NetApp® CN1601 Switch Administrator's Guide

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Purpose

This guide provides examples of how to use the NetApp® CN1601 switch in a typical network. The CN1601 can serve as either a cluster network switch or a management switch. This document describes the switch features and includes information about using the command-line interface (CLI) to configure them.

Additional documentation

The following documentation provides additional information about the switch FASTPATH software:

- The *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference* describes the commands available from the command-line interface (CLI) for managing, monitoring, and configuring the switch.
- The *1G Cluster-Mode Switch Installation Guide* provides basic information to install the switch and perform initial configuration.
- Release notes detail the platform-specific functionality of the software packages, including known issues and workarounds.

Switch Administration 2

About this chapter

This chapter provides information about administering the switch, including using the command-line interface (CLI), configuring basic switch settings, and managing the system configuration files.

Topics in this chapter

This chapter includes the following topics:

CLI quick start

About this section

This section provides a brief introduction to using the CLI.

Note

For detailed information about CLI commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Connecting to the CLI

To begin using the CLI, follow these steps:

1. Connect to the CLI through the serial console or a Telnet/SSH connection, as described in the *1G Cluster-Mode Switch Installation Guide*.

   The following prompt displays:

   ```
   User >
   ```

2. Enter `admin` as the default user name.

3. Press Enter when prompted for a password. (There is no password by default.)

   The following prompt displays:

   ```
   (CN1601) >
   ```

   The initial command mode is User EXEC mode. Commands are available in this mode for viewing switch data. These commands are also available, along with many others, in Privileged EXEC mode.

4. Enter `enable` to enter Privileged EXEC mode. (By default, there is no password for entering into Privileged EXEC mode; however, one can be configured.)

   The following prompt displays:

   ```
   (CN1601) #
   ```

Command modes

Different command modes offer different sets of commands. The prompt changes to indicate the command mode.

In Privileged EXEC mode, you can enter commands to view switch information, configure some system-level functions, and enter into other command modes.

For example, you can enter `vlan database` to enter VLAN Config mode, where you can create and configure VLANs. The prompt displays as follows:

```
(CN1601) (Vlan)#
```

From Privilege Exec mode, you can also enter `configure` (or simply `config`) to enter Global Config mode. In Global Config mode, you can enter commands to configure global switch settings and enter into all other configuration modes. For example, the following command sequence enters Global Config mode (from Privileged EXEC mode), and then enters Interface Config mode for port 0/5.

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/5
(CN1601) <Interface 0/5>#
```

In Interface Config mode, you can enter commands to configure the specified interface.

Note

See the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference* for a list of all command modes and instructions on entering them.

Using the no form of a command

The `no` keyword is a specific form of an existing command and does not represent a new or distinct command. Almost every configuration command has a `no` form. In general, use the `no` form to reverse the action of a command or reset a value back to the default.

For example, the `no shutdown` configuration command reverses the shutdown of an interface. Use the command without the keyword `no` to reenable a disabled feature or to enable a feature that is disabled by default.

Entering commands and getting help

The CLI automatically finishes spelling a command when you type enough letters to uniquely identify the command keyword. Once you have entered enough letters, press the SPACEBAR or TAB key to complete the word.

To view a list of available commands in the current mode, enter a question mark. To see the available parameters and variables for a command, type in the command keyword followed by a question mark.

Switch management interfaces

Overview

The switch can be managed by using a command-line interface (CLI) or SNMP.

You can use any of the following methods to access the CLI:

- A serial connection through the console port using a terminal emulator.
- An in-band connection through any port using Telnet or SSH. With an in-band connection, the management data is switched along with ordinary switch traffic, and is forwarded to the network interface (a logical IP interface configured on the switch).

  A management VLAN is associated with the network interface, enabling segregating of management traffic and restricting access.

To use Telnet, you must assign a management IP address to the network interface. You can assign IP information statically or configure the switch to obtain it dynamically using DHCP/BOOTP.

Note

See the *1G Cluster-Mode Switch Installation Guide* for instructions on accessing the CLI through the serial port or Telnet/SSH.

You can also access switch information by using SNMP to view items in the supported MIBs. See "SNMP" on page 22 for more information.

The switch allows multiple concurrent Telnet and SNMP sessions.

All management interfaces are enabled by default. CLI access through IP and SNMP access can be disabled by the administrator. CLI access through the serial console is always available.

Note

Management access through IPv6 is also supported. See "IPv6 management" on page 8 for more information.

BOOTP/DHCP client functionality

The BOOTP protocol allows a device to solicit and receive configuration data and parameters from a suitable server. DHCP is an extension to BOOTP that enables receiving additional setup parameters from a network server upon system

startup. BOOTP stops operating once an IP address is obtained, but DHCP continues to operate on an ongoing basis. For example, the IP address assigned to the system has a lease time that may expire, and can be renewed on-the-fly.

The system incorporates BOOTP and DHCP clients that can solicit an IP address to use as the system management IP address. The system uses BOOTP by default; however, the administrator can configure the switch to use DHCP, or can assign a static IP address to the network interface.

DHCP/BOOTP requests are broadcast out of all ports that are members of the management VLAN. The default management VLAN is VLAN 1.

Defaults

The BOOTP/DHCP client is enabled by default.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about switch management interfaces:

Command	Description
`show network`	Displays configuration settings associated with the switch's network interface.

For more information on the BOOTP/DHCP commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following commands change the protocol for the network interface from the default, BOOTP, to none, statically configure the switch IP information, and change the management VLAN to VLAN 100:

```
(CN1601) # network protocol none
(CN1601) # network parms 10.17.21.4 255.255.255.0 10.17.21.1
(CN1601) # network mgmt_vlan 100
```

IPv6 management

Feature overview

IPv6 features can be configured through the CLI and SNMP. The following management protocols and applications can operate over IPv6:

- Pingv6
- Traceroutev6
- TFTP
- SSH
- SSL
- Telnet
- SNMP

For ICMPv6, the switch supports error PDU generation, path MTU, echo request/reply, and redirect.

For SNMP, the switch supports the IPv6 MIB, the ICMPv6 MIB, and private MIB extensions.

The CN1601 switch supports router advertisement as an integral part of IPv6. Numerous options are available, including stateless/stateful address configuration, router and address lifetimes, and neighbor discovery timer control.

The switch also supports Ethernet and tunnel interfaces. For Ethernet, the switch supports link-local address mapping and multicast address mapping. The tunnel interface functionality supports link-local address mapping but not general neighbor discovery, since the interface is not considered to have a link-layer address. Multiple global addresses can be configured on each interface.

The network ports are logical management interfaces. The IP stack's routing table contains both IPv6 routes associated with these management interfaces and IPv6 routes associated with routing interfaces. If routes to the same destination (such as a default route) are learned on both a management interface and a routing interface, the routing interface route is preferred.

Defaults

IPv6 management is enabled by default.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the IPv6 management features:

Command	Description
`show network`	Displays configuration settings associated with the switch's network interface.
`show network ndp`	Displays NDP cache information for the network port.

For more information on the IPv6 management commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following example enables IPv6 management and configures the network port to obtain its IPv6 information through DHCP:

```
(CN1601) # network ipv6 enable
(CN1601) # network ipv6 address dhcp
```

Command line logging

Feature overview

You can configure the switch to automatically create a log of configuration commands as you enter them. A command log can provide the system operators with a detailed view of the commands executed. The command log file is saved locally on the switch along with other system logs.

You can enable and disable command logging. By default, it is disabled.

Logging severity

The system associates a severity level with system events that are written to the log. When CLI commands are executed and written to the log, they are assigned a nonconfigurable severity of SEVERITY_NOTICE.

Defaults

Command line logging is disabled by default.

Configuration example

The following example enables command logging:

```
(CN1601) # config
(CN1601) (Config)# logging cli-command
```

The following is an example CLI log message for the user `admin`:

```
<5> JAN 01 00:01:35 0.0.0.0-1 UNKN[54373024]: cmd_logger_api.c(93)
20 % CLI:<connectionID>:<userID>:show vlan-assist-mac-learn all
```

If this feature is enabled, commands are logged immediately after the user is authenticated. After authentication, the CLI generates an explicit message and invokes the command logger. The format of the message at login is:

```
<5> JAN 01 00:01:35 0.0.0.0-1 UNKN[54373024]: cmd_logger_api.c(93)
20 % CLI:<connectionID>:<userID>: User <userID> logged in
```

The CLI command log is also updated when a user logs out. The format of the log message is:

```
<5> JAN 01 00:01:35 0.0.0.0-1 UNKN[54373024]: cmd_logger_api.c(93)
20 % CLI:<connectionID>:<userID>:logout
```

File management

Overview

The switch FASTPATH software has a user-accessible file system to manage the various files needed for its operation. The file system contains the application software files and a configuration file that is restored each time the switch boots.

This section includes the following topics:

Configuration files and scripts

Overview

Switch operation is controlled by a configuration file, which stores the value of the parameters and settings to be applied to the device as a whole, and to each port in particular. The configuration file, which is loaded from flash into RAM when the switch boots, directs and controls the function of various features. The switch is shipped with a factory-default configuration, which you can change. You can also save preferred settings in the form of configuration files on the system's flash memory.

A script is a collection of CLI command statements that you create and then apply manually to the switch. Often, the creation of a script begins when the user copies a configuration file to their computer as a script. The user can modify the script as a text file, and then copy it back to the switch. It can be stored as a script and executed whenever the user wants to apply a particular set of commands. Or, it can be copied to the configuration file type, so that its commands determine the switch configuration whenever the switch reboots.

Supported configuration files

The system supports the following configuration files:

- *Running configuration file*: When the user carries out any configuration activity in the system, using any management interface, the system keeps the resulting state of each configurable element of a file in system RAM. This file is equivalent to a set of CLI commands that would get a device from a factory-default configuration to the current state. Note that no copy of this file is kept in flash.
- *Startup configuration file*: This file is used whenever the system reboots to bring the system to a known, desired state. You can generate this file by configuring the device to the desired state and explicitly saving the resulting running configuration file to flash memory as the startup configuration file type. The next time the device is rebooted, the system will come up in the exact same state that it was in before the reboot, when this “save” operation was carried out. Note that if you do not explicitly save the running configuration to the startup configuration file, the next time the system is booted, the configuration will not return to the same state as just before the reset. Instead, it will return to the state defined by the startup configuration file.

- *Backup configuration file*: The system supports an additional backup file in flash memory, which enables keeping a copy of the startup or running configuration file either for fault-protection purposes or as a way to maintain a previous version of the file.
- *Factory-default configuration*: This file cannot be modified. If no configuration file is available upon system reset/boot, this file represents the state in which the system will come up.

User actions

You can do the following with configuration files:

- Copy from the startup file to the backup configuration file.
- Copy from the backup file to the startup configuration file (followed by a reboot).
- Copy the startup, running, or backup configuration files to a TFTP server.
- Copy either the startup, running, or the backup configuration files from a TFTP server.
- Copy the running configuration file to the backup configuration file.
- Copy the running configuration file to the startup configuration file.
- Delete the startup configuration file (to boot using factory default settings).
- Delete the backup configuration file.
- Copy (merge) the startup configuration file into the running configuration file.
- Copy (merge) the backup configuration file into the running configuration file.

Using scripts to enter commands

You can use the following methods to run configuration scripts containing CLI commands:

- You can paste up to 1000 lines of configuration into a CLI session established through Telnet or SSH. A CLI session established through the serial console also supports the pasting feature, but use it with caution as there is no flow control defined for the serial console port.
- You can use a host-based scripting tool to send CLI commands through the Telnet interface (or serial console) to the system.
- You can use the `copy` command to copy a script from a TFTP server to the switch.

If an error is encountered while processing a configuration item in a script, the configuration is aborted and the remaining commands are not processed. The configuration up to the point of error is still active.

Saving commands to a script

You can save the current switch configuration in text format, modify it, and then upload it back to the switch.

To modify the configuration script file, follow this procedure:

1. Upload the configuration file from the switch to your computer.
2. Edit the file.
3. Download the file to the switch.
4. Apply it to the switch.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the configuration files and scripts:

Command	Description
`show running-config`	Displays or captures commands with settings and configurations in the running configuration, startup configuration, or backup configuration that differ from the factory default values.
`show running-config all`	Displays configurations of all features in the running configuration, including those that are disabled or that use the factory default settings.
`script list`	Lists all scripts present on the switch as well as the remaining available space.
`script show`	Displays the contents of a specified script file.

For more information on configuration file commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration examples

The following examples show how to copy configuration files among the various file types, upload files to a server, and download and apply scripts.

File copy: The following command copies the startup configuration file in NVRAM to the backup configuration file:

```
(CN1601) #copy nvram:startup-config nvram:backup-config
```

File uploads: The following command copies the startup configuration file in NVRAM to a location on a TFTP server:

```
(CN1601) #copy nvram:startup-config tftp://10.27.24.49/configs/oct-2010/abc.scr
```

CLI scripts: The following examples show how to view and delete scripts, apply them to a switch, and upload and download them to/from a TFTP server.

The following commands display the script list, display a script, and then delete the script:

```
(CN1601) #script list
Configuration Script Name        Size(Bytes)
-------------------------------- -----------
abc.scr                          360
running-config                   360
startup-config                   796
test.scr                         360
4 configuration script(s) found.
2046 Kbytes free.

(CN1601) #script delete test.scr
Are you sure you want to delete the configuration script(s)? (y/n)y
1 configuration script(s) deleted.
```

The following command applies a script to the active configuration:

```
(CN1601) #script apply abc.scr
Are you sure you want to apply the configuration script? (y/n) y
.....
....
Configuration script 'abc.scr' applied.
System Configuration 15
```

The following command copies the active configuration into a script. Use this command to capture the running configuration into a script:

```
(CN1601) #show running-config running-config.scr
Config script created successfully.
```

The following command uploads a configuration script to a TFTP server:

```
(CN1601) #copy nvram:script abc.scr tftp://10.27.64.141/abc.scr
Mode..................................... TFTP
Set TFTP Server IP....................... 10.27.64.141
TFTP Path................................ ./
TFTP Filename............................ abc.scr
Data Type................................ Config Script
Source Filename.......................... abc.scr
Management access will be blocked for the duration of the transfer
Are you sure you want to start? (y/n) y
267 bytes transferred
File transfer operation completed successfully.
```

The following command downloads a configuration script from the TFTP server to the switch:

```
(CN1601) #copy tftp://10.27.64.141/abc.scr nvram:script abc.scr
Mode..................................... TFTP
Set TFTP Server IP....................... 10.27.64.141
TFTP Path................................ ./
TFTP Filename............................ abc.scr
Data Type................................ Config Script
Destination Filename..................... abc.scr
Management access will be blocked for the duration of the transfer
Are you sure you want to start? (y/n) y
193 bytes transferred
Validating configuration script...
configure
16 System Configuration
exit
configure
logging web-session
bridge aging-time 100
exit
Configuration script validated.
File transfer operation completed successfully.
```

The following example validates a script:

```
(CN1601) #script validate abc.scr
ip address dhcp
username "admin" password 16d7a4fca7442dda3ad93c9a726597e4 level 15 encrypted
exit
Configuration script 'abc.scr' validated.

(CN1601) #script apply abc.scr
Are you sure you want to apply the configuration script? (y/n)y
ip address dhcp
username "admin" password 16d7a4fca7442dda3ad93c9a726597e4 level 15 encrypted
exit
Configuration script 'abc.scr' applied.
```

File uploads and downloads

Feature overview

The CN1601 switch supports uploading and downloading the following file types to the switch:

- Code
- Configuration
- Text configuration
- SSH keys and certificates
- CLI banner file

The following protocols can be used for uploads or downloads:

- FTP
- TFTP
- SCP
- SFTP
- XMODEM

Downloaded code is validated with a CRC check and a version check to protect against the download of malicious code.

TFTP

The Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP) is a simple protocol used to transfer files. It can read and write files to and from a remote server. The TFTP transfer begins with a request to a server to read or write a file. If the server grants the request, the connection is opened and the file is transferred in 512-byte blocks of data.

Each packet is acknowledged separately before the next packet is sent. The acknowledgement of a data packet of less than 512 bytes indicates the end of the transfer.

TFTP interacts with BOOTP to load the boot file into the system. TFTP can also be used to transfer other types of files such as configuration, error log, trap log, and system trace files.

SCP and SFTP

The CN1601 switch supports Secure Copy (SCP) and Secure FTP (SFTP) as secure methods of file transfer.

XMODEM

The CN1601 switch supports using the XMODEM protocol to transfer operational code, configuration files, and logs over the serial port. The switch supports both the XMODEM standard mode and the XMODEM-1K mode.

Telnet and SNMP session limits

Up to four inbound Telnet/SSH sessions are allowed. Each CLI session can have up to one outbound Telnet session. This allows for a maximum of five concurrent outbound Telnet sessions: one for each inbound Telnet session and one outbound Telnet session from the serial interface. There are no software-imposed restrictions on the number of SNMP operations. Configuration changes made using SNMP are processed on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information on the file upload and download commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Example

The following commands download an active and a backup code file from a TFTP server to the switch:

```
(CN1601) #copy tftp://10.27.64.141/fw_2011_08_11a active
(CN1601) #copy tftp://10.27.64.141/fw_2011_08_11b backup
```

The following commands back up the current active and backup code files to a TFTP server:

```
(CN1601) #copy nvram:active tftp://10.27.64.141/fw_2011_08_11a
(CN1601) #copy nvram:backup tftp://10.27.64.141/fw_2011_08_11b
```

Dual image support

Feature overview

Up to two software images and two configuration files can be saved on the flash file system. This allows the user to upgrade the system, while leaving the possibility of reverting to a previous software version or configuration file.

Images: One image is designated to be the active image, and the other image is designated to be the backup image. The boot code verifies and attempts to run the code contained in the active image. If the image is corrupted or not intended to run on this switch, then the boot code attempts to verify and run the code contained in the backup image. If the backup image is corrupted or not intended to run on this switch, then a boot utility menu provides the user with the ability to download a new image over the serial port.

You can associate a file description with each software image. This allows the administrator to store some identifying information with each image.

The system running an older software version will ignore commands in a configuration file created by the newer software version.

Configuration files: One file is designated as the startup configuration, and the other file is designated as the backup configuration. When software initializes during a system boot, the configuration contained in the startup configuration file is applied to the system.

File uploads and downloads: The TFTP protocol can be used to transfer both software images and configuration files to and from the flash file system. Alternatively, you can choose to use XMODEM on the serial port. See "File uploads and downloads" on page 18 for more information and configuration examples.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the dual image feature:

Command	Description
`show bootvar`	Displays the version information and the activation status for the current active and backup images on the supplied unit (node) of the stack.

For more information on the commands to configure the dual image feature, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following commands add a description to the backup image, and configure it to be the active image the next time the switch boots:

```
(CN1601) # filedescr backup rel_10a01012005
(CN1601) # boot system backup
```

SNMP

Feature overview

You can use SNMP to configure the switch, view settings and statistics, and upload or download code or configuration images. The SNMP agent on the switch supports an incoming get-bulk operation to reduce network management traffic when retrieving a sequence of Management Information Base (MIB) variables and an elaborate set of error codes for improved reporting to the network control station.

SNMP facilitates remote manageability of networked devices. The agent allows a network control station to retrieve reports from the networked device. These reports are based upon directions from the network control station or on preset conditions.

Configuring an SNMP server

To enable SNMP on your switch, you define and enable an SNMP server community. The community includes a name, IP information, and a read-only or read/write privilege setting. The SNMP management system on your network must include this community name in SNMP requests sent to the switch.

Supported MIBs

To view a list of the supported MIBs, enter the `show sysinfo` command in Privileged EXEC mode.

Defaults

- SNMP access is enabled and accessible from any IP address by default.
- Two communities names are defined by default: *private* for read/write access, and *public* for read-only access.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the SNMP feature:

Command	Description
`show snmpcommunity`	Displays IP and status information for the configured communities

Command	Description
`show sysinfo`	Displays the supported MIBs.

For more information on SNMP commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following example configures an SNMP community named `admingroup1`. It specifies the IP address and masks of the community, the read/write access level, and enables the community for use:

```
(CN1601)# config
(CN1601) (Config)#snmp-server community admingroup1
(CN1601) (Config)#snmp-server community ipaddr 10.27.9.31 admingroup1
(CN1601) (Config)#snmp-server community ipmask 255.255.255.0 admingroup1
(CN1601) (Config)#snmp-server community rw admin_group1
(CN1601) (Config)#snmp-server community enable admingroup1
```

User management

Feature overview

You can control access to the switch management interface by creating user login names and configuring authentication methods.

Users can be configured locally or on a remote authentication server (RAS), and can be assigned read-only and read-write access privileges. This enables you to configure some users to be able to monitor switch status without being able to modify the configuration.

You can enable one or more authentication methods for use. For example, you can configure the switch to attempt authentication using RADIUS first, and attempt authentication using TACACS+ if the RADIUS authentication fails. Furthermore, you can specify an authentication method per access type; that is, SSH, Telnet, and the console can use different authentication mechanisms.

You can also configure whether authentication is required to access the Privileged EXEC mode from the User EXEC mode, and whether RADIUS, TACACS+, or the local database are used for this authentication.

Defaults

- The default user is `admin` and there is no default password.
- No password is required by default to enter into Privileged EXEC mode.
- RADIUS and TACACs+ authentication methods are disabled by default, both for login purposes and for entry to Privileged EXEC mode.

See the *1G Cluster-Mode Switch Installation Guide* for instructions on logging in to the switch interface the first time.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the user management feature:

Command	Description
`show authentication methods`	Displays information about the authentication methods.
`show users`	Displays the configured user names and their settings.

Command	Description
`show users login-history`	Adds a new user to the local user database.
`show users accounts`	Displays the local user status with respect to user account lockout and password aging.

For more information on the user management commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration examples

Authentication: The following example configures the default types of authentication available for Telnet, console, and SSH access:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#aaa authentication login default radius local
(CN1601) (Config)#line telnet
(CN1601) (Config-telnet)#login authentication default
```

Users: The following example creates a new user in the local database, defines the password, and assigns read/write access (level 15) to the user:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#username joew password 12345678 level 15
```

Logs and Syslog

Feature overview

The CN1601 switch FASTPATH software components generate messages that you can use to understand the state of the system, and to diagnose issues that arise during operation. Messages are generated in response to events, faults, or errors occurring on the platform, and by configuration changes or other occurrences. These messages are stored locally on the platform and can be forwarded to one or more centralized points of collection for monitoring or long-term archival. You can configure filters for the messages, whereby they are logged or forwarded based on their severity level and the generating component.

Log types

The switch keeps the following types of logs:

In-Memory Log: This log stores messages in memory based on the settings for the component that generated the message and the severity level of the message. On stackable systems, this log exists only on the top-of-stack platform. Other platforms in the stack forward their messages to the top of stack log. Access to in-memory logs on other than the top-of-stack platform is not supported.

Local Persistent Log: This log is stored in persistent storage. Persistent storage survives across platform reboots and is usually in flash, EEPROM, or battery-backed RAM. On platforms that have some means of supporting persistent storage, two types of persistent logs can be configured:

- System startup log: This log stores the first messages received after a system reboot, up to 32 messages. When the capacity is reached, no new log messages are accepted.
- System operation log: This log stores the last messages received during system operation, up to 1000 messages. When the capacity is reached, the older message are removed to make room for new messages.

Log criteria

A message that meets the storage criteria is stored in either the system startup log or the system operation log, but not both. In other words, on system startup, if the startup log is configured, then it stores messages up to its limit. When the startup log is full, the operation log, if configured, begins to store the messages.

By default, only messages that are of severity ALERT or EMERGENCY are stored in the persistent log. Because these messages are of high value, persistent messages are logged immediately into the persistent log. The administrator has the option of configuring the persistent log to store lower severity messages as well.

Log versions

The system keeps up to three versions of the persistent logs. Each of these historical logs represents the system state immediately after or immediately prior to the previous *n* reboots, respectively. The log files are named *<file>1.txt*, *<file>2.txt*, and *<file>3.txt* where the number immediately prior to the period in the file name indicates the version of the file. For example, on system startup, *<file>3.txt* is deleted, *<file>2.txt* is renamed to *<file>3.txt*, *<file>1.txt* is renamed to *<file>2.txt*, *<file>1.txt* is created, and logging begins into *<file>1.txt*. The *<file>* string in the previous example is replaced by the string *olog* for the operation log and *slog* for the startup log.

Log access

You can view the buffered and persistent log contents by using the CLI `show logging` command.

You can also use XMODEM over the serial port or TFTP over a Telnet or SSH connection to retrieve the log files for viewing in a text editor on your system. You can use the CLI command `copy nvram:log` to initiate a file transfer.

Log format and attributes

The format of the persistent log consists of fixed format records with a fixed maximum length of 204 bytes. Each record consists of ASCII characters and is terminated by an ASCII NULL. Records always begin at a multiple of 204 bytes. Once the file has been created, it is never erased. Older records are overwritten in the operation log file. The formula for the offset of the next record to write in the operation file is:

((number of records written to both the startup and operation files minus 32) modulo 1000) times 204.

Log message attributes include:

- Message ID—Each message includes a numeric ID that distinguishes it from all other messages generated since the last reboot. The IDs begin at 1 and increment by 1 for each message generated. They restart at 1 when the stack boots, or when a switchover of the Master Unit occurs.
- Severity—Each message identifies the severity of the causal event. Severity is specified as one of the following:

Emergency (0): system is unusable.

Alert (1): action must be taken immediately.

Critical (2): critical conditions.

Error (3): error conditions.

Warning (4): warning conditions.

Notice(5): normal but significant conditions.

Informational(6): informational messages.

Debug(7): debug-level messages.

- Timestamp—Each message is time-stamped with the local time or, if the platform is not synchronized, the elapsed time since last reboot.
- Host Name—the name of the host logging the information. In a stack, each switch must have a different host name.
- Component ID—Each message identifies the software component that generated the message, if known.
- Process/thread ID—Each message identifies the process or thread ID of the processor thread that called the log API.
- File name—Each message identifies the file containing the code from which the causal event was generated.
- Line number—Each message identifies the line number of the file identified above from which the causal event was generated.
- Additional Information—Each message can optionally contain additional information considered useful to the network operator.

Example log message

The following is a sample log message:

```
<17>Aug 24 05:34:05 2004 STK0 MSTP[2110]: mspt_api.c(318) 237 %%
Interface 12 transitioned to root state on message age timer expiry
```

This example indicates a user-level message (1) with severity 7 (debug) on a stand-alone system (not stacked). It was generated by the MSTP component running in thread ID 2110 on Aug 24 05:34:05 2004 by line 318 of file mstp_api.c. This is the 237th message logged. Messages logged to a collector or relayed by syslog have an identical format to this message. Note that the timestamp is only valid if the system is running SNTP. Otherwise, the timestamp starts at Jan 01 00:00:00 1970.

Syslog configuration

The CN1601 switch supports using the syslog protocol to forward messages over UDP to one or more collectors or relays. Messages can be forwarded to one or more collectors or relays based on configuration of severity, component ID, or both. On stackable systems, the top-of-stack platform is the platform that forwards the syslog messages.

Note

The syslog function supports IPv4 addresses only.

Defaults

- The logging of messages to the in-memory log (buffered log) and persistent log is disabled by default.
- Syslog operation is disabled by default.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the logs and syslog features:

Command	Description
`show logging buffered`	Displays the buffered log.
`show logging persistent`	Displays the persistent log.
`show logging hosts`	Displays information about the hosts that have been configured to receive logs.
`show logging traplogs`	Displays traps that have been logged since the last reset.
`show logging email`	Displays information about the email alert configuration.

For more information on the logging commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following example sets the minimum severity level for events logged to the persistent log to 3, “warning”:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#logging persistent 3
```

SNTP

Feature overview

The Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP) is widely used for synchronizing network resources. SNTP Version 4 is described in RFC 2030. SNTP is an adaptation of the Network Time Protocol (RFC 1305) and is useful in situations where the full performance of NTP is not justified. SNTP can operate in either unicast mode (point-to-point) or broadcast mode (point-to-multipoint).

Various NTP implementations can operate as either a client or as a server. To an NTP or SNTP server, NTP and SNTP clients are indistinguishable; to an NTP or SNTP client, NTP and SNTP servers are indistinguishable. Furthermore, any version of NTP is compatible with any other version of NTP1. The CN1601 switch software implements only the client side of SNTP.

Basic operation

The SNTP client runs over UDP. The time products derived from the operation of the SNTP client are used to synchronize the system clock with the network time. The system clock is used to provide a network synchronized timestamp service to internal clients for use in time stamping events within the switch software (for example, message logs).

In the event that the SNTP client is unable to synchronize with the network clock or is disabled, the internal clients will continue to use the system clock for timestamps. In general, internal clients will not be aware of whether the timestamps are synchronized with the network clock.

Depending on the mode of operation, the SNTP client listens on UDP port 123 on the local management interface for broadcast UDP packets containing valid NTP data or queries one or more configured time servers and listens for responses.

The switch internal clients include the message logging subsystem, the trap manager (timestamps for traps), and other clients that require high-precision synchronized timestamps.

The administrator has the option of enabling a security mechanism to ensure that only authorized servers are allowed to distribute time to the client. The user defines a key on the switch and enables authentication. The same key must be defined on the server in order for the switch to accept time information from that server.

Support for IPv6 address configuration is provided to the existing SNTP client. The end user can configure either an IPv4 or IPv6 address or a host name for an SNTP server among the list of servers. In unicast mode, one of the servers from the list is selected as the active server to be used for polling based on priority and configured order. The servers are treated alike, independent of IPv4 or IPv6 or host name address formats. At any given point of time, the client operates in unicast or broadcast mode. In broadcast mode, the SNTP client listens for server packets from IPv4 and IPv6 networks at the same time on port number 123. On IPv6 networks, the SNTP client listens to the link-local scoped IANA multicast address ff02::101 (reserved for SNTP) for server packets. The client logic to handle packet contents does not change with support for IPv6 networks.

Defaults

The SNTP client is disabled and no servers are configured by default.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the SNTP feature:

Command	Description
`show sntp client`	Displays SNTP client settings.
`show sntp server`	Displays SNTP server settings.

For more information on the SNTP commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration examples

The following commands configure two SNTP unicast servers, with one having a priority of 1 and another having a lower priority of 2:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#sntp server 10.25.67.21 1
(CN1601) (Config)#sntp server 10.25.68.10 2
```

DNS client

Feature overview

The Domain Name System (DNS) is an Internet directory service. A DNS server translates host names into IP addresses. When enabled, the DNS client provides a host-name lookup services to other software components. The DNS client service can be globally enabled or disabled.

A DNS client is often referred to as a resolver. A DNS client uses the DNS protocol to obtain resource data from name servers on its network. A DNS client obtains the resource data from name servers as a response to its requests. Resolvers must be able to access a minimum of one name server and use that name server's information to answer a query directly, or pursue the query using referrals to other name servers.

Operation

The DNS client contacts one or more configured DNS servers to resolve a host name to an IP address. The list of servers is configured by providing an IP address for each DNS server. When more than one DNS server is configured in the system, server precedence is determined by the order in which the servers are added.

The DNS client in the switches operates in recursive mode, which means that the DNS client communicates directly only with the configured DNS server. If the DNS server does not itself know a host name presented in a query, then the server contacts other name servers for host-name resolution on behalf of the client. The configured DNS server returns the response to the client rather than referring the client to another server for name resolution.

Configuration options

The CN1601 switch supports IPv4 DNS servers. The server address can be configured statically (by you) or learned dynamically by the DHCP client.

A default domain name can be configured, which defines the domain to use when performing a lookup on an unqualified host name.

You can configure a default domain-name list. If there is no domain list, the default domain name configured is used. If there is a domain list, the default domain name is not used. An entry in domain-name list can be configured statically (by you) or learned dynamically by the DHCP client.

You can configure a default domain name, which defines the domain to use when performing a lookup on an unqualified host name. You can also configure a domain-name list. If there is no domain list, the default domain name is used. If there is a domain-name list, the default domain name is not used. An entry in domain-name list can be configured statically (by you) or learned dynamically by the DHCP client. As with DNS server addresses, because the switch has no DHCPv6 client, IPv6 entries cannot be learned dynamically.

Static host name-to-IPv4 or -IPv6 address mappings can be added and removed from the local cache. When a conflict exists between a static and dynamic mapping, the static mapping takes precedence.

The DNS client supports host names with single spaces embedded within the name, but consecutive spaces are not supported. Underscores are accepted in host names as well.

Defaults

The DNS client is enabled by default. No default IP host mappings, default domain names, or name servers are configured.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in User EXEC mode to view information about the features of DNS:

Command	Description
`show hosts`	Displays the default domain name, a list of name server hosts, and the static and the cached list of host names and addresses.

For more information on the DNS commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following commands configure a default domain name to complete lookup requests with unspecified domain names. It also configures two name servers:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#ip domain name xyzcorp.com
(CN1601) (Config)#ip name server 10.23.9.123 9.26.71.2
```

Environmental status

Feature overview

You can monitor the physical status of the switch by observing the status of the fans, power supply status, and temperature.

The following status information can be obtained on a unit, or on all units in a stack:

Name	Description	Range
Power Supply Status	Indicates if the power supply is functioning correctly	OK/FAILURE
Fan Status	Indicates if the cooling fan is functioning correctly	OK/FAILURE
Temperature	Indicates the temperature of the switch	degrees Celsius

Note

The status made available to the user depends on the status reporting capabilities of the actual hardware platforms used.

Conditions that generate traps

An SNMP trap and a log message is sent if there is a change in the power supply status or the status of any of the cooling fans. If the temperature of the switch exceeds the threshold, a trap and a log message is sent indicating that the device is operating at an unsafe temperature. If the temperature then falls 5 degrees below the threshold, another trap and a log message is sent to clear the temperature condition. If the switch remains above the critical threshold for five seconds, it is powered down.

The temperature sensors and power levels are read about every 30 seconds.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the environmental status feature:

Command	Description
`show environment`	Displays environmental status information.

Outbound Telnet

Feature overview

You can establish an outbound Telnet connection between the switch and a remote host. When a Telnet connection is initiated, each side of the connection is assumed to originate and terminate at a Network Virtual Terminal (NVT).

Configuration example

The following example connects from this switch to a remote switch and the remote switch's CLI to view data:

```
(CN1601) #telnet 192.168.77.151
Trying 192.168.77.151...
(CN1601) #
User:admin
Password:
(switch) >enable
Password:
(CN1601) #show network
Interface Status.............................. Always Up
IP Address.................................... 10.250.3.1
Subnet Mask................................... 255.255.255.0
Default Gateway............................... 10.250.3.3
IPv6 Administrative Mode...................... Enabled
IPv6 Prefix is ...............................
fe80::210:18ff:fe82:64c/64
IPv6 Prefix is ............................... 2003::1/128
IPv6 Default Router is .......................
fe80::204:76ff:fe73:423a
Burned In MAC Address......................... 00:10:18:82:06:4C
Locally Administered MAC address.............. 00:00:00:00:00:00
MAC Address Type.............................. Burned In
Configured IPv4 Protocol ..................... None
Configured IPv6 Protocol ..................... DHCP
DHCPv6 Client DUID ...........................
00:03:00:06:00:10:18:82:06:4C
IPv6 Autoconfig Mode.......................... Disabled
Management VLAN ID............................ 1
```

Ports and LAGs 3

About this chapter

This chapter describes how to configure and view status information about system ports and link aggregation groups (LAGs).

Topics in this chapter

This chapter includes the following topics:

Port configuration

Feature overview

Each physical port can be independently configured. This configuration affects how the port operates at the physical level (for example, its speed and duplex operation), and at higher levels (for example, VLAN membership or IP address). You can associate a description to each port to more easily identify how the port is used. For example, if a port is used to connect a network to the WAN, the user might choose to set the description to uplink. A port can be administratively disabled and reenabled.

Additionally, each port maintains its own set of statistics. These statistics include various protocol counters.

Along with independent port control, you can also configuring a port range. When making a configuration change to a range of ports, any setting is applied to all of the ports within that range.

Supported parameters and defaults

You can view and configure the following parameters on a per-port basis:

Name	Description
Admin Mode	The port control administration state. The port must be enabled in order for it to be allowed into the network. May be enabled or disabled. The factory default is enabled.
Physical Mode	The desired port speed and duplex mode. If auto-negotiation support is selected, then the duplex mode and speed is set from the auto-negotiation process. **Note** The maximum capability of the port (full duplex - 100M) is advertised. Otherwise, this object determines the port's duplex mode and transmission rate. The factory default is auto.
Physical Status	The port speed and duplex mode.
Link Status	The link is up or down.

Name	Description
Link Trap	This object determines whether or not to send a trap when link status changes. The factory default is enabled.
LACP Mode	LACP is enabled or disabled on this port.

For more information on the port configuration commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the port configuration features:

Command	Description
`show port`	Displays statistics for a specified port, or all ports when the `all` keyword is included.
`show port description` *`slot/port`*	Displays the port description and MAC address for a specified port.
`show interface`	Displays packet statistics for a specified port.
`show interfaces switchport`	Displays packet statistics for the switchport.

Configuration examples

The following example enters interface configuration mode for port 0/15, configures its port description, turns off autonegotiation, and sets the port speed to 100 Mbit/s, half-duplex:

```
(switch) #config
(switch) (config)#interface 0/15
(switch) (interface 0/15)#description uplink
(switch) (interface 0/1)#no auto-negotiate
(switch) (interface 0/1)#speed 100 half-duplex
```

The following example configures the port to autonegotiate its settings:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) #interface 0/1
(CN1601) (Interface 0/1)#auto-negotiate
```

Link aggregation

Feature overview

The CN1601 switch supports link aggregation as specified in the IEEE Standard 802.1AX, 2005 edition. Link aggregation enables one or more full-duplex (FDX) Ethernet links to be aggregated together to form a Link Aggregation Group (LAG). The switch treats the LAG as if it were a single link.

From a system perspective, a LAG is treated as a physical port. You can configure LAG properties such as the administrative status, port priority, and path cost using the same commands you use for physical ports.

A failure of one or more of the links in the LAG does not stop traffic in any manner. Upon failure, the flows mapped to a link are dynamically reassigned to the remaining links of the LAG. Similarly, when links are added to a LAG, the conversations may be shifted to the new link.

Static and dynamic LAGs

The CN1601 switch also supports static LAGs. When a port is added to a LAG as a static member, it neither transmits nor receives LACPDUs. Configured members are added to the LAG (active participation) immediately if the LAG is configured to be static. In case of dynamic LAG there is a wait time of 3 seconds before the port is added to the LAG.

A LAG can be either formed either statically or dynamically, but not both. It cannot have some members participate in the dynamic protocol while other members do not.

The CN1601 switch supports up to eight LAGs with eight member ports per LAG. Within a stack, LAG members can span different units.

LAG interface notation

When you create a LAG, you assign it a name. The switch also assigns a logical interface number that uses the slot/port conventions of switch ports. The slot number differentiates LAGs (slot 1) from ports (slot 0).

LAG hashing

The purpose of link aggregation is to increase bandwidth between two switches. It is achieved by aggregating multiple ports in one logical group. A common problem of port channels is the possibility of changing the packet's order in a

particular TCP session. The resolution of this problem is to select the correct physical port within the port channel for transmitting the packet to keep original packets order.

The hashing algorithm is configurable for each LAG. The administrator can choose from hash algorithms utilizing the following attributes of a packet to determine the outgoing port:

- Source MAC, VLAN, EtherType, and incoming port associated with the packet.
- Source IP and source TCP/UDP fields of the packet.
- Destination MAC, VLAN, EtherType, and incoming port associated with the packet.
- Source MAC, destination MAC, VLAN, EtherType, and incoming port associated with the packet.
- Destination IP and destination TCP/UDP port fields of the packet.
- Source/destination MAC, VLAN, EtherType, and incoming port associated with the packet.
- Source/destination IP and source/destination TCP/UDP port fields of the packet.

Link failures and additions

The failure of one or more of the links in the LAG does not stop traffic in any manner. If a link of the LAG fails, the flows mapped to that link are dynamically reassigned to the remaining links of the LAG. Similarly, when links are added to a LAG, conversations may need to be shifted to a new link member.

During the addition or deletion of links it is ensured that there are no frames reordered in a given conversation before any relocation of that conversation. It is acceptable that frames be dropped when this transition takes place.

When a LAG is administratively disabled, no membership changes or deletion of the LAG itself is possible.

Defaults

- No default LAGs are created.
- LACP is enabled on all ports by default.

For more information about the defaults and link aggregation commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the link aggregation feature:

Command	Description
`show port-channel all` `show port-channel brief`	Displays configuration information for all LAGs on the switch in detail or in brief.
`show port-channel system priority`	Displays the configured system priority for a port.
`show lacp actor`	Displays configuration information for ports with respect to their role as actors in LACP exchanges.
`show lacp partner`	Displays configuration information for ports with respect to their role as partners in LACP exchanges.

For more information on the LAG commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following commands create and configure a dynamic LAG named LAG_10, which is assigned interface ID 1/1. It then assigns ports to the LAG and assigns the same admin key as was configured for the LAG:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#port-channel name 1/1 LAG_10
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 1/1
(CN1601) (Interface 1/1)#lacp admin key 1220
(CN1601) (Interface 1/1)#exit

(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/2
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#addport 1/1
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#lacp actor admin key 1220
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#exit

(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/3
(CN1601) (Interface 0/3)#addport 1/1
(CN1601) (Interface 0/3)#lacp actor admin key 1220
(CN1601) (Interface 0/3)#exit
```

The following commands create a LAG named LAG_20, which is assigned interface ID 1/2. It then adds static port members to the LAG:

```
(CN1601) (Config)#port-channel name 1/2 LAG_20
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 1/2
(CN1601) (Interface 1/2)#port-channel static
(CN1601) (Interface 1/2)#exit

(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/8
(CN1601) (Interface 0/8)#addport 1/2
(CN1601) (Interface 0/8)#exit

(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/9
(CN1601) (Interface 0/9)#addport 1/2
(CN1601) (Interface 0/9)#exit
```

Switching 4

About this chapter

This chapter describes how to configure and view status information for Layer 2 switching protocols.

Topics in this chapter

This chapter includes the following topics:

Layer 2 forwarding database

Feature overview

The Layer 2 Forwarding Database (L2FDB) is used to decide where to forward unicast Ethernet packets. An Independent VLAN Learning (IVL) model is used, which means that entries are added to the database with both a VLAN ID and a MAC address as search keys. By default, all learning is done automatically in the switch silicon, and then the information is provided to the software.

Note

The L2FDB MIBs can be accessed through SNMP (RFC2674 and RFC1493). Note that the RFC1493 MIB does not display VLAN information (all the MAC addresses for all the VLANs are shown).

The CN1601 switch can store up to 8K entries in the L2FDB.

Operation

When a unicast packet enters the switch, the packet is associated to a VLAN. This association can occur from several different mechanisms, but generally is based on the VLAN tag in the packet or the PVID of the port. The CN1601 switch uses the VLAN and the source MAC address to look up the L2FDB. If the address is not known, and the address can be learned, then an entry is added to the database that indicates which port is associated with this MAC address.

Next, the VLAN and the destination MAC address are used to do a lookup. If an entry is found, then the packet is switched to the port associated with that MAC address. If the entry is not found, then the packet is broadcast on the VLAN. Egress processing occurs on each port to ensure that a packet is not transmitted if that port is not a member of the VLAN associated with the packet.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the L2FDB feature:

Command	Description
`show mac-addr-table`	Displays all entries in the Layer 2 forwarding database.

Command	Description
`show mac-addr-table interface`	Displays all entries in the Layer 2 forwarding database for a specified interface.
`show mac-addr-table count`	Displays the number of entries in the Layer 2 forwarding database.
`show forwardingdb agetime`	Displays the time, in seconds, after which a Layer 2 forwarding database entry ages out.

Layer 2 multicast forwarding database

Feature overview

The Layer 2 Multicast Forwarding Database (MFDB) is used by the switch to make forwarding decisions for packets that arrive with a multicast destination MAC address. By limiting multicasts to only certain ports in the switch, traffic is prevented from going to parts of the network where the traffic is not needed.

Operation

When a packet enters the switch, the destination MAC address is combined with the VLAN ID and a search is performed in the Layer 2 forwarding database. If no match is found, then the packet is either flooded to all ports in the VLAN or discarded, depending on the switch configuration. If a match is found, then the packet is forwarded only to the ports that are members of that multicast group.

Defaults

No MFDB entries are configured by default.

Configuration examples

The following example creates an MFDB entry that associates a unicast MAC address to VLAN 2. Then, it adds this filter to an interface 0/5 as a source filter. Thereafter, any packet that is sent from this source MAC address on VLAN 2 is allowed on the switch only if it is received on interface 0/5.

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#macfilter 5C:26:0A:57:20:64 2
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/5
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#macfilter addsrc 5C-26-0A-57-20-64 2
```

The following example creates an MFDB entry that associates a multicast MAC address to VLAN 3. Then, it adds this filter to interface 0/5 as a destination filter, so that a multicast packet destined to this multicast address on VLAN 100 is allowed only if it is received on interface 0/5.

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#macfilter 01:00:5e:12:12:12 100
(CN1601) (Configure)#interface 0/5
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#macfilter adddest 01:00:5e:12:12:12 100
```

For more information on the Layer 2 MFDB commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Link Layer Discovery Protocol

Feature overview

The IEEE 802.1AB standard defines the Link Layer Discovery Protocol (LLDP). LLDP enables stations residing on an 802 LAN to advertise major capabilities and physical descriptions, and allows a network management system (NMS) to access and display this information. You can view the information to identify the system topology and detect bad configurations on the LAN.

The standard is designed to be extensible, providing for the optional exchange of organizational-specific information and data related to other IEEE standards. This implementation supports the required basic management set of type-length values (TLVs). LLDP is a superset of the Physical Topology MIB (PTOPO) defined in RFC 2922; therefore, support of the basic management set implies functional support for PTOPO.

As a one-way protocol, LLDP has no request/response sequences. Information is advertised by stations that implement the transmit function, and is received and processed by stations that implement the receive function.

The CN1601 switch supports both the transmit and receive functions to support device discovery. Devices are not required to implement both functions; you can enable or disable each function separately on a per-port basis.

Supported TLVs

The following TLVs are supported:

- Chassis ID
- Port ID
- Time to live
- Port Description
- System name
- System Description
- System Capability
- Management Address

LLDP transmit

The transmit function is configurable with respect to packet construction and timing parameters. The required Chassis ID, Port ID, and Time to Live (TTL) TLVs are always included in the LLDPDU (Link Layer Discovery Protocol Data

Unit). Inclusion of the optional TLVs in the management set is configurable by the administrator; by default they are not included. The transmit function will extract the local system information and build the LLDPDU based on the specified configuration for the port. In addition, the administrator has control over timing parameters affecting the TTL of LLDPDUs and the interval in which they are transmitted.

LLDP receive

The receive function accepts incoming LLDPDU frames and stores information about the remote stations. Both local and remote data can be displayed by the CLI, and it can be retrieved by using SNMP, as defined in the LLDP MIB definitions. LLDP maintains one remote entry per physical network connection.

LLDP parameters and defaults

LLDP manages a number of statistical parameters that represent the operation of each transmit and receive function on a per-port basis. These can be displayed by the CLI and retrieved by using SNMP, as defined in the MIB definitions.

The following table summarizes the parameters and information that can be displayed, depending on which LLDP command you use:

Name	Description	Range	Default
Receive Admin Mode	Enables/disables the receive function.	Enabled/Disabled	Disabled
Transmit Admin Mode	Enables/disables transmit function.	Enabled/Disabled	Disabled
Transmit Interval	The interval in seconds at which to transmit frames.	5 sec. through 32768 sec.	30 seconds
Transmit Hold Multiplier	Multiplier on Transmit Interval to assign TTL.	2–10	4
Reinitialization Delay	Delay before reinitialization.	1 sec. through 10 sec.	2 seconds
Notification Enable	Enables/disables transmitting change notifications (traps).	Enabled/disabled	Disabled
Notification Interval	Sets a minimum interval between transmissions of notifications.	5 sec.–3600 sec.	5 seconds

Name	Description	Range	Default
Transmit TLVs Enable	Enables/disables transmission of optional TLVs.	Enabled/Disabled	Disabled
Management Address Transmit Enable	Enables/disables transmission of management address instance.	Enabled/Disabled	Disabled

For more information on the LLDP configuration commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the LLDP feature:

Command	Description
`show lldp`	Displays a summary of the current LLDP configuration.
`show lldp interface`	Displays a summary of the current LLDP configuration for a specified interface.
`show lldp statistics`	Displays the current LLDP traffic and remote table statistics for a specified interface.
`show lldp remote-device`	Displays summary information about remote devices that transmit current LLDP data to the system.
`show lldp remote-device detail`	Displays detailed information about remote devices that transmit current LLDP data to an interface on the system.
`show lldp local-device`	Displays summary information about the advertised LLDP local data.
`show lldp local-device detail`	Displays detailed information about the LLDP data a specific interface transmits.

Configuration examples

The following example configures the global minimum interval for sending change notifications, sets global timer values, and configures interface 0/5 to send LLDP transmissions that include extra TLVs and management information. It also configures the interface to send LLDP notifications when there are changes in topology.

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#lldp notification-interval 600
(CN1601) (Config)#lldp timers interval 300 hold 5 reinit 10
(CN1601) (Configure)#interface 0/5
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#lldp transmit
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#lldp transmit-tlv
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#lldp transmit-mgmt
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#lldp notification
```

Industry Standard Discovery Protocol

Feature overview

Industry Standard Discovery Protocol (ISDP) is a proprietary Layer 2 network protocol which interoperates with Cisco network equipment and is used to share information between neighboring devices (routers, bridges, access servers, and switches).

Through the operation of ISDP, the switch can discover information about its neighbors, such as:

- Device identifier
- Port ID
- Remote device model (Device ID + Software version + Platform + Capabilities)

Every ISDP-capable device periodically broadcasts ISDP messages and listens to receive broadcasts from other devices.

The ISDP feature interoperates with Cisco devices running the Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP). ISDP is compatible with CDP versions 1 and 2. Only selected fields are supported.

Operation

ISDP devices send announcements to the multicast destination address 01-00-0c-cc-cc-cc. (This address is also used for Cisco proprietary protocols such as CDP and VTP.) ISDP packets are transmitted using SNAP encapsulation, with type code 2000.

ISDP announcements are sent periodically on physical Ethernet interfaces. Each device that supports ISDP stores the information received from other devices in a table, which you can use the CLI to view. The ISDP table's information is refreshed each time an announcement is received, and the hold time for that entry is reset. The hold time specifies how long an entry in the table will be kept. If no announcements are received from a device and the hold time timer expires for that entry, the device's information is discarded.

The information contained in ISDP announcements varies by the type of device and the version of the operating system running on it. Information contained includes the operating system version, host name, and every address for every protocol configured on the port where CDP frame is sent. For example, this information can include the port's IP address, the port identifier from which the announcement was sent, the device type, and the model.

The ISDP packet structure is described in the following table:

Field	Size	Purpose
Version	1 byte	Version of CDP protocol. It could be 1 or 2.
Time-to-live	1 byte	Hold time value for receiver.
Checksum	2 bytes	Standard IP checksum.
Set of subsequent TLV records	N bytes	Payload (host information)

The structure for the TLVs is as follows:

Field	Size	Purpose
Type	2 bytes	Enumeration—actual type of value (see the following table)
Length	2 bytes	Total length of TLV record
Value	Length	Variable value

The following value types are supported:

Address	This type of TLV allows different IP address references to be associated with the same device. The following IPv4 addresses populate this field: ◆ The network address, if configured ◆ The service port IP address, if configured ◆ The IP address associated with the routing interface, if configured and if routing is supported in the package ◆ Any loopback addresses, if configured and if routing is supported in the package. The CN1601 switch interprets IPv4 addresses only. Other types of addresses are ignored.

Device ID	This field typically contains either the host name or the serial number of the device. On the CN1601 switch, this field is populated with either the device's serial number or host name. The host name is always used as the device ID if the host name is configured to a nondefault value. Otherwise, the serial number is used.
Port ID	Contains an ASCII character string that identifies the port on which the CDP message is sent. The TLV length determines the length of the string. On the CN1601 switch, this field is populated with the interface name of the sending port.
Capabilities	Describes the device's functional capability. It can be set to one of the following bits: ◆ 0x01—Performs level 3 routing for a minimum of one network layer protocol. This bit is cleared for the CN1601 switch. ◆ 0x02—Performs level 2 transparent bridging. This bit is set on the CN1601 switch. ◆ 0x04—Performs level 2 source-route bridging. A source-route bridge would set both this bit and bit 0x02. ◆ 0x08—Performs level 2 switching. The difference between this bit and bit 0x02 is that a switch does not run the Spanning-Tree Protocol. This device is assumed to be deployed in a physical loop-free topology. ◆ 0x10—Sends and receives packets for a minimum of one network layer protocol. If the device is routing the protocol, this bit should not be set. ◆ 0x20—The bridge or switch does not forward IGMP Report packets on nonrouter ports. ◆ 0x40—Provides level 1 functionality.
Version	Contains a character string that provides information about the software release version that the device is running. The TLV length field determines the length of the string.

Platform	Contains an ASCII character string that describes the hardware platform of the device. The TLV length field determines the length of the string. On the CN1601 switch, this string is populated with the machine model of the device.

Defaults

ISDP is enabled by default.

Configuration example

The following example configures ISDP timer and hold values, enables sending ISDPv2 packets, enables ISDP globally, and then enables it on an interface:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#isdp timer 120
(CN1601) (Config)#isdp holdtime 60
(CN1601) (Config)#isdp advertise-v2
(CN1601) (Config)#isdp run
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/5
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#isdp enable
```

For more information on the ISDP commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

IGMP snooping

Feature overview

A traditional Ethernet network may be separated into different network segments to prevent placing too many devices onto the same shared media. Bridges and switches connect these segments. When a packet with a broadcast or multicast destination address is received, the switch will forward a copy into each of the remaining network segments in accordance with the IEEE MAC Bridge standard. Eventually, the packet is made accessible to all nodes connected to the network. This approach works well for broadcast packets that are intended to be seen or processed by all connected nodes. In the case of multicast packets, however, this approach could lead to less efficient use of network bandwidth, particularly when the packet is intended for only a small number of nodes.

IGMP snooping helps conserve switch bandwidth by preventing multicast traffic from being forwarded on segments of the network where no node has expressed interest in receiving packets addressed to group address. This contrasts with normal switch behavior, where multicast traffic is typically forwarded on all interfaces; that is, packets will be flooded into network segments where no node has any interest in receiving the packet.

Enabling switches to snoop IGMP packets is a creative way to solve this problem. The CN1601 switch uses the information in the IGMP packets as they are being forwarded throughout the network to determine which segments should receive packets directed to the group address. Multicast IP traffic is traffic that is destined to a host group. Host groups are identified by class D IP addresses, which range from 224.0.0.0 to 239.255.255.255. Based on the IGMP query and report messages, the switch forwards traffic only to the ports that request the multicast traffic. This prevents the switch from broadcasting the traffic to all ports and possibly affecting network performance.

Implementation of IGMP snooping

The IGMP snooping feature conforms with the IETF draft "Considerations for IGMP and MLD Snooping Switches," version 10, October 2003. The CN1601 switch implementation supports basic IGMPv3 functionality for processing IGMPv3 join reports in the same manner in which IGMPv2 joins are processed; that is, without giving consideration to the source address.

Operation

The following steps explain the behavior of a multicast host, a switch and a multicast router in a network segment where IGMP snooping is implemented:

1. The router sends a Host Membership query to 224.0.0.1 (all of the multicast hosts on the subnet).
2. The host responds with a Host Membership Report for each group to which it belongs, which is sent to the group address.
3. The switch intercepts the IGMP Membership report that was sent by the host to join a particular multicast group.
4. The switch creates a multicast entry for that group and links it to the port on which it has received the report and to all router ports.
5. The switch forwards the IGMP report to all router ports. The router receives the IGMP report, and updates its multicast routing table accordingly.
6. To maintain group membership, the multicast router sends a IGMP query at definite intervals. This query is intercepted by the switch, and is forwarded to all ports on the switch. All hosts that are members of the group answer that query.
7. The complementary message to join is the IGMP leave message. A host sends a message to leave a group when it no longer desires to receive the multicast services of that specific group.
8. Only one router per IP subnet sends queries. This router is called the query router and is elected by the lowest IP address among the routers.

Defaults

IGMP is disabled by default.

For more information on the IGMP snooping default values and commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the IGMP snooping feature:

Command	Description
`show igmpsnooping`	Displays configuration information about IGMP snooping.
`show igmpsnooping` *`slot/port`*	Displays configuration information about IGMP snooping interfaces.

Command	Description
`show igmpsnooping mrouter interface`	Displays configuration information about IGMP snooping mrouter interfaces.
`show igmpsnooping querier`	Displays IGMP snooping querier information.

For more information on the IGMP snooping and querier commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration examples

The following example enables IGMP globally, configures IGMP parameters for VLAN 10, and configures the VLAN to select an IGMP snooping querier through the election process:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Configure)#set igmp
(CN1601) (Configure)#exit
(CN1601) #vlan database
(CN1601) (Vlan)#set igmp groupmembership-interval 10 180
(CN1601) (Vlan)#set igmp maxresponse 10 25
(CN1601) (Vlan)#set igmp mcrtrexpiretime 10 360
(CN1601) (Vlan)#set igmp querier election participate 10
(CN1601) (Vlan)#set igmp querier 10
```

Jumbo frames

Feature overview

Jumbo frames are used in situations where certain applications would benefit from using a large frame size (for example, Network File System, NFS). The larger frame size eliminates some of the need for fragmentation, leading to greater throughput. Studies have shown this particularly valuable on data center servers, where the larger frame size increases the efficiency allowing the server to process more requests.

The default maximum transmission unit (MTU) size for this switch is 1518 bytes (1522 bytes with VLAN header). The jumbo frames feature extends the MTU size on this switch to 9216 bytes. This switch assumes that all packets are in Ethernet format. There is currently no standard defining support of jumbo frames. However, any device connecting to the same broadcast domain should support the same MTU. If not, packets sent from one device to another may have trouble in communicating when a packet size exceeds the device with the smaller configured MTU.

Defaults

The default MTU size on all ports is 1518 bytes.

Configuration examples

The following example sets the MTU for interface 0/5 to the largest supported size:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Configure)#interface 0/5
(CN1601) (Interface 0/5)#mtu 9216
```

For more information on the `mtu` command, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Port mirroring

Feature overview

The port mirroring feature supports multiple source ports mirroring traffic to a single destination port.

Port mirroring selects the network traffic for analysis by a network analyzer. This is done for specific ports on the switch. Many switch ports can be configured as source ports, but only one is configured as a destination port for a monitoring session.

You can configure how traffic is mirrored on a source port: You can mirror packets that are received on the source port, packets that are transmitted on a port, or both received and transmitted packets. Packets that are copied to the destination port are in the same format as the original packets. That is, when the mirror copies a received packet, the copied packet is VLAN tagged or untagged, as it was received on the source port. When the mirror copies a transmitted packet, the copied packet is VLAN tagged or untagged in the same manner as it was transmitted on the source port.

Supported parameters and defaults

You can use the CLI to view and configure the following information:

Name	Description	Range	Default
Probe Port (destination port)	Mirroring port that connects to analyzer.	A valid physical port	None
Source Port	Mirrored port that copies traffic to the destination port.	A list of valid physical ports	None
Type	Determines what traffic is mirrored.	RX, TX, or Both	Both

Information on these parameters and other port mirroring commands can be found in the Port Mirroring section of the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the port mirroring feature:

Command	Description
`show monitor session`	Displays the port monitoring information for a particular mirroring session.

Configuration examples

The following example configures a monitor session that mirrors port 0/12 to port 0/5. The `mode` keyword enables the monitor session:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#monitor session 1 source interface 0/12 rx
(CN1601) (Config)#monitor session 1 destination interface 0/5
(CN1601) (Config)#monitor session 1 mode
(CN1601) (Config)#exit
(CN1601) #show monitor session 1

Session ID   Admin Mode   Probe Port   Mirrored Port   Type
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1            Enable       0/5          0/12            Rx

(CN1601) #
```

Storm control

Feature overview

The storm control feature provides the ability to detect a traffic storm (broadcast, multicast, or unknown unicast traffic received at a very high rate) and prevent these packets from flooding other parts of the network.

When storm control is enabled, broadcast, multicast, or unknown unicast traffic begins to drop when that type of traffic exceeds the configured rate threshold for a particular port. The traffic resumes when the traffic rate returns to a level below the threshold.

Storm control can be enabled or disabled per port; by default, this feature is disabled for all ports. When enabled, storms are detected based on a configurable rate that is defined as a percentage of a link's capability. The default rate is five percent, which is used for all ports if another rate is not defined. Additionally, unknown unicast (destination lookup failures) and multicast traffic can be included in the storm control feature. Each can be enabled/disabled separately per port and have a rate configured for that port.

Note that the hardware counters track multicast packets and unknown unicast packets separate from each other (and separate from the broadcast packets). A rate of five percent means that each traffic type will be allowed to reach that threshold before storm control is applied.

Note

The actual rate of ingress traffic required to activate storm control is based on the size of incoming packets and the hard-coded average packet size 512 bytes (used to calculate a packet-per-second rate), as the forwarding-plane requires pps versus an absolute rate kbps. For example if the configured limit is 10 percent, this is converted to ~25000 pps and this pps limit is set in the hardware. Users will get the approximately desired output when 512 bytes packets are used.

Storm control parameters and defaults

You can view or configure the storm control feature with the following defaults and parameters:

Name	Description	Range	Default
Broadcast Admin Mode	Enables and disables broadcast storm control.	Enabled/ Disabled	Disabled
Broadcast Rate	Maximum percent of traffic.	0%–100%	5 percent
Multicast Admin Mode	Enables and disables multicast storm control.	Enabled/ Disabled	Disabled
Multicast Rate	Maximum percent of traffic.	0%–100%	5 percent
Unknown Unicast Admin Mode	Enables and disables unknown unicast storm.	Enabled/ Disabled	Disabled
Unknown Unicast Rate	Maximum percent of traffic.	0%–100%	5 percent

For more information on the parameters and defaults for the storm control commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the storm control feature:

Command	Description
`show storm-control`	Displays storm control configuration information.

For more information on the storm control parameters and defaults, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following example enables broadcast storm control on all interfaces with a threshold of 10 percent:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#storm-control broadcast level 10
```

Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol 5

About this chapter

This chapter describes the switch software support for IEEE 802.1s, Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP).

Topics in this chapter

This chapter discusses the following topics:

MSTP overview

MSTP definition

IEEE 802.1s, Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP), supports multiple instances of Spanning Tree to efficiently channel VLAN traffic over different interfaces.

Each instance of the spanning tree behaves in the manner specified in IEEE 802.1w, Rapid Spanning Tree (RSTP), which specifies the rapid transitioning of the port to the Forwarding state.

MSTP and other spanning tree protocols

The difference between the RSTP and the traditional STP (IEEE 802.1d) is the ability of RSTP to configure and recognize full-duplex connectivity and ports that are connected to end stations, resulting in rapid transitioning of the port to the forwarding state and the suppression of Topology Change Notifications (TCNs). These features are represented by the Edge Port and Point to Point values. MSTP is compatible to both RSTP and STP. It behaves appropriately to STP and RSTP bridges.

An MSTP bridge can be configured to behave entirely as a RSTP bridge or STP bridge. Therefore, an IEEE 802.1s bridge inherently also supports IEEE 802.1w and IEEE 802.1d.

Defaults

- Support for MSTP operation is enabled by default.
- STP functionality is enabled on all ports by default.
- The common and internal spanning tree (CIST) instance (MSTID = 0) is the only default MSTP instance.

For additional default values, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

MSTP functional description

Overview

The MSTP algorithm and protocol provides simple and full connectivity for frames assigned to any given VLAN throughout a bridged LAN that comprises arbitrarily interconnected networking devices, each operating MSTP, STP, or RSTP. MSTP allows frames assigned to different VLANs to follow separate paths, each based on an independent multiple spanning tree instance (MSTI), within MST regions composed of LANs and MSTP bridges. These regions and the other bridges and LANs are connected into a single common spanning tree (CST) (see IEEE DRAFT P802.1s/D13).

The common and internal spanning tree

MSTP connects all bridges and LANs with a single common and internal spanning tree (CIST). The CIST supports the automatic determination of each MST region, choosing its maximum possible extent. The connectivity calculated for the CIST provides the CST for interconnecting these regions, and an internal spanning tree (IST) within each region. MSTP ensures that:

- frames with a given VID are assigned to one and only one of the MSTIs or the IST within the region;
- that the assignment is consistent among all the networking devices in the region;
- and that the stable connectivity of each MSTI and IST at the boundary of the region matches that of the CST.

Thus, the stable active topology of the bridged LAN with respect to frames consistently classified as belonging to any given VLAN simply and fully connects all LANs and networking devices throughout the network, though frames belonging to different VLANs can take different paths within any region.

BPDUs

All bridges, whether they use STP, RSTP, or MSTP, use BDPUs to send configuration messages. These messages assign port roles that determine each port's participation in a fully and simply connected active topology based on one or more spanning trees. The information communicated is known as the spanning tree priority vector. The BPDU structure for each of these different protocols is unique. An MSTP bridge transmits the appropriate BPDU depending on the received type of BPDU from a particular port.

The forwarding of BPDUs can be administratively controlled using the following features:

- **BPDU Guard**—When BPDU guard is enabled globally on the switch and a BPDU packet arrives on a port that has been enabled as an edge port, the port is disabled; that is, all the packets transmission/receiving is disabled on that port. A per port flag indicates whether a port has been disabled due the BPDU guard restrictions.

  The switches behind the edge ports that have BPDU guard enabled will not be able to influence the overall STP topology. Using the BPDU guard feature can help enforce the STP domain borders and keep the active topology consistent and predictable.
- **BPDU Filter**—When BPDU filtering is enabled on a port, the port drops any BPDUs received. This configuration does not depend on the arrival of BPDUs, unlike the BPDU guard feature.
- **BPDU Flood**—STP must be disabled administratively on a port to enable BPDU flooding. When BPDU flooding is enabled and the port's link is up, a BPDU arriving on the port is flooded to all the ports that are administratively enabled for BPDU flooding and whose link is up.

MST regions

An MST region comprises one or more MSTP bridges that have the same MST configuration ID, use the same MSTIs, and have no bridges attached that cannot receive and transmit MSTP BPDUs. The MST configuration ID consists of the following:

1. A Configuration Identifier Format Selector: 1 byte value encoded as zero.
2. A Configuration Name: A 32-byte string.
3. A Configuration Revision Level: A 2-byte value.
4. A Configuration Digest: A 16-byte signature of type HMAC-MD5 created from the MST Configuration Table (a VID to MSTID mapping).

MSTP states

As there are multiple instances of spanning tree, an MSTP state is maintained on a per-port, per-instance basis (or on a per-port, per-VLAN basis, as any VLAN can be in one and only one MSTI or CIST). For example, port A can be forwarding for instance 1 while discarding for instance 2. The port states have changed since the IEEE 802.1d specification.

The correlation of the old and new states are as shown in the following table:

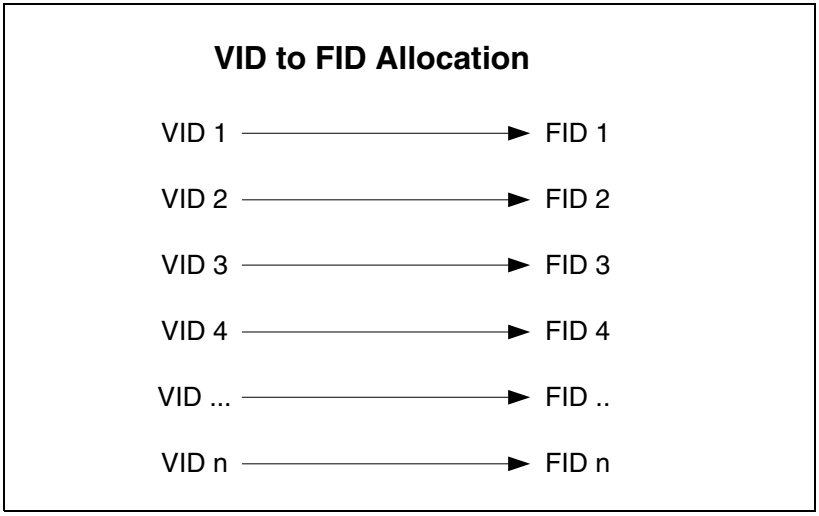
STP Port State (IEEE 802.1d)	Admin Port State	MSTP Port State (IEEE 802.1s)	Active Topology (Port Role)
Disabled	Disabled	Discarding	Excluded (Disabled)
Disabled	Enabled	Discarding	Excluded (Disabled)
Blocking	Enabled	Discarding	Excluded (Alternate, Backup)
Listening	Enabled	Discarding	Included (Root, Designated)
Learning	Enabled	Learning	Included (Root, Designated)
Forwarding	Enabled	Forwarding	Included (Root, Designated, Master)

VID to spanning tree assignment

To support multiple spanning trees, an MSTP bridge has to be configured with an unambiguous assignment of VIDs to spanning trees. This is achieved by:

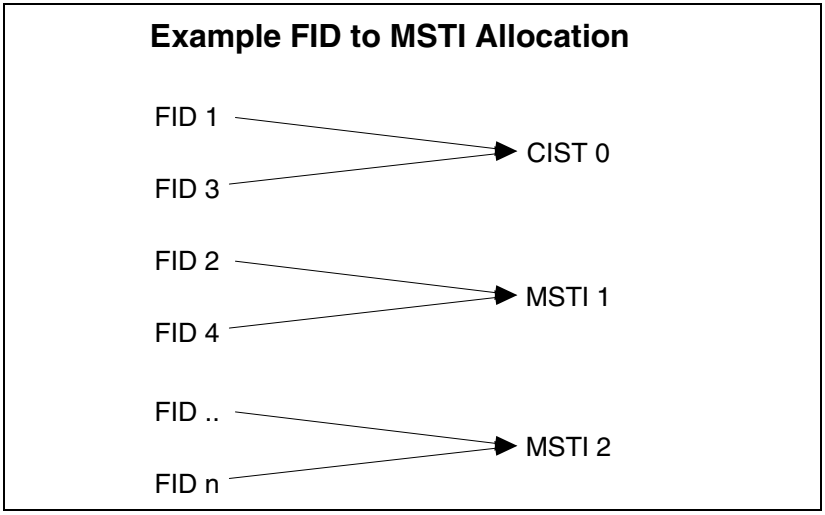
1. Ensuring that the allocation of VIDs to FIDs is unambiguous.

   The CN1601 switch implements this with a fixed VID-to-FID assignment. Every VID is assigned to one and only one FID, as illustrated in the following figure:

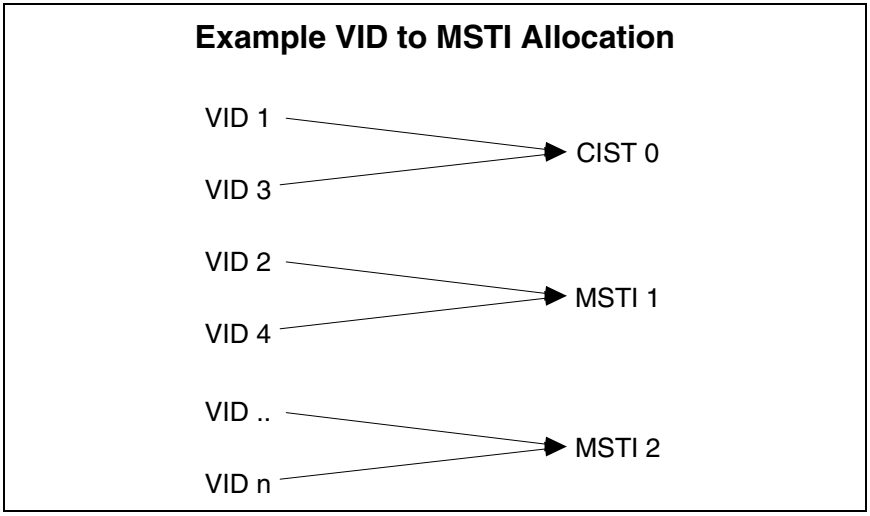


2. Ensuring that each FID supported by the bridge is allocated to exactly one spanning tree instance.

   The CN1601 switch implements this by means of the FID-to-MSTI Allocation Table. The following figure shows an example configuration:



The combination of VID to FID and then FID to MSTI allocation defines a mapping of VIDs to spanning tree instances, represented by the MST Configuration Table. The following figure shows an example configuration:



This allocation ensures that every VLAN is assigned to one and only one MSTI. The CIST is also an instance of spanning tree with a MSTID of 0.

An instance can have no VIDs allocated to it, but every VLAN must be allocated to one of the other instances of spanning tree.

The portion of the active topology of the network that connects any two bridges in the same MST region traverses only MST bridges and LANs in that region, and never bridges of any kind outside the region. In other words, connectivity within the region is independent of external connectivity.

Active topology enforcement

Each received frame is allocated to a spanning tree instance by the forwarding process, using the VID. The forwarding process selects each port as a potential transmission port if and only if all the following conditions are met:

1. The port on which the frame was received is in forwarding for that spanning tree instance;
2. The port considered for transmission is in a forwarding state for that spanning tree instance;
3. The port considered for transmission is not the same port on which the frame was received.

For each port not selected as a potential transmission port, the frame is discarded.

Control packet behavior

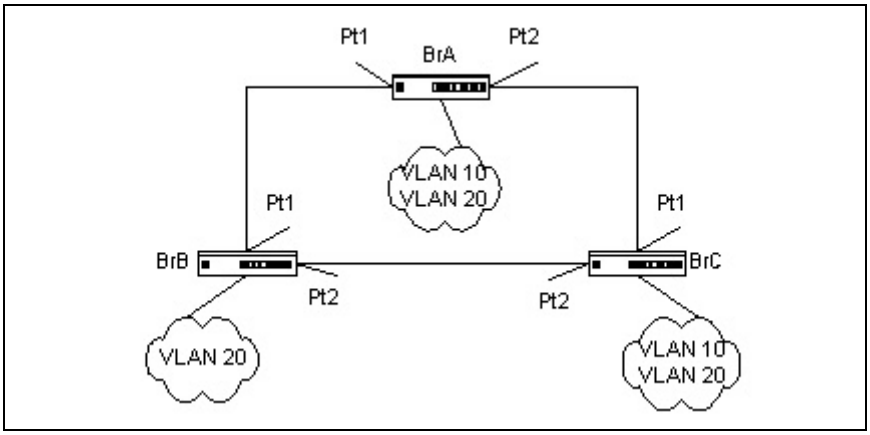
The following list defines how MST control packets are transmitted:

- **BPDU**—Always transmitted as untagged. The port receives and transmits BPDUs in all the three MSTP states (discarding, learning, and forwarding). If MSTP is disabled for the device (manual forwarding on all ports), BPDUs received are switched.
- **GVRP**—Always transmitted as untagged. GVRP PDUs are received and transmitted only when the port is in the forwarding state.
- **GMRP**—GMRP PDUs are transmitted tagged or untagged as per the port's tag setting. They follow the ingress and egress rules.
- **LACPDU**—LACPDUs are always transmitted untagged and are received and transmitted in all the three MSTP states (discarding, learning, and forwarding). These frames are never switched, irrespective if MSTP is enabled or not.
- **Pause frames**—Pause frames are never tagged. They are never switched. The port receives and transmits pause frames in all three MSTP states (discarding, learning, and forwarding). In other words, the STP state of the port has no bearing on the transmission and reception of pause frames.
- **Other frames to and from the CPU**—All other frames are received and transmitted only if the port is in the forwarding state.

MSTP operation in the network

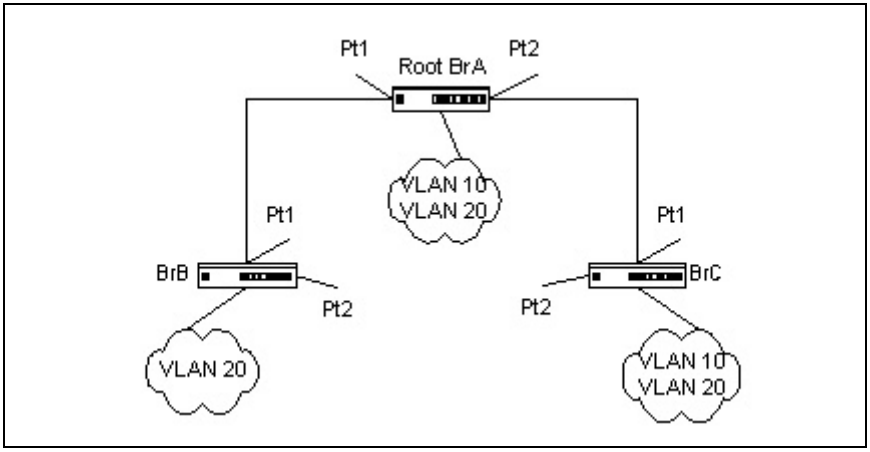
Example small 802.1d bridged network

In the following figure of a small, 802.1d bridged network, STP is necessary to create an environment with full connectivity and without loops:



Single STP instance topology

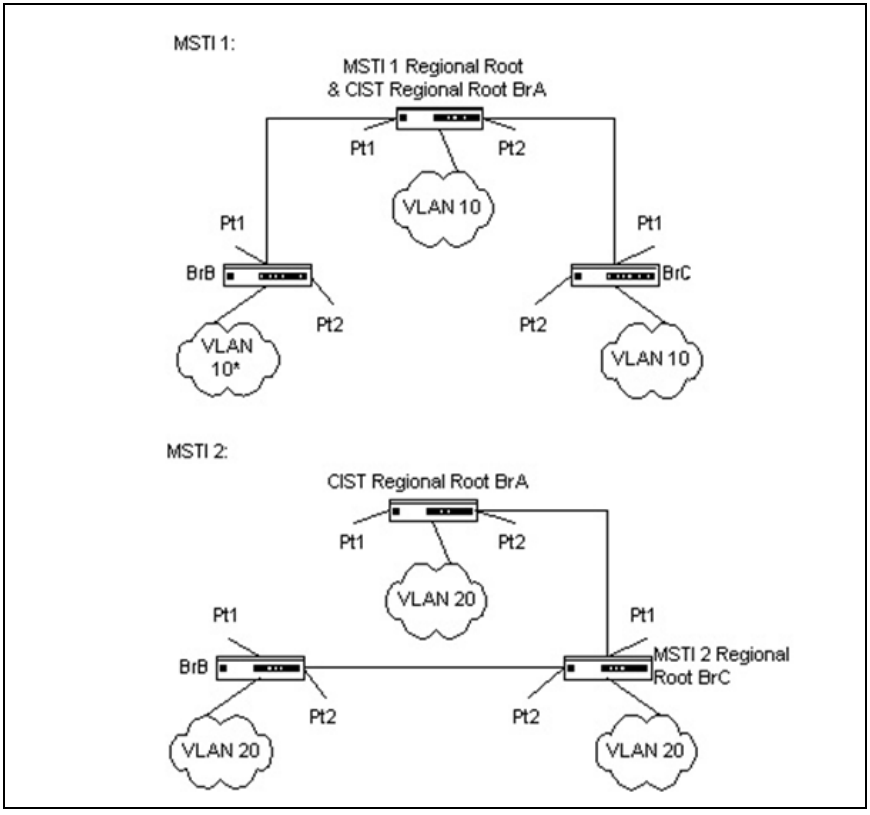
Assume that bridge BrA is elected to be the root bridge, and ports Pt1 on bridge BrB and BrC are calculated to be the root ports for those bridges, Port Pt2 on bridge BrB and BrC would be placed into blocking state. A loop-free topology would then exist. End stations in VLAN 10 could talk to other devices in VLAN 10, and end stations in VLAN 20 would have only a single path to communicate with other VLAN 20 devices. The logical single STP network topology would look like the following:



For VLAN 10, this single STP topology presents no limitations or inefficiencies. On the other hand, VLAN 20's traffic pattern is inefficient. All frames from bridge BrB will have to traverse a path through bridge BrA before arriving at bridge BrC. If the ports Pt2 on bridge BrB and BrC could be used, these inefficiencies could be eliminated. MSTP does just that, by allowing the configuration of MSTIs based upon a VLAN or groups of VLANs.

MSTP environment

In this simple case, VLAN 10 could be associated with MSTI 1 with an active topology similar to that shown in the preceding figure, and VLAN 20 could be associated with MSTI 2, where port Pt1 on both bridge BrA and BrB begin discarding and all others begin forwarding. This simple modification creates an active topology with a better distribution of network traffic and an increase in available bandwidth. The logical representation of the MSTP environment for these three bridges is shown in the following figure:



In order for MSTP to correctly establish the different MSTIs as shown in the preceding figure, some additional changes are required. For example, the configuration would have to be the same on each bridge. That means that bridge BrB would have to add VLAN 10 to its list of supported VLANs (shown in the figure with an asterisk). This is necessary with MSTP to allow the formation of regions made up of all bridges that exchange the same MST Configuration Identifier. Only within these MST regions can multiple instances exist.

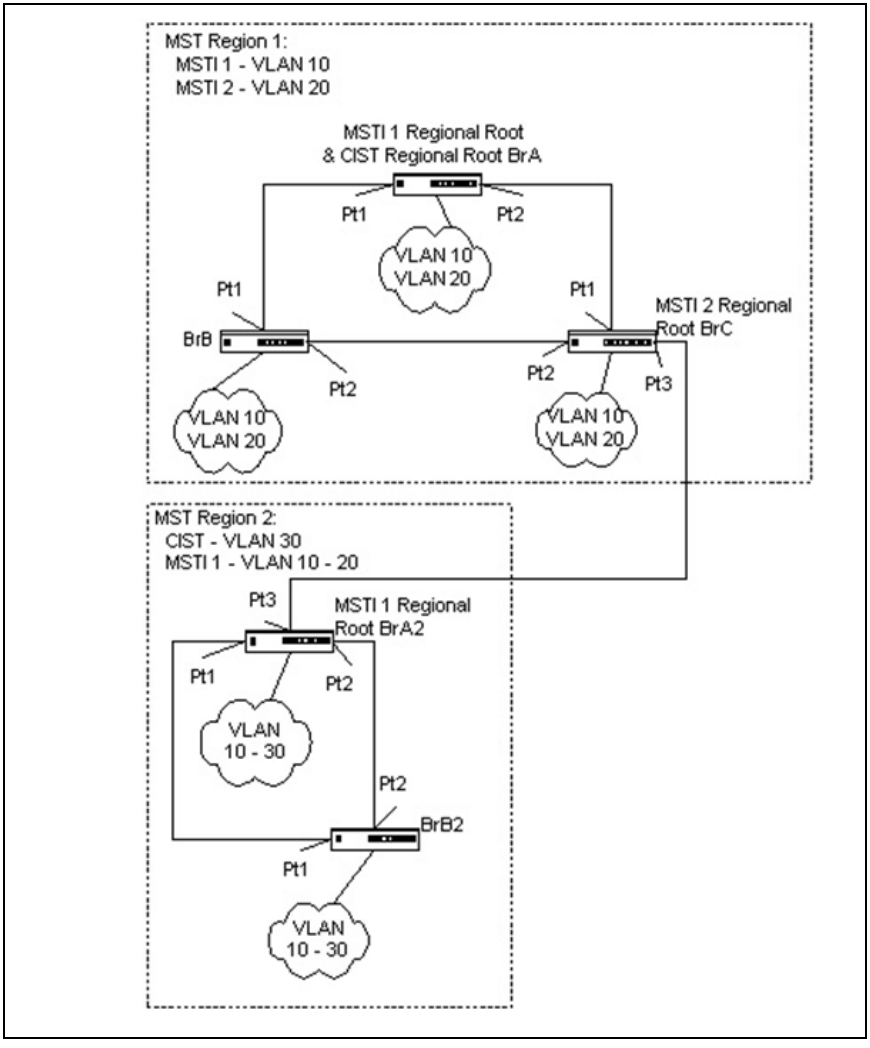
Synchronizing the configurations also allows the election of regional root bridges for each instance. Having one CIST regional root for the CIST and an MSTI regional root bridge per instance enables the possibility of alternate paths through each region. In the figure, bridge BrA is elected as both the MSTI 1 regional root and the CIST regional root bridge. After adjusting the bridge priority on bridge BrC in MSTI 2, BrC would be elected as the MSTI 2 regional root.

Multiple MSTP regions

To further illustrate the full connectivity in an MSTP active topology, assume that the following rules apply:

1. Each bridge or LAN is in only one region.
2. Every frame is associated with only one VID.
3. Frames are allocated either to the IST or MSTI within any given region.
4. The IST and each MSTI provides full and simple connectivity between all LANs and bridges in a region.
5. All bridges within a region reach a consistent agreement as to which ports interconnect that region to a different region and label those as boundary ports.
6. At the boundary ports, frames allocated to the CIST or MSTIs are forwarded or not forwarded alike.
7. The CIST provides full and simple connectivity between all LANs and bridges in the network.

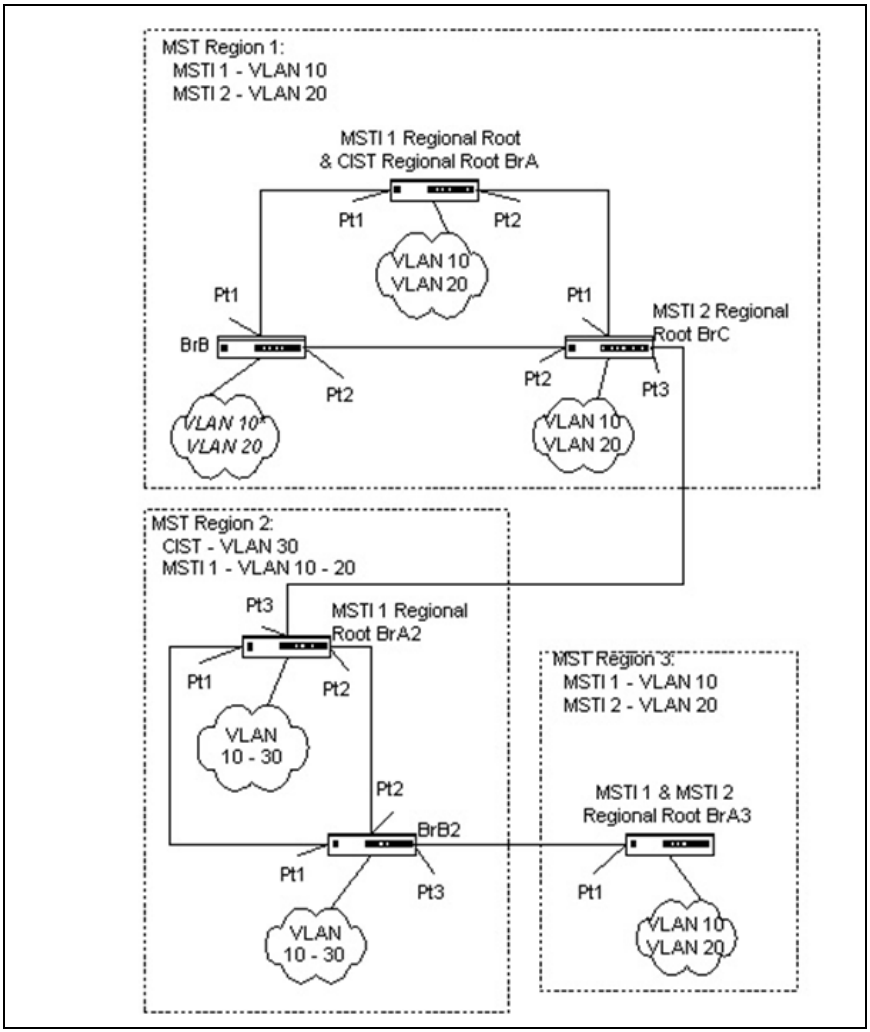
Frames with VIDs not allocated to a MSTI will be implicitly assigned to the CIST (or IST within the region) and they will be processed or passed on through the region. For example, in the following figure, VLAN 30 is not explicitly assigned to any instance but it will still, by default, rely on the CIST, since the two bridges define a region (MST region 2). Since the two bridges will process frames internal to region 2, an MSTI regional root bridge must again be elected. In this example, bridge BrA2 is chosen, since it has the lowest external root path cost through a boundary port.



Interactions between multiple regions

In the following figure, a third region has been added. Even though this new region consists of only one bridge, and the MST configuration identifier matches the bridges in region 1, it will still be isolated into a region by itself. This is because the only connection between region 1 and region 3 is through a different region.

The path of a frame for VLAN 20 can be traced through the MST active topology. A frame originating on an end station on bridge BrA in region 1 will traverse the MSTI2 active topology, since its VID has been allocated to that instance. In looking for a destination match with a device in region 3, it will pass through the boundary port in bridge BrC and continue through region 2 using the instance MSTI1. Assuming that port Pt2 on both bridge BrA2 and BrB2 are forwarding for MSTI1, the frame would arrive at the boundary port on bridge BrB2 and then be sent to region 3. Upon arriving in region 3 the frame would traverse MSTI2 to the destination device.



MSTP CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the MSTP feature:

Command	Description
`show spanning-tree`	Displays global settings for the CIST.
`show spanning-tree brief`	Displays spanning tree settings for the bridge.
`show spanning-tree interface`	Displays the settings and parameters for a specific switch port within CIST.
`show spanning-tree mst`	Depending on the additional keywords specified, displays MST instance and interface configuration parameters.
`show spanning-tree summary`	Displays spanning tree settings and parameters for the switch.

For more information on the MSTP commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

MSTP configuration example

The following example creates VLANs 10 and 20, and enables spanning tree globally. Then, it creates MST instances 10 and 20, associates MST instance 10 to VLAN 10, and associates MST instance 20 to VLAN 20:

```
(CN1601) #vlan database
(CN1601) (Vlan)#vlan 10
(CN1601) (Vlan)#vlan 20
(CN1601) (Vlan)#exit
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning-tree
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning-tree mst instance 10
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning-tree mst instance 20
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning-tree mst vlan 10 10
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning tree mst vlan 20 20
```

The following commands change the name so that all the bridges that want to be part of the same region can form the region, and make the MST ID 10 bridge the root bridge by lowering the priority.

These commands also change the priority of MST ID 20 to ensure the other bridge is the root bridge.

Finally, STP is enabled on interfaces 0/1 and 0/2, and for the non-root bridge the priority is changed to force port 0/2 to be the root port:

```
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning-tree configuration name mstpconfig1
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning-tree mst priority 10 16384
(CN1601) (Config)#spanning-tree mst priority 20 61440
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/1
(CN1601) (Interface 0/1)#spanning-tree port mode
(CN1601) (Interface 0/1)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/2
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#spanning-tree port mode
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#spanning-tree mst 20 port-priority 64
```

VLANs 6

About this chapter

This chapter describes how to create and manage VLANs on the switch.

Topics in this chapter

This chapter includes the following topics:

Basic VLAN configuration

Feature overview

In a VLAN, untagged traffic is bridged through specified ports based on the receiving port's port VLAN ID (PVID). VLANs can help to optimize network traffic patterns because broadcast, multicast, and unknown unicast packets are sent only to ports that are members of the VLAN. Packets that are received with a VLAN tag use that VLAN ID for the switching process.

When a packet enters the switch, it must be associated with a VLAN before the switching logic can be applied. If the packet already contains a VLAN tag, then the specified VLAN ID is used. Otherwise, the PVID associated with the ingress port is used. Each port has an attribute called 'Acceptable Frame Type' that controls whether the port can receive any frame type, or only VLAN-tagged frames. Also, each port has an attribute for ingress filtering. If ingress filtering is enabled, then the receiving port is only allowed to forward the packet on a VLAN if the port itself is a member of that VLAN.

Note

The supported parameters and defaults may depend on which version of the switch you are using. Not all of the features shown here may work with your configuration.

Operation

When a packet arrives at a port, the first port attribute that is checked is the acceptable frame type. If the packet is untagged, but the acceptable frame type setting allows only VLAN-tagged packets to be accepted, then the packet is discarded. If the acceptable frame type setting allows all packets, then the packet is accepted and the port's PVID is assigned as the packet's VLAN.

After a packet is associated with a VLAN, then the VLAN is used for the switching process.

The next check is the port's ingress filtering attribute. If ingress filtering is enabled, and the port is not a member of the VLAN, then the packet is discarded. If ingress filtering is disabled, and the packet is tagged with a VLAN ID that is not defined in the system, then that packet is discarded. Otherwise, the source MAC address is paired with the VLAN ID and searched for in the Layer 2 forwarding database.

Next, the destination MAC address is paired with the VLAN ID and searched for in the L2FDB. If it is not found, or if it is the broadcast address, then it is forwarded to all ports that are members of the VLAN. Known unicast packets are switched only to the destination port. Known multicast packets are switched only to the group member ports. The actual packet that is transmitted out of a member port is either tagged or untagged based on that ports configuration within that VLAN. Egress processing occurs on each port to ensure that a packet is never transmitted on a port if the port is not a member of the VLAN associated with the packet.

Note

VLAN 4095 is treated as a 'discard' VLAN. A frame classified to this VLAN is silently dropped.

Supported parameters and defaults

You can view and configure the following VLAN parameters and defaults with the `vlan` commands:

Name	Description	Range	Default
PVID	The port VLAN ID is assigned as the default VLAN for forwarding untagged packets received on a port.	1–4094	1
Acceptable Frame Type	Limits packet processing only to allowable frame types.	Accept All/ Accept VLAN-tagged only	Accept All
Ingress Filtering	Enforces VLAN membership on ingress.	Enabled/Disabled	Disabled
VLAN Membership	Indicates if the port belongs to the VLAN.	Included/Excluded	Excluded
Tagged Membership	Indicates if frames leaving a port on a VLAN should be transmitted with a tag.	Tagged/ Untagged	Untagged

CLI show commands

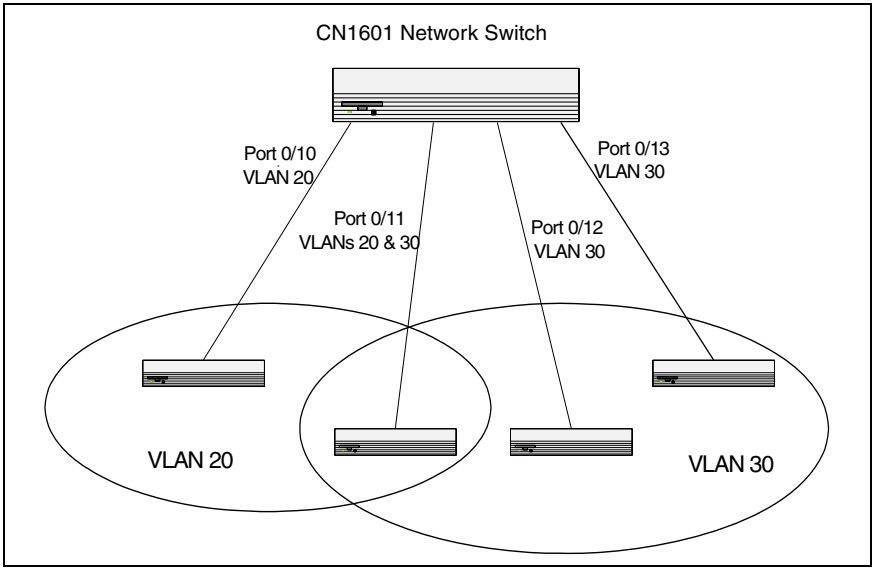
You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the VLAN feature:

Command	Description
`show vlan`	Displays configuration information for all VLANs or a specified VLAN.
`show vlan brief`	Displays summary information for all specified VLAN.
`show vlan port`	Displays port information with respect to VLAN associations for a specified port or all ports.

For more information on the VLAN commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following figure shows a switch with four ports configured to handle the traffic for two VLANs. Port 0/2 handles traffic for both VLANs, while port 0/1 is a member of VLAN 20 only, and ports 0/3 and 0/4 are members of VLAN 30 only. The script following the figure shows the commands to configure the switch as shown in the following figure:



The following examples show how to create VLANs, assign ports to the VLANs, and assign a VLAN as the default VLAN to a port.

Create two VLANs: The following commands create two VLANs and assign the VLAN IDs, while leaving the names blank:

```
(CN1601) #vlan database
(CN1601) (Vlan)#vlan 20
(CN1601) (Vlan)#vlan 30
(CN1601) (Vlan)#exit
```

Assign ports to VLANs: The following sequence shows how to configure VLAN settings on ports:

```
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/10
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#vlan participation include 20
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#vlan tagging 20
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#vlan acceptframe vlanonly
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#exit

(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/11
(CN1601) (Interface 0/11)#vlan participation include 20,30
(CN1601) (Interface 0/11)#vlan tagging 20,30
(CN1601) (Interface 0/11)#vlan acceptframe vlanonly
(CN1601) (Interface 0/11)#exit

(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/12
(CN1601) (Interface 0/12)#vlan participation include 30
(CN1601) (Interface 0/12)#vlan acceptframe all
(CN1601) (Interface 0/12)#exit

(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/13
(CN1601) (Interface 0/13)#vlan participation include 30
(CN1601) (Interface 0/13)#vlan acceptframe admituntaggedonly
(CN1601) (Interface 0/13)#exit
```

This preceding commands configure ports 10 and 11 to always transmit frames as tagged frames, and to reject all untagged frames upon receipt. Note that port 0/11 belongs to both VLANs. All frames types will be accepted on port 0/12, but only untagged frame types will be accepted on port 0/13.

Assign a default VLAN: This example shows how to assign VLAN 30 as the default VLAN for port 0/13. Untagged frames will be forwarded:

```
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/13
(CN1601) (Interface 0/13)#vlan pvid 30
```

Protocol-based VLANs

Feature overview

In a protocol-based VLAN, traffic is bridged through specified ports based on the protocol. This feature enables the administrator to define a packet filter that specifies criteria for determining if a packet belongs to a particular VLAN. Protocol-based VLANs are most often used in situations where network segments contain hosts that run multiple protocols.

For example, you could follow these steps to assign NetBEUI and IPX traffic to different ports:

1. Attach a LAN that uses NetBEUI traffic to port 1 on the switch.
2. Attach a LAN that uses IPX traffic to port 2.
3. Attach a router connected to the Internet to port 8.
4. Create an IP VLAN that includes ports 1, 2, and 8.

The NetBEUI traffic on port 1 is not passed to ports 2 or 8. The IPX traffic on port 2 is not passed to ports 1 or 8. However, computers that use the IP protocol can talk freely to ports 1, 2, and 8. This allows the computers to connect to the Internet, while preventing them from receiving traffic that they do not need to see.

Protocol-based VLANs can help optimize network traffic patterns because protocol-specific broadcast messages are sent only to computers that use that protocol.

Operation

When a packet enters the switch, the packet is associated with a VLAN. If the packet is tagged, then that VLAN ID is used. If the packet is untagged, then the EtherType is compared to the protocol-based VLAN configuration. If the EtherType is associated with a VLAN, then the packet is assigned to that VLAN. If the EtherType does not match any configured protocols, then the PVID assigned to the port is used.

Supported parameters and defaults

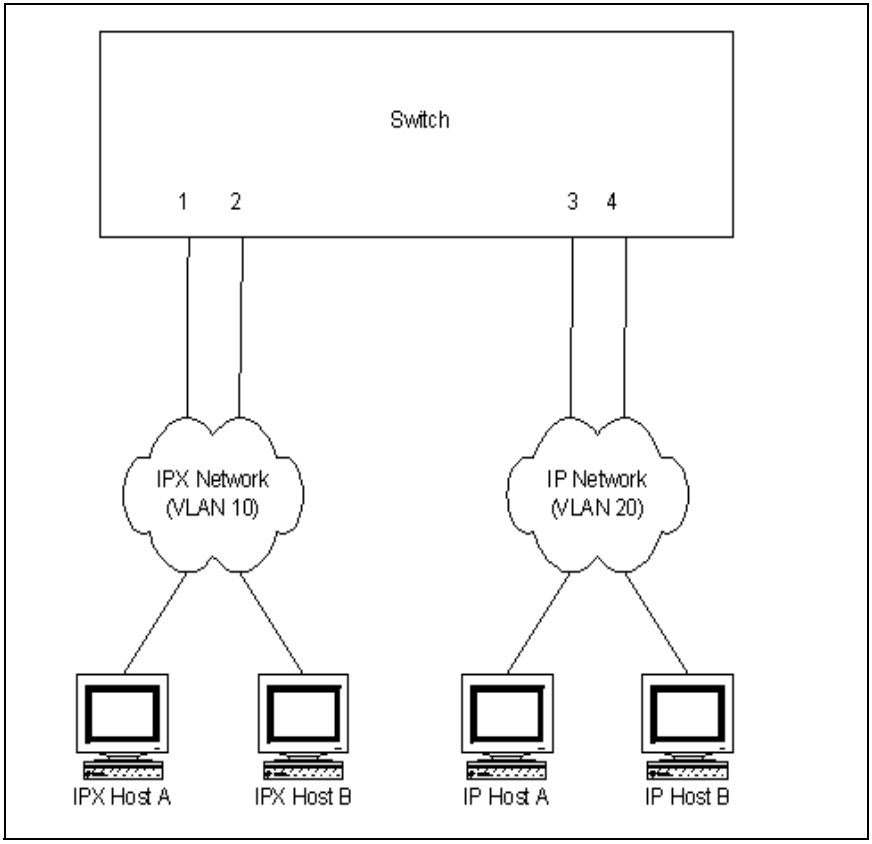
You can use the `protocol group` command to associate a VLAN ID to a protocol group. You can specify a VLAN ID for the following protocols:

Name	Description	Range	Default
IP VLAN ID	Assigns a default VLAN for IP packets.	1–4093	1
ARP VLAN ID	Assigns a default VLAN for ARP packets.	1–4093	1
IPX VLAN ID	Assigns a default VLAN for IPX packets.	1–4093	1
IP VLAN ID	Assigns a default VLAN for IP packets.	1–4093	1

For more information on the protocol-based VLAN commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following figure shows how you can use protocol-based VLANs to keep network traffic separated and improve efficiency of the networking infrastructure:



On this switch, the administrator configures all IPX traffic to be bound to VLAN 10. All IP and ARP traffic is bound to VLAN 20. By adding ports 1 and 2 to VLAN 10, and adding ports 3 and 4 to VLAN 20, the administrator ensures that no IPX traffic will be admitted to the IP network. Conversely, no IP or ARP traffic is admitted to the IPX network.

The following commands create a protocol group with an ID of 100 and assigns the IPX protocol to it. Then, it creates a protocol group with ID of 200 and assigns IP and ARP traffic to it.

Then, protocol group 100 is associated with VLAN 10 and protocol group 120 is associated with VLAN 20.

Finally, ports 1 and 2 are added to VLAN 10 and ports 3 and 4 are added to VLAN 20.

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#vlan protocol group 100
(CN1601) (Config)#vlan protocol group add protocol 100 ethertype ipx

(CN1601) (Config)#vlan protocol group 120
(CN1601) (Config)#vlan protocol group add protocol 120 ethertype arp,ip
(CN1601) (Config)#exit

(CN1601) #vlan database
(CN1601) (Vlan)#protocol group 100 10
(CN1601) (Vlan)#protocol group 120 20

(CN1601) (Vlan)#protocol group 100 10
(CN1601) (Vlan)#protocol group 120 20
(CN1601) (Vlan)#exit

(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/1
(CN1601) (Interface 0/1)#vlan participation include 10
(CN1601) (Interface 0/1)#exit
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/2
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#vlan participation include 10
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#exit

(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/3
(CN1601) (Interface 0/3)#vlan participation include 20
(CN1601) (Interface 0/3)#exit
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/4
(CN1601) (Interface 0/4)#vlan participation include 20
(CN1601) (Interface 0/4)#exit
```

MAC-based VLANs

Feature overview

This feature allows for incoming untagged packets to be assigned to a VLAN and traffic class based on the source MAC address of the packet.

A MAC-to-VLAN mapping is defined by configuring an entry in the MAC-to-VLAN table, which specifies a source MAC address and the associated VLAN ID. The MAC-to-VLAN configurations are shared across all switch ports through a system-wide table. Up to 128 entries can be configured in this table.

Operation

When untagged or priority-tagged packets arrive at the switch and entries exist in the MAC to VLAN table, the software searches the table for the source MAC address of the packet. When an entry is found, the corresponding VLAN ID is assigned to the packet. If the packet is already priority tagged, it maintains this value; otherwise, the priority is set to zero. The assigned VLAN ID is verified against the VLAN table. If the VLAN is valid, ingress processing on the packet continues; otherwise, the packet is dropped.

There is no restriction on the VLAN used in the mapping table. You can specify a static VLAN, dynamic VLAN, or even a nonexistent VLAN.

Note

The CN1601 switch assigns a VLAN based on the following order of precedence:

1. MAC-based
2. IP subnet-based
3. Protocol-based
4. Port-based (default)

Source MAC-based mappings are evaluated and assigned first.

For more information on the MAC-based VLAN commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

IP subnet-based VLANs

Feature overview

This feature allows for incoming untagged packets to be assigned to a VLAN and a traffic class based on the source IP address of the packet.

An IP-subnet-to-VLAN mapping is defined by configuring an entry in the IP subnet-to-VLAN table that specifies a source IP address, network mask, and the desired VLAN ID. The IP-subnet-to-VLAN configurations are shared across all switch ports. You can configure up to 64 entries in this table.

Note

The IP-subnet-to-VLAN mapping table supports only IPv4 addresses.

Operation

When untagged or priority-tagged packets arrive at the switch, the software first determines whether a matching MAC-to-VLAN entry exists for the packet's source MAC address. If there is no match (or the MAC-based VLAN assignment is disabled), the software then determines whether the IP-subnet-based VLAN assignment is enabled for the port. If it is, the software looks for an entry in the IP-subnet-to-VLAN table that matches the source IP address of the packet.

If an entry is found, the corresponding VLAN ID is assigned to the packet. Since a match on an IP address and mask can be full or partial, the most specific mapping will apply. If the packet is already priority-tagged, it will maintain this value; otherwise, the priority is set to zero. The assigned VLAN ID is verified against the VLAN table, if the VLAN is valid, ingress processing on the packet continues; otherwise, the packet is dropped.

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Quality of Service 7

About this chapter

The CN1601 FASTPATH software provides the following quality of service (QoS) features that help to ensure optimal handling of traffic:

- Class of Service (CoS) Queue Mapping—This feature allows traffic to be classified into streams and given certain QoS treatment in accordance with defined per-hop behaviors.
- CoS Queue Configuration—This feature enables you to directly configure certain aspects of device queueing to provide the desired QoS behavior for different types of network traffic. The priority of a packet arriving at an interface can be used to steer the packet to the appropriate outbound CoS queue through a mapping table. You can configure CoS queue characteristics such as minimum guaranteed bandwidth, and transmission rate shaping, at the queue (or port) level.

Topics in this chapter

This chapter includes the following topics:

Class of service (CoS) queue mapping

CoS overview

In a typical switch or router, each physical port consists of one or more queues for transmitting packets on the attached network. Multiple queues per port are often provided to give preference to certain packets over others based on user-defined criteria. When a packet is queued for transmission in a port, the rate at which it is serviced depends on how the queue is configured and, possibly, the amount of traffic present in the other queues of the port. If a delay is necessary, packets are held in the queue until the scheduler authorizes the queue for transmission. As queues become full, packets have no place to be held for transmission and are dropped by the device.

CoS queue mapping

Incoming packets can be mapped to a CoS queue based on port configuration and characteristics of the packets themselves.

CoS queue mapping uses the concepts of trusted and untrusted ports:

Trusted ports: A trusted port is one that takes at face value a certain priority designation within arriving packets. Specifically, a port can be configured to trust one of the following packet fields:

- 802.1p user priority
- IP precedence (which may not be supported on newer hardware)
- IP DSCP

Packets arriving at the port ingress are inspected and their trusted field value is used to designate the CoS queue that the packet is placed in when forwarded to the appropriate egress port. A mapping table associates the trusted field value with the desired CoS queue. If the port is configured to trust the 802.1p user priority, but the packet does not have a priority tag, then the default port priority is assigned to the packet. The port priority defaults to zero.

Untrusted ports: Alternatively, a port can be configured as untrusted, whereby it does not trust any incoming packet priority designation and uses the port default priority value instead. The port priority defaults to zero. All packets arriving at the ingress of an untrusted port are directed to a specific CoS queue on the appropriate egress port(s) in accordance with the configured default priority of the ingress port. This process is also used when the switch cannot honor a trusted port mapping, such as when a non-IP packet arrives at a port configured to trust the IP precedence value.

CoS mapping configurations can apply system-wide—meaning a change affects all interfaces simultaneously—and on a per-interface basis.

Operational overview

Packets traveling through a network device can receive different treatment based on a well-defined marking scheme. For a Layer 2 header, the 802.1p user priority contained in the VLAN tag denotes one of eight priority levels. For a Layer 3 IP packet header, the IP Precedence field carries the priority information.

These priority markings are of no practical use unless the network equipment is designed to allow service differentiation for packets belonging to different levels (or classes) of service.

CoS mapping behaviors

Each port in the device can be configured to trust one of the 802.1p or IP DSCP packet fields, or to not trust any packet marking (untrusted mode). If the port is set to a trusted mode, it uses a mapping table appropriate for the trusted field being used. This mapping table indicates the CoS queue to which the packet should be forwarded on the appropriate egress port(s). Of course, the trusted field must exist in the packet for the mapping table to be of any use, so there are default actions performed when this is not the case, namely that the packet is directed to a specific CoS level configured for the ingress port as a whole based on the existing port default priority as mapped to a traffic class by the current 802.1p mapping table.

The following table shows the desired CoS mapping actions for various combinations of port configuration and packet type (subject to hardware platform capabilities):

Packet Type (Layer 2, Layer3)	**Untrusted**	**Trust 802.1p**	**Trust IP Precedence**
Tagged, IP	port default traffic class	802.1p » CoS queue map table	IP Prec. » CoS queue map table
Untagged, IP	port default traffic class	port default traffic class	IP Prec. » CoS queue map table
Tagged, non-IP	port default traffic class	802.1p » CoS queue map table	port default traffic class
Untagged, non-IP	port default traffic class	port default traffic class	port default traffic class

Note that this CoS mapping activity is performed as an internal function to the device hardware and does not modify the packet contents. The CoS map tables provide a direct association between an existing packet mark value and the CoS queue designated to handle that class of traffic.

User configuration is simplified by allowing each CoS queue parameter to be configured globally or per-port. A global configuration change is automatically applied to all ports in the system.

Defaults

- The 802.1p value is trusted by default.

For additional default values, see the `classofservice` commands in the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the CoS queue mapping feature:

Command	Description
`show classofservice dot1p-mapping`	Displays the current global 802.1p priority mapping to internal traffic classes, or the mappings for a specified interface.
`show classofservice ip-dscp-mapping`	Displays the current global IP DSCP mapping to internal traffic classes.
`show classofservice trust`	Displays the current global trust mode setting, or the setting for a specific interface.

For more information on the CoS queue mapping commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CoS queue configuration

Configuration overview

The egress queues of a port contain various operational attributes that you can configure to give the desired service level.

You can control the amount of bandwidth used by the queue, the queue depth during times of congestion, and the scheduling of packet transmission from the set of all queues on a port. Each port has its own set of CoS queue-related configuration.

Each CoS queue parameter can be configured globally or on a per-port basis. Global configuration changes are automatically applied to all ports in the system. Defining these on a per-queue basis allows the user to create the desired service characteristics for different types of traffic.

Defaults

See the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference* for the configurable queue parameters and their default values,

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the CoS queue configuration feature:

Command	Description
`show interfaces cos-queue`	Displays the global class-of-service queue configuration, or the configuration for a specified interface.

For more information on the CoS queue configuration commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

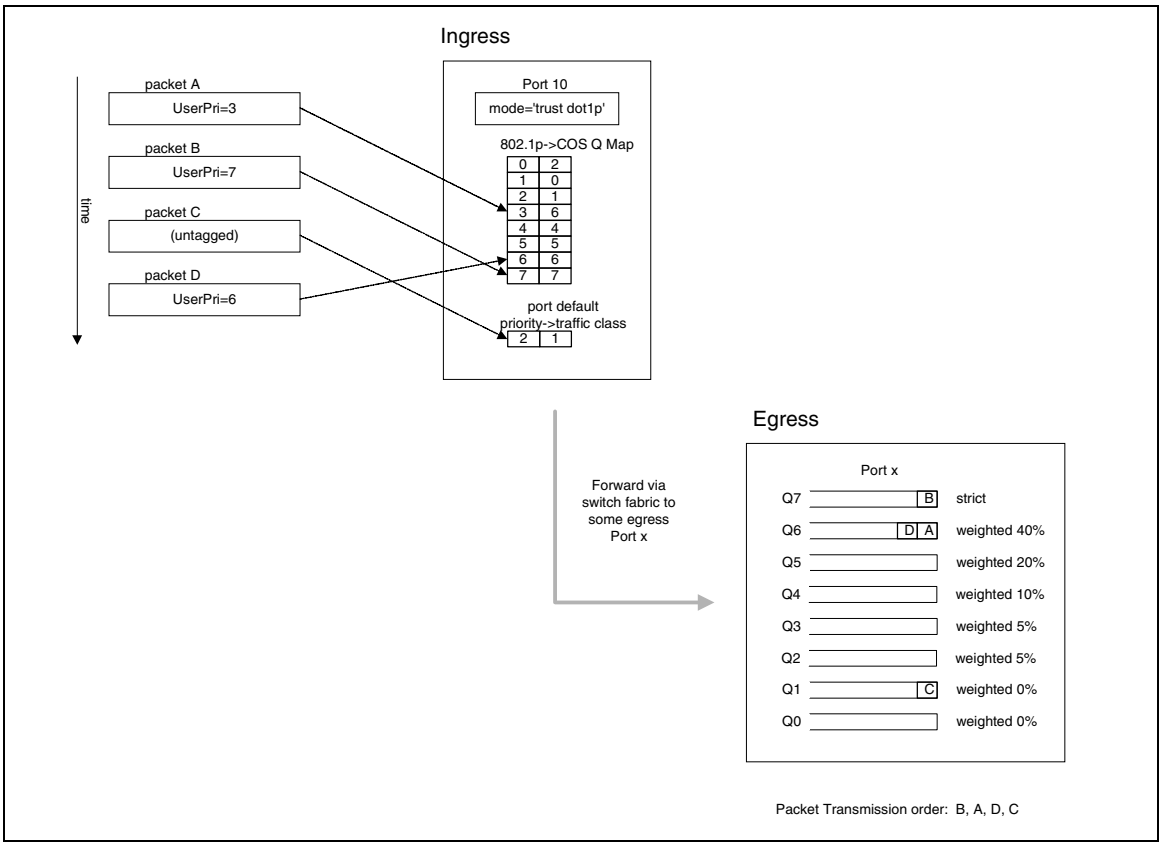
QoS map and queue configuration example

Description

This example illustrates the network operation as it relates to CoS mapping and queue configuration.

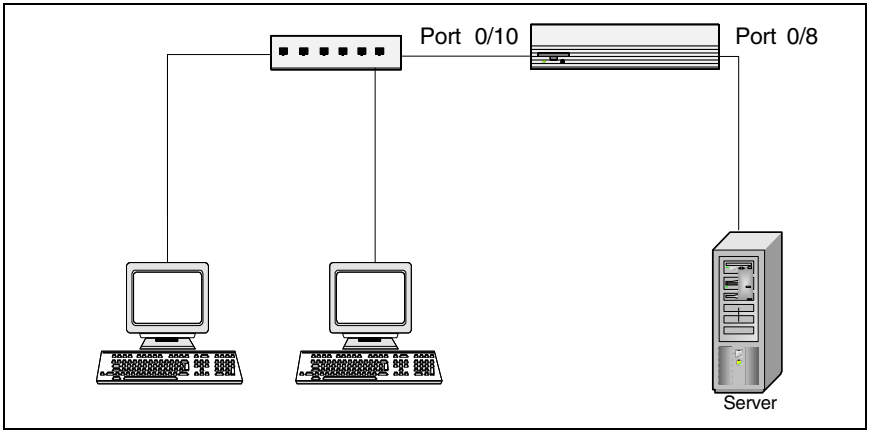
Four packets are presented to the ingress port 0/10 in the order A, B, C, then D. Port 10 is designated to trust the 802.1p field of the packet, which serves to direct packets A, B, and D to their respective queues on the egress port. These three packets utilize the 802.1p to CoS queue map table configured for port 0/10. In this case, the 802.1p user priority 3 has been set up to send the packet to queue 6 instead of the default queue 3. Since packet C does not contain a VLAN tag, the 802.1p user priority does not exist, so port 0/10 relies on its default port priority 2 to direct packet C to egress queue 1 (the 802.1p mapping table is always used for this translation).

The egress port 0/8 in this example is configured with strict priority on queue 7 and a weighted scheduling scheme for queues 6-0. Assuming queue 6 has a higher weighting than queue 1 (the relative weight values shown as a percentage, with 0 percent indicating that the bandwidth is not guaranteed), the queue service order is 7, followed by 6, followed by 1. Assuming each queue unloads all packets shown in the figure, the packet transmission order as seen on the network leading out of port x is B, A, D, C. Thus, packet B, with its higher user precedence than the others, is able to work its way through the device with minimal delay and is transmitted ahead of the other packets at the egress port.



Continuing this example, the egress Port 0/8 for strict priority on queue 6, and a set a weighted scheduling scheme for queues 5–0. Assuming queue 5 has a higher weighting than queue 1 (relative weight values shown as a percentage, with 0 percent indicating the bandwidth is not guaranteed), the queue service order is 6 followed by 5 followed by 1. Assuming each queue unloads all packets shown in the figure, the packet transmission order as seen on the network leading out of Port 0/8 is B, A, D, C.

Thus, packet B, with its higher user precedence than the others, is able to work its way through the device with minimal delay and is transmitted ahead of the other packets at the egress port.



Configuration examples

The following commands configure the ingress interface uniquely for all CoS queue and VLAN parameters:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/10
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#classofservice trust dot1p
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#classofservice dot1p-mapping 6 3
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#vlan priority 2
(CN1601) (Interface 0/10)#exit

(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/8
(CN1601) (Interface 0/8)#cos-queue min-bandwidth 0 0 5 5 10 20 40
(CN1601) (Interface 0/8)#cos-queue strict 6
(CN1601) (Interface 0/8)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#exit
```

To configure the egress interface for a sustained maximum data rate of 80 Kbps (assuming a 100 Mbps link speed), the following command could be used. This command expresses the shaping rate as a percentage of link speed.

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/8
(CN1601) (Interface 0/8)#traffic-shape 80
```

You can use the following `show` command

Security Features 8

About this chapter

This chapter describes how to configure device security features.

Topics in this chapter

This chapter includes the following topics:

Denial of service and other protections

Feature overview

Denial of service (DoS) refers to the exploitation of any of a number of vulnerabilities which would interrupt the service of a host or make a network unstable. The CN1601 switch FASTPATH software includes robust protection against DoS attacks.

Note

The DoS protection feature is always active and does not need or allow any user configuration.

Supported protections

The CN1601 switch supports the following DoS and other protections:

- Protection of the switch under packet load: Packet throttling ensures that the switch is manageable under heavy load. Traffic is restructured to a number of packets per second, and packets exceeding the threshold are dropped. Packet throttling is only available on the network interface (that is, the logical management interface); throttling is not offered on individual front-panel ports.
- Protection of the TCP stack: TCP SYN attacks occur when a spoofed TCP connection setup messages are sent to the destination host. This fills up the connection queue and prevents legitimate sessions from being established. As the source IP address in the connection request messages are typically forged, and typically random, this type of attack is difficult to trace.
- Protection against open ports: By default, the switch has open ports only for services that are actively enabled and running on the switch. All other ports are closed. Thus, services such as SNTP are not available when the service is configured to be disabled. For the default configuration, there are open ports for such services as Telnet, and SNMP. The switch software provides configuration mechanisms to disable each of these.
- Protection against revealing too much information: Information useful to hackers is protected from being revealed to unauthorized sources. The information the switch returns in response to vulnerability analyzer scans is limited in its descriptive nature or is provided by services that can be administratively disabled, such as SNMP.
- Disabling forwarding of network-directed broadcasts: The software disables the forwarding of broadcasts that are addressed to a network broadcast address or a subnet broadcast address. Ping requests issued to a network-

directed broadcast address can result in a reply from every host on the subnet or network. The burden of handling the ping replies, can, in turn, cripple the host whose address is identified as the source IP address in the ping request. This is especially problematic if the IP address has been spoofed in the ping request.

- Traffic filtering: Access lists can be used to determine which traffic to permit and which to deny. For instance, you can configure an access list to filter any private IP address (as defined by RFC 1918), or to permit only traffic from a recognized subnet.
- Rate-limiting traffic: A rate-limiting mechanism is often used to limit traffic. For instance, limitations on ICMP and TCP SYN packets can be implemented as part of the denial of service strategy. On the CN1601 switch, rate limiting can be accomplished using the QoS feature.

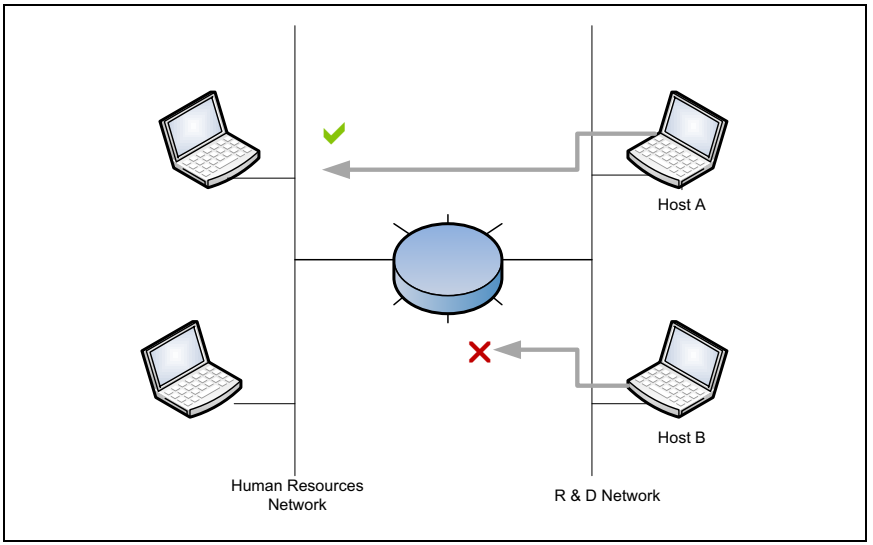
Access control lists

Feature overview

Access control lists (ACLs) ensure that only authorized users have access to specific resources while blocking off any unwarranted attempts to reach network resources.

ACLs are used to provide traffic flow control, restrict contents of routing updates, decide which types of traffic are forwarded or blocked, and above all provide security for the network.

ACLs are normally used in firewall routers that are positioned between the internal network and an external network, such as the Internet. They can also be used on a router positioned between two parts of the network, to control the traffic entering or exiting a specific part of the internal network. The following figure illustrates an example ACL, where Host A is allowed to access the Human Resources network and Host B is prevented from accessing the Human Resources network:



Traffic filtering requires the following two basic steps:

1. Creating an access list definition.
2. Applying the access list to an interface and specifying the direction.

The following sections describe these steps in more detail.

Creating an access list definition

Access lists are a sequential collection of permit and deny conditions. This collection of conditions, known as the filtering criteria, is applied to each packet that is processed by the switch or the router. Packets are forwarded or dropped based on whether or not the packet matches the specified criteria.

Access list actions and action attributes

The access list definition includes an action that specifies whether traffic that matches the criteria is forwarded normally or discarded. Additionally, you can specify rule action attributes that assign additional processing to the matched packets. A default 'deny all' rule is the last rule of every list. Two types of access lists can be defined: MAC access lists or IP access lists.

ACL rule action attributes: The match criteria for MAC access lists can include the following information:

- Source MAC address
- Destination MAC address
- EtherType
- VLAN ID
- CoS

The match criteria for IP access lists can include the following information:

- Source IP address
- Destination IP address
- IP Protocol
- IP Precedence
- IP DSCP
- Layer 4 Source Port
- Layer 4 Destination Port

ACL rule actions: The following actions are supported for ACL rules:

- permit—Permits matching packets to be received and forwarded on the switch.
- deny—Denies matching packets access to the switch.

Depending on the action, additional packet handling instructions can be specified. These are called action attributes.

Rule action attributes: Rule action attributes include the following:

- Assigning packets to a CoS queue—Packets that are accepted can be assigned to a particular CoS queue.

- Logging—You can configure traps to be sent and an entry to be logged when a packet arrives on a port that matches a deny rule. This attribute is associated with the rule itself. No more than one trap/ACL rule entry will be generated per minute. If more than one ACL event occurs within a time period, then an internal counter is incremented. When the time period expires, a trap/log entry is generated to indicate the event count.
- Mirroring—Packets can be mirrored to a port for monitoring purposes.
- Redirecting—Packets can be redirected to a different port than they were originally destined.

Applying the access list to an interface and specifying the direction

After creating an ACL, you can assign it to one or more physical interfaces or LAGs. In addition, ACLs can be bound to a VLAN. Binding an ACL to a VLAN enables more efficient use of the hardware resources because multiple hardware entries for each port can be replaced with a single hardware entry that covers all ports on the VLAN.

Note

ACLs on the CN1601 switch apply only to inbound traffic.

Supported parameters and defaults

Access control lists can only be applied on ingress. Up to 100 access lists can be defined in the system, with each list having up to 100 rules. A given access list can be applied to any number of interfaces. However, the hardware resources are limited and may not be able to fully support 100 completely populated ACLs. The software is designed to allow the user the most flexibility when configuring ACLs, within the limits of the hardware.

The added packet processing required by the ACL feature does not affect switch performance. That is, ACL processing occurs at wirespeed.

Note

Access control lists that use IPv6 classification rules are not supported on the CN1601 switch.

No ACLs are created by default.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about ACLs:

Command	Description
`show mac access-lists`	Displays summary information for all configured MAC access lists or a specified MAC access list and all of the rules that are defined for it.
`show ip access-lists`	Displays summary information about all IP ACLs configured on the switch.

For more information on the access list commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

ACL configuration overview

To configure ACLs, follow these steps:

1. Create an ACL.
   - Create a MAC ACL by specifying a name.
   - Create an IP ACL by specifying a number.
2. Add new rules to the ACL.
3. Configure the match criteria for the rules.
4. Apply the ACL to one or more interfaces.

Configuration example 1—IP ACL

This example sets up an IP ACL with two rules, one applicable to TCP traffic and one to UDP traffic. The content of the two rules is the same. TCP and UDP packets will only be accepted by the switch if the source and destination stations have IP addresses that fall within the defined sets.

The following commands create an ACL named `list1` and configure a rule for the ACL. The rule permits packets carrying TCP traffic that match the specified source IP address and sends them to the specified destination IP address.

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#access-list 100 permit tcp 192.168.77.0 0.0.0.255 192.168.77.3
0.0.0.0
```

The following commands define the rule to set similar conditions for UDP traffic as for TCP traffic:

```
(CN1601) (Config)#access-list 100 permit udp 192.168.77.0 0.0.0.255 192.168.7
7.3 0.0.0.255
```

The following commands apply the rule to outbound (egress) traffic on port 0/2. Only traffic matching the criteria will be accepted:

```
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/2
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#ip access-group 100 out
(CN1601) (Interface 0/2)#exit
```

Configuration example 2—MAC ACL

The following steps configure a MAC ACL that denies traffic with any MAC address access to hosts with a MAC address of `00:11:22:33:XX:XX`, where `XX` is any hexadecimal value (1-F). The `log` parameter specifies that the system should keep track of the number of times the rule is applied to traffic that meets the rule criteria. When a frame entering the port matches the rule, the rule hit counter increments. Every five minutes the ACL application checks the counter. If the counter indicates that the rule has been applied since the last time it was checked, the ACL application logs a message indicating which rule was applied and how many times it was hit during that time period.

The rule is applied to interface 0/5 in the inbound direction and has a priority value of 6 (the lower the number, the higher the priority).

The following commands set up a MAC access list and enter into MAC ACL Config mode:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#mac access-list extended mac1
(CN1601) (Config-mac-access-list)#
```

The following commands specify MAC ACL attributes:

```
(CN1601) (Config-mac-access-list)#deny any 00:11:22:33:44:55 00:00:00:00:FF:
FF log
(CN1601) (Config-mac-access-list)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#
```

The following commands configure the MAC access group on an interface:

```
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/5
(CN1601) (config-if-0/5)#mac access-group mac1 in 6
```

IEEE 802.1X

Feature overview

LANs are often deployed in environments that allow unauthorized devices to be physically attached to the LAN infrastructure, or allow unauthorized users to attempt to access the LAN through equipment already attached. In such environments, it may be desirable to restrict access to the services offered by the LAN.

Port-based network access control makes use of the physical characteristics of LAN infrastructures to provide a means of authenticating and authorizing devices attached to a LAN port. Port-based network access control prevents access to the port in cases in which the authentication and authorization process fails. A port is defined as a single point of attachment to the LAN.

The software also supports VLAN assignment clients based on the RADIUS server authentication. The CN1601 switch supports an 802.1X Authenticator service with a local authentication server or authentication that uses remote RADIUS or TACACS+ servers.

Supported security methods for communication with remote servers include MD5, PEAP, EAP-TTL, EAP-TTLS, and EAP-TLS.

Local 802.1X authentication server

The CN1601 switch supports a dedicated database for local authentication of users for network access through the 802.1X feature. This functionality is distinct from management access for the switch. This feature supports creating users for 802.1X (port) access only.

Multiuser VLAN assignment

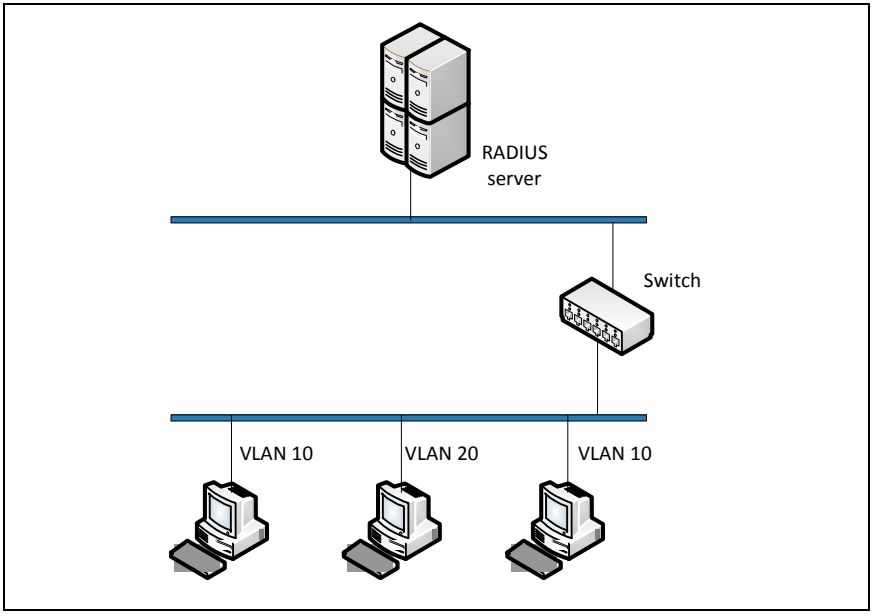
The multiuser VLAN assignment feature allows RADIUS-specified attributes, such as the VLAN ID and Filter ID, to be associated with an authenticated client. When a client authenticates successfully, if a VLAN attribute is sent by the RADIUS server, the client is associated with the RADIUS-assigned VLAN; that is, traffic from and to that client flows through the RADIUS-assigned VLAN.

MAC-based 802.1X

The MAC-Based Authentication is an extension to IEEE 802.1X. This feature focuses on supporting authentication of multiple clients per port; that is, though a port is authorized by one of the clients connected to the port, the other clients that

are connected to the same port of the switch do not have access to the port. Instead, every client must authenticate itself before the client can get access to the port.

When a client authenticates itself initially on the network, the switch acts as the authenticator to the clients on the network, as shown in the following figure. The switch forwards authentication requests from a client to the RADIUS server. If the authentication succeeds, the port is placed in an authorized state and the client is able to forward or receive traffic through the port.



In a standard 802.1X scenario, all subsequent clients in the network that are connected to the same port need not authenticate to use the port on the switch. When MAC-based 802.1X authentication is enabled, all the subsequent clients in the network that are connected to the same port must authenticate themselves to use the port on the switch.

MAC authentication bypass

Today, 802.1X has become the recommended port-based authentication method at the access layer in enterprise networks. However, there may be 802.1X unaware devices such as printers, fax-machines, and other equipment that would require access to the network without 802.1X authentication. MAC Authentication Bypass (MAB) is a supplemental authentication mechanism to

allow 802.1X unaware clients to authenticate to the network. It uses the 802.1X infrastructure and MAB cannot be supported independent of the 802.1X component.

MAC Authentication Bypass (MAB) provides 802.1X-unaware clients controlled access to the network by using the devices' MAC address as an identifier. This requires that the known and allowable MAC address and corresponding access rights be prepopulated in the authentication server. MAB only works when the port control mode of the port is MAC-based.

MAB can be configured per port. This also makes it possible for the 802.1X-unaware client to be placed in a RADIUS assigned VLAN or apply a specific Filter ID to the client traffic.

Guest VLAN

The guest VLAN feature enables the switch to provide a distinguished service to unauthenticated users (not rogue users who fail authentication). This feature provides a mechanism to allow visitors and contractors to have network access to reach an external network with no ability to surf an internal LAN.

When a client that does not support 802.1X is connected to an unauthorized port that is 802.1X-enabled, the client does not respond to the 802.1X requests from the switch. Therefore, the port remains in the unauthorized state, and the client is not granted access to the network. If a guest VLAN is configured for that port, then the port is placed in the configured guest VLAN, and the port is moved to the authorized state, allowing access to the client.

Client devices that are 802.1X supplicant-enabled authenticate with the switch when they are plugged into the 802.1X-enabled switch port. The switch verifies the credentials of the client by communicating with an authentication server. If the credentials are verified, the authentication server informs the switch to 'unblock' the switch port and allows the client unrestricted access to the network; that is, the client is a member of an internal VLAN.

Guest VLAN supplicant mode is a global configuration for all the ports on the switch. When a port is configured for guest VLAN in this mode, if a client fails authentication on the port, the client is assigned to the guest VLAN configured on that port. The port is assigned a guest VLAN ID and is moved to the authorized status. Disabling the supplicant mode does not clear the ports that are already authorized or the assigned guest VLAN IDs.

802.1X monitor mode

Monitor mode is a special mode that can be enabled in conjunction with 802.1X authentication. It allows network access even in cases where there is a failure to authenticate but logs the results of the authentication process for diagnostic purposes. The exact details are described in the following sections. The main aim of monitor mode is to provide a mechanism to the operator to be able to identify the short-comings in the configuration of a 802.1X authentication on the switch without affecting the network access to the users of the switch.

RADIUS-based dynamic VLAN assignment

If VLAN assignment is enabled in the RADIUS server, then as part of the response message, the RADIUS server sends the VLAN ID which the client is requested to use in the 802.1X tunnel attributes. If dynamic VLAN creation is enabled on the switch and the RADIUS assigned VLAN does not exist, then the assigned VLAN is dynamically created. This implies that the client can connect from any port and be assigned to the appropriate VLAN. This gives flexibility for clients to move around the network without requiring the operator to perform additional provisioning for each network interface.

Features not supported

- As stated in section C.2.2 in IEEE 802.1X-2001, an Authenticator-enabled switch could reset port counters after authentication succeeds to allow the switch to maintain session statistics. The CN1601 switch does not support this action; therefore, the Authenticator Session Statistics that are defined in IEEE-802.1X-2001 are not supported.
- The configuration option suggested in IEEE 802.1X-2001 section C.3.1 that enables piggybacking prevention/detection is not supported.
- Size restrictions:
  - User Name: 64 bytes
  - RADIUS Server State attribute: 253 bytes
  - RADIUS Server Class attribute: 253 bytes

Defaults

The 801.X MAC-based authentication, guest VLAN, RADIUS authentication, and RADIUS-assigned VLAN features are disabled by default.

For additional default values, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

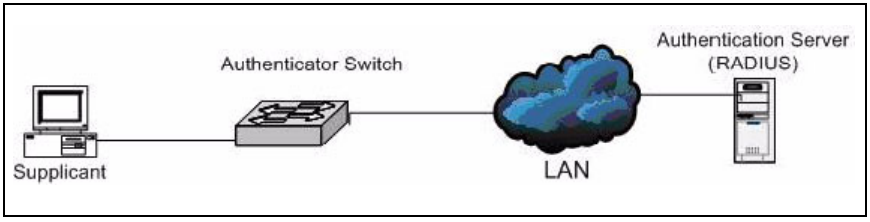
You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the 802.1X feature:

Command	Description
`show dot1x`	Displays summary information for the dot1x configuration for a specified port or all ports, the detailed dot1x configuration for a specified port.
`show dot1x users`	Displays 802.1X port security user information for locally configured users.
`show dot1x statistics`	Displays the dot1x statistics for a specified port.

For more information on the 802.1X commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example 1: RADIUS server authentication

This example configures a single RADIUS server used for authentication at 10.10.10.10. The shared secret is configured to be secret. The process creates a new authentication list, called `radiusList`, which uses RADIUS as the authentication method. This authentication list is associated with the 802.1X default login. 802.1X port-based access control is enabled for the system, and interface 0/1 is configured to be in force-authorized mode because this is where the RADIUS server and protected network resources are located.



If a user, or supplicant, attempts to communicate by using any switch interface except 0/1, the system challenges the supplicant for login credentials. The system encrypts the provided information and transmits it to the RADIUS server. If the RADIUS server grants access, the system sets the 802.1X port state of the interface to authorized and the supplicant is able to access network resources.

```
(CN1601) (Config)#radius-server host 10.10.10.10
(CN1601) (config-radius)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#radius-server key secret
(CN1601) (Config)#exit
(CN1601) #show radius-servers
IP address    Type  Port  TimeOut Retran. DeadTime Source IP     Prio. Usage
------------- ----- ----- ------- ------- -------- ------------- ----- -----
10.27.5.157   Auth  1812  Global  Global  Global   10.27.65.13   0     all
Global values
Configured Authentication Servers : 1
Configured Accounting Servers : 0
Named Authentication Server Groups : 1
Named Accounting Server Groups : 0
Timeout : 3
Retransmit : 3
Deadtime : 0
Source IP : 0.0.0.0
RADIUS Attribute 4 Mode : Disable
RADIUS Attribute 4 Value : 0.0.0.0
(CN1601) (Config)#aaa authentication login radiusList radius
(CN1601) (Config)#aaa authentication dot1x default radius
(CN1601) (Config)#dot1x system-auth-control
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/1
(CN1601) (config-if-0/1)#dot1x port-control force-authorized
(CN1601) (config-if-0/1)#exit
```

Configuration example 2: MAC-based authentication mode

This example shows how to configure MAC-based 802.1X authentication, which allows multiple hosts to authenticate on a single port. The hosts are distinguished by their MAC addresses.

When multiple hosts (for example, a PC, a printer, and a phone in the same office) are connected to the switch on the same port, each of the connected hosts authenticates separately with the RADIUS server.

The following commands enable MAC-based authentication on port 0/8 and limits the number of devices that can authenticate on that port to 3:

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/8
(CN1601) (config-if-0/8)#dot1x port-control mac-based
(CN1601) (config-if-0/8)#dot1x max-users 3
(CN1601) (config-if-0/8)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#exit
(CN1601) #show dot1x detail 0/8

Port..................................... 0/8
Protocol Version......................... 1
PAE Capabilities......................... Authenticator
Control Mode............................. mac-based
Quiet Period (secs)...................... 60
Transmit Period (secs)................... 30
Guest VLAN ID............................ 0
Guest VLAN Period (secs)................. 90
Supplicant Timeout (secs)................ 30
Server Timeout (secs).................... 30
Maximum Requests......................... 2
Reauthentication Period (secs)........... 3600
Reauthentication Enabled................. FALSE
Key Transmission Enabled................. FALSE
Control Direction........................ both
Maximum Users............................ 3
Unauthenticated VLAN ID.................. 0
```

Configuration example 3: accepting RADIUS-assigned VLANs

The RADIUS server can place a port in a particular VLAN based on the result of the authentication. The command in this example allows the switch to accept VLAN assignment by the RADIUS server:

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#aaa authorization network default radius
```

Configuration example 4: guest VLANs

This example shows how to set the guest VLAN on interface 0/16 to VLAN 100. These commands automatically enable the guest VLAN supplicant mode on the interface.

Note

Define the VLAN before configuring an interface to use it as the guest VLAN.

```
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#interface 0/16
(CN1601) (config-if-0/16)#dot1x guest-vlan 100
(CN1601) (config-if-0/16)# <CTRL+Z>
(CN1601) #show dot1x advanced 0/16
Port      Guest     Unauthenticated
          VLAN      Vlan
--------- --------- ---------------
0/16      Disabled  Disabled
```

SSH

Feature overview

The CN1601 switch includes secure shell (SSH) functionality to help ensure the security of network transactions. The following table details the SSH support:

SSH feature	Component type	
Connection Type	Interactive Login	
Authentication Method	Password	
Ciphers	SSH Version 1 ◆ DES ◆ 3DES ◆ Blowfish	SSH Version 2 ◆ 3DES-CBC ◆ AES128-CBC, AES192-CBC, AES256-CBC ◆ AES128-CTR, AES192-CTR, AES256-CTR ◆ ARCFOUR, ARCFOUR128, ARCFOUR256 ◆ CAST128-CBC ◆ Blowfish-CBC
Hash Algorithms	SSH Version 1 ◆ MD5 ◆ CRC-32	SSH Version 2 ◆ SHA-1 ◆ RIPEMD- ◆ MD5
Key Exchange Methods	Diffie-Hellman	
Compression Algorithms	◆ none ◆ Zlib	
Public Key Algorithms	SSH Version 1 ◆ RSA	SSH Version 2 ◆ DSA ◆ DH

SSH feature	Component type
SSH Protocols	◆ SSH 1.5 ◆ SSH 2.0

Keys and certificates can be generated externally (that is, offline) and downloaded to the target or generated directly by the switch.

Defaults

The following defaults apply to SSH:

- SSH is disabled.
- When enabled, both SSH versions are enabled.
- Up to five concurrent SSH sessions are permitted.
- SSH sessions time out after five minutes if there is no user activity.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` command in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the SSH feature:

Command	Description
`show ip ssh`	Displays global ssh settings.

For more information on the access list commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

The following commands configure SSH server version 2 with DSA and RSA keys:

```
(CN1601) #ip ssh protocol 2
(CN1601) #configure
(CN1601) (Config)#crypto key generate dsa
(CN1601) (Config)#crypto key generate rsa
(CN1601) (Config)#exit
(CN1601) #ip ssh server enable
```

RADIUS

Feature overview

Managing and determining the validity of users in a large network can be significantly simplified by making use of a single database of accessible information as in an authentication server. These servers are most commonly found to be supporting the Remote Authentication Dial In User Service (RADIUS) protocol as defined by RFC 2865.

RADIUS allows access to a user's authentication and configuration information contained on the server only when requests are received from a client that shares an encrypted secret with the server. This “secret” is never transmitted over the network in an attempt to maintain a secure environment. Any requests from clients that are not appropriately configured with the secret or access from unauthorized devices are silently discarded by the server.

Note

Silently discarded packets are abandoned without any further processing; however, the CN1601 switch RADIUS client generates logs and increments status counters to record these occurrences.

RADIUS conforms to a client/server model with secure communications that use UDP as a transport protocol. It is extremely flexible, supporting a variety of methods to authenticate and statistically track users. It is very extensible allowing for new methods of authentication to be added without disrupting existing functionality. This section describes the implementation of portions of a RADIUS client and extensions as supported by the CN1601 switch.

RADIUS server functionality is not supported. The client communicates exclusively with external RADIUS servers accessible through a network interface.

Authentication operation

The RADIUS standard has become the protocol of choice by administrators of large accessible networks when authenticating users prior to access. To accomplish the authentication in a secure manner, a RADIUS client and a RADIUS server must both be configured with the same shared password or “secret.” This secret is used to generate one-way encrypted authenticators that are present in all RADIUS packets. These authenticators sufficiently reduce the possibility of a malicious user correctly spoofing packets without knowledge of the exact secret.

As a user attempts to connect to a functioning RADIUS supported network, contact is first detected by a device referred to as the Network Access Server (NAS). The NAS prompts the user for a name and password. The supplied information is then encrypted and a request is transported by a RADIUS client to a preconfigured RADIUS server. The server may authenticate the user itself, or make use of a back-end device to ascertain authenticity. In either case, a response may or may not be forthcoming to the client. If the server accepts the user, a positive result is returned with attributes containing configuration information. If the server rejects the user, a negative result is returned. If the server rejects the client or the shared secrets differ, no result is returned.

If the server requires additional verification from the user, a challenge is returned and the request process is started again. This challenge mechanism works if the application using RADIUS is 802.1X; it will not work, however, if the application using RADIUS is the User Manager. There is no state information maintained as requests are preserved and then correlated to responses before verifying their authenticity. If an authentication request times out, after a configurable timeout period elapses, the client can retransmit packets and use alternate servers. All sensitive information is encrypted by using the MD5 algorithm, and the shared secret is never sent over the network.

Limitations

The following limitations apply to RADIUS client support:

- RFC 2865 has effectively limited the number of outstanding requests that can be simply correlated with any received responses to 256.
- Although the underlying RADIUS code supports challenge messages, the switch user interface does not integrate support for RADIUS challenge messages.
- The RADIUS implementation on the CN1601 switch does not support IPv6.

Defaults

RADIUS authentication and accounting is disabled and no servers are configured by default.

For additional default values, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

CLI show commands

You can use the following `show` commands in Privileged EXEC mode to view information about the RADIUS feature:

Command	Description
`show radius`	Displays the values configured for the global parameters of the RADIUS client.
`show radius accounting`	Displays a summary of configured RADIUS accounting servers.
`show radius servers`	Displays the summary and details of RADIUS authenticating servers configured for the RADIUS client.
`show radius statistics`	Displays a summary of statistics for the configured RADIUS accounting servers.

For more information on the RADIUS commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example 1: Two RADIUS servers

This example configures two RADIUS servers at 10.10.10.10 and 11.11.11.11. Each server has a unique shared secret key. The shared secrets are configured to be secret1 and secret2 respectively. The server at 10.10.10.10 is configured as the primary server. The process creates a new authentication list, called `radiusList`, which uses RADIUS as the primary authentication method, and local authentication as a backup method in the event that the RADIUS server cannot be contacted.

```
(CN1601) (Config)#radius-server host 10.10.10.10
(CN1601) (config-radius)#key secret1
(CN1601) (config-radius)#priority 1
(CN1601) (config-radius)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#radius-server host 11.11.11.11
(CN1601) (config-radius)#key secret2
(CN1601) (config-radius)#priority 50
(CN1601) (config-radius)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#aaa authentication login radiusList radius local
(CN1601) (Config)#aaa authentication dot1x default radius
```

When a user attempts to log in, the switch prompts for a username and password. The switch then attempts to communicate with the primary RADIUS server at 10.10.10.10. Upon a successful connection with the server, the login credentials

will be exchanged over an encrypted channel. The server grants or denies access, which the switch honors, and either allows or does not allow the user to access the switch.

If neither of the two servers can be contacted, the switch searches its local user database for the user.

Configuration example 2: setting the NAS IP address

The NAS-IP-Address attribute identifies the IP address of the network authentication server (NAS) that is requesting authentication of the user. The address should be unique to the NAS within the scope of the RADIUS server.

The NAS IP address is only used in RADIUS Access-Request packets. Either the NAS-IP-Address field or the NASIdentifier field must be present in an Access-Request packet.

The following command sets the NAS-IP address. If you do not specify an IP address in the command, the NAS-IP address uses the interface IP address that connects the switch to the RADIUS server.

```
(CN1601) #config
(CN1601) (Config)#radius-server attribute 4 192.168.20.12
```

TACACS+

Feature overview

TACACS+ provides access control for networked devices by using one or more centralized servers, similar to RADIUS. This protocol simplifies authentication by making use of a single database that can be shared by many clients on a large network. TACACS+ is based on the TACACS protocol (described in RFC1492) but also provides for separate authentication, authorization, and accounting services. The original protocol was UDP-based, with messages passed in clear text over the network; TACACS+ uses TCP to ensure reliable delivery, and uses a shared key configured on the client and daemon server to encrypt all messages.

When TACACS+ is configured as the authentication method for a user login type (CLI), NAS prompts for the user login credentials and requests services from the TACACS+ client; the client then uses the configured list of servers for authentication and provides results back to the NAS.

The TACACS+ server list is configured with one or more hosts defined by their network IP address or host name; each can be assigned a priority to determine the order in which the TACACS+ client will contact them, and a server is contacted when a connection attempt fails or times out for a higher priority server. Each server host can be separately configured with a specific connection type, port, timeout, shared key, and source IP value, or the global configuration can be used. Like RADIUS, the TACACS+ server may do the authentication itself, or redirect the request to another back-end device. All sensitive information is encrypted based on a shared secret key and a series of MD5 hashes, as specified in the protocol. The shared secret is never passed over the network.

The TACACS+ client supports the login and change password authentication messages with the ASCII authentication type.

Note

The TACACS+ client does not support IPv6.

Supported parameters and defaults

The following TACACS+ parameters can be configured or viewed using the CLI:

Name	Description	Range	Default
Server IP address	IP address of remote TACACS+ server	Valid IP address	None
Server host name	DNS host name of remote TACACS+ server	1 character – 158 characters	None
Priority	The contact order preference for TACACS+ servers.	0–65535	0 (highest precedence)
Port	TCP port for communication	0–65535	49
Server timeout	Connection timeout in seconds	1 sec.–30 sec.	5
Shared key	Encryption key shared between host and server	0 character–128 characters	None

For more information on the TACACS+ commands, see the *CN1601 Network Switch CLI Command Reference*.

Configuration example

This example configures two TACACS+ servers at 10.10.10.10 and 11.11.11.11. Each server has a unique shared secret key. The server at 10.10.10.10 has a default priority of 0, the highest priority, while the other server has a priority of 2. The process creates a new authentication list, called `tacacsList`, which uses TACACS+ to authenticate, and uses local authentication as a backup method.

When a user attempts to log into the switch, the NAS or switch prompts for a username and password. The switch attempts to communicate with the highest priority configured TACACS+ server at 10.10.10.10. Upon successful connection with the server, the switch and server exchange the login credentials over an encrypted channel. The server then grants or denies access, which the switch honors, and either allows or does not allow the user to gain access to the switch. If neither of the two servers can be contacted, the switch searches its local user database for the user.

```
(CN1601) # config
(CN1601) (Config)#tacacs-server host 10.10.10.10
(CN1601) (Config)#key tacacs1
(CN1601) (Config)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#tacacs-server host 11.11.11.11
(CN1601) (Config)#key tacacs2
(CN1601) (Config)#priority 2
(CN1601) (Config)#exit
(CN1601) (Config)#aaa authentication login tacacsList tacacs local
```

Glossary

AAA	Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting
ACL	Access Control List
ARP	Address Resolution Protocol
CIST	Common and Internal Spanning Tree
CLI	Command-Line Interface
DHCP	Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
DSCP	Differentiated Services Code Point
EAP	Extensible Authentication Protocol
EAPOL	EAP over LAN
GARP	Generic Attribution Registration Protocol
GVRP	GARP VLAN Registration Protocol
IGMP	Internet Group Management Protocol

IVL	Independent VLAN
LACP	Link Aggregation Control Protocol
MAC	Media Access Control
MDIX	Management Dependent Interface Crossover
Mirror port	Source Mirror Port (the port that mirrors to probe)
Mirroring port	Destination Mirror Port
Monitor port	Destination Mirror Port (the port with probe attached)
MSTP	Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol
NIM	Network Interface Manager
PAE	Port Access Entity
Probe port	Destination Mirror Port (the port with probe attached)
QoS	Quality of Service
RADIUS	Remote Authentication Dial In User Service

RSTP Rapid Spanning Tree Protocol

SNTP Simple Network Time Protocol

SSH Secure Shell

STP Spanning Tree Protocol

TACACS Terminal Access Controller Access Control System

VLAN Virtual LAN

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