Configuring MPLS and RSVP with CLI

This section provides information to configure MPLS and RSVP using the command line interface.

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MPLS Configuration Overview

Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) enables routers to forward traffic based on a simple label embedded into the packet header. A router examines the label to determine the next hop for the packet, saving time for router address lookups to the next node when forwarding packets. MPLS is not enabled by default and must be explicitly enabled.

In order to implement MPLS, the following entities must be configured:

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LSPs

To configure MPLS-signaled label-switched paths (LSPs), an LSP must run from an ingress router to an egress router. Configure only the ingress router and configure LSPs to allow the software to make the forwarding decisions or statically configure some or all routers in the path. The LSP is set up by Resource Reservation Protocol (RSVP), through RSVP signaling messages. The router automatically manages label values. Labels that are automatically assigned have values ranging from 1,024 through 1,048,575 (see Label Values on page 24).

A static LSP is a manually set up LSP where the nexthop IP address and the outgoing label are explicitly specified.

Paths

To configure signaled LSPs, you must first create one or more named paths on the ingress router. For each path, the transit routers (hops) in the path are specified.
Router Interface

At least one router interface and one system interface must be defined in the `config-router>interface` context in order to configure MPLS on an interface.

Choosing the Signaling Protocol

If only static label switched paths are used in your configurations, then you must manually define the paths through the MPLS network. Label mappings and actions configured at each hop must be specified. You do not need to enable RSVP or LDP if you are configuring static LSPs.

If dynamic LSP signaling is implemented in your network, then one of the two supported signaling protocols, RSVP or LDP, must be specified. Enable signaling protocols only on the links where the functionality is required.

In order to implement MPLS, the following entities must be enabled:

- MPLS must be enabled on all routers that are part of an LSP.
- RSVP or LDP must be enabled on the same routers.

When MPLS is enabled and either RSVP or LDP is also enabled, MPLS uses RSVP or LDP to set up the configured LSPs. For example, when you configure an LSP with both MPLS and RSVP running, RSVP initiates a session for the LSP. RSVP uses the local router as the RSVP session sender and the LSP destination as the RSVP session receiver. When the RSVP session is created, the LSP is set up on the path created by the session. If the session is not successfully created, RSVP notifies MPLS; MPLS can then either initiate backup paths or retry the initial path.
Basic MPLS Configuration

This section provides information to configure MPLS and configuration examples of common configuration tasks. To enable MPLS, you must configure at least one MPLS interface. The other MPLS configuration parameters are optional. This follow displays an example of an MPLS configuration.

A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
------------------------------------------
  admin-group "green" 15
  admin-group "yellow" 20
  admin-group "red" 25
  interface "system"
    exit
  interface "StaticLabelPop"
    admin-group "green"
    label-map 50
    pop
    no shutdown
    exit
  exit
  interface "StaticLabelPop"
    label-map 35
    swap 36 nexthop 10.10.10.91
    no shutdown
    exit
  exit
  path "secondary-path"
    no shutdown
  exit
  path "to-NYC"
    hop 1 10.10.10.104  strict
    no shutdown
  exit
  lsp "lsp-to-eastcoast"
    to 10.10.10.104
    from 10.10.10.103
    fast-reroute one-to-one
    exit
  primary "to-NYC"
  exit
  secondary "secondary-path"
  exit
  no shutdown
  exit
  static-lsp "StaticLabelPush"
    to 10.10.11.105
    push 60 nexthop 10.10.11.105
    no shutdown
  exit
  no shutdown
------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
Common Configuration Tasks

This section provides a brief overview of the tasks to configure MPLS and provides the CLI commands.

The following protocols must be enabled on each participating router.

- MPLS
- RSVP (for RSVP-signaled MPLS only)
- LDP

In order for MPLS to run, you must configure at least one MPLS interface in the config>router>mpls context.

- An interface must be created in the config>router>interface context before it can be applied to MPLS.
- In the config>router>mpls context, configure path parameters for configuring LSP parameters. A path specifies some or all hops from ingress to egress. A path can be used by multiple LSPs.
- When an LSP is created, the egress router must be specified in the to command and at least one primary or secondary path must be specified. All other statements under the LSP hierarchy are optional.
Configuring MPLS Components

Use the MPLS and RSVP CLI syntax displayed below for:

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- Configuring an MPLS Interface on page 165
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Configuring Global MPLS Parameters

Admin groups can signify link colors, such as red, yellow, or green. MPLS interfaces advertise the link colors it supports. CSPF uses the information when paths are computed for constrained-based LSPs. CSPF must be enabled in order for admin groups to be relevant.

To configure MPLS admin-group parameters, enter the following commands:

**CLI Syntax:**
```
mpls
   admin-group group-name group-value
   frr-object
   resignal-timer minutes
```

The following displays an admin group configuration example:

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
-----------------------------------------------
resignal-timer 500
admin-group "green" 15
admin-group "yellow" 20
admin-group "red" 25
...
-----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
```
Configuring an MPLS Interface

Configure the label-map parameters if the interface is used in a static LSP. To configure an MPLS interface on a router, enter the following commands:

**CLI Syntax:**

```
config>router>mpls
   interface
   no shutdown
   admin-group group-name [(up to 32 max)]
   label-map
      pop
      swap
      no shutdown
   srlg-group group-name [(up to 5 max)]
   te-metric value
```

The following displays an interface configuration example:

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
--------------------------------------------------------------------------
...interface "to-104"
   admin-group "green"
   admin-group "red"
   admin-group "yellow"
   label-map 35
      swap 36 next-hop 10.10.10.91
         no shutdown
   exit
   exit
   no shutdown
...--------------------------------------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
```
Configuring MPLS Paths

Configure an LSP path to use in MPLS. When configuring an LSP, the IP address of the hops that the LSP should traverse on its way to the egress router must be specified. The intermediate hops must be configured as either strict or loose meaning that the LSP must take either a direct path from the previous hop router to this router (strict) or can traverse through other routers (loose).

Use the following CLI syntax to configure a path:

**CLI Syntax:**
```
config>router> mpls
    path path-name
    hop hop-index ip-address {strict|loose}
    no shutdown
```

The following displays a path configuration example:

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
------------------------------------------
interface "system"
exit
path "secondary-path"
    hop 1 10.10.0.121 strict
    hop 2 10.10.0.145 strict
    hop 3 10.10.0.1 strict
    no shutdown
exit
path "to-NYC"
    hop 1 10.10.10.103 strict
    hop 2 10.10.0.210 strict
    hop 3 10.10.0.215 loose
exit
------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
```
Configuring an MPLS LSP

Configure an LSP path for MPLS. When configuring an LSP, you must specify the IP address of the egress router in the `to` statement. Specify the primary path to be used. Secondary paths can be explicitly configured or signaled upon the failure of the primary path. All other statements are optional.

The following displays an MPLS LSP configuration:

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>mplp# info
--------------------------------------------
...                             
lsp  "lsp-to-eastcoast"
   to 192.168.200.41
   rsvp-resv-style ff
cspf
   include "red"
   exclude "green"
adspec
   fast-reroute one-to-one
   exit
   primary "to-NYC"
       hop-limit 10
   exit
   secondary "secondary-path"
       bandwidth 50000
   exit
   no shutdown
   exit
no shutdown
--------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
```
Configuring a Static LSP

An LSP can be explicitly (statically) configured. Static LSPs are configured on every node along the path. The label’s forwarding information includes the address of the next hop router.

Use the following CLI syntax to configure a static LSP:

**CLI Syntax:**
```
config>router>mpls
  static-lsp lsp-name
to ip-address
  push out-label nexthop ip-addr
  no shutdown
```

The following displays a static LSP configuration example:

A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
----------------------------------------------
...
  static-lsp "static-LSP"
to 10.10.10.124
  push 60 nexthop 10.10.42.3
  no shutdown
  exit
...
----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
Configuring Manual Bypass Tunnels

Consider the following network setup.

A----B----C----D
    |      |
    E----F

The user first configures the option to disable the dynamic bypass tunnels on node B if required. The CLI for this configuration is:

```
config>router>mpls>dynamic-bypass [disable | enable]
```

By default, dynamic bypass tunnels are enabled.

Next, the user configures an LSP on node B, such as B-E-F-C to be used only as bypass. The user specifies each hop in the path, for example, the bypass LSP has a strict path.

Note that including the bypass-only keyword disables the following options under the LSP configuration:

- bandwidth
- fast-reroute
- secondary

The following LSP configuration options are allowed:

- adaptive
- adspec
- cspf
- exclude
- hop-limit
- include
- metric
The following example displays a bypass tunnel configuration:

```
A:ALA-48>config>router>mpls>path# info
-------------------------------------------
...
  path "BEFC"
    hop 10 10.10.10.11 strict
    hop 20 10.10.10.12 strict
    hop 30 10.10.10.13 strict
    no shutdown
  exit

  lsp "bypass-BC"
    to 10.10.10.15
    primary "BEFC"
    exit
    no shutdown
  ...
-------------------------------------------
A:ALA-48>config>router>mpls>path#
```

Next, the configures an LSP from A to D and indicates fast-reroute bypass protection by selecting facility as the FRR method (``config>router>mpls>lsp>fast-reroute facility``). If the LSP goes through B, and bypass is requested, and the next hop is C, and there is a manually configured bypass-only tunnel from B to C, excluding link BC, then node B uses that.
Configuring RSVP Parameters

RSVP is used to set up LSPs. RSVP must be enabled on the router interfaces that are participating in signaled LSPs. The keep-multiplier and refresh-time default values can be modified in the RSVP context.

Initially, interfaces are configured in the config>router>mpls>interface context. Only these existing (MPLS) interfaces are available to modify in the config>router> rsvp context. Interfaces cannot be directly added in the RSVP context.

The following example displays an RSVP configuration example:

A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp# info
-----------------------------------------------
interface "system"
  no shutdown
  exit
interface to-104
  hello-interval 4000
  no shutdown
  exit
  no shutdown
-----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp#
Configuring RSVP Parameters

Configuring RSVP Message Pacing Parameters

RSVP message pacing maintains a count of the messages that were dropped because the output queue for the egress interface was full.

Use the following CLI syntax to configure RSVP parameters:

**CLI Syntax:**
```
config>router>rsvp
    no shutdown
    msg-pacing
        period milli-seconds
        max-burst number
```

The following example displays a RSVP message pacing configuration example:

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp# info
----------------------------------------------
    keep-multiplier 5
    refresh-time 60
    msg-pacing
        period 400
        max-burst 400
    exit
    interface "system"
        no shutdown
    exit
    interface to-104
        hello-interval 4000
        no shutdown
    exit
    no shutdown
----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp#```
Configuring Graceful Shutdown

TE graceful shutdown can be enabled on a specific interface using the `config>router>rsvp>interface>graceful-shutdown` command. This interface is referred to as the maintenance interface.

Graceful shutdown can be disabled by executing the `no` form of the command at the RSVP interface level or at the RSVP level. In this case, the user configured TE parameters of the maintenance links are restored and the maintenance node floods them.
MPLS Configuration Management Tasks

This section discusses the following MPLS configuration management tasks:

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- Modifying MPLS Path Parameters on page 176
- Modifying MPLS Static LSP Parameters on page 177
- Deleting an MPLS Interface on page 178

Deleting MPLS

NOTE: In order to remove the MPLS instance, MPLS must be disabled (shutdown) and all SDP bindings to LSPs removed. If MPLS is not shutdown first, when the no mpls command is executed, a warning message on the console displays indicating that MPLS is still administratively up.

When MPLS is shut down, the no mpls command deletes the protocol instance and removes all configuration parameters for the MPLS instance.

To disable MPLS, use the shutdown command.

To remove MPLS on a router, enter the following command:

CLI Syntax:  config>router# no mpls

Modifying MPLS Parameters

NOTE: You must shut down MPLS entities in order to modify parameters. Re-enable (no shutdown) the entity for the change to take effect.
Modifying an MPLS LSP

Some MPLS LSP parameters such as primary and secondary, must be shut down before they can be edited or deleted from the configuration.

The following displays a MPLS LSP configuration example. Refer to the LSP configuration on page 167.

```
A:ALA-1>>config>router>mpls>lsp# info
----------------------------------------------
        shutdown
to 10.10.10.104
from 10.10.10.103
rsvp-resv-style ff
include "red"
exclude "green"
fast-reroute one-to-one
exit
primary "to-NYC"
    hop-limit 50
    exit
    secondary "secondary-path"
exit
----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
```
Modifying MPLS Path Parameters

In order to modify path parameters, the `config>router>mpls>path` context must be shut down first.

The following displays a path configuration example. Refer to the LSP configuration on page 166.

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
#------------------------------------------
echo "MPLS"
#------------------------------------------
path "secondary-path"
  hop 1 10.10.0.111  strict
  hop 2 10.10.0.222  strict
  hop 3 10.10.0.123  strict
  no shutdown
  exit
path "to-NYC"
  hop 1 10.10.10.104  strict
  hop 2 10.10.0.210  strict
  no shutdown
  exit
...```

```
Modifying MPLS Static LSP Parameters

In order to modify static LSP parameters, the `config>router>mpls>path` context must be shut down first.

The following displays a static LSP configuration example. Refer to the static LSP configuration on page 168.

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
----------------------------------------------
...  static-lsp "static-LSP"
      to 10.10.10.234
      push 102704 nexthop 10.10.8.114
      no shutdown
      exit
      no shutdown
----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#
```
Deleting an MPLS Interface

In order to delete an interface from the MPLS configuration, the interface must be shut down first.

Use the following CLI syntax to delete an interface from the MPLS configuration:

**CLI Syntax:**

```plaintext
mpls
[no] interface ip-int-name
    shutdown
```

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls# info
----------------------------------------------
... admin-group "green" 15
    admin-group "red" 25
    admin-group "yellow" 20
    interface "system"
    exit
    no shutdown
----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>mpls#```
RSVP Configuration Management Tasks

This section discusses the following RSVP configuration management tasks:

- Modifying RSVP Parameters on page 179
- Modifying RSVP Message Pacing Parameters on page 180
- Deleting an Interface from RSVP on page 180

Modifying RSVP Parameters

Only interfaces configured in the MPLS context can be modified in the RSVP context.

The `no rsvp` command deletes this RSVP protocol instance and removes all configuration parameters for this RSVP instance.

The `shutdown` command suspends the execution and maintains the existing configuration.

The following example displays a modified RSVP configuration example:

```
A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp# info
----------------------------------------------
  keep-multiplier 5
  refresh-time 60
  msg-pacing
    period 400
    max-burst 400
  exit
  interface "system"
  exit
  interface "test1"
    hello-interval 5000
  exit
  no shutdown
----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp#
```
Modifying RSVP Message Pacing Parameters

RSVP message pacing maintains a count of the messages that were dropped because the output queue for the egress interface was full.

The following example displays command usage to modify RSVP parameters:

The following example displays a modified RSVP message pacing configuration example. Refer to the RSVP message pacing configuration on page 171.

A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp# info
----------------------------------------------
keep-multiplier 5
refresh-time 60
msg-pacing
   period 200
   max-burst 200
exit
interface "system"
exit
interface "to-104"
exit
no shutdown
----------------------------------------------
A:ALA-1>config>router>rsvp#

Deleting an Interface from RSVP

Interfaces cannot be deleted directly from the RSVP configuration. An interface must have been configured in the MPLS context and then the RSVP context. The interface must first be deleted from the MPLS context. This removes the association from RSVP.

See Deleting an MPLS Interface on page 178 for information on deleting an MPLS interface.