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# <span id="page-12-2"></span><span id="page-12-1"></span>**Multiprotocol Label Switching**

This module describes Multiprotocol Label Switching and how to configure it on Cisco switches.

# <span id="page-12-3"></span>**Restrictions for Multiprotocol Label Switching**

- Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) fragmentation is not supported.
- MPLS maximum transmission unit (MTU) is not supported.

# **Information about Multiprotocol Label Switching**

Multiprotocol label switching (MPLS) combines the performance and capabilities of Layer 2 (data link layer) switching with the proven scalability of Layer 3 (network layer) routing. MPLS enables you to meet the challenges of explosive growth in network utilization while providing the opportunity to differentiate services without sacrificing the existing network infrastructure. The MPLS architecture is flexible and can be employed in any combination of Layer 2 technologies. MPLS support is offered for all Layer 3 protocols, and scaling is possible well beyond that typically offered in today's networks.

## <span id="page-13-0"></span>**Functional Description of Multiprotocol Label Switching**

Label switching is a high-performance packet forwarding technology that integrates the performance and traffic management capabilities of data link layer (Layer 2) switching with the scalability, flexibility, and performance of network layer (Layer 3) routing.

## <span id="page-13-1"></span>**Label Switching Functions**

In conventional Layer 3 forwarding mechanisms, as a packet traverses the network, each switch extracts all the information relevant to forwarding the packet from the Layer 3 header. This information is then used as an index for a routing table lookup to determine the next hop for the packet.

In the most common case, the only relevant field in the header is the destination address field, but in some cases, other header fields might also be relevant. As a result, the header analysis must be done independently at each switch through which the packet passes. In addition, a complicated table lookup must also be done at each switch.

In label switching, the analysis of the Layer 3 header is done only once. The Layer 3 header is then mapped into a fixed length, unstructured value called a *label* .

Many different headers can map to the same label, as long as those headers always result in the same choice of next hop. In effect, a label represents a *forwarding equivalence class* --that is, a set of packets which, however different they may be, are indistinguishable by the forwarding function.

The initial choice of a label need not be based exclusively on the contents of the Layer 3 packet header; for example, forwarding decisions at subsequent hops can also be based on routing policy.

Once a label is assigned, a short label header is added at the front of the Layer 3 packet. This header is carried across the network as part of the packet. At subsequent hops through each MPLS switch in the network, labels are swapped and forwarding decisions are made by means of MPLS forwarding table lookup for the label carried in the packet header. Hence, the packet header does not need to be reevaluated during packet transit through the network. Because the label is of fixed length and unstructured, the MPLS forwarding table lookup process is both straightforward and fast.

## <span id="page-13-2"></span>**Distribution of Label Bindings**

Each label switching router (LSR) in the network makes an independent, local decision as to which label value to use to represent a forwarding equivalence class. This association is known as a label binding. Each LSR informs its neighbors of the label bindings it has made. This awareness of label bindings by neighboring switches is facilitated by the following protocols:

- Label Distribution Protocol (LDP)--enables peer LSRs in an MPLS network to exchange label binding information for supporting hop-by-hop forwarding in an MPLS network
- Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)--Used to support MPLS virtual private networks (VPNs)

When a labeled packet is being sent from LSR A to the neighboring LSR B, the label value carried by the IP packet is the label value that LSR B assigned to represent the forwarding equivalence class of the packet. Thus, the label value changes as the IP packet traverses the network.

For more information about LDP configuration, see the see MPLS: LDP Configuration Guide at [http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/ios-xml/ios/mpls/config\\_library/xe-3s/mp-xe-3s-library.html](http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/ios-xml/ios/mpls/config_library/xe-3s/mp-xe-3s-library.html)



**Note**

As the scale of label entries is limited in, especially with ECMP, it is recommended to enable LDP label filtering. LDP labels shall be allocated only for well known prefixes like loopback interfaces of routers and any prefix that needs to be reachable in the global routing table.

## <span id="page-14-0"></span>**MPLS Layer 3 VPN**

A Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Virtual Private Network (VPN) consists of a set of sites that are interconnected by means of an MPLS provider core network. At each customer site, one or more customer edge (CE) routers attach to one or more provider edge (PE) routers.

Before configuring MPLS Layer 3 VPNs, you should have MPLS, Label Distribution Protocol (LDP), and Cisco Express Forwarding (CEF) installed in your network. All routers in the core, including the PE routers, must be able to support CEF and MPLS forwarding.

## <span id="page-14-1"></span>**Classifying and Marking MPLS QoS EXP**

The QoS EXP Matching feature allows you to classify and mark network traffic by modifying the Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) experimental bits (EXP) field in IP packets.

The QoS EXP Matching feature allows you to organize network traffic by setting values for the MPLS EXP field in MPLS packets. By choosing different values for the MPLS EXP field, you can mark packets so that packets have the priority that they require during periods of congestion. Setting the MPLS EXP value allows you to:

- **Classify traffic:** The classification process selects the traffic to be marked. Classification accomplishes this by partitioning traffic into multiple priority levels, or classes of service. Traffic classification is the primary component of class-based QoS provisioning.
- **Police and mark traffic**: Policing causes traffic that exceeds the configured rate to be discarded or marked to a different drop level. Marking traffic is a way to identify packet flows to differentiate them. Packet marking allows you to partition your network into multiple priority levels or classes of service.

#### **Restrictions**

Following is the list of restrictions for classifying and marking MPLS QoS EXP:

- Only Uniform mode and Pipe mode are supported; Short-pipe mode is not supported.
- Support range of QoS-group values range between 0 and 30. (Total 31 QoS-groups).
- EXP marking using QoS policy is supported only on the outer label; inner EXP marking is not supported.

# <span id="page-14-2"></span>**How to Configure Multiprotocol Label Switching**

This section explains how to perform the basic configuration required to prepare a switch for MPLS switching and forwarding.

# <span id="page-15-0"></span>**Configuring a Switch for MPLS Switching**

MPLS switching on Cisco switches requires that Cisco Express Forwarding be enabled.



**Note ip unnumbered** command is not supported in MPLS configuration.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. ip cef distributed**
- **4. mpls label range** *minimum-value maximum-value*
- **5. mpls label protocol ldp**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



# <span id="page-15-1"></span>**Configuring a Switch for MPLS Forwarding**

MPLS forwarding on Cisco switches requires that forwarding of IPv4 packets be enabled.

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**Note ip unnumbered** command is not supported in MPLS configuration.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface** *type slot***/***subslot* **/***port*
- **4. mpls ip**
- **5. mpls label protocol ldp**
- **6. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**



# <span id="page-17-0"></span>**Verifying Multiprotocol Label Switching Configuration**

This section explains how to verify successful configuration of MPLS switching and forwarding.

# <span id="page-17-1"></span>**Verifying Configuration of MPLS Switching**

To verify that Cisco Express Forwarding has been configured properly, issue the **show ip cef summary** command, which generates output similar to that shown below:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

**1. show ip cef summary**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

#### **show ip cef summary**

#### **Example:**

```
Device# show ip cef summary
```

```
IPv4 CEF is enabled for distributed and running
VRF Default
150 prefixes (149/1 fwd/non-fwd)
Table id 0x0
Database epoch: 4 (150 entries at this epoch)
Device#
```
## <span id="page-17-2"></span>**Verifying Configuration of MPLS Forwarding**

To verify that MPLSforwarding has been configured properly, issue the **show mplsinterfacesdetail** command, which generates output similar to that shown below:

The MPLS MTU value is equivalent to the IP MTU value of the port or switch by default. MTU configuration for MPLS is not supported. **Note**

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. show mpls interfaces detail**
- **2. show running-config interface**
- **3. show mpls forwarding**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

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#### **Step 1 show mpls interfaces detail**

#### **Example:**

```
For physical (Gigabit Ethernet) interface:
Device# show mpls interfaces detail interface GigabitEthernet 1/0/0
        Type Unknown
       IP labeling enabled
       LSP Tunnel labeling not enabled
        IP FRR labeling not enabled
       BGP labeling not enabled
```

```
MTU = 1500
For Switch Virtual Interface (SVI):
Device# show mpls interfaces detail interface Vlan1000
        Type Unknown
        IP labeling enabled (ldp) :
         Interface config
        LSP Tunnel labeling not enabled
        IP FRR labeling not enabled
       BGP labeling not enabled
       MPLS operational
```
MPLS not operational

```
MTU = 1500
```
#### **Step 2 show running-config interface**

#### **Example:**

```
For physical (Gigabit Ethernet) interface:
Device# show running-config interface interface GigabitEthernet 1/0/0
Building configuration...
Current configuration : 307 bytes
!
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/0/0
no switchport
ip address xx.xx.x.x xxx.xxx.xxx.x
mpls ip
mpls label protocol ldp
end
For Switch Virtual Interface (SVI):
Device# show running-config interface interface Vlan1000
Building configuration...
Current configuration : 187 bytes
!
interface Vlan1000
ip address xx.xx.x.x xxx.xxx.xxx.x
mpls ip
mpls label protocol ldp
end
```
#### **Step 3 show mpls forwarding**

#### **Example:**

```
For physical (Gigabit Ethernet) interface:
Device# show mpls forwarding-table
```


# <span id="page-19-0"></span>**Additional References for Multiprotocol Label Switching**

#### **Related Documents**



# <span id="page-19-1"></span>**Feature History for Multiprotocol Label Switching**

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

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

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# <span id="page-22-0"></span>**Configuring MPLS Layer 3 VPN**

An MPLS Virtual Private Network (VPN) consists of a set of sites that are interconnected by means of a Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) provider core network. At each customer site, one or more customer edge (CE) devices attach to one or more provider edge (PE) devices. This module explains how to create an MPLS Layer 3 VPN.

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# <span id="page-22-1"></span>**MPLS Layer 3 VPNs**

An MPLS Virtual Private Network (VPN) consists of a set of sites that are interconnected by means of a Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) provider core network. At each customer site, one or more customer edge (CE) devices attach to one or more provider edge (PE) devices. This module explains how to create an MPLS VPN.

## <span id="page-22-2"></span>**Prerequisites for MPLS Virtual Private Networks**

- Make sure that you have installed Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS), Label Distribution Protocol (LDP), and Cisco Express Forwarding in your network.
- All devices in the core, including the provider edge (PE) devices, must be able to support Cisco Express Forwarding and MPLS forwarding. See the "Assessing the Needs of the MPLS Virtual Private Network Customers" section.
- Enable Cisco Express Forwarding on all devices in the core, including the PE devices. For information about how to determine if Cisco Express Forwarding is enabled, see the "Configuring Basic Cisco Express" Forwarding" module in the *Cisco Express Forwarding Configuration Guide*.
- The **mpls ldp graceful-restart** command must be configured to enable the device to protect LDP bindings and MPLS forwarding state during a disruption in service. We recommend you to configure this command (even if you do not want to preserve the forwarding state) to avoid device failure during SSO in a high availability setup with scale configurations.

## <span id="page-23-0"></span>**Restrictions for MPLS Virtual Private Networks**

When static routes are configured in a Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) or MPLS virtual private network (VPN) environment, some variations of the **ip route** and **ip route vrf** commands are not supported. Use the following guidelines when configuring static routes.

#### **Supported Static Routes in an MPLS Environment**

The following **ip route** command is supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS environment:

• **ip route** *destination-prefix mask interface next-hop-address*

The following **ip route** commands are supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS environment and configure load sharing with static nonrecursive routes and a specific outbound interface:

- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **interface1 next-hop1**
- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **interface2 next-hop2**

#### **Unsupported Static Routes in an MPLS Environment That Uses the TFIB**

The following **ip route** command is not supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS environment:

• **ip route** *destination-prefix mask next-hop-address*

The following **ip route** command is not supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS environment and enable load sharing where the next hop can be reached through two paths:

• **ip route** *destination-prefix mask next-hop-address*

The following **ip route** commands are not supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS environment and enable load sharing where the destination can be reached through two next hops:

- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **next-hop1**
- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **next-hop2**

Use the *interface* an *next-hop* arguments when specifying static routes.

#### **Supported Static Routes in an MPLS VPN Environment**

The following **ip route vrf** commands are supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment, and the next hop and interface are in the same VRF:

- **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask next-hop-address*
- **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask interface next-hop-address*
- **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask* **interface1 next-hop1**
- **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask* **interface2 next-hop2**

The following **ip route vrf** commands are supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment, and the next hop is in the global table in the MPLS cloud in the global routing table. For example, these commands are supported when the next hop is pointing to the Internet gateway.

• **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask next-hop-address* **global**

• **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask interface next-hop-address* (This command is supported when the next hop and interface are in the core.)

The following **ip route** commands are supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment and enable load sharing with static nonrecursive routes and a specific outbound interface:

- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **interface1 next-hop1**
- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **interface2 next-hop2**

#### **Unsupported Static Routes in an MPLS VPN Environment That Uses the TFIB**

The following **ip route** command is not supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment, the next hop is in the global table in the MPLS cloud within the core, and you enable load sharing where the next hop can be reached through two paths:

• **ip route vrf** *destination-prefix mask next-hop-address* **global**

The following **ip route** commands are not supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment, the next hop is in the global table in the MPLS cloud within the core, and you enable load sharing where the destination can be reached through two next hops:

- **ip route vrf** *destination-prefix mask* **next-hop1 global**
- **ip route vrf** *destination-prefix mask* **next-hop2 global**

The following **ip route vrf** commands are not supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment, and the next hop and interface are in the same VRF:

- **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask* **next-hop1** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask* **next-hop1**
- **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask* **next-hop2**

#### Supported Static Routes in an MPLS VPN Environment Where the Next Hop Resides in the Global Table on **the CE Device**

The following **ip route vrf** command is supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment, and the next hop is in the global table on the customer edge (CE) side. For example, the following command is supported when the destination prefix is the CE device's loopback address, as in external Border Gateway Protocol (EBGP) multihop cases.

• **ip route vrf** *vrf-name destination-prefix mask interface next-hop-address*

The following **ip route** commands are supported when you configure static routes in an MPLS VPN environment, the next hop is in the global table on the CE side, and you enable load sharing with static nonrecursive routes and a specific outbound interface:

- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **interface1 nexthop1**
- **ip route** *destination-prefix mask* **interface2 nexthop2**

## <span id="page-24-0"></span>**Information About MPLS Virtual Private Networks**

This section provides information about MPLS Virtual Private Networks:

## <span id="page-25-0"></span>**MPLS Virtual Private Network Definition**

Before defining a Multiprotocol Label Switching virtual private network (MPLS VPN), you must define a VPN in general. A VPN is:

- An IP-based network delivering private network services over a public infrastructure
- A set of sites that communicate with each other privately over the Internet or other public or private networks

Conventional VPNs are created by configuring a full mesh of tunnels or permanent virtual circuits (PVCs) to all sites in a VPN. This type of VPN is not easy to maintain or expand, because adding a new site requires changing each edge device in the VPN.

MPLS-based VPNs are created in Layer 3 and are based on the peer model. The peer model enablesthe service provider and the customer to exchange Layer 3 routing information. The service provider relays the data between the customer sites without the customer's involvement.

MPLS VPNs are easier to manage and expand than conventional VPNs. When a new site is added to an MPLS VPN, only the service provider's edge device that provides services to the customer site needs to be updated.

The different parts of the MPLS VPN are described as follows:

- Provider (P) device—Device in the core of the provider network. P devices run MPLS switching, and do not attach VPN labels to routed packets. The MPLS label in each route is assigned by the provider edge (PE) device. VPN labels are used to direct data packets to the correct egress device.
- PE device—Device that attaches the VPN label to incoming packets based on the interface or subinterface on which they are received. A PE device attaches directly to a customer edge (CE) device.
- Customer (C) device—Device in the ISP or enterprise network.
- CE device—Edge device on the network of the ISP that connects to the PE device on the network. A CE device must interface with a PE device.

The figure below shows a basic MPLS VPN.

#### **Figure 1: Basic MPLS VPN Terminology**



## <span id="page-26-0"></span>**How an MPLS Virtual Private Network Works**

Multiprotocol Label Switching virtual private network (MPLS VPN) functionality is enabled at the edge of an MPLS network. The provider edge (PE) device performs the following:

- Exchanges routing updates with the customer edge (CE) device.
- Translates the CE routing information into VPNv4 routes.
- Exchanges VPNv4 routes with other PE devices through the Multiprotocol Border Gateway Protocol (MP-BGP).

The following sections describe how MPLS VPN works:

### <span id="page-26-1"></span>**Major Components of an MPLS Virtual Private Network**

A Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)-based virtual private network (VPN) has three major components:

- VPN route target communities—A VPN route target community is a list of all members of a VPN community. VPN route targets need to be configured for each VPN community member.
- Multiprotocol BGP (MP-BGP) peering of VPN community provider edge (PE) devices— MP-BGP propagates virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) reachability information to all members of a VPN community. MP-BGP peering must be configured on all PE devices within a VPN community.
- MPLS forwarding—MPLS transports all traffic between all VPN community members across a VPN service-provider network.

A one-to-one relationship does not necessarily exist between customer sites and VPNs. A given site can be a member of multiple VPNs. However, a site can associate with only one VRF. A customer-site VRF contains all the routes available to the site from the VPNs of which it is a member.

## <span id="page-26-2"></span>**Benefits of an MPLS Virtual Private Network**

Multiprotocol Label Switching virtual private networks (MPLS VPNs) allow service providers to deploy scalable VPNs. They build the foundation to deliver value-added services, such as the following:

#### **Connectionless Service**

A significant technical advantage of MPLS VPNs is that they are connectionless. The Internet owes its success to its basic technology, TCP/IP. TCP/IP is built on a packet-based, connectionless network paradigm. This means that no prior action is necessary to establish communication between hosts, making it easy for two parties to communicate. To establish privacy in a connectionless IP environment, current VPN solutions impose a connection-oriented, point-to-point overlay on the network. Even if it runs over a connectionless network, a VPN cannot take advantage of the ease of connectivity and multiple services available in connectionless networks. When you create a connectionless VPN, you do not need tunnels and encryption for network privacy, thus eliminating significant complexity.

#### **Centralized Service**

Building VPNs in Layer 3 allows delivery of targeted services to a group of users represented by a VPN. A VPN must give service providers more than a mechanism for privately connecting users to intranet services. It must also provide a way to flexibly deliver value-added services to targeted customers.Scalability is critical, because you want to use services privately in their intranets and extranets. Because MPLS VPNs are seen as private intranets, you may use new IP services such as:

- Multicast
- Quality of service (QoS)
- Telephony support within a VPN
- Centralized services including content and web hosting to a VPN

You can customize several combinations of specialized services for individual customers. For example, a service that combines IP multicast with a low-latency service class enables video conferencing within an intranet.

#### **Scalability**

If you create a VPN using connection-oriented, point-to-point overlays, Frame Relay, or ATM virtual connections (VCs), the VPN's key deficiency is scalability. Specifically, connection-oriented VPNs without fully meshed connections between customer sites are not optimal. MPLS-based VPNs, instead, use the peer model and Layer 3 connectionless architecture to leverage a highly scalable VPN solution. The peer model requires a customer site to peer with only one provider edge (PE) device as opposed to all other customer edge (CE) devices that are members of the VPN. The connectionless architecture allows the creation of VPNs in Layer 3, eliminating the need for tunnels or VCs.

Other scalability issues of MPLS VPNs are due to the partitioning of VPN routes between PE devices. And the further partitioning of VPN and Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP) routes between PE devices and provider (P) devices in a core network.

- PE devices must maintain VPN routes for those VPNs who are members.
- P devices do not maintain any VPN routes.

This increases the scalability of the provider's core and ensures that no one device is a scalability bottleneck.

#### **Security**

MPLS VPNs offer the same level of security as connection-oriented VPNs. Packets from one VPN do not inadvertently go to another VPN.

Security is provided in the following areas:

- At the edge of a provider network, ensuring packets that are received from a customer are placed on the correct VPN.
- At the backbone, VPN traffic is kept separate. Malicious spoofing (an attempt to gain access to a PE device) is nearly impossible because the packets that are received from customers are IP packets. These IPpackets must be received on a particular interface or subinterface to be uniquely identified with a VPN label.

#### **Ease of Creation**

To take full advantage of VPNs, customers must be able to easily create new VPNs and user communities. Because MPLS VPNs are connectionless, no specific point-to-point connection maps or topologies are required. You can add sites to intranets and extranets and form closed user groups. Managing VPNs in this manner enables membership of any given site in multiple VPNs, maximizing flexibility in building intranets and extranets.

#### **Flexible Addressing**

To make a VPN service more accessible, customers of a service provider can design their own addressing plan. This addressing plan can be independent of addressing plans for other service provider customers. Many customers use private addressspaces, as defined in RFC 1918. They do not want to invest the time and expense of converting to public IPaddresses to enable intranet connectivity. MPLS VPNs allow customers to continue to use their present address spaces without Network Address Translation (NAT) by providing a public and private view of the address. A NAT is required only if two VPNs with overlapping address spaces want to communicate. This enables customersto use their own unregistered private addresses, and communicate freely across a public IP network.

#### **Integrated QoS Support**

QoS is an important requirement for many IP VPN customers. It provides the ability to address two fundamental VPN requirements:

- Predictable performance and policy implementation
- Support for multiple levels of service in an MPLS VPN

Network traffic is classified and labeled at the edge of the network. The traffic is then aggregated according to policies defined by subscribers and implemented by the provider and transported across the provider core. Traffic at the edge and core of the network can then be differentiated into different classes by drop probability or delay.

#### **Straightforward Migration**

For service providers to quickly deploy VPN services, use a straightforward migration path. MPLS VPNs are unique because you can build them over multiple network architectures, including IP, ATM, Frame Relay, and hybrid networks.

Migration for the end customer is simplified because there is no requirement to support MPLS on the CE device. No modifications are required to a customer's intranet.

## <span id="page-28-1"></span><span id="page-28-0"></span>**How to Configure MPLS Virtual Private Networks**

The following section provides the steps to configure MPLS Virtual Private Networks:

### **Configuring the Core Network**

The following section provides the steps to configure the core network:

#### **Assessing the Needs of MPLS Virtual Private Network Customers**

Before you configure a Multiprotocol Label Switching virtual private network (MPLS VPN), you need to identify the core network topology so that it can best serve MPLS VPN customers. Perform this task to identify the core network topology.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1.** Identify the size of the network.
- **2.** Identify the routing protocols in the core.
- **3.** Determine if you need MPLS VPN High Availability support.

**4.** Determine if you need Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) load sharing and redundant paths in the MPLS VPN core.

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



#### <span id="page-29-0"></span>**Configuring MPLS in the Core**

To enable Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) on all devices in the core, you must configure either of the following as a label distribution protocol:

• MPLS Label Distribution Protocol (LDP). For configuration information, see the "MPLS Label Distribution Protocol (LDP)" module in the *MPLS Label Distribution Protocol Configuration Guide*.

### **Connecting the MPLS Virtual Private Network Customers**

The following section provides information about Connecting the MPLS Virtual Private Network Customers:

#### **Defining VRFs on the PE Devices to Enable Customer Connectivity**

Use this procedure to define a virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) configuration for IPv4. To define a VRF for IPv4 and IPv6, see the "Configuring a Virtual Routing and Forwarding Instance for IPv6"section in the "IPv6 VPN over MPLS" module in the *MPLS Layer 3 VPNs Configuration Guide*.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. vrf definition** *vrf-name*
- **4. rd** *route-distinguisher*
- **5. address-family** *ipv4* | *ipv6*
- **6. route-target** {**import** | **export** | **both**} *route-target-ext-community*
- **7. exit**

### **DETAILED STEPS**

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### **Configuring VRF Interfaces on PE Devices for Each VPN Customer**

To associate a virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance with an interface or subinterface on the provider edge (PE) devices, perform this task.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface** *type number*
- **4. vrf forwarding** *vrf-name*
- **5. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**



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#### **Configuring Routing Protocols Between the PE and CE Devices**

Configure the provider edge (PE) device with the same routing protocol that the customer edge (CE) device uses. You can configure the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP), Routing Information Protocol version 2 (RIPv2), EIGRP, Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) or static routes between the PE and CE devices.

### <span id="page-32-0"></span>**Verifying the Virtual Private Network Configuration**

A route distinguisher must be configured for the virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance. Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) must be configured on the interfaces that carry the VRF. Use the **show ip vrf** command to verify the route distinguisher (RD) and interface configured for the VRF.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

**1. show ip vrf**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

#### **show ip vrf**

<span id="page-32-1"></span>Displays the set of defined VRF instances and associated interfaces. The output also maps the VRF instances to the configured route distinguisher.

### **Verifying Connectivity Between MPLS Virtual Private Network Sites**

To verify that the local and remote customer edge (CE) devices can communicate across the Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) core, perform the following tasks:

#### **Verifying IP Connectivity from CE Device to CE Device Across the MPLS Core**

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. ping** [*protocol*] {*host-name* | *system-address*}
- **3. trace** [*protocol*] [*destination*]
- **4. show ip route** [*ip-address* [*mask*] [**longer-prefixes**]] | *protocol* [*process-id*]] | [**list** [*access-list-name* | *access-list-number*]

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show ip route vrf** *vrf-name* [*prefix*]
- **3. show ip cef vrf** *vrf-name* [*ip-prefix*]

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



**Step 3 show ip cef vrf** *vrf-name* [*ip-prefix*]

Displays the Cisco Express Forwarding forwarding table that is associated with a VRF. Check that the prefix of the remote CE device is in the Cisco Express Forwarding table.

# <span id="page-34-0"></span>**Configuration Examples for MPLS Virtual Private Networks**

The following section provides the configuration examples for MPLS Virtual Private Networks:

## <span id="page-34-1"></span>**Example: Configuring an MPLS Virtual Private Network Using RIP**



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## <span id="page-35-0"></span>**Example: Configuring an MPLS Virtual Private Network Using Static Routes**


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### **Example: Configuring an MPLS Virtual Private Network Using BGP**

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# **Additional References**



#### **Related Documents**

# **Feature History for MPLS Virtual Private Networks**

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

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



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# **Configuring eBGP and iBGP Multipath**

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# <span id="page-40-0"></span>**BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS-VPN**

The BGP Multipath Load Sharing for eBGP and iBGP feature allows you to configure multipath load balancing with both external BGP (eBGP) and internal BGP (iBGP) paths in Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) networks that are configured to use Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Virtual Private Networks (VPNs). This feature provides improved load balancing deployment and service offering capabilities and is useful for multi-homed autonomous systems and Provider Edge (PE) routers that import both eBGP and iBGP paths from multihomed and stub networks.

# **Prerequisites for BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS-VPN**

Cisco Express Forwarding (CEF) or distributed CEF (dCEF) must be enabled on all participating devices.

# **Restrictions for BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS-VPN**

#### **Address Family Support**

This feature is configured on a per VPN routing and forwarding instance (VRF) basis. This feature can be configured under both IPv4 and IPv6 VRF address families.

#### **Memory Consumption Restriction**

Each BGP multipath routing table entry will use additional memory. We recommend that you do not use this feature on a device with a low amount of available memory and especially if the device carries full Internet routing tables.

#### **Number of Paths Limitation**

The number of paths supported are limited to 2 BGP multipaths. This could either be 2 iBGP multipaths or 1 iBGP multipath and 1 eBGP multipath.

#### **Unsupported Commands**

**ip unnumbered** command is not supported in MPLS configuration.

# <span id="page-41-0"></span>**Information About BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS-VPN**

### **Multipath Load Sharing Between eBGP and iBGP**

A BGP routing process will install a single path as the best path in the routing information base (RIB) by default. The **maximum-paths** command allows you to configure BGP to install multiple paths in the RIB for multipath load sharing. BGP uses the best path algorithm to select a single multipath as the best path and advertise the best path to BGP peers.



**Note**

The valid values for the **maximum-paths** command range from 1 to 32. However, the maximum value that can be configured is 2.

Load balancing over the multipaths is performed by CEF. CEF load balancing is configured on a per-packet round robin or on a per session (source and destination pair) basis. For information about CEF, see IP Switching Cisco Express Forwarding [Configuration](https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/ios-xml/ios/ipswitch_cef/configuration/xe-3e/isw-cef-xe-3e-book.html) Guide. The BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS VPN feature is enabled under the IPv4 VRF address family and IPv6 VRF address family configuration modes. When enabled, this feature can perform load balancing on eBGP and/or iBGP paths that are imported into the VRF. The number of multipaths is configured on a per VRF basis. Separate VRF multipath configurations are isolated by unique route distinguisher.

**Note**

The BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS VPN feature operates within the parameters of configured outbound routing policy.

### **eBGP and iBGP Multipath Load Sharing in a BGP MPLS Network**

The following figure shows a service provider BGP MPLS network that connects two remote networks to PE router 1 and PE router 2. PE router 1 and PE router 2 are both configured for VPNv4 unicast iBGP peering. Network 2 is a multihomed network that is connected to PE router 1 and PE router 2. Network 2 also has

extranet VPN services configured with Network 1. Both Network 1 and Network 2 are configured for eBGP peering with the PE routers.

**Figure 2: Service Provider BGP MPLS Network**



PE router 1 can be configured with the BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS VPN feature so that both iBGP and eBGP paths can be selected as multipaths and imported into the VRF . The multipaths will be used by CEF to perform load balancing. IP traffic that is sent from Network 1 to Network 2, PE router 1 will Load Share with eBGP paths as IP traffic & iBGP path will be sent as MPLS traffic.

**Note**

• eBGP session between local CE & local PE is not supported.

- eBGP session from a local PE to a remote CE is supported.
- eiBGP Multipath is supported in per prefix label allocation mode only. It is not supported in other label allocation modes.

### <span id="page-42-0"></span>**Benefits of Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP**

The BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS VPN feature allows multihomed autonomous systems and PE routers to be configured to distribute traffic across both eBGP and iBGP paths.

# **How to Configure BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS-VPN**

This section contains the following procedures:

# **Configuring Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP an iBGP**

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure**{**terminal**|**memory**|**network**}
- **3. router bgp as-number**
- **4. neighbor** {*ip-address* | *ipv6-address* | *peer-group-name* }
- **5. address-family ipv4 vrf***vrf-name*
- **6. address-family ipv6 vrf***vrf-name*
- **7. neighbor** {*ip-address* | *ipv6-address* | *peer-group-name* } **update-source** *interface-type interface-name*
- **8. neighbor** {*ip-address* | *ipv6-address* | *peer-group-name* } **activate**
- **9. maximum-paths eibgp**[*import-number*]

#### **DETAILED STEPS**





# **Verifying Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP an iBGP**

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show ip bgp neighbors**
- **3. show ip bgp vpnv4 vrf***vrf name*
- **4. show ip route vrf***vrf-name*

### **DETAILED STEPS**



# <span id="page-45-0"></span>**Configuration Examples forthe BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS-VPN Feature**

The following examples show how to configure and verify this feature:

### **eBGP and iBGP Multipath Load Sharing Configuration Example**

This following configuration example configures a router in IPv4 address-family mode to select two BGP routes (eBGP or iBGP) as multipaths:

```
Device(config)# router bgp 40000
Device(config-router)# address-family ipv4 vrf RED
Device(config-router-af)# maximum-paths eibgp 2
Device(config-router-af)# end
```
This following configuration example configures a router in IPv6 address-family mode to select two BGP routes (eBGP or iBGP) as multipaths:

```
Device(config)#router bgp 40000
Device(config-router)# address-family ipv6 vrf RED
Device(config-router-af)# maximum-paths eibgp 2
Device(config-router-af)# end
```
# <span id="page-45-1"></span>**Feature Information for BGP Multipath Load Sharing for Both eBGP and iBGP in an MPLS-VPN**

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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**CHAPTER 4**

# **Configuring EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin**

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# <span id="page-48-0"></span>**EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin**

The EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin feature introduces the capability to filter Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Virtual Private Network (VPN) traffic on a per-site basis for Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP) networks. Site of Origin (SoO) filtering is configured at the interface level and is used to manage MPLS VPN traffic and to prevent transient routing loops from occurring in complex and mixed network topologies. This feature is designed to support the MPLS VPN Support for EIGRP Between Provider Edge (PE) and Customer Edge (CE) feature. Support for backdoor links is provided by this feature when installed on PE routers that support EIGRP MPLS VPNs.

# **Prerequisites for EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin**

This document assumes that Border GatewayProtocol (BGP) is configured in the network core (or the service provider backbone). The following tasks will also need to be completed before you can configure this feature:

- This feature was introduced to support the MPLS VPN Support for EIGRP Between Provider Edge and Customer Edge feature and should be configured after the EIGRP MPLS VPN is created.
- All PE routers that are configured to support the EIGRP MPLS VPN must run Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.11.1 or a later release, which provides support for the SoO extended community.

# **Restrictions for EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin**

• If a VPN site is partitioned and the SoO extended community attribute is configured on a backdoor router interface, the backdoor link cannot be used as an alternate path to reach prefixes originated in other partitions of the same site

- A uniqueSoO value must be configured for each individual VPN site. The same value must be configured on all provider edge and customer edge interfaces (if SoO is configured on the CE routers) that support the same VPN site.
- **ip unnumbered** command is not supported in MPLS configuration.

# <span id="page-49-0"></span>**Information About EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin**

The following section describes information about EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin.

# **EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin Support Overview**

The EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin feature introduces SoO support for EIGRP-to-BGP and BGP-to-EIGRP redistribution. The SoO extended community is a BGP extended community attribute that is used to identify routes that have originated from a site so that the readvertisement of that prefix back to the source site can be prevented. The SoO extended community uniquely identifies the site from which a PE router has learned a route. SoO support provides the capability to filter MPLS VPN traffic on a per-EIGRP-site basis.SoO filtering is configured at the interface level and is used to manage MPLS VPN traffic and to prevent routing loops from occurring in complex and mixed network topologies, such as EIGRP VPN sites that contain both VPN and backdoor links.

The configuration of the SoO extended community allows MPLS VPN traffic to be filtered on a per-site basis. The SoO extended community is configured in an inbound BGP route map on the PE router and is applied to the interface. The SoO extended community can be applied to all exit points at the customer site for more specific filtering but must be configured on all interfaces of PE routers that provide VPN services to CE routers.

### **Site of Origin Support for Backdoor Links**

The EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin (SoO) feature introducessupport for backdoor links. A backdoor link or a route is a connection that is configured outside of the VPN between a remote and main site; for example, a WAN leased line that connects a remote site to the corporate network. Backdoor links are typically used as back up routes between EIGRP sites if the VPN link is down or not available. A metric is set on the backdoor link so that the route though the backdoor router is not selected unless there is a VPN link failure.

The SoO extended community is defined on the interface of the backdoor router. It identifies the local site ID, which should match the value that is used on the PE routers that support the same site. When the backdoor router receives an EIGRP update (or reply) from a neighbor across the backdoor link, the router checks the update for an SoO value. If the SoO value in the EIGRP update matches the SoO value on the local backdoor interface, the route is rejected and not added to the EIGRP topology table. This scenario typically occurs when the route with the local SoO valued in the received EIGRP update was learned by the other VPN site and then advertised through the backdoor link by the backdoor router in the other VPN site. SoO filtering on the backdoor link prevents transient routing loops from occurring by filtering out EIGRP updates that contain routes that carry the local site ID.

If this feature is enabled on the PE routers and the backdoor routers in the customer sites, and SoO values are defined on both the PE and backdoor routers, both the PE and backdoor routers will support convergence between the VPN sites. The other routers in the customer sites need only propagate the SoO values carried by the routes, as the routes are forwarded to neighbors. These routers do not otherwise affect or support convergence beyond normal Diffusing Update Algorithm (DUAL) computations.

# **Router Interoperation with the Site of Origin Extended Community**

The configuration of an SoO extended community allows routers that support EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin feature to identify the site from which each route originated. When this feature is enabled, the EIGRP routing process on the PE or CE router checks each received route for the SoO extended community and filters based on the following conditions:

- A received route from BGP or a CE router contains an SoO value that matches the SoO value on the receiving interface : If a route is received with an associated SoO value that matches the SoO value that is configured on the receiving interface, the route is filtered because it was learned from another PE router or from a backdoor link. This behavior is designed to prevent routing loops.
- A received route from a CE router is configured with an SoO value that does not match: If a route is received with an associated SoO value that does not match the SoO value that is configured on the receiving interface, the route is added to the EIGRP topology table so that it can be redistributed into BGP. If the route is already installed to the EIGRP topology table but is associated with a different SoO value, the SoO value from the topology table will be used when the route is redistributed into BGP.
- A received route from a CE router does not contain an SoO value: If a route is received without a SoO value, the route is accepted into the EIGRP topology table, and the SoO value from the interface that is used to reach the next hop CE router is appended to the route before it is redistributed into BGP.

When BGP and EIGRP peers that support the SoO extended community receive these routes, they will also receive the associated SoO values and pass them to other BGP and EIGRP peers that support the SoO extended community. This filtering is designed to prevent transient routes from being relearned from the originating site, which prevents transient routing loops from occurring.

# **Redistribution of BGP VPN Routes That Carry the Site of Origin into EIGRP**

When an EIGRP routing process on a PE router redistributes BGP VPN routes into an EIGRP topology table, EIGRP extracts the SoO value (if one is present) from the appended BGP extended community attributes and appends the SoO value to the route before adding it to the EIGRP topology table. EIGRP tests the SoO value for each route before sending updates to CE routers. Routes that are associated with SoO values that match the SoO value configured on the interface are filtered out before they are passed to the CE routers. When an EIGRP routing process receives routes that are associated with different SoO values, the SoO value is passed to the CE router and carried through the CE site.

# <span id="page-50-0"></span>**Benefits of the EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin Support Feature**

The configuration of the EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin Support feature introduces per-site VPN filtering, which improves support for complex topologies, such as MPLS VPNs with backdoor links, CE routers that are dual-homed to different PE routers, and PE routers that support CE routers from different sites within the same virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance.

# **Howto Configure EIGRP MPLS VPNPE-CE Site of Origin Support**

The following sections provide information about how to configure EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin Support:

## **Configuring the Site of Origin Extended Community**

The configuration of the SoO extended community allows MPLS VPN traffic to be filtered on a per-site basis. The SoO extended community is configured in an inbound BGP route map on the PE router and is applied to the interface. The SoO extended community can be applied to all exit points at the customer site for more specific filtering but must be configured on all interfaces of PE routers that provide VPN services to CE routers.

#### **Before you begin**

- Confirm that the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is configured in the network core (or the service provider backbone).
- Configure an EIGRP MPLS VPN before configuring this feature.
- All PE routers that are configured to support the EIGRP MPLS VPN must support the SoO extended community.
- A unique SoO value must be configured for each VPN site. The same value must be used on the interface of the PE router that connects to the CE router for each VPN site.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. route-map** *map-name* {**permit**|**deny**}[*sequence-number*]
- **4. set extcommunity soo***extended-community-value*
- **5. exit**
- **6. interface** *type number*
- **7. no switchport**
- **8. vrf forwarding** *vrf-name*
- **9. ip vrf sitemap** *route-map-name*
- **10. ip address** *ip-address subnet-mask*
- **11. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



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#### **What to do next**

• For mixed EIGRP MPLS VPN network topologies that contain backdoor routes, the next task is to configure the "prebest path" cost community for backdoor routes.

### **Verifying the Configuration of the SoO Extended Community**

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show ip bgp vpnv4** {**all**|**rd***route-distinguisher*|**vrf***vrf-name*}[*ip-prefix/length*]

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



# <span id="page-53-0"></span>**Configuration Examples for EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE SoO**

The following section shows configuration examples for EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE SoO:

## **Example Configuring the Site of Origin Extended Community**

The following example, beginning in global configuration mode, configures SoO extended community on an interface:

```
route-map Site-of-Origin permit 10
set extcommunity soo 100:1
exit
GigabitEthernet1/0/1
vrf forwarding RED
```

```
ip vrf sitemap Site-of-Origin
ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.255
end
```
# **Example Verifying the Site of Origin Extended Community**

The following example shows VPN address information from the BGP table and verifies the configuration of the SoO extended community:

```
Device# show ip bgp vpnv4 all 10.0.0.1
BGP routing table entry for 100:1:10.0.0.1/32, version 6
Paths: (1 available, best #1, no table)
Advertised to update-groups:
1
100 300
192.168.0.2 from 192.168.0.2 (172.16.13.13)
Origin incomplete, localpref 100, valid, external, best
Extended Community: SOO:100:1
```
#### Show command Customer Edge Device

```
Device# show ip eigrp topo 20.2.1.1/32
EIGRP-IPv4 Topology Entry for AS(30)/ID(30.0.0.1) for 20.2.1.1/32
  State is Passive, Query origin flag is 1, 2 Successor(s), FD is 131072
  Descriptor Blocks:
  31.1.1.2 (GigabitEthernet1/0/13), from 31.1.1.2, Send flag is 0x0
      Composite metric is (131072/130816), route is External
      Vector metric:
        Minimum bandwidth is 1000000 Kbit
        Total delay is 5020 microseconds
        Reliability is 255/255
       Load is 1/255
       Minimum MTU is 1500
       Hop count is 2
        Originating router is 30.0.0.2
      Extended Community: SoO:100:1
      External data:
       AS number of route is 0
        External protocol is Connected, external metric is 0
        Administrator tag is 0 (0x00000000)
```
#### Show command Provider Edge Device

```
Device# show ip eigrp vrf SOO-1 topology 31.1.1.0/24
EIGRP-IPv4 VR(L3VPN) Topology Entry for AS(30)/ID(2.2.2.22)
           Topology(base) TID(0) VRF(SOO-1)
EIGRP-IPv4(30): Topology base(0) entry for 31.1.1.0/24
  State is Passive, Query origin flag is 1, 1 Successor(s), FD is 1310720
  Descriptor Blocks:
  1.1.1.1, from VPNv4 Sourced, Send flag is 0x0
      Composite metric is (1310720/0), route is Internal (VPNv4 Sourced)
      Vector metric:
       Minimum bandwidth is 1000000 Kbit
        Total delay is 10000000 picoseconds
        Reliability is 255/255
        Load is 1/255
        Minimum MTU is 1500
        Hop count is 0
```

```
Originating router is 1.1.1.11
Extended Community: SoO:100:1
```
# <span id="page-55-0"></span>**Feature History for EIGRP MPLS VPN PE-CE Site of Origin**

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

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



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# **CHAPTER 5**

# **Configuring Ethernet-over-MPLS and Pseudowire Redundancy**

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# <span id="page-56-0"></span>**Configuring Ethernet-over-MPLS**

This section provides information about how to configure Ethernet over Multiprotocol Label Switching (EoMPLS).

### **Prerequisites for Ethernet-over-MPLS**

Before you configure EoMPLS, ensure that the network is configured as follows:

- Configure IP routing in the core so that the provider edge (PE) devices can reach each other through IP.
- Configure MPLS in the core so that a label switched path (LSP) exists between the PE devices.
- Configure the **no switchport**, **no keepalive**, and **no ip address** commands before configuring Xconnect on the attachment circuit.
- For load-balancing, configuring the **port-channel load-balance** command is mandatory.
- Subinterfaces must be supported to enable EoMPLS VLAN mode.
- The **mpls ldp graceful-restart** command must be configured to enable the device to protect LDP bindings and MPLS forwarding state during a disruption in service. We recommend you to configure this command (even if you do not want to preserve the forwarding state) to avoid device failure during SSO in a high availability setup with scale configurations.

# **Restrictions for Ethernet-over-MPLS**

The following sections list the restrictions for EoMPLS port mode and EoMPLS VLAN mode.

#### **Restrictions for Ethernet-over-MPLS Port Mode**

- Ethernet Flow Point is not supported.
- Quality of Service (QoS): Customer differentiated services code point (DSCP) re-marking is not supported with virtual private wire service (VPWS) and EoMPLS.
- Virtual Circuit Connectivity Verification (VCCV) ping with explicit null is not supported.
- Layer 2 Protocol Tunneling CLI is not supported.
- Flow-Aware Transport (FAT) Pseudowire Redundancy is supported only in Protocol-CLI mode. Supported load-balancing parameters are Source IP, Source MAC address, Destination IP, and Destination MAC address.
- MPLS QoS is supported only in pipe and uniform mode. Default mode is pipe mode.
- Both legacy Xconnect and Protocol-CLI (interface pseudowire configuration) modes are supported.
- Xconnect mode cannot be configured on SVI.
- Xconnect and MACSec cannot be configured on the same interface.
- MACSec should be configured on CE devices and Xconnect should be configured on PE devices.
- A MACSec session should be available between CE devices.
- By default, EoMPLS PW tunnels all the protocols such as Cisco Discovery Protocol and Spanning Tree Protocol (STP). EoMPLS PW cannot perform selective protocol tunneling as part of L2 Protocol Tunneling CLI.
- Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) and Port Aggregation Protocol (PAgP) packets are not forwarded over Ethernet-over-MPLS Pseudowire, as these are processed by the local PE.

### **Restrictions for Ethernet-over-MPLS VLAN Mode**

- Virtual circuit will not work if the same interworking type is not configured on PE devices.
- Untagged traffic is not supported as incoming traffic.
- Xconnect mode cannot be enabled on Layer 2 subinterfaces because multiplexer user-network interface (MUX UNI) is not supported.
- Xconnect mode cannot be configured on subinterfacesif it is enabled on the main interface for port-to-port transport.
- FAT can be configured on Protocol CLI mode only.
- MACsec is not supported on EoMPLS VLAN mode.
- QoS: Customer DSCP Remarking is not supported with VPWS and EoMPLS.
- MPLS QoS is supported in pipe and uniform mode. Default mode is pipe mode.
- In VLAN mode EoMPLS, Cisco Discovery Protocol packets from the CE will be processed by the PE, but will not be carried over the EoMPLS virtual circuit, whereas in port mode, Cisco Discovery Protocol packets from the CE will be carried over the virtual circuit.
- Only Ethernet and VLAN interworking types are supported.
- L2 Protocol Tunneling CLI is not supported.
- Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) and Port Aggregation Protocol (PAgP) packets are not forwarded over Ethernet-over-MPLS Pseudowire, as these are processed by the local PE.

### **Information About Ethernet-over-MPLS**

EoMPLS is one of the Any Transport over MPLS (AToM) transport types. EoMPLS works by encapsulating Ethernet protocol data units (PDUs) in MPLS packets and forwarding them across the MPLS network. Each PDU is transported as a single packet.

The following modes are supported:

- Port mode: Allows all traffic on a port to share a single virtual circuit across an MPLS network. Port mode uses virtual circuit type 5.
- VLAN mode: Transports Ethernet traffic from a source 802.1Q VLAN to a destination 802.1Q VLAN through a single virtual circuit over an MPLS network. VLAN mode uses virtual circuit type 5 as the default (does not transport dot1q tag); however, uses virtual circuit type 4 (transports dot1 tag) if the remote PE does not support virtual circuit type 5 for subinterface-based (VLAN-based) EoMPLS.

Interworking between EoMPLS port mode and EoMPLS VLAN mode: If EoMPLS port mode is configured on a local PE and EoMPLS VLAN mode on a remote PE, then the customer edge (CE) Layer 2 switchport interface must be configured as an *access* on the port mode side and the Spanning Tree Protocol must be disabled on the VLAN mode side of the CE device.

The maximum transmission unit (MTU) of all the intermediate links between PEs must be able to carry the largest Layer 2 packet received on ingress PE.

### **How to Configure Ethernet-over-MPLS**

EoMPLS can be configured in the port mode or VLAN mode.

### **Configuring Ethernet-over-MPLS Port Mode**

EoMPLS port mode can be configured using either the Xconnect mode or protocol CLI method.

#### **Xconnect Mode**

To configure EoMPLS port mode in Xconnect mode, perform the following task:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface** *interface-id*
- **4. no switchport**
- **5. no ip address**
- **6. no keepalive**
- **7. xconnect** *peer-device-id vc-id* **encapsulation mpls**
- **8. end**

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#### **DETAILED STEPS**





#### **Protocol CLI Method**

To configure EoMPLS port mode in protocol CLI mode, perform the following task:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. port-channel load-balance dst-ip**
- **4. interface** *interface-id*
- **5. no switchport**
- **6. no ip address**
- **7. no keepalive**
- **8. exit**
- **9. interface pseudowire** *number*
- **10. encapsulation mpls**
- **11. neighbor** *peer-ip-addr vc-id*
- **12. l2vpn xconnect context** *context-name*
- **13. member** *interface-id*
- **14. member pseudowire** *number*
- **15. end**

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### **Configuring Ethernet-over-MPLS VLAN Mode**

EoMPLS VLAN mode can be configured using either the Xconnect mode or protocol-CLI method.

#### **Xconnect Mode**

To configure EoMPLS VLAN mode in Xconnect mode, perform the following task:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface** *interface-id*
- **4. no switchport**
- **5. no ip address**

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- **6. no keepalive**
- **7. exit**
- **8. interface** *interface-id.subinterface*
- **9. encapsulation dot1Q** *vlan-id*
- **10. xconnect** *peer-ip-addr vc-id* **encapsulation mpls**
- **11. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**





#### **Protocol CLI Method**

To configure EoMPLS VLAN mode in protocol-CLI mode, perform the following task:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. port-channel load-balance dst-ip**
- **4. interface** *interface-id*
- **5. no switchport**
- **6. no ip address**
- **7. no keepalive**
- **8. exit**
- **9. interface** *interface-id.subinterface*
- **10. encapsulation dot1Q** *vlan-id*

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- **11. exit**
- **12. interface pseudowire** *number*
- **13. encapsulation mpls**
- **14. neighbor** *peer-ip-addr vc-id*
- **15. l2vpn xconnect context** *context-name*
- **16. member** *interface-id.subinterface*
- **17. member pseudowire** *number*
- **18. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



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# **Configuration Examples for Ethernet-over-MPLS**

**Figure 3: EoMPLS Topology**



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#### **Table 2: EoMPLS Port Mode Configuration**



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#### **Table 3: EoMPLS VLAN Mode Configuration**

<b>PE Configuration</b>	<b>CE Configuration</b>
interface tengigabitethernet 1/0/36	interface fortygigabitethernet 1/9
no switchport no ip address no keepalive	switchport switchport mode trunk switchport trunk allowed vlan 1105
exit	mtu 9216
interface tengigabitethernet 1/0/36.1105 end	
encapsulation dot10 1105 exit	
interface pseudowire1105	
encapsulation mpls neighbor 10.10.0.10 1105	
exit	
12vpn xconnect context vme1105 member tengigabitethernet 1/0/36.1105 member pseudowire1105	
end	

**Table 4: Interworking Between EoMPLS Port Mode and EoMPLS VLAN Mode Configuration**



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Another scenario for interworking between EoMPLS port mode and EoMPLS VLAN mode is to configure the following commands on both CE devices:

- **switchport mode trunk**
- **switchport trunk allowed vlan** *vlan-id*
- **spanning-tree vlan** *vlan-id*

Data traffic will flow through by disabling STP on both CE devices, if the traffic sent is not double VLAN tagged.

The following is a sample output of the **show mpls l2 vc vcid** *vc-id* **detail** command:

```
Device# show mpls l2 vc vcid 1105 detail
Local interface: TenGigabitEthernet1/0/36.1105 up, line protocol up, Eth VLAN 1105 up
 Interworking type is Ethernet
 Destination address: 10.0.0.1, VC ID: 1105, VC status: up
   Output interface: Po10, imposed label stack {33 10041}
   Preferred path: not configured
   Default path: active
   Next hop: 10.10.0.1
 Create time: 00:04:09, last status change time: 00:02:13
   Last label FSM state change time: 00:02:12
 Signaling protocol: LDP, peer 10.0.0.1:0 up
   Targeted Hello: 10.0.0.10(LDP Id) -> 10.0.0.1, LDP is UP
   Graceful restart: configured and enabled
   Non stop routing: not configured and not enabled
   Status TLV support (local/remote) : enabled/supported
     LDP route watch : enabled
     Label/status state machine : established, LruRru
     Last local dataplane status rcvd: No fault
     Last BFD dataplane status rcvd: Not sent
     Last BFD peer monitor status rcvd: No fault
     Last local AC circuit status rcvd: No fault
     Last local AC circuit status sent: No fault
    Last local PW i/f circ status rcvd: No fault
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Last local LDP TLV status sent: No fault Last remote LDP TLV status rcvd: No fault Last remote LDP ADJ status rcvd: No fault MPLS VC labels: local 124, remote 10041 Group ID: local 336, remote 352 MTU: local 9198, remote 9198 Remote interface description: MAC Withdraw: sent:1, received:0 Sequencing: receive disabled, send disabled Control Word: On (configured: autosense) SSO Descriptor: 10.0.0.1/1105, local label: 124 Dataplane: SSM segment/switch IDs: 9465983/446574 (used), PWID: 109 VC statistics: transit packet totals: receive 0, send 0 transit byte totals: receive 0, send 0 transit packet drops: receive 0, seq error 0, send 0

The following is a sample output of the **show l2vpn atom vc vcid** *vc-id* **detail** command:

Device# **show l2vpn atom vc vcid 1105 detail** pseudowire100109 is up, VC status is up PW type: Ethernet Create time: 00:04:17, last status change time: 00:02:22 Last label FSM state change time: 00:02:20 Destination address: 10.0.0.1 VC ID: 1105 Output interface: Po10, imposed label stack {33 10041} Preferred path: not configured Default path: active Next hop: 10.10.0.1 Member of xconnect service TenGigabitEthernet1/0/36.1105-1105, group right Associated member TenGigabitEthernet1/0/36.1105 is up, status is up Interworking type is Ethernet Service id: 0x1f000037 Signaling protocol: LDP, peer 10.0.0.1:0 up Targeted Hello: 10.0.0.10(LDP Id) -> 10.0.0.1, LDP is UP Graceful restart: configured and enabled Non stop routing: not configured and not enabled PWid FEC (128), VC ID: 1105 Status TLV support (local/remote) : enabled/supported LDP route watch : enabled Label/status state machine : established, LruRru Local dataplane status received : No fault<br>BFD dataplane status received : Not sent BFD dataplane status received : Not sent<br>BFD peer monitor status received : No fault BFD peer monitor status received Status received from access circuit : No fault<br>Status sent to access circuit : No fault Status sent to access circuit Status received from pseudowire i/f : No fault Status sent to network peer : No fault<br>Status received from network peer : No fault Status received from network peer Adjacency status of remote peer : No fault Sequencing: receive disabled, send disabled Bindings Parameter Local Remote ------------ ------------------------------ ------------------------------ Label 124 10041 Group ID 336 352 Interface MTU 9198 9198 9198 Control word on (configured: autosense) on PW type Ethernet Ethernet VCCV CV type 0x02 0x02 LSPV [2] LSPV [2] VCCV CC type 0x06 0x06 RA [2], TTL [3] RA [2], TTL [3]
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```
Status TLV enabled supported
SSO Descriptor: 10.0.0.1/1105, local label: 124
Dataplane:
 SSM segment/switch IDs: 9465983/446574 (used), PWID: 109
Rx Counters
 0 input transit packets, 0 bytes
 0 drops, 0 seq err
 0 MAC withdraw
Tx Counters
 0 output transit packets, 0 bytes
 0 drops
 1 MAC withdraw
```
The following is a sample output of the **show mpls forwarding-table** command:

```
Device# show mpls forwarding-table 10.0.0.1
```


## **Configuring Pseudowire Redundancy**

This section provides information about how to configure pseudowire redundancy.

### **Prerequisites for Pseudowire Redundancy**

- Configure the **no switchport**, **no keepalive**, and **no ip address** before configuring Xconnect mode to connect the attachment circuit.
- For load-balancing, configure the **port-channel load-balance** command.
- Subinterfaces must be supported to enable pseudowire redundancy VLAN mode.

### **Restrictions for Pseudowire Redundancy**

The following sections list the restrictions for pseudowire redundancy port mode and pseudowire redundancy VLAN mode.

### **Restrictions for Pseudowire Redundancy Port Mode**

- Ethernet Flow Point (EFP) and Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) Snooping is not supported.
- Flow Label for ECMP load balancing in a core network based on customer's source IP, destination IP, source MAC and destination MAC.
- MPLS QoS is supported in Pipe and Uniform Mode. Default mode is Pipe Mode.
- QoS: Customer DSCP Re-marking is not supported with VPWS and EoMPLS.
- VCCV Ping with explicit null is not supported.
- The **ip unnumbered** command is not supported in MPLS configuration.
- Not more than one backup pseudowire supported.
- PW redundancy group switchover is not supported

### **Restrictions for Pseudowire Redundancy VLAN Mode**

- Virtual circuit will not work if the same interworking type is not configured on PE devices.
- Untagged traffic is not supported as incoming traffic.
- Xconnect mode cannot be enabled on Layer 2 subinterfaces because multiplexer user-network interface (MUX UNI) is not supported.
- Xconnect mode cannot be configured on subinterfacesif it is enabled on the main interface for port-to-port transport.
- Flow Aware Transport (FAT) can be configured on Protocol CLI mode only.
- MACsec is not supported on pseudowire redundancy VLAN mode.
- QoS: Customer DSCP Remarking is not supported with VPWS and pseudowire redundancy.
- MPLS QoS is supported only in pipe and uniform mode. Default mode is pipe mode.
- In VLAN mode pseudowire redundancy, Cisco Discovery Protocol packets from the CE will be processed by the PE, but is not carried over the pseudowire redundancy virtual circuit, whereas in port mode, Cisco Discovery Protocol packets from the CE will be carried over the virtual circuit.
- Only Ethernet and VLAN interworking types are supported.
- L2 Protocol Tunneling CLI is not supported.

### **Information About Pseudowire Redundancy**

The L2VPN pseudowire redundancy feature enables you to configure your network to detect a failure in the network and reroute the Layer 2 service to another endpoint that can continue to provide service. This feature provides the ability to recover from a failure either of the remote provider edge (PE) device or of the link between the PE and customer edge (CE) devices.

The maximum transmission unit (MTU) of all the intermediate links between PEs must be able to carry the largest Layer 2 packet received on ingress PE.

Pseudowire redundancy can be configured using both the Xconnect and the protocol CLI method.

### **How to Configure Pseudowire Redundancy**

Pseudowire redundancy can be configured in the port mode or VLAN mode.

### **Configuring Pseudowire Redundancy Port Mode**

Pseudowire redundancy port-mode can be configured using either the Xconnect mode or protocol-CLI method.

### **Xconnect Mode**

To configure pseudowire redundancy port mode in Xconnect mode, perform the following task:



To enable load balance, use the corresponding **load-balance** commands from Xconnect Mode procedure of the 'How to Configure Ethernet-over-MPLS section. **Note**

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface** *interface-id*
- **4. no switchport**
- **5. no ip address**
- **6. no keepalive**
- **7. xconnect** *peer-device-id vc-id* **encapsulation mpls**
- **8. backup peer** *peer-router-ip-addr* **vcid** *vc-id* [ **priority** *value* ]
- **9. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**





#### **Protocol CLI Method**

To configure pseudowire redundancy port mode in protocol CLI mode, perform the following task:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable 2. configure terminal**
- **3. port-channel load-balance dst-ip**
- **4. interface** *interface-id*
- **5. no switchport**
- **6. no ip address**
- **7. no keepalive**
- **8. exit**
- **9. interface pseudowire** *number-active*
- **10. encapsulation mpls**
- **11. neighbor** *active-peer-ip-addr vc-id*
- **12. exit**
- **13. interface pseudowire** *number-standby*
- **14. encapsulation mpls**
- **15. neighbor** *standby-peer-ip-addr vc-id*
- **16. l2vpn xconnect context** *context-name*
- **17. member** *interface-id*
- **18. member pseudowire** *number-active* **group** *group-name* [**priority** *value*]
- **19. member pseudowire** *number-standby* **group** *group-name* [**priority** *value*]
- **20. end**

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### **Configuring Pseudowire Redundancy VLAN Mode**

Pseudowire redundancy VLAN mode can be configured using either the Xconnect mode or the protocol CLI method.

### **Xconnect Mode**

To configure pseudowire redundancy VLAN mode in Xconnect mode, perform the following task:

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface** *interface-id*
- **4. no switchport**
- **5. no ip address**
- **6. no keepalive**
- **7. exit**
- **8. interface** *interface-id.subinterface*
- **9. encapsulation dot1Q** *vlan-id*
- **10. xconnect** *peer-ip-addr vc-id* **encapsulation mpls**
- **11. backup peer** *peer-ip-addr vc-id* **[priority** *value*]
- **12. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



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#### **Protocol CLI Method**

To configure pseudowire redundancy VLAN mode in protocol CLI mode, perform the following task:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. port-channel load-balance dst-ip**
- **4. interface** *interface-id*
- **5. no switchport**
- **6. no ip address**
- **7. no keepalive**
- **8. exit**
- **9. interface** *interface-id.subinterface*
- **10. encapsulation dot1Q** *vlan-id*
- **11. exit**
- **12. interface pseudowire** *number-active*
- **13. encapsulation mpls**
- **14. neighbor** *active-peer-ip-addr vc-id*
- **15. exit**
- **16. interface pseudowire** *number-standby*
- **17. encapsulation mpls**
- **18. neighbor** *standby-peer-ip-addr vc-id*
- **19. l2vpn xconnect context** *context-name*
- **20. member** *interface-id.subinterface*
- **21. member pseudowire** *number-active* **group** *group-name* [**priority** *value*]
- **22. member pseudowire** *number-standby* **group** *group-name* [**priority** *value*]
- **23. end**

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## **Configuration Examples for Pseudowire Redundancy**







#### **Table 6: Pseudowire Redundancy VLAN Mode Configuration**

The following is a sample output of the **show mpls l2 vc vcid** *vc-id* **detail** command:

```
Device# show mpls l2 vc vcid 1105 detail
Local interface: TenGigabitEthernet1/0/36.1105 up, line protocol up, Eth VLAN 1105 up
 Interworking type is Ethernet
 Destination address: 10.11.11.11, VC ID: 1105, VC status: standby
   Output interface: Po10, imposed label stack {1616}
   Preferred path: not configured
   Default path: active
   Next hop: 10.10.0.1
  Create time: 00:04:09, last status change time: 00:02:13
   Last label FSM state change time: 00:02:15
 Signaling protocol: LDP, peer 10.11.11.11:0 up
   Targeted Hello: 10.10.0.10(LDP Id) -> 10.11.11.11, LDP is UP
    Graceful restart: configured and enabled
   Non stop routing: not configured and not enabled
   Status TLV support (local/remote) : enabled/supported
     LDP route watch : enabled
     Label/status state machine : established, LrdRru
     Last local dataplane status rcvd: No fault
     Last BFD dataplane status rcvd: Not sent
     Last BFD peer monitor status rcvd: No fault
     Last local AC circuit status rcvd: DOWN(standby)
     Last local AC circuit status sent: No fault
     Last local PW i/f circ status rcvd: No fault
     Last local LDP TLV status sent: DOWN(standby)
     Last remote LDP TLV status rcvd: No fault
     Last remote LDP ADJ status rcvd: No fault
   MPLS VC labels: local 125, remote 1616
   Group ID: local 336, remote 0
```

```
MTU: local 9198, remote 9198
 Remote interface description:
 MAC Withdraw: sent:1, received:0
Sequencing: receive disabled, send disabled
Control Word: On (configured: autosense)
SSO Descriptor: 10.11.11.11/1105, local label: 125
Dataplane:
 SSM segment/switch IDs: 96143/450671 (used), PWID: 110
VC statistics:
 transit packet totals: receive 0, send 0
  transit byte totals: receive 0, send 0
  transit packet drops: receive 0, seq error 0, send 0
```
The following is a sample output of the **show l2vpn atom vc vcid** *vc-id* **detail** command:

```
Device# show l2vpn atom vc vcid 1105 detail
pseudowire100110 is up, VC status is standby PW type: Ethernet
 Create time: 00:04:17, last status change time: 00:02:22
   Last label FSM state change time: 00:02:24
 Destination address: 10.11.11.11 VC ID: 1105
   Output interface: Po10, imposed label stack {1616}
   Preferred path: not configured
   Default path: active
   Next hop: 10.0.0.1
 Member of xconnect service TenGigabitEthernet1/0/36.1105-1105, group right
   Associated member TenGigabitEthernet1/0/36.1105 is up, status is up
   Interworking type is Ethernet
   Service id: 0x1f000037
 Signaling protocol: LDP, peer 10.11.11.11:0 up
   Targeted Hello: 10.0.0.10(LDP Id) -> 10.11.11.11, LDP is UP
   Graceful restart: configured and enabled
   Non stop routing: not configured and not enabled
   PWid FEC (128), VC ID: 1105
   Status TLV support (local/remote) : enabled/supported
     LDP route watch : enabled
     Label/status state machine : established, LrdRru
     Local dataplane status received : No fault<br>BFD dataplane status received : Not sent
     BFD dataplane status received
     BFD peer monitor status received : No fault<br>Status received from access circuit : DOWN (standby)
     Status received from access circuit
     Status sent to access circuit : No fault
     Status received from pseudowire i/f : No fault
     Status sent to network peer : DOWN(standby)<br>Status received from network peer : No fault
     Status received from network peer
     Adjacency status of remote peer : No fault
 Sequencing: receive disabled, send disabled
 Bindings
   Parameter Local Remote
                      ------------ ------------------------------ ------------------------------
   Label 125 1616
  Group ID 336 0
   Interface
   MTU 9198 9198 9198
   Control word on (configured: autosense) on
   PW type Ethernet Ethernet
   VCCV CV type 0x02 0x02
                LSPV [2] LSPV [2]
   VCCV CC type 0x06 0x02
                RA [2], TTL [3] RA [2]
   Status TLV enabled supported
 SSO Descriptor: 10.11.11.11/1105, local label: 125
 Dataplane:
   SSM segment/switch IDs: 96143/450671 (used), PWID: 110
 Rx Counters
```

```
0 input transit packets, 0 bytes
 0 drops, 0 seq err
 0 MAC withdraw
Tx Counters
 0 output transit packets, 0 bytes
  0 drops
  1 MAC withdraw
```
The following is a sample output of the **show mpls l2transport vc** *vc-id* command:

```
Device# show mpls l2transport vc 101
```


# **Feature History for Ethernet-over-MPLS and Pseudowire Redundancy**

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# **Configuring IPv6 Provider Edge over MPLS (6PE)**

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## <span id="page-92-1"></span><span id="page-92-0"></span>**Prerequisites for 6PE**

Redistribute PE-CE IGP IPv6 routes into core BGP and vice-versa

## <span id="page-92-2"></span>**Restrictions for 6PE**

eBGP as CE-PE is not supported. Static Routes, OSPFv3, ISIS, RIPv2 are supported as CE-PE.

## **Information About 6PE**

6PE is a technique that provides global IPv6 reachability over IPv4 MPLS. It allows one shared routing table for all other devices. 6PE allows IPv6 domains to communicate with one another over the IPv4 without an explicit tunnel setup, requiring only one IPv4 address per IPv6 domain.

While implementing 6PE, the provider edge routers are upgraded to support 6PE, while the rest of the core network is not touched (IPv6 unaware). This implementation requires no reconfiguration of core routers because forwarding is based on labels rather than on the IPheader itself. This provides a cost-effective strategy for deploying IPv6.The IPv6 reachability information is exchanged by PE routers using multiprotocol Border Gateway Protocol (mp-iBGP) extensions.

6PE relies on mp-iBGP extensions in the IPv4 network configuration on the PE router to exchange IPv6 reachability information in addition to an MPLS label for each IPv6 address prefix to be advertised. PE routers are configured as dual stacks, running both IPv4 and IPv6, and use the IPv4 mapped IPv6 address for IPv6 prefix reachability exchange. The next hop advertised by the PE router for 6PE and 6VPE prefixes is still the IPv4 addressthat is used for IPv4 L3 VPN routes. A value of ::FFFF: is prepended to the IPv4 next hop, which is an IPv4-mapped IPv6 address.

The following figure illustrates the 6PE topology.

**Figure 4: 6PE Topology**



## <span id="page-93-0"></span>**Configuring 6PE**

Ensure that you configure 6PE on PE routers participating in both the IPv4 cloud and IPv6 clouds.

BGP running on a PE router should establish (IPv4) neighborhood with BGP running on other PEs. Subsequently, it should advertise the IPv6 prefixes learnt from the IPv6 table to the neighbors. The IPv6 prefixes advertised by BGP would automatically have IPv4-encoded-IPv6 addresses as the nexthop-address in the advertisement.

To configure 6PE, complete the following steps:

### **SUMMARY STEPS**



- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. ipv6 unicast-routing**
- **4. router bgp** *as-number*
- **5. bgp router-id interface** *interface-id*
- **6. bgp log-neighbor-changes**
- **7. bgp graceful-restart**
- **8. neighbor** { *ip-address* | *ipv6-address* | *peer-group-name* } **remote-as** *as-number*
- **9. neighbor** { *ip-address*|*ipv6-address*| *peer-group-name* }**update-source** *interface-type interface-number*
- **10. address-family ipv6**
- **11. redistribute** *protocol as-number* **match** { **internal** | **external 1** | **external 2**
- **12. neighbor** { *ip-address* | *ipv6-address* | *peer-group-name* } **activate**
- **13. neighbor** { *ip-address* | *ipv6-address* | *peer-group-name* } **send-label**
- **14. exit-address-family**
- **15. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**



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## <span id="page-96-0"></span>**Configuration Examples for 6PE**

**Figure 5: 6PE Topology**



#### **PE Configuration CE Configuration**

```
router ospfv3 11
ip routing
ipv6 unicast-routing
address-family ipv6 unicast
redistribute bgp 65001
exit-address-family
!
router bgp 65001
bgp router-id interface Loopback1
bgp log-neighbor-changes
bgp graceful-restart
neighbor 33.33.33.33 remote-as 65001
neighbor 33.33.33.33 update-source Loopback1
!
address-family ipv4
neighbor 33.33.33.33 activate
!
address-family ipv6
redistribute ospf 11 match internal external 1 external 2 include-connected
neighbor 33.33.33.33 activate
neighbor 33.33.33.33 send-label
neighbor 33.33.33.33 send-community extended
!
```
The following is a sample output of **show bgp ipv6 unicast summary** :

```
BGP router identifier 1.1.1.1, local AS number 100
BGP table version is 34, main routing table version 34
4 network entries using 1088 bytes of memory
4 path entries using 608 bytes of memory
4/4 BGP path/bestpath attribute entries using 1120 bytes of memory
0 BGP route-map cache entries using 0 bytes of memory
0 BGP filter-list cache entries using 0 bytes of memory
BGP using 2816 total bytes of memory
BGP activity 6/2 prefixes, 16/12 paths, scan interval 60 secs
```
Neighbor V AS MsgRcvd MsgSent TblVer InQ OutQ Up/Down State/PfxRcd 2.2.2.2 4 100 21 21 34 0 0 00:04:57  $\mathcal{D}$ sh ipv route IPv6 Routing Table - default - 7 entries Codes: C - Connected, L - Local, S - Static, U - Per-user Static route B - BGP, R - RIP, I1 - ISIS L1, I2 - ISIS L2 IA - ISIS interarea, IS - ISIS summary, D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external ND - ND Default, NDp - ND Prefix, DCE - Destination, NDr - Redirect RL - RPL, O - OSPF Intra, OI - OSPF Inter, OE1 - OSPF ext 1 OE2 - OSPF ext 2, ON1 - OSPF NSSA ext 1, ON2 - OSPF NSSA ext 2 la - LISP alt, lr - LISP site-registrations, ld - LISP dyn-eid lA - LISP away  $C = 10:1:1:2::/64$  [0/0] via Vlan4, directly connected L 10:1:1:2::1/128 [0/0] via Vlan4, receive LC 11:11:11:11::11/128 [0/0] via Loopback1, receive B 30:1:1:2::/64 [200/0] via 33.33.33.33%default, indirectly connected B 40:1:1:2::/64 [200/0] via 44.44.44.44%default, indirectly connected

The following is a sample output of **show bgp ipv6 unicast** command :

```
BGP table version is 112, local router ID is 11.11.11.11
Status codes: s suppressed, d damped, h history, * valid, > best, i -
internal,
            r RIB-failure, S Stale, m multipath, b backup-path, f
RT-Filter,
            x best-external, a additional-path, c RIB-compressed,
            t secondary path,
Origin codes: i - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete
RPKI validation codes: V valid, I invalid, N Not found
    Network Next Hop Metric LocPrf Weight Path
*> 10:1:1:2::/64 :: 0 32768 ?
 *>i 30:1:1:2::/64 ::FFFF:33.33.33.33
                                          0 100 0 ?
 *>i 40:1:1:2::/64 ::FFFF:44.44.44.44
                                          0 100 0 ?
 *>i 173:1:1:2::/64 ::FFFF:33.33.33.33
                                          2 100 0 ?
```
The following is a sample output of **show ipv6 cef 40:1:1:2::0/64 detail** command :

```
40:1:1:2::/64, epoch 6, flags [rib defined all labels]
 recursive via 44.44.44.44 label 67
    nexthop 1.20.4.2 Port-channel103 label 99-(local:147)
```
## <span id="page-98-0"></span>**Feature History for IPv6 Provider Edge over MPLS (6PE)**

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# **Configuring IPv6 VPN Provider Edge over MPLS (6VPE)**

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## <span id="page-100-0"></span>**Configuring 6VPE**

This section provides information about Configuring 6VPE on the switch.

### **Restrictions for 6VPE**

- Inter-AS and carrier supporting carrier (CSC) is not supported.
- VRF Route-Leaking is not supported.
- eBGP as CE-PE is not supported.
- EIGRP, OSPFv3, RIP, ISIS, Static Routes are supported as CE-PE.
- MPLS Label Allocation modes supported are Per-VRF and Per-Prefix. Per-Prefix is the default mode.
- IP fragmentation is not supported in the Per-Prefix mode of Layer 3 VPN.
- DHCPv6 is not supported on a 6VPE topology with per-port trust enabled.

### **Information About 6VPE**

6VPE is a mechanism to use the IPv4 backbone to provide VPN IPv6 services. It takes advantage of operational IPv4 MPLS backbones, eliminating the need for dual-stacking within the MPLS core. This translates to savings in operational costs and addresses the security limitations of the 6PE approach. 6VPE is more like a regular IPv4 MPLS-VPN provider edge, with an addition of IPv6 support within VRF. It provides logically separate routing table entries for VPN member devices.

#### **Components of MPLS-based 6VPE Network**

• VPN route target communities – A list of all other members of a VPN community.

- Multiprotocol BGP (MP-BGP) peering of VPN community PE routers Propagates VRF reachability information to all members of a VPN community.
- MPLS forwarding Transports all traffic between all VPN community members across a VPN service-provider network.

In the MPLS-VPN model a VPN is defined as a collection of sites sharing a common routing table. A customer site is connected to the service provider network by one or more interfaces, where the service provider associates each interface with a VPN routing table–known as the VRF table.

### **Configuration Examples for 6VPE**



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**PE** Configuration

### **PE Configuration CE Configuration**

```
vrf definition 6VPE-1
rd 65001:11
route-target export 1:1
route-target import 1:1
 !
address-family ipv4
exit-address-family
 !
address-family ipv6
exit-address-family
!
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/0/38
no switchport
vrf forwarding 6VPE-1
ip address 10.3.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 2 area 0
ipv6 address 10:111:111:111::1/64
ipv6 enable
ospfv3 1 ipv6 area 0
!
router ospf 2 vrf 6VPE-1
router-id 1.1.11.11
redistribute bgp 65001 subnets
!
router ospfv3 1
nsr
graceful-restart
!
address-family ipv6 unicast vrf 6VPE-1
redistribute bgp 65001
exit-address-family
!
router bgp 65001
bgp router-id interface Loopback1
bgp log-neighbor-changes
bgp graceful-restart
neighbor 33.33.33.33 remote-as 65001
neighbor 33.33.33.33 update-source Loopback1
!
address-family ipv4 vrf 6VPE-1
 redistribute ospf 2 match internal external 1 external 2
exit-address-family
address-family ipv6 vrf 6VPE-1
 redistribute ospf 1 match internal external 1 external 2 include-connected
exit-address-family
!
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 33.33.33.33 activate
neighbor 33.33.33.33 send-community both
neighbor 44.44.44.44 activate
neighbor 44.44.44.44 send-community both
neighbor 55.55.55.55 activate
neighbor 55.55.55.55 send-community both
exit-address-family
!
address-family vpnv6
neighbor 33.33.33.33 activate
neighbor 33.33.33.33 send-community both
neighbor 44.44.44.44 activate
neighbor 44.44.44.44 send-community both
neighbor 55.55.55.55 activate
```
#### **PE Configuration CE Configuration**

```
neighbor 55.55.55.55 send-community both
exit-address-family
!
```
The following is a sample output of **show mpls forwarding-table vrf** :

```
Local Outgoing Prefix Bytes Label Outgoing Next Hop
Label Label or Tunnel Id Switched interface
29 No Label A:A:A:565::/64[V] \ 0 aggregate/VRF601
32 No Label A:B5:1:5::/64[V] 2474160 Vl601 FE80::200:7BFF:FE62:2636
33 No Label A:B5:1:4::/64[V] 2477978 Vl601 FE80::200:7BFF:FE62:2636
35 No Label A:B5:1:3::/64[V] 2477442 Vl601 FE80::200:7BFF:FE62:2636
36 No Label A:B5:1:2::/64[V] 2476906 Vl601 FE80::200:7BFF:FE62:2636
37 No Label A:B5:1:1::/64[V] 2476370 Vl601 FE80::200:7BFF:FE62:2636
```
The following is a sample output of **show vrf counter** command :

```
Maximum number of VRFs supported: 256
Maximum number of IPv4 VRFs supported: 256
Maximum number of IPv6 VRFs supported: 256
Maximum number of platform iVRFs supported: 10
Current number of VRFs: 127
Current number of IPv4 VRFs: 6
Current number of IPv6 VRFs: 127
Current number of VRFs in delete state: 0
Current number of platform iVRFs: 1
```
The following is a sample output of **show ipv6 route vrf** command :

IPv6 Routing Table - VRF1 - 8 entries Codes: C - Connected, L - Local, S - Static, U - Per-user Static route B - BGP, R - RIP, I1 - ISIS L1, I2 - ISIS L2 IA - ISIS interarea, IS - ISIS summary, D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external ND - ND Default, NDp - ND Prefix, DCE - Destination, NDr - Redirect RL - RPL, O - OSPF Intra, OI - OSPF Inter, OE1 - OSPF ext 1 OE2 - OSPF ext 2, ON1 - OSPF NSSA ext 1, ON2 - OSPF NSSA ext 2 la - LISP alt, lr - LISP site-registrations, ld - LISP dyn-eid lA - LISP away

B 1:1:1:1::1/128 [200/1] via 1.1.1.11%default, indirectly connected O 2:2:2:2::2/128 [110/1] via FE80::A2E0:AFFF:FE30:3E40, TenGigabitEthernet1/0/7 B 3:3:3:3::3/128 [200/1] via 3.3.3.33%default, indirectly connected B 10:1:1:1::/64 [200/0] via 1.1.1.11%default, indirectly connected C 10:2:2:2::/64 [0/0] via TenGigabitEthernet1/0/7, directly connected L 10:2:2:2::1/128 [0/0] via TenGigabitEthernet1/0/7, receive B 10:3:3:3::/64 [200/0] via 3.3.3.33%default, indirectly connected L FF00::/8 [0/0] via Null0, receive

## **Feature History for IPv6 VPN Provider Edge over MPLS (6VPE)**

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# **Configuring MPLS InterAS Option B**

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## <span id="page-106-0"></span>**Information About MPLS VPN InterAS Options**

The MPLS VPN InterAS Options provide various ways of interconnecting VPNs between different MPLS VPN service providers. This allows sites of a customer to exist on several carrier networks (autonomous systems) and have seamless VPN connectivity between these sites.

### **ASes and ASBRs**

An autonomous system (AS) is a single network or group of networks that is controlled by a common system administration group and using a single, clearly defined protocol. In many cases, VPNs extend to different ASes in different geographical areas. Some VPNs must extend across multiple service providers; these VPNs are called overlapping VPNs. The connection between ASes must be seamless to the customer, regardless of the complexity or location of the VPNs.

An AS boundary router (ASBR) is a device in an AS that is connected by using more than one routing protocol, and exchanges routing information with other ASBRs by using an exterior routing protocol (for example, eBGP), or use static routes, or both.

Separate ASes from different service providers communicate by exchanging information in the form of VPN IP addresses and they use the following protocols to share routing information:

• Within an AS, routing information is shared using iBGP.

iBGP distributes network layer information for IP prefixes within each VPN and each AS.

• Between ASes, routing information is shared using eBGP.

eBGP allows service providers to set up an interdomain routing system that guarantees loop-free exchange of routing information between separate ASes. The primary function of eBGP is to exchange network reachability information between ASes, including information about the list of AS routes. The ASes use eBGP border edge routers to distribute the routes, which includes label-switching information. Each border edge router rewrites the next-hop and MPLS labels.

MPLS VPN InterAS Options configuration is supported and can include an inter provider VPN, which is MPLS VPNs that include two or more ASes, connected by separate border edge routers. The ASes exchange routes using eBGP, and no iBGP or routing information is exchanged between the ASes.

### **MPLS VPN InterAS Options**

The following options defined in RFC4364 provide MPLS VPN connectivity between different ASes:

• InterAS Option B – This option provides VPNv4 route distribution between ASBRs.

### **Next-Hop Self Method**

The following figure shows the label forwarding path for next-hop-self method. The labels get pushed, swapped and popped on the stack as packet makes its way from PE-200 in AS 200 to PE-300 in AS 300. In step 5, ASBR-A300 receives labeled frame, replaces label 164 with label 161 pushes IGP label 162 onto the label stack.


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### **Redistribute Connected Subnet Method**

The following figure shows the label forwarding path for Redistribute connected subnets method. The labels get pushed, swapped and popped on the stack as packet travels from PE- 300 in AS 300 to PE-200 in AS 200. In step 5, ASBR-A200 receives frame with BGP label 20, swaps it with label 29 and pushes label 17.



## **Configuring MPLS VPN InterAS Option B**

### **Configuring InterAS Option B using the Next-Hop-Self Method**

To configure interAS Option B on ASBRs using the next-hop-self method, complete the following steps:

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router ospf** *process-id*
- **4. router-id** *ip-address*
- **5. nsr**
- **6. nsf**
- **7. redistribute bgp** *autonomous-system-number*
- **8. passive-interface** *interface-type interface-number*
- **9. network** *ip-address wildcard-mask* **aread** *area-id*
- **10. exit**
- **11. router bgp** *autonomous-system-number*
- **12. bgp router-id** *ip-address*
- **13. bgp log-neighbor changes**
- **14. no bgp default ipv4-unicast**
- **15. no bgp default route-target filter**
- **16. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *as-number*
- **17. neighbor** *ip-address* **update-source** *interface-type interface-number*
- **18. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *as-number*
- **19. address-family** *ipv4*
- **20. neighbor** *ip-address* **activate**
- **21. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-label**
- **22. exit address-family**
- **23. address-family** *vpnv4*
- **24. neighbor** *ip-address* **activate**
- **25. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-community extended**
- **26. neighbor** *ip-address* **next-hop-self**
- **27. neighbor** *ip-address* **activate**
- **28. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-community extended**
- **29. exit address-family**
- **30. bgp router-id** *ip-address*
- **31. bgp log-neighbor changes**
- **32. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *as-number*
- **33. neighbor** *ip-address* **update-source** *interface-type interface-number*
- **34. address-family** *vpnv4*
- **35. neighbor** *ip-address* **activate**
- **36. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-community extended**
- **37. exit address-family**

### **DETAILED STEPS**



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## **Configuring InterAS Option B using Redistribute Connected Method**

To configure interAS Option B on ASBRs using the redistribute connected method, complete the following steps:

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router ospf** *process-id*
- **4. router-id** *ip-address*
- **5. nsr**
- **6. nsf**
- **7. redistribute connected**
- **8. passive-interface** *interface-type interface-number*
- **9. network** *ip-address wildcard-mask* **aread** *area-id*
- **10. exit**
- **11. router bgp** *autonomous-system-number*
- **12. bgp router-id** *ip-address*
- **13. bgp log-neighbor changes**
- **14. no bgp default ipv4-unicast**
- **15. no bgp default route-target filter**
- **16. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *as-number*
- **17. neighbor** *ip-address* **update-source** *interface-type interface-number*
- **18. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *as-number*
- **19. address-family** *vpnv4*
- **20. neighbor** *ip-address* **activate**
- **21. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-community extended**
- **22. neighbor** *ip-address* **activate**
- **23. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-community extended**
- **24. exit address-family**
- **25. mpls ldp router-id** *interface-id* [**force**]

### **DETAILED STEPS**





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# **Verifying MPLS VPN InterAS Options Configuration**

To verify InterAS option B configuration information, perform one of the following tasks:

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# **Configuration Examples for MPLS VPN InterAS Options**

## **Next-Hop-Self Method**

**Figure 7: Topology for InterAS Option B using Next-Hop-Self Method**



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### **Configuration for PE1-P1-ASBR1**

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### **Configuration for ASBR2 – P2 – PE2**

### **Table 7:**



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## **IGP Redistribute Connected Subnets Method**

**Figure 8: Topology for InterAS Option B using Redistribute Connected Subnets Method**



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### **Configuration for PE1-P1-ASBR1**



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## **Additional References for MPLS VPN InterAS Options**

#### **Related Documents**

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## **Feature History for MPLS VPN InterAS Options**

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## <span id="page-132-0"></span>**Prerequisites for MPLS over GRE**

Ensure that the following routing protocols are configured and working properly.

- Label Distribution Protocol (LDP)—for MPLS label distribution.
- Routing protocol (ISIS or OSFP) between the core devices P1-P-P2
- MPLS between PE1-P1 and PE2-P2
- Since the ingress traffic enters the IP core from MPLS network and egress traffic leaves the IP core to enter the MPLS network, it is recommended to use QoS group value for defining QoS policies as we traverse the protocol boundary.

## <span id="page-132-1"></span>**Restrictions for MPLS over GRE**

### • GRE Tunneling :

- L2VPN over mGRE and L3VPN over mGRE is not supported.
- The tunnel source can only be a loopback or a Layer 3 interface. These interfaces could either be physical interfaces or etherchannels.
- Tunnel interface supports Static Routes, Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP) and Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) routing protocols.
- GRE Options Sequencing, Checksum and Source Route are not supported.
- IPv6 generic routing encapsulation (GRE) is not supported.
- Carrier Supporting Carrier (CSC) is not supported.
- Tunnel source cannot be a subinterface.

## <span id="page-133-0"></span>**Information About MPLS over GRE**

The MPLS over GRE feature provides a mechanism for tunneling Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) packets over a non-MPLS network. This feature allows you to create a generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnel across a non-MPLS network. The MPLS packets are encapsulated within the GRE tunnel packets, and the encapsulated packets traverse the non-MPLS network through the GRE tunnel. When GRE tunnel packets are received at the other side of the non-MPLS network, the GRE tunnel packet header is removed and the inner MPLS packet is forwarded to its final destination. The core network between the end-points of the GRE tunnel uses ISIS or OSPF routing protocol whereas the GRE tunnel uses OSPF or EIGRP.

### **PE-to-PE Tunneling**

The provider-edge-to-provider-edge (PE-to-PE) tunneling configuration provides a scalable way to connect multiple customer networks across a non-MPLS network. With this configuration, traffic that is destined to multiple customer networks is multiplexed through a single generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnel.



A similar nonscalable alternative is to connect each customer network through separate GRE tunnels (for example, connecting one customer network to each GRE tunnel). **Note**

The PE device on one side of the non-MPLS network uses the routing protocols (that operate within the non-MPLS network) to learn about the PE device on the other side of the non-MPLS network. The learned routes that are established between the PE devices are then stored in the main or default routing table.

The opposing PE device uses OSPF or EIGRP to learn about the routes that are associated with the customer networks that are behind the PE devices. These learned routes are not known to the non-MPLS network.

The following figure shows an end-to-end IP core from one PE device to another through the GRE tunnel that spans the non-MPLS network.

#### **Figure 9: PE-to-PE Tunneling**



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### **P-to-PE Tunneling**

The provider-to-provider-edge (P-to-PE) tunneling configuration provides a way to connect a PE device (P1) to a Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) segment (PE-2) across a non-MPLS network. In this configuration, MPLS traffic that is destined to the other side of the non-MPLS network is sent through a single generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnel.

**Figure 10: P-to-PE Tunneling**



### **P-to-P Tunneling**

Asshown in the figure below, the provider-to-provider (P-to-P) configuration provides a method of connecting two Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) segments (P1 to P2) across a non-MPLS network. In this configuration, MPLS traffic that is destined to the other side of the non-MPLS network is sent through a single generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnel.





## <span id="page-134-0"></span>**How to Configure MPLS over GRE**

The following section provides the various configuration steps for MPLS over GRE:

## **Configuring the MPLS over GRE Tunnel Interface**

To configure the MPLS over GRE feature, you must create a generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnel to span the non-MPLS networks. You must perform the following procedure on the devices located at both ends of the GRE tunnel.

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

**1. enable**

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- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface tunnel** *tunnel-number*
- **4. ip address** *ip-address mask*
- **5. tunnel source** *source-address*
- **6. tunnel destination** *destination-address*
- **7. mpls ip**
- **8. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**



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## <span id="page-136-0"></span>**Configuration Examples for MPLS over GRE**

The following section provides configuration examples for MPLS over GRE:

### **Example: PE-to-PE Tunneling**

The following shows basic MPLS configuration on two Provider Edge (PE) devices, PE-to-PE tunneling, which use GRE tunnel to send traffic over non-MPLS network.

### **Figure 12: Topology for PE-to-PE Tunneling**



#### **PE1 Configuration**

```
!
mpls ip
!
interface loopback 10
ip address 11.2.2.2 255.255.255.255
ip router isis
!
interface GigabitEthernet 1/1/1
ip address 1.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip router isis
!
interface Tunnel 1
ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 are 0
tunnel source 11.2.2.2
tunnel destination 11.1.1.1
mpls ip
!
interface Vlan701
ip address 65.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
```
ip ospf 1 area 0 !

#### **PE2 Configuration**

```
!
mpls ip
!
interface loopback 10
ip address 11.1.1.1 255.255.255.255
ip router isis
!
interface GigabitEthernet 1/1/1
ip address 2.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip router isis
!
interface Tunnel 1
ip address 10.0.0.2 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 are 0
tunnel source 11.1.1.1
tunnel destination 11.2.2.2
mpls ip
!
interface Vlan701
ip address 75.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 area 0
!
```
### **Example: P-to-PE Tunneling**

The following shows basic MPLS configuration on two Provider (P) devices, P-to-PE tunneling, which use GRE tunnel to send traffic over non-MPLS network.

**Figure 13: Topology for P-to-PE Tunneling**



#### **PE1 Configuration**

```
!
mpls ip
!
interface GigabitEthernet 1/1/1
ip address 3.1.1.2 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 are 0
mpls ip
!
interface Vlan701
ip address 75.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 area 0
!
```
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### **P1 Configuration**

```
!
mpls ip
!
interface loopback 10
ip address 11.2.2.2 255.255.255.255
ip router isis
!
interface GigabitEthernet 1/1/1
ip address 1.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip router isis
!
interface GigabitEthernet 1/1/2
ip address 3.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 are 0
mpls ip
!
interface Tunnel 1
ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 are 0
tunnel source 11.2.2.2
tunnel destination 11.1.1.1
mpls ip
!
```
#### **PE2 Configuration**

```
!
mpls ip
!
interface loopback 10
ip address 11.1.1.1 255.255.255.255
ip router isis
!
interface GigabitEthernet 1/1/1
ip address 2.2.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip router isis
!
interface Tunnel 1
ip address 10.0.0.2 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 are 0
tunnel source 11.1.1.1
tunnel destination 11.2.2.2
mpls ip
!
interface Vlan701
ip address 75.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
ip ospf 1 area 0
!
```
## **Example: P-to-P Tunneling**

The following example shows basic MPLS configuration on two Provider (P) devices, P-to-P tunneling, which use GRE tunnel to send traffic over non-MPLS network.

#### **Figure 14: Topology for P-to-P Tunneling**



#### **P1 Configuration**

```
!
interface Loopback10
ip address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.255
ip router isis
!
interface Tunnel10
ip address 10.10.10.1 255.255.255.252
ip ospf 1 area 0
mpls ip
tunnel source 10.1.1.1
tunnel destination 10.2.1.1
```
#### **P2 Configuration**

```
!
interface Tunnel10
ip address 10.10.10.2 255.255.255.252
ip ospf 1 area 0
mpls ip
tunnel source 10.2.1.1
tunnel destination 10.1.1.1
!
interface Loopback10
 ip address 10.2.1.1 255.255.255.255
ip router isis
```
## <span id="page-139-1"></span><span id="page-139-0"></span>**Additional References for MPLS over GRE**

#### **Related Documents**



## **Feature History for MPLS over GRE**

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



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## <span id="page-142-0"></span>**Information About MPLS Layer 2 VPN over GRE**

The MPLS Layer 2 VPN over GRE feature provides a mechanism for tunneling Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) packets over non-MPLS networks. This feature allows you to create a generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnel across a non-MPLS network. The MPLS packets are encapsulated within the GRE tunnel packets, and the encapsulated packets traverse the non-MPLS network through the GRE tunnel. When GRE tunnel packets are received at the other side of the non-MPLS network, the GRE tunnel packet header is removed and the inner MPLS packet is forwarded to its final destination.

To configure MPLS Layer 2 VPN over GRE, you must have configured either Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS) or EoMPLS (Ethernet over MPLS).

### **Types of Tunneling Configurations**

The following sections provide information about the different types of tunneling configurations that are supported.

### **PE-to-PE Tunneling**

The provider edge-to-provider edge (PE-to-PE) tunneling configuration provides a scalable way to connect multiple customer networks across a non-MPLS network. With this configuration, traffic that is destined to multiple customer networks is multiplexed through a single GRE tunnel.

The PE device on one side of the non-MPLS network uses the routing protocols (that operate within the non-MPLS network) to learn about the PE device on the other side of the non-MPLS network. The learned routes that are established between the PE devices are then stored in the main or default routing table.

The opposing PE device uses Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) to learn about the routes that are associated with the customer networks that are behind the PE devices. These learned routes are not known to the non-MPLS network.

Figure 15: PE-to-PE [Tunneling,](#page-143-0) on page 132 shows an end-to-end IP core from one PE device to another through the GRE tunnel that spans the non-MPLS network.

<span id="page-143-0"></span>**Figure 15: PE-to-PE Tunneling**



### **P-to-PE Tunneling**

<span id="page-143-1"></span>Figure 16: P-to-PE [Tunneling,](#page-143-1) on page 132 shows a method of connecting two MPLS segments (P2 to PE2) across a non-MPLS network. In this configuration, MPLS traffic that is destined to the other side of the non-MPLS network is sent through a single GRE tunnel.



### **P-to-P Tunneling**

Figure 17: P-to-P [Tunneling,](#page-144-1) on page 133 shows a method of connecting two MPLS segments (P1 to P2) across a non-MPLS network. In this configuration, MPLS traffic that is destined to the other side of the non-MPLS network is sent through a single GRE tunnel.
#### **Figure 17: P-to-P Tunneling**



# **How to Configure MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE**

To configure the MPLS over GRE feature, you must create a GRE tunnel to span the non-MPLS networks. Perform the following procedure on the devices that are located at both ends of the GRE tunnel.



#### **Procedure**



# **Configuration Examples for MPLS Layer 2 VPN over GRE**

The following section provides an example for configuring MPLS Layer 2 VPN over GRE.

## **Example: Configuring a GRE Tunnel That Spans a non-MPLS Network**

The following examples show how to configure a generic GRE tunnel configuration that spans a non-MPLS network.

The following example shows the tunnel configuration on the PE1 device:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Tunnel 1
Device(config-if)# ip address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
Device(config-if)# tunnel source 10.0.0.1
Device(config-if)# tunnel destination 10.0.0.2
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 1 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
```
The following example shows the tunnel configuration on the PE2 device:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Tunnel 1
Device(config-if)# ip address 10.1.1.2 255.255.255.0
Device(config-if)# tunnel source 10.0.0.2
Device(config-if)# tunnel destination 10.0.0.1
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 1 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
```
# **Additional References for Configuring MPLS Layer 2 VPN over GRE**

#### **Related Documents**



# **Feature History for Configuring MPLS Layer 2 VPN over GRE**

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# <span id="page-148-0"></span>**Prerequisites for MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE**

- Ensure that your Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) virtual private network (VPN) is configured.
- Ensure that the following routing protocols are configured:
	- Label Distribution Protocol (LDP): For MPLS label distribution.
	- Multiprotocol Border Gateway Protocol (MP-BGP): For VPN route and label distribution.
- We recommend that you use the Quality of Service (QoS) group value for defining QoS policies to traverse the protocol boundary. QoS group values are required because the ingress traffic enters the IP core from the MPLS network and the egress traffic leaves the IP core to enter the MPLS network.
- Before configuring a generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnel, configure a loopback interface (that is not attached to a virtual routing and forwarding [VRF]) interface with an IP address. This dummy loopback interface with an IPv4 address enables the internally created tunnel interface for IPv4 forwarding. You do not have to configure a loopback interface if the system has at least one interface that is not attached to the VRF and is configured with an IPv4 address.

# <span id="page-148-1"></span>**Restrictions for MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE**

The MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE feature does not support the following:

• QoS service policies that are configured on the tunnel interface



Although QoS service policies configured on the tunnel interface are not supported, QoS service policies configured on a physical interface or a sub-interface are supported. **Note**

- GRE options such as sequencing, checksum, and source route
- IPv6 GRE configurations
- Advanced features such as Carrier Supporting Carrier (CSC)

# <span id="page-149-0"></span>**Information About MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE**

The MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE feature provides a mechanism for tunneling MPLS packets over non-MPLS networks. This feature allows you to create a GRE tunnel across a non-MPLS network. The MPLS packets are encapsulated within the GRE tunnel packets, and the encapsulated packets traverse the non-MPLS network through the GRE tunnel. When GRE tunnel packets are received at the other side of the non-MPLS network, the GRE tunnel packet header is removed and the inner MPLS packet is forwarded to its final destination.

### **Types of Tunneling Configurations**

The following sections provide information about the different types of tunneling configurations that are supported.

#### **PE-to-PE Tunneling**

The provider edge-to-provider edge (PE-to-PE) tunneling configuration provides a scalable way to connect multiple customer networks across a non-MPLS network. With this configuration, traffic that is destined to multiple customer networks is multiplexed through a single GRE tunnel.

As shown in the Figure 18: PE-to-PE [Tunneling,](#page-150-0) on page 139, the PE devices assign VRF numbers to the customer edge (CE) devices on each side of the non-MPLS network.

The PE devices use routing protocols such as Border Gateway Protocol (BGP), Open Shortest Path First (OSPF), or Routing Information Protocol (RIP) to learn about the IP networks behind the CE devices. The routes to the IP networks behind the CE devices are stored in the associated CE device's VRF routing table.

The PE device on one side of the non-MPLS network uses routing protocols (that operate within the non-MPLS network) to learn about the PE device on the other side of the non-MPLS network. The learned routes that are established between the PE devices are then stored in the main or default routing table.

The opposing PE device uses BGP to learn about the routes that are associated with the customer networks that are behind the PE devices. These learned routes are not known to the non-MPLS network.

Figure 18: PE-to-PE [Tunneling,](#page-150-0) on page 139 shows BGP defining a static route to the BGP neighbor (the opposing PE device) through the GRE tunnel that spans the non-MPLS network. Because the routes that are learned by the BGP neighbor include the GRE tunnel next hop, all the customer network traffic is sent using the GRE tunnel.

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### **P-to-PE Tunneling**

<span id="page-150-1"></span>Figure 19: P-to-PE [Tunneling,](#page-150-1) on page 139 shows a method of connecting two MPLS segments (P2 to PE2) across a non-MPLS network. In this configuration, MPLS traffic that is destined to the other side of the non-MPLS network is sent through a single GRE tunnel.

**Figure 19: P-to-PE Tunneling**



### **P-to-P Tunneling**

Figure 20: P-to-P [Tunneling,](#page-151-1) on page 140 shows a method of connecting two MPLS segments (P1 to P2) across a non-MPLS network. In this configuration, MPLS traffic that is destined to the other side of the non-MPLS network is sent through a single GRE tunnel.

#### <span id="page-151-1"></span>**Figure 20: P-to-P Tunneling**



# <span id="page-151-0"></span>**How to Configure MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE**

To configure the MPLS over GRE feature, you must create a GRE tunnel to span the non-MPLS networks. Perform the following procedure on the devices that are located at both ends of the GRE tunnel.



#### **Procedure**

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# <span id="page-152-0"></span>**Configuration Examples for MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE**

The following sections provide various configuration examples for MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE.

## **Example: Configuring MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE (PE-to-PE Tunneling)**

The following examples show how to configure Layer 3 VPN and the GRE tunnel from PE1 to PE2 (see Figure 18: PE-to-PE [Tunneling,](#page-150-0) on page 139).

The following example shows how to configure a loopback interface on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Loopback10
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.200.225 255.255.255.255
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure a loopback interface on PE2:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Loopback3
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.202.129 255.255.255.255
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to advertise a loopback in IGP on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# router ospf 10
Device(config-router)# router-id 198.51.100.10
Device(config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure a GRE tunnel, configure a different IGP instance on the tunnel, and enable MPLS on the tunnel on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Tunnel13
Device(config-if)# ip address 203.0.113.200 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 11 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
Device(config-if)# tunnel source 209.165.200.225
Device(config-if)# tunnel destination 209.165.202.129
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure a GRE tunnel, configure a different IGP instance on the tunnel, and enable MPLS on the tunnel on PE2:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Tunnel31
Device(config-if)# ip address 203.0.113.201 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 11 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
Device(config-if)# tunnel source 209.165.202.129
Device(config-if)# tunnel destination 209.165.200.225
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to advertise PE1 loopback IP for BGP in IGP instance configured on the tunnel:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# router ospf 11
Device(config-router)# router-id 198.51.100.11
Device(config-router)# network 192.0.1.1 0.0.0.0 area 0
Device(config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to advertise PE2 loopback IP for BGP in IGP instance configured on the tunnel:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# router ospf 11
Device(config-router)# router-id 203.0.113.201
Device(config-router)# network 192.0.1.1 0.0.0.0 area 0
Device(config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure VRF on PE1 where CE1 is connected:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# vrf definition vrf-1
Device (config-vrf)# rd 1:1
Device (config-vrf)# address-family ipv4
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target import 1:2
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target export 1:1
Device(config-vrf)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure VRF on PE2 where CE2 is connected:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# vrf definition vrf-1
Device (config-vrf)# rd 2:2
Device (config-vrf)# address-family ipv4
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target import 1:1
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target export 1:2
Device(config-vrf)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE1-CE1 interface:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# int po14.1
Device (config-subif)# encapsulation dot1Q 10
Device (config-subif)# vrf forwarding vrf-1
Device (config-subif)# ip address 14.2.1.1 255.255.255.0
Device(config-subif)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE2-CE2 interface:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# int po24.1
Device (config-subif)# encapsulation dot1Q 10
Device (config-subif)# vrf forwarding vrf-1
Device (config-subif)# ip address 24.2.1.1 255.255.255.0
Device(config-subif)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE1-CE1 External Border Gateway Protocol (EBGP):

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# router bgp 65040
Device (config-router)# address-family ipv4 vrf vrf-1
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 14.2.1.2 remote-as 65041
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 14.2.1.2 activate
Device (config-router-af)# exit-address-family
Device(config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE2-CE2 EBGP:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# router bgp 65040
Device (config-router)# address-family ipv4 vrf vrf-1
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 24.2.1.2 remote-as 65041
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 24.2.1.2 activate
Device (config-router-af)# exit-address-family
Device (config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE1-PE2 MP-BGP on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# router bgp 65040
Device (config-router)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 remote-as 65040
Device (config-router)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 update-source Loopback0
Device (config-router)# address-family ipv4
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
Device (config-router-af)# exit
Device (config-router)# address-family vpnv4
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 send-community both
Device (config-router-af)# exit
Device (config-router)# end
```
## **Example: Configuring MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE (P-to-PE Tunneling)**

The following examples show how to configure Layer 3 VPN on the PE devices (PE1 and PE2) and MPLS segment (P1), and the GRE tunnel from PE1 to P1 to PE2 (see Figure 19: P-to-PE [Tunneling,](#page-150-1) on [page](#page-150-1) 139).

The following example shows how to configure loopback interface for GRE tunnel for PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Loopback4
```
Device(config-if)# **ip address 209.165.200.230 255.255.255.255** Device(config-if)# **end**

The following example shows how to configure loopback interface for GRE tunnel for P1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Loopback100
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.200.235 255.255.255.255
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure interface from PE1-P1 and configure IGP:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Port-channel11
Device(config-if)# no switchport
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.201.1 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 10 area 0
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure interface from P1-PE1 and configure IGP:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Port-channel1
Device(config-if)# no switchport
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.201.2 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip broadcast-address 209.165.201.31
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 10 area 0
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to advertise loopback in IGP on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# router ospf 10
Device(config-router)# router-id 198.51.100.10
Device(config-router)# network 209.165.200.230 0.0.0.0 area 0
Device(config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to advertise loopback in IGP on P1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# router ospf 10
Device(config-router)# router-id 198.51.100.20
Device(config-router)# network 209.165.200.235 0.0.0.0 area 0
Device(config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure GRE tunnel, configure an IGP instance on the tunnel, and enable MPLS on the tunnel on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Tunnel111
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.202.140 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 11 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
Device(config-if)# tunnel source 209.165.200.230
Device(config-if)# tunnel destination 209.165.200.235
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure GRE tunnel, configure an IGP instance on the tunnel, and enable MPLS on the tunnel on P1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Tunnel111
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.202.141 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 11 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
Device(config-if)# tunnel source 209.165.200.235
Device(config-if)# tunnel destination 209.165.200.230
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to advertise PE loopback IP for BGP in tunnel's IGP instance on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Tunnel111
Device(config)# router ospf 11
Device(config-router)# router-id 198.51.100.11
Device(config-router)# network 192.0.1.1 0.0.0.0 area 0
Device(config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure interface from PE2-P1, and configure IGP and MPLS:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Port-channel12
Device(config-if)# no switchport
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.201.1 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 11 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure interface from P1-PE2, and configure IGP:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# interface Port-channel12
Device(config-if)# no switchport
Device(config-if)# ip address 209.165.201.2 255.255.255.248
Device(config-if)# ip ospf 11 area 0
Device(config-if)# mpls ip
Device(config-if)# end
```
The following example shows how to create VRF on PE1 where CE1 is connected:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# vrf definition vrf-1
Device (config-vrf)# rd 1:1
Device (config-vrf)# address-family ipv4
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target import 1:2
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target export 1:1
Device (config-vrf-af)# exit
Device (config-vrf)# end
```
The following example shows how to create VRF on PE2 where CE2 is connected:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# vrf definition vrf-1
Device (config-vrf)# rd 2:2
Device (config-vrf)# address-family ipv4
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target import 1:1
Device (config-vrf-af)# route-target export 1:2
```

```
Device (config-vrf-af)# exit
Device (config-vrf)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE1-CE1 interface:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# int po14.1
Device (config-subif)# encapsulation dot1Q 10
Device (config-subif)# vrf forwarding vrf-1
Device (config-subif)# ip address 14.2.1.1 255.255.255.0
Device (config-subif)# exit
Device (config)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE2-CE2 interface:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# int po24.1
Device (config-subif)# encapsulation dot1Q 10
Device (config-subif)# vrf forwarding vrf-1
Device (config-subif)# ip address 24.2.1.1 255.255.255.0
Device (config-subif)# exit
Device (config)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE1-CE1 EBGP:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# router bgp 65040
Device (config-router)# address-family ipv4 vrf vrf-1
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 14.2.1.2 remote-as 65041
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 14.2.1.2 activate
Device (config-router-af)# exit-address-family
Device (config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE2-CE2 EBGP:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# router bgp 65040
Device (config-router)# address-family ipv4 vrf vrf-1
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 24.2.1.2 remote-as 65041
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 24.2.1.2 activate
Device (config-router-af)# exit-address-family
Device (config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE1-PE2 MP-BGP on PE1:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device (config)# router bgp 65040
Device (config-router)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 remote-as 65040
Device (config-router)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 update-source Loopback0
Device (config-router)# address-family ipv4
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
Device (config-router-af)# exit
Device (config-router)# address-family vpnv4
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
Device (config-router-af)# neighbor 192.0.2.1 send-community both
Device (config-router-af)# exit
Device (config-router)# end
```
The following example shows how to configure PE2-PE1 MP-BGP on PE2:



# <span id="page-158-0"></span>**Feature History for Configuring MPLS Layer 3 VPN over GRE**

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# **MPLS QoS: Classifying and Marking EXP**

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# <span id="page-160-0"></span>**Classifying and Marking MPLS EXP**

The QoS EXP Matching feature allows you to classify and mark network traffic by modifying the Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) experimental bits (EXP) field. This module contains conceptual information and the configuration tasks for classifying and marking network traffic using the MPLS EXP field.

## **Prerequisites for Classifying and Marking MPLS EXP**

• The switch must be configured as an MPLS provider edge (PE) or provider (P) router, which can include the configuration of a valid label protocol and underlying IP routing protocols.

## **Restrictions for Classifying and Marking MPLS EXP**

- MPLS classification and marking can only occur in an operational MPLS Network.
- If a packet is classified by IP type of service (ToS) or class of service (CoS) at ingress, it cannot be reclassified by MPLS EXP at egress (imposition case). However, if a packet is classified by MPLS at ingress it can be reclassified by IP ToS, CoS, or Quality of Service (QoS) group at egress (disposition case).
- To apply QoS on traffic across protocol boundaries, use QoS-group. You can classify and assign ingress traffic to the QoS-group. Thereafter, you can the QoS-group at egress to classify and apply QoS.
- If a packet is encapsulated in MPLS, the MPLS payload cannot be checked for other protocols such as IP for classification or marking. Only MPLS EXP marking affects packets encapsulated by MPLS.

## **Information About Classifying and Marking MPLS EXP**

This section provides information about classifying and marking MPLS EXP:

#### **Classifying and Marking MPLS EXP Overview**

The QoS EXP Matching feature allows you to organize network traffic by setting values for the MPLS EXP field in MPLS packets. By choosing different values for the MPLS EXP field, you can mark packets so that packets have the priority that they require during periods of congestion. Setting the MPLS EXP value allows you to:

• Classify traffic

The classification process selects the traffic to be marked. Classification accomplishes this by partitioning traffic into multiple priority levels, or classes of service. Traffic classification is the primary component of class-based QoS provisioning. For more information, see the "Classifying Network Traffic" module.

• Police and mark traffic

Policing causes traffic that exceeds the configured rate to be discarded or marked to a different drop level. Marking traffic is a way to identify packet flows to differentiate them. Packet marking allows you to partition your network into multiple priority levels or classes of service. For more information, see the "Marking Network Traffic" module.

#### **MPLS Experimental Field**

The MPLS experimental bits (EXP) field is a 3-bit field in the MPLS header that you can use to define the QoS treatment (per-hop behavior) that a node should give to a packet. In an IP network, the DiffServ Code Point (DSCP) (a 6-bit field) defines a class and drop precedence. The EXP bits can be used to carry some of the information encoded in the IP DSCP and can also be used to encode the dropping precedence.

By default, Cisco IOS Software copies the three most significant bits of the DSCP or the IP precedence of the IP packet to the EXP field in the MPLS header. This action happens when the MPLS header is initially imposed on the IP packet. However, you can also set the EXP field by defining a mapping between the DSCP or IP precedence and the EXP bits. This mapping is configured using the **set mpls experimental** or **police** commands. For more information, see the "How to Classify and Mark MPLS EXP" section.



A policy map configured with **set ip dscp** is not supported on the provider edge device because the policy action for MPLSlabel imposition node should be based on **set mpls experimentalimposition**value. However, a policy map with action **set ip dscp** is supported when both the ingress and egress interfaces are Layer 3 ports. **Note**

You can perform MPLS EXP marking operations using table-maps. It is recommended to assign QoS-group to a different class of traffic in ingress policy and translate QoS-group to DSCP and EXP markings in egress policy using table-map.

#### **Benefits of MPLS EXP Classification and Marking**

If a service provider does not want to modify the value of the IP precedence field in packets transported through the network, they can use the MPLS EXP field value to classify and mark IP packets.

By choosing different values for the MPLS EXP field, you can mark critical packets so that those packets have priority if network congestion occurs.

## **How to Classify and Mark MPLS EXP**

This section provides information about how to classify and mark MPLS EXP:

### **Classifying MPLS Encapsulated Packets**

You can use the **match mpls experimental topmost** command to define traffic classes based on the packet EXP values, inside the MPLS domain. You can use these classes to define services policies to mark the EXP traffic using the **police** command.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. class-map** [**match-all** | **match-any**] *class-map-name*
- **4. match mpls experimental topmost** *mpls-exp-value*
- **5. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



#### **Marking MPLS EXP on the Outermost Label**

Perform this task to set the value of the MPLS EXP field on imposed label entries.

#### **Before you begin**

In typical configurations, marking MPLS packets at imposition is used with ingress classification on IP ToS or CoS fields.



**Note** For IP imposition marking, the IP precedence value is copied to the MPLS EXP value by default.



The egress policy on provider edge works with MPLS EXP class match, only if there is a remarking policy at ingress. The provider edge at ingress is an IP interface and only DSCP value is trusted by default. If you do not configure remarking policy at ingress the label for queueing is generated based on DSCP value and not MPLS EXP value. However, a transit provider router works without configuring remarking policy at ingress as the router works on MPLS interfaces. **Note**

**Note**

The **set mpls experimental imposition** command works only on packets that have new or additional MPLS labels added to them.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. policy-map** *policy-map-name*
- **4. class** *class-map-name*
- **5. set mpls experimental imposition** *mpls-exp-value*
- **6. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**





### **Marking MPLS EXP on Label Switched Packets**

Perform this task to set the MPLS EXP field on label switched packets.

#### **Before you begin**



The **set mpls experimental topmost** command marks EXP for the outermost label of MPLS traffic. Due to this marking at ingress policy, the egress policy must include classification based on the MPLS EXP values.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. policy-map** *policy-map-name*
- **4. class** *class-map-name*
- **5. set mpls experimental topmost** *mpls-exp-value*
- **6. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**





### **Configuring Conditional Marking**

To conditionally set the value of the MPLS EXP field on all imposed label, perform the following task:

#### **Before you begin**



The **set-mpls-exp-topmost-transmit** action affects MPLS encapsulated packets only. The **set-mpls-exp-imposition-transmit** action affects any new labels that are added to the packet. **Note**

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. policy-map** *policy-map-name*
- **4. class** *class-map-name*
- **5. police cir** *bps* **bc pir** *bps* **be**
- **6. conform-action transmit**
- **7. exceed-action set-mpls-exp-topmost-transmit dscp table** *dscp-table-value*
- **8. violate-action drop**
- **9. end**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

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## **Configuration Examples for Classifying and Marking MPLS EXP**

This section provides configuration examples for classifying and marking MPLS EXP:

#### **Example: Classifying MPLS Encapsulated Packets**

#### **Defining an MPLS EXP Class Map**

The following example defines a class map named exp3 that matches packets that contains MPLS experimental value 3:

```
Device(config)# class-map exp3
Device(config-cmap)# match mpls experimental topmost 3
Device(config-cmap)# exit
```
#### **Defining a Policy Map and Applying the Policy Map to an Ingress Interface**

The following example uses the class map created in the example above to define a policy map. This example also applies the policy map to a physical interface for ingress traffic.

```
Device(config)# policy-map change-exp-3-to-2
Device(config-pmap)# class exp3
Device(config-pmap-c)# set mpls experimental topmost 2
Device(config-pmap)# exit
Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# service-policy input change-exp-3-to-2
Device(config-if)# exit
```
#### **Defining a Policy Map and Applying the Policy Map to an Egress Interface**

The following example uses the class map created in the example above to define a policy map. This example also applies the policy map to a physical interface for egress traffic.

```
Device(config)# policy-map WAN-out
Device(config-pmap)# class exp3
Device(config-pmap-c)# shape average 10000000
Device(config-pmap-c)# exit
Device(config-pmap)# exit
Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# service-policy output WAN-out
Device(config-if)# exit
```
#### **Example: Marking MPLS EXP on Outermost Label**

#### **Defining an MPLS EXP Imposition Policy Map**

The following example defines a policy map that sets the MPLS EXP imposition value to 2 based on the IP precedence value of the forwarded packet:

```
Device# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Device(config)# class-map prec012
Device(config-cmap)# match ip prec 0 1 2
Device(config-cmap)# exit
Device(config)# policy-map mark-up-exp-2
Device(config-pmap)# class prec012
Device(config-pmap-c)# set mpls experimental imposition 2
Device(config-pmap-c)# exit
Device(config-pmap)# exit
```
#### **Applying the MPLS EXP Imposition Policy Map to a Main Interface**

The following example applies a policy map to Gigabit Ethernet interface 0/0/0:

```
Device# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# service-policy input mark-up-exp-2
Device(config-if)# exit
```
#### **Example: Marking MPLS EXP on Label Switched Packets**

#### **Defining an MPLS EXP Label Switched Packets Policy Map**

The following example defines a policy map that sets the MPLS EXP topmost value to 2 according to the MPLS EXP value of the forwarded packet:

```
Device# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Device(config)# class-map exp012
Device(config-cmap)# match mpls experimental topmost 0 1 2
Device(config-cmap)# exit
Device(config-cmap)# policy-map mark-up-exp-2
Device(config-pmap)# class exp012
Device(config-pmap-c)# set mpls experimental topmost 2
Device(config-pmap-c)# exit
Device(config-pmap)# exit
```
#### **Applying the MPLS EXP Label Switched Packets Policy Map to a Main Interface**

The following example shows how to apply the policy map to a main interface:

```
Switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
Device(config-if)# service-policy input mark-up-exp-2
Device(config-if)# exit
```
#### **Example: Configuring Conditional Marking**

The example in this section creates a policer for the **iptcp** class, which is part of the **ip2tag** policy map, and attaches the policy map to the Gigabit Ethernet interface.

```
Device(config)# policy-map ip2tag
Device(config-pmap)# class iptcp
Device(config-pmap-c)# police cir 1000000 pir 2000000
Device(config-pmap-c-police)# conform-action transmit
Device(config-pmap-c-police)# exceed-action set-mpls-exp-imposition-transmit 2
Device(config-pmap-c-police)# violate-action drop
Device(config-pmap-c-police)# exit
Device(config-pmap-c)# exit
Device(config-pmap)# exit
Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/1
Device(config-if)# service-policy input ip2tag
```
## **Additional References**

#### **Related Documents**



### **Feature History for QoS MPLS EXP**

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# **Configuring MPLS Static Labels**

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## <span id="page-172-0"></span>**MPLS Static Labels**

This document describes the Cisco MPLS Static Labels feature. The MPLS Static Labels feature provides the means to configure statically:

- The binding between a label and an IPv4 prefix
- The contents of an LFIB crossconnect entry

## **Prerequisites for MPLS Static Labels**

The network must support the following Cisco IOS features before you enable MPLS static labels:

- Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)
- Cisco Express Forwarding

## **Restrictions for MPLS Static Labels**

- The trouble shooting process for MPLS static labels is complex.
- On a provider edge (PE) router for MPLS VPNs, there's no mechanism for statically binding a label to a customer network prefix (VPN IPv4 prefix).
- MPLS static crossconnect labels remain in the LFIB even if the router to which the entry points goes down.
- MPLS static crossconnect mappings remain in effect even with topology changes.
- MPLS static labels aren't supported for label-controlled Asynchronous Transfer Mode (lc-atm).
- MPLS static bindings aren't supported for local prefixes.

## **Information About MPLS Static Labels**

#### **MPLS Static Labels Overview**

Generally, label switching routers (LSRs) dynamically learn the labels they should use to label-switch packets. They do this by means of label distribution protocols that include:

- Label Distribution Protocol (LDP), the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) standard, used to bind labels to network addresses.
- Resource Reservation Protocol (RSVP) used to distribute labels for traffic engineering (TE)
- Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) used to distribute labels for Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

To use a learned label to label-switch packets, an LSR installs the label into its Label Forwarding Information Base (LFIB).

The MPLS Static Labels feature provides the means to configure statically:

- The binding between a label and an IPv4 prefix
- The contents of an LFIB crossconnect entry

#### **Benefits of MPLS Static Labels**

#### **Static Bindings Between Labels and IPv4 Prefixes**

You can configure static bindings between labels and IPv4 prefixes to support MPLS hop-by-hop forwarding through neighbor routers that don't implement LDP label distribution.

#### **Static Crossconnects**

You can configure static crossconnects to support MPLS Label Switched Path (LSP) midpoints when neighbor routers don't implement either the LDP or RSVP label distribution, but do implement an MPLS forwarding path.

### **How to Configure MPLS Static Labels**

#### **Configuring MPLS Static Prefix Label Bindings**

To configure MPLSstatic prefix/label bindings, use the following commands beginning in global configuration mode:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. mpls label range** *min-label max-label* [**static** *min-static-label max-static-label*]
- **4. mpls static binding ipv4** *prefix mask* [**input**| **output** *nexthop*] label

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



### **Verifying MPLS Static Prefix Label Bindings**

To verify the configuration for MPLS static prefix/label bindings, use this procedure:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1.** Enter **show mpls label range** command. The output shows that the new label ranges do not take effect until a reload occurs:
- **2.** Enter the **show mpls static binding ipv4** command to show the configured static prefix/label bindings:
- **3.** Use the **show mpls forwarding-table** command to determine which static prefix/label bindings are currently in use for MPLS forwarding.

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

**Step 1** Enter **show mpls label range** command. The output shows that the new label ranges do not take effect until a reload occurs:

#### **Example:**

Device# **show mpls label range**

```
Downstream label pool: Min/Max label: 16/100000
```
[Configured range for next reload: Min/Max label: 200/100000] Range for static labels: Min/Max/Number: 16/199

The following output from the **show mpls label range** command, executed after a reload, indicates that the new label ranges are in effect:

#### **Example:**

Device# **show mpls label range**

Downstream label pool: Min/Max label: 200/100000 Range for static labels: Min/Max/Number: 16/199

**Step 2** Enter the **show mpls static binding ipv4** command to show the configured static prefix/label bindings:

**Example:**

```
Device# show mpls static binding ipv4
10.17.17.17/32: Incoming label: 251 (in LIB)
 Outgoing labels:
    10.0.0.1 18
10.18.18.18/32: Incoming label: 201 (in LIB)
 Outgoing labels:
10.0.0.1 implicit-null
```
**Step 3** Use the **show mpls forwarding-table** command to determine which static prefix/label bindings are currently in use for MPLS forwarding.

#### **Example:**



#### **Monitoring and Maintaining MPLS Static Labels**

To monitor and maintain MPLS static labels, use one or more of the following commands:

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show mpls forwarding-table**
- **3. show mpls label range**
- **4. show mpls static binding ipv4**
- **5. show mpls static crossconnect**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**

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## **Configuration Examples for MPLS Static Labels**

#### **Example Configuring MPLS Static Prefixes Labels**

In the following output, the **mpls label range** command reconfigures the range used for dynamically assigned labels 16–100000 to 200–100000. It configures a static label range of 16–199.

```
Device# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Router(config)# mpls label range 200 100000 static 16 199
% Label range changes take effect at the next reload.
Router(config)# end
```
In the following output, the **show mpls label range** command indicates that the new label ranges don't take effect until a reload occurs:

```
Device# show mpls label range
Downstream label pool: Min/Max label: 16/100000
  [Configured range for next reload: Min/Max label: 200/100000]
Range for static labels: Min/Max/Number: 16/199
```
In the following output, the **show mpls label range** command, executed after a reload, indicates that the new label ranges are in effect:

Device# **show mpls label range**

Downstream label pool: Min/Max label: 200/100000 Range for static labels: Min/Max/Number: 16/199

In the following output, the **mpls static binding ipv4** commands configure static prefix/label bindings. They also configure input (local) and output (remote) labels for various prefixes:

```
Device# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Device(config)# mpls static binding ipv4 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 55
Device(config)# mpls static binding ipv4 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 output 10.0.0.66 2607
Device(config)# mpls static binding ipv4 10.6.0.0 255.255.0.0 input 17
Device(config)# mpls static binding ipv4 10.0.0.0 255.0.0.0 output 10.13.0.8 explicit-null
Device(config)# end
```
In the following output, the **show mplsstaticbinding ipv4** command displaysthe configured static prefix/label bindings:

Device# **show mpls static binding ipv4**

```
10.0.0.0/8: Incoming label: none;
 Outgoing labels:
10.13.0.8 explicit-null
10.0.0.0/8: Incoming label: 55 (in LIB)
 Outgoing labels:
    10.0.0.66 2607
10.66.0.0/16: Incoming label: 17 (in LIB)
 Outgoing labels: None
```
## **Additional References**

#### **Related Documents**



#### **Standards**



#### **MIBs**



#### **RFCs**



#### **Technical Assistance**



## **Feature History for MPLS Static Labels**

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# **Configuring Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS) and VPLS BGP-Based Autodiscovery**

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- Configuring VPLS BGP-based [Autodiscovery,](#page-190-0) on page 179

# <span id="page-180-0"></span>**Configuring VPLS**

The following sections provide information about how to configure VPLS.

## **Information About VPLS**

### **VPLS Overview**

VPLS (Virtual Private LAN Service) enables enterprises to link together their Ethernet-based LANs from multiple sites via the infrastructure provided by their service provider. From the enterprise perspective, the service provider's public network looks like one giant Ethernet LAN. For the service provider, VPLS provides an opportunity to deploy another revenue-generating service on top of their existing network without major capital expenditures. Operators can extend the operational life of equipment in their network.

Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS) uses the provider core to join multiple attachment circuits together to simulate a virtual bridge that connects the multiple attachment circuits together. From a customer point of view, there is no topology for VPLS. All of the CE devices appear to connect to a logical bridge emulated by the provider core.

#### **Figure 21: VPLS Topology**



#### **Full-Mesh Configuration**

The full-mesh configuration requires a full mesh of tunnel label switched paths (LSPs) between all the PEs that participate in the VPLS. With full-mesh, signaling overhead and packet replication requirements for each provisioned VC on a PE can be high.

You set up a VPLS by first creating a virtual forwarding instance (VFI) on each participating PE router. The VFI specifies the VPN ID of a VPLS domain, the addresses of other PE devices in the domain, and the type of tunnel signaling and encapsulation mechanism for each peer PE router.

The set of VFIs formed by the interconnection of the emulated VCs is called a VPLS instance; it is the VPLS instance that forms the logic bridge over a packet switched network. The VPLS instance is assigned a unique VPN ID.

The PE devices use the VFI to establish a full-mesh LSP of emulated VCs to all the other PE devices in the VPLS instance. PE devices obtain the membership of a VPLS instance through static configuration using the Cisco IOS CLI.

The full-mesh configuration allows the PE router to maintain a single broadcast domain. Thus, when the PE router receives a broadcast, multicast, or unknown unicast packet on an attachment circuit, it sends the packet out on all other attachment circuits and emulated circuits to all other CE devices participating in that VPLS instance. The CE devices see the VPLS instance as an emulated LAN.

To avoid the problem of a packet looping in the provider core, the PE devices enforce a "split-horizon" principle for the emulated VCs. That means if a packet is received on an emulated VC, it is not forwarded on any other emulated VC.

After the VFI has been defined, it needs to be bound to an attachment circuit to the CE device.

The packet forwarding decision is made by looking up the Layer 2 virtual forwarding instance (VFI) of a particular VPLS domain.

A VPLS instance on a particular PE router receives Ethernet frames that enter on specific physical or logical ports and populates a MAC table similarly to how an Ethernet switch works. The PE router can use the MAC address to switch those frames into the appropriate LSP for delivery to the another PE router at a remote site.

If the MAC address is not in the MAC address table, the PE router replicates the Ethernet frame and floods it to all logical ports associated with that VPLS instance, except the ingress port where it just entered. The PE router updates the MAC table as it receives packets on specific ports and removes addresses not used for specific periods.

## **Restrictions for VPLS**

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- Layer 2 protocol tunneling configuration is not supported
- Integrated Routing and Bridging (IRB) configuration is not supported.
- Virtual Circuit Connectivity Verification (VCCV) ping with explicit null is not supported.
- The switch is supported if configured only as a spoke in hierarchical Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) and not as a hub.
- Layer 2 VPN interworking functions are not supported.
- **ip unnumbered** command is not supported in Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) configuration.
- Virtual Circuit (VC) statistics are not displayed for flood traffic in the output of **show mpls l2 vc vcid detail** command.
- Dot1q tunnel configuration is not supported in the attachment circuit.

## **Configuring Layer 2 PE Device Interfaces to CE Devices**

You must configure Layer 2 PE device interfaces to CE devices. You can either configure 802.1Q trunks on the PE device for tagged traffic from a CE device or configure 802.1Q access ports on the PE device for untagged traffic from a CE device. The following sections provides configuration information for both.

### **Configuring 802.1Q Trunks on a PE Device for Tagged Traffic from a CE Device**

To configure 802.1Q trunks on a PE device, perform this procedure:



#### **Procedure**



### **Configuring 802.1Q Access Ports on a PE Device for Untagged Traffic from a CE Device**

To configure 802.1Q access ports on a PE device, perform this procedure:

**Procedure**



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## **Configuring Layer 2 VLAN Instances on a PE Device**

Configuring the Layer 2 VLAN interface on the PE device, enables the Layer 2 VLAN instance on the PE device to the VLAN database, to set up the mapping between the VPLS and VLANs.

To configure Layer 2 VLAN instance on a PE device, perform this procedure:

### **Procedure**





## **Configuring MPLS on a PE Device**

To configure MPLS on a PE device, perform this procedure:



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## **Configuring VFI on a PE Device**

The VFI specifies the VPN ID of a VPLS domain, the addresses of other PE devices in this domain, and the type of tunnel signaling and encapsulation mechanism for each peer device.

To configure VFI and associated VCs on the PE device, perform this procedure:



#### **Procedure**



## **Associating the Attachment Circuit with the VFI on the PE Device**

After defining the VFI, you must associate it to one or more attachment circuits.

To associate the attachment circuit with the VFI, perform this procedure:



#### **Procedure**



## **Configuration Examples for VPLS**





The **show mpls 12transport vc detail** command provides information the virtual circuits.

```
Local interface: VFI 2129 vfi up
  Interworking type is Ethernet
  Destination address: 44.254.44.44, VC ID: 2129, VC status: up
   Output interface: Gi1/0/9, imposed label stack {18 17}
   Preferred path: not configured
   Default path: active
```

```
Next hop: 177.77.177.2
  Create time: 19:09:33, last status change time: 09:24:14
    Last label FSM state change time: 09:24:14
  Signaling protocol: LDP, peer 44.254.44.44:0 up
    Targeted Hello: 1.1.1.72(LDP Id) -> 44.254.44.44, LDP is UP
    Graceful restart: configured and enabled
   Non stop routing: not configured and not enabled
    Status TLV support (local/remote) : enabled/supported
     LDP route watch : enabled
     Label/status state machine : established, LruRru
     Last local dataplane status rcvd: No fault
Last BFD dataplane status rcvd: Not sent
     Last BFD peer monitor status rcvd: No fault
     Last local AC circuit status rcvd: No fault
     Last local AC circuit status sent: No fault
     Last local PW i/f circ status rcvd: No fault
     Last local LDP TLV status sent: No fault
     Last remote LDP TLV status rcvd: No fault
     Last remote LDP ADJ status rcvd: No fault
MPLS VC labels: local 512, remote 17
    Group ID: local n/a, remote 0
   MTU: local 1500, remote 1500
   Remote interface description:
  Sequencing: receive disabled, send disabled
  Control Word: Off
  SSO Descriptor: 44.254.44.44/2129, local label: 512
  Dataplane:
   SSM segment/switch IDs: 20498/20492 (used), PWID: 2
  VC statistics:
    transit packet totals: receive 0, send 0
    transit byte totals: receive 0, send 0
    transit packet drops: receive 0, seq error 0, send 0
```
The **show l2vpn atom vc** shows that ATM over MPLS is configured on a VC.

```
pseudowire100005 is up, VC status is up PW type: Ethernet
  Create time: 19:25:56, last status change time: 09:40:37
    Last label FSM state change time: 09:40:37
  Destination address: 44.254.44.44 VC ID: 2129
    Output interface: Gi1/0/9, imposed label stack {18 17}
    Preferred path: not configured
    Default path: active
    Next hop: 177.77.177.2
  Member of vfi service 2129
    Bridge-Domain id: 2129
    Service id: 0x32000003
  Signaling protocol: LDP, peer 44.254.44.44:0 up
    Targeted Hello: 1.1.1.72(LDP Id) -> 44.254.44.44, LDP is UP
    Graceful restart: configured and enabled
    Non stop routing: not configured and not enabled
     PWid FEC (128), VC ID: 2129
```

```
Status TLV support (local/remote) : enabled/supported
    LDP route watch \qquad \qquad : enabled
    Label/status state machine \cdot : established, LruRru
    Local dataplane status received : No fault
    BFD dataplane status received : Not sent
    BFD peer monitor status received : No fault
    Status received from access circuit : No fault
    Status sent to access circuit : No fault
    Status received from pseudowire i/f : No fault
Status sent to network peer : No fault
    Status received from network peer : No fault
    Adjacency status of remote peer : No fault
 Sequencing: receive disabled, send disabled
 Bindings
   Parameter Local Remote
   ------------ ------------------------------
 ------------------------------
  Label 512 17
  Group ID   n/a   0
  Interface
  MTU 1500 1500 1500
  Control word off off off off off \simPW type Ethernet Ethernet
  VCCV CV type 0x02 0x02
              LSPV [2] LSPV [2]
  VCCV CC type 0x06 0x06
             RA [2], TTL [3] RA [2], TTL [3]
  Status TLV enabled supported
 SSO Descriptor: 44.254.44.44/2129, local label: 512
 Dataplane:
  SSM segment/switch IDs: 20498/20492 (used), PWID: 2
 Rx Counters
  0 input transit packets, 0 bytes
   0 drops, 0 seq err
 Tx Counters
   0 output transit packets, 0 bytes
   0 drops
```
## <span id="page-190-0"></span>**Configuring VPLS BGP-based Autodiscovery**

The following sections provide information about how to configure VPLS BGP-based Autodiscovery.

## **Information About VPLS BGP-Based Autodiscovery**

### **VPLS BGP Based Autodiscovery**

VPLS Autodiscovery enables each Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS) provider edge (PE) device to discover other PE devices that are part of the same VPLS domain. VPLS Autodiscovery also tracks PE devices when they are added to or removed from a VPLS domain. As a result, with VPLS Autodiscovery enabled, you no longer need to manually configure a VPLS domain and maintain the configuration when a PE device is added or deleted. VPLS Autodiscovery uses the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) to discover VPLS members and set up and tear down pseudowires in a VPLS domain

BGP uses the Layer 2 VPN (L2VPN) Routing Information Base (RIB) to store endpoint provisioning information, which is updated each time any Layer 2 virtual forwarding instance (VFI) is configured. The prefix and path information is stored in the L2VPN database, which allows BGP to make decisions about the best path. When BGP distributes the endpoint provisioning information in an update message to all its BGP neighbors, this endpoint information is used to configure a pseudowire mesh to support L2VPN-based services.

The BGP autodiscovery mechanism facilitates the configuration of L2VPN services, which are an integral part of the VPLS feature. VPLS enables flexibility in deploying services by connecting geographically dispersed sites as a large LAN over high-speed Ethernet in a robust and scalable IP Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) network.

## **Enabling VPLS BGP-based Autodiscovery**

To enabling VPLS BGP-based autodiscovery, perform this procedure:



### **Procedure**



## **Configuring BGP to Enable VPLS Autodiscovery**

**Procedure**

To configure BGP to enable VPLS autodiscovery, perform this procedure:





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## **Configuration Examples for VPLS BGP-AD**

### **PE Configuration**

```
router bgp 1000
bgp log-neighbor-changes
bgp graceful-restart
neighbor 44.254.44.44 remote-as 1000
neighbor 44.254.44.44 update-source Loopback300
!
address-family l2vpn vpls
 neighbor 44.254.44.44 activate
 neighbor 44.254.44.44 send-community both
exit-address-family
!
l2 vfi 2128 autodiscovery
vpn id 2128
interface Vlan2128
no ip address
xconnect vfi 2128
!
```
The following is a sample output of **show platform software fedsw 1 matm macTable vlan2000** command :



```
2000 0000.0012.3456 0X2000001 32655 0xffba15c508 0xff44f9ec98
    0x0 300 1 2000:33.33.33.33
Total Mac number of addresses:: 4
*a_time=aging_time(secs) *e_time=total_elapsed_time(secs)
Type:
MAT_DYNAMIC_ADDR 0x1 MAT_STATIC_ADDR 0x2
MAT_CPU_ADDR 0x4 MAT_DISCARD_ADDR 0x8
MAT_ALL_VLANS 0x10 MAT_NO_FORWARD 0x20
MAT_IPMULT_ADDR 0x40 MAT_RESYNC 0x80
MAT_DO_NOT_AGE 0x100 MAT_SECURE_ADDR 0x200
MAT_NO_PORT 0x400 MAT_DROP_ADDR 0x800
MAT_DUP_ADDR 0x1000 MAT_NULL_DESTINATION 0x2000
MAT_DOT1X_ADDR 0x4000 MAT_ROUTER_ADDR 0x8000
MAT_WIRELESS_ADDR 0x10000 MAT_SECURE_CFG_ADDR 0x20000
MAT_OPQ_DATA_PRESENT_0x40000 MAT_WIRED_TUNNEL_ADDR 0x80000
MAT_DLR_ADDR 0x100000 MAT_MRP_ADDR 0x200000
MAT_MSRP_ADDR 0x400000 MAT_LISP_LOCAL_ADDR 0x800000
MAT_LISP_REMOTE_ADDR 0x1000000 MAT_VPLS_ADDR 0x2000000
```
The following is a sample output of **show bgp l2vpn vpls all** command :

```
BGP table version is 6, local router ID is 222.5.1.1
Status codes: s suppressed, d damped, h history, * valid, > best, i -
internal,
 r RIB-failure, S Stale, m multipath, b backup-path, f RT-Filter,
 x best-external, a additional-path, c RIB-compressed,
 t secondary path,
Origin codes: i - IGP, e - EGP, ? – incomplete
RPKI validation codes: V valid, I invalid, N Not found
Network Next Hop Metric LocPrf Weight Path
Route Distinguisher: 1000:2128
*> 1000:2128:1.1.1.72/96
              0.0.0.0 32768 ?
*>i 1000:2128:44.254.44.44/96
              44.254.44.44 0 100 0 ?
```
### **Feature History for VPLS and VPLS BGP-Based Autodiscovery**

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# **Configuring MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite**

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## <span id="page-198-0"></span>**Prerequisites for MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite**

- You should know how to configure Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Virtual Private Networks (VPNs).
- You need to identify the RT replacement policy and target device for the autonomous system (AS).

## <span id="page-198-2"></span><span id="page-198-1"></span>**Restrictions for MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite**

Route Target Rewrite can only be implemented in a single AS topology. **ip unnumbered** command is not supported in MPLS configuration.

## **Information About MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite**

This section provides information about MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite:

## **Route Target Replacement Policy**

Routing policies for a peer include all configurations that may impact inbound or outbound routing table updates. The MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite feature can influence routing table updates by allowing the replacement of route targets on inbound and outbound Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) updates. Route targets are carried as extended community attributes in BGP Virtual Private Network IP Version 4 (VPNv4) updates. Route target extended community attributes are used to identify a set of sites and VPN routing and forwarding (VRF) instances that can receive routes with a configured route target.

You can configure the MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite feature on provider edge (PE) devices.

The figure below shows an example of route target replacement on PE devices in an Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) VPN single autonomous system topology. This example includes the following configurations:

- PE1 is configured to import and export RT 65000:1 for VRF Customer A and to rewrite all inbound VPNv4 prefixes with RT 65000:1 to RT 65000:2.
- PE2 is configured to import and export RT 65000:2 for VRF Customer B and to rewrite all inbound VPNv4 prefixes with RT 65000:2 to RT 65000:1.

#### Figure 23: Route Target Replacement on Provide Edge(PE) devices in a single MPLS VPN Autonomous System Topology



### <span id="page-199-0"></span>**Route Maps and Route Target Replacement**

The MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite feature extends the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) inbound/outbound route map functionality to enable route target replacement. The **set extcomm-list delete** command entered in route-map configuration mode allows the deletion of a route target extended community attribute based on an extended community list.

## **How to Configure MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite**

This section provides the configuration steps for MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite:

### **Configuring a Route Target Replacement Policy**

Perform this task to configure a route target (RT) replacement policy for your internetwork.

If you configure a provider edge (PE) device to rewrite RT *x* to RT *y* and the PE has a virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance that imports RT *x* , you need to configure the VRF to import RT *y* in addition to  $RT x$ .

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. ipextcommunity-list** {*standard-list-number*| *expanded-list-number*} {**permit** |**deny**} [*regular-expression*] [**rt** | **soo** *extended-community-value*]
- **4. route-map** *map-name* [**permit** | **deny**] [*sequence-number*]
- **5. match extcommunity** {*standard-list-number* | *expanded-list-number*}
- **6. set extcomm-list** *extended-community-list-number* **delete**
- **7. set extcommunity** {**rt** *extended-community-value* [**additive**] | **soo** *extended-community-value*}
- **8. end**
- **9. show route-map** *map-name*

### **DETAILED STEPS**



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## **Applying the Route Target Replacement Policy**

Perform the following tasks to apply the route target replacement policy to your network:

### **Associating Route Maps with Specific BGP Neighbors**

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router bgp** *as-number*
- **4. neighbor** {*ip-address* | *peer-group-name*} **remote-as** *as-number*
- **5. address-family vpnv4** [**unicast**]
- **6. neighbor** {*ip-address* | *peer-group-name*} **activate**
- **7. neighbor** {*ip-address* | *peer-group-name*} **send-community** [**both** | **extended** | **standard**]
- **8. neighbor** {*ip-address* | *peer-group-name*} **route-map** *map-name* {**in** | **out**}
- **9. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**



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## **Verifying the Route Target Replacement Policy**

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show ip bgp vpnv4 vrf** *vrf-name*
- **3. exit**

### **DETAILED STEPS**

#### **Step 1 enable**

Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password if prompted.

#### **Example:**

Device> **enable** Device#

#### **Step 2 show ip bgp vpnv4 vrf** *vrf-name*

Verifies that Virtual Private Network Version 4 (VPNv4) prefixes with a specified route target (RT) extended community attribute are replaced with the proper RT extended community attribute to verify that the provider edge (PE) devices receive the rewritten RT extended community attributes.

Verify route target replacement on PE1:

**Example:**

```
Device# show ip bgp vpnv4 vrf Customer_A 192.168.1.1/32 internal
BGP routing table entry for 65000:1:192.168.1.1/32, version 6901
Paths: (1 available, best #1, table Customer A)
 Advertised to update-groups:
     5
 Refresh Epoch 1
  650002
   3.3.3.3 (metric 3) (via default) from 3.3.3.3 (55.5.4.1)
```
Origin IGP, metric 0, localpref 100, valid, internal, best Extended Community: RT:65000:1 mpls labels in/out nolabel/3025 rx pathid: 0, tx pathid: 0x0 net: 0xFFB0A72E38, path: 0xFFB0E6A370, pathext: 0xFFB0E5D970 flags: net: 0x0, path: 0x7, pathext: 0x181

**Step 3 exit**

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Returns to user EXEC mode:

#### **Example:**

Device# **exit** Device>

## <span id="page-206-0"></span>**Configuration Examples for MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite**

The following section provides configuration examples for MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite:

### **Examples: Applying Route Target Replacement Policies**

### **Examples: Associating Route Maps with Specific BGP Neighbor**

This example shows the association of route map extmap with a Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) neighbor. The BGP inbound route map is configured to replace route targets (RTs) on incoming updates.

router bgp 1 address-family vpnv4 neighbor 2.2.2.2 route-map rtrewrite in

This example shows the association of the same route map with the outbound BGP neighbor. The route map is configured to replace RTs on outgoing updates.

```
router bgp 1
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 2.2.2.2 route-map rtrewrite out
```
## <span id="page-206-1"></span>**Feature History for MPLS VPN Route Target Rewrite**

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# **Configuring MPLS VPN-Inter-AS-IPv4 BGP Label Distribution**

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## <span id="page-208-0"></span>**MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution**

This feature enables you to set up a Virtual Private Network (VPN) service provider network. In this network, the Autonomous System Boundary Routers (ASBRs) exchange IPv4 routes with Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) labels of the provider edge (PE) routers. Route reflectors (RRs) exchange VPNv4 routes by using multihop, multiprotocol, External Border Gateway Protocol (EBGP). This configuration saves the ASBRs from having to store all the VPNv4 routes. Using the route reflectors to store the VPNv4 routes and forward them to the PE routers results in improved scalability.

The MPLS VPN—Inter-AS—IPv4 BGP Label Distribution feature has the following benefits:

- Having the route reflectors store VPNv4 routes results in improved scalability—This configuration scales better than configurations where the ASBR holds all the VPNv4 routes and forwards the routes based on VPNv4 labels. With this configuration, route reflectors hold the VPNv4 route, which simplifies the configuration at the border of the network.
- Enables a non-VPN core network to act as a transit network for VPN traffic—You can transport IPv4 routes with MPLS labels over a non MPLS VPN service provider.
- Eliminates the need for any other label distribution protocol between adjacent LSRs—If two adjacent label switch routers (LSRs) are also BGP peers, BGP can handle the distribution of the MPLS labels. No other label distribution protocol is needed between the two LSRs.
- Includes EBGP multipath support to enable load balancing for IPv4 routes across autonomous system (AS) boundaries.

## <span id="page-209-0"></span>**Restrictions for MPLS VPNInter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution**

This feature includes the following restrictions:

- For networks configured with EBGP multihop, a labeled switched path (LSP) must be established between nonadjacent devices. (RFC 3107)
- The PE devices must run images that support BGP label distribution. Otherwise, you cannot run EBGP between them.
- Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) encapsulation on the ASBRs is not supported with this feature.
- The physical interfaces that connect the BGP speakers must support Cisco Express Forwarding (CEF) or distributed CEF and MPLS

# <span id="page-209-1"></span>**Information About MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution**

To configure MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution, you need the following information:

## **MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution Overview**

This feature enables you to set up a VPN service provider network to exchange IPv4 routes with MPLS labels. You can configure the VPN service provider network as follows:

- Route reflectors exchange VPNv4 routes by using multihop, multiprotocol EBGP. This configuration also preserves the next hop information and the VPN labels across the autonomous systems.
- A local PE router (for example, PE1 in Figure 1) needs to know the routes and label information for the remote PE router (PE2). This information can be exchanged between the PE routers and ASBRs in one of two ways:
	- Internal Gateway Protocol (IGP) and Label Distribution Protocol (LDP): The ASBR can redistribute the IPv4 routes and MPLS labels it learned from EBGP into IGP and LDP and vice versa.
	- Internal Border Gateway Protocol (IBGP) IPv4 label distribution: The ASBR and PE router can use direct IBGP sessions to exchange VPNv4 and IPv4 routes and MPLS labels.

Alternatively, the route reflector can reflect the IPv4 routes and MPLS labels learned from the ASBR to the PE routers in the VPN. This is accomplished by enabling the ASBR to exchange IPv4 routes and MPLS labels with the route reflector. The route reflector also reflects the VPNv4 routes to the PE routers in the VPN (as mentioned in the first bullet). For example, in VPN1, RR1 reflects to PE1 the VPNv4 routes it learned and IPv4 routes and MPLS labels learned from ASBR1. Using the route reflectors to store the VPNv4 routes and forward them through the PE routers and ASBRs allows for a scalable configuration.

• ASBRs exchange IPv4 routes and MPLS labels for the PE routers by using EBGP. This enables load balancing across CSC boundaries.



#### **Figure 24: VPNs Using EBGP and IBGP to Distribute Routes and MPLS Labels**

### **BGP Routing Information**

BGP routing information includes the following items:

- A network number (prefix), which is the IP address of the destination.
- Autonomous system (AS) path, which is a list of the other ASs through which a route passes on its way to the local router. The first autonomoussystem in the list is closest to the local router. The last autonomous system in the list is farthest from the local router and usually the autonomous system where the route began.
- Path attributes, which provide other information about the autonomous system path, for example, the next hop.

## **How BGP Sends MPLS Labels with Routes**

When BGP (EBGP and IBGP) distributes a route, it can also distribute an MPLS label that is mapped to that route. The MPLS label-mapping information for the route is carried in the BGP update message that contains the information about the route. If the next hop is not changed, the label is preserved.

When you issue the **neighbor send-label** command on both BGP routers, the routers advertise to each other that they can then send MPLS labels with the routes. If the routers successfully negotiate their ability to send MPLS labels, the routers add MPLS labels to all outgoing BGP updates.

## **Using Route Maps to Filter Routes**

When both routers are configured to distribute routes with MPLS labels, all the routes are encoded with the multiprotocol extensions and contain an MPLS label. You can use a route map to control the distribution of MPLS labels between routers. Route maps enable you to specify the following:

- For a router distributing MPLS labels, you can specify which routes are distributed with an MPLS label.
- For a router receiving MPLS labels, you can specify which routes are accepted and installed in the BGP table.

# <span id="page-211-0"></span>**How to Configure MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution**

The figure below shows the following configuration:

- The configuration consists of two VPNs.
- The ASBRs exchange the IPv4 routes with MPLS labels.
- The route reflectors exchange the VPNv4 routes using multi-hop MPLS EBGP.
- The route reflectors reflect the IPv4 and VPNv4 routes to the other routers in its autonomous system.

#### **Figure 25: Configuring Two VPN Service Providers to Exchange IPv4 Routes and MPLS Labels**



## **Configuring the ASBRs to Exchange IPv4 Routes and MPLS Labels**

Perform this task to configure the ASBRs so that they can distribute BGP routes with MPLS labels.

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router bgp** *as-number*
- **4. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **remote-as** *as-number*
- **5. address-family ipv4** [**multicast**|**unicast**|**vrf***vrf-name*]
- **6. maximum-paths** *number-paths*
- **7. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **activate**
- **8. neighbor** *ip-address***send-label**
- **9. exit-address-family**
- **10. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**

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## **Configuring the Route Reflectors to Exchange VPNv4 Routes**

### **Before you begin**

Perform this task to enable the route reflectors to exchange VPNv4 routes by using multihop, multiprotocol EBGP.

This procedure also specifies that the next hop information and the VPN label are preserved across the autonomous systems. This procedure uses RR1 as an example.

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router bgp** *as-number*
- **4. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **remote-as** *as-number*
- **5. address-family vpnv4**[**unicast**]
- **6. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **ebgp-multihop** [*ttl*]
- **7. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **activate**
- **8. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **next-hop unchanged**
- **9. exit-address-family**
- **10. end**

### **DETAILED STEPS**





## **Configuring the Route Reflectors to Reflect Remote Routes in Its autonomous system**

Perform this task to enable the RR to reflect the IPv4 routes and labels that are learned by the ASBR to the PE routers in the autonomous system.

This is accomplished by making the ASBR and PE router the route reflector clients of the RR. This procedure also explains how to enable the RR to reflect the VPNv4 routes.

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#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router bgp** *as-number*
- **4. address-family ipv4** [**multicast**|**unicast**|**vrf***vrf-name*]
- **5. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **activate**
- **6. neighbor***ip-address***route-reflector-client**
- **7. neighbor***ip-address***send-label**
- **8. exit-address-family**
- **9. address-family vpnv4** [**unicast**]
- **10. neighbor** {*ip-address*|*peer-group-name*} **activate**
- **11. neighbor** *ip-address* **route-reflector-client**
- **12. exit-address-family**
- **13. end**



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# **Creating Route Maps**

Route maps enable you to specify which routes are distributed with MPLS labels. Route maps also enable you to specify which routes with MPLS labels a router receives and adds to its BGP table.

Route maps work with access lists. You enter the routes into an access list and then specify the access list when you configure the route map.

The following procedures enable the ASBRs to send MPLS labels with the routes specified in the route maps. Further, the ASBRs accept only the routes that are specified in the route map.

## **Configuring a Route Map for Arriving Routes**

Perform this task to create a route map to filter arriving routes. You create an access list and specify the routes that the router accepts and adds to the BGP table.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router bgp** *as-number*
- **4. route-map** *route-map name* [**permit**|**deny**] [*sequence-number*]
- **5. match ip address** {*access-list-number*|*access-list-name*} [*...access-list-number*|*...access-list-name*]
- **6. match mpls-label**
- **7. end**



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# **Configuring a Route Map for Departing Routes**

Perform this task to create a route map to filter departing routes. You create an access list and specify the routes that the router distributes with MPLS labels.

### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router bgp** *as-number*
- **4. route-map** *route-map name* [**permit**|**deny**][*sequence-number*]
- **5. match ip address** {*access-list-number*|*access-list-name*} [*...access-list-number*|*...access-list-name*]
- **6. set mpls-label**
- **7. end**





# **Applying the Route Maps to the ASBRs**

Perform this task to enable the ASBRs to use the route maps.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. router bgp** *as-number*
- **4. address-family ipv4** [**multicast**|**unicast**|**vrf***vrf-name*]
- **5. neighbor***ip-address***route-map***route-map-name***out**
- **6. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-label**
- **7. exit-address-family**
- **8. end**



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# **Verifying the MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution Configuration**

The following figure is a reference for the configuration.

**Figure 26: Configuring Two VPN Service Providers to Exchange IPv4 Routes and MPLS Labels**



If you use route reflectors to distribute the VPNv4 routes and use the ASBRs to distribute the IPv4 labels, use the following procedures to help verify the configuration:

### **Verifying the Route Reflector Configuration**

Perform this task to verify the route reflector configuration.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show ip bgp vpnv4** {**all** |**rd** *route-distinguisher*|**vrf** *vrf-name*} [**summary**] [**labels**]
- **3. disable**

#### **DETAILED STEPS**



### **Verifying that CE1 Has Network Reachability Information for CE2**

Perform this task to verify that router CE1 has NLRI for router CE2.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show ip route** [*ip-address* [*mask*][**longer prefixes**]]|[*protocol* [*process-id*]]|[**list** *access-list-number*|*access-list-name*]
- **3. disable**





# **Verifying that PE1 Has Network Layer Reachability Information for CE2**

Perform this task to verify that router PE1 has NLRI for router CE2.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show iproute vrf** *vrf-name* [**connected**] [*protocols* [*as-number*] [*tag*] [*output-modifiers*] ] [**list** *number*[*output-modifiers*]][**profile**][**static**[*output-modifiers*]] [**summary** [*output-modifiers*]][**supernets-only** [*output-modifiers*]][**traffic engineering** [*output-modifiers*]]
- **3. show ip bgp vpnv4** {**all** |**rd** *route-distinguisher*|**vrf** *vrf-name*} {*ip-prefix/length* [**longer-prefixes**][*output-modifiers*]] [*network-address* [*mask*][**longer-prefixes**][*output-modifiers*]] [**cidr-only**][*community*] [**community-list**] [**dampened-paths**] [**filter-list**] [**flap-statistics**] [**inconsistent-as**] [**neighbors**] [**path**[*line*] ][**peer-group**] [**quote-regexp**] [**regexp**] [**summary**] [**tags**]
- **4. show ip cef** [**vrf** *vrf-name*][*network* [*mask*]] [**longer-prefixes**] [**detail**]
- **5. show mpls forwarding-table** [{*network* {*mask*|*length*} |**labels** *label*[*-label*] |**interface** *interface*|**next-hop** *address*|**lsp-tunnel** [*tunnel-id*] }][**detail**]
- **6. show ip bgp** [*network*][*network-mask*][**longer-prefixes**]
- **7. show ip bgp vpnv4** {**all**|**rd** *route-distinguisher*|**vrf** *vrf-name*}[**summary**][**labels**]
- **8. disable**



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### **Verifying that PE2 Has Network Reachability Information for CE2**

Perform this task to ensure that PE2 can access CE2.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show iproute vrf** *vrf-name* [**connected**] [*protocol* [*as-number*] [*tag*] [*output-modifiers*] ] [**list** *number* [*output-modifiers*] ] [**profile**] [**static**[*output-modifiers*] ] [**summary** [*output-modifiers*] ] [**supernets-only** [*output-modifiers*] ] [**traffic-engineering** [*output-modifiers*] ]
- **3. show mpls forwarding-table** [**vrf** *vpn-name*] [{*network* {*mask* |*length* } |**labels** *label*[*-label*] |**interface** *interface* |**next-hop** *address* |**lsp-tunnel** [*tunnel-id* ]}] [**detail**]
- **4. show ip bgp vpnv4** {**all** |**rd** *route-distinguisher* |**vrf** *vrf-name*} [**summary**] [**labels**]
- **5. show ip cef** [**vrf** *vrf-name* ][*network* [*mask*]] [**longer-prefixes**] [**detail**]
- **6. disable**





# **Verifying the ASBR Configuration**

Perform this task to verify that the ASBRs exchange IPv4 routes with MPLS labels or IPv4 routes without labels as prescribed by a route map.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. show ip bgp** [*network*][*network-mask*][**longer-prefixes**]
- **3. show ip cef** [**vrf** *vrf-name*][*network* [*mask*]][**longer-prefixes**][**detail**]
- **4. disable**





# **Configuration Examples for MPLS VPNInter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution**

Configuration examples for MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution feature include the following:

# **Configuration Examples for Inter-AS Using BGP to Distribute Routes and MPLS Labels Over an MPLS VPN Service Provider**

The figure shows two MPLS VPN service providers. The service provider distributes the VPNv4 routes between the route reflectors. They distribute the IPv4 routes with MPLS labels between the ASBRs.



**Figure 27: Distributing IPv4 Routes and MPLS Labels Between MPLS VPN Service Providers**

The configuration examples show the two techniques that you can use to distribute the VPNv4 routes and the IPv4 routes with MPLS labels, from the remote RRs and PEs to the local RRs and PEs:

- Autonomous system 100 uses the RRs to distribute the VPNv4 routes learned from the remote RRs. The RRs also distribute the remote PE address and label that is learned from ASBR1 using IPv4 + labels.
- In autonomous system 200, the IPv4 routes that ASBR2 learned are redistributed into IGP.

The configuration examples in this section are as follow:

#### **Example: Route Reflector 1 (MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

The configuration example for RR1 specifies the following:

- RR1 exchanges VPNv4 routes with RR2 using multiprotocol, multihop EBGP.
- The VPNv4 next hop information and the VPN label preserved across the autonomous systems.
- RR1 reflects to PE1:
	- The VPNv4 routes learned from RR2.
	- The IPv4 routes and MPLS labels learned from ASBR1

```
ip subnet-zero
ip cef
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 !
interface Serial1/2
 ip address 209.165.201.8 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 clockrate 124061
 !
router ospf 10
 log-adjacency-changes
 auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
 network 10.0.0.1 0.0.0.0 area 100
 network 209.165.201.9 0.255.255.255 area 100
!
 router bgp 100
 bgp cluster-id 1
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 remote-as 100
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 remote-as 100
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 remote-as 200
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 ebgp-multihop 255
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 update-source Loopback0
 no auto-summary
  !
 address-family ipv4
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 activate
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 route-reflector-client !IPv4+labels session to PE1
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 send-label
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 activate
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 route-reflector-client !IPv4+labels session to
ASBR1
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 send-label
 no neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
 no auto-summary
```

```
no synchronization
 exit-address-family
 !
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 203.0.113.1 activate
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 route-reflector-client !VPNv4 session with PE1
neighbor 203.0.113.1 send-community extended
neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
neighbor 192.0.2.1 next-hop-unchanged !MH-VPNv4 session with RR2
neighbor 192.0.2.1 send-community extended ! with next hop unchanged
exit-address-family
!
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
no ip classless
!
snmp-server engineID local 00000009020000D0584B25C0
snmp-server community public RO
snmp-server community write RW
no snmp-server ifindex persist
snmp-server packetsize 2048
!
end
```
#### **Configuration Example: ASBR1 (MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

ASBR1 exchanges IPv4 routes and MPLS labels with ASBR2.

In this example, ASBR1 uses route maps to filter routes.

- A route map called OUT specifies that ASBR1 should distribute the PE1 route (ee.ee) with labels and the RR1 route (aa.aa) without labels.
- A route map called IN specifies that ASBR1 should accept the PE2 route (ff.ff) with labels and the RR2 route (bb.bb) without labels.

```
ip subnet-zero
mpls label protocol tdp
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 209.165.200.225 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip route-cache
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
interface Ethernet0/2
 ip address 209.165.201.6 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
interface Ethernet0/3
 ip address 209.165.201.18 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 mpls label protocol ldp
 mpls ip
!router ospf 10
 log-adjacency-changes
 auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
 redistribute connected subnets
 passive-interface Ethernet0/2
 network 209.165.200.225 0.0.0.0 area 100
 network 209.165.201.9 0.255.255.255 area 100
```

```
router bgp 100
bgp log-neighbor-changes
timers bgp 10 30
neighbor 10.0.0.1 remote-as 100
neighbor 10.0.0.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.201.2 remote-as 200
no auto-summary
 !
address-family ipv4 ! Redistributing IGP into BGP
redistribute ospf 10 \qquad ! so that PE1 & RR1 loopbacks
neighbor 10.0.0.1 activate ! get into the BGP table
neighbor 10.0.0.1 send-label
neighbor 209.165.201.2 activate
neighbor 209.165.201.2 advertisement-interval 5
neighbor 209.165.201.2 send-label
neighbor 209.165.201.2 route-map IN in ! accepting routes in route map IN.
neighbor 209.165.201.2 route-map OUT out ! distributing routes in route map OUT.
 neighbor 209.165.201.3 activate
neighbor 209.165.201.3 advertisement-interval 5
neighbor 209.165.201.3 send-label
neighbor 209.165.201.3 route-map IN in ! accepting routes in route map IN.
neighbor 209.165.201.3 route-map OUT out ! distributing routes in route map OUT.
 no auto-summary
no synchronization
exit-address-family
!
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
ip classless
!
access-list 1 permit 203.0.113.1 log !Setting up the access lists
access-list 2 permit 209.165.202.129 log
access-list 3 permit 10.0.0.1 log
access-list 4 permit 192.0.2.1 log
route-map IN permit 10 \qquad \qquad !Setting up the route maps
match ip address 2
match mpls-label
!
route-map IN permit 11
match ip address 4
!
route-map OUT permit 12
match ip address 3
!
route-map OUT permit 13
match ip address 1
set mpls-label
!
end
```
#### **Configuration Example: Route Reflector 2 (MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

RR2 exchanges VPNv4 routes with RR1 through multihop, multiprotocol EBGP. This configuration also specifies that the next hop information and the VPN label are preserved across the autonomous systems.

```
ip subnet-zero
ip cef
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 192.0.2.1 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 !
interface Serial1/1
 ip address 209.165.201.10 255.0.0.0
```

```
no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
router ospf 20
 log-adjacency-changes
 network 192.0.2.1 0.0.0.0 area 200
 network 209.165.201.20 0.255.255.255 area 200
 !
router bgp 200
 bgp cluster-id 1
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 remote-as 100
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 ebgp-multihop 255
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 remote-as 200
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 update-source Loopback0
 no auto-summary
  !
 address-family vpnv4
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 activate
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 next-hop-unchanged !Multihop VPNv4 session with RR1
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 send-community extended !with next-hop-unchanged
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 activate
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 route-reflector-client !VPNv4 session with PE2
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 send-community extended
 exit-address-family
 !
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
no ip classless
 !
end
```
#### **Configuration Example: ASBR2 (MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

ASBR2 exchanges IPv4 routes and MPLS labels with ASBR1. However, in contrast to ASBR1, ASBR2 does not use the RR to reflect IPv4 routes and MPLS labels to PE2. ASBR2 redistributes the IPv4 routes and MPLS labels learned from ASBR1 into IGP. PE2 can now reach these prefixes.

```
ip subnet-zero
ip cef
 !
mpls label protocol tdp
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 209.165.200.226 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 !
interface Ethernet1/0
 ip address 209.165.201.2 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
 interface Ethernet1/2
 ip address 209.165.201.4 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 mpls label protocol tdp
 mpls ip
  !
router ospf 20
 log-adjacency-changes
 auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
```
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```
redistribute connected subnets
 redistribute bgp 200 subnets ! Redistributing the routes learned from
 passive-interface Ethernet1/0 ! ASBR1(EBGP+labels session) into IGP
 network 209.165.200.226 0.0.0.0 area 200 ! so that PE2 will learn them
 network 209.165.201.5 0.255.255.255 area 200
  !
 router bgp 200
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 remote-as 200
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.201.6 remote-as 100
 no auto-summary
  !
address-family ipv4
 redistribute ospf 20 ! Redistributing IGP into BGP
 neighbor 209.165.201.6 activate ! so that PE2 & RR2 loopbacks
 neighbor 209.165.201.6 advertisement-interval 5 ! will get into the BGP-4 table.
 neighbor 209.165.201.6 route-map IN in
 neighbor 209.165.201.6 route-map OUT out
 neighbor 209.165.201.6 send-label
 neighbor 209.165.201.7 activate
 neighbor 209.165.201.7 advertisement-interval 5
 neighbor 209.165.201.7 route-map IN in
 neighbor 209.165.201.7 route-map OUT out
 neighbor 209.165.201.7 send-label
 no auto-summary
 no synchronization
 exit-address-family
 !
 address-family vpnv4
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 send-community extended
 exit-address-family
  !
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
ip classless
 !
access-list 1 permit 209.165.202.129 log !Setting up the access lists
access-list 2 permit 203.0.113.1 log
access-list 3 permit 192.0.2.1 log
access-list 4 permit 10.0.0.1 log
route-map IN permit 11 . Setting up the route maps
 match ip address 2
 match mpls-label
 !
route-map IN permit 12
 match ip address 4
 !
route-map OUT permit 10
 match ip address 1
 set mpls-label
 !
route-map OUT permit 13
 match ip address 3
 end
```
# **Configuration Examples: Inter-AS Using BGP to Distribute Routes and MPLS Labels Over a Non MPLS VPN Service Provider**

The figure shows two MPLS VPN service providers that are connected through a non MPLS VPN service provider. The autonomous system in the middle of the network is configured as a backbone autonomous system that uses Label Distribution Protocol (LDP) or Tag Distribution Protocol (TDP) to distribute MPLS labels. You can also use traffic engineering tunnels instead of TDP or LDP to build the LSP across the non MPLS VPN service provider.



#### **Figure 28: Distributing Routes and MPLS Labels Over <sup>a</sup> Non MPLS VPN Service Provider**

Configuration examples for Inter-AS using BGP to distribute routes and MPLS labels over a non MPLS VPN service provider included in this section are as follows:

#### **Configuration Example: Route Reflector 1 (Non MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

The configuration example for RR1 specifies the following:

- RR1 exchanges VPNv4 routes with RR2 using multiprotocol, multihop EBGP.
- The VPNv4 next hop information and the VPN label are preserved across the autonomous systems.
- RR1 reflects to PE1:
	- The VPNv4 routes learned from RR2
	- The IPv4 routes and MPLS labels learned from ASBR1

```
ip subnet-zero
 ip cef
 !
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```
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 !
 interface Serial1/2
 ip address 209.165.201.8 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 clockrate 124061
 !
 router ospf 10
 log-adjacency-changes
 auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
 network 10.0.0.1 0.0.0.0 area 100
 network 209.165.201.9 0.255.255.255 area 100
 !
router bgp 100
 bgp cluster-id 1
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 remote-as 100
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 remote-as 100
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 remote-as 200
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 ebgp-multihop 255
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 update-source Loopback0
 no auto-summary
  !
 address-family ipv4
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 activate
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 route-reflector-client !IPv4+labels session to PE1
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 send-label
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 activate
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 route-reflector-client !IPv4+labels session to
ASBR1
 neighbor 209.165.200.225 send-label
 no neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
 no auto-summary
 no synchronization
 exit-address-family
  !
address-family vpnv4
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 activate
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 route-reflector-client !VPNv4 session with PE1
 neighbor 203.0.113.1 send-community extended
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 next-hop-unchanged !MH-VPNv4 session with RR2
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 send-community extended with next-hop-unchanged
 exit-address-family
 !
 ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
no ip classless
 !
 snmp-server engineID local 00000009020000D0584B25C0
 snmp-server community public RO
 snmp-server community write RW
no snmp-server ifindex persist
 snmp-server packetsize 2048
 !
 end
```
ip subnet-zero

#### **Configuration Example: ASBR1 (Non MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

ASBR1 exchanges IPv4 routes and MPLS labels with ASBR2.

In this example, ASBR1 uses route maps to filter routes.

- A route map called OUT specifies that ASBR1 should distribute the PE1 route (ee.ee) with labels and the RR1 route (aa.aa) without labels.
- A route map called IN specifies that ASBR1 should accept the PE2 route (ff.ff) with labels and the RR2 route (bb.bb) without labels.

```
ip cef distributed
mpls label protocol tdp
 !
 interface Loopback0
 ip address 209.165.200.225 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip route-cache
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
 interface Serial3/0/0
 ip address 209.165.201.7 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 ip route-cache distributed
 !
 interface Ethernet0/3
 ip address 209.165.201.18 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 mpls label protocol ldp
 mpls ip
 !
router ospf 10
 log-adjacency-changes
  auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
 redistribute connected subnets
  passive-interface Serial3/0/0
 network 209.165.200.225 0.0.0.0 area 100
 network dd.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 100
 router bgp 100
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
  timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 remote-as 100
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor kk.0.0.1 remote-as 200
 no auto-summary
 !
 address-family ipv4
 redistribute ospf 10 \qquad ! Redistributing IGP into BGP
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 activate 10.000 PM end of the PE1 & RR1 loopbacks
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 send-label ! get into BGP table
 neighbor 209.165.201.3 activate
  neighbor 209.165.201.3 advertisement-interval 5
 neighbor 209.165.201.3 send-label
  neighbor 209.165.201.3 route-map IN in ! Accepting routes specified in route map IN
 neighbor 209.165.201.3 route-map OUT out ! Distributing routes specified in route map
OUT
 no auto-summary
  no synchronization
  exit-address-family
```
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```
!
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
ip classless
!
access-list 1 permit 203.0.113.1 log
access-list 2 permit 209.165.202.129 log
access-list 3 permit 10.0.0.1 log
access-list 4 permit 192.0.2.1 log
!
route-map IN permit 10
match ip address 2
match mpls-label
!
route-map IN permit 11
match ip address 4
!
route-map OUT permit 12
match ip address 3
!
route-map OUT permit 13
match ip address 1
set mpls-label
!
end
```
#### **Configuration Example: Route Reflector 2 (Non MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

RR2 exchanges VPNv4 routes with RR1 using multihop, multiprotocol EBGP. This configuration also specifies that the next hop information and the VPN label are preserved across the autonomous systems.

```
ip subnet-zero
ip cef
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 192.0.2.1 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 !
 interface Serial1/1
 ip address 209.165.201.10 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
 router ospf 20
 log-adjacency-changes
 network 192.0.2.1 0.0.0.0 area 200
 network 209.165.201.20 0.255.255.255 area 200
 !
router bgp 200
 bgp cluster-id 1
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 remote-as 100
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 ebgp-multihop 255
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 remote-as 200
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 update-source Loopback0
 no auto-summary
  !
 address-family vpnv4
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 activate
 neighbor 10.0.0.1 next-hop-unchanged !MH vpnv4 session with RR1
  neighbor 10.0.0.1 send-community extended !with next-hop-unchanged
  neighbor 209.165.202.129 activate
 neighbor 209.165.202.129 route-reflector-client !vpnv4 session with PE2
```
ip subnet-zero

```
neighbor 209.165.202.129 send-community extended
exit-address-family
!
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
no ip classless
!
end
```
#### **Configuration Examples: ASBR2 (Non MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

ASBR2 exchanges IPv4 routes and MPLS labels with ASBR1. However, in contrast to ASBR1, ASBR2 does not use the RR to reflect IPv4 routes and MPLS labels to PE2. ASBR2 redistributes the IPv4 routes and MPLS labels learned from ASBR1 into IGP. PE2 can now reach these prefixes.

```
ip cef
 !
mpls label protocol tdp
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 209.165.200.226 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 !
interface Ethernet0/1
 ip address 209.165.201.11 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 !
interface Ethernet1/2
 ip address 209.165.201.4 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip mroute-cache
 mpls label protocol tdp
 mpls ip
 !
router ospf 20
 log-adjacency-changes
 auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
 redistribute connected subnets<br>redistribute bgp 200 subnets
                                        ! redistributing the routes learned from
 passive-interface Ethernet0/1 !ASBR2 (EBGP+labels session) into IGP
 network 209.165.200.226 0.0.0.0 area 200 !so that PE2 will learn them
 network 209.165.201.5 0.255.255.255 area 200
  !
 router bgp 200
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 remote-as 200
 neighbor 192.0.2.1 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.201.21 remote-as 100
 no auto-summary
 !
address-family ipv4 ! Redistributing IGP into BGP
redistribute ospf 20 \qquad ! so that PE2 & RR2 loopbacks
 neighbor 209.165.201.21 activate limits in the BGP-4 table
 neighbor 209.165.201.21 advertisement-interval 5
 neighbor 209.165.201.21 route-map IN in
 neighbor 209.165.201.21 route-map OUT out
 neighbor 209.165.201.21 send-label
 no auto-summary
 no synchronization
 exit-address-family
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```
address-family vpnv4
neighbor 192.0.2.1 activate
neighbor 192.0.2.1 send-community extended
 exit-address-family
 !
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
ip classless
!
access-list 1 permit 209.165.202.129 log
access-list 2 permit 203.0.113.1 log
access-list 3 permit 192.0.2.1 log
access-list 4 permit 10.0.0.1 log
!
route-map IN permit 11
match ip address 2
match mpls-label
!
route-map IN permit 12
match ip address 4
!
route-map OUT permit 10
match ip address 1
set mpls-label
!
route-map OUT permit 13
match ip address 3
!
end
```
#### **Configuration Example: ASBR3 (Non MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

ASBR3 belongs to a non MPLS VPN service provider. ASBR3 exchanges IPv4 routes and MPLS labels with ASBR1. ASBR3 also passes the routes learned from ASBR1 to ASBR3 through RR3.

Do not redistribute EBGP routes learned into IBG if you are using IBGP to distribute the routes and labels. This is not a supported configuration. **Note**

```
ip subnet-zero
ip cef
 !
 interface Loopback0
 ip address 209.165.200.227 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip route-cache
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
ip routing
mpls label protocol ldp
mpls ldp router-id Loopback0 force
interface GigabitEthernet1/0/1
ip address 209.165.201.12 255.0.0.0
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/1/1
no switchport
ip address 209.165.201.3 255.0.0.0
load-interval 30
mpls ip
```

```
!
```

```
router ospf 30
log-adjacency-changes
auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
redistribute connected subnets
network 209.165.200.227 0.0.0.0 area 300
network 209.165.201.13 0.255.255.255 area 300
!
router bgp 300
bgp log-neighbor-changes
timers bgp 10 30
neighbor 10.0.0.3 remote-as 300
neighbor 10.0.0.3 update-source Loopback0
neighbor 209.165.201.7 remote-as 100
no auto-summary
!
address-family ipv4
neighbor 10.0.0.3activate ! IBGP+labels session with RR3
neighbor 10.0.0.3 send-label
neighbor 209.165.201.7 activate ! EBGP+labels session with ASBR1
neighbor 209.165.201.7 advertisement-interval 5
neighbor 209.165.201.7 send-label
neighbor 209.165.201.7 route-map IN in
neighbor 209.165.201.7 route-map OUT out
no auto-summary
no synchronization
exit-address-family
!
ip classless
!
access-list 1 permit 203.0.113.1 log
access-list 2 permit 209.165.202.129 log
access-list 3 permit 10.0.0.1 log
access-list 4 permit 192.0.2.1 log
!
route-map IN permit 10
match ip address 1
 match mpls-label
!
route-map IN permit 11
  match ip address 3
!
route-map OUT permit 12
match ip address 2
 set mpls-label
!
route-map OUT permit 13
  match ip address 4
!
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
ip classless
!
end
```
#### **Configuration Example: Route Reflector 3 (Non MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

RR3 is a non MPLS VPN RR that reflects IPv4 routes with MPLS labels to ASBR3 and ASBR4.

```
ip subnet-zero
mpls label protocol tdp
mpls traffic-eng auto-bw timers
no mpls ip
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.0.0.3 255.255.255.255
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```
no ip directed-broadcast
!
interface POS0/2
ip address 209.165.201.15 255.0.0.0
no ip directed-broadcast
no ip route-cache cef
no ip route-cache
no ip mroute-cache
crc 16
clock source internal
!
router ospf 30
log-adjacency-changes
network 10.0.0.3 0.0.0.0 area 300
network 209.165.201.16 0.255.255.255 area 300
!
router bgp 300
bgp log-neighbor-changes
neighbor 209.165.201.2 remote-as 300
neighbor 209.165.201.2 update-source Loopback0
neighbor 209.165.200.227 remote-as 300
neighbor 209.165.200.227 update-source Loopback0
no auto-summary
 !
address-family ipv4
neighbor 209.165.201.2 activate
neighbor 209.165.201.2 route-reflector-client
neighbor 209.165.201.2 send-label ! IBGP+labels session with ASBR3
neighbor 209.165.200.227 activate
neighbor 209.165.200.227 route-reflector-client
neighbor 209.165.200.227 send-label ! IBGP+labels session with ASBR4
no auto-summary
no synchronization
exit-address-family
!
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
ip classless
!
end
```
#### **Configuration Example: ASBR4 (Non MPLS VPN Service Provider)**

ASBR4 belongs to a non MPLS VPN service provider. ASBR4 and ASBR3 exchange IPv4 routes and MPLS labels by means of RR3.

```
Note
```
Do not redistribute EBGP routes learned into IBG if you are using IBGP to distribute the routes and labels. This is not a supported configuration.

```
ip subnet-zero
ip cef distributed
 !
interface Loopback0
 ip address 209.165.201.2 255.255.255.255
 no ip directed-broadcast
 no ip route-cache
 no ip mroute-cache
 !
interface Ethernet0/2
 ip address 209.165.201.21 255.0.0.0
 no ip directed-broadcast
```

```
no ip mroute-cache
 !
ip routing
mpls label protocol ldp
mpls ldp router-id Loopback0 force
interface GigabitEthernet1/0/1
ip address 209.165.201.17 255.0.0.0
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/1/1
no switchport
ip address 209.165.201.14 255.0.0.0
load-interval 30
mpls ip
 !
router ospf 30
 log-adjacency-changes
 auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000
 redistribute connected subnets
passive-interface Ethernet0/2
  network 209.165.201.2 0.0.0.0 area 300
 network 209.165.201.16 0.255.255.255 area 300
 network 209.165.201.13 0.255.255.255 area 300
 !
router bgp 300
 bgp log-neighbor-changes
 timers bgp 10 30
 neighbor 10.0.0.3 remote-as 300
 neighbor 10.0.0.3 update-source Loopback0
 neighbor 209.165.201.11 remote-as 200
 no auto-summary
  !
 address-family ipv4
 neighbor 10.0.0.3 activate
 neighbor 10.0.0.3 send-label
 neighbor 209.165.201.11 activate
 neighbor 209.165.201.11 advertisement-interval 5
 neighbor 209.165.201.11 send-label
 neighbor 209.165.201.11 route-map IN in
 neighbor 209.165.201.11 route-map OUT out
no auto-summary
 no synchronization
 exit-address-family
 !
 ip classless
 !
access-list 1 permit 209.165.202.129 log
access-list 2 permit 203.0.113.1 log
access-list 3 permit 192.0.2.1 log
access-list 4 permit 10.0.0.1 log
 !
route-map IN permit 10
 match ip address 1
  match mpls-label
 !
route-map IN permit 11
   match ip address 3
 !
 route-map OUT permit 12
 match ip address 2
  set mpls-label
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route-map OUT permit 13
  match ip address 4
!
ip default-gateway 3.3.0.1
ip classless
!
end
```
# **Feature History for Configuring MPLS VPN Inter-AS IPv4 BGP Label Distribution**

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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# **Configuring Seamless MPLS**

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# <span id="page-246-0"></span>**Information about Seamless MPLS**

The following sections provide information about Seamless MPLS.

### **Overview of Seamless MPLS**

Seamless MPLS provides a highly flexible and scalable architecture to integrate multiple networks into a single MPLS domain. It is based on existing and well known protocols.

A large MPLS network can have several types of platforms and services in different parts of the network. Such a network would usually be divided into areas such as a core area and aggregation areas, and each of these areas have different Interior Gateway Protocols (IGPs). The IGP prefixes from one area cannot be distributed to another area. If the IGP prefixes cannot be distributed, then end-to-end Label-Switched-Paths (LSP) cannot be established. This affects the scalability of the network.

Seamless MPLS introduces greater scalability by establishing end-to-end LSPs. Seamless MPLS uses the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) instead of IGP to forward the loopback prefixes of the Provider Edge (PE) routers. BGP distributes the prefixes end-to-end. This eliminates the need to install IGP prefixes of one domain in another domain.

Seamless MPLS introduces separation of the service and transport planes and provides end to end service independent transport. It removes the need for service specific configurations in network transport nodes.

### **Architecture for Seamless MPLS**



The figure shows a network with three different areas: one core and two aggregation areas on the side. Each area runs its own IGP, with no redistribution between them on the Area Border Router (ABR). Use of BGP is needed in order to provide an end-to-end MPLS LSP. BGP advertises the loopbacks of the PE routers with a label across the whole domain, and provides an end-to-end LSP. BGP is deployed between the PEs and ABRs.

Seamless MPLs uses BGP to provide an end-to-end MPLS LSP. BGP is deployed between the PEs and the ABRs. BGP sends the IPv4 prefix and label. BGP advertises the loopbacks of the PE routers with a label across the whole domain and provides an end-to-end LSP.

When using IGP in the network, the next-hop address of the prefixes is the loopback prefix of the PE routers. This prefix is not known to the IGP being used in other parts of the network. The next hop address cannot be used to recurse to an IGP prefix. To avoid this the prefixes are carried in BGP. The ABRs are configured as Route Reflectors (RR). And the RRs are configured to set the next hop to self even for the reflected iBGP prefixes.

There are two possible scenarios.

- The ABR does not set the next hop to self for the prefixes advertised (reflected by BGP) by the ABR into the aggregation part of the network. The ABR needs to redistribute the loopback prefixes of the ABRs from the core IGP into the aggregation IGP. Only the ABR loopback prefixes (from the core) need to be advertised into the aggregation part, not the loopback prefixes from the PE routers from the remote aggregation parts.
- The ABR sets the next hop to self for the prefixes advertised (reflected by BGP) by the ABR into the aggregation part. Because of this, the ABR does not need to redistribute the loopback prefixes of the ABRs from the core IGP into the aggregation IGP.

In both scenarios, the ABR sets the next hop to self for the prefixes advertised (reflected by BGP) by the ABR from the aggregation part of the network into the core part.

# <span id="page-247-0"></span>**How to configure Seamless MPLs**

The following sections provide information on how to configure Seamless MPLS.

# **Configuring Seamless MPLS on the PE Router**

The following steps can be used to configure Seamless MPLS on the PE Router

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface loopback** *slot/port*
- **4. ip address** *ip-address subnet-mask*
- **5. interface ethernet** *slot/port*
- **6. no ip address**
- **7. xconnect** *peer-ip-address vcid* **encapsulation mpls**
- **8. router ospf** *process-id*
- **9. network** *ip-address wild-mask* **area** *area-id*
- **10. network** *ip-address wild-mask* **area** *area-id*
- **11. router bgp** *autonomous-system-number*
- **12. bgp log neighbor changes**
- **13. address-family ipv4**
- **14. network** *network-number* **mask** *network-mask*
- **15. no bgp default ipv4 unicast**
- **16. no bgp default route-target filter**
- **17. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *autonomous-system-number*
- **18. neighbor** *ip-address* **update-source** *interface-type interface-number*
- **19. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-label**



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### **Configuring Seamless MPLS on the Route Reflector**

The following steps can be used to configure Seamless MPLS on the Route Reflector.

#### **SUMMARY STEPS**

- **1. enable**
- **2. configure terminal**
- **3. interface loopback** *slot/port*
- **4. ip address** *ip-address subnet-mask*
- **5. router ospf** *process-id*
- **6. network** *ip-address wild-mask* **area** *area-id*
- **7. network** *ip-address wild-mask* **area** *area-id*
- **8. exit**
- **9. router ospf** *process-id*
- **10. redistribute ospf** *instance-tag* **route-map** *map-name*
- **11. network** *ip-address wild-mask* **area** *area-id*
- **12. exit**
- **13. router bgp** *autonomous-system-number*
- **14. bgp log neighbor changes**
- **15. address-family ipv4**
- **16. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *autonomous-system-number*
- **17. neighbor** *ip-address* **update-source** *interface-type interface-number*
- **18. neighbor** *ip-address* **next-hop-self all**
- **19. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-label**
- **20. neighbor** *ip-address* **remote-as** *autonomous-system-number*
- **21. neighbor** *ip-address* **update-source** *interface-type interface-number*
- **22. neighbor** *ip-address* **route-reflector-client**
- **23. neighbor** *ip-address* **next-hop-self all**
- **24. neighbor** *ip-address* **send-label**
- **25. exit**
- **26. ip prefix-list** *name* **seq** *number* **permit** *prefix*
- **27. route-map** *name* **permit** *sequence-number*
- **28. match ip address prefix-list** *prefix-list-name*


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# **Configuration Examples for Seamless MPLS**

The following sections provide examples for configuring Seamless MPLS.

### **Example: Configuring Seamless MPLS on PE Router 1**

The following example shows how to configure Seamless MPLS on PE router 1.

```
Device(config-if)#interface Loopback0
Device(config-if)#ip address 10.100.1.4 255.255.255.255
!
Device(config-if)# interface Ethernet1/0
Device(config-if)# no ip address
Device(config-if)# xconnect 10.100.1.5 100 encapsulation mpls
!
Device(config)# router ospf 2
Device(config-router)# network 10.2.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
Device(config-router)# network 10.100.1.4 0.0.0.0 area 0
!
Device(config)#router bgp 1
Device(config-router)# bgp log-neighbor-changes
Device(config-router)# address family ipv4
Device(config-router-af)# network 10.100.1.4 mask 255.255.255.255
Device(config-router-af)# no bgp default ipv4 unicast
Device(config-router-af)# no bgp default route-target filter
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.1 remote-as 1
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.1 update-source Loopback0
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.1 send-label
```
### **Example: Configuring Seamless MPLS on Route Reflector 1**

The following examples shows how to configure Seamless MPLS on route reflector 1.

```
Device(cofig-if)# interface Loopback0
Device(cofig-if)# ip address 10.100.1.1 255.255.255.255
```

```
Device(config)# router ospf 1
Device(config-router)# network 10.1.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
Device(config-router)# network 10.100.1.1 0.0.0.0 area 0
!
Device(config)# router ospf 2
Device(config-router)# redistribute ospf 1 subnets match internal route-map ospf1-into-ospf2
Device(config-router)# network 10.2.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
!
Device(config)# router bgp 1
Device(config-router)# bgp log-neighbor-changes
Device(config-router)# address family ipv4
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.2 remote-as 1
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.2 update-source Loopback0
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.2 next-hop-self all
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.2 send-label
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.4 remote-as 1
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.4 update-source Loopback0
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.4 route-reflector-client
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.4 next-hop-self all
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.4 send-label
Device(config)# ip prefix-list prefix-list-ospf1-into-ospf2 seq 5 permit 10.100.1.1/32
Device(config)# route-map ospf1-into-ospf2 permit 10
Device(conifg-route-mao)# match ip address prefix-list prefix-list-ospf1-into-ospf2
```
#### **Example: Configuring Seamless MPLS on PE Router 2**

The following example shows how to configure Seamless MPLS on PE router 2.

```
Device(config-if)#interface Loopback0
Device(config-if)#ip address 10.100.1.5 255.255.255.255
!
Device(config-if)# interface Ethernet1/0
Device(config-if)# no ip address
Device(config-if)# xconnect 10.100.1.4 100 encapsulation mpls
!
Device(config)# router ospf 3
Device(config-router)# network 10.3.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
Device(config-router)# network 10.100.1.5 0.0.0.0 area 0
!
Device(config)#router bgp 1
Device(config-router)# bgp log-neighbor-changes
Device(config-router)# address family ipv4
Device(config-router-af)# network 10.100.1.5 mask 255.255.255.255
Device(config-router-af)# no bgp default ipv4 unicast
Device(config-router-af)# no bgp default route-target filter
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.2 remote-as 1
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.2 update-source Loopback0
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.2 send-label
```
#### **Example: Configuring Seamless MPLS on Route Reflector 2**

The following examples shows how to configure Seamless MPLS on route reflector 2.

```
Device(cofig-if)# interface Loopback0
Device(cofig-if)# ip address 10.100.1.2 255.255.255.255
Device(config)# router ospf 1
Device(config-router)# network 10.1.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
Device(config-router)# network 10.100.1.2 0.0.0.0 area 0
!
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```
Device(config)# router ospf 3
Device(config-router)# redistribute ospf 1 subnets match internal route-map ospf1-into-ospf3
Device(config-router)# network 10.3.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0
!
Device(config)# router bgp 1
Device(config-router)# bgp log-neighbor-changes
Device(config-router)# address family ipv4
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.1 remote-as 1
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.1 update-source Loopback0
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.1 next-hop-self all
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.1 send-label
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.5 remote-as 1
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.5 update-source Loopback0
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.5 route-reflector-client
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.5 next-hop-self all
Device(config-router-af)# neighbor 10.100.1.5 send-label
Device(config)# ip prefix-list prefix-list-ospf1-into-ospf3 seq 5 permit 10.100.1.1/32
Device(config)# route-map ospf1-into-ospf3 permit 10
Device(conifg-route-mao)# match ip address prefix-list prefix-list-ospf1-into-ospf3
```
# **Feature History for Seamless MPLS**

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

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



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