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SHOW & DEBUG COMMANDS

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# sh ip vrf - Displays the list of all VRFs configured in the router

# sh ip vrf [detail] [interfaces] {VRF-NAME} - Displays detailed VRF configuration
= Displays interfaces associated with VRFs

# sh ip protocols vrf {name} - Displays the routing protocols configured in a VRF

# sh ip route vrf {name} [summary] - Displays the VRF routing table
= [Summary] : Displays a summary of routes

# sh ip bgp vpnv4 [all|RD|vrf{name}] labels - Displays the labels associated with VPNv4 routes
# sh ip bgp vpnv4 vrf {name} - Displays per-VRF BGP parameters
# sh ip bgp vpnv4 rd {ASN:nn} - Displays the NLRI prefixes that have a matching RD.
# sh ip bgp vpnv4 all - Displays whole VPNv4 table
# sh ip bgp neighbors [IP] - Displays global BGP neighbors and the protocols negotiated with these neighbors.

# sh mpls interface {int} [detail] - Displays the Interfaces that have mpls enabled on it.
= Displays MPLS status on individual interfaces
= Can be used to check MTU setting.

# sh mpls ldp parameters - Displays the LDP parameters on the local router
# sh mpls ldp discovery [vrf|all] - Displays all discovered LDP neighbors
# sh mpls ldp neighbor [vrf] [int] [detail] - Displays the individual LDP neighbors
= LDP Neighbors knows over a specific interface
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# sh mpls forwarding vrf {name} - Displays labels allocated by an MPLS VPN for routes in the specified VRF

# sh mpls forwarding-table [detail|labels|vrf|next-hop|int]
- Displays the LFIB ***

# sh mpls ldp bindings - Displays the LIB *** (LIB=TIB)

# sh ip cef [detail] [summary] [unresolved]
- Displays the FIB ***
= Detail : Displays Ingress imposed labels on edge LSR's
= unresolved : shows the unresolved FIB entries
= summary : of the FIB table

# sh ip cef vrf {name} - Displays per-VRF CEF table
# sh ip cef vrf {name} {ip-prefix} {detail} - Displays details of an individual CEF entry, including label stack

# debug mpls ldp - Debugs LDP adjacencies, session establishment, label bindings exchanges
# debug mpls lfib - Debugs LFIB events: label creations, removals, rewrites.
# debug mpls packets [int] - Debugs labeled packets switched by router

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BASIC CONFIGURATIONS

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#ip cef [distributed] Step1 - Enable CEF Globally.
= This command starts CEF switching and created the FIB table

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#ip route-cache cef Step1 - Enable CEF per Interface

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#mpls label protocol [ldp|tdp|both] Step2 - Starts selected label distribution protocol on the specified interface.
= From IOS 12.4(3) LDP is default.

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#mpls ip / (tag-switching ip) Step3 - Enables label switching on a frame-mode interface
= Starts LDP on that interface.
= 'tag-switching ip' is old config.

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#mpls ldp router-id {interface} [force]
- Configure the MPLS ID
= Would be the 1st step if done
= Global command
= Disabled by default.
= {interface}: Causes the IP of the specified INT to be used as the LDP router ID,
provided that the INT is operational.
= [force]: Alters the behavior of the mpls ldp router-id command to force the use of
the named interface as the LDP router ID.

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#mpls mtu {bytes}
- Configure the MTU size for labeled packets
= Changes the Maximum size of Labelled packets.
= Interface MTU is automatically increased on WAN interfaces; IP MTU is
  automatically decreased on LAN interfaces.
= Label-switching MTU can be increased on LAN interfaces (resulting in jumbo frames)
  to prevent IP fragmentation.
= Min MTU is 64 bytes, Max MTU depends on the interfaces type.
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#no mpls ip propagate-ttl [forwarded|local] - Configure IP TTL Propagation
= Be default TTL-Propagation is ENABLED
= Disables TTL-Propagation, useful to hide core routers.
= Forwarded : Trace doesn't work for transit traffic labeled by this router
= Local : Trace doesn't work from the router, but transit traffic does.
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#mpls ldp adv-labels [FOR prefix-acl [TO peer-acl]]
- Configure Conditional label advertising
= By default, labels for all destinations are announced to all LDP or TDP neighbors.
= Conditional label advertisement works only over frame-mode interfaces.
= Enables you to selectively advertise some labels to some LDP neighbors.
= FOR : ACL that selects the destinations for which labels are generated.
= TO : ACL that selects the mpls neighbors that will receive the labels
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EXAMPLE: to only advertise labels for only loopback interfaces ie BGP next-hops

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#no mpls ldp advertise-labels
#access-list 90 permit 192.168.254.0 0.0.0.255
#access-list 91 permit any
#mpls ldp advertise-labels for 90 to 91 => networks mathcing ACL90 are send to neighbors matching ACL91
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VRF Tables
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#ip vrf {vrf-name}	Step1 - Creates a new VRF or enters configuration of an existing VRF = VRF names are case-sensitive. = VRF is not operational unless you configure RD. = VRF names have only local significance.
#rd {route-distinguisher}	Step2 - This command assigns a route distinguisher to a VRF. = You can use ASN:nn or A.B.C.D:nn format for RD
#route-target export {RT}	Step3 - Specifies an RT to be attached to every route exported from this VRF to MPBGP
#route-target import {RT}	Step3 - Specifies an RT to be used as an import filter (Only routes matching the RT are imported into the VRF.)
#int fa0/0 #ip vrf forwarding {vrf-name}	Step4 - This command associates an interface with the specified VRF. = CEF must be enable for the interface.
#vpn id {oui:vpn-index}	- OPTIONAL command that assigns a VPN ID to the VRF.

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#maximum routes limit {warn-threshold |warn-only}
- OPTIONAL command configures the maximum number of routes accepted into a VRF:
= Limit : is the route limit for the VRF.
= Warn-threshold : is the percentage value over which a warning message
  is sent to syslog.
= Warn-only : creates a syslog error message when the maximum number of routes
  exceeds the threshold.

#import map {route-map}
- Configures selective VRF Import.
= This command attaches a route map to the VRF import process.
= A route is imported into the VRF only if at least one RT attached to the
  route-map matches one RT configured in the VRF and
  the route is accepted by the route map.(permit)

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  PE and PE: MP-iBGP
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#router bgp {ASN}
#neighbor {IP} remote-as {R-ASN}
#neighbor {IP} update-source Loopback0
- All MP-BGP neighbors have to be configured under global BGP routing config.
- MP-IBGP sessions have to run between loopback interfaces.

#address-family vpnv4
#neighbor {IP} activate
- Selects configuration of VPNv4 prefix exchanges under MP-BGP sessions.
- The BGP neighbor defined under BGP router configuration has to be activated
  for VPNv4 route exchange.

#neighbor {IP} [next-hop-self]
#neighbor {IP} send-community [std|ext|both]
- Change the 'next-hop' ip to local peer address.
- This command with the extended option is enabled by default.
- Extended is required for RT propagation.

#no bgp default ipv4-unicast
- This command disables the default exchange of IPv4 routes.
- Neighbors that need to receive IPv4 routes have to be activated for
  IPv4 route exchange.

#address-family ipv4
#no neighbor {IP} activate
- 2nd way to disable IPv4 route exchange

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  PE to CE: Static route
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#ip route vrf {name} {prefix} {mask} [interface] [next-hop-address] [Global] [Permanent] [tag {tag}]
- This command configures per-VRF static routes
- The route is entered in the VRF table.
- You must specify a next-hop IP if you are not using a point-to-point interface.
= [global]: the given next-hop will be in the non-VRF routing table.
= [permanent]: the route not to be removed even if the interface is shut down.

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  PE to CE: RIP
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#router rip
#version 2
#address-family ipv4 vrf {name}
#redistribute bgp {ASN} metric transparent
- Version MUST be specified as version 2!
- The RIP hop count has to be manually set for routes redistributed into RIP.
- BGP routes must be redistributed back into RIP.
- When you are using RIP with other protocols, the metric must be manually set.
= For end-to-end RIP networks, the following applies:
  > On the sending end, the RIP hop count is copied into the BGP MED.
  > On the receiving end, the metric transparent option copies the BGP
MED into the RIP hop count, resulting in a consistent end-to-end RIP hop count.

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  PE to CE: EIGRP
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#router eigrp {process-id}
#address-family ipv4 vrf {name}
#autonomous-system {ASN}
- Enables the EIGRP AS number of the CE under the address family.
- Configures per-instance AS number

#redistribute bgp {ASN} metric {metric-value}
- External routes received without the configured metric are not to be
advertised to the CE router

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  EIGRP SOO Loop-Prevention
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> The Site Of Origin extended community can be used to prevent loops in dual-homed scenarios.
> A unique SOO value must be configured for each VPN site. This value must be used on the PE-CE interface

#route-map {name} permit {seq}
#set extcommunity soo {extended-community }
(config-if)#ip vrf sitemap route-map-name
- Creates a route map that sets the SOO attribute
- Applies a route map that sets SOO extended community attribute
to inbound routing updates received from this interface

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  PE to CE: OSPF
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#router ospf process-id vrf {name}
step1 - This command starts a Separate OSPF routing process for every VRF.
= The total number of routing processes per router is limited to 32.

#redistribute bgp as-number subnets
step2 - This command redistributes MP-BGP routes into OSPF.
= The subnets keyword is mandatory for proper operation.

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#router bgp {ASN}
#address-family ipv4 vrf {name}
#redistribute ospf {pid} [match [internal] [ex1] [ex2]] {tag {value}}
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  SHAM LINK
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#router ospf pid vrf {name}
  #area {id} sham-link {src-ip} {dst-ip} cost {number}
#neighbor {IP} maximum-prefix {no} [threshold] [warning-only]
#neighbor {ip} as-override
#neighbor allowas-in {no}
#route-map {name} permit {seq}
  #set extcommunity soo {extended-community}
#ip vrf sitemap route-map-name

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step3 - Enters the Bgp process

- OSPF-BGP route redistribution is configured with the redistribute command under the proper address-family command.
- Without the OSPF match keyword specified, only internal OSPF routes are redistributed into OSPF.
- = {tag} Internal OSPF routes have no tag field.
- = The tag field can be set manually on the router, when redistributing routes between OSPF domains.

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PE to CE: eBGP

- Configures a Sham Link.
- A separate /32 address space is required in each PE router for each sham link.
- Select per-VRF BGP context with the address-family command.
- Configure CE EBGP neighbors in the VRF context, not in the global BGP config.
- CE neighbors have to be activated with the neighbor activate command.

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OPTIONAL CONFIG

- Controls how many prefixes can be received from a neighbor
- = Threshold : specifies the percentage where a warning message is logged (default is 75 percent)
- = warning-only : specifies the action on exceeding the maximum number (default is to drop peering)
- Configures the AS-override AS path update procedure for the specified neighbor.
- > If the first AS number in the AS path is equal to the neighboring AS, it is replaced with the provider AS number.
- An incoming update is rejected only if the AS number of the PE router appears in the AS path more often than the configured limit.
- > Used when one CE is connected to two VPN in the same AS (two VRFs, 1 ASN) via BGP and routes are relayed from one to the other.
- Configuring Site Of Origin.
- Creates a route map that sets the SOO attribute
- Applies a route map that sets SOO extended community attribute to inbound routing updates received from this interface

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TROUBLESHOOTING MPLS and LDP
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1 - The LDP session does not start.
2 - Labels are not allocated.
3 - Labels are not distributed.
4 - Packets are not labeled, although the labels have been distributed.
5 - MPLS intermittently breaks after an interface failure.
6 - Large packets are not propagated across the network.

- 1 - LDP Session Startup Issues
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Symptom-1
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- LDP neighbors are not discovered.
= The 'show mpls ldp discovery' command does not display expected LDP neighbors.
Diagnosis
- MPLS is not enabled on the adjacent router.
Verification
- Verify with the 'show mpls interface' command on the adjacent router

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Symptom-2
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- LDP neighbors are not discovered.
Diagnosis
= There is a label distribution protocol mismatch-TDP on one end, LDP on the other end.
Verification
- Verify with the show mpls interface detail command on both routers.

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Symptom-3
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- LDP neighbors are not discovered.
Diagnosis
= Packet filter drops LDP neighbor discovery packets.
Verification
- Verify access list presence with the show ip interface command.
- Verify access list contents with the show access-list command.

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Symptom-4

- LDP neighbors are discovered; the LDP session is not established.
- The show mpls ldp neighbor command does not display a neighbor in operational state.

Diagnosis

- = The connectivity between loopback interfaces is broken;
- = The LDP session is usually established between loopback interfaces of adjacent LSRs.

Verification

- Verify connectivity with the extended ping command.

- 2 - Label Allocation Issues

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Symptom

- Labels are not allocated for local routes.
- The show mpls forwarding-table command does not display any labels.

Diagnosis

= CEF is not enabled.

Verification

- Verify with the show ip cef command

- 3 - Label Distribution Issues

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Symptom

- Labels are allocated, but not distributed.
- Using the show mpls ldp bindings command on the adjacent LSR does not display labels from this LSR.

Diagnosis

= There are problems with conditional label distribution.

Verification

- Debug label distribution with debug mpls ldp advertisements.
- Examine the neighbor LDP router IP address with the show mpls ldp discovery command.
- Verify that the neighbor LDP router IP address is matched by the access list specified in the mpls advertise command

- 4 - Packet Labeling Issues

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Symptom

- Labels are distributed, but packets are not labeled.
- Using the show interface statistic command does not show labeled packets being sent.

Diagnosis

= CEF is not enabled on the input interface (potentially because of a conflicting feature being configured).

Verification

- Verify with the show cef interface command.

- 5 - Intermittent MPLS Failures After Interface Failure

Symptom

- The overall MPLS connectivity in a router intermittently breaks after an interface failure.

Diagnosis

- = The IP address of a physical interface is used for the LDP (or TDP) identifier. Configure a loopback interface on the router.

Verification

- Verify the local LDP identifier with the show mpls ldp neighbors command

- 6 - Packet Propagation Issues

Symptom

- Large packets are not propagated across the network.
- Use of the extended ping command with varying packet sizes fails for packet sizes close to 1500
- In some cases, MPLS might work, but MPLS VPN will fail.

Diagnosis

- = There are label MTU issues or switches that do not support jumbo frames in the forwarding path.

Verification

- Issue the traceroute command through the forwarding path; identify all LAN segments in the path.
- Verify the label MTU setting on routers attached to LAN segments.
- Check for low-end switches in the transit path

Troubleshooting MPLS VPN

-1- Verifying the routing information flow CE-to-CE

- 1.1 = Are CE routes received by a PE Ingress router?
- 1.2 = Are routes redistributed into MP-BGP with proper extended communities?
- 1.3 = Are VPNv4 routes propagated to other PE routers?
- 1.4 = Is the BGP route selection process working correctly?
- 1.5 = Are VPNv4 routes inserted into VRFs on other Egress PE routers?
- 1.6 = Are VPNv4 routes redistributed from BGP into the PE-CE routing protocol?
- 1.7 = Are IPv4 routes propagated to other CE routers?

-2- Identifying the Issues When Verifying the Data Flow

- 2.1 = Is CEF enabled on the ingress PE router interface?
- 2.2 = Is the CEF entry correct on the ingress PE router?
- 2.3 = Is there an end-to-end label switched path tunnel (LSP tunnel) between PE routers?
- 2.4 = Is the LFIB entry on the egress PE router correct?

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1.1 Are CE1 routes received by the PE1 Ingress router?

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- Verify with the {show ip route vrf vrf-name} command on PE-1

1.2 Are routes redistributed into MP-BGP with proper extended communities?

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- Verify with the {show ip bgp vpnv4 vrf vrf-name ip-prefix} command on PE-1.
 - Troubleshoot with {debug ip bgp} commands

1.3 Are VPNv4 routes propagated to other PE routers?

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- Verify with the {show ip bgp vpnv4 all ip-prefix/length} command on PE-1.
 - Troubleshoot PE-to-PE connectivity with traditional BGP troubleshooting tools.

1.4 Is the BGP route selection process working correctly?

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- Verify with the {show ip bgp vpnv4 vrf vrf-name ip-prefix} command on PE-2.
 - Change local preference or weight settings if needed.
 - Do not change MED if you are using IGP-BGP redistribution on PE-2.

1.5 Are VPNv4 routes inserted into VRFs on other PE Egress routers?

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- Verify with the {show ip route vrf} command on PE-2.
 - Troubleshoot with the {show ip bgp ip-prefix} and {show ip vrf detail} command.
 - Perform additional BGP troubleshooting if needed.

1.6 Are VPNv4 routes redistributed from BGP into the PE-CE routing protocol?

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- Verify redistribution configuration—is the IGP metric specified?
 - Perform traditional routing protocol troubleshooting.

1.7 Are IPv4 routes propagated to other CE routers?

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- Verify with the {show ip route} command on CE-Spoke.
 - Alternatively, do CE-Spokes have a default route toward PE-2?
 - Perform traditional routing protocol troubleshooting if needed.

2.1 = Is CEF enabled on the ingress PE router interface?

- Verify with the {show cef interface} command on PE-1
- MPLS VPN needs CEF enabled on the ingress PE router interface for proper operation.
- CEF might become disabled because of additional features deployed on the interface.

2.2 = Is the CEF entry correct on the ingress PE router?

- Display the CEF entry with the {show ip cef vrf vrf-name ip-prefix/length detail} command.
- This Command displays the Local Label
- Verify the label stack in the CEF entry.
- The top label in the stack should correspond to the BGP next-hop label as displayed by the following :
{show mpls forwarding-table vrf name prefix}

2.3 = Is there an end-to-end LSP tunnel between PE routers?

- Check summarization issues-BGP next hop should be reachable as host route.
- Quick check-if TTL propagation is disabled, the trace from PE-2 to PE-1 should contain only one hop.
- If needed, check LFIB values hop by hop.
- Check for MTU issues on the path-MPLS VPN requires a larger label header than pure MPLS.

2.4 = Is the LFIB entry on the egress PE router correct?

- Find out the second label in the label stack on PE-2 with the {show ip cef vrf vrf-name ip-prefix detail} command.
- Verify correctness of LFIB entry on PE-1 with the {show mpls forwarding vrf vrf-name value detail} command