redistributing routes. When routes are aggregated, the resulting aggregate has a COMMUNITIES attribute that contains all communities from all the initial routes.

You can use community lists to create groups of communities to use in a match clause of a route map. As with an access list, a series of community lists can be created. Statements are checked until a match is found. As soon as one statement is satisfied, the test is concluded.

BGP Neighbors and Peer Groups

Often many BGP neighbors are configured with the same update policies (that is, the same outbound route maps, distribute lists, filter lists, update source, and so on). Neighbors with the same update policies can be grouped into peer groups to simplify configuration and to make updating more efficient. When you have configured many peers, we recommend this approach.

To configure a BGP peer group, you create the peer group, assign options to the peer group, and add neighbors as peer group members. You configure the peer group by using the **neighbor** router configuration commands. By default, peer group members inherit all the configuration options of the peer group, including the remote-as (if configured), version, update-source, out-route-map, out-filter-list, out-dist-list, minimum-advertisement-interval, and next-hop-self. All peer group members also inherit changes made to the peer group. Members can also be configured to override the options that do not affect outbound updates.

Aggregate Routes

Classless interdomain routing (CIDR) enables you to create aggregate routes (or supernets) to minimize the size of routing tables. You can configure aggregate routes in BGP either by redistributing an aggregate route into BGP or by creating an aggregate entry in the BGP routing table. An aggregate address is added to the BGP table when there is at least one more specific entry in the BGP table.

Routing Domain Confederations

One way to reduce the IBGP mesh is to divide an autonomous system into multiple subautonomous systems and to group them into a single confederation that appears as a single autonomous system. Each autonomous system is fully meshed within itself and has a few connections to other autonomous systems in the same confederation. Even though the peers in different autonomous systems have EBGP sessions, they exchange routing information as if they were IBGP peers. Specifically, the next hop, MED, and local preference information is preserved. You can then use a single IGP for all of the autonomous systems.

BGP Route Reflectors

BGP requires that all of the IBGP speakers be fully meshed. When a router receives a route from an external neighbor, it must advertise it to all internal neighbors. To prevent a routing information loop, all IBPG speakers must be connected. The internal neighbors do not send routes learned from internal neighbors to other internal neighbors.

With route reflectors, all IBGP speakers need not be fully meshed because another method is used to pass learned routes to neighbors. When you configure an internal BGP peer to be a route reflector, it is responsible for passing IBGP learned routes to a set of IBGP neighbors. The internal peers of the route reflector are divided into two groups: client peers and nonclient peers (all the other routers in the autonomous system). A route reflector reflects routes between these two groups. The route reflector and its client peers form a cluster. The

nonclient peers must be fully meshed with each other, but the client peers need not be fully meshed. The clients in the cluster do not communicate with IBGP speakers outside their cluster.

When the route reflector receives an advertised route, it takes one of these actions, depending on the neighbor:

- A route from an external BGP speaker is advertised to all clients and nonclient peers.
- A route from a nonclient peer is advertised to all clients.
- A route from a client is advertised to all clients and nonclient peers. Hence, the clients need not be fully meshed.

Usually a cluster of clients have a single route reflector, and the cluster is identified by the route reflector router ID. To increase redundancy and to avoid a single point of failure, a cluster might have more than one route reflector. In this case, all route reflectors in the cluster must be configured with the same 4-byte cluster ID so that a route reflector can recognize updates from route reflectors in the same cluster. All the route reflectors serving a cluster should be fully meshed and should have identical sets of client and nonclient peers.

Route Dampening

Route flap dampening is a BGP feature designed to minimize the propagation of flapping routes across an internetwork. A route is considered to be flapping when it is repeatedly available, then unavailable, then available, and so on. When route dampening is enabled, a numeric penalty value is assigned to a route when it flaps. When a route's accumulated penalties reach a configurable limit, BGP suppresses advertisements of the route, even if the route is running. The reuse limit is a configurable value that is compared with the penalty. If the penalty is less than the reuse limit, a suppressed route that is up is advertised again.

Dampening is not applied to routes that are learned by IBGP. This policy prevents the IBGP peers from having a higher penalty for routes external to the AS.

Conditional BGP Route Injection

Routes that are advertised through the BGP are commonly aggregated to minimize the number of routes that are used and reduce the size of global routing tables. However, common route aggregation can obscure more specific routing information that is more accurate but not necessary to forward packets to their destinations. Routing accuracy is obscured by common route aggregation because a prefix that represents multiple addresses or hosts over a large topological area cannot be accurately reflected in a single route. Cisco software provides several methods by which you can originate a prefix into BGP. Prior to the BGP conditional route injection feature, the existing methods included redistribution and using the **network** or **aggregate-address** command. However, these methods assume the existence of more specific routing information (matching the route to be originated) in either the routing table or the BGP table.

BGP conditional route injection allows you to originate a prefix into a BGP routing table without the corresponding match. This feature allows more specific routes to be generated based on administrative policy or traffic engineering information in order to provide more specific control over the forwarding of packets to these more specific routes, which are injected into the BGP routing table only if the configured conditions are met. Enabling this feature will allow you to improve the accuracy of common route aggregation by conditionally injecting or replacing less specific prefixes with more specific prefixes. Only prefixes that are equal to or more specific than the original prefix may be injected. BGP conditional route injection is enabled with the bgp inject-map exist-map command and uses two route maps (inject map and exist map) to install one (or more) more specific prefixes into a BGP routing table. The exist map specifies the prefixes that the BGP speaker will track. The inject map defines the prefixes that will be created and installed into the local BGP table.



Note

Inject maps and exist maps will only match a single prefix per route map clause. To inject additional prefixes, you must configure additional route map clauses. If multiple prefixes are used, the first prefix matched will be used.

BGP Peer Templates

To address some of the limitations of peer groups such as configuration management, BGP peer templates were introduced to support the BGP update group configuration.

A peer template is a configuration pattern that can be applied to neighbors that share policies. Peer templates are reusable and support inheritance, which allows the network operator to group and apply distinct neighbor configurations for BGP neighbors that share policies. Peer templates also allow the network operator to define very complex configuration patterns through the capability of a peer template to inherit a configuration from another peer template.

There are two types of peer templates:

- Peer session templates are used to group and apply the configuration of general session commands that are common to all address family and NLRI configuration modes.
- Peer policy templates are used to group and apply the configuration of commands that are applied within specific address families and NLRI configuration modes.

Peer templates improve the flexibility and enhance the capability of neighbor configuration. Peer templates also provide an alternative to peer group configuration and overcome some limitations of peer groups. BGP peer devices using peer templates also benefit from automatic update group configuration. With the configuration of the BGP peer templates and the support of the BGP dynamic update peer groups, the network operator no longer needs to configure peer groups in BGP and the network can benefit from improved configuration flexibility and faster convergence.



Note

A BGP neighbor cannot be configured to work with both peer groups and peer templates. A BGP neighbor can be configured to belong only to a peer group or to inherit policies from peer templates.

The following restrictions apply to the peer policy templates:

- A peer policy template can directly or indirectly inherit up to eight peer policy templates.
- A BGP neighbor cannot be configured to work with both peer groups and peer templates. A BGP neighbor can be configured to belong only to a peer group or to inherit policies only from peer templates.

Inheritance in Peer Templates

The inheritance capability is a key component of peer template operation. Inheritance in a peer template is similar to node and tree structures commonly found in general computing, for example, file and directory trees. A peer template can directly or indirectly inherit the configuration from another peer template. The directly inherited peer template represents the tree in the structure. The indirectly inherited peer template represents a node in the tree. Because each node also supports inheritance, branches can be created that apply

the configurations of all indirectly inherited peer templates within a chain back to the directly inherited peer template or the source of the tree.

This structure eliminates the need to repeat configuration statements that are commonly reapplied to groups of neighbors because common configuration statements can be applied once and then indirectly inherited by peer templates that are applied to neighbor groups with common configurations. Configuration statements that are duplicated separately within a node and a tree are filtered out at the source of the tree by the directly inherited template. A directly inherited template will overwrite any indirectly inherited statements that are duplicated in the directly inherited template.

Inheritance expands the scalability and flexibility of neighbor configuration by allowing you to chain together peer templates configurations to create simple configurations that inherit common configuration statements or complex configurations that apply very specific configuration statements along with common inherited configurations. Specific details about configuring inheritance in peer session templates and peer policy templates are provided in the following sections.

When BGP neighbors use inherited peer templates it can be difficult to determine which policies are associated with a specific template. The **detail** keyword of the **show ip bgp template peer-policy** command displays the detailed configuration of local and inherited policies associated with a specific template.

Peer Session Templates

Peer session templates are used to group and apply the configuration of general session commands to groups of neighbors that share session configuration elements. General session commands that are common for neighbors that are configured in different address families can be configured within the same peer session template. Peer session templates are created and configured in peer session configuration mode. Only general session commands can be configured in a peer session template. The following general session commands are supported by peer session templates:

- description
- disable-connected-check
- ebgp-multihop
- exit peer-session
- inherit peer-session
- local-as
- password
- remote-as
- shutdown
- timers
- translate-update
- update-source
- version

General session commands can be configured once in a peer session template and then applied to many neighbors through the direct application of a peer session template or through indirect inheritance from a peer

session template. The configuration of peer session templates simplifies the configuration of general session commands that are commonly applied to all neighbors within an autonomous system.

Peer session templates support direct and indirect inheritance. A peer can be configured with only one peer session template at a time, and that peer session template can contain only one indirectly inherited peer session template.



Note

If you attempt to configure more than one inherit statement with a single peer session template, an error message will be displayed.

This behavior allows a BGP neighbor to directly inherit only one session template and indirectly inherit up to seven additional peer session templates. This allows you to apply up to a maximum of eight peer session configurations to a neighbor: the configuration from the directly inherited peer session template and the configurations from up to seven indirectly inherited peer session templates. Inherited peer session configurations are evaluated first and applied starting with the last node in the branch and ending with the directly applied peer session template configuration at the source of the tree. The directly applied peer session template will have priority over inherited peer session template configurations. Any configuration statements that are duplicated in inherited peer session templates will be overwritten by the directly applied peer session template. So, if a general session command is reapplied with a different value, the subsequent value will have priority and overwrite the previous value that was configured in the indirectly inherited template. The following examples illustrate the use of this feature.

In the following example, the general session command **remote-as 1** is applied in the peer session template named SESSION-TEMPLATE-ONE:

```
template peer-session SESSION-TEMPLATE-ONE
  remote-as 1
  exit peer-session
```

Peer session templates support only general session commands. BGP policy configuration commands that are configured only for a specific address family or NLRI configuration mode are configured with peer policy templates.

Peer Policy Templates

Peer policy templates are used to group and apply the configuration of commands that are applied within specific address families and NLRI configuration mode. Peer policy templates are created and configured in peer policy configuration mode. BGP policy commands that are configured for specific address families are configured in a peer policy template. The following BGP policy commands are supported by peer policy templates:

- · advertisement-interval
- · allowas-in
- · as-override
- capability
- default-originate
- · distribute-list

- · dmzlink-bw
- exit-peer-policy
- filter-list
- · inherit peer-policy
- maximum-prefix
- next-hop-self
- next-hop-unchanged
- prefix-list
- remove-private-as
- route-map
- · route-reflector-client
- send-community
- · send-label
- soft-reconfiguration
- · unsuppress-map
- weight

Peer policy templates are used to configure BGP policy commands that are configured for neighbors that belong to specific address families. Like peer session templates, peer policy templates are configured once and then applied to many neighbors through the direct application of a peer policy template or through inheritance from peer policy templates. The configuration of peer policy templates simplifies the configuration of BGP policy commands that are applied to all neighbors within an autonomous system.

Like a peer session template, a peer policy template supports inheritance. However, there are minor differences. A directly applied peer policy template can directly or indirectly inherit configurations from up to seven peer policy templates. So, a total of eight peer policy templates can be applied to a neighbor or neighbor group. Like route maps, inherited peer policy templates are configured with sequence numbers. Also like a route map, an inherited peer policy template is evaluated starting with the **inherit peer-policy** statement with the lowest sequence number and ending with the highest sequence number. However, there is a difference; a peer policy template will not collapse like a route map. Every sequence is evaluated, and if a BGP policy command is reapplied with a different value, it will overwrite any previous value from a lower sequence number.

The directly applied peer policy template and the **inherit peer-policy** statement with the highest sequence number will always have priority and be applied last. Commands that are reapplied in subsequent peer templates will always overwrite the previous values. This behavior is designed to allow you to apply common policy configurations to large neighbor groups and specific policy configurations only to certain neighbors and neighbor groups without duplicating individual policy configuration commands.

Peer policy templates support only policy configuration commands. BGP policy configuration commands that are configured only for specific address families are configured with peer policy templates.

The configuration of peer policy templates simplifies and improves the flexibility of BGP configuration. A specific policy can be configured once and referenced many times. Because a peer policy supports up to eight levels of inheritance, very specific and very complex BGP policies can also be created.

BGP Route Map Next Hop Self

The BGP Route Map Next Hop Self feature provides a way to override the settings for bgp next-hop unchanged and bgp next-hop unchanged allpath selectively. These settings are global for an address family. For some routes this may not be appropriate. For example, static routes may need to be redistributed with a next hop of self, but connected routes and routes learned via Interior Border Gateway Protocol (IBGP) or Exterior Border Gateway Protocol (EBGP) may continue to be redistributed with an unchanged next hop.

The BGP route map next hop self functionality modifies the existing route map infrastructure to configure a new ip next-hop self setting, which overrides the bgp next-hop unchanged and bgp next-hop unchanged allpaths settings.

The ip next-hop self setting is applicable only to VPNv4 and VPNv6 address families. Routes distributed by protocols other than BGP are not affected.

You configure a new bgp route-map priority setting to inform BGP that the route map will take priority over the settings for bgp next-hop unchanged and bgp next-hop unchanged allpath. The bgp route-map priority setting only impacts BGP. The bgp route-map priority setting has no impact unless you configure the bgp next-hop unchanged or bgp next-hop unchanged allpaths settings.

How to Configure BGP

The following sections provide configurational information about BGP.

Default BGP Configuration

The table given below shows the basic default BGP configuration.

Table 2: Default BGP Configuration

Feature	Default Setting
Aggregate address	Disabled: None defined.
AS path access list	None defined.
Auto summary	Disabled.
Best path	 The router considers <i>as-path</i> in choosing a route and does not compare s from external BGP peers. Compare router ID: Disabled.
BGP community list	 Number: None defined. When you permit a value for the community nudefaults to an implicit deny for everything else that has not been permitt Format: Cisco default format (32-bit number).
BGP confederation identifier/peers	Identifier: None configured. Peers: None identified.

Feature	Default Setting
BGP Fast external fallover	Enabled.
BGP local preference	100. The range is 0 to 4294967295 with the higher value preferred.
BGP network	None specified; no backdoor route advertised.
BGP route dampening	Disabled by default. When enabled: • Half-life is 15 minutes.
	• Re-use is 750 (10-second increments).
	Suppress is 2000 (10-second increments). May suppress time is 4 times helf life; 60 minutes.
	Max-suppress-time is 4 times half-life; 60 minutes.
BGP router ID	The IP address of a loopback interface if one is configured or the highest IP address of a physical interface on the router.
Default information originate (protocol or network redistribution)	Disabled.
Default metric	Built-in, automatic metric translations.
Distance	• External route administrative distance: 20 (acceptable values are from 1 to 2
	• Internal route administrative distance: 200 (acceptable values are from 1 to 1
	• Local route administrative distance: 200 (acceptable values are from 1 to 25
Distribute list	• In (filter networks received in updates): Disabled.
	Out (suppress networks from being advertised in updates): Disabled.
Internal route redistribution	Disabled.
IP prefix list	None defined.
Multi exit discriminator (MED)	Always compare: Disabled. Does not compare MEDs for paths from neighb different autonomous systems.
	Best path compare: Disabled.
	MED missing as worst path: Disabled.
	Deterministic MED comparison is disabled.

Feature	Default Setting	
Neighbor	Advertisement interval: 30 seconds for external peers; 5 seconds for interval.	
	Change logging: Enabled.	
	Conditional advertisement: Disabled.	
	Default originate: No default route is sent to the neighbor.	
	Description: None.	
	Distribute list: None defined.	
	External BGP multihop: Only directly connected neighbors are allowed.	
	• Filter list: None used.	
	Maximum number of prefixes received: No limit.	
	Next hop (router as next hop for BGP neighbor): Disabled.	
	• Password: Disabled.	
	• Peer group: None defined; no members assigned.	
	• Prefix list: None specified.	
	• Remote AS (add entry to neighbor BGP table): No peers defined.	
	• Private AS number removal: Disabled.	
	• Route maps: None applied to a peer.	
	• Send community attributes: None sent to neighbors.	
	Shutdown or soft reconfiguration: Not enabled.	
	• Timers: keepalive: 60 seconds; holdtime: 180 seconds.	
	• Update source: Best local address.	
	Version: BGP Version 4.	
	• Weight: Routes learned through BGP peer: 0; routes sourced by the local	
NSF ¹ Awareness	Disabled ² . If enabled, allows Layer 3 switches to continue forwarding packet neighboring NSF-capable router during hardware or software changes.	
Route reflector	None configured.	
Synchronization (BGP and IGP)	Disabled.	
Table map update	Disabled.	
Timers	Keepalive: 60 seconds; holdtime: 180 seconds.	

Nonstop Forwarding
 NSF Awareness can be enabled for IPv4 on switches with the license by enabling Graceful Restart.

Enabling BGP Routing

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	ip routing	Enables IP routing.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# ip routing	
Step 4	router bgp autonomous-system	Enables a BGP routing process, assign it an
	Example:	AS number, and enter router configuration mode. The AS number can be from 1 to 65535,
	Device(config)# router bgp 45000	with 64512 to 65535 designated as private autonomous numbers.
Step 5	network network-number [mask network-mask] [route-map route-map-name]	Configures a network as local to this AS, and enter it in the BGP table.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router)# network 10.108.0.0	
Step 6	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} remote-as number	Adds an entry to the BGP neighbor table specifying that the neighbor identified by the
	Example:	IP address belongs to the specified AS.
	Device(config-router) # neighbor 10.108.1.2 remote-as 65200	For EBGP, neighbors are usually directly connected, and the IP address is the address of the interface at the other end of the connection.
		For IBGP, the IP address can be the address of any of the router interfaces.
Step 7	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} remove-private-as	(Optional) Removes private AS numbers from the AS-path in outbound routing updates.
	Example:	
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	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 172.16.2.33 remove-private-as	
Step 8	<pre>synchronization Example: Device(config-router)# synchronization</pre>	(Optional) Enables synchronization between BGP and an IGP.
Step 9	<pre>auto-summary Example: Device(config-router)# auto-summary</pre>	(Optional) Enables automatic network summarization. When a subnet is redistributed from an IGP into BGP, only the network route is inserted into the BGP table.
Step 10	<pre>bgp graceful-restart Example: Device(config-router) # bgp graceful-start</pre>	(Optional) Enables NSF awareness on switch. By default, NSF awareness is disabled.
Step 11	<pre>end Example: Device(config-router)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 12	<pre>show ip bgp network network-number Example: Device# show ip bgp network 10.108.0.0</pre>	Verifies the configuration.
Step 13	<pre>show ip bgp neighbor Example: Device# show ip bgp neighbor</pre>	Verifies that NSF awareness (Graceful Restart) is enabled on the neighbor. If NSF awareness is enabled on the switch and the neighbor, this message appears: Graceful Restart Capability: advertised and received If NSF awareness is enabled on the switch, but not on the neighbor, this message appears: Graceful Restart Capability: advertised
Step 14	copy running-config startup-config Example: Device# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.

Managing Routing Policy Changes

To learn if a BGP peer supports the route refresh capability and to reset the BGP session:

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	show ip bgp neighbors Example:	Displays whether a neighbor supports the route refresh capability. When supported, this message appears for the router:
	Device# show ip bgp neighbors	Received route refresh capability from peer.
Step 2	<pre>clear ip bgp {* address peer-group-name} Example: Device# clear ip bgp *</pre>	Resets the routing table on the specified connection. • Enter an asterisk (*) to specify that all connections be reset. • Enter an IP address to specify the connection to be reset. • Enter a peer group name to reset the peer group.
Step 3	<pre>clear ip bgp {* address peer-group-name} soft out Example: Device# clear ip bgp * soft out</pre>	 (Optional) Performs an outbound soft reset to reset the inbound routing table on the specified connection. Use this command if route refresh is supported. Enter an asterisk (*) to specify that all connections be reset. Enter an IP address to specify the connection to be reset. Enter a peer group name to reset the peer group.
Step 4	show ip bgp Example: Device# show ip bgp	Verifies the reset by checking information about the routing table and about BGP neighbors.
Step 5	show ip bgp neighbors Example:	Verifies the reset by checking information about the routing table and about BGP neighbors.
	Device# show ip bgp neighbors	

Configuring BGP Decision Attributes

To configure BGP decision attributes, perform this procedure:

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system	Enables a BGP routing process, assign it an
	Example:	AS number, and enter router configuration mode.
	Device(config)# router bgp 4500	
Step 4	bgp best-path as-path ignore	(Optional) Configures the router to ignore AS
	Example:	path length in selecting a route.
	Device(config-router)# bgp bestpath as-path ignore	
Step 5	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} next-hop-self	(Optional) Disables next-hop processing on BGP updates to a neighbor by entering a
	Example:	specific IP address to be used instead of the next-hop address.
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 10.108.1.1 next-hop-self	
Step 6	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} weight weight	(Optional) Assign a weight to a neighbor connection. Acceptable values are from 0 to
	Example:	65535; the largest weight is the preferred route.
	Device(config-router) # neighbor 172.16.12.1 weight 50	Routes that are learned through another BGP peer have a default weight of 0; routes that are sourced by the local router have a default weight of 32768.
Step 7	default-metric number	(Optional) Sets a MED metric to set preferred
	Example:	paths to external neighbors. All routes without a MED will also be set to this value. The range
	Device(config-router)# default-metric 300	is 1 to 4294967295. The lowest value is the most desirable.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	<pre>bgp bestpath med missing-as-worst Example: Device(config-router) # bgp bestpath med missing-as-worst</pre>	(Optional) Configures the switch to consider a missing MED as having a value of infinity, making the path without a MED value the least desirable path.
Step 9	bgp always-compare med Example: Device(config-router) # bgp always-compare-med	(Optional) Configures the switch to compare MEDs for paths from neighbors in different autonomous systems. By default, MED comparison is only done among paths in the same AS.
Step 10	<pre>bgp bestpath med confed Example: Device(config-router)# bgp bestpath med confed</pre>	(Optional) Configures the switch to consider the MED in choosing a path from among those advertised by different subautonomous systems within a confederation.
Step 11	<pre>bgp deterministic med Example: Device(config-router) # bgp deterministic med</pre>	(Optional) Configures the switch to consider the MED variable when choosing among routes advertised by different peers in the same AS.
Step 12	<pre>bgp default local-preference value Example: Device(config-router)# bgp default local-preference 200</pre>	(Optional) Change the default local preference value. The range is 0 to 4294967295; the default value is 100. The highest local preference value is preferred.
Step 13	maximum-paths eibgp number Example: Device(config-router) # maximum-paths 8 OR Device(config-router) # maximum-paths eibgp 8	(Optional) Configures the number of paths to be added to the IP routing table. The default is to only enter the best path in the routing table. Having multiple paths allows load-balancing among the paths. • number: The number of paths to be added to the IP routing table. The range is from 1 to 16. Note Although the switch software allows a maximum of 32 equal-cost routes, the switch hardware will never use more than 16 paths per route. • eibgp number: The number of parallel iBGP and eBGP paths to be added to the IP routing table.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 14	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# end	
Step 15	show ip bgp	Verifies the reset by checking information
	Example:	about the routing table and about BGP neighbors.
	Device# show ip bgp	
Step 16	show ip bgp neighbors	Verifies the reset by checking information
	Example:	about the routing table and about BGP neighbors.
	Device# show ip bgp neighbors	
Step 17	copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the
	Example:	configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	
	Device# copy running-config	

Configuring BGP Filtering with Route Maps

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	route-map map-tag [permit deny] [sequence-number]	Creates a route map, and enter route-map configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config) # route-map set-peer-address permit 10	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	set ip next-hop ip-address [ip-address] [peer-address]	(Optional) Sets a route map to disable next-hop processing
	<pre>Example: Device(config) # set ip next-hop 10.1.1.3</pre>	• In an inbound route map, set the next hop of matching routes to be the neighbor peering address, overriding third-party next hops.
		• In an outbound route map of a BGP peer, set the next hop to the peering address of the local router, disabling the next-hop calculation.
Step 5	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# end	
Step 6	show route-map [map-name] Example:	Displays all route maps configured or only the one specified to verify configuration.
	Device# show route-map	
Step 7	copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the
	Example:	configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Configuring BGP Filtering by Neighbor

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system Example:	Enables a BGP routing process, assign it an AS number, and enter router configuration mode.
	Device(config)# router bgp 109	
Step 4	neighbor {ip-address peer-group name} distribute-list {access-list-number name} {in out} Example: Device (config-router) # neighbor 172.16.4.1 distribute-list 39 in	(Optional) Filters BGP routing updates to or from neighbors as specified in an access list. Note You can also use the neighbor prefix-list router configuration command to filter updates, but you cannot use both commands to configure the same BGP peer.
Step 5	neighbor {ip-address peer-group name} route-map map-tag {in out} Example:	(Optional) Applies a route map to filter an incoming or outgoing route.
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 172.16.70.24 route-map internal-map in	
Step 6	<pre>end Example: Device(config)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 7	show ip bgp neighbors Example: Device# show ip bgp neighbors	Verifies the configuration.
Step 8	copy running-config startup-config Example: Device# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.

Configuring BGP Filtering by Access Lists and Neighbors

Another method of filtering is to specify an access list filter on both incoming and outbound updates, based on the BGP autonomous system paths. Each filter is an access list based on regular expressions. To use this method, define an autonomous system path access list, and apply it to updates to and from particular neighbors.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	ip as-path access-list access-list-number {permit deny} as-regular-expressions	Defines a BGP-related access list.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# ip as-path access-list 1 deny _65535_	
Step 4	router bgp autonomous-system	Enters BGP router configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# router bgp 110	
Step 5	neighbor {ip-address peer-group name} filter-list {access-list-number name} {in out weight weight}	Establishes a BGP filter based on an access list.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 172.16.1.1 filter-list 1 out	
Step 6	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# end	
Step 7	show ip bgp neighbors [paths regular-expression]	Verifies the configuration.
	Example:	
	Device# show ip bgp neighbors	
Step 8	copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the
	Example:	configuration file.

Command or Action	Purpose
Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Configuring Prefix Lists for BGP Filtering

You do not need to specify a sequence number when removing a configuration entry. **Show** commands include the sequence numbers in their output.

Before using a prefix list in a command, you must set up the prefix list.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	ip prefix-list list-name [seq seq-value] deny permit network/len [ge ge-value] [le le-value]	Creates a prefix list with an optional sequence number to deny or permit access for matching
	Example:	or deny clause.
	Device(config)# ip prefix-list BLUE permit 172.16.1.0/24	• network/len is the network number and length (in bits) of the network mask.
		• (Optional) ge and le values specify the range of the prefix length to be matched. The specified <i>ge-value</i> and <i>le-value</i> must satisfy this condition: <i>len</i> < <i>ge-value</i> < <i>le-value</i> < 32
Step 4	ip prefix-list list-name seq seq-value deny permit network/len [ge ge-value] [le le-value]	(Optional) Adds an entry to a prefix list, and assign a sequence number to the entry.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# ip prefix-list BLUE seq 10 permit 172.24.1.0/24	
Step 5	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config)# end	
Step 6	show ip prefix list [detail summary] name [network/len] [seq seq-num] [longer] [first-match]	Verifies the configuration by displaying information about a prefix list or prefix list entries.
	Example: Device# show ip prefix list summary test	
Step 7	copy running-config startup-config Example:	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Configuring BGP Community Filtering

By default, no COMMUNITIES attribute is sent to a neighbor. You can specify that the COMMUNITIES attribute be sent to the neighbor at an IP address by using the **neighbor send-community** router configuration command.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	ip community-list community-list-number {permit deny} community-number	Creates a community list, and assigns it a number.
	<pre>Example: Device(config) # ip community-list 1 permit 50000:10</pre>	 The <i>community-list-number</i> is an integer from 1 to 99 that identifies one or more permit or deny groups of communities. The <i>community-number</i> is the number configured by a set community route-map configuration command.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	router bgp autonomous-system	Enters BGP router configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# router bgp 108	
Step 5	neighbor {ip-address peer-group name}	Specifies that the COMMUNITIES attribute
	send-community Example:	be sent to the neighbor at this IP address.
	Device(config-router) # neighbor 172.16.70.23 send-community	
Step 6	set comm-list list-num delete	(Optional) Removes communities from the
	Example:	community attribute of an inbound or outbound update that match a standard or extended
	Device(config-router)# set comm-list 500 delete	community list specified by a route map.
Step 7	exit	Returns to global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router)# end	
Step 8	ip bgp-community new-format	(Optional) Displays and parses BGP communities in the format AA:NN.
	Example:	A BGP community is displayed in a two-part
	<pre>Device(config)# ip bgp-community new format</pre>	format 2 bytes long. The Cisco default community format is in the format NNAA. In the most recent RFC for BGP, a community takes the form AA:NN, where the first part is the AS number and the second part is a 2-byte number.
Step 9	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# end	
Step 10	show ip bgp community	Verifies the configuration.
	Example:	
	Device# show ip bgp community	
Step 11	copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the
	Example:	configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config	

Command or Action	Purpose
startup-config	

Configuring BGP Neighbors and Peer Groups

To assign configuration options to an individual neighbor, specify any of these router configuration commands by using the neighbor IP address. To assign the options to a peer group, specify any of the commands by using the peer group name. You can disable a BGP peer or peer group without removing all the configuration information by using the **neighbor shutdown** router configuration command.

To configure BGP neighbors and peer groups, perform this procedure:

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system	Enters BGP router configuration mode.
Step 4	neighbor peer-group-name peer-group	Creates a BGP peer group.
Step 5	neighbor ip-address peer-group peer-group-name	Makes a BGP neighbor a member of the peer group.
Step 6	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} remote-as number	Specifies a BGP neighbor. If a peer group is not configured with a remote-as <i>number</i> , use this command to create peer groups containing EBGP neighbors. The range is 1 to 65535.
Step 7	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} description text	(Optional) Associates a description with a neighbor.
Step 8	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} default-originate [route-map map-name]	(Optional) Allows a BGP speaker (the local router) to send the default route 0.0.0.0 to a neighbor for use as a default route.
Step 9	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} send-community	(Optional) Specifies that the COMMUNITIES attribute be sent to the neighbor at this IP address.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 10	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} update-source interface	(Optional) Allows internal BGP sessions to use any operational interface for TCP connections.
Step 11	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} ebgp-multihop	(Optional) Allows BGP sessions, even when the neighbor is not on a directly connected segment. The multihop session is not established if the only route to the multihop peer's address is the default route (0.0.0.0).
Step 12	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} local-as number	(Optional) Specifies an AS number to use as the local AS. The range is 1 to 65535.
Step 13	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} advertisement-interval seconds	(Optional) Sets the minimum interval between sending BGP routing updates.
Step 14	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} maximum-prefix maximum [threshold]	(Optional) Controls how many prefixes can be received from a neighbor. The range is 1 to 4294967295. The <i>threshold</i> (optional) is the percentage of maximum at which a warning message is generated. The default is 75 percent.
Step 15	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} next-hop-self	(Optional) Disables next-hop processing on the BGP updates to a neighbor.
Step 16	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} password {0-7}string	(Optional) Sets MD5 authentication on a TCP connection to a BGP peer. The same password must be configured on both BGP peers, or the connection between them is not made. The encryption modes supported for the password are:
		• 0 - no encryption/plaintext
		• 7 - proprietary encryption type
		Type 7 is used only for storing the password in the device configuration. The actual value that gets used at the time of BGP session establishment is the MD5 hash of the plaintext password.
		• string - the password string
Step 17	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} route-map map-name {in out}	(Optional) Applies a route map to incoming or outgoing routes.
Step 18	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} send-community	(Optional) Specifies that the COMMUNITIES attribute be sent to the neighbor at this IP address.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 19	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} timers keepalive holdtime	 (Optional) Sets timers for the neighbor or peer group. The <i>keepalive</i> interval is the time within which keepalive messages are sent to peers. The range is 1 to 4294967295 seconds; the default is 60. The <i>holdtime</i> is the interval after which a peer is declared inactive after not receiving a keepalive message from it. The range is 1 to 4294967295 seconds; the default is 180.
Step 20	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} weight weight	(Optional) Specifies a weight for all routes from a neighbor.
Step 21	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} distribute-list {access-list-number name} {in out}	(Optional) Filter BGP routing updates to or from neighbors, as specified in an access list.
Step 22	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} filter-list access-list-number { in out weight weight}	(Optional) Establish a BGP filter.
Step 23	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} version value	(Optional) Specifies the BGP version to use when communicating with a neighbor.
Step 24	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} soft-reconfiguration inbound	(Optional) Configures the software to start storing received updates.
Step 25	<pre>end Example: Device(config)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 26	show ip bgp neighbors	Verifies the configuration.
Step 27	copy running-config startup-config Example: Device# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.

Configuring Aggregate Addresses in a Routing Table

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system	Enters BGP router configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# router bgp 106	
Step 4	aggregate-address address mask	Creates an aggregate entry in the BGP routing
	Example:	table. The aggregate route is advertised as coming from the AS, and the atomic aggregate
	Device (config-router) # aggregate-address 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0	attribute is set to indicate that information might be missing.
Step 5	aggregate-address address mask as-set	(Optional) Generates AS set path information.
	Example:	This command creates an aggregate entry following the same rules as the previous
	Device(config-router)# aggregate-address	command, but the advertised path will be an AS_SET consisting of all elements contained
	10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 as-set	in all paths. Do not use this keyword when
		aggregating many paths because this route must be continually withdrawn and updated.
Step 6	aggregate-address address-mask summary-only	(Optional) Advertises summary addresses only.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router)# aggregate-address 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 summary-only	
Step 7	aggregate-address address mask	(Optional) Suppresses selected, more specific routes.
	suppress-map map-name Example:	Toutes.
	LAdilipie.	
	Device(config-router)# aggregate-address 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 suppress-map map1	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	aggregate-address address mask advertise-map map-name	(Optional) Generates an aggregate based on conditions specified by the route map.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router)# aggregate-address 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 advertise-map map2	
Step 9	aggregate-address address mask	(Optional) Generates an aggregate with
	attribute-map map-name Example:	attributes specified in the route map.
	Device(config-router)# aggregate-address 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 attribute-map map3	
Step 10	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# end	
Step 11	show ip bgp neighbors [advertised-routes]	Verifies the configuration.
	Example:	
	Device# show ip bgp neighbors	
Step 12	copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the
	Example:	configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Configuring Routing Domain Confederations

You must specify a confederation identifier that acts as the autonomous system number for the group of autonomous systems.

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

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system	Enters BGP router configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# router bgp 100	
Step 4	bgp confederation identifier autonomous-system	Configures a BGP confederation identifier.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# bgp confederation identifier 50007	
Step 5	bgp confederation peers autonomous-system	Specifies the autonomous systems that belong
	[autonomous-system]	to the confederation and that will be treated as special EBGP peers.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# bgp confederation peers 51000 51001 51002	
Step 6	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# end	
Step 7	show ip bgp neighbor	Verifies the configuration.
	Example:	
	Device# show ip bgp neighbor	
Step 8	show ip bgp network	Verifies the configuration.
	Example:	
	Device# show ip bgp network	
Step 9	copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the
	Example:	configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Configuring BGP Route Reflectors

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system	Enters BGP router configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# router bgp 101	
Step 4	neighbor {ip-address peer-group-name} route-reflector-client	Configures the local router as a BGP route reflector and the specified neighbor as a client
	Example:	reflector and the specified heighbor as a chefit.
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 172.16.70.24 route-reflector-client	
Step 5	bgp cluster-id cluster-id	(Optional) Configures the cluster ID if the
	Example:	cluster has more than one route reflector.
	Device(config-router) # bgp cluster-id 10.0.1.2	
Step 6	no bgp client-to-client reflection	(Optional) Disables client-to-client route
	Example:	reflection. By default, the routes from a route reflector client are reflected to other clients.
	<pre>Device(config-router) # no bgp client-to-client reflection</pre>	However, if the clients are fully meshed, the route reflector does not need to reflect routes to clients.
Step 7	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# end	
Step 8	show ip bgp	Verifies the configuration. Displays the
	Example:	originator ID and the cluster-list attributes.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device# show ip bgp	
Step 9	copy running-config startup-config Example:	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Configuring Route Dampening

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system	Enters BGP router configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# router bgp 100	
Step 4	bgp dampening	Enables BGP route dampening.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router)# bgp dampening	
Step 5	bgp dampening half-life reuse suppress max-suppress [route-map map]	(Optional) Changes the default values of route dampening factors.
	Example:	dampening ractors.
	Example.	
	Device(config-router)# bgp dampening 30 1500 10000 120	
Step 6	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config)# end	
Step 7	show ip bgp flap-statistics [{regexp regexp} {filter-list list} {address mask [longer-prefix]}]	(Optional) Monitors the flaps of all paths that are flapping. The statistics are deleted when the route is not suppressed and is stable.
	Example:	
	Device# show ip bgp flap-statistics	
Step 8	show ip bgp dampened-paths	(Optional) Displays the dampened routes,
	Example:	including the time remaining before they are suppressed.
	Device# show pi bgp dampened-paths	
Step 9	clear ip bgp flap-statistics [{regexp regexp} {filter-list list} {address mask [longer-prefix]}	(Optional) Clears BGP flap statistics to make it less likely that a route will be dampened.
	Example:	
	Device# clear ip bgp flap-statistics	
Step 10	clear ip bgp dampening	(Optional) Clears route dampening
	Example:	information, and unsuppress the suppressed routes.
	Device# clear ip bgp dampening	
Step 11	copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the
	Example:	configuration file.
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Conditionally Injecting BGP Routes

Use this task to inject more specific prefixes into a BGP routing table over less specific prefixes that were selected through normal route aggregation. These more specific prefixes can be used to provide a finer granularity of traffic engineering or administrative control than is possible with aggregated routes.

Before you begin

This task assumes that the IGP is already configured for the BGP peers.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode for the
	Example:	specified routing process.
	Device(config)# router bgp 40000	
Step 4	bgp inject-map inject-map-name exist-map exist-map-name [copy-attributes]	Specifies the inject map and the exist map for conditional route injection.
	Example:	• Use the copy-attributes keyword to
	Device(config-router)# bgp inject-map ORIGINATE exist-map LEARNED_PATH	specify that the injected route inherit the attributes of the aggregate route.
Step 5	exit	Exits router configuration mode and enters
	Example:	global configuration mode.
	Device(config-router)# exit	
Step 6	route-map map-tag [permit deny] [sequence-number]	Configures a route map and enters route map configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# route-map LEARNED_PATH permit 10	
Step 7	match ip address {access-list-number	Specifies the aggregate route to which a more
	[access-list-number access-list-name] access-list-name [access-list-number	specific route will be injected.
	access-list-name] prefix-list prefix-list-name	In this example, the prefix list named SOURCE is used to redistribute the
	[prefix-list-name]}	source of the route.
	Example:	
	<pre>Device(config-route-map)# match ip address prefix-list SOURCE</pre>	
Step 8	match ip route-source {access-list-number access-list-name} [access-list-number access-list-name]	Specifies the match conditions for redistributing the source of the route.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Example: Device(config-route-map)# match ip route-source prefix-list ROUTE_SOURCE	In this example, the prefix list named ROUTE_SOURCE is used to redistribute the source of the route. Note The route source is the neighbor address that is configured with the neighbor remote-as command. The tracked prefix must come from this neighbor in order for conditional route injection to occur.
Step 9	exit	Exits route map configuration mode and enters
	Example:	global configuration mode.
	Device(config-route-map)# exit	
Step 10	route-map map-tag [permit deny] [sequence-number]	Configures a route map and enters route map configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# route-map ORIGINATE permit 10	
Step 11	set ip address {access-list-number	Specifies the routes to be injected.
	[access-list-number access-list-name] access-list-name [access-list-number access-list-name] prefix-list prefix-list-name [prefix-list-name]}	In this example, the prefix list named originated_routes is used to redistribute the source of the route.
	Example:	
	Device(config-route-map)# set ip address prefix-list ORIGINATED_ROUTES	
Step 12	set community {community-number [additive] [well-known-community] none}	Sets the BGP community attribute of the injected route.
	Example:	
	Device(config-route-map) # set community 14616:555 additive	,
Step 13	exit	Exits route map configuration mode and enters
	Example:	global configuration mode.
	Device(config-route-map)# exit	
Step 14	ip prefix-list list-name [seq seq-value] {deny network/length permit network/length} [ge ge-value] [le le-value]	Configures a prefix list.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Example: Device(config) # ip prefix-list SOURCE permit 10.1.1.0/24	In this example, the prefix list named SOURCE is configured to permit routes from network 10.1.1.0/24.
Step 15	Repeat Step 14 for every prefix list to be created.	
Step 16	<pre>exit Example: Device(config) # exit</pre>	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 17	show ip bgp injected-paths Example: Device# show ip bgp injected-paths	(Optional) Displays information about injected paths.

Configuring Peer Session Templates

Use the following tasks to create and configure a peer session template:

Configuring a Basic Peer Session Template

Perform this task to create a basic peer session template with general BGP routing session commands that can be applied to many neighbors using one of the next two tasks.



Note

The commands in Step 5 and 6 are optional and could be replaced with any supported general session commands.



Note

The following restrictions apply to the peer session templates:

- A peer session template can directly inherit only one session template, and each inherited session template
 can also contain one indirectly inherited session template. So, a neighbor or neighbor group can be
 configured with only one directly applied peer session template and seven additional indirectly inherited
 peer session templates.
- A BGP neighbor cannot be configured to work with both peer groups and peer templates. A BGP neighbor can be configured to belong only to a peer group or to inherit policies only from peer templates.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode and creates a
	Example:	BGP routing process.
	Device(config)# router bgp 101	
Step 4	template peer-session session-template-name	Enters session-template configuration mode and
	Example:	creates a peer session template.
	Device(config-router)# template peer-session INTERNAL-BGP	
Step 5	remote-as autonomous-system-number	(Optional) Configures peering with a remote
	Example:	neighbor in the specified autonomous system. Note Any supported general session
	Device(config-router-stmp)# remote-as 202	command can be used here. For a list of the supported commands, see the "Restrictions" section.
Step 6	timers keepalive-interval hold-time	(Optional) Configures BGP keepalive and hold
	Example:	timers.
	Device(config-router-stmp)# timers 30	The hold time must be at least twice the keepalive time.
	300	Note Any supported general session
		command can be used here. For a list of the supported commands, see the "Restrictions" section.
Step 7	end	Exits session-template configuration mode and
	Example:	returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(config-router)# end	
Step 8	show ip bgp template peer-session [session-template-name]	Displays locally configured peer session templates.
	Example:	The output can be filtered to display a single
	Device# show ip bgp template peer-session	peer policy template with the session-template-name argument. This

Command or Action	Purpose
	command also supports all standard output modifiers.

Configuring Peer Session Template Inheritance with the inherit peer-session Command

This task configures peer session template inheritance with the **inherit peer-session** command. It creates and configures a peer session template and allows it to inherit a configuration from another peer session template.



Note

The commands in Steps 5 and 6 are optional and could be replaced with any supported general session commands.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode and creates a
	Example:	BGP routing process.
	Device(config)# router bgp 101	
Step 4	template peer-session session-template-name	1 0
	Example:	creates a peer session template.
	Device(config-router)# template peer-session CORE1	
Step 5	description text-string	(Optional) Configures a description.
	Example:	The text string can be up to 80 characters.
	Device(config-router-stmp)# description CORE-123	Note Any supported general session command can be used here. For a list of the supported commands, see the "Restrictions" section.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	update-source interface-type interface-number Example:	(Optional) Configures a router to select a specific source or interface to receive routing table updates.
	Device(config-router-stmp)# update-source loopback 1	The example uses a loopback interface. The advantage to this configuration is that the loopback interface is not as susceptible to the effects of a flapping interface.
		Note Any supported general session command can be used here. For a list of the supported commands, see the "Restrictions" section.
Step 7	inherit peer-session session-template-name Example:	Configures this peer session template to inherit the configuration of another peer session template.
	Device(config-router-stmp)# inherit peer-session INTERNAL-BGP	The example configures this peer session template to inherit the configuration from INTERNAL-BGP. This template can be applied to a neighbor, and the configuration INTERNAL-BGP will be applied indirectly. No additional peer session templates can be directly applied. However, the directly inherited template can contain up to seven indirectly inherited peer session templates.
Step 8	end Example:	Exits session-template configuration mode and enters privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(config-router)# end	
Step 9	show ip bgp template peer-session [session-template-name]	Displays locally configured peer session templates.
	Example: Device# show ip bgp template peer-session	The output can be filtered to display a single peer policy template with the optional session-template-name argument. This command also supports all standard output modifiers.

Configuring Peer Session Template Inheritance with the neighbor inherit peer-session Command

This task configures a device to send a peer session template to a neighbor to inherit the configuration from the specified peer session template with the **neighbor inherit peer-session** command. Use the following steps to send a peer session template configuration to a neighbor to inherit.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode and creates a
	Example:	BGP routing process.
	Device(config)# router bgp 101	
Step 4	neighbor ip-address remote-as autonomous-system-number	Configures a peering session with the specified neighbor.
	Example:	The explicit remote-as statement is required for the neighbor inherit statement in Step 5 to
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 172.16.0.1 remote-as 202	work. If a peering is not configured, the specified neighbor in Step 5 will not accept the session template.
Step 5	neighbor ip-address inherit peer-session session-template-name	Sends a peer session template to a neighbor so that the neighbor can inherit the configuration.
	Example:	The example configures a device to send the
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 172.16.0.1 inherit peer-session CORE1	peer session template named CORE1 to the 172.16.0.1 neighbor to inherit. This template can be applied to a neighbor, and if another peer session template is indirectly inherited in CORE1, the indirectly inherited configuration will also be applied. No additional peer session templates can be directly applied. However, the directly inherited template can also inherit up to seven additional indirectly inherited peer session templates.
Step 6	end	Exits router configuration mode and enters
	Example:	privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(config-router)# end	
Step 7	show ip bgp template peer-session [session-template-name]	Displays locally configured peer session templates.
	Example:	The output can be filtered to display a single peer policy template with the optional

Command or Action	Purpose
Device# show ip bgp template peer-session	session-template-name argument. This command also supports all standard output modifiers.

Configuring Peer Policy Templates

Use the following tasks to create and configure a peer policy template:

Configuring Basic Peer Policy Templates

Perform this task to create a basic peer policy template with BGP policy configuration commands that can be applied to many neighbors using one of the next two tasks.



Note

The commands in Steps 5 through 7 are optional and could be replaced with any supported BGP policy configuration commands.



Note

The following restrictions apply to the peer policy templates:

- A peer policy template can directly or indirectly inherit up to eight peer policy templates.
- A BGP neighbor cannot be configured to work with both peer groups and peer templates. A BGP neighbor can be configured to belong only to a peer group or to inherit policies only from peer templates.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode and creates a
	Example:	BGP routing process.
	Device(config)# router bgp 45000	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	<pre>template peer-policy policy-template-name Example: Device(config-router) # template peer-policy GLOBAL</pre>	Enters policy-template configuration mode and creates a peer policy template.
Step 5	maximum-prefix prefix-limit [threshold] [restart restart-interval warning-only] Example: Device(config-router-ptmp) # maximum-prefix 10000	(Optional) Configures the maximum number of prefixes that a neighbor will accept from this peer. Note Any supported BGP policy configuration command can be used here. For a list of the supported commands, see the "Peer Policy Templates" section.
Step 6	<pre>weight weight-value Example: Device(config-router-ptmp)# weight 300</pre>	(Optional) Sets the default weight for routes that are sent from this neighbor. Note Any supported BGP policy configuration command can be used here. For a list of the supported commands, see the "Peer Policy Templates" section.
Step 7	<pre>prefix-list prefix-list-name {in out} Example: Device(config-router-ptmp)# prefix-list NO-MARKETING in</pre>	(Optional) Filters prefixes that are received by the router or sent from the router. The prefix list in the example filters inbound internal addresses. Note Any supported BGP policy configuration command can be used here. For a list of the supported commands, see the "Peer Policy Templates" section.
Step 8	<pre>end Example: Device(config-router-ptmp)# end</pre>	Exits policy-template configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Configuring Peer Policy Template Inheritance with the inherit peer-policy Command

This task configures peer policy template inheritance using the **inherit peer-policy**command. It creates and configure a peer policy template and allows it to inherit a configuration from another peer policy template.



Note

The commands in Steps 5 and 6 are optional and could be replaced with any supported BGP policy configuration commands.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.	
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.	
	Device> enable		
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	Device# configure terminal		
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode and creates a	
	Example:	BGP routing process.	
	Device(config)# router bgp 45000		
Step 4	template peer-policy policy-template-name	Enter policy-template configuration mode and	
	Example:	creates a peer policy template.	
	<pre>Device(config-router) # template peer-policy NETWORK1</pre>		
Step 5	route-map map-name {in out}	(Optional) Applies the specified route map to inbound or outbound routes.	
	Example:		
	Device(config-router-ptmp)# route-map ROUTE in	Note Any supported BGP policy configuration command can be used here.	
Step 6	inherit peer-policy policy-template-name	Configures the peer policy template to inherit	
	sequence-number	the configuration of another peer policy template.	
	Example:	• The <i>sequence-number</i> argument sets the	
	Device(config-router-ptmp)# inherit peer-policy GLOBAL 10	order in which the peer policy template is evaluated. Like a route map sequence number, the lowest sequence number is evaluated first.	
		The example configures this peer policy template to inherit the configuration from GLOBAL. If the template created in these steps is applied to a neighbor, the	

	Command or Action	Purpose
		configuration GLOBAL will also be inherited and applied indirectly. Up to six additional peer policy templates can be indirectly inherited from GLOBAL for a total of eight directly applied and indirectly inherited peer policy templates. • This template in the example will be
		evaluated first if no other templates are configured with a lower sequence number.
Step 7	end	Exits policy-template configuration mode and
	Example:	returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(config-router-ptmp)# end	
Step 8	show ip bgp template peer-policy [policy-template-name[detail]]	Displays locally configured peer policy templates.
	Example: Device# show ip bgp template peer-policy NETWORK1 detail	• The output can be filtered to display a single peer policy template with the <i>policy-template-name</i> argument. This command also supports all standard output modifiers.
		Use the detail keyword to display detailed policy information.

Examples

The following sample output of the **show ip bgp template peer-policy** command with the **detail** keyword displays details of the policy named NETWORK1. The output in this example shows that the GLOBAL template was inherited. Details of route map and prefix list configurations are also displayed.

```
Device# show ip bgp template peer-policy NETWORK1 detail
Template: NETWORK1, index: 2.
Local policies: 0x1, Inherited polices: 0x80840
This template inherits:
 GLOBAL, index:1, seq_no:10, flags:0x1
Locally configured policies:
  route-map ROUTE in
Inherited policies:
 prefix-list NO-MARKETING in
  weight 300
 maximum-prefix 10000
 Template:NETWORK1 <detail>
Locally configured policies:
 route-map ROUTE in
route-map ROUTE, permit, sequence 10
 Match clauses:
    ip address prefix-lists: DEFAULT
```

```
ip prefix-list DEFAULT: 1 entries
    seq 5 permit 10.1.1.0/24
    Set clauses:
    Policy routing matches: 0 packets, 0 bytes
Inherited policies:
    prefix-list NO-MARKETING in
ip prefix-list NO-MARKETING: 1 entries
    seq 5 deny 10.2.2.0/24
```

Configuring Peer Policy Template Inheritance with the neighbor inherit peer-policy Command

This task configures a device to send a peer policy template to a neighbor to inherit using the **neighbor inherit peer-policy** command. Perform the following steps to send a peer policy template configuration to a neighbor to inherit.

When BGP neighbors use multiple levels of peer templates, it can be difficult to determine which policies are applied to the neighbor. The **policy** and **detail** keywords of the **show ip bgp neighbors** command display the inherited policies and policies configured directly on the specified neighbor.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode and creates a
	Example:	BGP routing process.
	Device(config)# router bgp 45000	
Step 4	neighbor ip-address remote-as autonomous-system-number	Configures a peering session with the specified neighbor.
	Example: Device(config-router) # neighbor 192.168.1.2 remote-as 40000	• The explicit remote-as statement is required for the neighbor inherit statement in Step 6 to work. If a peering is not configured, the specified neighbor in Step 6 will not accept the session template.
Step 5	address-family ipv4 [multicast unicast vrf vrf-name]	Enters address family configuration mode to configure a neighbor to accept address
	Example:	family-specific command configurations.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config-router)# address-family ipv4 unicast	
Step 6	neighbor ip-address inherit peer-policy policy-template-name	Sends a peer policy template to a neighbor so that the neighbor can inherit the configuration.
	Example: Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 192.168.1.2 inherit peer-policy GLOBAL	The example configures a router to send the peer policy template named GLOBAL to the 192.168.1.2 neighbor to inherit. This template can be applied to a neighbor, and if another peer policy template is indirectly inherited from GLOBAL, the indirectly inherited configuration will also be applied. Up to seven additional peer policy templates can be indirectly inherited from GLOBAL.
Step 7	<pre>end Example: Device(config-router-af)# end</pre>	Exits address family configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 8	show ip bgp neighbors [ip-address[policy [detail]]]	Displays locally configured peer policy templates.
	Example: Device# show ip bgp neighbors 192.168.1.2 policy	• The output can be filtered to display a single peer policy template with the <i>policy-template-name</i> argument. This command also supports all standard output modifiers.
		Use the policy keyword to display the policies applied to this neighbor per address family.
		Use the detail keyword to display detailed policy information.

Examples

The following sample output shows the policies applied to the neighbor at 192.168.1.2. The output displays both inherited policies and policies configured on the neighbor device. Inherited polices are policies that the neighbor inherits from a peer-group or a peer-policy template.

```
Device# show ip bgp neighbors 192.168.1.2 policy
Neighbor: 192.168.1.2, Address-Family: IPv4 Unicast
Locally configured policies:
  route-map ROUTE in
Inherited polices:
  prefix-list NO-MARKETING in
  route-map ROUTE in
```

weight 300 maximum-prefix 10000

Configuring BGP Route Map Next-hop Self

Perform this task to modify the existing route map by adding the ip next-hop self setting and overriding the bgp next-hop unchanged and bgp next-hop unchanged allpaths settings.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.	
	Example:	• Enter your password if prompted.	
	Device> enable		
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	Device# configure terminal		
Step 3	route-map map-tag permit	Defines conditions for redistributing routes	
	sequence-number Example:	from one routing protocol to another routing protocol and enters route-map configuration mode.	
	Device(config) # route-map static-nexthop-rewrite permit 10		
Step 4	match source-protocol source-protocol Example:	Matches Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP) external routes based on a source protocol.	
	Device(config-route-map)# match source-protocol static		
Step 5	set ip next-hop self	Configure local routes (for BGP only) with	
	Example:	next hop of self.	
	Device(config-route-map)# set ip next-hop self		
Step 6	exit	Exits route-map configuration mode and enters	
	Example:	global configuration mode.	
	Device(config-route-map)# exit		
Step 7	route-map map-tag permit	Defines conditions for redistributing routes	
	sequence-number	from one routing protocol to another routing protocol and enters route-map configuration	
	Example:	mode.	

	Command or Action	Purpose	
	Device(config)# route-map static-nexthop-rewrite permit 20		
Step 8	match route-type internal	Redistributes routes of the specified type.	
	Example:		
	Device(config-route-map)# match route-type internal		
Step 9	match route-type external	Redistributes routes of the specified type.	
	Example:		
	Device(config-route-map)# match route-type external		
Step 10	match source-protocol source-protocol	Matches Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing	
	Example:	Protocol (EIGRP) external routes based on a source protocol.	
	Device(config-route-map) # match source-protocol connected		
Step 11	exit	Exits route-map configuration mode and enters	
	Example:	global configuration mode.	
	Device(config-route-map)# exit		
Step 12	router bgp autonomous-system-number	Enters router configuration mode and creates	
	Example:	a BGP routing process.	
	Device(config)# router bgp 45000		
Step 13	neighbor {ip-address ipv6-address peer-group-name} remote-as	Adds an entry to the BGP or multiprotocol BGP neighbor table.	
	autonomous-system-number		
	Example:		
	Device(config-router)# neighbor 172.16.232.50 remote-as 65001		
Step 14	address-family vpnv4	Specifies the VPNv4 address family and enters	
	Example:	address family configuration mode.	
	Device(config-router)# address-family vpnv4		
Step 15	neighbor {ip-address ipv6-address peer-group-name} activate	Enables the exchange of information with a Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) neighbor.	
	Example:		

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 172.16.232.50 activate	
Step 16	neighbor {ip-address ipv6-address peer-group-name} next-hop unchanged allpaths	Enables an external EBGP peer that is configured as multihop to propagate the next hop unchanged.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 172.16.232.50 next-hop unchanged allpaths	
Step 17	neighbor {ip-address ipv6-address peer-group-name} route-map map-name out	Applies a route map to an outgoing route.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 172.16.232.50 route-map static-nexthop-rewrite out	
Step 18	exit	Exits address family configuration mode and
	Example:	enters router configuration mode.
	Device(config-router-af)# exit	
Step 19	address-family ipv4 [unicast multicast vrf vrf-name]	Specifies the IPv4 address family and enters address family configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config-router)# address-family ipv4 unicast vrf inside	
Step 20	bgp route-map priority	Configures the route map priority for the local BGP routing process
	Example:	BOP fouring process
	Device(config-router-af)# bgp route-map priority	
Step 21	redistribute protocol	Redistributes routes from one routing domain
	Example:	into another routing domain.
	Device(config-router-af)# redistribute static	
Step 22	redistribute protocol	Redistributes routes from one routing domain
	Example:	into another routing domain.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config-router-af)# redistribute connected	
Step 23	exit-address-family Example:	Exits address family configuration mode and enters router configuration mode .
	Device(config-router-af)# exit address-family	
Step 24	end Example:	Exits router configuration mode and enters privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(config-router)# end	

Configuration Examples for BGP

The following sections provide configuration examples for BGP.

Example: Configuring Conditional BGP Route Injection

The following sample output is similar to the output that will be displayed when the **show ip bgp injected-paths** command is entered:

```
Device# show ip bgp injected-paths

BGP table version is 11, local router ID is 10.0.0.1

Status codes:s suppressed, d damped, h history, * valid, > best, i - internal

Origin codes:i - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete

Network Next Hop Metric LocPrf Weight Path

*> 172.16.0.0 10.0.0.2 0 ?

*> 172.17.0.0/16 10.0.0.2 0 ?
```

Example: Configuring Peer Session Templates

The following example creates a peer session template named INTERNAL-BGP in session-template configuration mode:

```
router bgp 45000
template peer-session INTERNAL-BGP
remote-as 50000
timers 30 300
exit-peer-session
```

The following example creates a peer session template named CORE1. This example inherits the configuration of the peer session template named INTERNAL-BGP.

```
router bgp 45000
template peer-session CORE1
```

```
description CORE-123
update-source loopback 1
inherit peer-session INTERNAL-BGP
exit-peer-session
```

The following example configures the 192.168.3.2 neighbor to inherit the CORE1 peer session template. The 192.168.3.2 neighbor will also indirectly inherit the configuration from the peer session template named INTERNAL-BGP. The explicit **remote-as** statement is required for the neighbor inherit statement to work. If a peering is not configured, the specified neighbor will not accept the session template.

```
router bgp 45000
neighbor 192.168.3.2 remote-as 50000
neighbor 192.168.3.2 inherit peer-session CORE1
```

Examples: Configuring Peer Policy Templates

The following example creates a peer policy template named GLOBAL and enters policy-template configuration mode:

```
router bgp 45000

template peer-policy GLOBAL
weight 1000
maximum-prefix 5000
prefix-list NO_SALES in
exit-peer-policy
```

The following example creates a peer policy template named PRIMARY-IN and enters policy-template configuration mode:

```
router bgp 45000
template peer-policy PRIMARY-IN
prefix-list ALLOW-PRIMARY-A in
route-map SET-LOCAL in
weight 2345
default-originate
exit-peer-policy
```

The following example creates a peer policy template named CUSTOMER-A. This peer policy template is configured to inherit the configuration from the peer policy templates named PRIMARY-IN and GLOBAL.

```
router bgp 45000
template peer-policy CUSTOMER-A
route-map SET-COMMUNITY in
filter-list 20 in
inherit peer-policy PRIMARY-IN 20
inherit peer-policy GLOBAL 10
exit-peer-policy
```

The following example configures the 192.168.2.2 neighbor in address family mode to inherit the peer policy template named CUSTOMER-A. Assuming this example is a continuation of the example above, because the peer policy template named CUSTOMER-A above inherited the configuration from the templates named PRIMARY-IN and GLOBAL, the 192.168.2.2 neighbor will also indirectly inherit the peer policy templates named PRIMARY-IN and GLOBAL.

```
router bgp 45000
neighbor 192.168.2.2 remote-as 50000
address-family ipv4 unicast
```

```
neighbor 192.168.2.2 inherit peer-policy CUSTOMER-A end
```

Example: Configuring BGP Route Map next-hop self

This section contains an example of how to configure BGP Route Map next-hop self.

In this example, a route map is configured that matches the networks where you wish to override settings for bgp next-hop unchanged and bgp next-hop unchanged allpath. Subsequently, next-hop self is configured. After this, the bgp route map priority is configured for the specified address family so that the previously specified route map takes priority over the settings for bgp next-hop unchanged and bgp next-hop unchanged allpath. This configuration results in static routes being redistributed with a next hop of self, but connected routes and routes learned via IBGP or EBGP continue to be redistributed with an unchanged next hop.

```
route-map static-nexthop-rewrite permit 10
match source-protocol static
set ip next-hop self
route-map static-nexthop-rewrite permit 20
match route-type internal
match route-type external
match source-protocol connected
router bgp 65000
neighbor 172.16.232.50 remote-as 65001
address-family vpnv4
  neighbor 172.16.232.50 activate
  neighbor 172.16.232.50 next-hop unchanged allpaths
  neighbor 172.16.232.50 route-map static-nexthop-rewrite out
 exit-address-family
address-family ipv4 unicast vrf inside
  bgp route-map priority
  redistribute static
  redistribute connected
exit-address-family
end
```

Monitoring and Maintaining BGP

You can remove all contents of a particular cache, table, or database. This might be necessary when the contents of the particular structure have become or are suspected to be invalid.

You can display specific statistics, such as the contents of BGP routing tables, caches, and databases. You can use the information to get resource utilization and solve network problems. You can also display information about node reachability and discover the routing path your device's packets are taking through the network.

The table given below lists the privileged EXEC commands for clearing and displaying BGP.

Table 3: IP BGP Clear and Show Commands

clear ip bgp address	Resets a particular BGP connection.
clear ip bgp *	Resets all BGP connections.
clear ip bgp peer-group tag	Removes all members of a BGP peer group.

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show ip bgp prefix	Displays peer groups and peers not in peer groups to which has been advertised. Also displays prefix attributes such as hop and the local prefix.
show ip bgp cidr-only	Displays all BGP routes that contain subnet and supernet no masks.
show ip bgp community [community-number] [exact]	Displays routes that belong to the specified communities.
show ip bgp community-list community-list-number [exact-match]	Displays routes that are permitted by the community list.
show ip bgp filter-list access-list-number	Displays routes that are matched by the specified AS path a
show ip bgp inconsistent-as	Displays the routes with inconsistent originating autonomous
show ip bgp regexp regular-expression	Displays the routes that have an AS path that matches the s regular expression entered on the command line.
show ip bgp	Displays the contents of the BGP routing table.
show ip bgp neighbors [address]	Displays detailed information on the BGP and TCP connec individual neighbors.
show ip bgp neighbors [address] [advertised-routes dampened-routes flap-statistics paths regular-expression received-routes routes]	Displays routes learned from a particular BGP neighbor.
show ip bgp paths	Displays all BGP paths in the database.
show ip bgp peer-group [tag] [summary]	Displays information about BGP peer groups.
show ip bgp summary	Displays the status of all BGP connections.

The **bgp log-neighbor changes** command is enabled by default. It allows to log messages that are generated when a BGP neighbor resets, comes up, or goes down.

Feature History for Border Gateway Protocol

This table provides release and related information for the features explained in this module.

These features are available in all the releases subsequent to the one they were introduced in, unless noted otherwise.

Release	Feature	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.11.1	Border Gateway Protocol	The Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is an exterior gateway protocol used to set up an interdomain routing system that guarantees the loop-free exchange of routing information between autonomous systems.

Release	Feature	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.11.1	Conditional BGP Route Injection	Conditional BGP Route Injection allows you to originate a prefix into a BGP routing table without the corresponding match.
	BGP Peer Templates	A BGP Peer Template is a configuration pattern that can be applied to neighbors that share policies. Peer templates are reusable and support inheritance, which allows the network operator to group and apply distinct neighbor configurations for BGP neighbors that share policies.
	BGP Route Map Next Hop Self	The BGP Route Map Next Hop Self feature provides a way to override the settings for bgp next-hop unchanged and bgp next-hop unchanged allpath selectively.
Cisco IOS XE Cupertino 17.7.1	Border Gateway Protocol	Support for this feature was introduced on the Cisco Catalyst 9600 Series Supervisor 2 Module (C9600X-SUP-2).

Use the Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform and software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to https://cfnng.cisco.com/

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