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CHAPTER

1

Configuring GLBP

Gateway Load Balancing Protocol (GLBP) protects data traffic from a failed device or circuit, like Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP) and Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP), while allowing packet load sharing between a group of redundant devices.

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Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the feature information table at the end of this module.

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

Restrictions for GLBP

Enhanced Object Tracking (EOT) is not stateful switchover (SSO)-aware and cannot be used with GLBP in SSO mode.

Prerequisites for GLBP

Before configuring GLBP, ensure that the devices can support multiple MAC addresses on the physical interfaces. For each GLBP forwarder to be configured, an additional MAC address is used.

Information About GLBP

GLBP Overview

GLBP provides automatic device backup for IP hosts configured with a single default gateway on an IEEE 802.3 LAN. Multiple first-hop devices on the LAN combine to offer a single virtual first-hop IP device while sharing the IP packet forwarding load. Other devices on the LAN act as redundant GLBP devices that will become active if any of the existing forwarding devices fail.

GLBP performs a similar function for the user as HSRP and VRRP. HSRP and VRRP allow multiple devices to participate in a virtual device group configured with a virtual IP address. One member is elected to be the active device to forward packets sent to the virtual IP address for the group. The other devices in the group are redundant until the active device fails. These standby devices have unused bandwidth that the protocol is not using. Although multiple virtual device groups can be configured for the same set of devices, the hosts must be configured for different default gateways, which results in an extra administrative burden. The advantage of GLBP is that it additionally provides load balancing over multiple devices (gateways) using a single virtual IP address and multiple virtual MAC addresses. The forwarding load is shared among all devices in a GLBP group rather than being handled by a single device while the other devices stand idle. Each host is configured with the same virtual IP address, and all devices in the virtual device group participate in forwarding packets. GLBP members communicate between each other through hello messages sent every 3 seconds to the multicast address 224.0.0.102, UDP port 3222 (source and destination).

GLBP Packet Types

GLBP uses 3 different packet types to operate. The packet types are Hello, Request, and Reply. The Hello packet is used to advertise protocol information. Hello packets are multicast, and are sent when any virtual gateway or virtual forwarder is in Speak, Standby or Active state. Request and Reply packets are used for virtual MAC assignment. They are both unicast messages to and from the active virtual gateway (AVG).

GLBP Active Virtual Gateway

Members of a GLBP group elect one gateway to be the active virtual gateway (AVG) for that group. Other group members provide backup for the AVG if the AVG becomes unavailable. The AVG assigns a virtual MAC address to each member of the GLBP group. Each gateway assumes responsibility for forwarding packets sent to the virtual MAC address assigned to it by the AVG. These gateways are known as active virtual forwarders (AVFs) for their virtual MAC address.

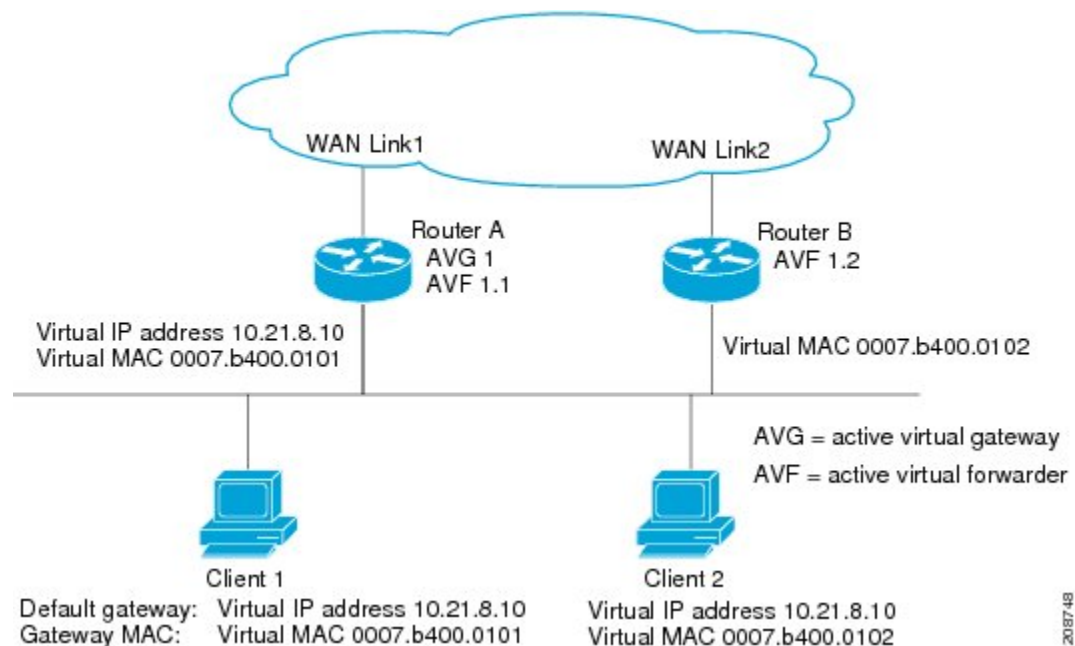
The AVG is also responsible for answering Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) requests for the virtual IP address. Load sharing is achieved by the AVG replying to the ARP requests with different virtual MAC addresses.

Prior to Cisco IOS Release 15.0(1)M1 and 12.4(24)T2, when the **no glbp load-balancing** command is configured, the AVG always responds to ARP requests with the MAC address of its AVF.

In Cisco IOS Release 15.0(1)M1 and 12.4(24)T2, and later releases, when the **no glbp load-balancing** command is configured, if the AVG does not have an AVF, it preferentially responds to ARP requests with the MAC address of the first listening virtual forwarder (VF), which will cause traffic to route via another gateway until that VF migrates back to being the current AVG.

In the figure below, Router A (or Device A) is the AVG for a GLBP group, and is responsible for the virtual IP address 10.21.8.10. Router A is also an AVF for the virtual MAC address 0007.b400.0101. Router B (or Device B) is a member of the same GLBP group and is designated as the AVF for the virtual MAC address 0007.b400.0102. Client 1 has a default gateway IP address of 10.21.8.10 and a gateway MAC address of 0007.b400.0101. Client 2 shares the same default gateway IP address but receives the gateway MAC address 0007.b400.0102 because Router B is sharing the traffic load with Router A.

Figure 1: GLBP Topology



If Router A becomes unavailable, Client 1 will not lose access to the WAN because Router B will assume responsibility for forwarding packets sent to the virtual MAC address of Router A, and for responding to packets sent to its own virtual MAC address. Router B will also assume the role of the AVG for the entire GLBP group. Communication for the GLBP members continues despite the failure of a device in the GLBP group.

GLBP Virtual MAC Address Assignment

A GLBP group allows up to four virtual MAC addresses per group. The AVG is responsible for assigning the virtual MAC addresses to each member of the group. Other group members request a virtual MAC address after they discover the AVG through hello messages. Gateways are assigned the next MAC address in sequence. A virtual forwarder that is assigned a virtual MAC address by the AVG is known as a primary virtual forwarder. Other members of the GLBP group learn the virtual MAC addresses from hello messages. A virtual forwarder that has learned the virtual MAC address is referred to as a secondary virtual forwarder.

GLBP Virtual Gateway Redundancy

GLBP operates virtual gateway redundancy in the same way as HSRP. One gateway is elected as the AVG, another gateway is elected as the standby virtual gateway, and the remaining gateways are placed in a listen state.

If an AVG fails, the standby virtual gateway will assume responsibility for the virtual IP address. A new standby virtual gateway is then elected from the gateways in the listen state.

GLBP Virtual Forwarder Redundancy

Virtual forwarder redundancy is similar to virtual gateway redundancy with an AVF. If the AVF fails, one of the secondary virtual forwarders in the listen state assumes responsibility for the virtual MAC address.

The new AVF is also a primary virtual forwarder for a different forwarder number. GLBP migrates hosts away from the old forwarder number using two timers that start as soon as the gateway changes to the active virtual forwarder state. GLBP uses the hello messages to communicate the current state of the timers.

The redirect time is the interval during which the AVG continues to redirect hosts to the old virtual forwarder MAC address. When the redirect time expires, the AVG stops using the old virtual forwarder MAC address in ARP replies, although the virtual forwarder will continue to forward packets that were sent to the old virtual forwarder MAC address.

The secondary holdtime is the interval during which the virtual forwarder is valid. When the secondary holdtime expires, the virtual forwarder is removed from all gateways in the GLBP group. The expired virtual forwarder number becomes eligible for reassignment by the AVG.

GLBP Gateway Priority

GLBP gateway priority determines the role that each GLBP gateway plays and what happens if the AVG fails.

Priority also determines if a GLBP device functions as a backup virtual gateway and the order of ascendancy to becoming an AVG if the current AVG fails. You can configure the priority of each backup virtual gateway with a value of 1 through 255 using the **glbp priority** command.

In the "GLBP Topology" figure, if Router A (or Device A)—the AVG in a LAN topology—fails, an election process takes place to determine which backup virtual gateway should take over. In this example, Router B (or Device B) is the only other member in the group so it will automatically become the new AVG. If another device existed in the same GLBP group with a higher priority, then the device with the higher priority would be elected. If both devices have the same priority, the backup virtual gateway with the higher IP address would be elected to become the active virtual gateway.

By default, the GLBP virtual gateway preemptive scheme is disabled. A backup virtual gateway can become the AVG only if the current AVG fails, regardless of the priorities assigned to the virtual gateways. You can enable the GLBP virtual gateway preemptive scheme using the **glbp preempt** command. Preemption allows a backup virtual gateway to become the AVG, if the backup virtual gateway is assigned a higher priority than the current AVG.

GLBP Gateway Weighting and Tracking

GLBP uses a weighting scheme to determine the forwarding capacity of each device in the GLBP group. The weighting assigned to a device in the GLBP group can be used to determine whether it will forward packets and, if so, the proportion of hosts in the LAN for which it will forward packets. Thresholds can be set to disable forwarding when the weighting for a GLBP group falls below a certain value, and when it rises above another threshold, forwarding is automatically reenabled.

The GLBP group weighting can be automatically adjusted by tracking the state of an interface within the device. If a tracked interface goes down, the GLBP group weighting is reduced by a specified value. Different interfaces can be tracked to decrement the GLBP weighting by varying amounts.

By default, the GLBP virtual forwarder preemptive scheme is enabled with a delay of 30 seconds. A backup virtual forwarder can become the AVF if the current AVF weighting falls below the low weighting threshold for 30 seconds. You can disable the GLBP forwarder preemptive scheme using the **no glbp forwarder preempt** command or change the delay using the **glbp forwarder preempt delay minimum** command.

GLBP MD5 Authentication

GLBP MD5 authentication uses the industry-standard MD5 algorithm for improved reliability and security. MD5 authentication provides greater security than the alternative plain text authentication scheme and protects against spoofing software.

MD5 authentication allows each GLBP group member to use a secret key to generate a keyed MD5 hash that is part of the outgoing packet. A keyed hash of an incoming packet is generated and, if the hash within the incoming packet does not match the generated hash, the packet is ignored.

The key for the MD5 hash can either be given directly in the configuration using a key string or supplied indirectly through a key chain. The key string cannot exceed 100 characters in length.

A device will ignore incoming GLBP packets from devices that do not have the same authentication configuration for a GLBP group. GLBP has three authentication schemes:

- No authentication
- Plain text authentication
- MD5 authentication

GLBP packets will be rejected in any of the following cases:

- The authentication schemes differ on the device and in the incoming packet.
- MD5 digests differ on the device and in the incoming packet.
- Text authentication strings differ on the device and in the incoming packet.

ISSU-GLBP

GLBP supports In Service Software Upgrade (ISSU). ISSU allows a high-availability (HA) system to run in Stateful Switchover (SSO) mode even when different versions of Cisco IOS software are running on the active and standby Route Processors (RPs) or line cards.

ISSU provides the ability to upgrade or downgrade from one supported Cisco IOS release to another while continuing to forward packets and maintain sessions, thereby reducing planned outage time. The ability to upgrade or downgrade is achieved by running different software versions on the active RP and standby RP for a short period of time to maintain state information between RPs. This feature allows the system to switch over to a secondary RP running upgraded (or downgraded) software and continue forwarding packets without session loss and with minimal or no packet loss. This feature is enabled by default.

For detailed information about ISSU, see the *Cisco IOS In Service Software Upgrade Process* in the *Cisco IOS High Availability Configuration Guide*

For detailed information about ISSU on the 7600 series devices, see the *ISSU and eFSU on Cisco 7600 Series Routers* document.

GLBP SSO

With the introduction of the GLBP SSO functionality, GLBP is stateful switchover (SSO) aware. GLBP can detect when a device is failing over to the secondary router processor (RP) and continue in its current group state.

SSO functions in networking devices (usually edge devices) that support dual RPs. SSO provides RP redundancy by establishing one of the RPs as the active processor and the other RP as the standby processor. SSO also synchronizes critical state information between the RPs so that network state information is dynamically maintained between RPs.

Without SSO-awareness, if GLBP is deployed on a device with redundant RPs, a switchover of roles between the active RP and the standby RP results in the device relinquishing its activity as a GLBP group member and then rejoining the group as if it had been reloaded. The GLBP SSO feature enables GLBP to continue its activities as a group member during a switchover. GLBP state information between redundant RPs is maintained so that the standby RP can continue the device's activities within the GLBP during and after a switchover.

This feature is enabled by default. To disable this feature, use the **no glbp sso** command in global configuration mode.

For more information, see the *Stateful Switchover* document in the *Cisco IOS High Availability Configuration Guide*.

GLBP Benefits

Load Sharing

You can configure GLBP in such a way that traffic from LAN clients can be shared by multiple devices, thereby sharing the traffic load more equitably among available devices.

Multiple Virtual Devices

GLBP supports up to 1024 virtual devices (GLBP groups) on each physical interface of a device and up to four virtual forwarders per group.

Preemption

The redundancy scheme of GLBP enables you to preempt an active virtual gateway (AVG) with a higher priority backup virtual gateway that has become available. Forwarder preemption works in a similar way, except that forwarder preemption uses weighting instead of priority and is enabled by default.

Authentication

GLBP supports the industry-standard message digest 5 (MD5) algorithm for improved reliability, security, and protection against GLBP-spoofing software. A device within a GLBP group with a different authentication string than other devices will be ignored by other group members. You can alternatively use a simple text password authentication scheme between GLBP group members to detect configuration errors.

How to Configure GLBP

Enabling and Verifying GLBP

Perform this task to enable GLBP on an interface and verify its configuration and operation. GLBP is designed to be easy to configure. Each gateway in a GLBP group must be configured with the same group number, and at least one gateway in the GLBP group must be configured with the virtual IP address to be used by the group. All other required parameters can be learned.

Before You Begin

If VLANs are in use on an interface, the GLBP group number must be different for each VLAN.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ip address** *ip-address mask* [**secondary**]
5. **glbp group ip** [*ip-address* [**secondary**]]
6. **exit**
7. **show glbp** [*interface-type interface-number*] [*group*] [*state*] [**brief**]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	interface <i>type number</i> Example: Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 4	ip address <i>ip-address mask</i> [secondary] Example: Device(config-if)# ip address 10.21.8.32 255.255.255.0	Specifies a primary or secondary IP address for an interface.
Step 5	glbp group ip [<i>ip-address</i> [secondary]] Example: Device(config-if)# glbp 10 ip 10.21.8.10	Enables GLBP on an interface and identifies the primary IP address of the virtual gateway. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After you identify a primary IP address, you can use the glbp group ip command again with the secondary keyword to indicate additional IP addresses supported by this group.
Step 6	exit Example: Device(config-if)# exit	Exits interface configuration mode, and returns the device to global configuration mode.
Step 7	show glbp [<i>interface-type interface-number</i>] [<i>group</i>] [<i>state</i>] [brief] Example: Device(config)# show glbp 10	(Optional) Displays information about GLBP groups on a device. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the optional brief keyword to display a single line of information about each virtual gateway or virtual forwarder.

Example

In the following example, sample output is displayed about the status of the GLBP group, named 10, on the device:

```
Device# show glbp 10

GigabitEthernet0/0/0 - Group 10
  State is Active
    2 state changes, last state change 23:50:33
  Virtual IP address is 10.21.8.10
  Hello time 5 sec, hold time 18 sec
    Next hello sent in 4.300 secs
  Redirect time 600 sec, forwarder time-out 7200 sec
  Authentication text "stringabc"
  Preemption enabled, min delay 60 sec
  Active is local
  Standby is unknown
  Priority 254 (configured)
```

```

Weighting 105 (configured 110), thresholds: lower 95, upper 105
  Track object 2 state Down decrement 5
Load balancing: host-dependent
There is 1 forwarder (1 active)
Forwarder 1
  State is Active
    1 state change, last state change 23:50:15
  MAC address is 0007.b400.0101 (default)
  Owner ID is 0005.0050.6c08
  Redirection enabled
  Preemption enabled, min delay 60 sec
  Active is local, weighting 105

```

Customizing GLBP

Customizing the behavior of GLBP is optional. Be aware that as soon as you enable a GLBP group, that group is operating. It is possible that if you first enable a GLBP group before customizing GLBP, the device could take over control of the group and become the AVG before you have finished customizing the feature. Therefore, if you plan to customize GLBP, it is a good idea to do so before enabling GLBP.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ip address** *ip-address mask [secondary]*
5. **glbp group timers** [*msec*] *hellotime [msec] holdtime*
6. **glbp group timers redirect** *redirect timeout*
7. **glbp group load-balancing** [*host-dependent | round-robin | weighted*]
8. **glbp group priority** *level*
9. **glbp group preempt** [*delay minimum seconds*]
10. **glbp group client-cache maximum** *number [timeout minutes]*
11. **glbp group name** *redundancy-name*
12. **exit**
13. **no glbp sso**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	<p>interface <i>type number</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config)# interface fastethernet 0/0</pre>	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 4	<p>ip address <i>ip-address mask</i> [secondary]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# ip address 10.21.8.32 255.255.255.0</pre>	Specifies a primary or secondary IP address for an interface.
Step 5	<p>glbp group timers [msec] <i>hellotime</i> [msec] <i>holdtime</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 10 timers 5 18</pre>	<p>Configures the interval between successive hello packets sent by the AVG in a GLBP group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The <i>holdtime</i> argument specifies the interval in seconds before the virtual gateway and virtual forwarder information in the hello packet is considered invalid. The optional msec keyword specifies that the following argument will be expressed in milliseconds, instead of the default seconds.
Step 6	<p>glbp group timers redirect <i>redirect timeout</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 10 timers redirect 1800 28800</pre>	<p>Configures the time interval during which the AVG continues to redirect clients to an AVF. The default is 600 seconds (10 minutes).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The <i>timeout</i> argument specifies the interval in seconds before a secondary virtual forwarder becomes invalid. The default is 14,400 seconds (4 hours). <p>Note The zero value for the <i>redirect</i> argument cannot be removed from the range of acceptable values because preexisting configurations of Cisco IOS software already using the zero value could be negatively affected during an upgrade. However, a zero setting is not recommended and, if used, results in a redirect timer that never expires. If the redirect timer does not expire, and the device fails, new hosts continue to be assigned to the failed device instead of being redirected to the backup.</p>
Step 7	<p>glbp group load-balancing [host-dependent round-robin weighted]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 10 load-balancing host-dependent</pre>	Specifies the method of load balancing used by the GLBP AVG.
Step 8	<p>glbp group priority <i>level</i></p>	Sets the priority level of the gateway within a GLBP group.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 10 priority 254</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The default value is 100.
Step 9	<p>glbp group preempt [delay minimum seconds]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 10 preempt delay minimum 60</pre>	<p>Configures the device to take over as AVG for a GLBP group if it has a higher priority than the current AVG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This command is disabled by default. Use the optional delay and minimum keywords and the <i>seconds</i> argument to specify a minimum delay interval in seconds before preemption of the AVG takes place.
Step 10	<p>glbp group client-cache maximum number [timeout minutes]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 10 client-cache maximum 1200 timeout 245</pre>	<p>(Optional) Enables the GLBP client cache.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This command is disabled by default. Use the <i>number</i> argument to specify the maximum number of clients the cache will hold for this GLBP group. The range is from 8 to 2000. Use the optional timeout minutes keyword and argument pair to configure the maximum amount of time a client entry can stay in the GLBP client cache after the client information was last updated. The range is from 1 to 1440 minutes (one day). <p>Note For IPv4 networks, Cisco recommends setting a GLBP client cache timeout value that is slightly longer than the maximum expected end-host Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) cache timeout value.</p>
Step 11	<p>glbp group name redundancy-name</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 10 name abc123</pre>	<p>Enables IP redundancy by assigning a name to the GLBP group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GLBP redundancy client must be configured with the same GLBP group name so the redundancy client and the GLBP group can be connected.
Step 12	<p>exit</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# exit</pre>	<p>Exits interface configuration mode, and returns the device to global configuration mode.</p>
Step 13	<p>no glbp sso</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config)# no glbp sso</pre>	<p>(Optional) Disables GLBP support of SSO.</p>

Configuring GLBP MD5 Authentication Using a Key String

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ip address** *ip-address mask* [**secondary**]
5. **glbp** *group-number authentication md5 key-string* [**0** | **7**] *key*
6. **glbp** *group-number ip* [*ip-address* [**secondary**]]
7. Repeat Steps 1 through 6 on each device that will communicate.
8. **end**
9. **show glbp**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	interface <i>type number</i> Example: Device(config)# interface Ethernet0/1	Configures an interface type and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 4	ip address <i>ip-address mask</i> [secondary] Example: Device(config-if)# ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0	Specifies a primary or secondary IP address for an interface.
Step 5	glbp <i>group-number authentication md5 key-string</i> [0 7] <i>key</i>	Configures an authentication key for GLBP MD5 authentication. • The key string cannot exceed 100 characters in length.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 1 authentication md5 key-string d00b4r987654321a</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No prefix to the <i>key</i> argument or specifying 0 means the key is unencrypted. Specifying 7 means the key is encrypted. The key-string authentication key will automatically be encrypted if the service password-encryption global configuration command is enabled.
Step 6	<p>glbp group-number ip [ip-address [secondary]]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 1 ip 10.0.0.10</pre>	Enables GLBP on an interface and identifies the primary IP address of the virtual gateway.
Step 7	Repeat Steps 1 through 6 on each device that will communicate.	—
Step 8	<p>end</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 9	<p>show glbp</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device# show glbp</pre>	<p>(Optional) Displays GLBP information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use this command to verify your configuration. The key string and authentication type will be displayed if configured.

Configuring GLBP MD5 Authentication Using a Key Chain

Perform this task to configure GLBP MD5 authentication using a key chain. Key chains allow a different key string to be used at different times according to the key chain configuration. GLBP will query the appropriate key chain to obtain the current live key and key ID for the specified key chain.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **key chain** *name-of-chain*
4. **key** *key-id*
5. **key-string** *string*
6. **exit**
7. **exit**
8. **interface** *type number*
9. **ip address** *ip-address mask* [**secondary**]
10. **glbp** *group-number authentication md5 key-chain name-of-chain*
11. **glbp** *group-number ip* [*ip-address* [**secondary**]]
12. Repeat Steps 1 through 10 on each device that will communicate.
13. **end**
14. **show glbp**
15. **show key chain**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	key chain <i>name-of-chain</i> Example: Device(config)# key chain glbp2	Enables authentication for routing protocols and identifies a group of authentication keys and enters key-chain configuration mode.
Step 4	key <i>key-id</i> Example: Device(config-keychain)# key 100	Identifies an authentication key on a key chain. • The value for the <i>key-id</i> argument must be a number.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<p>key-string <i>string</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-keychain-key)# key-string abc123</pre>	<p>Specifies the authentication string for a key and enters key-chain key configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The value for the <i>string</i> argument can be 1 to 80 uppercase or lowercase alphanumeric characters; the first character cannot be a numeral.
Step 6	<p>exit</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-keychain-key)# exit</pre>	Returns to key-chain configuration mode.
Step 7	<p>exit</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-keychain)# exit</pre>	Returns to global configuration mode.
Step 8	<p>interface <i>type number</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config)# interface Ethernet0/1</pre>	Configures an interface type and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 9	<p>ip address <i>ip-address mask</i> [secondary]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# ip address 10.21.0.1 255.255.255.0</pre>	Specifies a primary or secondary IP address for an interface.
Step 10	<p>glbp <i>group-number authentication md5 key-chain name-of-chain</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 1 authentication md5 key-chain glbp2</pre>	<p>Configures an authentication MD5 key chain for GLBP MD5 authentication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The key chain name must match the name specified in Step 3.
Step 11	<p>glbp <i>group-number ip</i> [<i>ip-address</i> [secondary]]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# glbp 1 ip 10.21.0.12</pre>	Enables GLBP on an interface and identifies the primary IP address of the virtual gateway.
Step 12	Repeat Steps 1 through 10 on each device that will communicate.	—

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 13	end Example: Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 14	show glbp Example: Device# show glbp	(Optional) Displays GLBP information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use this command to verify your configuration. The key chain and authentication type will be displayed if configured.
Step 15	show key chain Example: Device# show key chain	(Optional) Displays authentication key information.

Configuring GLBP Text Authentication

Text authentication provides minimal security. Use MD5 authentication if security is required.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ip address** *ip-address mask* [**secondary**]
5. **glbp** *group-number authentication text string*
6. **glbp** *group-number ip* [*ip-address* [**secondary**]]
7. Repeat Steps 1 through 6 on each device that will communicate.
8. **end**
9. **show glbp**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	interface <i>type number</i> Example: Device(config)# interface Ethernet0/1	Configures an interface type and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 4	ip address <i>ip-address mask</i> [secondary] Example: Device(config-if)# ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0	Specifies a primary or secondary IP address for an interface.
Step 5	glbp <i>group-number authentication text string</i> Example: Device(config-if)# glbp 10 authentication text stringxyz	Authenticates GLBP packets received from other devices in the group. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you configure authentication, all devices within the GLBP group must use the same authentication string.
Step 6	glbp <i>group-number ip</i> [<i>ip-address</i> [secondary]] Example: Device(config-if)# glbp 1 ip 10.0.0.10	Enables GLBP on an interface and identifies the primary IP address of the virtual gateway.
Step 7	Repeat Steps 1 through 6 on each device that will communicate.	—
Step 8	end Example: Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 9	show glbp Example: Device# show glbp	(Optional) Displays GLBP information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use this command to verify your configuration.

Configuring GLBP Weighting Values and Object Tracking

GLBP weighting is used to determine whether a GLBP group can act as a virtual forwarder. Initial weighting values can be set and optional thresholds specified. Interface states can be tracked and a decrement value set to reduce the weighting value if the interface goes down. When the GLBP group weighting drops below a specified value, the group will no longer be an active virtual forwarder. When the weighting rises above a specified value, the group can resume its role as an active virtual forwarder.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **track** *object-number* **interface** *type number* {**line-protocol** | **ip routing**}
4. **exit**
5. **interface** *type number*
6. **glbp group weighting** *maximum* [**lower** *lower*] [**upper** *upper*]
7. **glbp group weighting track** *object-number* [**decrement** *value*]
8. **glbp group forwarder preempt** [**delay** *minimum seconds*]
9. **exit**
10. **show track** [*object-number* | **brief**] [**interface** [**brief**] | **ip route** [**brief**] | **resolution** | **timers**]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	track <i>object-number</i> interface <i>type number</i> { line-protocol ip routing } Example: Device(config)# track 2 interface POS 6/0/0 ip routing	Configures an interface to be tracked where changes in the state of the interface affect the weighting of a GLBP gateway, and enters tracking configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This command configures the interface and corresponding object number to be used with the glbp weighting track command. • The line-protocol keyword tracks whether the interface is up. The ip routing keywords also check that IP routing is enabled on the interface, and an IP address is configured.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	exit Example: Device(config-track)# exit	Returns to global configuration mode.
Step 5	interface type number Example: Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0	Enters interface configuration mode.
Step 6	glbp group weighting maximum [lower lower] [upper upper] Example: Device(config-if)# glbp 10 weighting 110 lower 95 upper 105	Specifies the initial weighting value, and the upper and lower thresholds, for a GLBP gateway.
Step 7	glbp group weighting track object-number [decrement value] Example: Device(config-if)# glbp 10 weighting track 2 decrement 5	Specifies an object to be tracked that affects the weighting of a GLBP gateway. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>value</i> argument specifies a reduction in the weighting of a GLBP gateway when a tracked object fails.
Step 8	glbp group forwarder preempt [delay minimum seconds] Example: Device(config-if)# glbp 10 forwarder preempt delay minimum 60	Configures the device to take over as AVF for a GLBP group if the current AVF for a GLBP group falls below its low weighting threshold. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This command is enabled by default with a delay of 30 seconds. • Use the optional delay and minimum keywords and the <i>seconds</i> argument to specify a minimum delay interval in seconds before preemption of the AVF takes place.
Step 9	exit Example: Device(config-if)# exit	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 10	show track [object-number brief] [interface [brief] ip route [brief] resolution timers] Example: Device# show track 2	Displays tracking information.

Troubleshooting GLBP

GLBP introduces five privileged EXEC mode commands to enable display of diagnostic output concerning various events relating to the operation of GLBP. The **debug condition glbp**, **debug glbp errors**, **debug glbp events**, **debug glbp packets**, and **debug glbp terse** commands are intended only for troubleshooting purposes because the volume of output generated by the software can result in severe performance degradation on the device. Perform this task to minimize the impact of using the **debug glbp** commands.

This procedure will minimize the load on the device created by the **debug condition glbp** or **debug glbp** command because the console port is no longer generating character-by-character processor interrupts. If you cannot connect to a console directly, you can run this procedure via a terminal server. If you must break the Telnet connection, however, you may not be able to reconnect because the device may be unable to respond due to the processor load of generating the debugging output.

Before You Begin

This task requires a device running GLBP to be attached directly to a console.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **no logging console**
4. Use Telnet to access a device port and repeat Steps 1 and 2.
5. **end**
6. **terminal monitor**
7. **debug condition glbp** *interface-type interface-number group [forwarder]*
8. **terminal no monitor**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	no logging console	Disables all logging to the console terminal.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config)# no logging console</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To reenable logging to the console, use the logging console command in global configuration mode.
Step 4	Use Telnet to access a device port and repeat Steps 1 and 2.	Enters global configuration mode in a recursive Telnet session, which allows the output to be redirected away from the console port.
Step 5	<p>end</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config)# end</pre>	Exits to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 6	<p>terminal monitor</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device# terminal monitor</pre>	Enables logging output on the virtual terminal.
Step 7	<p>debug condition glbp <i>interface-type</i> <i>interface-number group [forwarder]</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device# debug condition glbp GigabitEthernet0/0/0 1</pre>	<p>Displays debugging messages about GLBP conditions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Try to enter only specific debug condition glbp or debug glbp commands to isolate the output to a certain subcomponent and minimize the load on the processor. Use appropriate arguments and keywords to generate more detailed debug information on specified subcomponents. Enter the specific no debug condition glbp or no debug glbp command when you are finished.
Step 8	<p>terminal no monitor</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device# terminal no monitor</pre>	Disables logging on the virtual terminal.

Configuration Examples for GLBP

Example: Customizing GLBP Configuration

```
Device(config)# interface fastethernet 0/0
Device(config-if)# ip address 10.21.8.32 255.255.255.0
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 timers 5 18
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 timers redirect 1800 28800
```

```

Device(config-if)# glbp 10 load-balancing host-dependent
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 priority 254
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 preempt delay minimum 60
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 client-cache maximum 1200 timeout 245

```

Example: Configuring GLBP MD5 Authentication Using Key Strings

The following example shows how to configure GLBP MD5 authentication using a key string:

```

Device(config)# interface Ethernet 0/1
Device(config-if)# ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0
Device(config-if)# glbp 2 authentication md5 key-string ThisStringIsTheSecretKey
Device(config-if)# glbp 2 ip 10.0.0.10

```

Example: Configuring GLBP MD5 Authentication Using Key Chains

In the following example, GLBP queries the key chain “AuthenticateGLBP” to obtain the current live key and key ID for the specified key chain:

```

Device(config)# key chain AuthenticateGLBP
Device(config-keychain)# key 1
Device(config-keychain-key)# key-string ThisIsASecretKey
Device(config-keychain-key)# exit
Device(config-keychain)# exit
Device(config)# interface Ethernet 0/1
Device(config-if)# ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0
Device(config-if)# glbp 2 authentication md5 key-chain AuthenticateGLBP
Device(config-if)# glbp 2 ip 10.0.0.10

```

Example: Configuring GLBP Text Authentication

```

Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# ip address 10.21.8.32 255.255.255.0
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 authentication text stringxyz
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 ip 10.21.8.10

```

Example: Configuring GLBP Weighting

In the following example, the device is configured to track the IP routing state of the POS interface 5/0/0 and 6/0/0, an initial GLBP weighting with upper and lower thresholds is set, and a weighting decrement value of 10 is set. If POS interface 5/0/0 and 6/0/0 go down, the weighting value of the device is reduced.

```

Device(config)# track 1 interface POS 5/0/0 ip routing
Device(config)# track 2 interface POS 6/0/0 ip routing
Device(config)# interface fastethernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 weighting 110 lower 95 upper 105
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 weighting track 1 decrement 10
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 weighting track 2 decrement 10
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 forwarder preempt delay minimum 60

```

Example: Enabling GLBP Configuration

In the following example, the device is configured to enable GLBP, and the virtual IP address of 10.21.8.10 is specified for GLBP group 10:

```
Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# ip address 10.21.8.32 255.255.255.0
Device(config-if)# glbp 10 ip 10.21.8.10
```

Additional References for GLBP

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
GLBP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	Cisco IOS IP Application Services Command Reference
In Service Software Upgrade (ISSU) configuration	"In Service Software Upgrade" process module in the <i>Cisco IOS High Availability Configuration Guide</i>
Key chains and key management commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocol-Independent Command Reference</i>
Object tracking	"Configuring Enhanced Object Tracking" module
Stateful Switchover	The "Stateful Switchover" module in the <i>Cisco IOS High Availability Configuration Guide</i>
VRRP	"Configuring VRRP" module
HSRP	"Configuring HSRP" module
GLBP Support for IPv6	"FHRP - GLBP Support for IPv6" module

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
The Cisco Support and Documentation website provides online resources to download documentation, software, and tools. Use these resources to install and configure the software and to troubleshoot and resolve technical issues with Cisco products and technologies. Access to most tools on the Cisco Support and Documentation website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password.	http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html

Feature Information for GLBP

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

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

Table 1: Feature Information for GLBP

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
Gateway Load Balancing Protocol	15.2(1)E 15.2(2)E	<p>GLBP protects data traffic from a failed router or circuit, like HSRP and VRRP, while allowing packet load sharing between a group of redundant routers.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)E, this feature is supported on the following platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Catalyst 3750-X Series Switches <p>The following commands were introduced or modified by this feature: glbp forwarder preempt, glbp ip, glbp load-balancing, glbp name, glbp preempt, glbp priority, glbp sso, glbp timers, glbp timers redirect, glbp weighting, glbp weighting track, show glbp.</p>

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
GLBP MD5 Authentication	15.2(1)E 15.2(2)E	<p>MD5 authentication provides greater security than the alternative plain text authentication scheme. MD5 authentication allows each GLBP group member to use a secret key to generate a keyed MD5 hash that is part of the outgoing packet. A keyed hash of an incoming packet is generated and, if the hash within the incoming packet does not match the generated hash, the packet is ignored.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)E, this feature is supported on the following platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cisco Catalyst 3750-X Series Switches <p>The following commands were modified by this feature: glbp authentication, show glbp.</p>

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
ISSU—GLBP	15.2(1)E 15.2(2)E	<p>GLBP supports In Service Software Upgrade (ISSU). ISSU allows a high-availability (HA) system to run in Stateful Switchover (SSO) mode even when different versions of Cisco IOS software are running on the active and standby Route Processors (RPs) or line cards.</p> <p>This feature provides customers with the same level of HA functionality for planned outages due to software upgrades as is available with SSO for unplanned outages. That is, the system can switch over to a secondary RP and continue forwarding packets without session loss and with minimal or no packet loss.</p> <p>This feature is enabled by default.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)E, this feature is supported on the following platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Catalyst 3750-X Series Switches <p>There are no new or modified commands for this feature.</p>

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
SSO—GLBP	15.2(1)E 15.2(2)E	<p>GLBP is now SSO aware. GLBP can detect when a router is failing over to the secondary RP and continue in its current GLBP group state.</p> <p>Prior to being SSO aware, GLBP was not able to detect that a second RP was installed and configured to take over in the event that the primary RP failed. When the primary failed, the GLBP device would stop participating in the GLBP group and, depending on its role, could trigger another router in the group to take over as the active router. With this enhancement, GLBP detects the failover to the secondary RP and no change occurs to the GLBP group. If the secondary RP fails and the primary is still not available, then the GLBP group detects this and re-elects a new active GLBP router.</p> <p>This feature is enabled by default.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)E, this feature is supported on the following platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Catalyst 3750-X Series Switches <p>The following commands were introduced or modified by this feature: debug glbp events, glbp sso, show glbp.</p>

Glossary

active RP—The Route Processor (RP) controls the system, provides network services, runs routing protocols and presents the system management interface.

AVF—active virtual forwarder. One virtual forwarder within a GLBP group is elected as active virtual forwarder for a specified virtual MAC address, and it is responsible for forwarding packets sent to that MAC address. Multiple active virtual forwarders can exist for each GLBP group.

AVG—active virtual gateway. One virtual gateway within a GLBP group is elected as the active virtual gateway, and is responsible for the operation of the protocol.

GLBP gateway—Gateway Load Balancing Protocol gateway. A router or gateway running GLBP. Each GLBP gateway may participate in one or more GLBP groups.

GLBP group—Gateway Load Balancing Protocol group. One or more GLBP gateways configured with the same GLBP group number on connected Ethernet interfaces.

ISSU—In Service Software Upgrade. A process that allows Cisco IOS XE software to be updated or otherwise modified while packet forwarding continues. In most networks, planned software upgrades are a significant cause of downtime. ISSU allows software to be modified while packet forwarding continues, which increases network availability and reduces downtime caused by planned software upgrades.

NSF—nonstop forwarding. The ability of a router to continue to forward traffic to a router that may be recovering from a failure. Also, the ability of a router recovering from a failure to continue to correctly forward traffic sent to it by a peer.

RP—Route Processor. A generic term for the centralized control unit in a chassis. Platforms usually use a platform-specific term, such as RSP on the Cisco 7500, the PRE on the Cisco 10000, or the SUP+MSFC on the Cisco 7600.

RPR—Route Processor Redundancy. RPR provides an alternative to the High System Availability (HSA) feature. HSA enables a system to reset and use a standby Route Processor (RP) if the active RP fails. Using RPR, you can reduce unplanned downtime because RPR enables a quicker switchover between an active and standby RP if the active RP experiences a fatal error.

RPR+—An enhancement to RPR in which the standby RP is fully initialized.

SSO—Stateful Switchover. Enables applications and features to maintain state information between an active and standby unit.

standby RP—An RP that has been fully initialized and is ready to assume control from the active RP should a manual or fault-induced switchover occur.

switchover—An event in which system control and routing protocol execution are transferred from the active RP to the standby RP. Switchover may be a manual operation or may be induced by a hardware or software fault. Switchover may include transfer of the packet forwarding function in systems that combine system control and packet forwarding in an indivisible unit.

vIP—virtual IP address. An IPv4 address. There must be only one virtual IP address for each configured GLBP group. The virtual IP address must be configured on at least one GLBP group member. Other GLBP group members can learn the virtual IP address from hello messages.



CHAPTER 2

HSRP: Global IPv6 Address

IPv6 routing protocols ensure device-to-device resilience and failover. However, in situations in which the path between a host and the first-hop device fails, or the first-hop device itself fails, first hop redundancy protocols (FHRPs) ensure host-to-device resilience and failover.

The Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP) protects data traffic in case of a gateway failure.



[other]

A note on link local addresses

The HSRP protocol uses a link local address as part of the protocol and this is not changed by the global address feature. Consider the global address feature as exchanging global addresses within the protocol for use, but the protocol itself still uses link locals for its protocol operation. If you only configure a global address, then there is a link-local address that is automatically allocated using the Extended Unique Identifier (EUI-64) method. You can use the **show standby** command to see the allocated link local address. You can still configure an IPv6 link local address by manual configuration if you require it. Manual configuration takes the group out of the 'implicit link-local' mode and replaces the automatic link local address with the configured one. If the configured one is later removed, but there is still a global address, then another implicit link local address is recalculated and applied.

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Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the feature information table at the end of this module.

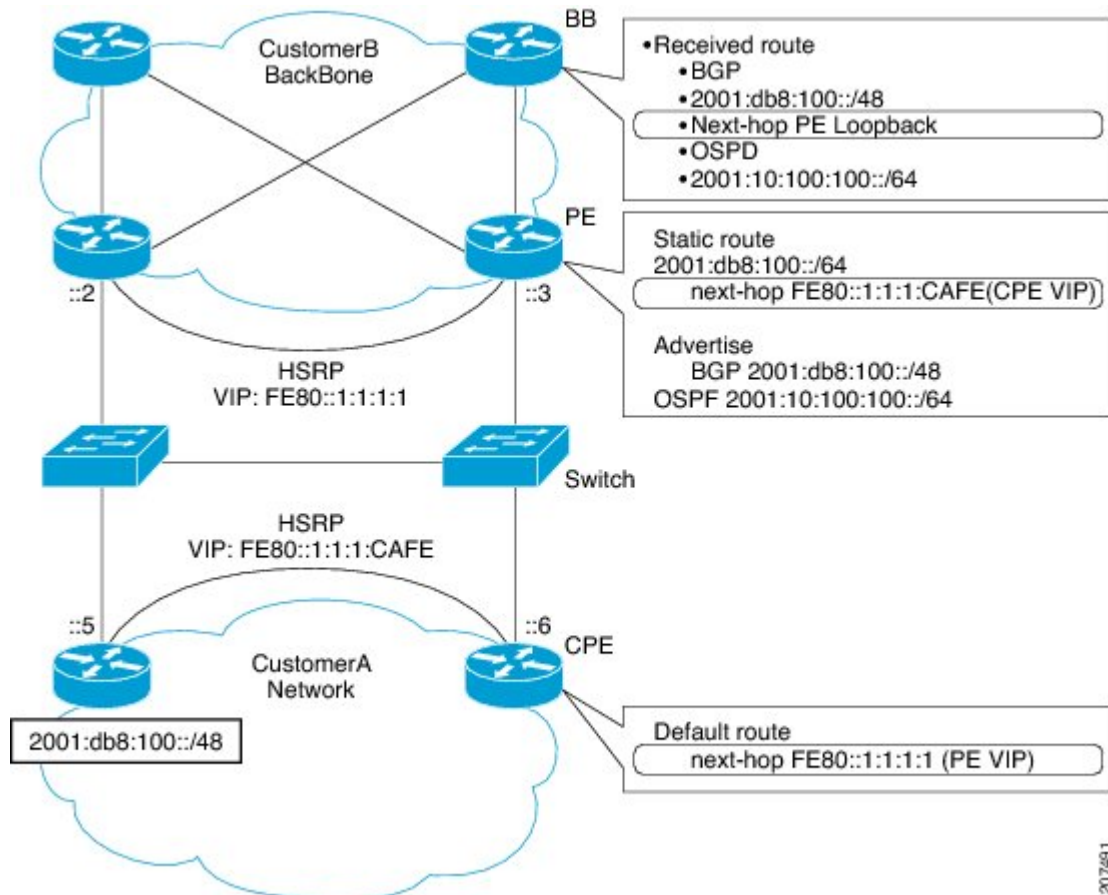
Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to www.cisco.com/go/cfn. An account on Cisco.com is not required.

Information About HSRP Global IPv6 Address

HSRP: Global IPv6 Address

The HSRP global IPv6 address feature allows users to configure multiple nonlink local addresses as virtual addresses, and it allows for the storage and management of multiple global IPv6 virtual addresses in addition to the existing primary link-local address. If an IPv6 address is used, it must include an IPv6 prefix length. If a link-local address is used, it must not have a prefix.

The figure below depicts a deployment scenario that uses an HSRP IPv6 global virtual interface:



In the figure above, the provider equipment (PE) devices need to inject a route to reach the customer premises equipment (CPE) from the backbone devices. Because there are two CPEs, HSRP is convenient to use. The static route will be set with a link-local next hop (FE80::1:1:1:CAFE). If this address is injected in the backbone, this route is useless with a link-local next hop, as link-local addresses only have scope within the Layer 2 local LAN space. To address this issue, the next hop of the static route toward the virtual address must be set to a non link-local address, so backbone devices can route packets to the PE devices. At the next-hop address

resolution, the active HSRP group member will reply to neighbor solicitation (NS) messages sent to the non link-local address.

Jitter timers

Jitter timers are used in HSRP. They are recommended for timers running on services that work realtime and scale. Jitter timers are intended to significantly improve the reliability of HSRP, and other FHRP protocols, by reducing the chance of bunching of HSRP groups operations, and thus help reduce CPU and network traffic spikes. In the case of HSRP, a given device may have up to 4000 operational groups configured. In order to distribute the load on the device and network, the HSRP timers use a jitter. A given timer instance may take up to 20% more than the configured value. For example, for a hold time set to 15 seconds, the actual hold time may take 18 seconds.

In HSRP, the Hello timer (which sends the Hello Packet) has a negative Jitter, while the Holddown timer (which checks for failure of a peer) has a positive jitter.

How to Enable HSRP Global IPv6 Address

Enabling and Verifying an HSRP Group for IPv6 Operation

In this task, when you enter the **standby ipv6** command, a modified EUI-64 format interface identifier is generated in which the EUI-64 interface identifier is created from the relevant HSRP virtual MAC address

In IPv6, a device on the link advertises in RA messages any site-local and global prefixes, and its willingness to function as a default device for the link. RA messages are sent periodically and in response to device solicitation messages, which are sent by hosts at system startup

A node on the link can automatically configure site-local and global IPv6 addresses by appending its interface identifier (64 bits) to the prefixes (64 bits) included in the RA messages. The resulting 128-bit IPv6 addresses configured by the node are then subjected to duplicate address detection to ensure their uniqueness on the link. If the prefixes advertised in the RA messages are globally unique, then the IPv6 addresses configured by the node are also guaranteed to be globally unique. Device solicitation messages, which have a value of 133 in the Type field of the ICMPv6 packet header, are sent by hosts at system startup so that the host can immediately auto-configure without needing to wait for the next scheduled RA message.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 unicast-routing**
4. **interface** *type number*
5. **standby** [*group-number*] **ipv6** {*ipv6-global-address* | *ipv6-address/prefix-length* | *ipv6-prefix/prefix-length* | *link-local-address* | **autoconfig**}
6. **standby** [*group-number*] **preempt** [**delay** *minimum seconds* | **reload** *seconds* | **sync** *seconds*]
7. **standby** [*group-number*] **priority** *priority*
8. **exit**
9. **show standby** [*type number* [*group*]] [**all** | **brief**]
10. **show ipv6 interface** [**brief**] [*interface-type interface-number*] [**prefix**]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<p>enable</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device> enable</pre>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	<p>configure terminal</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device# configure terminal</pre>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
Step 3	<p>ipv6 unicast-routing</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config)# ipv6 unicast-routing</pre>	<p>Enables the forwarding of IPv6 unicast datagrams.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ipv6 unicast-routing command must be enabled for HSRP for IPv6 to work.
Step 4	<p>interface <i>type number</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config)# interface ethernet 0/0</pre>	<p>Specifies an interface type and number, and places the device in interface configuration mode.</p>
Step 5	<p>standby [<i>group-number</i>] ipv6 {<i>ipv6-global-address</i> <i>ipv6-address/prefix-length</i> <i>ipv6-prefix/prefix-length</i> <i>link-local-address</i> autoconfig}</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# standby 1 ipv6 autoconfig</pre>	<p>Activates the HSRP in IPv6.</p> <p>If an IPv6 address is used, it must include an IPv6 prefix length. If a link-local address is used, it must not have a prefix.</p>
Step 6	<p>standby [<i>group-number</i>] preempt [delay minimum <i>seconds</i> reload <i>seconds</i> sync <i>seconds</i>]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# standby 1 preempt</pre>	<p>Configures HSRP preemption and preemption delay.</p>
Step 7	<p>standby [<i>group-number</i>] priority <i>priority</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# standby 1 priority 110</pre>	<p>Configures HSRP priority.</p>
Step 8	<p>exit</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Device(config-if)# exit</pre>	<p>Returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 9	show standby [<i>type number</i> [<i>group</i>]] [all brief] Example: Device# show standby	Displays HSRP information.
Step 10	show ipv6 interface [brief] [<i>interface-type interface-number</i>] [prefix] Example: Device# show ipv6 interface ethernet 0/0	Displays the usability status of interfaces configured for IPv6.

Configuration Example for HSRP Global IPv6 Address

Example: Configuring HSRP Global IPv6 Addresses

This example shows three HSRP global IPv6 addresses with an explicitly configured link-local address:

```
Device(config)# interface ethernet 0/0
Device(config-if)# no ip address
Device(config-if)# ipv6 address 2001::DB8:1/64
Device(config-if)# standby 1 ipv6 FE80::1:CAFE
Device(config-if)# standby 1 ipv6 2001::DB8:2/64
Device(config-if)# standby 1 ipv6 2001:DB8::3/64
Device(config-if)# standby 1 ipv6 2001:DB8::4/64
Device(config-if)# exit
```

Additional References for HSRP Global IPv6 Address

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases
HSRP commands	<i>Cisco IOS First Hop Redundancy Protocols Command Reference</i>
Troubleshooting HSRP	<i>Hot Standby Router Protocol: Frequently Asked Questions</i>
IPv6 addressing and connectivity	<i>IPv6 Configuration Guide</i>

Related Topic	Document Title
IPv6 commands	<i>Cisco IOS IPv6 Command Reference</i>
Cisco IOS IPv6 features	Cisco IOS IPv6 Feature Mapping

RFCs

RFCs	Title
RFCs for IPv6	<i>IPv6 RFCs</i>

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
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Feature Information for HSRP: Global IPv6 Address

Table 2: Feature Information for HSRP: Global IPv6 Address

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
HSRP: Global IPv6 Address	Cisco IOS 15.2(2)E	<p>The HSRP global IPv6 address feature allows users to configure multiple non-link local addresses as virtual addresses.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)E, this feature is supported on the following platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Catalyst 2960-X Series Switches <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: standby ipv6.</p>



VRRPv3 Protocol Support

Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP) enables a group of devices to form a single virtual device to provide redundancy. The LAN clients can then be configured with the virtual device as their default gateway. The virtual device, representing a group of devices, is also known as a VRRP group. The VRRP version 3 (v3) Protocol Support feature provides the capability to support IPv4 and IPv6 addresses while VRRP version 2 (v2) only supports IPv4 addresses. This module explains concepts related to VRRPv3 and describes how to create and customize a VRRP group in a network. Benefits of using VRRPv3 Protocol Support include the following:

- Interoperability in multi-vendor environments.
- VRRPv3 supports usage of IPv4 and IPv6 addresses while VRRPv2 only supports IPv4 addresses
- Improved scalability through the use of VRRS Pathways.



Note

In this module, VRRP and VRRPv3 are used interchangeably.

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Finding Feature Information

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Restrictions for VRRPv3 Protocol Support

- VRRPv3 is not intended as a replacement for existing dynamic protocols. VRRPv3 is designed for use over multi-access, multicast, or broadcast capable Ethernet LANs.
- VRRPv3 is supported on Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, Bridge Group Virtual Interface (BVI), and Gigabit Ethernet interfaces, and on Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Virtual Private Networks (VPNs), VRF-aware MPLS VPNs, and VLANs.
- Because of the forwarding delay that is associated with the initialization of a BVI interface, you must not configure the VRRPv3 advertise timer to a value lesser than the forwarding delay on the BVI interface. If you configure the VRRPv3 advertise timer to a value equal to or greater than the forwarding delay on the BVI interface, the setting prevents a VRRP device on a recently initialized BVI interface from unconditionally taking over the master role. Use the **bridge forward-time** command to set the forwarding delay on the BVI interface. Use the **vrrp timers advertise** command to set the VRRP advertisement timer.
- VRRPv3 does not support Stateful Switchover (SSO).
- Full network redundancy can only be achieved if VRRP operates over the same network path as the VRRS Pathway redundant interfaces. For full redundancy, the following restrictions apply:
 - VRRS pathways should not share a different physical interface as the parent VRRP group or be configured on a sub-interface having a different physical interface as the parent VRRP group.
 - VRRS pathways should not be configured on Switch Virtual Interface (SVI) interfaces as long as the associated VLAN does not share the same trunk as the VLAN on which the parent VRRP group is configured.

Information About VRRPv3 Protocol Support

VRRPv3 Benefits

Support for IPv4 and IPv6

VRRPv3 supports IPv4 and IPv6 address families while VRRPv2 only supports IPv4 addresses.

**Note**

When VRRPv3 is in use, VRRPv2 is unavailable. For VRRPv3 to be configurable, the **fhrrp version vrrp v3** command must be used in global configuration mode

Redundancy

VRRP enables you to configure multiple devices as the default gateway device, which reduces the possibility of a single point of failure in a network.

Load Sharing

You can configure VRRP in such a way that traffic to and from LAN clients can be shared by multiple devices, thereby sharing the traffic load more equitably between available devices.

Multiple Virtual Devices

VRRP supports up to 255 virtual devices (VRRP groups) on a device physical interface, subject to restrictions in scaling. Multiple virtual device support enables you to implement redundancy and load sharing in your LAN topology. In scaled environments, VRRS Pathways should be used in combination with VRRP control groups.

Multiple IP Addresses

The virtual device can manage multiple IP addresses, including secondary IP addresses. Therefore, if you have multiple subnets configured on an Ethernet interface, you can configure VRRP on each subnet.

**Note**

To utilize secondary IP addresses in a VRRP group, a primary address must be configured on the same group.

Preemption

The redundancy scheme of VRRP enables you to preempt a virtual device backup that has taken over for a failing virtual device master with a higher priority virtual device backup that has become available.

**Note**

Preemption of a lower priority master device is enabled with an optional delay.

Advertisement Protocol

VRRP uses a dedicated Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) standard multicast address for VRRP advertisements. For IPv4, the multicast address is 224.0.0.18. For IPv6, the multicast address is FF02:0:0:0:0:0:0:12. This addressing scheme minimizes the number of devices that must service the multicasts and allows test equipment to accurately identify VRRP packets on a segment. The IANA has assigned VRRP the IP protocol number 112.

VRRP Device Priority and Preemption

An important aspect of the VRRP redundancy scheme is VRRP device priority. Priority determines the role that each VRRP device plays and what happens if the virtual device master fails.

If a VRRP device owns the IP address of the virtual device and the IP address of the physical interface, this device will function as a virtual device master.

Priority also determines if a VRRP device functions as a virtual device backup and the order of ascendancy to becoming a virtual device master if the virtual device master fails. You can configure the priority of each virtual device backup with a value of 1 through 254 using the **priority** command (use the **vrrp address-family** command to enter the VRRP configuration mode and access the **priority** option).

For example, if device A, the virtual device master in a LAN topology, fails, an election process takes place to determine if virtual device backups B or C should take over. If devices B and C are configured with the priorities of 101 and 100, respectively, device B is elected to become virtual device master because it has the higher priority. If devices B and C are both configured with the priority of 100, the virtual device backup with the higher IP address is elected to become the virtual device master.

By default, a preemptive scheme is enabled whereby a higher priority virtual device backup that becomes available takes over from the virtual device backup that was elected to become virtual device master. You can disable this preemptive scheme using the **no preempt** command (use the **vrrp address-family** command to enter the VRRP configuration mode, and enter the **no preempt** command). If preemption is disabled, the virtual device backup that is elected to become virtual device master remains the master until the original virtual device master recovers and becomes master again.

**Note**

Preemption of a lower priority master device is enabled with an optional delay.

VRRP Advertisements

The virtual device master sends VRRP advertisements to other VRRP devices in the same group. The advertisements communicate the priority and state of the virtual device master. The VRRP advertisements are encapsulated into either IPv4 or IPv6 packets (based on the VRRP group configuration) and sent to the appropriate multicast address assigned to the VRRP group. For IPv4, the multicast address is 224.0.0.18. For IPv6, the multicast address is FF02:0:0:0:0:0:0:12. The advertisements are sent every second by default and the interval is configurable.

Cisco devices allow you to configure millisecond timers, which is a change from VRRPv2. You need to manually configure the millisecond timer values on both the primary and the backup devices. The master advertisement value displayed in the **show vrrp** command output on the backup devices is always 1 second because the packets on the backup devices do not accept millisecond values.

You must use millisecond timers where absolutely necessary and with careful consideration and testing. Millisecond values work only under favorable circumstances. The use of the millisecond timer values is compatible with third party vendors, as long as they also support VRRPv3. You can specify a timer value between 100 milliseconds and 40000 milliseconds.

How to Configure VRRPv3 Protocol Support

Enabling VRRPv3 on a Device

To enable VRRPv3 on a device, perform the following task:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **fhrp version vrrp v3**
4. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	fhrp version vrrp v3 Example: Device(config)# fhrp version vrrp v3	Enables the ability to configure VRRPv3 and VRRS. Note When VRRPv3 is in use, VRRPv2 is unavailable.
Step 4	end Example: Device(config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Creating and Customizing a VRRP Group

To create a VRRP group, perform the following task. Steps 6 to 14 denote customizing options for the group, and they are optional:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **fhrp version vrrp v3**
4. **interface** *type number*
5. **vrrp** *group-id* **address-family** {**ipv4** | **ipv6**}
6. **address** *ip-address* [**primary** | **secondary**]
7. **description** *group-description*
8. **match-address**
9. **preempt delay minimum** *seconds*
10. **priority** *priority-level*
11. **timers advertise** *interval*
12. **vrrpv2**
13. **vrrs leader** *vrrs-leader-name*
14. **shutdown**
15. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	fhrp version vrrp v3 Example: Device(config)# fhrp version vrrp v3	Enables the ability to configure VRRPv3 and VRRS. Note When VRRPv3 is in use, VRRPv2 is unavailable.
Step 4	interface <i>type number</i> Example: Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0	Enters interface configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	vrrp <i>group-id</i> address-family {ipv4 ipv6} Example: Device(config-if)# vrrp 3 address-family ipv4	Creates a VRRP group and enters VRRP configuration mode.
Step 6	address <i>ip-address</i> [primary secondary] Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# address 100.0.1.10 primary	Specifies a primary or secondary address for the VRRP group. Note VRRPv3 for IPv6 requires that a primary virtual link-local IPv6 address is configured to allow the group to operate. After the primary link-local IPv6 address is established on the group, you can add the secondary global addresses.
Step 7	description <i>group-description</i> Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# description group 3	(Optional) Specifies a description for the VRRP group.
Step 8	match-address Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# match-address	(Optional) Matches secondary address in the advertisement packet against the configured address. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary address matching is enabled by default.
Step 9	preempt delay minimum <i>seconds</i> Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# preempt delay minimum 30	(Optional) Enables preemption of lower priority master device with an optional delay. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preemption is enabled by default.
Step 10	priority <i>priority-level</i> Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# priority 3	(Optional) Specifies the priority value of the VRRP group. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The priority of a VRRP group is 100 by default.
Step 11	timers advertise <i>interval</i> Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# timers advertise 1000	(Optional) Sets the advertisement timer in milliseconds. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advertisement timer is set to 1000 milliseconds by default.
Step 12	vrrpv2 Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# vrrpv2	(Optional) Enables support for VRRPv2 simultaneously, so as to interoperate with devices which only support VRRP v2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VRRPv2 is disabled by default.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 13	vrrs leader <i>vrrs-leader-name</i> Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# vrrs leader leader-1	(Optional) Specifies a leader's name to be registered with VRRS and to be used by followers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A registered VRRS name is unavailable by default.
Step 14	shutdown Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# shutdown	(Optional) Disables VRRP configuration for the VRRP group. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VRRP configuration is enabled for a VRRP group by default.
Step 15	end Example: Device(config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Configuring the Delay Period Before FHRP Client Initialization

To configure the delay period before the initialization of all FHRP clients on an interface, perform the following task:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **fhrp version vrrp v3**
4. **interface** *type number*
5. **fhrp delay** {[**minimum**] [**reload**] *seconds*}
6. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# <code>configure terminal</code>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	fhrp version vrrp v3 Example: Device(config)# <code>fhrp version vrrp v3</code>	Enables the ability to configure VRRPv3 and VRRS. Note When VRRPv3 is in use, VRRPv2 is unavailable.
Step 4	interface <i>type number</i> Example: Device(config)# <code>interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0</code>	Enters interface configuration mode.
Step 5	fhrp delay {[minimum] [reload] seconds} Example: Device(config-if)# <code>fhrp delay minimum 5</code>	Specifies the delay period for the initialization of FHRP clients after an interface comes up. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The range is 0-3600 seconds.
Step 6	end Example: Device(config)# <code>end</code>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Configuration Examples for VRRPv3 Protocol Support

Example: Enabling VRRPv3 on a Device

The following example shows how to enable VRRPv3 on a device:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# fhrp version vrrp v3
Device(config-if-vrrp)# end
```

Example: Creating and Customizing a VRRP Group

The following example shows how to create and customize a VRRP group:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# fhrp version vrrp v3
Device(config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0
Device(config-if)# vrrp 3 address-family ipv4
Device(config-if-vrrp)# address 100.0.1.10 primary
Device(config-if-vrrp)# description group 3
Device(config-if-vrrp)# match-address
Device(config-if-vrrp)# preempt delay minimum 30
Device(config-if-vrrp)# end
```



Note In the above example, the `fhrp version vrrp v3` command is used in the global configuration mode.

Example: Configuring the Delay Period Before FHRP Client Initialization

The following example shows how to configure the delay period before FHRP client initialization :

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# fhrp version vrrp v3
Device(config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0
Device(config-if)# fhrp delay minimum 5
Device(config-if-vrrp)# end
```



Note In the above example, a five-second delay period is specified for the initialization of FHRP clients after the interface comes up. You can specify a delay period between 0 and 3600 seconds.

Example: VRRP Status, Configuration, and Statistics Details

The following is a sample output of the status, configuration and statistics details for a VRRP group:

```
Device> enable
Device# show vrrp detail

Ethernet0/0 - Group 1 - Address-Family IPv4

State is MASTER
State duration 3.707 secs
Virtual IP address is 1.0.0.10
Virtual MAC address is 0000.5E00.0101
Advertisement interval is 1000 msec
Preemption enabled
Priority is 100
Master Router is 1.0.0.1 (local), priority is 100
Master Advertisement interval is 1000 msec (expires in 686 msec)
Master Down interval is unknown
State is MASTER
State duration 3.707 secs
VRRPv3 Advertisements: sent 5 (errors 0) - rcvd 0
VRRPv2 Advertisements: sent 0 (errors 0) - rcvd 0
```

```

Group Discarded Packets: 0
  VRRPv2 incompatibility: 0
  IP Address Owner conflicts: 0
  Invalid address count: 0
  IP address configuration mismatch : 0
  Invalid Advert Interval: 0
  Adverts received in Init state: 0
  Invalid group other reason: 0
Group State transition:
  Init to master: 0
  Init to backup: 1 (Last change Mon Jul 30 16:42:01.856)
  Backup to master: 1 (Last change Mon Jul 30 16:42:05.469)
  Master to backup: 0
  Master to init: 0
  Backup to init: 0

```

Device# **exit**

Additional References

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	Master Commands List, All Releases
FHRP commands	First Hop Redundancy Protocols Command Reference
Configuring VRRPv2	<i>Configuring VRRP</i>

Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFC5798	<i>Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol</i>

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
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Feature Information for VRRPv3 Protocol Support

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

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Table 3: Feature Information for VRRPv3 Protocol Support

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
VRRPv3 Protocol Support	15.2(1)E 15.2(2)E	<p>VRRP enables a group of devices to form a single virtual device to provide redundancy. The LAN clients can then be configured with the virtual device as their default gateway. The virtual device, representing a group of devices, is also known as a VRRP group. The VRRPv3 Protocol Support feature provides the capability to support IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)E, this feature is supported on the following platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Catalyst 3750-X Series Switches • Cisco Industrial Ethernet 3000 Series Switches <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: fhrrp delay, show vrrp, vrrp address-family.</p>

Glossary

Virtual IP address owner—The VRRP device that owns the IP address of the virtual device. The owner is the device that has the virtual device address as its physical interface address.

Virtual device—One or more VRRP devices that form a group. The virtual device acts as the default gateway device for LAN clients. The virtual device is also known as a VRRP group.

Virtual device backup—One or more VRRP devices that are available to assume the role of forwarding packets if the virtual device master fails.

Virtual device master—The VRRP device that is currently responsible for forwarding packets sent to the IP addresses of the virtual device. Usually, the virtual device master also functions as the IP address owner.

VRRP device—A device that is running VRRP.



VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration

Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP) enables a group of devices to form a single virtual device to provide redundancy. The LAN clients then can be configured with the virtual device as the default gateway. The virtual device, representing a group of devices, is also known as a VRRP group. The VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration feature allows you to track the behavior of an object and receive notifications of changes. This module explains how object tracking, in particular the tracking of IPv6 objects, is integrated into VRRP version 3 (VRRPv3) and describes how to track an IPv6 object using a VRRPv3 group. See the “VRRP Object Tracking” section for more information on object tracking.

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- [How to Configure VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration, page 53](#)
- [Configuration Examples for VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration, page 54](#)
- [Additional References for VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration, page 55](#)
- [Feature Information for VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration, page 56](#)

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Information About VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration

VRRP Object Tracking

Object tracking is an independent process that manages creating, monitoring, and removing tracked objects such as the state of the line protocol of an interface. Clients such as the Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP), Gateway Load Balancing Protocol (GLBP), and VRRP register their interest with specific tracked objects and act when the state of an object changes.

Each tracked object is identified by a unique number that is specified on the tracking CLI. Client processes such as VRRP use this number to track a specific object.

The tracking process periodically polls the tracked objects and notes any change of value. The changes in the tracked object are communicated to interested client processes, either immediately or after a specified delay. The object values are reported as either up or down.

VRRP object tracking gives VRRP access to all the objects available through the tracking process. The tracking process allows you to track individual objects such as the state of an interface line protocol, state of an IP route, or the reachability of a route.

VRRP provides an interface to the tracking process. Each VRRP group can track multiple objects that may affect the priority of the VRRP device. You specify the object number to be tracked and VRRP is notified of any change to the object. VRRP increments (or decrements) the priority of the virtual device based on the state of the object being tracked.

How VRRP Object Tracking Affects the Priority of a Device

The priority of a device can change dynamically if it has been configured for object tracking and the object that is being tracked goes down. The tracking process periodically polls the tracked objects and notes any change of value. The changes in the tracked object are communicated to VRRP, either immediately or after a specified delay. The object values are reported as either up or down. Examples of objects that can be tracked are the line protocol state of an interface or the reachability of an IP route. If the specified object goes down, the VRRP priority is reduced. The VRRP device with the higher priority can now become the virtual device master if it has the **vrrp preempt** command configured. See the “VRRP Object Tracking” section for more information on object tracking.

How to Configure VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration

Tracking an IPv6 Object using VRRPv3

SUMMARY STEPS

1. `fhrp version vrrp v3`
2. `interface type number`
3. `vrrp group-id address-family ipv6`
4. `track object-number decrement number`
5. `end`

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	fhrp version vrrp v3 Example: Device(config)# fhrp version vrrp v3	Enables you to configure Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol version 3 (VRRPv3) and Virtual Router Redundancy Service (VRRS) on a device. Note When VRRPv3 is in use, VRRPv2 is unavailable.
Step 2	interface type number Example: Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0	Specifies an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 3	vrrp group-id address-family ipv6 Example: Device(config-if)# vrrp 1 address-family ipv6	Creates a VRRP group for IPv6 and enters VRRP configuration mode.
Step 4	track object-number decrement number Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# track 1 decrement 20	Configures the tracking process to track the state of the IPv6 object using the VRRPv3 group. VRRP on Ethernet interface 0/0 then registers with the tracking process to be informed of any changes to the IPv6 object on the VRRPv3 group. If the IPv6 object state on serial interface VRRPv3 goes down, then the priority of the VRRP group is reduced by 20.
Step 5	end Example: Device(config-if-vrrp)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Configuration Examples for VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration

Example: Tracking an IPv6 Object using VRRPv3

In the following example, the tracking process is configured to track the state of the IPv6 object using the VRRPv3 group. VRRP on GigabitEthernet interface 0/0/0 then registers with the tracking process to be informed of any changes to the IPv6 object on the VRRPv3 group. If the IPv6 object state on serial interface VRRPv3 goes down, then the priority of the VRRP group is reduced by 20:

```
Device(config)# fhrp version vrrp v3
Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# vrrp 1 address-family ipv6
Device(config-if-vrrp)# track 1 decrement 20
```

Example: Verifying VRRP IPv6 Object Tracking

```
Device# show vrrp
```

```
Ethernet0/0 - Group 1 - Address-Family IPv4
State is BACKUP
State duration 1 mins 41.856 secs
Virtual IP address is 172.24.1.253
Virtual MAC address is 0000.5E00.0101
Advertisement interval is 1000 msec
Preemption enabled
Priority is 80 (configured 100)
Track object 1 state Down decrement 20
Master Router is 172.24.1.2, priority is 100
Master Advertisement interval is 1000 msec (learned)
Master Down interval is 3609 msec (expires in 3297 msec)
```

```
Device# show track ipv6 route brief
```

Track	Type	Instance	Parameter	State	Last Change
601	ipv6 route	3172::1/32	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
602	ipv6 route	3192:ABCD::1/64	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
603	ipv6 route	3108:ABCD::CDEF:1/96	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
604	ipv6 route	3162::EF01/16	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
605	ipv6 route	3289::2/64	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
606	ipv6 route	3888::1200/64	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
607	ipv6 route	7001::AAAA/64	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
608	ipv6 route	9999::BBBB/64	metric threshold	Down	00:08:55
611	ipv6 route	1111::1111/64	reachability	Down	00:08:55
612	ipv6 route	2222:3333::4444/64	reachability	Down	00:08:55
613	ipv6 route	5555::5555/64	reachability	Down	00:08:55
614	ipv6 route	3192::1/128	reachability	Down	00:08:55

Additional References for VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases
HSRP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS First Hop Redundancy Protocols Command Reference</i>
Troubleshooting HSRP	<i>Hot Standby Router Protocol: Frequently Asked Questions</i>

RFCs

RFCs	Title
RFC 792	<i>Internet Control Message Protocol</i>
RFC 1828	<i>IP Authentication Using Keyed MD5</i>
RFC 5798	<i>Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol</i>

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
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Feature Information for VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration

Table 4: Feature Information for VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration	Cisco IOS 15.2(2)E	<p>The VRRPv3: Object Tracking Integration feature allows you to use a VRRPv3 group to track an object.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)E, this feature is supported on the following platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Industrial Ethernet 3000 Series Switches <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: fhrp version vrrp v3, show vrrp, track (VRRP).</p>