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### Related References

- [Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components Compatibility Matrix and Server Recommendations](#)
- [Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Device Compatibility](#)

### User Documentation

- [User Documentation for Cisco SD-WAN Release 20](#)

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## CHAPTER 2

# What's New for Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN

This chapter describes what's new in Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN for each release.

- [What's New for Cisco SD-WAN Release 19.2.x, on page 3](#)

## What's New for Cisco SD-WAN Release 19.2.x

This section applies to Cisco vEdge devices.

Cisco is constantly enhancing the SD-WAN solution with every release and we try and keep the content in line with the latest enhancements. The following table lists new and modified features we documented in the Configuration, Command Reference, and Hardware Installation guides. For information on additional features and fixes that were committed to the SD-WAN solution, see the *Resolved and Open Bugs* section in the Release Notes.

**Table 1: What's New for Cisco vEdge Device**

Feature	Description
<b>Getting Started</b>	
API Cross-Site Request Forgery Prevention	This feature adds protection against Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) that occurs when using Cisco SD-WAN REST APIs. This protection is provided by including a CSRF token with API requests. You can put requests on an allowed list so that they do not require protection if needed. See <a href="#">Cross-Site Request Forgery Prevention</a> .
<b>Systems and Interfaces</b>	
Secure Shell Authentication Using RSA Keys	This feature helps configure RSA keys by securing communication between a client and a Cisco SD-WAN server. See SSH Authentication using vManage on Cisco XE SD-WAN Devices. See <a href="#">Configure SSH Authentication</a> .
<b>Policies</b>	
Packet Duplication for Noisy Channels	This feature helps mitigate packet loss over noisy channels, thereby maintaining high application QoE for voice and video. See <a href="#">Configure and Monitor Packet Duplication</a> .

Feature	Description
Control Traffic Flow Using Class of Service Values	This feature lets you control the flow of traffic into and out of a Cisco device's interface based on the conditions defined in the quality of service (QoS) map. A priority field and a layer 2 class of service (CoS) were added for configuring the re-write rule. See <a href="#">Configure Localized Data Policy for IPv4 Using Cisco vManage</a> .
<b>Security</b>	
Secure Communication Using Pairwise IPsec Keys	This feature allows you to create and install private pairwise IPsec session keys for secure communication between an IPsec device and its peers. For related information, see <a href="#">IPsec Pairwise Keys Overview</a> .
Configure IKE-Enabled IPsec Tunnels	The pre-shared key needs to be at least 16 bytes in length. The IPsec tunnel establishment fails if the key size is less than 16 characters when the router is upgraded to version 19.2. See <a href="#">Configure IKE-Enabled IPsec Tunnels</a> .
<b>Network Optimization and High Availability</b>	
Disaster Recovery for vManage	This feature helps you configure Cisco SD-WAN Manager in an active or standby mode to counteract hardware or software failures that may occur due to unforeseen circumstances. See <a href="#">Configure Disaster Recovery</a> .
Share VNF Devices Across Service Chains	This feature lets you share Virtual Network Function (VNF) devices across service chains to improve resource utilisation and reduce resource fragmentation. See <a href="#">Share VNF Devices Across Service Chains</a> .
Monitor Service Chain Health	This feature lets you configure periodic checks on the service chain data path and reports the overall status. To enable service chain health monitoring, NFVIS version 3.12.1 or later should be installed on all CSP devices in a cluster. See <a href="#">Monitor Service Chain Health</a> .
Manage PNF Devices in Service Chains	This feature lets you add Physical Network Function (PNF) devices to a network, in addition to the Virtual Network function (VNF) devices. These PNF devices can be added to service chains and shared across service chains, service groups, and a cluster. Inclusion of PNF devices in the service chain can overcome the performance and scaling issues caused by using only VNF devices in a service chain. See <a href="#">Manage PNF Devices in Service Chains</a> .



## CHAPTER 3

# Policy Basics

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- [Policies in Cisco vManage, on page 7](#)

## Policy Overview



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Policy influences the flow of data traffic and routing information among Cisco vEdge deviceCisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices in the overlay network.

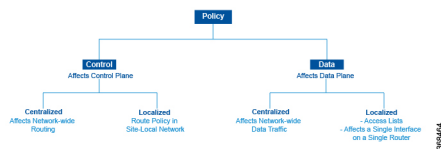
Policy comprises:

- Routing policy—which affects the flow of routing information in the network's control plane.
- Data policy—which affects the flow of data traffic in the network's data plane.

To implement enterprise-specific traffic control requirements, you create basic policies, and deploy advanced features that are activated by means of the policy configuration infrastructure.

Just as the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network architecture clearly separates the control plane from the data plane and control between centralized and localized functions, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy is cleanly separated. Policies apply either to control plane or data plane traffic, and they are configured either centrally on Cisco SD-WAN Controllers or locally on Cisco vEdge deviceCisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices. The following figure illustrates the division between control and data policy, and between centralized and local policy.

Figure 1: Policy Architecture



## Control and Data Policy

Control policy is the equivalent of routing protocol policy, and data policy is equivalent to what are commonly called access control lists (ACLs) and firewall filters.

### Centralized and Localized Policy

The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy design provides a clear separation between centralized and localized policy. In short, centralized policy is provisioned on the centralized Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in the overlay network, and the localized policy is provisioned on Cisco vEdge devices, which sit at the network edge between a branch or enterprise site and a transport network, such as the Internet, MPLS, or metro Ethernet.

### Centralized Policy

Centralized policy refers to policy provisioned on Cisco SD-WAN Controllers, which are the centralized controllers in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network. Centralized policy comprises two components:

- Control policy, which affects the overlay network-wide routing of traffic
- Data policy, which affects the data traffic flow throughout the VPN segments in the network

Centralized control policy applies to the network-wide routing of traffic by affecting the information that is stored in the Cisco SD-WAN Controller's route table and that is advertised to the Cisco vEdge devices. The effects of centralized control policy are seen in how Cisco vEdge devices direct the overlay network's data traffic to its destination.



**Note** The centralized control policy configuration itself remains on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller and is never pushed to local devices.

Centralized data policy applies to the flow of data traffic throughout the VPNs in the overlay network. These policies can permit and restrict access based either on a 6-tuple match (source and destination IP addresses and ports, DSCP fields, and protocol) or on VPN membership. These policies are pushed to the selected Cisco vEdge devices.

### Localized Policy

Localized policy refers to a policy that is provisioned locally through the CLI on the Cisco vEdge devices, or through a Cisco SD-WAN Manager device template.

Localized control policy is also called as route policy, which affects (BGP and OSPF) routing behavior on the site-local network.

Localized data policy allows you to provision access lists and apply them to a specific interface or interfaces on the device. Simple access lists permit and restrict access based on a 6-tuple match (source and destination IP addresses and ports, DSCP fields, and protocol), in the same way as with centralized data policy. Access



lists also allow provisioning of class of service (CoS), policing, and mirroring, which control how data traffic flows out of and in to the device's interfaces and interface queues.

The design of the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy distinguishes basic and advanced policies. Basic policy allows you to influence or determine basic traffic flow through the overlay network. Here, you perform standard policy tasks, such as managing the paths along which traffic is routed through the network, and permitting or blocking traffic based on the address, port, and DSCP fields in the packet's IP header. You can also control the flow of data traffic into and out of a Cisco vEdge device's interfaces, enabling features such as class of service and queuing, mirroring, and policing.

Advanced features of Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy offer specialized policy-based network applications. Examples of these applications include the following:

- Service chaining, which redirects data traffic to shared devices in the network, such as firewall, intrusion detection and prevention (IDS), load balancer, and other devices, before the traffic is delivered to its destination. Service chaining obviates the need to have a separate device at each branch site.
- Application-aware routing, which selects the best path for traffic based on real-time network and path performance characteristics.
- Cflowd, for monitoring traffic flow.
- Converting a Cisco vEdge device into a NAT device, to allow traffic destined for the Internet or other public network can exit directly from the Cisco vEdge device.

By default, no policy of any kind is configured on Cisco vEdge devices, either on the centralized Cisco SD-WAN Controllers or the local Cisco vEdge devices. When control plane traffic, which distributes route information, is unpoliced:

- All route information that OMP propagates among the Cisco vEdge devices is shared, unmodified, among all Cisco SD-WAN Controllers and all Cisco vEdge devices in the overlay network domain.
- No BGP or OSPF route policies are in place to affect the route information that Cisco vEdge devices propagate within their local site network.

When data plane traffic is unpoliced, all data traffic is directed towards its destination based solely on the entries in the local Cisco vEdge device's route table, and all VPNs in the overlay network can exchange data traffic.

## Policies in Cisco vManage

Use the Policies screen to create and activate centralized and localized control and data policies for Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers and Cisco vEdge devices.

### *Figure 2: Policy Configuration*

This screen allows you to perform several tasks related to policies in Cisco SD-WAN Manager:

- View centralized or localized policies
- Copy, edit, or delete policies
- Create and edit policy components
- Activate and deactivate a centralized policy on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers

## Create and Manage Policies Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

### View Centralized or Localized Policies

To view centralized or localized policies, do the following:

1. From the **Centralized Policy** or **Localized Policy** tab, select a policy.
2. For a policy created using the UI policy builder or using the CLI, click **More Actions** and click **View**. The policy created using the UI policy builder is displayed in graphical format while the policy created using the CLI method is displayed in text format.
3. For a policy created using the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard, click **More Actions** and click **Preview**. This policy is displayed in text format.

### Copy, Edit, and Delete Policies

1. To copy a policy:
  - a. From the **Centralized Policy** or **Localized Policy** tab, select a policy.
  - b. Click **More Actions** and click **Copy**.
  - c. In the Policy Copy popup window, enter the policy name and a description of the policy.




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**Note** If you are upgrading to 18.4.4 version, data policy names need to be under 26 characters.

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**Note** Starting with the Cisco SD-WAN release 19.3 , 127 characters are supported for policy names for the following policy types:

- Central route policy
- Local route policy
- Local Access Control List (ACL)
- Local IPv6 ACL
- Central data policy
- Central app route policy
- QoS map
- Rewrite rule

All other policy names support 32 characters.

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- d. Click **Copy**.
2. To edit policies created using the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard:
    - a. Click **More Actions** and click **Edit**.

- b. Edit the policy as needed.
    - c. Click **Save Policy Changes**.
  3. To edit policies created using the CLI method:
    - a. In the **Custom Options** drop-down, click **CLI Policy**.
    - b. Click **More Actions** and click **Edit**.
    - c. Edit the policy as needed.
    - d. Click **Update**.
  4. To delete policies:
    - a. From the **Centralized Policy** or **Localized Policy** tab, select a policy.
    - b. Click **More Actions** and click **Delete**.
    - c. Click **OK** to confirm deletion of the policy.

### Edit or Create a Policy Component

You can create individual policy components directly and then use them or import them when you are using the policy configuration wizard:

1. In the title bar, click the **Custom Options** drop-down.
2. For centralized policies, select the **Centralized Policy** tab and then select a policy component:
  - CLI policy—Create the policy using the command-line interface rather than the policy configuration wizard.
  - Lists—Create groups of interest to import in the Group of Interest screen in the policy configuration wizard.
  - Topology—Create a hub-and-spoke, mesh, or custom topology or a VPN membership to import in the Topology screen in the policy configuration wizard.
  - Traffic Policy—Create an application-aware routing, traffic data, or cflowd policy to import in the Traffic Rules screen in the policy configuration wizard.
3. For localized policies, select the **Localized Policy** tab and then select a policy component:
  - CLI policy—Create the policy using the command-line interface rather than the policy configuration wizard.
  - Lists—Create groups of interest to import in the Group of Interest screen in the policy configuration wizard.
  - Forwarding Class/QoS—Create QoS mappings and rewrite rules to import in the Forwarding Classes/QoS screen in the policy configuration wizard.
  - Access Control Lists—Create ACLs of interest to import in the Configure Access Lists screen in the policy configuration wizard.

- **Route Policy**—Create route policies to import in the Configure Route Policies screen in the policy configuration wizard.

### **Activate a Centralized Policy on Cisco vSmart Controllers**

1. In the title bar, click the **Custom Options** drop-down.
2. In the **Centralized Policy** tab, and then select a policy.
3. Click **More Actions** and click **Activate**.
4. In the **Activate Policy** popup, click **Activate** to push the policy to all reachable Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers in the network.
5. Click **OK** to confirm activation of the policy on all Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers.
6. To deactivate the centralized policy, select the = tab, and then select a policy.
7. 6. Click **More Actions** and click **Deactivate**.
8. In the **Deactivate Policy** popup, click **Deactivate** to confirm that you want to remove the policy from all reachable Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers.



# CHAPTER 4

## Policy Overview



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Policy influences the flow of data traffic and routing information among Cisco vEdge deviceCisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices in the overlay network.

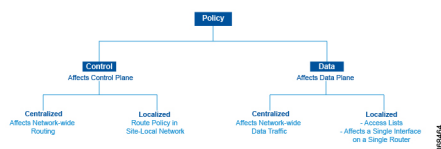
Policy comprises:

- Routing policy—which affects the flow of routing information in the network's control plane.
- Data policy—which affects the flow of data traffic in the network's data plane.

To implement enterprise-specific traffic control requirements, you create basic policies, and deploy advanced features that are activated by means of the policy configuration infrastructure.

Just as the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network architecture clearly separates the control plane from the data plane and control between centralized and localized functions, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy is cleanly separated. Policies apply either to control plane or data plane traffic, and they are configured either centrally on Cisco SD-WAN Controllers or locally on Cisco vEdge deviceCisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices. The following figure illustrates the division between control and data policy, and between centralized and local policy.

**Figure 3: Policy Architecture**



## Control and Data Policy

Control policy is the equivalent of routing protocol policy, and data policy is equivalent to what are commonly called access control lists (ACLs) and firewall filters.

## Centralized and Localized Policy

The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy design provides a clear separation between centralized and localized policy. In short, centralized policy is provisioned on the centralized Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in the overlay network, and the localized policy is provisioned on Cisco vEdge devices, which sit at the network edge between a branch or enterprise site and a transport network, such as the Internet, MPLS, or metro Ethernet.

## Centralized Policy

Centralized policy refers to policy provisioned on Cisco SD-WAN Controllers, which are the centralized controllers in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network. Centralized policy comprises two components:

- Control policy, which affects the overlay network-wide routing of traffic
- Data policy, which affects the data traffic flow throughout the VPN segments in the network

Centralized control policy applies to the network-wide routing of traffic by affecting the information that is stored in the Cisco SD-WAN Controller's route table and that is advertised to the Cisco vEdge devices. The effects of centralized control policy are seen in how Cisco vEdge devices direct the overlay network's data traffic to its destination.




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**Note** The centralized control policy configuration itself remains on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller and is never pushed to local devices.

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Centralized data policy applies to the flow of data traffic throughout the VPNs in the overlay network. These policies can permit and restrict access based either on a 6-tuple match (source and destination IP addresses and ports, DSCP fields, and protocol) or on VPN membership. These policies are pushed to the selected Cisco vEdge devices.

## Localized Policy

Localized policy refers to a policy that is provisioned locally through the CLI on the Cisco vEdge devices, or through a Cisco SD-WAN Manager device template.

Localized control policy is also called as route policy, which affects (BGP and OSPF) routing behavior on the site-local network.

Localized data policy allows you to provision access lists and apply them to a specific interface or interfaces on the device. Simple access lists permit and restrict access based on a 6-tuple match (source and destination IP addresses and ports, DSCP fields, and protocol), in the same way as with centralized data policy. Access lists also allow provisioning of class of service (CoS), policing, and mirroring, which control how data traffic flows out of and in to the device's interfaces and interface queues.

The design of the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy distinguishes basic and advanced policies. Basic policy allows you to influence or determine basic traffic flow through the overlay network. Here, you perform standard policy tasks, such as managing the paths along which traffic is routed through the network, and permitting or blocking traffic based on the address, port, and DSCP fields in the packet's IP header. You can

also control the flow of data traffic into and out of a Cisco vEdge device's interfaces, enabling features such as class of service and queuing, mirroring, and policing.

Advanced features of Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy offer specialized policy-based network applications. Examples of these applications include the following:

- Service chaining, which redirects data traffic to shared devices in the network, such as firewall, intrusion detection and prevention (IDS), load balancer, and other devices, before the traffic is delivered to its destination. Service chaining obviates the need to have a separate device at each branch site.
- Application-aware routing, which selects the best path for traffic based on real-time network and path performance characteristics.
- Cflowd, for monitoring traffic flow.
- Converting a Cisco vEdge device into a NAT device, to allow traffic destined for the Internet or other public network can exit directly from the Cisco vEdge device.

By default, no policy of any kind is configured on Cisco vEdge devices, either on the centralized Cisco SD-WAN Controllers or the local Cisco vEdge devices. When control plane traffic, which distributes route information, is unpoliced:

- All route information that OMP propagates among the Cisco vEdge devices is shared, unmodified, among all Cisco SD-WAN Controllers and all Cisco vEdge devices in the overlay network domain.
- No BGP or OSPF route policies are in place to affect the route information that Cisco vEdge devices propagate within their local site network.

When data plane traffic is unpoliced, all data traffic is directed towards its destination based solely on the entries in the local Cisco vEdge device's route table, and all VPNs in the overlay network can exchange data traffic.

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## Policy Architecture

This topic offers an orientation about the architecture of the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN policy used to implement overlay network-wide policies. These policies are called Cisco SD-WAN Validator **policy** or **centralized policy**, because you configure them centrally on a Cisco SD-WAN Controller. Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy affects the flow of both control plane traffic (routing updates carried by Overlay Management Protocol (OMP) and used by the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers to determine the topology and status of the overlay network) and data plane traffic (data traffic that travels between the Cisco vEdge devices across the overlay network).

With Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN, you can also create routing policies on the Cisco vEdge devices. These policies are simply traditional routing policies that are associated with routing protocol (BGP or OSPF) locally on the devices. You use them in the traditional sense for controlling BGP and OSPF, for example, to affect the exchange of route information, to set route attributes, and to influence path selection.

## Centralized Control Policy Architecture

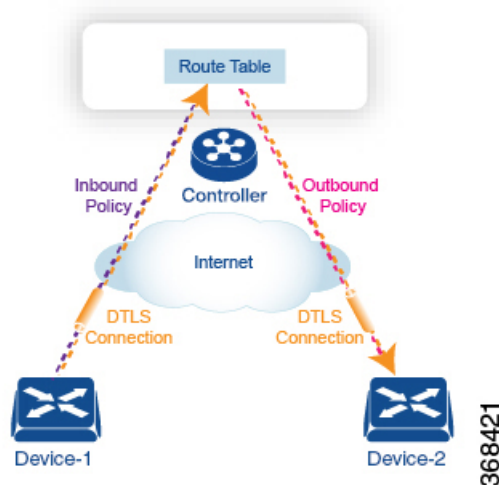
In the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN network architecture, centralized control policy is handled by the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, which effectively is the routing engine of the network. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller is the centralized manager of network-wide routes, maintaining a primary route table for these routes. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller builds its route table based on the route information advertised by the Cisco vEdge devices in its domain, using these routes to discover the network topology and to determine the best paths to network destinations. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller distributes route information from its route table to the devices in its domain which in turn use these routes to forward data traffic through the network. The result of this architecture is that networking-wide routing decisions and routing policy are orchestrated by a central authority instead of being implemented hop by hop, by the devices in the network.

Centralized control policy allows you to influence the network routes advertised by the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers. This type of policy, which is provisioned centrally on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, affects both the route information that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller stores in its primary route table and the route information that it distributes to the devices.

Centralized control policy is provisioned and applied only on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. The control policy configuration itself is never pushed to devices in the overlay network. What is pushed to the devices, using the Overlay Management Protocol (OMP), are the results of the control policy, which the devices then install in their local route tables and use for forwarding data traffic. This design means that the distribution of network-wide routes is always administered centrally, using policies designed by network administrators. These policies are always implemented by centralized Cisco SD-WAN Controllers, which are responsible for orchestrating the routing decisions in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network.

Within a network domain, the network topology map on all Cisco SD-WAN Controllers must be synchronized. To support this, you must configure identical policies on all the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in the domain.

**Figure 4: Centralized Control Policy**



All centralized control plane traffic, including route information, is carried by OMP peering sessions that run within the secure, permanent DTLS connections between devices and the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in their domain. The end points of an OMP peering session are identified by the system IDs of the devices, and the peering sessions carry the site ID, which identifies the site in which the device is located. A DTLS connection and the OMP session running over it remain active as long as the two peers are operational.



Control policy can be applied both inbound, to the route advertisements that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller receives from the devices, and outbound, to advertisements that it sends to them. Inbound policy controls which routes and route information are installed in the local routing database on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and whether this information is installed as-is or is modified. Outbound control policy is applied after a route is retrieved from the routing database, but before a Cisco SD-WAN Controller advertises it, and affects whether the route information is advertised as-is or is modified.

## Route Types

The Cisco SD-WAN Controller learns the network topology from OMP routes, which are Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN-specific routes carried by OMP. There are three types of OMP routes:

- Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN OMP routes—These routes carry prefix information that the devices learn from the routing protocols running on its local network, including routes learned from BGP and OSPF, as well as direct, connected, and static routes. OMP advertises OMP routes to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller by means of an OMP route SAFI (Subsequent Address Family Identifier). These routes are commonly simply called OMP routes.
- TLOC routes—These routes carry properties associated with transport locations, which are the physical points at which the devices connect to the WAN or the transport network. Properties that identify a TLOC include the IP address of the WAN interface and a color that identifies a particular traffic flow. OMP advertises TLOC routes using a TLOC SAFI.
- Service routes—These routes identify network services, such as firewalls and IDPs, that are available on the local-site network to which the devices are connected. OMP advertises these routes using a service SAFI.

## Default Behavior Without Centralized Control Policy

By default, no centralized control policy is provisioned on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. This results in the following route advertisement and redistribution behavior within a domain:

- All Cisco vEdge devices redistribute all the route-related prefixes that they learn from their site-local network to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. This route information is carried by OMP route advertisements that are sent over the DTLS connection between the devices and the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. If a domain contains multiple Cisco SD-WAN Controllers, the devices send all OMP route advertisements to all the controllers.
- All the devices send all TLOC routes to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller or controllers in their domain, using OMP.
- All the devices send all service routes to advertise any network services, such as firewalls and IDPs, that are available at the local site where the device is located. Again, these are carried by OMP.
- The Cisco SD-WAN Controller accepts all the OMP, TLOC, and service routes that it receives from all the devices in its domain, storing the information in its route table. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller tracks which OMP routes, TLOCs, and services belong to which VPNs. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller uses all the routes to develop a topology map of the network and to determine routing paths for data traffic through the overlay network.
- The Cisco SD-WAN Controller redistributes all information learned from the OMP, TLOC, and service routes in a particular VPN to all the devices in the same VPN.
- The devices regularly send route updates to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller.

- The Cisco SD-WAN Controller recalculates routing paths, updates its route table, and advertises new and changed routing information to all the devices.

## Behavior Changes with Centralized Control Policy

When you do not want to redistribute all route information to all Cisco vEdge devices in a domain, or when you want to modify the route information that is stored in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller's route table or that is advertised by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, you design and provision a centralized control policy. To activate the control policy, you apply it to specific sites in the overlay network in either the inbound or the outbound direction. The direction is with respect to the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. All provisioning of centralized control policy is done on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller.

Applying a centralized control policy in the inbound direction filters or modifies the routes being advertised by the Cisco vEdge device before they are placed in the route table on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. As the first step in the process, routes are either accepted or rejected. Accepted routes are installed in the route table on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller either as received or as modified by the control policy. Routes that are rejected by a control policy are silently discarded.

Applying a control policy in outbound direction filters or modifies the routes that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller redistributes to the Cisco vEdge devices. As the first step of an outbound policy, routes are either accepted or rejected. For accepted routes, centralized control policy can modify the routes before they are distributed by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. Routes that are rejected by an outbound policy are not advertised.

### VPN Membership Policy

A second type of centralized data policy is VPN membership policy. It controls whether a Cisco vEdge device can participate in a particular VPN. VPN membership policy defines which VPNs of a device is allowed and which is not allowed to receive routes from.

VPN membership policy can be centralized, because it affects only the packet headers and has no impact on the choice of interface that a Cisco vEdge device uses to transmit traffic. What happens instead is that if, because of a VPN membership policy, a device is not allowed to receive routes for a particular VPN, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller never forwards those routes to that driver.

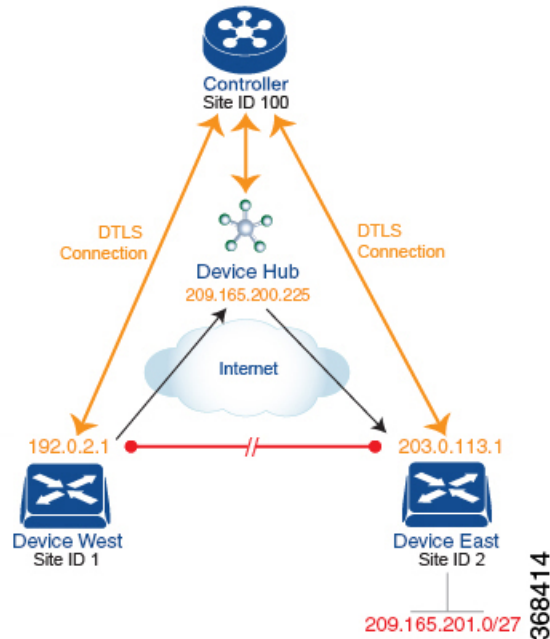
## Examples of Modifying Traffic Flow with Centralized Control Policy

This section provides some basic examples of how you can use centralized control policies to modify the flow of data traffic through the overlay network.

### Create an Arbitrary Topology

When data traffic is exchanged between two Cisco vEdge devices, if you have provisioned no control policy, the two devices establish an IPsec tunnel between them and the data traffic flows directly from one device to the next. For a network with only two devices or with just a small number of devices, establishing connections between each pair of devices is generally not been an issue. However, such a solution does not scale. In a network with hundreds or even thousands of branches, establishing a full mesh of IPsec tunnels tax the CPU resources of each device.

Figure 5: Arbitrary Topology



One way to minimize this overhead is to create a hub-and-spoke type of topology in which one of the devices acts as a hub site that receives the data traffic from all the spoke, or branch, devices and then redirects the traffic to the proper destination. This example shows one of the ways to create such a hub-and-spoke topology, which is to create a control policy that changes the address of the TLOC associated with the destination.

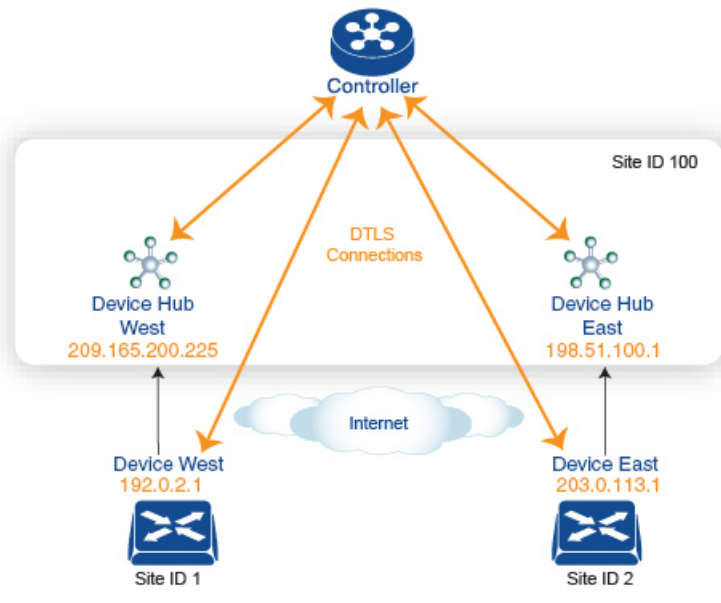
The figure illustrates how such a policy might work. The topology has two branch locations, West and East. When no control policy is provisioned, these two devices exchange data traffic with each other directly by creating an IPsec tunnel between them (shown by the red line). Here, the route table on the Device West contains a route to Device East with a destination TLOC of 203.0.113.1, color gold (which we write as the tuple {192.0.2.1, gold}), and Device East route table has a route to the West branch with a destination TLOC of {203.0.113.1, gold}.

To set up a hub-and-spoke-type topology here, we provision a control policy that causes the West and East devices to send all data packets destined for the other device to the hub device. (Remember that because control policy is always centralized, you provision it on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller.) On the Device West, the policy simply changes the destination TLOC from {203.0.113.1, gold} to {209.165.200.225, gold}, which is the TLOC of the hub device, and on the Device East, the policy changes the destination TLOC from {192.0.2.1, gold} to the hub's TLOC, {209.165.200.225, gold}. If there were other branch sites on the west and east sides of the network that exchange data traffic, you could apply these same two control policies to have them redirect all their data traffic through the hub.

## Set Up Traffic Engineering

Control policy allows you to design and provision traffic engineering. In a simple case, suppose that you have two devices acting as hub devices. If you want data traffic destined to a branch Cisco vEdge device to always transit through one of the hub devices, set the TLOC preference value to favor the desired hub device.

Figure 6: Traffic Engineering Topology

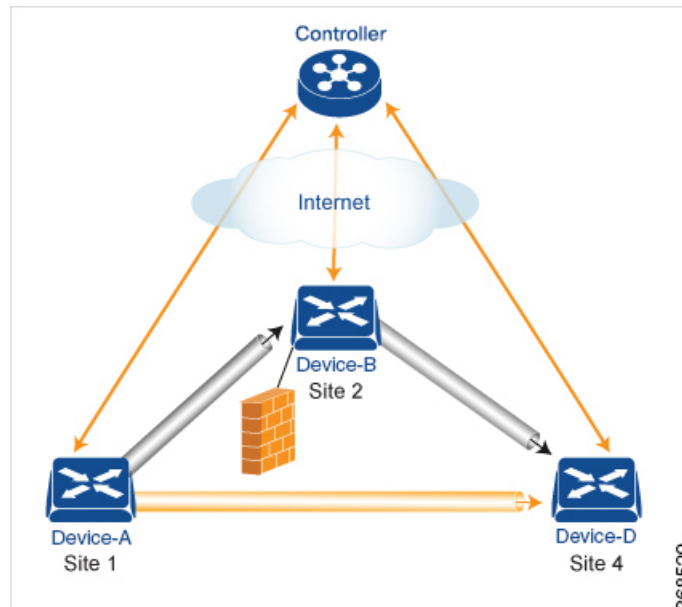


The figure shows that Site ID 100 has two hub devices, one that serves the West side of the network and a second that serves the East side. Data traffic from the Device West must be handled by the Device West hub, and similarly, data traffic from the Device East branch must go through the Device East hub.

To engineer this traffic flow, you provision two control policies, one for Site ID 1, where the Device West device is located, and a second one for Site ID 2. The control policy for Site ID 1 changes the TLOC for traffic destined to the Device East to {209.165.200.225, gold}, and the control policy for Site ID 2 changes the TLOC for traffic destined for Site ID 1 to {198.51.100.1, gold}. One additional effect of this traffic engineering policy is that it load-balances the traffic traveling through the two hub devices.

With such a traffic engineering policy, a route from the source device to the destination device is installed in the local route table, and traffic is sent to the destination regardless of whether the path between the source and destination devices is available. Enabling end-to-end tracking of the path to the ultimate destination allows the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller to monitor the path from the source to the destination, and to inform the source device when that path is not available. The source device can then modify or remove the path from its route table.

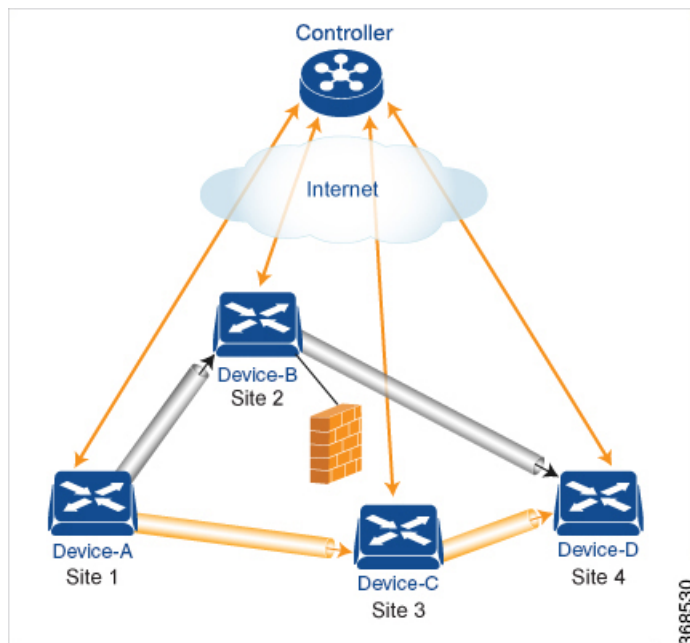
Figure 7: Traffic Engineering 2



The figure Traffic Engineering 2 illustrates end-to-end path tracking. It shows that traffic from Device-A that is destined for Device-D first goes to an intermediate device, Device-B, perhaps because this intermediate device provides a service, such as a firewall. (You configure this traffic engineering with a centralized control policy that is applied to Device-A, at Site 1.) Then Device-B, which has a direct path to the ultimate destination, forwards the traffic to Device-D. So, in this example, the end-to-end path between Device-A and Device-D comprises two tunnels, one between Device-A and Device-B, and the second between Device-B and Device-D. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller tracks this end-to-end path, and it notifies Device-A if the portion of the path between Device-B and Device-D becomes unavailable.

As part of end-to-end path tracking, you can specify how to forward traffic from the source to the ultimate destination using an intermediate device. The default method is strict forwarding, where traffic is always sent from Device-A to Device-B, regardless of whether Device-B has a direct path to Device-D or whether the tunnel between Device-B and Device-D is up. More flexible methods forward some or all traffic directly from Device-A to Device-D. You can also set up a second intermediate device to provide a redundant path with the first intermediate device is unreachable and use an ECMP method to forward traffic between the two. The figure Traffic Engineering3 adds Device-C as a redundant intermediate device.

Figure 8: Traffic Engineering 3



Centralized control policy, which you configure on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers, affects routing policy based on information in OMP routes and OMP TLOCs.

This type of policy allows you to set actions for matching routes and TLOCs, including redirecting packets through network services, such as firewalls, a feature that is called service chaining.

In domains with multiple Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers, all the controllers must have the same centralized control policy configuration to ensure that routing within the overlay network remains stable and predictable.

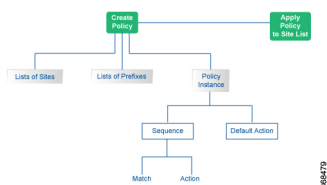
## Configure Centralized Policy Based on Prefixes and IP Headers

A centralized data policy based on source and destination prefixes and on headers in IP packets consists of a series of numbered (ordered) sequences of match-action pair that are evaluated in order, from lowest sequence number to highest sequence number. When a packet matches one of the match conditions, the associated action is taken and policy evaluation on that packets stops. Keep this in mind as you design your policies to ensure that the desired actions are taken on the items subject to policy.

If a packet matches no parameters in any of the sequences in the policy configuration, it is dropped and discarded by default.

### Configuration Components

The following figure illustrates the configuration components for a centralized data policy:



# Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller Policy Components

The Cisco SD-WAN Controller policies that implement overlay network-wide policies are implemented on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components. Because Cisco SD-WAN Controllers are centralized devices, you can manage and maintain Cisco SD-WAN Controller policies centrally, and you can ensure consistency in the enforcement of policies across the overlay network.

The implementation of Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy is done by configuring the entire policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components. Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy configuration is accomplished with three building blocks:

- Lists define the targets of policy application or matching.
- Policy definition, or policies, controls aspects of control and forwarding. There are different types of policy, including:
  - app-route-policy (for application-aware routing)
  - cflowd-template (for cflowd flow monitoring)
  - control-policy (for routing and control plane information)
  - data-policy (for data traffic)
  - vpn-membership-policy (for limiting the scope of traffic to specific VPNs)
- Policy application controls what a policy is applied towards. Policy application is site-oriented, and is defined by a specific list called a site-list.

You assemble these three building blocks to Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy. More specifically, policy is the sum of one or more lists, one policy definition, and at least one policy applications, as shown in the table below.

**Table 2: The Three Building Blocks of Cisco SD-WAN Controller Policies**

Lists		Policy Definition		Policy Application
<p>data-prefix-list: List of prefixes for use with a data-policy</p> <p>prefix-list: List of prefixes for use with any other policy</p> <p>site-list: List of site-id:s for use in policy and apply-policy</p> <p>tloc-list : List of tloc:s for use in policy</p> <p>vpn-list : List of vpn:s for use in policy</p>	+	<p>app-route-policy: Used with sla-classes for application-aware routing</p> <p>cflowd-template: Configures the cflowd agents on the Cisco vEdge devices</p> <p>control-policy: Controls OMP routing control</p> <p>data-policy: Provides vpn-wide policy-based routing</p> <p>vpn-membership-policy: Controls vpn membership across nodes</p>	+	<p>apply-policy: Used with a site-list to determine where policies are applied</p>
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Lists	Policy Definition	Policy Application
Complete policy definition configured on Cisco SD-WAN Controller and enforced either on Cisco SD-WAN Controller or on Cisco vEdge devices.		

## Lists

Lists are how you group related items so that you can reference them all together. Examples of items you put in lists are prefixes, TLOCs, VPNs, and overlay network sites. In the Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy, you invoke lists in two places: when you create a policy definition and when you apply a policy. Separating the definition of the related items from the definition of policy means that when you can add or remove items from a lists, you make the changes only in a single place: You do not have to make the changes through the policy definition. So if you add ten sites to your network and you want to apply an existing policy to them, you simply add the site identifiers to the site list. You can also change policy rules without having to manually modify the prefixes, VPNs, or other things that the rules apply to.

**Table 3: List Types**

List type	Usage
<b>data-prefix-list</b>	Used in data-policy to define prefix and upper layer ports, either individually or jointly, for traffic matching.
<b>prefix-list</b>	Used in control-policy to define prefixes for matching RIB entries.
<b>site-list</b>	Used in control-policy to match source sites, and in apply-policy to define sites for policy application.
<b>tloc-list</b>	Used in control-policy to define TLOCs for matching RIB entries and to apply redefined TLOCs to vRoutes.
<b>vpn-list</b>	Used in control-policy to define prefixes for matching RIB entries, and in data-policy and app-route-policy to define VPNs for policy application.

The following configuration shows the types of Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy lists:

```

policy
  lists
    data-prefix-list appl
      ip-prefix 209.165.200.225/27 port 100
    !
    prefix-list pfx1
      ip-prefix 209.165.200.225/27
    !
    site-list site1
      site-id 100
    !
    tloc-list site1-tloc
      tloc 209.165.200.225 color mpls
    vpn-list vpn1
      vpn1
    !
  !

```



## Policy Definition

The policy definition is where you create the policy rules. You specify match conditions (route-related properties for control policy and data-related fields for data policy) and actions to perform when a match occurs. A policy contains match–action pairings that are numbered and that are examined in sequential order. When a match occurs, the action is performed, and the policy analysis on that route or packet terminates. Some types of policy definitions apply only to specific VPNs.

**Table 4: Policy Types**

Policy type	Usage
<b>policy-type</b>	Can be <b>control-policy</b> , <b>data-policy</b> , or <b>vpn-membership</b> —dictates the type of policy. Each type has a particular syntax and a particular set of match conditions and settable actions.
<b>vpn-list</b>	Used by data-policy and app-route-policy to list the VPNs for which the policy is applicable.
<b>sequence</b>	Defines each sequential step of the policy by sequence number.
<b>match</b>	Decides what entity to match on in the specific policy sequence.
<b>action</b>	Determines the action that corresponds to the preceding match statement.
<b>default-action</b>	Action to take for any entity that is not matched in any sequence of the policy. By default, the action is set to reject.

The following configuration shows the components of the Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy definition. These items are listed in the logical order you should use when designing policy, and this order is also how the items are displayed in the configuration, regardless of the order in which you add them to the configuration.

```

policy
  policy-type name
  vpn-list vpn-list
  sequence number
  match
    <route | tloc vpn | other>
  !
  action <accept reject drop>
  set attribute value
  !
  default-action <reject accept>
  !
  !
  !

```

## Policy Application

The following are the configuration components:

Component	Usage
<b>site-list</b>	Determines the sites to which a given policy is applied. The direction ( <b>in</b>   <b>out</b> ) applies only to control-policy.
<b>policy-type</b>	The policy type can be <b>control-policy</b> , <b>data-policy</b> , or <b>vpn-membership</b> —and name refer to an already configured policy to be applied to the sites specified in the site-list for the section.

For a policy definition to take effect, you associate it with sites in the overlay network.

```

apply-policy
  site-list name
    control-policy name <inout>
  !
  site-list name
    data-policy name
    vpn-membership name
  !
  !

```

### Policy Example

For a complete policy, which consists of lists, policy definition, and policy application. The example illustrated below creates two lists (a site-list and a tloc-list), defines one policy (a control policy), and applies the policy to the site-list. In the figure, the items are listed as they are presented in the node configuration. In a normal configuration process, you create lists first (group together all the things you want to use), then define the policy itself (define what things you want to do), and finally apply the policy (specify the sites that the configured policy affects).

```

apply-policy
  site-list sitel -----> Apply the defined policy towards the sites in site-list
    control-policy prefer_local out
  !
policy
  lists
  site-list sitel
    site-id 100
  tloc-list prefer_sitel ----> Define the lists required for apply-policy and for use within
  the policy
    tloc 192.0.2.1 color mols encaps ipsec preference 400
  control-policy prefer_local
    sequence 10
    match route
      site-list sitele ----->Lists previously defined used within policy
    !
    action accept
      set
        tloc-list prefer_site
      !
    !
  !

```

## TLOC Attributes Used in Policies

A transport location, or TLOC, defines a specific interface in the overlay network. Each TLOC consists of a set of attributes that are exchanged in OMP updates among the Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices.

Each TLOC is uniquely identified by a 3-tuple of IP address, color, and encapsulation. Other attributes can be associated with a TLOC.

The TLOC attributes listed below can be matched or set in Cisco SD-WAN Controller policies.

**Table 5:**

<b>TLOC Attribute</b>	<b>Function</b>	<b>Application Point Set By</b>	<b>Application Point Modify By</b>
Address (IP address)	system-ip address of the source device on which the interface is located.	Configuration on source device	control-policy data-policy
Carrier	Identifier of the carrier type. It primarily indicates whether the transport is public or private.	Configuration on source device	control-policy
Color	Identifier of the TLOC type.	Configuration on source device	control-policy data-policy
Domain ID	Identifier of the overlay network domain.	Configuration on source device	control-policy
Encapsulation	Tunnel encapsulation, either IPsec or GRE.	Configuration on source device	control-policy data-policy
Originator	system-ip address of originating node.	Configuration on any originator	control-policy
Preference	OMP path-selection preference. A higher value is a more preferred path.	Configuration on source device	control-policy
Site ID	Identification for a give site. A site can have multiple nodes or TLOCs.	Configuration on source device	control-policy
Tag	Identifier of TLOC on any arbitrary basis.	Configuration on source device	control-policy

## Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Route Attributes Used in Policies

A Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN route, defines a route in the overlay network and is similar to a standard IP route, has a TLOC and VPN attributes. The Cisco vEdge devices exchange routes in OMP updates.

The routes attributes listed below can be matched or set in Cisco SD-WAN Controller policies.

**Table 6:**

<b>Route Attribute</b>	<b>Function</b>	<b>Application Point Set By</b>	<b>Application Point Modify By</b>
Origin	Source of the route, either BGP, OSPF, connected, static.	Source device	control-policy

Route Attribute	Function	Application Point Set By	Application Point Modify By
Originator	Source of the update carrying the route.	Any originator	control-policy
Preference	OMP path-selection preference. A higher value is a more preferred path.	Configuration on source device or policy	control-policy
Service	Advertised service associated with the route.	Configuration on source device	control-policy
Site ID	Identifier for a give site. A site can have multiple nodes or TLOCs.	Configuration on source device	control-policy
Tag	Identification on any arbitrary basis.	Configuration on source device	control-policy
TLOC	TLOC used as next hop for the route.	Configuration on source device or policy	control-policy data-policy
VPN	VPN to which the route belongs.	Configuration on source device or policy	control-policy data-policy

## Design Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller Policy Processing and Application

Understanding how a Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy is processed and applied allows for proper design of policy and evaluation of how policy is implemented across the overlay network.

Policy is processed as follows:

- A policy definition consists of a numbered, ordered sequence of match–action pairings. Within each policy, the pairings are processed in sequential order, starting with the lowest number and incrementing.
- As soon as a match occurs, the matched entity is subject to the configured action of the sequence and is then no longer subject to continued processing.
- Any entity not matched in a sequence is subject to the default action for the policy. By default, this action is reject.

Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy is applied on a per-site-list basis, so:

- When applying policy to a site-list, you can apply only one of each type of policy. For example, you can have one control-policy and one data-policy, or one control-policy in and one control-policy out. You cannot have two data policies or two outbound control policies.
- Because a site-list is a grouping of many sites, you should be careful about including a site in more than one site-list. When the site-list includes a range of site identifiers, ensure that there is no overlap. If the same site is part of two site-lists and the same type of policy is applied to both site-lists, the policy behavior is unpredictable and possibly catastrophic.

- Control-policy is unidirectional, being applied either inbound to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller or outbound from it. When control-policy is needed in both directions, configure two control policies.
- Data-policy is bidirectional and can be applied either to traffic received from the service side of the Cisco vEdge device, traffic received from the tunnel side, or all of these combinations.
- VPN membership policy is always applied to traffic outbound from the Cisco SD-WAN Controller.
- Control-policy remains on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller and affects routes that the controller sends and receives.
- Data-policy is sent to either the Cisco vEdge devices in the site-list. The policy is sent in OMP updates, and it affects the data traffic that the devices send and receive.
- When any node in the overlay network makes a routing decision, it uses any and all available routing information. In the overlay network, it is the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller that distributes routing information to the Cisco vEdge device nodes.
- In a network deployment that has two or more Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers, each controller acts independently to disseminate routing information to other Cisco SD-WAN Controllers and to Cisco vEdge devices in the overlay network. So, to ensure that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy has the desired effect in the overlay network, each Cisco SD-WAN Controller must be configured with the same policy, and the policy must be applied identically. For any given policy, you must configure the identical policy and apply it identically across all the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers.



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**Note** When you deploy a policy, the deployment status is updated only for 30 minutes, which is the timeout limit for policies. After the timeout period, the deployment task status is not monitored. If you are deploying a bigger policy with more number of lines, and if it takes more than 30 minutes, the task status will not be monitored.

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## Cisco Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller Policy Operation

At a high level, control policy operates on routing information, which in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN network is carried in OMP updates. Data policy affects data traffic, and VPN membership controls the distribution of VPN routing tables.

The basic Cisco SD-WAN Controller policies are:

- Control Policy
- Data Policy
- VPN Membership

### Control Policy

Control policy, which is similar to standard routing policy, operates on routes and routing information in the control plane of the overlay network. Centralized control policy, which is provisioned on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, is the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN technique for customizing network-wide routing decisions that determine or influence routing paths through the overlay network. Local control policy, which is provisioned

on a Cisco vEdge device, allows customization of routing decisions made by BGP and OSPF on site-local branch or enterprise networks.

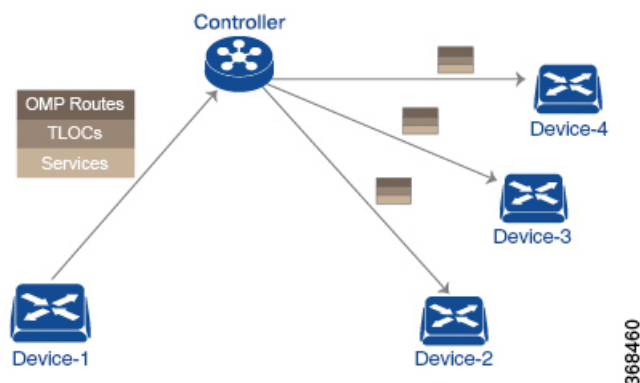
The routing information that forms the basis of centralized control policy is carried in Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN route advertisements, which are transmitted on the DTLS or TLS control connections between Cisco SD-WAN Controllers and Cisco vEdge devices. Centralized control policy determines which routes and route information are placed into the centralized route table on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller and which routes and route information are advertised to the Cisco vEdge devices in the overlay network. Basic centralized control policy establish traffic engineering, to set the path that traffic takes through the network. Advanced control policy supports a number of features, including service chaining, which allows Cisco vEdge devices in the overlay network to share network services, such as firewalls and load balancers.

Centralized control policy affects the OMP routes that are distributed by the Cisco SD-WAN Controller throughout the overlay network. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller learns the overlay network topology from OMP routes that are advertised by the Cisco vEdge devices over the OMP sessions inside the DTLS or TLS connections between the Cisco SD-WAN Controller and the devices.

Three types of OMP routes carry the information that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller uses to determine the network topology:

- Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN OMP routes, which are similar to IP route advertisements, advertise routing information that the devices have learned from their local site and the local routing protocols (BGP and OSPF) to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. These routes are also referred to as OMP routes or Routes.
- TLOC routes carry overlay network–specific locator properties, including the IP address of the interface that connects to the transport network, a link color, which identifies a traffic flow, and the encapsulation type. (A TLOC, or transport location, is the physical location where a Cisco vEdge device connects to a transport network. It is identified primarily by IP address, link color, and encapsulation, but a number of other properties are associated with a TLOC.)
- Service routes advertise the network services, such as firewalls, available to VPN members at the local site.

**Figure 9: Control Policy Topology**



By default, no centralized control policy is provisioned. In this bare, unpoliced network, all OMP routes are placed in the Cisco SD-WAN Controller's route table as is, and the Cisco SD-WAN Controller advertises all OMP routes, as is, to all the devices in the same VPN in the network domain.

By provisioning centralized control policy, you can affect which OMP routes are placed in the Cisco SD-WAN Controller's route table, what route information is advertised to the devices, and whether the OMP routes are modified before being put into the route table or before being advertised.

Cisco vEdge devices place all the route information learned from the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers, as is, into their local route tables, for use when forwarding data traffic. Because the Cisco SD-WAN Controller's role is to be the centralized routing system in the network, Cisco vEdge devices can never modify the OMP route information that they learn from the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers.

The Cisco SD-WAN Controller regularly receives OMP route advertisements from the devices and, after recalculating and updating the routing paths through the overlay network, it advertises new routing information to the devices.

The centralized control policy that you provision on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller remains on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller and is never downloaded to the devices. However, the routing decisions that result from centralized control policy are passed to the devices in the form of route advertisements, and so the affect of the control policy is reflected in how the devices direct data traffic to its destination.

A type of centralized control policy called service chaining allows data traffic to be routed through one or more network services, such as firewall, load balancer, and intrusion detection and prevention (IDP) devices, en route to its destination.

Localized control policy, which is provisioned locally on the devices, is called route policy. This policy is similar to the routing policies that you configure on a regular driver, allowing you to modify the BGP and OSPF routing behavior on the site-local network. Whereas centralized control policy affects the routing behavior across the entire overlay network, route policy applies only to routing at the local branch.

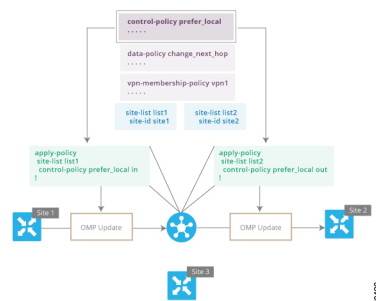
The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN devices periodically exchange OMP updates, which carry routing information pertaining to the overlay network. Two of the things that these updates contain are Route attributes and Transport Locations (TLOC) attributes.

The Cisco SD-WAN Controller uses these attributes from the OMP updates to determine the topology and status of the overlay network, and installs routing information about the overlay network into its route table. The controller then advertises the overlay topology to the Cisco vEdge devices in the network by sending OMP updates to them.

Control policy examines the Route and TLOC attributes carried in OMP updates and can modify attributes that match the policy. Any changes that results from control policy are applied directionally, either inbound or outbound.

The figure shows a control-policy named **prefer\_local** that is configured on a Cisco SD-WAN Controller and that is applied to Site 1 (via site-list list1) and to Site 2 (via site-list list2).

**Figure 10: Control Policy Topology**



```
Device# apply-policy
site-list list1
control-policy prefer_local in
!
```

The upper left arrow shows that the policy is applied to Site 1—more specifically, to **site-list list1**, which contains an entry for Site 1. The command **control-policy prefer\_local in** is used to apply the policy to OMP updates that are coming in to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller from the Cisco vEdge device, which is inbound from the perspective of the controller. The **in** keyword indicates an **inbound** policy. So, for all OMP updates that the Site 1 devices send to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, the "prefer\_local" control policy is applied before the updates reach the route table on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. If any Route or TLOC attributes in an OMP update match the policy, any changes that result from the policy actions occur before the Cisco SD-WAN Controller installs the OMP update information into its route table.

The route table on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller is used to determine the topology of the overlay network. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller then distributes this topology information, again via OMP updates, to all the devices in the network. Because applying policy in the inbound direction influences the information available to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. It determines the network topology and network reachability, modifying Route and TLOC attributes before they are placed in the controller's route table.

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site-list list2
control-policy prefer_local out
!
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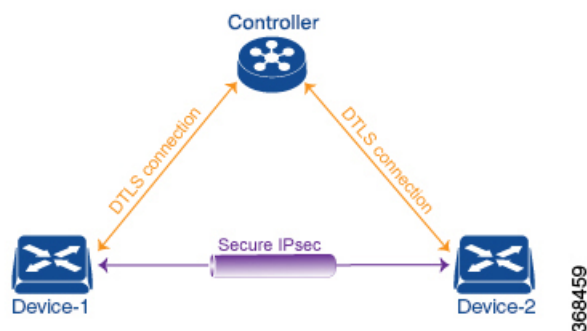
On the right side of the figure above, the "prefer\_local" policy is applied to Site 2 via the **control-policy prefer\_local out** command. The **out** keyword in the command indicates an **outbound policy**, which means that the policy is applied to OMP updates that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller is sending to the devices at Site 2. Any changes that result from the policy occur, after the information from the Cisco SD-WAN Controller's route table is placed in to an OMP update and before the devices receive the update. Again, note that the direction is outbound from the perspective of the Cisco SD-WAN Controller.

In contrast to an inbound policy, which affects the centralized route table on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller and has a broad effect on the route attributes advertised to all the devices in the overlay network. A control policy applied in the outbound direction influences only the route tables on the individual devices included in the site-list.

The same control policy (the **prefer\_local** policy) is applied to both the inbound and outbound OMP updates. However, the effects of applying the same policy to inbound and outbound are different. The usage shown in the figure illustrates the flexibility of the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN control policy design architecture and configuration.

## Data Policy

Data policy influences the flow of data traffic traversing the network based either on fields in the IP header of packets or the router interface on which the traffic is being transmitted or received. Data traffic travels over the IPsec connections between Cisco vEdge devices, shown in purple in the adjacent figure.

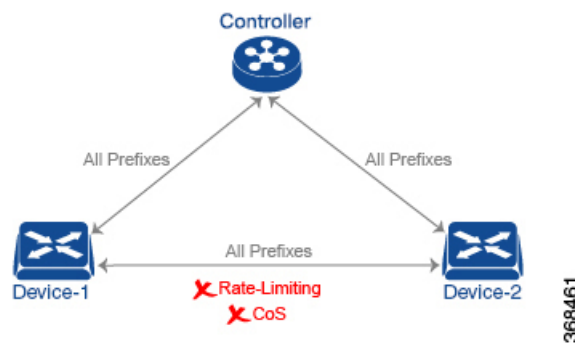




The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN architecture implements two types of data policy:

- Centralized data policy controls the flow of data traffic based on the source and destination addresses and ports and DSCP fields in the packet's IP header (referred to as a 5-tuple), and based on network segmentation and VPN membership. These types of data policy are provisioned centrally, on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and they affect traffic flow across the entire network.
- Localized data policy controls the flow of data traffic into and out of interfaces and interface queues on a Cisco vEdge device. This type of data policy is provisioned locally using access lists. It allows you to classify traffic and map different classes to different queues. It also allows you to mirror traffic and to police the rate at which data traffic is transmitted and received.

By default, no centralized data policy is provisioned. The result is that all prefixes within a VPN are reachable from anywhere in the VPN. Provisioning centralized data policy allows you to apply a 6-tuple filter that controls access between sources and destinations.



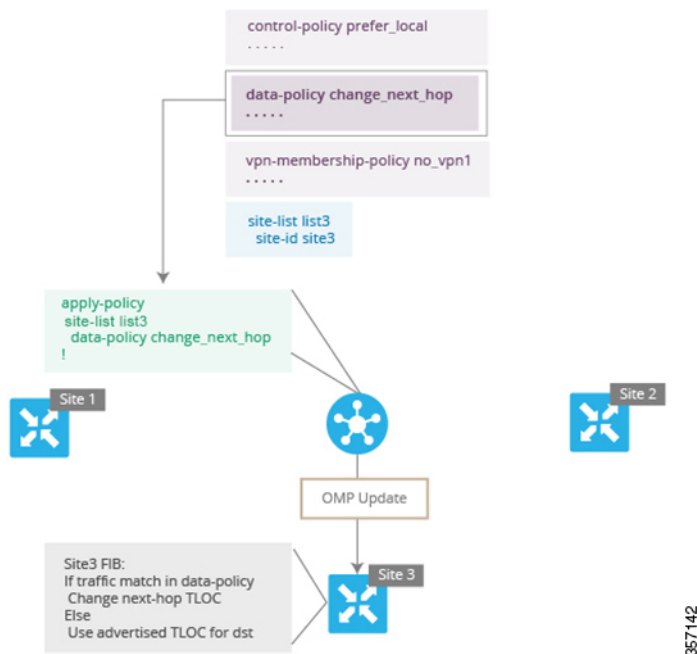
As with centralized control policy, you provision a centralized data policy on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and that configuration remains on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. The effects of data policy are reflected in how the Cisco vEdge devices direct data traffic to its destination. Unlike control policy, however, centralized data policies are pushed to the devices in a read-only fashion. They are not added to the router's configuration file, but you can view them from the CLI on the router.

With no access lists provisioned on a Cisco vEdge device, all data traffic is transmitted at line rate and with equal importance, using one of the interface's queues. Using access lists, you can provision class of service, which allows you to classify data traffic by importance, spread it across different interface queues, and control the rate at which different classes of traffic are transmitted. You can provision policing. You can also provision packet mirroring.

Data policy examines fields in the headers of data packets, looking at the source and destination addresses and ports, and the protocol and DSCP values, and for matching packets, it can modify the next hop in a variety of ways or apply a policer to the packets. Data policy is configured and applied on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and then it is carried in OMP updates to the Cisco vEdge devices in the site-list that the policy is applied to. The match operation and any resultant actions are performed on the devices as it transmits or receives data traffic.

In the Data Policy Topology figure, a data policy named “change\_next\_hop” is applied to a list of sites that includes Site 3. The OMP update that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller sends to the devices at Site 3 includes this policy definition. When the device sends or receives data traffic that matches the policy, it changes the next hop to the specified TLOC. Non-matching traffic is forwarded to the original next-hop TLOC.

Figure 11: Data Policy Topology



In the **apply-policy** command for a data policy, specify a direction from the perspective of the device. The "all" direction in the figure applies the policy to incoming and outgoing data traffic transiting the tunnel interface. You can limit the span of the policy to only incoming traffic with a **data-policy change\_next\_hop from-tunnel** command or to only outgoing traffic with a **data-policy change\_next\_hop from-service** command.

## VPN Membership Policy Operation

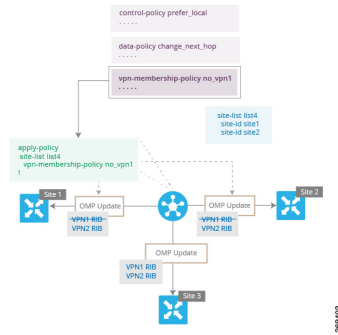
VPN membership policy, as the name implies, affects the VPN route tables that are distributed to particular Cisco vEdge devices. In an overlay network with no VPN membership policy, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller pushes the routes for all VPNs to all the devices. If your business usage model restricts participation of specific devices in particular VPNs, a VPN membership policy is used to enforce this restriction.

The figure VPN Membership Topology illustrates how VPN membership policy works. This topology has three Cisco vEdge devices:

- The Cisco vEdge devices at Sites 1 and 2 service only VPN 2.
- The Cisco vEdge devices at Site 3 services both VPN 1 and VPN 2.

In the figure, the device at Site 3 receives all route updates from the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, because these updates are for both VPN 1 and VPN 2. However, because the other Cisco vEdge devices service only VPN 2, it can filter the route updates sent to them, remove the routes associated with VPN 1 and sends only the ones that apply to VPN 2.

Figure 12: VPN Membership Topology





Notice that here, direction is not set when applying VPN membership policy. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller always applies this type of policy to the OMP updates that it sends outside to the Cisco vEdge devices.

## Configure and Execute Cisco SD-WAN Controller Policies

All Cisco SD-WAN Controller policies are configured on the Cisco vEdge devices, using a combination of policy definition and lists. All Cisco SD-WAN Controller policies are also applied on the Cisco vEdge devices, with a combination of apply-policy and lists. However, where the actual Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy executes depends on the type of policy, as shown in this figure:

Figure 13: Cisco SD-WAN Controller Policy

	Action	App-route Policy	Cflowd Template	Control Policy	Data Policy	VPN Membership Policy
 Controller	Configure	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Apply	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Execute			✓		✓
 Device	Configure					
	Apply					
	Execute	✓	✓		✓	

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For control policy and VPN membership policy, the entire policy configuration remains on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and the actions taken as a result of routes or VPNs that match a policy are performed on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller.

For the other three policy types—application-aware routing, cflowd templates, and data policy—the policies are transmitted in OMP updates to the Cisco vEdge devices, and any actions taken as a result of the policies are performed on the devices.





## CHAPTER 5

# Control Policy

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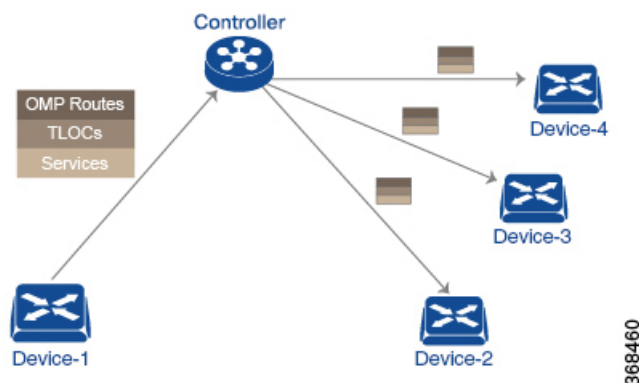
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Figure 14: Control Policy Topology



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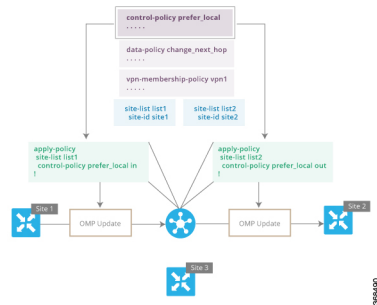
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The Cisco SD-WAN Controller uses these attributes from the OMP updates to determine the topology and status of the overlay network, and installs routing information about the overlay network into its route table. The controller then advertises the overlay topology to the Cisco vEdge devices in the network by sending OMP updates to them.

Control policy examines the Route and TLOC attributes carried in OMP updates and can modify attributes that match the policy. Any changes that results from control policy are applied directionally, either inbound or outbound.

The figure shows a control-policy named **prefer\_local** that is configured on a Cisco SD-WAN Controller and that is applied to Site 1 (via site-list list1) and to Site 2 (via site-list list2).

**Figure 15: Control Policy Topology**



```
Device# apply-policy
site-list list1
control-policy prefer_local in
!
```

The upper left arrow shows that the policy is applied to Site 1—more specifically, to **site-list list1**, which contains an entry for Site 1. The command **control-policy prefer\_local in** is used to apply the policy to OMP updates that are coming in to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller from the Cisco vEdge device, which is inbound from the perspective of the controller. The **in** keyword indicates an **inbound policy**. So, for all OMP updates that the Site 1 devices send to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, the "prefer\_local" control policy is applied before the updates reach the route table on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. If any Route or TLOC attributes in an OMP update match the policy, any changes that result from the policy actions occur before the Cisco SD-WAN Controller installs the OMP update information into its route table.

The route table on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller is used to determine the topology of the overlay network. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller then distributes this topology information, again via OMP updates, to all the devices in the network. Because applying policy in the inbound direction influences the information available to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. It determines the network topology and network reachability, modifying Route and TLOC attributes before they are placed in the controller's route table.

```
apply-policy
site-list list2
control-policy prefer_local out
!
```

On the right side of the figure above, the "prefer\_local" policy is applied to Site 2 via the **control-policy prefer\_local out** command. The **out** keyword in the command indicates an **outbound policy**, which means that the policy is applied to OMP updates that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller is sending to the devices at Site 2. Any changes that result from the policy occur, after the information from the Cisco SD-WAN Controller's route table is placed in to an OMP update and before the devices receive the update. Again, note that the direction is outbound from the perspective of the Cisco SD-WAN Controller.

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The same control policy (the **prefer\_local** policy) is applied to both the inbound and outbound OMP updates. However, the effects of applying the same policy to inbound and outbound are different. The usage shown in the figure illustrates the flexibility of the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN control policy design architecture and configuration.

- [Centralized Control Policy Architecture, on page 38](#)
- [Types of Localized Policies, on page 61](#)
- [Device Access Policy, on page 73](#)

## Centralized Control Policy Architecture

In the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN network architecture, centralized control policy is handled by the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, which effectively is the routing engine of the network. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller is the centralized manager of network-wide routes, maintaining a primary route table for these routes. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller builds its route table based on the route information advertised by the Cisco vEdge devices in its domain, using these routes to discover the network topology and to determine the best paths to network destinations. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller distributes route information from its route table to the devices in its domain which in turn use these routes to forward data traffic through the network. The result of this architecture is that networking-wide routing decisions and routing policy are orchestrated by a central authority instead of being implemented hop by hop, by the devices in the network.

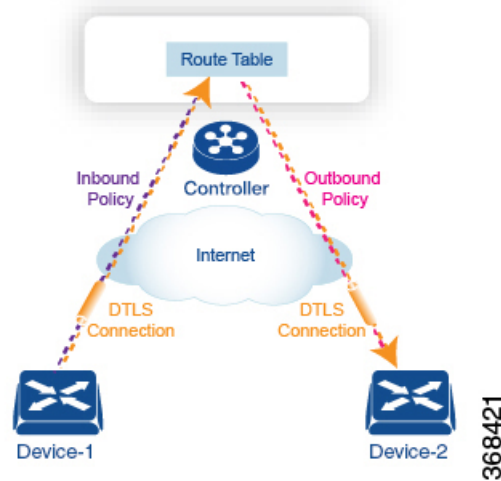
Centralized control policy allows you to influence the network routes advertised by the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers. This type of policy, which is provisioned centrally on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, affects both the route information that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller stores in its primary route table and the route information that it distributes to the devices.

Centralized control policy is provisioned and applied only on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. The control policy configuration itself is never pushed to devices in the overlay network. What is pushed to the devices, using the Overlay Management Protocol (OMP), are the results of the control policy, which the devices then install in their local route tables and use for forwarding data traffic. This design means that the distribution of network-wide routes is always administered centrally, using policies designed by network administrators. These policies are always implemented by centralized Cisco SD-WAN Controllers, which are responsible for orchestrating the routing decisions in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network.

Within a network domain, the network topology map on all Cisco SD-WAN Controllers must be synchronized. To support this, you must configure identical policies on all the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in the domain.



Figure 16: Centralized Control Policy



All centralized control plane traffic, including route information, is carried by OMP peering sessions that run within the secure, permanent DTLS connections between devices and the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in their domain. The end points of an OMP peering session are identified by the system IDs of the devices, and the peering sessions carry the site ID, which identifies the site in which the device is located. A DTLS connection and the OMP session running over it remain active as long as the two peers are operational.

Control policy can be applied both inbound, to the route advertisements that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller receives from the devices, and outbound, to advertisements that it sends to them. Inbound policy controls which routes and route information are installed in the local routing database on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and whether this information is installed as-is or is modified. Outbound control policy is applied after a route is retrieved from the routing database, but before a Cisco SD-WAN Controller advertises it, and affects whether the route information is advertised as-is or is modified.

## Route Types

The Cisco SD-WAN Controller learns the network topology from OMP routes, which are Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN-specific routes carried by OMP. There are three types of OMP routes:

- Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN OMP routes—These routes carry prefix information that the devices learn from the routing protocols running on its local network, including routes learned from BGP and OSPF, as well as direct, connected, and static routes. OMP advertises OMP routes to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller by means of an OMP route SAFI (Subsequent Address Family Identifier). These routes are commonly simply called OMP routes.
- TLOC routes—These routes carry properties associated with transport locations, which are the physical points at which the devices connect to the WAN or the transport network. Properties that identify a TLOC include the IP address of the WAN interface and a color that identifies a particular traffic flow. OMP advertises TLOC routes using a TLOC SAFI.
- Service routes—These routes identify network services, such as firewalls and IDPs, that are available on the local-site network to which the devices are connected. OMP advertises these routes using a service SAFI.

## Default Behavior Without Centralized Control Policy

By default, no centralized control policy is provisioned on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. This results in the following route advertisement and redistribution behavior within a domain:

- All Cisco vEdge devices redistribute all the route-related prefixes that they learn from their site-local network to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. This route information is carried by OMP route advertisements that are sent over the DTLS connection between the devices and the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. If a domain contains multiple Cisco SD-WAN Controllers, the devices send all OMP route advertisements to all the controllers.
- All the devices send all TLOC routes to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller or controllers in their domain, using OMP.
- All the devices send all service routes to advertise any network services, such as firewalls and IDPs, that are available at the local site where the device is located. Again, these are carried by OMP.
- The Cisco SD-WAN Controller accepts all the OMP, TLOC, and service routes that it receives from all the devices in its domain, storing the information in its route table. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller tracks which OMP routes, TLOCs, and services belong to which VPNs. The Cisco SD-WAN Controller uses all the routes to develop a topology map of the network and to determine routing paths for data traffic through the overlay network.
- The Cisco SD-WAN Controller redistributes all information learned from the OMP, TLOC, and service routes in a particular VPN to all the devices in the same VPN.
- The devices regularly send route updates to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller.
- The Cisco SD-WAN Controller recalculates routing paths, updates its route table, and advertises new and changed routing information to all the devices.

## Behavior Changes with Centralized Control Policy

When you do not want to redistribute all route information to all Cisco vEdge devices in a domain, or when you want to modify the route information that is stored in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller's route table or that is advertised by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, you design and provision a centralized control policy. To activate the control policy, you apply it to specific sites in the overlay network in either the inbound or the outbound direction. The direction is with respect to the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. All provisioning of centralized control policy is done on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller.

Applying a centralized control policy in the inbound direction filters or modifies the routes being advertised by the Cisco vEdge device before they are placed in the route table on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. As the first step in the process, routes are either accepted or rejected. Accepted routes are installed in the route table on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller either as received or as modified by the control policy. Routes that are rejected by a control policy are silently discarded.

Applying a control policy in outbound direction filters or modifies the routes that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller redistributes to the Cisco vEdge devices. As the first step of an outbound policy, routes are either accepted or rejected. For accepted routes, centralized control policy can modify the routes before they are distributed by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. Routes that are rejected by an outbound policy are not advertised.

### VPN Membership Policy

A second type of centralized data policy is VPN membership policy. It controls whether a Cisco vEdge device can participate in a particular VPN. VPN membership policy defines which VPNs of a device is allowed and which is not allowed to receive routes from.

VPN membership policy can be centralized, because it affects only the packet headers and has no impact on the choice of interface that a Cisco vEdge device uses to transmit traffic. What happens instead is that if, because of a VPN membership policy, a device is not allowed to receive routes for a particular VPN, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller never forwards those routes to that driver.

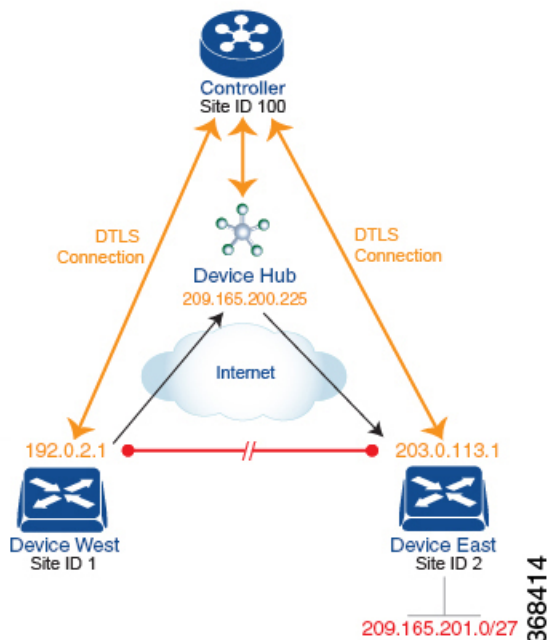
## Examples of Modifying Traffic Flow with Centralized Control Policy

This section provides some basic examples of how you can use centralized control policies to modify the flow of data traffic through the overlay network.

### Create an Arbitrary Topology

When data traffic is exchanged between two Cisco vEdge devices, if you have provisioned no control policy, the two devices establish an IPsec tunnel between them and the data traffic flows directly from one device to the next. For a network with only two devices or with just a small number of devices, establishing connections between each pair of devices is generally not been an issue. However, such a solution does not scale. In a network with hundreds or even thousands of branches, establishing a full mesh of IPsec tunnels tax the CPU resources of each device.

Figure 17: Arbitrary Topology



One way to minimize this overhead is to create a hub-and-spoke type of topology in which one of the devices acts as a hub site that receives the data traffic from all the spoke, or branch, devices and then redirects the traffic to the proper destination. This example shows one of the ways to create such a hub-and-spoke topology, which is to create a control policy that changes the address of the TLOC associated with the destination.

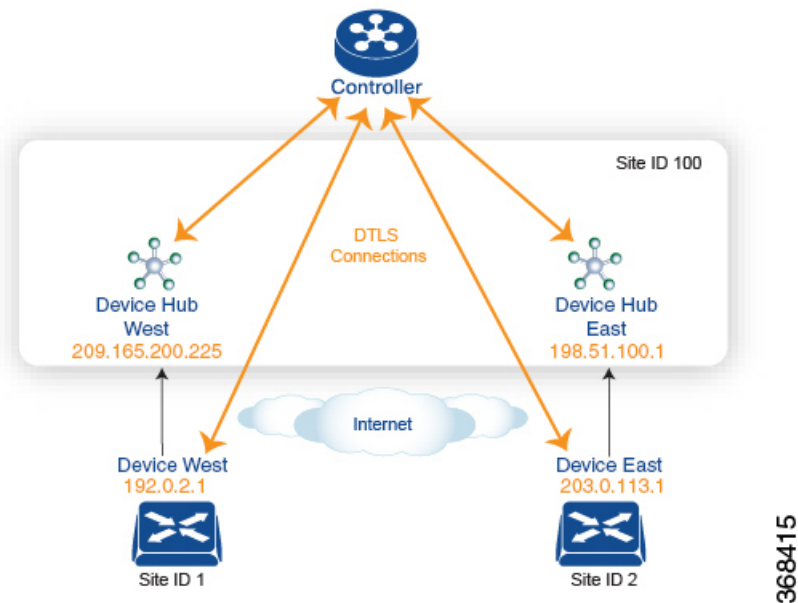
The figure illustrates how such a policy might work. The topology has two branch locations, West and East. When no control policy is provisioned, these two devices exchange data traffic with each other directly by creating an IPsec tunnel between them (shown by the red line). Here, the route table on the Device West contains a route to Device East with a destination TLOC of 203.0.113.1, color gold (which we write as the tuple {192.0.2.1, gold}), and Device East route table has a route to the West branch with a destination TLOC of {203.0.113.1, gold}.

To set up a hub-and-spoke-type topology here, we provision a control policy that causes the West and East devices to send all data packets destined for the other device to the hub device. (Remember that because control policy is always centralized, you provision it on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller.) On the Device West, the policy simply changes the destination TLOC from {203.0.113.1, gold} to {209.165.200.225, gold}, which is the TLOC of the hub device, and on the Device East, the policy changes the destination TLOC from {192.0.2.1, gold} to the hub's TLOC, {209.165.200.225, gold}. If there were other branch sites on the west and east sides of the network that exchange data traffic, you could apply these same two control policies to have them redirect all their data traffic through the hub.

## Set Up Traffic Engineering

Control policy allows you to design and provision traffic engineering. In a simple case, suppose that you have two devices acting as hub devices. If you want data traffic destined to a branch Cisco vEdge device to always transit through one of the hub devices, set the TLOC preference value to favor the desired hub device.

**Figure 18: Traffic Engineering Topology**

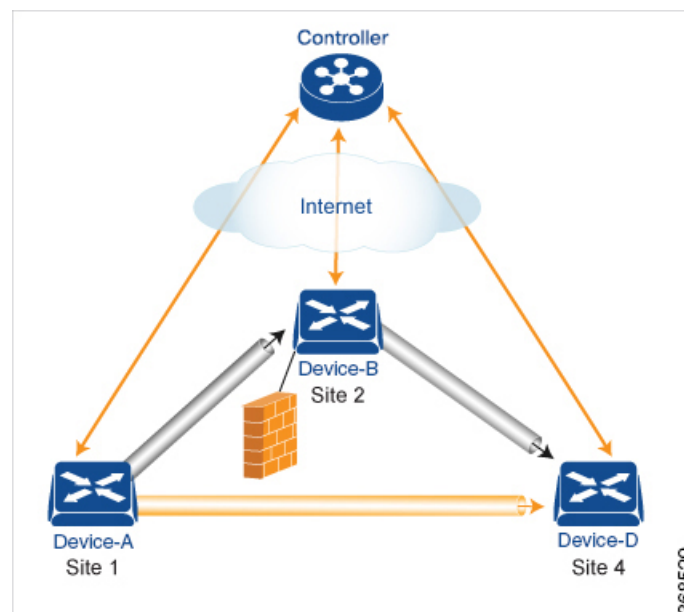


The figure shows that Site ID 100 has two hub devices, one that serves the West side of the network and a second that serves the East side. Data traffic from the Device West must be handled by the Device West hub, and similarly, data traffic from the Device East branch must go through the Device East hub.

To engineer this traffic flow, you provision two control policies, one for Site ID 1, where the Device West device is located, and a second one for Site ID 2. The control policy for Site ID 1 changes the TLOC for traffic destined to the Device East to {209.165.200.225, gold}, and the control policy for Site ID 2 changes the TLOC for traffic destined for Site ID 1 to {198.51.100.1, gold}. One additional effect of this traffic engineering policy is that it load-balances the traffic traveling through the two hub devices.

With such a traffic engineering policy, a route from the source device to the destination device is installed in the local route table, and traffic is sent to the destination regardless of whether the path between the source and destination devices is available. Enabling end-to-end tracking of the path to the ultimate destination allows the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller to monitor the path from the source to the destination, and to inform the source device when that path is not available. The source device can then modify or remove the path from its route table.

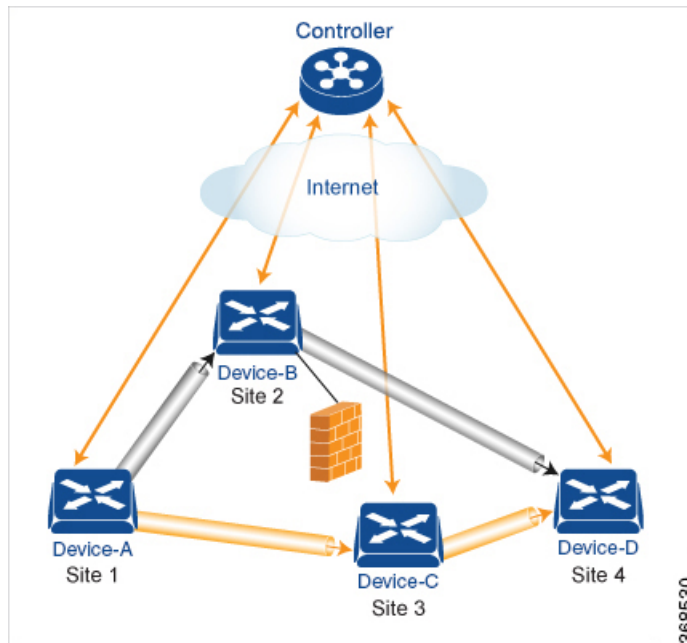
**Figure 19: Traffic Engineering 2**



The figure Traffic Engineering 2 illustrates end-to-end path tracking. It shows that traffic from Device-A that is destined for Device-D first goes to an intermediate device, Device-B, perhaps because this intermediate device provides a service, such as a firewall. (You configure this traffic engineering with a centralized control policy that is applied to Device-A, at Site 1.) Then Device-B, which has a direct path to the ultimate destination, forwards the traffic to Device-D. So, in this example, the end-to-end path between Device-A and Device-D comprises two tunnels, one between Device-A and Device-B, and the second between Device-B and Device-D. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller tracks this end-to-end path, and it notifies Device-A if the portion of the path between Device-B and Device-D becomes unavailable.

As part of end-to-end path tracking, you can specify how to forward traffic from the source to the ultimate destination using an intermediate device. The default method is strict forwarding, where traffic is always sent from Device-A to Device-B, regardless of whether Device-B has a direct path to Device-D or whether the tunnel between Device-B and Device-D is up. More flexible methods forward some or all traffic directly from Device-A to Device-D. You can also set up a second intermediate device to provide a redundant path with the first intermediate device is unreachable and use an ECMP method to forward traffic between the two. The figure Traffic Engineering3 adds Device-C as a redundant intermediate device.

Figure 20: Traffic Engineering 3



Centralized control policy, which you configure on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers, affects routing policy based on information in OMP routes and OMP TLOCs.

This type of policy allows you to set actions for matching routes and TLOCs, including redirecting packets through network services, such as firewalls, a feature that is called service chaining.

In domains with multiple Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers, all the controllers must have the same centralized control policy configuration to ensure that routing within the overlay network remains stable and predictable.

## Configure the Network Topology

When you first open the Configure Topology and VPN Membership screen, the **Topology** tab is selected by default.

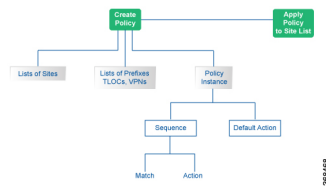
To configure the network topology and VPN membership, see the following sections.

### Configuration Components

A centralized control policy consists of a series of numbered (ordered) sequences of match-action pairs that are evaluated in order, from lowest sequence number to highest sequence number. When a route or TLOC matches the match conditions, the associated action or actions are taken and policy evaluation on that packets stops. Keep this process in mind as you design your policies to ensure that the desired actions are taken on the items subject to policy.

If a route or TLOC matches no parameters in any of the sequences in the policy configure, it is, by default, rejected and discarded.

The figure illustrates the configuration components for a centralized control policy.



## Create a Hub and Spoke Policy

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- Step 1** In the Add Topology drop-down, select **Hub and Spoke**.
- Step 2** Enter a name for the hub-and-spoke policy.
- Step 3** Enter a description for the policy.
- Step 4** In the VPN List field, select the VPN list for the policy.
- Step 5** In the left pane, click **Add Hub and Spoke**. A hub-and-spoke policy component containing the text string My Hub-and-Spoke is added in the left pane.
- Step 6** Double-click the **My Hub-and-Spoke** text string, and enter a name for the policy component.
- Step 7** In the right pane, add hub sites to the network topology:
- Click **Add Hub Sites**.
  - In the **Site List Field**, select a site list for the policy component.
  - Click **Add**.
  - Repeat these steps to add more hub sites to the policy component.
- Step 8** In the right pane, add spoke sites to the network topology:
- Click **Add Spoke Sites**.
  - In the **Site List Field**, select a site list for the policy component.
  - Click **Add**.
  - Repeat these steps to add more spoke sites to the policy component.
- Step 9** Repeat steps as needed to add more components to the hub-and-spoke policy.
- Step 10** Click **Save Hub and Spoke Policy**.
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## Create a Policy for Mesh

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- Step 1** In the Add Topology drop-down, select **Mesh**.
- Step 2** Enter a name for the mesh region policy component.
- Step 3** Enter a description for the mesh region policy component.
- Step 4** In the **VPN List** field, select the VPN list for the policy.
- Step 5** Click **New Mesh Region**.
- Step 6** In the **Mesh Region Name** field, enter a name for the individual mesh region.
- Step 7** In the **Site List** field, select one or more sites to include in the mesh region.
- Step 8** Repeat these steps to add more mesh regions to the policy.

**Step 9** Click **Save Mesh Region**.

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## Custom Control (Route and TLOC)

Policy for a topology with a custom route and TLOC configuration.

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**Step 1** In the Add Topology drop-down, select **Custom Control (Route & TLOC)**.

**Step 2** Enter a name for the custom control policy component.

**Step 3** Enter a description of the custom control policy component.

**Step 4** Click **Sequence Type**. The Add Control Policy popup displays.

**Step 5** Click **Route** or **TLOC** to create a policy of that type.

**Step 6** Click **Sequence Rule**.

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### Custom Control (Route)

Create a policy to apply on an OMP route. By default, the Match tab is selected, displaying match condition options.

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**Step 1** From the **Add Custom Control Policy** screen, click **Route**.

**Step 2** Click **Sequence Rule**. Match and Actions options display.

**Step 3** From the Match tab, select and configure match conditions for your route.

Match Condition	Description
Color List	Select a color list to match, or click <b>New Color List</b> to create a new list: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Enter a name for the Color list.</li> <li>b. From the <b>Select Color</b> drop-down menu, select the color(s) you want included in your list.</li> <li>c. Click <b>Save</b>.</li> </ol>
OMP Tag	Enter the OMP route tag, a number between 0-4294967295.



Match Condition	Description
Origin	<p>Select an origin for the route from the drop-down menu. Options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Aggregate</b></li> <li>• <b>BGP External</b></li> <li>• <b>BGP Internal</b></li> <li>• <b>Connected</b></li> <li>• <b>OSPF</b></li> <li>• <b>OSPF External 1</b></li> <li>• <b>OSPF External 2</b></li> <li>• <b>OSPF Intra-Area</b></li> <li>• <b>Static.</b></li> </ul>
Originator	Enter the IP address of the originator of this route.
Preference	Enter the preference number for the route, a number between 0-4294967295.
Site	<p>Select a site list from the list of options, or create a new site list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Enter a name for the Site list.</li> <li>b. Enter the Site numbers, following the example.</li> <li>c. Click <b>Save</b>.</li> </ol>
TLOC	<p>Select a TLOC list to match, or create a new TLOC list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Enter a name for the TLOC list.</li> <li>b. In the <b>TLOC IP</b> field, enter the IP address for the TLOC.</li> <li>c. In the <b>Color</b> drop-down menu, select the color you want to apply to the TLOC list.</li> <li>d. From the <b>Encap</b> drop-down menu, select the encapsulation type for the TLOC list.</li> <li>e. In the <b>Preference</b> field, enter the preference number for the route, a number between 0-4294967295.</li> <li>f. Optionally, click <b>Add TLOC</b> and repeat steps 1-5 to open another TLOC list.</li> <li>g. Click <b>Save</b>.</li> </ol>

Match Condition	Description
VPN	<p><b>a.</b> From the <b>Match Conditions &gt; VPN list</b> field, select a VPN list, or click <b>New VPN List</b> to create a new one:</p> <p><b>b.</b> Enter a name for the VPN List.</p> <p><b>c.</b> In the <b>VPN</b> field, enter the VPN numbers, for example, 100 or 200 separated by commas, or 1000-2000 by range.</p> <p><b>d.</b> Click <b>Save</b>.</p>
Prefix List	<p>From the <b>Match Conditions &gt; Prefix List</b> field, select a <b>Prefix</b> list, or click <b>New Prefix List</b> to create a new one:</p> <p><b>a.</b> From the <b>Prefix List</b> drop-down menu, select a prefix list, or create a new one.</p> <p><b>b.</b> In the <b>Add Prefix</b> field, enter the IP prefixes, or click <b>Import</b> on the right to import prefixes.</p> <p><b>c.</b> Click <b>Save</b>.</p> <p><b>Note</b>        The <b>Prefix List</b> option is not available if you select protocol <b>Both</b> (IPv4 and IPv6).</p>

**Step 4** From the **Actions** tab, select **IPv4**, **IPv6**, or **Both**, to designate which protocol the actions should apply to. Not all of the following options are available for all protocols.

**Step 5** Click **Accept** or **Reject** for the IP traffic meeting the match conditions.

Match Condition	Description
Accept	<p>Allow traffic from the selected protocol. Click the following menu buttons to open configuration fields:</p> <p><b>Export To</b>—Select a VPN list, or create a new one.</p> <p><b>OMP Tag</b>—Enter the OMP route tag, a number between 0-4294967295.</p> <p><b>Preference</b>—Enter the preference number for the route, a number between 0-4294967295.</p> <p><b>Service</b>— Enter the following information:</p> <p><b>Type</b>—Select a service type. Options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Firewall</b></li> <li>• <b>Intrusion Detection Prevention</b></li> <li>• <b>Intrusion Detection System</b></li> <li>• <b>Net Service 1</b></li> <li>• <b>Net Service 2</b></li> <li>• <b>Net Service 3</b></li> <li>• <b>Net Service 4</b></li> <li>• <b>Net Service 5</b></li> </ul> <p><b>VPN</b>—Enter the number of the Service VPN.</p> <p><b>TLOC IP</b>—Enter the IP address of the Service TLOC.</p> <p><b>Color</b>—Select a Color type from the drop-down list.</p> <p><b>Encapsulation</b>—Select <b>IPSEC</b> or <b>GRE</b> as the encapsulation type.</p> <p><b>TLOC List</b>—Select a service TLOC list from the drop-down menu, or create a new one.</p>

Match Condition	Description
	<p data-bbox="431 289 591 317"><b>TLOC Action</b></p> <p data-bbox="431 331 894 359">Select an action from the drop-down menu:</p> <ul data-bbox="467 380 1479 848" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="467 380 1479 470">• <b>Strict</b>—Direct matching traffic only to the intermediate destination. With this action, if the intermediate destination is down, no traffic reaches the final destination. If you do not configure a set tloc-action action in a centralized control policy, strict is the default behavior.</li> <li data-bbox="467 491 1479 581">• <b>Primary</b>—First direct matching traffic to the intermediate destination. If that driver is not reachable, then direct it to the final destination. With this action, if the intermediate destination is down, all traffic reaches the final destination.</li> <li data-bbox="467 602 1479 735">• <b>Backup</b>—First direct matching traffic to the final destination. If that driver is not reachable, then direct it to the intermediate destination. With this action, if the source is unable to reach the final destination directly, it is possible for all traffic to reach the final destination via the intermediate destination.</li> <li data-bbox="467 756 1479 848">• <b>Equal Cost Multi-path</b>—Equally direct matching control traffic between the intermediate destination and the ultimate destination. With this action, if the intermediate destination is down, all traffic reaches the ultimate destination.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="431 890 878 917"><b>TLOC</b>—Enter the following information:</p> <ul data-bbox="467 938 1101 1071" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="467 938 1101 966">• <b>TLOC List</b>—Select a TLOC list, or create a new one.</li> <li data-bbox="467 987 1101 1014">• <b>TLOC IP</b>—Enter the IP address of the designated TLOC.</li> <li data-bbox="467 1035 1101 1071">• <b>Color</b>—Select a color from the available options.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="431 1113 1143 1140"><b>Encapsulation</b>—Select <b>IPSEC</b> or <b>GRE</b> as the encapsulation type.</p>
<b>Reject</b>	<p data-bbox="431 1167 862 1194">Reject traffic for the selected conditions.</p> <ol data-bbox="431 1215 1203 1348" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="431 1215 1203 1243">a. Select a protocol from the <b>Protocol</b> dropdown: <b>IPv4</b>, <b>IPv6</b>, or <b>Both</b>.</li> <li data-bbox="431 1264 997 1291">b. Click <b>Accept</b> or <b>Reject</b> for the match conditions.</li> <li data-bbox="431 1312 1057 1339">c. Optionally, repeat these steps with a different protocol.</li> </ol>

**Step 6** Click **Save Match and Actions**.

## Create a Custom Control (TLOC)

Create a policy to apply to a TLOC. By default, the Match tab is selected, displaying match condition options.

- Step 1** From the **Add Custom Control Policy** screen, click **TLOC**.
- Step 2** Click **Sequence Rule**. Match and Actions options display.
- Step 3** From the Match tab, select and configure match conditions for your route.

Match Condition	Description
<b>Carrier</b>	Select a carrier from the drop-down list.
<b>Color List</b>	Select a color list from the drop-down list, or create a new one.
<b>Domain ID</b>	Enter a domain ID number, between 1-4294967295.
<b>Group ID</b>	Enter a Group ID number, between 1-4294967295.
<b>OMP Tag</b>	Enter an OMP tag number, between 1-4294967295.
<b>Originator</b>	Enter the IP address of the originator of the TLOC.
<b>Preference</b>	Enter a preference number for the policy, between 1-4294967295.
<b>Site List</b>	Select a site list from the drop-down list, create a new one, or enter a site ID in the Site ID field, between 1-4294967295.
<b>TLOC</b>	Select a TLOC from the drop-down list, or create a new one or Select a TLOC from the drop-down list, or create a new one. Enter the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>TLOC IP</b>—Enter the IP address of the TLOC.</li> <li>• <b>Color</b>—Select a color list from the available options.</li> <li>• <b>Encapsulation</b>—Select IPSEC or GRE as the encapsulation type.</li> </ul>

**Step 4** Click **Accept** or **Reject** to apply the following match conditions to an action.

Action Condition	Description
<b>Accept</b>	Allow traffic from the selected protocol. Click the following menu buttons to open configuration fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>OMP Tag</b>—Enter an OMP tag number, between 1-4294967295.</li> <li>• <b>Preference</b>—Enter a preference number for the policy, between 1-4294967295.</li> </ul>
<b>Reject</b>	Reject traffic for the selected conditions.

## Import Existing Topology

**Step 1** In the Add Topology drop-down, select **Import Existing Topology** to open the matching popup

**Step 2** Under **Policy Type**, click the topology type you want to import:

- a) **Hub and Spoke**
- b) **Mesh**
- c) **Custom**

- Step 3** Select a policy from the field list. Cisco SD-WAN Manager populates this field from the available topologies for the type you select.
- Step 4** Click **Import**.
- Step 5** Click **Save Control Policy** to save the Route policy.

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## Create a VPN Membership Policy

- Step 1** In the Topology bar, click **VPN Membership**.
- Step 2** Click **Add VPN Membership Policy**. The Update VPN Membership Policy popup displays.
- Step 3** Enter a name and description for the VPN membership policy.
- Step 4** In the **Site List** field, select the site list.
- Step 5** In the **VPN Lists** field, select the VPN list.
- Step 6** Click **Add List** to add another VPN to the VPN membership.
- Step 7** Click **Save**.
- Step 8** Click **Next** to move to Configure Traffic Rules in the wizard.

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## Configure Centralized Policies Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

To configure a centralized policy, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. The wizard consists of the following operations that guide you through the process of creating and editing policy components:

- **Create Groups of Interest:** Create lists that group together related items and that you call in the match or action components of a policy.
- **Configure Topology and VPN Membership:** Create the network structure to which the policy applies.
- **Configure Traffic Rules:** Create the match and action conditions of a policy.
- **Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs:** Associate the policy with sites and VPNs in the overlay network.
- **Activate the centralized policy.**

For a centralized policy to take effect, you must activate the policy.

To configure centralized policies using Cisco SD-WAN Manager, use the steps identified in the procedures that follow this section.

## Components of Centralized Policies

The following are the components required to configure a centralized policy. Each one is explained in more detail in the sections below.

```
policy lists color-list list-name color color prefix-list list-name ip-prefix prefix
site-list list-name site-id site-id tloc-list list-name tloc address color color
encap encapsulation [preference value] vpn-list list-name vpn vpn-id
control-policy policy-name
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sequence number
match match-parameters
action reject accept export-to vpn accept set parameter
default-action (accept | reject) apply-policy site-list list-name control-policy policy-name
(in | out)

```

### Components for VPN Membership

The following are the components required to configure a VPN membership policy. Each one is explained in more detail in the sections that follow.

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policy
  lists
    app-list list-name
      (app applications | app-family application-families)
    data-prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    tloc-list list-name
      tloc ip-address color color encap encapsulation [preference value]
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id
  policer policer-name
    burst bytes
    exceed action
    rate bandwidth
  data-policy policy-name
    vpn-list list-name
    sequence number
    match
      app-list list-name
      destination-data-prefix-list list-name
      destination-ip prefix/length
      destination-port port-numbers
      dscp number
      dns-app-list list-name
      dns (request | response)
      packet-length number
      protocol number
      icmp-msg
      icmp6-msg
      source-data-prefix-list list-name
      source-ip prefix/length
      source-port port-numbers
      tcp flag
    action
      cflowd (not available for deep packet inspection)
      count counter-name
      drop
      log
      redirect-dns (dns-ip-address | host)
      tcp-optimization
      accept
        nat [pool number] [use-vpn 0]
        set
          dscp number
          forwarding-class class
          local-tloc color color [encap encapsulation] [restrict]
          next-hop ip-address
          policer policer-name
          service service-name local [restrict] [vpn vpn-id]
          service service-name [tloc ip-address | tloc-list list-name] [vpn vpn-id]
          tloc ip-address color color [encap encapsulation]

```

```

        tloc-list list-name
        vpn vpn-id
    default-action
    (accept | drop)
apply-policy site-list list-name
    data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)

```

## Apply Centralized Control Policy in the CLI

You apply centralized control policy directionally:

- Inbound direction (**in**)—The policy analyzes routes and TLOCs being received from the sites in the site list before placing the routes and TLOCs into the route table on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, so the specified policy actions affect the OMP routes stored in the route table.
- Outbound direction (**out**)—The policy analyzes routes and TLOCs in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller's route table after they are exported from the route table.

For all **control-policy** policies that you apply with **apply-policy** commands, the site IDs across all the site lists must be unique. That is, the site lists must not contain overlapping site IDs. An example of overlapping site IDs are those in the two site lists **site-list 1 site-id 1-100** and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**. Here, sites 70 through 100 are in both lists. If you were to apply these two site lists to two different **control-policy** policies, the attempt to commit the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller would fail.

The same type of restriction also applies to the following types of policies:

- Application-aware routing policy (**app-route-policy**)
- Centralized data policy (**data-policy**)
- Centralized data policy used for cflowd flow monitoring (data-policy that includes a **cflowd** action and **apply-policy** that includes a **cflowd-template** command)

You can, however, have overlapping site IDs for site lists that you apply for different types of policy. For example, the sites lists for **control-policy** and **data-policy** policies can have overlapping site IDs. So for the two example site lists above, **site-list 1**, **site-id 1-100**, and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**, you could apply one to a control policy and the other to a data policy.

## Configure Centralized Policies Using the CLI

To configure a centralized control policy using the CLI:

1. Create a list of overlay network sites to which the centralized control policy is to be applied (in the **apply-policy** command):

```

vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# site-id site-id

```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (-). Create additional site lists, as needed.

2. Create lists of IP prefixes, TLOCs, and VPNs as needed:

```

vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# prefix-list list-name

```



```
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# ip-prefix prefix/length
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# tloc-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# tloc address
color color
encap encapsulation
[preference value]
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# vpn vpn-id
```

3. Create a control policy instance:

```
vSmart(config)# policy control-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-control-policy-policy-name)#
```

4. Create a series of match–action pair sequences:

```
vSmart(config-control-policy-policy-name)# sequence
number
vSmart(config-sequence-number)#
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

5. Define match parameters for routes and for TLOCs:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match route route-parameter
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match tloc tloc-parameter
```

6. Define actions to take when a match occurs:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action reject
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept export-to (vpn
vpn-id | vpn-list list-name)
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set omp-tag
number
```

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set
preference value
```

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set
service service-name
(tloc ip-address |
tloc-list list-name)
[vpn vpn-id]
```

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set tloc
ip-address
color color
[encap encapsulation]
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set tloc-action
action
```

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set tloc-list list-name
```

7. Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the control policy, as needed.

8. If a route does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. If you want nonmatching routes to be accepted, configure the default action for the policy:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name)# default-action accept
```

9. Apply the policy to one or more sites in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list
list-name
control-policy
policy-name (in | out)
```

10. If the action you are configuring is a service, configure the required services on the Cisco SD-WAN devices so that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller knows how to reach the services:

```
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id
service service-name
address ip-address
```

Specify the VPN in which the service is located and one to four IP addresses to reach the service device or devices. If multiple devices provide the same service, the device load-balances the traffic among them. Note that the Cisco SD-WAN device keeps track of the services, advertising them to the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller only if the address (or one of the addresses) can be resolved locally, that is, at the device's local site, and not learned through OMP. If a previously advertised service becomes unavailable, the Cisco SD-WAN device withdraws the service advertisement.

Following are the high-level steps for configuring a VPN membership data policy:

1. Create a list of overlay network sites to which the VPN membership policy is to be applied (in the **apply-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart (config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart (config-lists-list-name)# site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (–). Create additional site lists, as needed.

2. Create lists of IP prefixes and VPNs, as needed:

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart (config-lists)# data-prefix-list list-name
vSmart (config-lists-list-name)# ip-prefix prefix/length

vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart (config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart (config-lists-list-name)# vpn vpn-id
```

3. Create lists of TLOCs, as needed.

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart (config-policy)# lists tloc-list list-name
vSmart (config-lists-list-name)# tloc ip-address color color encap encapsulation
[preference number]
```

4. Define policing parameters, as needed:

```
vSmart (config-policy)# policer policer-name
vSmart (config-policer)# rate bandwidth
vSmart (config-policer)# burst bytes
vSmart (config-policer)# exceed action
```

5. Create a data policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs:

```
vSmart (config)# policy data-policy policy-name
vSmart (config-data-policy-policy-name)# vpn-list list-name
```

6. Create a series of match-pair sequences:

```
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# sequence number
vSmart(config-sequence-number)#
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

7. Define match parameters for packets:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match parameters
```

8. Define actions to take when a match occurs:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action (accept | drop) [count counter-name] [log]
[tcp-optimization]
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept nat [pool number] [use-vpn 0]
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept redirect-dns (host | ip-address)
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set parameters
```

9. Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the data policy, as needed.
10. If a route does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. To accept nonmatching prefixed, configure the default action for the policy:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name)# default-action accept
```

11. Apply the policy to one or more sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all
| from-service | from-tunnel)
```

## Centralized Control Policy Configuration Examples

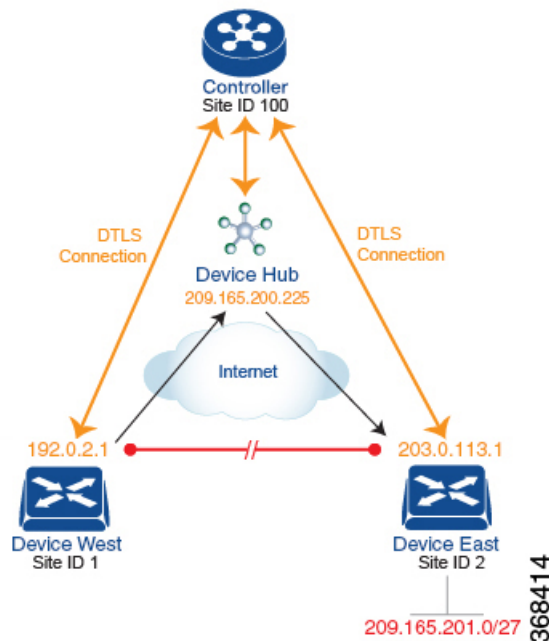
This topic provides some straightforward examples of configuring centralized control policy to help you understand the configuration procedure and get an idea of how to use policy to influence traffic flow across the Cisco SD-WAN overlay network domain.

### Traffic Engineering

This example of traffic engineering forces all traffic to come to a Cisco SD-WAN device using a device hub instead of directly.

One common way to design a domain in a Cisco SD-WAN overlay network is to route all traffic destined for branches through a hub router, which is typically located in a data center, rather than sending the traffic directly from one Cisco SD-WAN device to another. You can think of this as a hub-and-spoke design, where one device is acting as a hub and the devices are the spokes. With such a design, traffic between local branches travels over the IPsec connections that are established between the spoke routers and the hub routers when the devices are booted up. Using established connections means that the devices do not need to expend time and CPU cycles to establish IPsec connections with each other. If you were to imagine that this were a large network with many devices, having a full mesh of connections between each pair of routers would require a large amount of CPU from the routers. Another attribute of this design is that, from an administrative point of view, it can be simpler to institute coordinated traffic flow policies on the hub routers, both because there are fewer of them in the overlay network and because they are located in a centralized data center.

One way to direct all the device spoke router traffic to a Cisco hub router is to create a policy that changes the TLOC associated with the routes in the local network. Let's consider the topology in the figure here:



This topology has two devices in different branches:

- The Device West in site ID 1. The TLOC for this device is defined by its IP address (192.0.2.1), a color (gold), and an encapsulation (here, IPsec). We write the full TLOC address as {192.0.2.1, gold, ipsec}. The color is simply a way to identify a flow of traffic and to separate it from other flows.
- The Device East in site ID 2 has a TLOC address of {203.0.113.1, gold, ipsec}.

The devices West and East learn each other's TLOC addresses from the OMP routes distributed to them by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. In this example, the Device East advertises the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 as being reachable at TLOC {203.0.113.1, gold, }. In the absence of any policy, the Device West could route traffic destined for 209.165.201.0/27 to TLOC {203.0.113.1, gold, ipsec}, which means that the Device West would be sending traffic directly to the Device East.

However, our design requires that all traffic from West to East be routed through the hub router, whose TLOC address is {209.165.200.225, gold, ipsec}, before going to the Device East. To effect this traffic flow, you define a policy that changes the route's TLOC. So, for the prefix 209.165.201.0/27, you create a policy that changes the TLOC associated with the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 from {203.0.113.1, gold, ipsec}, which is the TLOC address of the Device East, to {209.165.200.225, gold, ipsec}, which is the TLOC address of the hub router. The result is that the OMP route for the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller advertises to the Device West that contains the TLOC address of the hub router instead of the TLOC address of the Device East. From a traffic flow point of view, the Device West then sends all traffic destined for 209.165.201.0/27 to the hub router.

The device also learns the TLOC addresses of the West and East devices from the OMP routes advertised by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. Because, devices must use these two TLOC addresses, no policy is required to control how the hub directs traffic to the devices.

Here is a policy configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller that directs the Device West (and any other devices in the network domain) to send traffic destined to prefix 209.165.201.0/27 to TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold, which is the device:

```

policy
  lists
    prefix-list east-prefixes
      ip-prefix 209.165.201.0/27
    site-list west-sites
      site-id 1
  control-policy change-tloc
    sequence 10
      match route
        prefix-list east-prefixes
        site-id 2
      action accept
        set tloc 209.165.200.225 color gold encaps ipsec
  apply-policy
    site west-sites control-policy change-tloc out

```

#### A rough English translation of this policy is:

Create a list named "east-prefixes" that contains the IP prefix "209.165.201.0/27"  
 Create a list named "west-sites" that contains the site-id "1"  
 Define a control policy named "change-tloc"  
 Create a policy sequence element that:  
 Matches a prefix from list "east-prefixes", that is, matches "209.165.201.0/27"  
 AND matches a route from site-id "2"  
 If a match occurs:  
 Accept the route  
 AND change the route's TLOC to "209.165.200.225" with a color of "gold" and an encapsulation of "ipsec"  
 Apply the control policy "change-tloc" to OMP routes sent by the vSmart controller to "west-sites", that is, to site ID 1

This control policy is configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller as an outbound policy, as indicated by the **out** option in the apply-policy site command. This option means the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller applies the TLOC change to the OMP route after it distributes the route from its route table. The OMP route for prefix 209.165.201.0/27 that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller distributes to the Device West associates 209.165.201.0/27 with TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold. This is the OMP route that the Device West installs it in its route table. The end results are that when the Device West sends traffic to 209.165.201.0/27, the traffic is directed to the hub; and the Device West does not establish a DTLS tunnel directly with the Device East.

If the West side of the network had many sites instead of just one and each site had its own device, it would be straightforward to apply this same policy to all the sites. To do this, you simply add the site IDs of all the sites in the **site-list west-sites** list. This is the only change you need to make in the policy to have all the West-side sites send traffic bound for the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 through the device. For example:

```

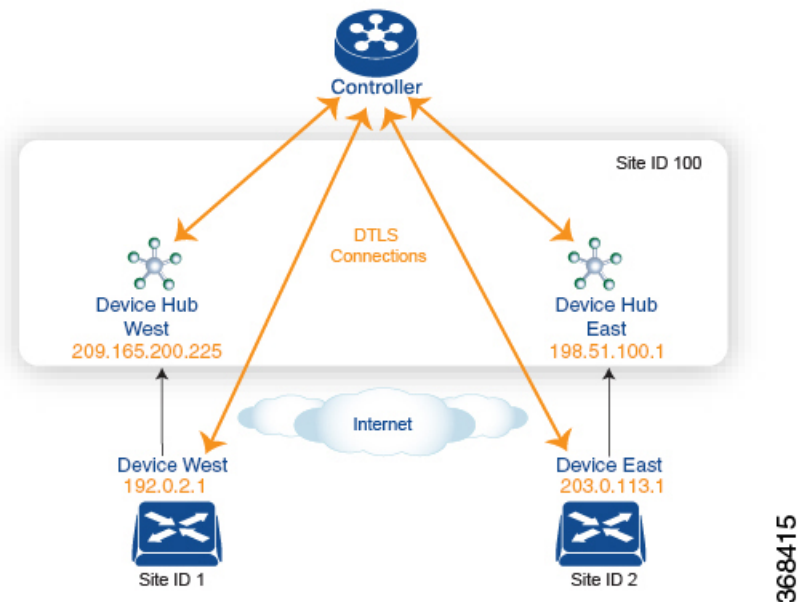
policy
  lists
    prefix-list east-prefixes
      ip-prefix 209.165.201.0/27
    site-list west-sites
      site-id 1
      site-id 11
      site-id 12
      site-id 13
  control-policy change-tloc
    sequence 10
      match route
        prefix-list east-prefixes
        site-id 2
      action accept
        set tloc 209.165.200.225 color gold encaps ipsec
  apply-policy
    site west-sites control-policy change-tloc out

```

## Creating Arbitrary Topologies

To provide redundancy in the hub-and-spoke-style topology discussed in the previous example, you can add a second Cisco hub to create a dual-homed hub site. The following figure shows that site ID 100 now has two Device hubs. We still want all inter-branch traffic to be routed through a device hub. However, because we now have dual-homed hubs, we want to share the data traffic between the two hub routers.

- Device Hub West, with TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold. We want all data traffic from branches on the West side of the overlay network to pass through and be processed by this device.
- Device Hub East, with TLOC 198.51.100.1, gold. Similarly, we all East-side data traffic to pass through the Device Hub East.



Here is a policy configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller that would send West-side data traffic through the Cisco hub, and West and East-side traffic through the Device Hub East:

```

policy
  lists
    site-list west-sites
      site-id 1
    site-list east-sites
      site-id 2
    tloc-list west-hub-tlocs
      tloc-id 209.165.200.225 gold
    tloc-list east-hub-tlocs
      tloc-id 198.51.100.1 gold
  control-policy prefer-west-hub
    sequence 10
    match tloc
      tloc-list west-hub-tlocs
    action accept
    set preference 50
  control-policy prefer-east-hub
    sequence 10
    match tloc
      tloc-list east-hub-tlocs
    action accept
  
```

```
        set preference 50
    apply-policy
        site west-sites control-policy prefer-west-hub out
        site east-sites control-policy prefer-east-hub out
```

Here is an explanation of this policy configuration:

Create the site lists that are required for the **apply-policy** configuration command:

- **site-list west-sites** lists all the site IDs for all the devices in the West portion of the overlay network.
- **site-list east-sites** lists the site IDs for the devices in the East portion of the network.

Create the TLOC lists that are required for the match condition in the control policy:

- **west-hub-tlocs** lists the TLOC for the Device West Hub, which we want to service traffic from the West-side device.
- **east-hub-tlocs** lists the TLOC for the Device East Hub, to service traffic from the East devices.

Define two control policies:

- **prefer-west-hub** affects OMP routes destined to TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold, which is the TLOC address of the Device West hub router. This policy modifies the preference value in the OMP route to a value of 50, which is large enough that it is likely that no other OMP routes will have a larger preference. So setting a high preference value directs traffic destined for site 100 to the Device West hub router.
- Similarly, **prefer-east-hub** sets the preference to 50 for OMP routes destined TLOC 198.51.100.1, gold, which is the TLOC address of the Device East hub router, thus directing traffic destined for site 100 site to the Device East hub 198.51.100.1 router.

Apply the control policies:

- The first line in the **apply-policy** configuration has the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller apply the **prefer-west-hub** control policy to the sites listed in the **west-sites** list, which here is only site ID 1, so that the preference in their OMP routes destined to TLOC 209.165.200.225 is changed to 50 and traffic sent from the Device West to the hub site goes through the Device West hub router.
- The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller applies the **prefer-east-hub** control policy to the OMP routes that it advertises to the devices in the **east-sites** list, which changes the preference to 50 for OMP routes destined to TLOC 198.51.100.1, so that traffic from the Device East goes to the Device East hub router.

## Types of Localized Policies

### Localized Control Policy

Control policy operates on the control plane traffic in the Cisco SD-WAN overlay network, influencing the determination of routing paths through the overlay network. Localized control policy is policy that is configured on a Cisco vEdge device (hence, it is local) and affects BGP and OSPF routing decisions on the site-local network that the device is part of.

In addition to participating in the overlay network, a Cisco vEdge device participates in the network at its local site, where it appears to the other network devices to be simply a regular router. As such, you can provision routing protocols, such as BGP and OSPF, on the Cisco vEdge device so that it can exchange route information with the local-site routers. To control and modify the routing behavior on the local network, you

configure a type of control policy called route policy on the devices. Route policy applies only to routing performed at the local branch, and it affects only the route table entries in the local device's route table.

Localized control policy, which you configure on the devices, lets you affect routing policy on the network at the local site where the device is located. This type of control policy is called route policy. This policy is similar to the routing policies that you configure on a regular driver, allowing you to modify the BGP and OSPF routing behavior on the site-local network. Whereas, centralized control policy affects the routing behavior across the entire overlay network, route policy applies only to routing at the local branch.

### Localized Data Policy

Data policy operates on the data plane in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network and affects how data traffic is sent among the Cisco vEdge devices in the network. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN architecture defines two types of data policy, centralized data policy, which controls the flow of data traffic based on the IP header fields in the data packets and based on network segmentation, and localized data policy, which controls the flow of data traffic into and out of interfaces and interface queues on a Cisco vEdge device.

Localized data policy, so called because it is provisioned on the local Cisco vEdge device, is applied on a specific router interface and affects how a specific interface handles the data traffic that it is transmitting and receiving. Localized data policy is also referred to as access lists (ACLs). With access lists, you can provision class of service (CoS), classifying data packets and prioritizing the transmission properties for different classes. You can configure policing and provision packet mirroring.

For IPv4, you can configure QoS actions.

You can apply IPv4 access lists in any VPN on the router, and you can create access lists that act on unicast and multicast traffic. You can apply IPv6 access lists only to tunnel interfaces in the transport VPN (VPN 0).

You can apply access lists either in the outbound or inbound direction on the interface. Applying an IPv4 ACL in the outbound direction affects data packets traveling from the local service-side network into the IPsec tunnel toward the remote service-side network. Applying an IPv4 ACL in the inbound direction affects data packets exiting from the IPsec tunnel and being received by the local Cisco vEdge device. For IPv6, an outbound ACL is applied to traffic being transmitted by the router, and an inbound ACL is applied to received traffic.

### Explicit and Implicit Access Lists

Access lists that you configure using localized data policy are called *explicit* ACLs. You can apply explicit ACLs in any VPN on the router.

Router tunnel interfaces also have *implicit ACLs*, which are also referred to as *services*. Some of these are present by default on the tunnel interface, and they are in effect unless you disable them. Through configuration, you can also enable other implicit ACLs. On Cisco vEdge devices, the following services are enabled by default: DHCP (for DHCPv4 and DHCPv6), DNS, and ICMP. You can also enable services for BGP, Netconf, NTP, OSPF, SSHD, and STUN.

### Perform QoS Actions

With access lists, you can provision quality of service (QoS) which allows you to classify data traffic by importance, spread it across different interface queues, and control the rate at which different classes of traffic are transmitted. See Forwarding and QoS Overview.



### Mirror Data Packets

Once packets are classified, you can configure access lists to send a copy of data packets seen on a Cisco vEdge device to a specified destination on another network device. The Cisco vEdge devices support 1:1 mirroring; that is, a copy of every packet is sent to the alternate destination.

## Configure Localized Policy Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

To configure localized policies, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. The wizard is a UI policy builder that consists of five windows to configure and modify the following localized policy components:

- Groups of interest, also called lists
- Forwarding classes to use for QoS
- Access control lists (ACLs)
- Route policies
- Policy settings

You configure some or all these components depending on the specific policy you are creating. To skip a component, click **Next** at the bottom of the window. To return to a component, click **Back** at the bottom of the window.

To configure localized policies using Cisco SD-WAN Manager, use the steps identified in the procedures that follow this section.

## Configure Localized Control Policy Using CLI

To configure a route policy using the CLI:

1. Create lists of prefixes, as needed:

```
Device(config)# policy
Device(config-policy)# lists
Device(config-lists)# prefix-list list-name
Device(config-lists-list-name)# ip-prefix prefix/length
```

2. Create lists of BGP AS paths, and community and extended community attributes, as needed:

```
Device(config)# policy lists
Device(config-lists)# as-path-list list-name
Device(config-lists-list-name)# as-path path-list
Device(config)# policy lists
Device(config-lists)# community-list list-name
Device(config-lists-list-name)# community [aa:nn |
internet | local-as | no-advertise | no-export]
Device(config-lists)# ext-community-list list-name
Device(config-lists-list-name)# community [rt (aa:nn |
ip-address) | soo (aa:nn | ip-address)]
```

1. Create a route policy instance:

```
Device(config)# policy route-policy policy-name
Device(config-route-policy-policy-name)#
```

2. Create a series of match–action pair sequences:

```
Device(config-route-policy-policy-name)# sequence number
Device(config-sequence-number)#
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

3. Define match parameters for routes:

```
Device(config-sequence-number)# match match-parameter
```

4. Define actions to take when a match occurs:

```
Device(config-sequence-number)# action reject
Device(config-sequence-number)# action accept set parameter
```

5. Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the router policy, as needed.

6. If a route does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. To accept nonmatching routes, configure the default action for the policy:

```
Device(config-policy-name)# default-action accept
```

7. Apply the policy to a BGP address family, to all OSPF inbound routes, or when redistributing OSPF routes:

```
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id router bgp local-as-number
neighbor address
Device(config-neighbor)# address-family ipv4-unicast
Device(config-address-family-ipv4-unicast)# route-policy
policy-name (in | out)
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id router ospf
Device(config-ospf)# route-policy policy-name in
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id router ospf
Device(config-ospf)# redistribute (bgp | connected | nat | omp |
static) route-policy policy-name
```

## Structural Components for Localized Control Policy

Following are the structural components required to configure localized control policy. Each one is explained in more detail in the sections below.

```
policy
  lists
    as-path-list list-name
    as-path path-list
    community-list list-name
    community [aa:nn | internet | local-as | no-advertise | no-export]
    ext-community-list list-name
    community [rt (aa:nn | ip-address) | soo (aa:nn | ip-address)]
    prefix-list list-name
    ip-prefix prefix/length
  route-policy policy-name
    sequence number
      match
        match-parameters
      action
        reject
        accept
        set parameters
    default-action
      (accept | reject)
```

```

vpn vpn-id router bgp local-as-number neighbor address
  address-family ipv4-unicast
    route-policy policy-name (in | out)
vpn vpn-id router ospf
  route-policy policy-name in
  redistribute (bgp | connected | nat | omp | static) route-policy policy-name

```

## Lists

Route policy uses the following types of lists to group related items. You configure lists under the **policy lists** command hierarchy on Cisco vEdge devices.

List Type	Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command
AS paths	List of one or more BGP AS paths. You can write each AS as a single number or as a regular expression. To specify more than one AS in a single path, include the list in quotation marks (" "). To configure multiple AS paths in a single list, include multiple <b>as-path</b> options, specifying one AS path in each option.	<b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; AS Path</b>  <b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; AS Path</b>	<b>as-path-list</b> <i>list-name as-path path-list</i>
Communities	List of one or more BGP communities. In <b>community</b> , you can specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>aa:nn</b>: Autonomous system number and network number. Each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535.</li> <li>• <b>internet</b>: Routes in this community are advertised to the Internet community. This community comprises all BGP-speaking networking devices.</li> <li>• <b>local-as</b>: Routes in this community are not advertised outside the local AS.</li> <li>• <b>no-advertise</b>: Attach the NO_ADVERTISE community to routes. Routes in this community are not advertised to other BGP peers.</li> <li>• <b>no-export</b>: Attach the NO_EXPORT community to routes. Routes in this community are not advertised outside the local AS or outside a BGP confederation boundary. To configure multiple BGP communities in a single list, include multiple <b>community</b> options, specifying one community in each option.</li> </ul>	<b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; Community</b>  <b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; Community</b>	<b>community-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>community</b> [ <i>aa:nn</i>   <b>internet</b>   <b>local-as</b>   <b>no-advertise</b>   <b>no-export</b> ]

List Type	Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command
Extended communities	<p>List of one or more BGP extended communities. In <b>community</b>, you can specify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>rt</b> (<i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i>): Route target community, which is one or more routers that can receive a set of routes carried by BGP. Specify this as the autonomous system number and network number, where each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535, or as an IP address.</li> <li>• <b>soo</b> (<i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i>): Route origin community, which is one or more routers that can inject a set of routes into BGP. Specify this as the autonomous system number and network number, where each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535, or as an IP address. To configure multiple extended BGP communities in a single list, include multiple <b>community</b> options, specifying one community in each option.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; Extended Community</b></p> <p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; Extended Community</b></p>	<p><b>ext-community-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>community</b> [<b>rt</b> (<i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i>)   <b>soo</b> (<i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i>)]</p>
Prefixes	<p>List of one or more IP prefixes. To configure multiple prefixes in a single list, include multiple <b>ip-prefix</b> options, specifying one prefix in each option. Specify the IP prefixes as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>prefix/length</i>—Exactly match a single prefix–length pair.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0/0</b>—Match any prefix–length pair.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0/0 le length</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is less than or equal to <i>length</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 le 16</b> matches all IP prefixes with lengths from /1 through /16.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0/0 ge length</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is greater than or equal to <i>length</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 ge 25</b> matches all IP prefixes with lengths from /25 through /32.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0/0 ge length1 le length2</b>, or <b>0.0.0.0 le length2 ge length1</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is greater than or equal to <i>length1</i> and less than or equal to <i>length2</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 ge 20 le 24</b> matches all /20, /21, /22, /23, and /24 prefixes. Also, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 le 24 ge 20</b> matches the same prefixes. If <i>length1</i> and <i>length2</i> are the same, a single IP prefix length is matched. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 ge 24 le 24</b> matches only /24 prefixes.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; Prefix</b></p> <p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Localized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; Prefix</b></p>	<p><b>prefix-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>ip-prefix</b> <i>prefix/length</i></p>

### Sequences

A localized control policy contains sequences of match–action pairs. The sequences are numbered to set the order in which a route is analyzed by the match–action pairs in the policy.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure sequences from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Route Policy > Sequence Type**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Route Policy > Sequence Type**

In the CLI, you configure sequences with the **route-policy sequence** command.

Each sequence in a localized control policy can contain one match condition and one action condition.

### Match Parameters

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure sequences from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Route Policy > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Match**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Route Policy > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Match**

In the CLI, you configure sequences with the **route-policy sequence match** command.

For route policy routes, you can match these attributes:

**Table 7:**

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
IP prefix or prefixes from which the route was learned	Match Address	<b>address</b> <i>list-name</i>	Name of an IP prefix list
BGP AS paths	Match AS Path List	<b>as-path</b> <i>list-name</i>	Name of an AS path list
BGP communities	Match Community List	<b>community</b> <i>list-name</i>	Name of a BGP community list
BGP extended communities	Match Extended Community List	<b>ext-community</b> <i>list-name</i>	Name of a BGP extended community list
BGP local preference	Match BGP Local Preference	<b>local-preference</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Route metric	Match Metric	<b>metric</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Next hop	Match Next Hop	<b>next-hop</b> <i>list-name</i>	Name of an IP prefix list
OMP tag for OSPF	Match OMP Tag	<b>omp-tag</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
BGP origin code	Match Origin	<b>origin</b> <i>origin</i>	<b>egp</b> (default), <b>igp</b> , <b>incomplete</b>
OSPF tag value	Match OSPF Tag	<b>ospf-tag</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Peer address	Match Peer	<b>peer</b> <i>address</i>	IP address

### Action Parameters

For each match condition, you configure a corresponding action to take if the packet matches.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure match parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Route Policy > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Action**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Configure Route Policy > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Action**

In the CLI, you configure actions with the **policy control-policy action** command.

Each sequence in a localized control policy can contain one action condition.

When a route matches the conditions in the match portion of a route policy, the route can be accepted or rejected:

**Table 8:**

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Accept the route. An accepted route is eligible to be modified by the additional parameters configured in the <b>action</b> portion of the policy configuration.	Click <b>Accept</b>	<b>accept</b>	—
Discard the packet.	Click <b>Reject</b>	<b>reject</b>	—

Then, for a route that is accepted, the following actions can be configured:

**Table 9:**

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Set the AS number in which a BGP route aggregator is located and the IP address of the route aggregator.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Aggregator</b> .	<b>set aggregator</b> <i>as-number ip-address</i>	1 through 65535
Set an AS number or a series of AS numbers to exclude from the AS path or to prepend to the AS path.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>AS Path</b> .	<b>set as-path (exclude   prepend)</b> <i>as-number</i>	1 through 65535
Set the BGP atomic aggregate attribute.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Atomic Aggregate</b> .	<b>set atomic-aggregate</b>	—
Set the BGP community value.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Community</b> .	<b>set community</b> <i>value</i>	[ <i>aa:nn</i>   <b>internet</b>   <b>local-as</b>   <b>no-advertise</b>   <b>no-export</b> ]
Set the BGP local preference.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Local Preference</b> .	<b>set local-preference</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the metric value.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Metric</b> .	<b>set metric</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the metric type.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Metric Type</b> .	<b>set metric-type</b> <i>type</i>	<b>type1, type2</b>

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Set the next-hop address.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Next Hop</b> .	<b>set next-hop</b> <i>ip-address</i>	IP address
Set the OMP tag for OSPF to use.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>OMP Tag</b> .	<b>set omp-tag</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the BGP origin code.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Origin</b> .	<b>set origin</b> <i>origin</i>	<b>egp, igp</b> (default), <b>incomplete</b>
Set the IP address from which the route was learned.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Originator</b> .	<b>set originator</b> <i>ip-address</i>	IP address
Set the OSPF tag value.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>OSPF Tag</b> .	<b>set ospf-tag</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the BGP weight.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Weight</b> .	<b>set weight</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295

To display the OMP and OSPF tag values associated with a route, use the **show ip routes detail** command.

### Action Parameters

For each match condition, you configure a corresponding action to take if the packet matches.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure match parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Route Policy > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Action**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Configure Route Policy > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Action**

In the CLI, you configure actions with the **policy control-policy action** command.

Each sequence in a localized control policy can contain one action condition.

When a route matches the conditions in the match portion of a route policy, the route can be accepted or rejected:

**Table 10:**

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Accept the route. An accepted route is eligible to be modified by the additional parameters configured in the <b>action</b> portion of the policy configuration.	Click <b>Accept</b>	<b>accept</b>	—
Discard the packet.	Click <b>Reject</b>	<b>reject</b>	—

Then, for a route that is accepted, the following actions can be configured:

Table 11:

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Set the AS number in which a BGP route aggregator is located and the IP address of the route aggregator.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Aggregator</b>	<b>set aggregator</b> <i>as-number ip-address</i>	1 through 65535
Set an AS number or a series of AS numbers to exclude from the AS path or to prepend to the AS path.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>AS Path</b>	<b>set as-path (exclude   prepend)</b> <i>as-number</i>	1 through 65535
Set the BGP atomic aggregate attribute.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Atomic Aggregate</b>	<b>set atomic-aggregate</b>	—
Set the BGP community value.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Community</b>	<b>set community</b> <i>value</i>	[ <i>aa:nn</i>   <b>internet</b>   <b>local-as</b>   <b>no-advertise</b>   <b>no-export</b> ]
Set the BGP local preference.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Local Preference</b>	<b>set local-preference</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the metric value.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Metric</b>	<b>set metric</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the metric type.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Metric Type</b>	<b>set metric-type</b> <i>type</i>	<b>type1, type2</b>
Set the next-hop address.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Next Hop</b>	<b>set next-hop</b> <i>ip-address</i>	IP address
Set the OMP tag for OSPF to use.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>OMP Tag</b>	<b>set omp-tag</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the BGP origin code.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Origin</b>	<b>set origin</b> <i>origin</i>	<b>egp, igp</b> (default), <b>incomplete</b>
Set the IP address from which the route was learned.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Originator</b>	<b>set originator</b> <i>ip-address</i>	IP address
Set the OSPF tag value.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>OSPF Tag</b>	<b>set ospf-tag</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295
Set the BGP weight.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Weight</b>	<b>set weight</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 4294967295

To display the OMP and OSPF tag values associated with a route, use the **show ip routes detail** command.

### Default Action

If a route being evaluated does not match any of the match conditions in a localized control policy, a default action is applied to this route. By default, the route is rejected.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you modify the default action from **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Route Policy > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Default**.

In the CLI, you modify the default action with the **control policy default-action accept** command.



## Apply Route Policy for BGP

For a route policy to take effect for BGP, you must apply it to an address family. Currently, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN software supports only the IPv4 address family.

To apply a BGP route policy in Cisco SD-WAN Manager:

1. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configure > Templates** screen.
2. In the Device tab, click the **Create Template** drop-down and select **From Feature Template**.
3. From the Device Model drop-down, select the type of device for which you are creating the template. Cisco SD-WAN Manager displays all the feature templates for that device type. The required feature templates are indicated with an asterisk (\*), and the remaining templates are optional. The factory-default template for each feature is selected by default.
4. In the Template Name field, enter a name for the device template. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (-), and underscores (\_). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
5. In the Description field, enter a description for the device template. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
6. In the Basic Information bar, click the **Service VPN** tab.
7. In the Service VPN field, select the **VPN number**.
8. In Additional VPN Templates, select **BGP**.
9. Select **Create Template**.
10. In the Basic Configuration bar, click **IPv4 Unicast Address Family**.
11. In the Address Family field, select **ipv4-unicast**.
12. In the Redistribute tab, click **New Redistribute**.
13. In the Route Policy field, enter the name of the route policy to apply to redistributed routes.
14. Click **Add**.
15. Click **Save**.

To apply a BGP route policy in the CLI:

```
Device(config)# vpn
vpn-id
router bgp
local-as-number
neighbor address
address-family ipv4-unicast route-policy
policy-name (in | out)
```

Applying the policy in the inbound direction (**in**) affects routes being received by BGP. Applying the policy in the outbound direction (**out**) affects routes being advertised by BGP.

## Apply Route Policy for OSPF

For a route policy to take effect for OSPF, you can apply it to all inbound traffic.

To apply an OSPF route policy in Cisco SD-WAN Manager:

1. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configure > Templates** screen.
2. In the Device tab, click the **Create Template** drop-down and select **From Feature Template**.
3. From the Device Model drop-down, select the type of device for which you are creating the template. Cisco SD-WAN Manager displays all the feature templates for that device type. The required feature templates are indicated with an asterisk (\*), and the remaining templates are optional. The factory-default template for each feature is selected by default.
4. In the Template Name field, enter a name for the device template. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (-), and underscores (\_). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
5. In the Description field, enter a description for the device template. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
6. In the Basic Information bar, click the **Service VPN** tab.
7. In the Service VPN field, select the **VPN number**.
8. In Additional VPN Templates, select **OSPF**.
9. Select **Create Template**.
10. In the Basic Configuration bar, click **Redistribute**.
11. Click **New Redistribute**.
12. In the Route Policy field, enter the name of the route policy to apply to redistributed routes.
13. Click **Add**.
14. Click **Save**.

To apply an OSPF route policy in the CLI:

```
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id
router ospf route-policy policy-name in
```

You can also apply the policy when redistributing routes into OSPF:

```
Device(config)# vpn
vpn-id
router ospf redistribute (bgp | connected | nat | omp | static) route-policy
policy-name
```

# Device Access Policy



**Note** To achieve simplification and consistency, the Cisco SD-WAN solution has been rebranded as Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN. In addition, from Cisco IOS XE SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 20.12.1, the following component changes are applicable: **Cisco vManage** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager**, **Cisco vAnalytics** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics**, **Cisco vBond** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator**, **Cisco vSmart** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller**, and **Cisco Controllers** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components**. See the latest Release Notes for a comprehensive list of all the component brand name changes. While we transition to the new names, some inconsistencies might be present in the documentation set because of a phased approach to the user interface updates of the software product.

**Table 12: Feature History**

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Device Access Policy on SNMP and SSH	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.1.1	This feature defines the rules that traffic must meet to pass through an interface. When you define rules for incoming traffic, they are applied to the traffic before any other policies are applied. The control plane of a Cisco vEdge device processes the data traffic for local services (like SSH and SNMP) from a set of sources. Routing packets are required to form the overlay.
Device Access Policy on SNMP and SSH	Cisco SD-WAN Release 19.3.x	This feature defines the rules that traffic must meet to pass through an interface. When you define rules for incoming traffic on Cisco vEdge devices, they are applied to the traffic before any other policies are applied.

## Device Access Policy Overview

Starting from Cisco SD-WAN Release 19.3, the Cisco SD-WAN Manager user interface is enhanced to configure device access policy on all the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN devices.

The control plane of Cisco vEdge devices process the data traffic for local services like, SSH and SNMP, from a set of sources. It is important to protect the CPU from device access traffic by applying the filter to avoid malicious traffic.

Access policies define the rules that traffic must meet to pass through an interface. When you define rules for incoming traffic, they are applied to the traffic before any other policies are applied. You can use access policies, in routed and transparent firewall mode to control IP traffic. An access rule permits or denies traffic based on the protocol used, the source and destination IP address or network, and optionally, the users and user groups. Each incoming packet at an interface is analyzed to determine if it must be forwarded or dropped based on criteria you specify. If you define access rules for the outgoing traffic, packets are also analyzed before they are allowed to leave an interface. Access policies are applied in order. That is, when the device compares a packet to the rules, it searches from top to bottom in the access policies list, and applies the policy for the first matched rule, ignoring all subsequent rules (even if a later rule is a better match). Thus, you should place specific rules above more general rules to ensure the specific rules are not skipped.

## Configure Device Access Policy Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

Cisco vEdge devices support device access policy configuration to handle SNMP and SSH traffic directed towards the control plane. Use Cisco SD-WAN Manager to configure destination ports based on the device access policy.




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**Note** In order to allow connections to devices from **Tools > SSH Terminal** in Cisco SD-WAN Manager, create a rule to accept **Device Access Protocol** as SSH and **Source Data Prefix** as 192.168.1.5/32.

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To configure localized device access control policies, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard.

Configure specific or all components depending on the specific policy you are creating. To skip a component, click the **Next** button. To return to a component, click the **Back** button at the bottom of the screen.

To configure a device access policy:

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**.
2. Click **Localized Policy** and from the **Custom Options** drop-down, under **Localized Policy**, select **Access Control Lists**.
3. From the **Add Device Access Policy** drop-down list, select **Add IPv4 Device Access Policy** or **Add IPv6 Device Access Policy** option to add a device.




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**Note** Beginning with Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.9.1a and Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1, if you configure an IPv4 or an IPv6 device access policy with no policy sequences and only a default action of **Accept** or **Drop**, the device access policy creates an SSH and an SNMP configuration. You can now create a device access policy with only a default action and with no policy sequences to create a device configuration or a Cisco SD-WAN Manager configuration for both SSH and SNMP.

If you do not create an SNMP server configuration, the SNMP configuration created by the device access policy is unused.

Prior to Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.9.1a and Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1, if you configured a device access policy with only a default action of **Accept** or **Drop** and with no policy sequences, the device access policy would not create a device configuration or a Cisco SD-WAN Manager configuration.

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4. Select **Add IPv4 Device Access Policy** from the drop-down list to add an **IPv4 ACL Policy**. The edit **Device IPv4 ACL Policy** page appears.
5. Enter the name and the description for the new policy.
6. Click **Add ACL Sequence** to add a sequence. The **Device Access Control List** page is displayed.
7. Click **Sequence Rule**. **Match** and **Actions** options are displayed.
8. Click **Match**, select and configure the following conditions for your ACL policy:

Match Condition	Description
<b>Device Access Protocol (required)</b>	Select a carrier from the drop-down list. For example SNMP, SSH.
<b>Source Data Prefix</b>	Enter the source IP address. For example, 10.0.0.0/12.
<b>Source Port</b>	Enter the list of source ports. The range is 0-65535.
<b>Destination Data Prefix</b>	Enter the destination IP address. For example, 10.0.0.0/12.
<b>VPN</b>	Enter the VPN ID. The range is 0-65536.

9. Click **Actions**, configure the following conditions for your ACL policy:

Action Condition	Description
<b>Accept</b>	
<b>Counter Name</b>	Enter the counter name to be accepted. The maximum length can be 20 characters.
<b>Drop</b>	
<b>Counter Name</b>	Enter the counter name to drop. The maximum length can be 20 characters.

10. Click **Save Match And Actions** to save all the conditions for the ACL policy.
11. Click **Save Device Access Control List Policy** to apply the selected match conditions to an action.
12. If no packets match, then any of the route policy sequence rules. The **Default Action** in the left pane is to drop the packets.



**Note** IPv6 prefix match is not supported on Cisco vEdge devices. When you try to configure IPv6 prefix matches on these devices, Cisco SD-WAN Manager fails to generate device configuration.

## Configure Device Access Policy Using the CLI

Configuration:

```
Device(config)# policy
Device(config-policy) policy device-access-policy <name>
sequence 1
  match
    destination-data-prefix-list Destination prefix list
    destination-ip List of destination addresses
    destination-port List of destination ports
    dscp List of DSCP values
    packet-length Packet length
    protocol List of protocols
    source-data-prefix-list Source prefix list
```

```

        source-ip          List of source addresses
        source-port        List of source ports
        destination-vpn    List of VPN-ID
    action
        accept
        count                Number of packets/bytes matching this rule
        drop
    default-action        Accept or drop

system
    device-access-policy ipv4 <pol-name>

```



**Note** IPv6 prefix match is not supported on Cisco SD-WANs.

The following example shows the sample configuration for device access policy:

```

policy device-access-policy dev_pol
    sequence 1
        match
            destination-port 22
        !
        action drop
            count ssh_packs
        !
        !
        default-action drop
    !
device-access-policy snmp_policy
    sequence 2
        match
            destination-port 161
        !
        action drop
            count snmp_packs
        !
        !
        default-action accept
    !
    !
system
    device-access-policy ipv4 snmp_policy
!

```

## Verifying Device Access Policy Configuration

Cisco vEdge devices support the following operational commands to provide information for a device-access-policy. These commands provide a visual for the counters and the names of the configured device-access-policy. The two commands and the respective yang models are shown in the following sections.

Yang model for the command **device-access-policy-counters**:

```

list device-access-policy-counters {
    tailf:info "IPv6 Device Access Policy counters";
    when "/viptela-system:system/viptela-system:personality = 'vedge'";
    tailf:callpoint device-access-policy-counters-v6; // _nfvis_exclude_line_
    key "name";
    tailf:hidden cli;

    leaf name {
        tailf:info "Device Access Policy name";
    }
}

```

```

    type viptela:named-type-127;
  }
  config false;
  list device-access-policy-counter-list {
    tailf:info "Device access policy counter list";
    tailf:callpoint device-access-policy-counter-list-v6; // _nfvis_exclude_line_
    tailf:cli-no-key-completion;
    tailf:cli-suppress-show-match;
    key "counter-name";
    tailf:hidden cli;

    leaf counter-name {
      tailf:info "Counter name";
      tailf:cli-suppress-show-match;
      type viptela:named-type;
    }
    leaf packets {
      type yang:counter64;
      tailf:cli-suppress-show-match;
    }
    leaf bytes {
      type yang:counter64;
      tailf:cli-suppress-show-match;
    }
  }
}

```

The following example shows the policy details of a counter.

**show policy device-access-policy-counters**

NAME	COUNTER		
	NAME	PACKETS	BYTES
dev_pol	ssh_packs	-	-
snmp_policy	snmp_packs	0	0

Yang model for the command **device-access-policy**:

```

list device-access-policy {
  tailf:info "Configure IPv4 device-access policy";
  key "name";
  when "/viptela-system:system/viptela-system:personality = 'vedge'";

  leaf name {
    tailf:info "Name of IPv4 device-access policy";
    type viptela:named-type-127;
  }

  list sequence {
    tailf:info "List of sequences";
    key "seq-value";

    leaf seq-value {
      tailf:info "Sequence value";
      type uint16 {
        tailf:info "<0..65530>";
        range "0..65530";
      }
    }
  }

  container match {
    tailf:info "Match criteria";
    tailf:cli-add-mode;

    choice source {

```

```

case prefix {
  leaf-list source-ip {
    tailf:info "List of source addresses";
    tailf:cli-flat-list-syntax;
    tailf:cli-replace-all;
    type inet:ipv4-prefix;
  }
}

case prefix-list {
  leaf source-data-prefix-list {
    tailf:info "Source prefix list";

    type leafref {
      path "../../../../../lists/data-prefix-list/name";
    }
  }
}

choice destination {
  case prefix {
    leaf-list destination-ip {
      tailf:info "List of destination addresses";
      tailf:cli-flat-list-syntax;
      tailf:cli-replace-all;
      type inet:ipv4-prefix;
    }
  }

  case prefix-list {
    leaf destination-data-prefix-list {
      tailf:info "Destination prefix list";

      type leafref {
        path "../../../../../lists/data-prefix-list/name";
      }
    }
  }
}

leaf-list source-port {
  tailf:info "List of source ports";
  tailf:validate port_range {
    tailf:call-once 'true';
    tailf:dependency '.';
  }
  tailf:cli-flat-list-syntax;
  tailf:cli-replace-all;
  type viptela:range-type {
    tailf:info "<0..65535> or range";
  }
}

leaf-list destination-port {
  tailf:info "List of destination ports";
  tailf:validate port_range {
    tailf:call-once 'true';
    tailf:dependency '.';
  }
  tailf:cli-flat-list-syntax;
  tailf:cli-replace-all;
  type viptela:range-type {
    tailf:info "<0..65535> or range";
  }
}

```



```

    }

    leaf-list destination-vpn {
      tailf:info "List of VPN ID";
      tailf:validate port_range {
        tailf:call-once 'true';
        tailf:dependency '.';
      }
      tailf:cli-flat-list-syntax;
      tailf:cli-replace-all;
      type viptela:range-type {
        tailf:info "<0..65535> or range";
      }
    }
  }

  container action {
    tailf:cli-add-mode;
    tailf:cli-incomplete-command;
    tailf:info "Accept or drop";

    leaf action-value {
      tailf:cli-hide-in-submode;
      tailf:cli-drop-node-name;
      tailf:cli-show-with-default;
      type action-data-enum;
    }

    leaf count {
      tailf:info "Number of packets/bytes matching this rule";
      type string {
        tailf:info "<1..32 characters>";
        length '1..32';
      }
    }
  }

  leaf default-action {
    tailf:cli-show-with-default;
    tailf:info "Accept or drop";
    type action-data-enum;
  }
}

```

Yang model for the command **device-access-policy-names**:

```

list device-access-policy-names {
  tailf:info "IPv6 device access policy names";
  when "/viptela-system:system/viptela-system:personality = 'vedge'";
  tailf:callpoint device-access-policy-names-v6; // _nfvis_exclude_line_
  tailf:cli-no-key-completion;
  key "name";
  tailf:hidden cli;

  leaf name {
    tailf:info "Device Access Policy name";
    type viptela:named-type-127;
  }
  config false;
}

```

The following example shows the list of configured policies:

```
show policy device-access-policy-names
```

```
NAME
```

```
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```

```
dev_pol
```

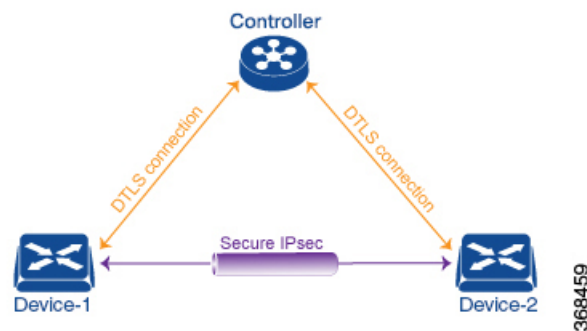
```
snmp_policy
```



## CHAPTER 6

# Data Policy

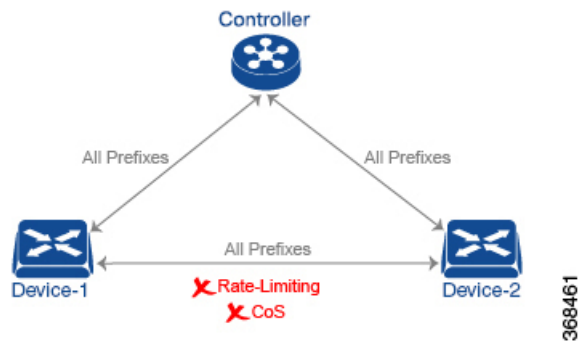
Data policy influences the flow of data traffic traversing the network based either on fields in the IP header of packets or the router interface on which the traffic is being transmitted or received. Data traffic travels over the IPsec connections between Cisco vEdge devices, shown in purple in the adjacent figure.



The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN architecture implements two types of data policy:

- Centralized data policy controls the flow of data traffic based on the source and destination addresses and ports and DSCP fields in the packet's IP header (referred to as a 5-tuple), and based on network segmentation and VPN membership. These types of data policy are provisioned centrally, on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and they affect traffic flow across the entire network.
- Localized data policy controls the flow of data traffic into and out of interfaces and interface queues on a Cisco vEdge device. This type of data policy is provisioned locally using access lists. It allows you to classify traffic and map different classes to different queues. It also allows you to mirror traffic and to police the rate at which data traffic is transmitted and received.

By default, no centralized data policy is provisioned. The result is that all prefixes within a VPN are reachable from anywhere in the VPN. Provisioning centralized data policy allows you to apply a 6-tuple filter that controls access between sources and destinations.



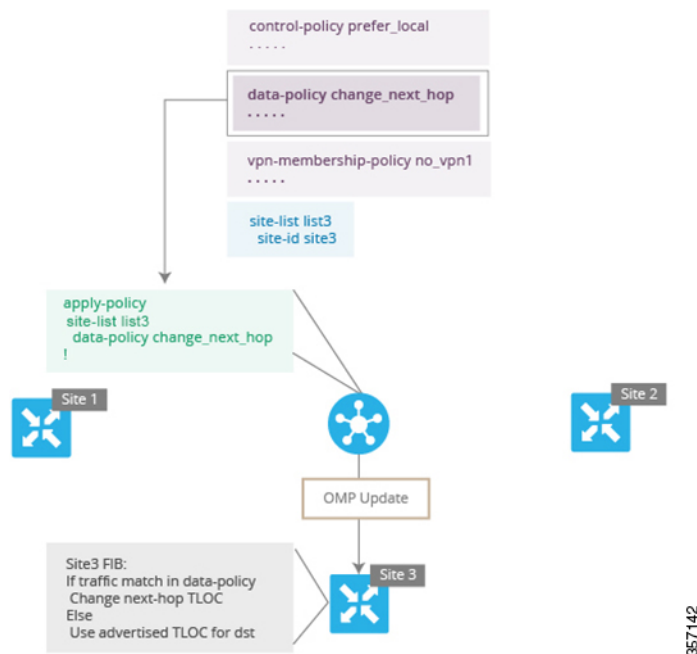
As with centralized control policy, you provision a centralized data policy on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and that configuration remains on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. The effects of data policy are reflected in how the Cisco vEdge devices direct data traffic to its destination. Unlike control policy, however, centralized data policies are pushed to the devices in a read-only fashion. They are not added to the router's configuration file, but you can view them from the CLI on the router.

With no access lists provisioned on a Cisco vEdge device, all data traffic is transmitted at line rate and with equal importance, using one of the interface's queues. Using access lists, you can provision class of service, which allows you to classify data traffic by importance, spread it across different interface queues, and control the rate at which different classes of traffic are transmitted. You can provision policing. You can also provision packet mirroring.

Data policy examines fields in the headers of data packets, looking at the source and destination addresses and ports, and the protocol and DSCP values, and for matching packets, it can modify the next hop in a variety of ways or apply a policer to the packets. Data policy is configured and applied on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and then it is carried in OMP updates to the Cisco vEdge devices in the site-list that the policy is applied to. The match operation and any resultant actions are performed on the devices as it transmits or receives data traffic.

In the Data Policy Topology figure, a data policy named “change\_next\_hop” is applied to a list of sites that includes Site 3. The OMP update that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller sends to the devices at Site 3 includes this policy definition. When the device sends or receives data traffic that matches the policy, it changes the next hop to the specified TLOC. Non-matching traffic is forwarded to the original next-hop TLOC.

Figure 21: Data Policy Topology



In the **apply-policy** command for a data policy, specify a direction from the perspective of the device. The "all" direction in the figure applies the policy to incoming and outgoing data traffic transiting the tunnel interface. You can limit the span of the policy to only incoming traffic with a **data-policy change\_next\_hop from-tunnel** command or to only outgoing traffic with a **data-policy change\_next\_hop from-service** command.

- [Centralized Policy, on page 83](#)
- [Localized Data Policy, on page 124](#)

## Centralized Policy



**Note** To achieve simplification and consistency, the Cisco SD-WAN solution has been rebranded as Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN. In addition, from Cisco IOS XE SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 20.12.1, the following component changes are applicable: **Cisco vManage** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager**, **Cisco vAnalytics** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics**, **Cisco vBond** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator**, **Cisco vSmart** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller**, and **Cisco Controllers** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components**. See the latest Release Notes for a comprehensive list of all the component brand name changes. While we transition to the new names, some inconsistencies might be present in the documentation set because of a phased approach to the user interface updates of the software product.

The topics in this section provide overview information about the different types of centralized policies, the components of centralized policies, and how to configure centralized policies using Cisco SD-WAN Manager or the CLI.

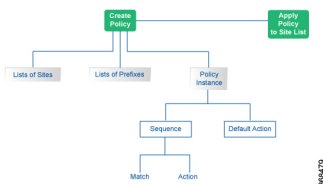
## Configure Centralized Policy Based on Prefixes and IP Headers

A centralized data policy based on source and destination prefixes and on headers in IP packets consists of a series of numbered (ordered) sequences of match-action pair that are evaluated in order, from lowest sequence number to highest sequence number. When a packet matches one of the match conditions, the associated action is taken and policy evaluation on that packets stops. Keep this in mind as you design your policies to ensure that the desired actions are taken on the items subject to policy.

If a packet matches no parameters in any of the sequences in the policy configuration, it is dropped and discarded by default.

### Configuration Components

The following figure illustrates the configuration components for a centralized data policy:



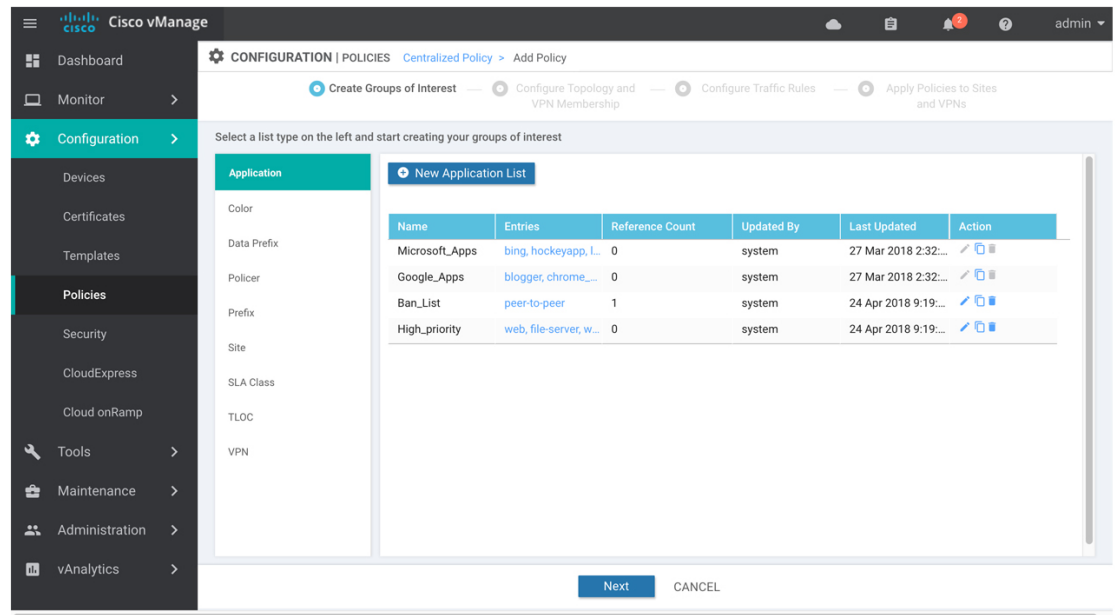
## Start the Policy Configuration Wizard

To start the policy configuration wizard:

- 
- Step 1** In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configuration > Policies** screen.
  - Step 2** Click **Centralized Policy**.
  - Step 3** Click **Add Policy**. The policy configuration wizard opens, and the Create Groups of Interest screen displays.
- 

### Step 1: Create Policy Lists

You can create lists of groups to use in a centralized policy.



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**Step 1**

Create new lists as described in the following table:

List Type	Procedure
Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the left bar, click <b>Application</b>.</li> <li>Click <b>New Application List</b>.</li> <li>Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>Choose either <b>Application</b> or <b>Application Family</b>.</li> <li>From the Select drop-down, select the desired applications or application families.</li> <li>Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol> <p>Two application lists are preconfigured. You cannot edit or delete these lists.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Google_Apps</b>—Includes Google applications, such as gmail, Google maps, and YouTube. To display a full list of Google applications, click the list in the Entries column.</li> <li><b>Microsoft_Apps</b>—Includes Microsoft applications, such as Excel, Skype, and Xbox. To display a full list of Microsoft applications, click the list in the Entries column.</li> </ul>

List Type	Procedure
Color	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Color</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Color List</b>. The Color List popup displays.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list</li> <li>d. From the Select Color drop-down, select the desired colors.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
Data Prefix	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Data Prefix</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Data Prefix List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the Add Data Prefix field, enter one or more data prefixes separated by commas.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
Policer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Policer</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Policer List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. Define the policing parameters: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the Burst field, enter the maximum traffic burst size, a value from 15,000 to 10,000,000 bytes.</li> <li>2. In the Exceed field, select the action to take when the burst size or traffic rate is exceeded. It can be drop, which sets the packet loss priority (PLP) to low. You can use the remark action to set the packet loss priority (PLP) to high.</li> <li>3. In the Rate field, enter the maximum traffic rate, a value from 0 through <math>2^{64} - 1</math> bits per second (bps).</li> </ol> </li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
Prefix	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Prefix</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Prefix List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the Add Prefix field, enter one or more data prefixes separated by commas.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>



List Type	Procedure
Site	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Site</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Site List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the Add Site field, enter one or more site IDs separated by commas.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
SLA Class	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>SLA Class</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New SLA Class List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. Define the SLA class parameters: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the Loss field, enter the maximum packet loss on the connection, a value from 0 through 100 percent.</li> <li>2. In the Latency field, enter the maximum packet latency on the connection, a value from 0 through 1,000 milliseconds.</li> <li>3. In the Jitter field, enter the maximum jitter on the connection, a value from 1 through 1,000 milliseconds.</li> </ol> </li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
TLOC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>TLOC</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New TLOC List</b>. The TLOC List popup displays.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the TLOC IP field, enter the system IP address for the TLOC.</li> <li>e. In the Color field, select the TLOC's color.</li> <li>f. In the Encap field, select the encapsulation type.</li> <li>g. In the Preference field, optionally select a preference to associate with the TLOC.</li> <li>h. Click <b>Add TLOC</b> to add another TLOC to the list.</li> <li>i. Click <b>Save</b>.</li> </ol>
VPN	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>VPN</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New VPN List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the <b>Add VPN</b> field, enter one or more VPN IDs separated by commas.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>

**Step 2** Click **Next** to move to Configure Topology and VPN Membership in the wizard.

## Step 2: Configure Traffic Rules

*Table 13: Feature History*

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Policy Matching with ICMP Message	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1	This feature provides support for a new match condition that you can use to specify a list of ICMP messages for centralized data policies, localized data policies and Application-Aware Routing policies.

When you first open the Traffic Rules screen, the Application-Aware Routing tab is selected by default. To configure traffic rules for deep packet inspection, see [Configure Deep Packet Inspection](#).

To configure traffic rules for centralized data policy:

- Step 1** Click the **Traffic Data** tab.
- Step 2** Click the **Add Policy** drop-down.
- Step 3** Click **Create New**. The Add Data Policy screen displays.
- Step 4** Enter a name and description for the data policy.
- Step 5** In the right pane, click **Sequence Type**. The Add Data Policy popup opens.
- Step 6** Select the type of data policy you want to create. Choices are: **Application Firewall**, **QoS**, **Service Chaining**, **Traffic Engineering**, and **Custom**.
- Step 7** A policy sequence containing the text string **Application Firewall**, **QoS**, **Service Chaining**, **Traffic Engineering**, or **Custom** is added in the left pane
- Step 8** Double-click the text string, and enter a name for the policy sequence. The name you type is displayed both in the Sequence Type list in the left pane and in the right pane.
- Step 9** In the right pane, click **Sequence Rule**. The Match/Action box opens, and Match is selected by default. The available policy match conditions are listed below the box.
- Step 10** For QoS and Traffic Engineering data policies: From the **Protocol** drop-down list, select **IPv4** to apply the policy only to IPv4 address families.
- Step 11** To select one or more [Match](#) conditions, click its box and set the values as described in the following table. Note that not all match conditions are available for all policy sequence types.

Match Condition	Procedure	IPv4 Fields	IPv6 Fields
None (match all packets)	Do not specify any match conditions.	N/A	N/A

Match Condition	Procedure	IPv4 Fields	IPv6 Fields
<b>Applications /Application Family List</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Applications/Application Family List</b>.</p> <p>b. In the drop-down, select the application family.</p> <p>c. To create an application list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click <b>New Application List</b>.</li> <li>2. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>3. Click <b>Application</b> to create a list of individual applications. Click <b>Application Family</b> to create a list of related applications.</li> <li>4. In the <b>Select Application</b> drop-down, select the desired applications or application families.</li> <li>5. Click <b>Save</b>.</li> </ol>	app-list	N/A
<b>Destination Data Prefix</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Destination Data Prefix</b>.</p> <p>b. To match a list of destination prefixes, select the list from the drop-down.</p> <p>c. To match an individual destination prefix, enter the prefix in the <b>Destination: IP Prefix</b> field.</p>	source/ destination-data-prefix-list	source/ destination-data-prefix-list
<b>Destination Port</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Destination Port</b>.</p> <p>b. In the <b>Destination: Port</b> field, enter the port number. Specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).</p>	src/dst ip	src/dst ip
<b>DNS Application List</b>	<p>Add an application list to enable split DNS.</p> <p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>DNS Application List</b>.</p> <p>b. In the drop-down, select the application family.</p>	dns-app-list	N/A
<b>DNS</b>	<p>Add an application list to process split DNS.</p> <p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>DNS</b>.</p> <p>b. In the drop-down, select <b>Request</b> to process DNS requests for the DNS applications, and select <b>Response</b> to process DNS responses for the applications.</p>	dns-request dns-response	N/A

Match Condition	Procedure	IPv4 Fields	IPv6 Fields
<b>DSCP</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>DSCP</b>.</p> <p>b. In the <b>DSCP</b> field, type the DSCP value, a number from 0 through 63.</p>	dscp	dscp
<b>Packet Length</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Packet Length</b>.</p> <p>b. In the Packet Length field, type the length, a value from 0 through 65535.</p>	packet-len	packet-len
<b>PLP</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>PLP</b> to set the Packet Loss Priority.</p> <p>b. In the PLP drop-down, select <b>Low</b> or <b>High</b>. To set the PLP to high, apply a policer that includes the <b>exceed remark</b> option.</p>	N/A	N/A
<b>Protocol</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Protocol</b>.</p> <p>b. In the Protocol field, type the Internet Protocol number, a number from 0 through 255.</p>	Protocol	Protocol
<b>Source Data Prefix</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Source Data Prefix</b>.</p> <p>b. To match a list of source prefixes, select the list from the drop-down.</p> <p>c. To match an individual source prefix, enter the prefix in the <b>Source</b> field.</p>	source/ destination-data-prefix-list	source /destination-data-prefix-list
<b>Source Port</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Source Port</b>.</p> <p>b. In the Source field, enter the port number. Specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).</p>	ports	ports
<b>TCP</b>	<p>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>TCP</b>.</p> <p>b. In the TCP field, <b>syn</b> is the only option available.</p>	tcp flag	N/A

**Step 12** To select actions to take on matching data traffic, click the **Actions** box.

**Step 13** To drop matching traffic, click **Drop**. The available policy actions are listed to the right of the button.

**Step 14** To accept matching traffic, click **Accept**. The available policy actions are listed to the right of the button.

**Step 15** Set the policy action as described in the following table. Note that not all actions are available for all match conditions

<b>Match Condition</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Procedure</b>
<b>Counter</b>	Count matching data packets.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the Action conditions, click <b>Counter</b>.</li> <li>b. In the <b>Counter Name</b> field, enter the name of the file in which to store packet counters.</li> </ol>
<b>DSCP</b>	Assign a DSCP value to matching data packets.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the Action conditions, click <b>DSCP</b>.</li> <li>b. In the <b>DSCP</b> field, type the DSCP value, a number from 0 through 63.</li> </ol>
<b>Forwarding Class</b>	Assign a forwarding class to matching data packets.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Forwarding Class</b>.</li> <li>b. In the <b>Forwarding Class</b> field, type the class value, which can be up to 32 characters long.</li> </ol>
<b>Log</b>	Place a sampled set of packets that match the SLA class rule into system logging (syslog) files. In addition to logging the packet headers, a syslog message is generated the first time a packet header is logged and then every 5 minutes thereafter, as long as the flow is active.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the Action conditions, click <b>Log</b> to enable logging.</li> </ol>
<b>Policer</b>	Apply a policer to matching data packets.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Policer</b>.</li> <li>b. In the Policer drop-down field, select the name of a policer.</li> </ol>

Match Condition	Description	Procedure
<b>Loss Correction</b>	<p>Apply loss correction to matching data packets.</p> <p>Forward Error Correction (FEC) recovers lost packets on a link by sending redundant data, enabling the receiver to correct errors without the need to request retransmission of data.</p> <p>FEC is supported only for IPSEC tunnels, it is not supported for GRE tunnels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FEC Adaptive</b> – Corresponding packets are subjected to FEC only if the tunnels that they go through have been deemed unreliable based on measured loss. Adaptive FEC starts to work at 2% packet loss; this value is hard-coded and is not configurable.</li> <li>• <b>FEC Always</b> – Corresponding packets are always subjected to FEC.</li> <li>• <b>Packet Duplication</b> – Sends duplicate packets over a single tunnel. If more than one tunnel is available, duplicated packets will be sent over the tunnel with the best parameters.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the Match conditions, click <b>Loss Correction</b>.</li> <li>b. In the <b>Loss Correction</b> field, select <b>FEC Adaptive, FEC Always, or Packet Duplication</b>.</li> </ol>
Click <b>Save Match and Actions</b> .		

**Step 16** Create additional sequence rules as desired. Drag and drop to re-arrange them.

**Step 17** Click **Save Data Policy**.

**Step 18** Click **Next** to move to Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs in the wizard.

## Step 3: Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs

In Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs, apply a policy to overlay network sites and VPNs.

- Step 1** In the **Policy Name** field, enter a name for the policy. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (–), and underscores (\_). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
- Step 2** In the **Policy Description** field, enter a description of the policy. It can contain up to 2048 characters. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
- Step 3** From the Topology bar, select the tab that corresponds to the type of policy block—**Topology**, **Application-Aware Routing**, **Traffic Data**, or **Cflowd**. The table then lists policies that you have created for that type of policy block.
- Step 4** Associate the policy with VPNs and sites. The choice of VPNs and sites depends on the type of policy block:
- a) For a **Topology** policy block, click **Add New Site List and VPN List** or **Add New Site**. Some topology blocks might have no **Add** buttons. Select one or more site lists, and select one or more VPN lists. Click **Add**.
  - b) For an **Application-Aware Routing** policy block, click **Add New Site List and VPN list**. Select one or more site lists, and select one or more VPN lists. Click **Add**.

- c) For a **Traffic Data** policy block, click **Add New Site List and VPN List**. Select the direction for applying the policy (**From Tunnel**, **From Service**, or **All**), select one or more site lists, and select one or more VPN lists. Click **Add**.
- d) For a **cflowd** policy block, click **Add New Site List**. Select one or more site lists. Click **Add**.

**Step 5** Click **Preview** to view the configured policy. The policy is displayed in CLI format.

**Step 6** Click **Save Policy**. The **Configuration > Policies** screen appears, and the policies table includes the newly created policy.

## Step 4: Activate a Centralized Data Policy

Activating a centralized data policy sends that policy to all connected Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers. To activate a centralized policy:

**Step 1** In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configuration > Policies** screen.

**Step 2** Select a policy from the policy table.

**Step 3** Click the **More Actions** icon to the right of the row, and click **Activate**. The Activate Policy popup opens. It lists the IP addresses of the reachable Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers to which the policy is to be applied.

**Step 4** Click **Activate**.

## Configure Centralized Data Policy Using CLI

Following are the high-level steps for configuring a VPN membership data policy:

1. Create a list of overlay network sites to which the VPN membership policy is to be applied (in the **apply-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart (config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (-). Create additional site lists, as needed.

2. Create lists of IP prefixes and VPNs, as needed:

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# data-prefix-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# ip-prefix prefix/length

vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# vpn vpn-id
```

3. Create lists of TLOCs, as needed.

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists tloc-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# tloc ip-address color color encap encapsulation
[preference number]
```

4. Define policing parameters, as needed:

```
vSmart(config-policy)# policer policer-name
vSmart(config-policer)# rate bandwidth
vSmart(config-policer)# burst bytes
vSmart(config-policer)# exceed action
```

5. Create a data policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs:

```
vSmart(config)# policy data-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-data-policy-policy-name)# vpn-list list-name
```

6. Create a series of match–pair sequences:

```
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# sequence number
vSmart(config-sequence-number)#
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

7. Define match parameters for packets:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match parameters
```

8. Define actions to take when a match occurs:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action (accept | drop) [count counter-name] [log]
[tcp-optimization]
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept nat [pool number] [use-vpn 0]
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept redirect-dns (host | ip-address)
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept set parameters
```

9. Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the data policy, as needed.

10. If a route does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. To accept nonmatching prefixed, configure the default action for the policy:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name)# default-action accept
```

11. Apply the policy to one or more sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all
| from-service | from-tunnel)
```

## Structural Components of Policy Configuration for Centralized Data Policy

The following commands are the structural components required to configure VPN membership policy. Each one is explained in more detail in the sections that follow.

```
policy
  lists
    app-list list-name
      (app applications | app-family application-families)
    data-prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    tloc-list list-name
      tloc ip-address color color encaps encapsulation [preference value]
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id
  policer policer-name
    burst bytes
    exceed action
```



```

rate bandwidth
data-policy policy-name
vpn-list list-name
sequence number
match
  app-list list-name
  destination-data-prefix-list list-name
  destination-ip prefix/length
  destination-port port-numbers
  dscp number
  dns-app-list list-name
  dns (request | response)
  packet-length number
  protocol number
  icmp-msg
  icmp6-msg
  source-data-prefix-list list-name
  source-ip prefix/length
  source-port port-numbers
  tcp flag
action
  cflowd (not available for deep packet inspection)
  count counter-name
  drop
  log
  redirect-dns (dns-ip-address | host)
  tcp-optimization
  accept
  nat [pool number] [use-vpn 0]
  set
    dscp number
    forwarding-class class
    local-tloc color color [encap encapsulation] [restrict]
    next-hop ip-address
    policer policer-name
    service service-name local [restrict] [vpn vpn-id]
    service service-name [tloc ip-address | tloc-list list-name] [vpn vpn-id]
    tloc ip-address color color [encap encapsulation]
    tloc-list list-name
    vpn vpn-id
  default-action
  (accept | drop)
apply-policy site-list list-name
data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)

```

## Lists

A centralized data policy for deep packet inspection uses the following types of lists to group related items.

- **Configuration > Policies > Centralized Policy > Add Policy > Create Groups of Interest**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Lists.**

Table 14:

List Type	Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command
Applications and application families	<p>List of one or more applications or application families running on the subnets connected to the device.</p> <p><i>application-names</i> can be the names of one or more applications. The Cisco vEdge devices support about 2300 different applications. To list the supported applications, use the ? in the CLI.</p> <p><i>application-families</i> can be one or more of the following: <b>antivirus</b>, <b>application-service</b>, <b>audio_video</b>, <b>authentication</b>, <b>behavioral</b>, <b>compression</b>, <b>database</b>, <b>encrypted</b>, <b>erp</b>, <b>file-server</b>, <b>file-transfer</b>, <b>forum</b>, <b>game</b>, <b>instant-messaging</b>, <b>mail</b>, <b>microsoft-office</b>, <b>middleware</b>, <b>network-management</b>, <b>network-service</b>, <b>peer-to-peer</b>, <b>printer</b>, <b>routing</b>, <b>security-service</b>, <b>standard</b>, <b>telephony</b>, <b>terminal</b>, <b>thin-client</b>, <b>tunneling</b>, <b>wap</b>, <b>web</b>, and <b>webmail</b>.</p>	<p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; Application</b></p> <p>or</p> <p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; Application</b></p>	<p><b>app-list</b> <i>list-name</i> (<b>app</b> <i>applications</i>   <b>app-family</b> <i>application-families</i>)</p>
Colors	<p>List of one or more TLOC colors.</p> <p><i>color</i> can be <b>3g</b>, <b>biz-internet</b>, <b>blue</b>, <b>bronze</b>, <b>custom1</b> through <b>custom3</b>, <b>default</b>, <b>gold</b>, <b>green</b>, <b>lte</b>, <b>metro-ethernet</b>, <b>mpls</b>, <b>private1</b> through <b>private6</b>, <b>public-internet</b>, <b>red</b>, and <b>silver</b>.</p> <p>To configure multiple colors in a single list, include multiple <b>color</b> options, specifying one color in each option.</p>		<p><b>color-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>color</b> <i>color</i></p>

List Type	Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command
Prefixes	<p>List of one or more IP prefixes.</p> <p>Specify the IP prefixes as follows:</p> <p><i>prefix/length</i>—Exactly match a single prefix–length pair.</p> <p><b>0.0.0.0/0</b>—Match any prefix–length pair.</p> <p><b>0.0.0.0/0 le length</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is less than or equal to <i>length</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 le 16</b> matches all IP prefixes with lengths from /1 through /16.</p> <p><b>0.0.0.0/0 ge length</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is greater than or equal to <i>length</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0 ge 25</b> matches all IP prefixes with lengths from /25 through /32.</p> <p><b>0.0.0.0/0 ge length1 le length2</b>, or <b>0.0.0.0 le length2 ge length1</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is greater than or equal to <i>length1</i> and less than or equal to <i>length2</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 ge 20 le 24</b> matches all /20, /21, /22, /23, and /24 prefixes. Also, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 le 24 ge 20</b> matches the same prefixes. If <i>length1</i> and <i>length2</i> are the same, a single IP prefix length is matched. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 ge 24 le 24</b> matches only /24 prefixes. To configure multiple prefixes in a single list, include multiple <b>ip-prefix</b> options, specifying one prefix in each option.</p>	<p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; Prefix</b></p> <p>or</p> <p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; Prefix</b></p>	<p><b>prefix-list</b> <i>list-name</i></p> <p><b>ip-prefix</b> <i>prefix/length</i></p>
Sites	<p>List of one or more site identifiers in the overlay network. You can specify a single site identifier (such as <b>site-id 1</b>) or a range of site identifiers (such as <b>site-id 1-10</b>).</p>	<p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; Site</b></p> <p>or</p> <p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; Site</b></p>	<p><b>site-list</b> <i>list-name</i></p> <p><b>site-id</b> <i>site-id</i></p>

List Type	Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command
TLOCs	<p>List of one or more TLOCs in the overlay network.</p> <p>For each TLOC, specify its address, color, and encapsulation. <i>address</i> is the system IP address. <i>color</i> can be one of <b>3g</b>, <b>biz-internet</b>, <b>blue</b>, <b>bronze</b>, <b>custom1</b>, <b>custom2</b>, <b>custom3</b>, <b>default</b>, <b>gold</b>, <b>green</b>, <b>lte</b>, <b>metro-ethernet</b>, <b>mpls</b>, <b>mpls-restricted</b>, <b>private1</b> through <b>private6</b>, <b>public-internet</b>, <b>red</b>, and <b>silver</b>. <i>encapsulation</i> can be <b>gre</b> or <b>ipsec</b>.</p> <p>Optionally, set a preference value (from 0 to 232 – 1) to associate with the TLOC address. When you apply a TLOC list in an <b>action accept</b> condition, when multiple TLOCs are available and satisfy the match conditions, the TLOC with the highest preference value is used. If two or more of TLOCs have the highest preference value, traffic is sent among them in an ECMP fashion.</p>	<p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; TLOC</b></p> <p>or</p> <p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; Site</b></p>	<p><b>tloc-list</b> <i>list-name</i></p> <p><b>tloc</b> <i>ip-address</i> <i>color</i> <b>color</b> <b>encap</b> <i>encapsulation</i> [<i>preference number</i>]</p>
VPNs	<p>List of one or more VPNs in the overlay network. For data policy, you can configure any VPNs except for VPN 0 and VPN 512.</p> <p>To configure multiple VPNs in a single list, include multiple <b>vpn</b> options, specifying one VPN number in each option. You can specify a single VPN identifier (such as <b>vpn 1</b>) or a range of VPN identifiers (such as <b>vpn 1-10</b>).</p>	<p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Add Policy &gt; Create Groups of Interest &gt; VPN</b></p> <p>or</p> <p><b>Configuration &gt; Policies &gt; Custom Options &gt; Centralized Policy &gt; Lists &gt; VPN</b></p>	<p><b>vpn-list</b> <i>list-name</i></p> <p><b>vpn</b> <i>vpn-id</i></p>

## VPN Lists

Each centralized data policy is associated with a VPN list. You configure VPN lists with the **policy data-policy vpn-list** command. The list you specify must be one that you created with a VPN Group of Interest or List in the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard or with the **policy lists vpn-list** command.

For a centralized data policy, you can include any VPNs except for VPN 0 and VPN 512. VPN 0 is reserved for control traffic, so never carries any data traffic, and VPN 512 is reserved for out-of-band network management, so also never carries any data traffic. Note that while the CLI allows you to include these two VPNs in a data policy configuration, the policy is not applied to these two VPNs.

## Policer Parameters

To configure policing parameters, create a policer that specifies the maximum bandwidth and burst rate for traffic on an interface, and how to handle traffic that exceeds these values.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure policer parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Centralized Policy > Add Policy > Create Groups of Interest > Policer**

• **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Centralized Policy > Lists > Policer**

In the CLI, you configure policer parameters as follows:

```
vSmart(config)# policy policer policer-name
vSmart(config-policer)# rate bps
vSmart(config-policer)# burst bytes
vSmart(config-policer)# exceed action
```

*rate* is the maximum traffic rate. It can be a value from 0 through 264 – 1 bits per second.

*burst* is the maximum traffic burst size. It can be a value from 15000 to 1000000 bytes.

*exceed* is the action to take when the burst size or traffic rate is exceeded. *action* can be *drop* (the default) or *remark*. The *drop* action is equivalent to setting the packet loss priority (PLP) bit to low. The *remark* action sets the PLP bit to high. In a centralized data policy, access lists, and application-aware routing policy, you can match the PLP with the *match plp* option.

## Sequences - VPN List

Each VPN list consists of sequences of match–action pairs. The sequences are numbered to set the order in which data traffic is analyzed by the match–action pairs in the policy.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure sequences from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Centralized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Traffic Rules > (Application-Aware Routing | Traffic Data | Cflowd) > Sequence Type**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Centralized Policy > Traffic Policy > (Application-Aware Routing | Traffic Data | Cflowd) > Sequence Type**

In the CLI, you configure sequences with the **policy data-policy vpn-list sequence** command.

Each sequence can contain one match condition and one action condition.



**Note** Sequence can have either **match app-list** or **dns-app-list** configured for a policy, but not both. Configuring both **match app-list** and **dns-app-list** for a policy is not supported.

## Match Parameters - Data Policy

A centralized data policy can match IP prefixes and fields in the IP headers, as well as applications. You can also enable split DNS.

Each sequence in a policy can contain one or more match conditions.

Table 15:

Match Condition	Description
Omit	Match all packets.
Applications/Application Family List	Applications or application families.

Match Condition	Description
<b>Destination Data Prefix</b>	Group of destination prefixes, IP prefix and prefix length. The range is 0 through 65535; specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).
<b>Destination Region</b>	<p>Choose one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary:</b> Match traffic if the destination device is in the same primary region (also called access region) as the source. This traffic reaches the destination using a multi-hop path, through the core region.</li> <li>• <b>Secondary:</b> Match traffic if the destination device is not in the same primary region as the source but is within the same secondary region as the source. This traffic can reach the destination using a direct tunnel, as described for secondary regions.</li> <li>• <b>Other:</b> Match traffic if the destination device is not in the same primary region or secondary region as the source. This traffic requires a multi-hop path from the source to the destination.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> Minimum releases: Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1, Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.9.1a</p>
<b>DNS Application List</b>	Enables split DNS, to resolve and process DNS requests and responses on an application-by-application basis. Name of an <b>app-list</b> list. This list specifies the applications whose DNS requests are processed.
<b>DNS</b>	Specify the direction in which to process DNS packets. To process DNS requests sent by the applications (for outbound DNS queries), specify <b>dns request</b> . To process DNS responses returned from DNS servers to the applications, specify <b>dns response</b> .
<b>DSCP</b>	Specifies the DSCP value.
<b>Packet length</b>	Specifies the packet length. The range is 0 through 65535; specify a single length, a list of lengths (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of lengths (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).
<b>Packet Loss Priority (PLP)</b>	Specifies the packet loss priority. By default, packets have a PLP value of <b>low</b> . To set the PLP value to <b>high</b> , apply a policer that includes the <b>exceed remark</b> option.
<b>Protocol</b>	Specifies Internet protocol number. The range is 0 through 255.
<b>ICMP Message</b>	<p>For Protocol IPv4 when you enter a Protocol value as 1, the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays where you can select an ICMP message to apply to the data policy. Likewise, the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays for Protocol IPv6 when you enter a Protocol value as 58.</p> <p>When you select Protocol as Both, the <b>ICMP Message or ICMPv6 Message</b> field displays.</p> <p><b>Note</b> This field is available from , Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1.</p>
<b>Source Data Prefix</b>	Specifies the group of source prefixes or an individual source prefix.
<b>Source Port</b>	Specifies the source port number. The range is 0 through 65535; specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).
<b>TCP Flag</b>	Specifies the TCP flag, syn.

Match Condition	Description
Traffic To	<p>In a Multi-Region Fabric architecture, match border router traffic flowing to the access region that the border router is serving, the core region, or a service VPN.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Minimum release: Cisco vManage Release 20.8.1</p>



**Note** If IPv4 packet contains non-initial fragment of UDP or TCP datagram, it has no L4 ports information available because there is no UDP or TCP header. For such fragments destination-port or source-port match is ignored.

In the following example, all the UDP packets to destination port 161 and any other IPv4 packets having protocol ID field in IPv4 header set to 17 with IPv4 header having fragment-offset set will be dropped.

```

policy
app-visibility
access-list SDWAN_101
sequence 100
match
destination-port 161
protocol 17
!
action drop
!
!

```

**Table 16: ICMP Message Types/Codes and Corresponding Enumeration Values**

Type	Code	Enumeration
0	0	echo-reply

3		unreachable
	0	net-unreachable
	1	host-unreachable
	2	protocol-unreachable
	3	port-unreachable
	4	packet-too-big
	5	source-route-failed
	6	network-unknown
	7	host-unknown
	8	host-isolated
	9	dod-net-prohibited
	10	dod-host-prohibited
	11	net-tos-unreachable
	12	host-tos-unreachable
	13	administratively-prohibited
	14	host-precedence-unreachable
15	precedence-unreachable	
5		redirect
	0	net-redirect
	1	host-redirect
	2	net-tos-redirect
	3	host-tos-redirect
8	0	echo
9	0	router-advertisement
10	0	router-solicitation
11		time-exceeded
	0	ttl-exceeded
	1	reassembly-timeout
12		parameter-problem
	0	general-parameter-problem
	1	option-missing
	2	no-room-for-option
13	0	timestamp-request



14	0	timestamp-reply
40	0	photuris
42	0	extended-echo
43		extended-echo-reply
	0	echo-reply-no-error
	1	malformed-query
	2	interface-error
	3	table-entry-error
	4	multiple-interface-match

**Table 17: ICMPv6 Message Types/Codes and Corresponding Enumeration Values**

Type	Code	Enumeration
1		unreachable
	0	no-route
	1	no-admin
	2	beyond-scope
	3	destination-unreachable
	4	port-unreachable
	5	source-policy
	6	reject-route
	7	source-route-header
2	0	packet-too-big
3		time-exceeded
	0	hop-limit
	1	reassembly-timeout
4		parameter-problem
	0	Header
	1	next-header
	2	parameter-option
128	0	echo-request
129	0	echo-reply
130	0	mld-query
131	0	mld-report

132	0	mld-reduction
133	0	router-solicitation
134	0	router-advertisement
135	0	nd-ns
136	0	nd-na
137	0	redirect
138		router-renumbering
	0	renum-command
	1	renum-result
	255	renum-seq-number
139		ni-query
	0	ni-query-v6-address
	1	ni-query-name
	2	ni-query-v4-address
140		ni-response
	0	ni-response-success
	1	ni-response-refuse
	2	ni-response-qtype-unknown
141	0	ind-solicitation
142	0	ind-advertisement
143		mldv2-report
144	0	dhaad-request
145	0	dhaad-reply
146	0	mpd-solicitation
147	0	mpd-advertisement
148	0	cp-solicitation
149	0	cp-advertisement
151	0	mr-advertisement
152	0	mr-solicitation
153	0	mr-termination
155	0	rpl-control

## Action Parameters - Data Policy

Table 18: Feature History

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Path Preference Support for Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Devices	Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.2.1r	This feature extends to Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices, support for selecting one or more local transport locators (TLOCs) for a policy action.
Traffic Redirection to SIG Using Data Policy	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1	With this feature, while creating a data policy, you can define an application list along with other match criteria and redirect the application traffic to a Secure Internet Gateway (SIG).
Next Hop Action Enhancement in Data Policies	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.5.1	This feature enhances match action conditions in a centralized data policy for parity with the features configured on Cisco vEdge devices. When you are setting up next-hop-loose action, this feature helps to redirect application traffic to an available route when next-hop address is not available.

When data traffic matches the conditions in the match portion of a centralized data policy, the packet can be accepted or dropped. Then, you can associate parameters with accepted packets.

In the CLI, you configure the action parameters with the **policy data-policy vpn-list sequence action** command.

Each sequence in a centralized data policy can contain one action condition.

In the action, you first specify whether to accept or drop a matching data packet, and whether to count it:

Action Condition	Description
Click <b>Accept</b>	Accepts the packet. An accepted packet is eligible to be modified by the additional parameters configured in the action portion of the policy configuration.
<b>Cflowd</b>	Enables cflowd traffic monitoring.
<b>Counter</b>	Counts the accepted or dropped packets. Specifies the name of a counter. Use the <b>show policy access-lists counters</b> command on the Cisco vEdge device.
Click <b>Drop</b>	Discards the packet. This is the default action.

Action Condition	Description
<b>Log</b>	<p>Minimum release: Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.11.1a and Cisco vManage Release 20.11.1</p> <p>Click <b>Log</b> to enable logging.</p> <p>When (DP, AAR or ACL) data policy packets are configured with log action, logs generated and logged to syslog. Due to the global <b>log-rate-limit</b>, not all logs are logged. A syslog message is generated the first time a packet header is logged and then every 5 minutes thereafter, as long as the flow is active.</p> <p>For information on <b>policy log-rate-limit</b> CLI, see <b>policy log-rate-limit</b> command in the <a href="#">Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Qualified Command Reference Guide</a>.</p>
<b>Redirect DNS</b>	<p>Redirects DNS requests to a particular DNS server. Redirecting requests is optional, but if you do so, you must specify both actions.</p> <p>For an inbound policy, <b>redirect-dns host</b> allows the DNS response to be correctly forwarded back to the requesting service VPN.</p> <p>For an outbound policy, specify the IP address of the DNS server.</p> <p><b>Note</b> When you upgrade to releases later than Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.7.1a, you must configure redirect DNS through <b>nat use-vpn 0</b> to redirect DNS to Direct Internet Interface (DIA).</p> <p><b>Note</b> You can set only local TLOC preferences with <b>redirect-dns</b> as actions on the same sequence, but not remote TLOC.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You cannot configure Redirect DNS and SIG at the same time.</p> <p>NAT DIA fallback and DNS redirection are not supported at the same time in data policy.</p>
<b>TCP Optimization</b>	<p>Fine-tune TCP to decrease round-trip latency and improve throughput for matching TCP traffic.</p>
<b>Secure Internet Gateway</b>	<p>Redirect application traffic to a SIG.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Before you apply a data policy for redirecting application traffic to a SIG, you must have configured the SIG tunnels.</p> <p>For more information on configuring Automatic SIG tunnels, see <a href="#">Automatic Tunnels</a>. For more information on configuring Manual SIG tunnels, see <a href="#">Manual Tunnels</a>.</p>

Then, for a packet that is accepted, the following parameters can be configured:

Action Condition	Description
<b>Cflowd</b>	Enables cflowd traffic monitoring.
<b>NAT Pool</b> or <b>NAT VPN</b>	Enables NAT functionality, so that traffic can be redirected directly to the internet or other external destination.
<b>DSCP</b>	DSCP value. The range is 0 through 63.
<b>Forwarding Class</b>	Name of the forwarding class.
<b>Local TLOC</b>	<p>Enables sending packets to one of the TLOCs that matches the color and encapsulation. The available colors are: 3g, biz-internet, blue, bronze, custom1,custom2, custom3, default, gold, green, lte, metro-ethernet, mpls, private1 through private6, public-internet, red and silver.</p> <p>The encapsulation options are: <b>ipsec</b> and <b>gre</b>.</p> <p>By default, if the TLOC is not available, traffic is forwarded using an alternate TLOC. To drop traffic if a TLOC is unavailable, include the <b>restrict</b> option.</p> <p>By default, encapsulation is <b>ipsec</b>.</p>
<b>Next Hop</b>	<p>Sets the next hop IP address to which the packet should be forwarded.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Starting from Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1 and Cisco vManage Release 20.5.1, the <b>Use Default Route when Next Hop is not available</b> field is available next to the <b>Next Hop</b> action parameter. This option is available only when the sequence type is <b>Traffic Engineering</b> or <b>Custom</b>, and the protocol is either <b>IPv4</b> or <b>IPv6</b>, but not both.</p>
<b>Policer</b>	Applies a policer. Specifies the name of policer configured with the <b>policy policer</b> command.
<b>Service</b>	<p>Specifies a service to redirect traffic to before delivering the traffic to its destination.</p> <p>The TLOC address or list of TLOCs identifies the remote TLOCs to which the traffic should be redirected to reach the service. In the case of multiple TLOCs, the traffic is load-balanced among them.</p> <p>The VPN identifier is where the service is located.</p> <p>Standard services: <b>FW, IDS, IDP</b></p> <p>Custom services: <b>netsvc1, netsvc2,netsvc3, netsvc4</b></p> <p>TLOC list is configured with a <b>policy lists tloc-list</b> list.</p> <p>Configure the services themselves on the Cisco vEdge devices that are collocated with the service devices, using the <b>vpn service</b> command.</p>

Action Condition	Description
TLOC	Direct traffic to a remote TLOC that matches the IP address, color, and encapsulation of one of the TLOCs in the list. If a preference value is configured for the matching TLOC, that value is assigned to the traffic.
Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>VPN</b> .	Set the VPN that the packet is part of. The range is 0 through 65530.



**Note** Data policies are applicable on locally generated packets, including routing protocol packets, when the match conditions are generic.

Example configuration:

```
sequence 21
  match
    source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
  action accept
```

In such situations, it may be necessary to add a sequence in the data policy to escape the routing protocol packets. For example to skip OSPF, use the following configuration:

```
sequence 20
  match
    source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
    protocol 89
  action accept
sequence 21
  match
    source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
  action accept
```

The following table describes the IPv4 and IPv6 actions.

**Table 19:**

IPv4 Actions	IPv6 Actions
drop, dscp, next-hop (from-service only)/vpn, count, forwarding class, policer (only in interface ACL), App-route SLA (only)	N/A
App-route preferred color, app-route sla strict, cflowd, nat, redirect-dns	N/A
N/A	drop, dscp, next-hop/vpn, count, forwarding class, policer (only in interface ACL)  App-route SLA (only), App-route preferred color, app-route sla strict
policer (DataPolicy), tcp-optimization, fec-always,	policer (DataPolicy)
tloc, tloc-list (set tloc, set tloc-list)	tloc, tloc-list (set tloc, set tloc-list)
App-Route backup-preferred color, local-tloc, local-tloc-list	App-Route backup-preferred color, local-tloc, local-tloc-list

## Default Action - VPN List

If a data packet being evaluated does not match any of the match conditions in a data policy, a default action is applied to the packet. By default, the data packet is dropped.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you modify the default action from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Centralized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Traffic Rules > (Application-Aware Routing | Traffic Data | Cflowd) > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Default Action**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Centralized Policy > Traffic Policy > (Application-Aware Routing | Traffic Data | Cflowd) > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Default Action.**

In the CLI, you modify the default action with the **policy data-policy vpn-list default-action accept** command.

## Apply Centralized Data Policy in the CLI

To apply a centralized data policy in the CLI:

```
vSmart (config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)
```

By default, data policy applies to all data traffic passing through the device: the policy evaluates all data traffic going from the local site (that is, from the service side of the router) into the tunnel interface, and it evaluates all traffic entering to the local site through the tunnel interface. You can explicitly configure this behavior by including the **all** option. To have the data policy apply only to traffic coming from the service site and exiting from the local site through the tunnel interface, include the **from-service** option. To have the policy apply only to traffic entering from the tunnel interface and traveling to the service site, include the **from-tunnel** option. You can apply different data policies in each of the two traffic directions.

For all **data-policy** policies that you apply with **apply-policy** commands, the site IDs across all the site lists must be unique. That is, the site lists must not contain overlapping site IDs. An example of overlapping site IDs are those in the two site lists **site-list 1 site-id 1-100** and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**. Here, sites 70 through 100 are in both lists. If you were to apply these two site lists to two different **data-policy** policies, the attempt to commit the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller would fail.

The same type of restriction also applies to the following types of policies:

- Application-aware routing policy (**app-route-policy**)
- Centralized control policy (**control-policy**)
- Centralized data policy used for cflowd flow monitoring (**data-policy** that includes a **cflowd** action and **apply-policy** that includes a **cflowd-template** command)

You can, however, have overlapping site IDs for site lists that you apply for different types of policy. For example, the sites lists for **control-policy** and **data-policy** policies can have overlapping site IDs. So for the two example site lists above, **site-list 1 site-id 1-100** and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**, you could apply one to a control policy and the other to a data policy.

As soon as you successfully activate the configuration by issuing a **commit** command, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller pushes the data policy to the devices located in the specified sites. To view the policy as configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers, use the **show running-config** command on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller:

```
vSmart# show running-config policy
vSmart# show running-config apply-policy
```

To view the policy that has been pushed to the Cisco vEdge device, use the **show policy from-vsmart** command on the Cisco vEdge device.

```
vEdge# show policy from-vsmart
```

## Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine Flow Overview

The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow provides the ability to look into the packet past the basic header information. The SAIE flow determines the contents of a particular packet, and then either records that information for statistical purposes or performs an action on the packet.




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**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.1 and earlier releases, the SAIE flow is called the deep packet inspection (DPI) flow.

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Benefits include increased visibility into the network traffic, which enables network operators to understand usage patterns and to correlate network performance information along with providing usage base billing or even acceptable usage monitoring. The SAIE flow can also reduce the overall costs on the network.

You can configure the SAIE flow using a centralized data policy. You define the applications of interest in a Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy list or with the **policy lists app-list** CLI command, and you call these lists in a **policy data-policy** command. You can control the path of the application traffic through the network by defining, in the **action** portion of the data policy, the local TLOC or the remote TLOC, or for strict control, you can define both.

The following list of protocols are not supported in SAIE flow:

- Open Shortest Path First (OSPF)
- Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)
- Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)
- Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD)

## Configure Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine Flow Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

To configure the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. The wizard consists of the following sequential screens that guide you through the process of creating and editing policy components:

- Create Applications or Groups of Interest—Create lists that group together related items and that you call in the match or action components of a policy. For configuration details, see [Configure Groups of Interest](#).
- Configure Traffic Rules—Create the match and action conditions of a policy. For configuration details, see [Configure Traffic Rules](#).
- Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs—Associate policy with sites and VPNs in the overlay network.



## Configure SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine Flow Using the CLI

Following are the high-level steps for configuring a centralized data policy for the SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow.



**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.x and earlier releases, the SAIE flow is called the deep packet inspection (DPI) flow.

1. Create a list of overlay network sites to which the data policy is to be applied using the **apply-policy** command:

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (-).

Create additional site lists, as needed.

2. Create lists of applications and application families that are to be subject to the data policy. Each list can contain one or more application names, or one or more application families. A single list cannot contain both applications and application families.

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# app-list list-name
vSmart(config-app-list)# app application-name
```

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# app-list list-name
vSmart(config-applist)# app-family family-name
```

3. Create lists of IP prefixes and VPNs, as needed:

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# data-prefix-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# ip-prefix prefix/length
```

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# vpn vpn-id
```

4. Create lists of TLOCs, as needed:

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists tloc-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# tloc ip-address color color encap encapsulation
[preference number]
```

5. Define policing parameters, as needed:

```
vSmart(config-policy)# policer policer-name
vSmart(config-policer)# rate bandwidth
vSmart(config-policer)# burst bytes
vSmart(config-policer)# exceed action
```

6. Create a data policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs:

```
vSmart(config)# policy data-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-data-policy-policy-name)# vpn-list list-name
```

7. Create a series of match–pair sequences:

```
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# sequence number
vSmart(config-sequence-number)#
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

8. Define match parameters based on applications:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match app-list list-name
```

9. Define additional match parameters for data packets:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match parameters
```

10. Define actions to take when a match occurs:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action (accept | drop) [count]
```

11. For packets that are accepted, define the actions to take. To control the tunnel over which the packets travels, define the remote or local TLOC, or for strict control over the tunnel path, set both:

```
vSmart(config-action)# set tloc ip-address color color encaps encapsulation
vSmart(config-action)# set tloc-list list-name
vSmart(config-action)# set local-tloc color color encaps encapsulation
vSmart(config-action)# set local-tloc-list color color encaps encapsulation [restrict]
```

12. Define additional actions to take.

13. Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the data policy, as needed.

14. If a route does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. If you want nonmatching prefixes to be accepted, configure the default action for the policy:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name)# default-action accept
```

15. Apply the policy to one or more sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all |  
from-service | from-tunnel)
```

```
vEdge(config)# policy app-visibility
```

Use the following show commands for visibility in to traffic classification:

- show app dpi flows
- show support dpi flows active detail
- show app dpi application
- show support dpi flows expired detail
- show support dpi statistics

## Components of Policy Configuration for Deep Packet Inspection

Following are the components required to configure a centralized data policy for deep packet inspection. Each one is explained in more detail in the sections below.

On the vSmart controller:  
policy

```

lists
  app-list list-name
    (app applications | app-family application-families)
  data-prefix-list list-name
    ip-prefix prefix
  site-list list-name
    site-id site-id
  tloc-list list-name
    tloc ip-address color color encaps encapsulation [preference value]
  vpn-list list-name
    vpn vpn-id
policer policer-name
  burst bytes
  exceed action
  rate bps
data-policy policy-name
  vpn-list list-name
  sequence number
  match
    app-list list-name
    destination-data-prefix-list list-name
    destination-ip ip-addresses
    destination-port port-numbers
    dscp number
    packet-length number
    protocol protocol
    source-data-prefix-list list-name
    source-ip ip-addresses
    source-port port-numbers
    tcp flag
  action
    drop
    count counter-name
    log
    accept
      nat [pool number] [use-vpn 0]
      set
        dscp number
        forwarding-class class
        local-tloc color color [encap encapsulation] [restrict]
        next-hop ip-address
        policer policer-name
        service service-name local [restrict] [vpn vpn-id]
        service service-name (tloc ip-address | tloc-list list-name) [vpn vpn-id]
        tloc ip-address color color encaps encapsulation
        tloc-list list-name
        vpn vpn-id
    default-action
      (accept | drop)
  apply-policy site-list list-name
    data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)

On the vEdge router:
policy
  app-visibility

```

## Action Parameters for Configuring SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine Flow

When data traffic matches the conditions in the match portion of a centralized data policy, the packet can be accepted or dropped, and it can be counted. Then, you can associate parameters with accepted packets.

From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, you can configure match parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Centralized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Traffic Rules > (Application-Aware Routing | Traffic Data | Cflowd) > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Action**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Centralized Policy > Traffic Policy > (Application-Aware Routing | Traffic Data | Cflowd) > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Action.**

In the CLI, you configure the action parameters under the **policy data-policy vpn-list sequence action** command.

Each sequence in a centralized data policy can contain one action condition.

In the action, you first specify whether to accept or drop a matching data packet, and whether to count it:

**Table 20:**

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Accept the packet. An accepted packet is eligible to be modified by the additional parameters configured in the action portion of the policy configuration.	Click <b>Accept</b> .	<b>accept</b>	—
Count the accepted or dropped packets.	<b>Action Counter</b> Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Counter</b>	<b>count</b> <i>counter-name</i>	Name of a counter. Use the <b>show policy access-lists counters</b> command on the Cisco device.
Discard the packet. This is the default action.	Click <b>Drop</b>	<b>drop</b>	—
Log the packet. Packets are placed into the messages and vsyslog system logging (syslog) files.	<b>Action Log</b> Click <b>Accept</b> , then <b>action Log</b>	<b>log</b>	To view the packet logs, use the <b>show app log flows</b> and <b>show log</b> commands.

To view the packet logs, use the **show app log flow** and **show log** commands.

Then, for a packet that is accepted, the following parameters can be configured.

**Table 21:**

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
DSCP value.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>DSCP</b> .	<b>set dscp value</b>	0 through 63
Forwarding class.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Forwarding Class</b> .	<b>set forwarding-class value</b>	Name of forwarding class

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Direct matching packets to a TLOC that matches the color and encapsulation  By default, if the TLOC is not available, traffic is forwarded using an alternate TLOC.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Local TLOC</b> .	<b>set local-tloc color</b> <i>color</i> [ <b>encap</b> <i>encapsulation</i> ]	<i>color</i> can be: <b>3g, biz-internet, blue, bronze, custom1, custom2, custom3, default, gold, green lte, metro-ethernet mpls, private1 through private6, public-internet, red, and silver.</b>  By default, <i>encapsulation</i> is <b>ipsec</b> . It can also be <b>gre</b> .
Direct matching packets to one of the TLOCs in the list if the TLOC matches the color and encapsulation  By default, if the TLOC is not available, traffic is forwarded using an alternate TLOC. To drop traffic if a TLOC is unavailable, include the <b>restrict</b> option.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Local TLOC</b>	<b>set local-tloc-list color</b> <i>color</i> <b>encap</b> <i>encapsulation</i> [ <b>restrict</b> ]	  By default, <i>encapsulation</i> is <b>ipsec</b> . It can also be <b>gre</b> .
Set the next hop to which the packet should be forwarded.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Next Hop</b> .	<b>set next-hop</b> <i>ip-address</i>	IP address
Apply a policer.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Policer</b> .	<b>set policer</b> <i>policer-name</i>	Name of policer configured with a <b>policy policer</b> command.
Direct matching packets to the name service, before delivering the traffic to its ultimate destination.  The TLOC address or list of TLOCs identifies the remote TLOCs to which the traffic should be redirected to reach the service. In the case of multiple TLOCs, the traffic is load-balanced among them.  The VPN identifier is where the service is located.  Configure the services themselves on the Cisco devices that are collocated with the service devices, using the <b>vpn service</b> configuration command.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Service</b> .	<b>set service</b> <i>service-name</i> [ <b>tloc</b> <i>ip-address</i>   <b>tloc-list</b> <i>list-name</i> ] [ <b>vpn</b> <i>vpn-id</i> ]	Standard services: <b>FW, IDS, IDP</b>  Custom services: <b>netsvc1, netsvc2, netsvc3, netsvc4</b>  TLOC list is configured with a <b>policy lists tloc-list</b> list.
Direct matching packets to the named service that is reachable using a GRE tunnel whose source is in the transport VPN (VPN 0). If the GRE tunnel used to reach the service is down, packet routing falls back to using standard routing. To drop packets when a GRE tunnel to the service is unreachable, include the restrict option. In the service VPN, you must also advertise the service using the <b>service</b> command. You configure the GRE interface or interfaces in the transport VPN (VPN 0).	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>Service</b> .	<b>set service</b> <i>service-name</i> [ <b>tloc</b> <i>ip-address</i>   <b>tloc-list</b> <i>list-name</i> ] [ <b>vpn</b> <i>vpn-id</i> ]	Standard services: <b>FW, IDS, IDP</b>  Custom services: <b>netsvc1, netsvc2, netsvc3, netsvc4</b>
Direct traffic to a remote TLOC. The TLOC is defined by its IP address, color, and encapsulation.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>TLOC</b> .	<b>set local-tloc color</b> <i>color</i> [ <b>encap</b> <i>encapsulation</i> ]	TLOC address, color, and encapsulation

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Direct traffic to one of the remote TLOCs in the TLOC list.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>TLOC</b> .	<code>set tloc-list list-name</code>	Name of a <b>policy lists tloc-list</b> list
Set the VPN that the packet is part of.	Click <b>Accept</b> , then action <b>VPN</b> .	<code>set vpn vpn-id</code>	0 through 65530

### Default Action

If a data packet being evaluated does not match any of the match conditions in a data policy, a default action is applied to the packet. By default, the data packet is dropped.

From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, you modify the default action from **Configuration > Policies > Centralized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Traffic Rules > Application-Aware Routing > Sequence Type > Sequence Rule > Default Action**.

In the CLI, you modify the default action with the **policy data-policy vpn-list default-action accept** command.

## Apply Centralized Policy for SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine Flow

To ensure that a centralized data policy for the SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow takes effect, you must apply it to a list of sites in the overlay network.

To apply a centralized policy in Cisco SD-WAN Manager, see *Configure Centralized Policy Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager*.

To apply a centralized policy in the CLI:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)
```

By default, data policy applies to all data traffic passing through the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller: the policy evaluates all data traffic going from the local site (that is, from the service side of the router) into the tunnel interface, and it evaluates all traffic entering to the local site through the tunnel interface. You can explicitly configure this behavior by including the **all** option. To have the data policy apply only to policy exiting from the local site, include the **from-service** option. To have the policy apply only to incoming traffic, include the **from-tunnel** option.

You cannot apply the same type of policy to site lists that contain overlapping site IDs. That is, all data policies cannot have overlapping site lists among themselves. If you accidentally misconfigure overlapping site lists, the attempt to commit the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller fails.

As soon as you successfully activate the configuration by issuing a **commit** command, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller pushes the data policy to the Cisco vEdge devices located in the specified sites. To view the policy as configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, use the **show running-config** command on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller:

```
vSmart# show running-config policy  
vSmart# show running-config apply-policy
```

To view the policy that has been pushed to the Cisco vEdge device, use the **show policy from-vsmart** command on the Cisco vEdge device.

```
vEdge# show policy from-vsmart
```

## Centralized Policies Configuration Examples

This topic provides some examples of configuring a centralized data policy to influence traffic flow across the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN domain and to configure a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN device to be an internet exit point.

### General Centralized Policy Example

This section shows a general example of a centralized data policy to illustrate that you configure centralized data policy on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller and that after you commit the configuration, the policy itself is pushed to the required Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN device.

Here we configure a simple data policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller vm9:

```
vm9# show running-config policy
policy
data-policy test-data-policy
vpn-list test-vpn-list
sequence 10
match
destination-ip 209.165.201.0/27
!
action drop
count test-counter
!
!
default-action drop
!
!
lists
vpn-list test-vpn-list
vpn 1
!
site-list test-site-list
site-id 500
!
!
!
```

Immediately, after you activate the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, it pushes the policy configuration to the Cisco vEdge devices in site 500. One of these devices is vm5, where you can see that the policy has been received:

```
vm5# show policy from-vsmart
policy-from-vsmart
data-policy test-data-policy
vpn-list test-vpn-list
sequence 10
match
destination-ip 209.165.201.0/27
!
action drop
count test-counter
!
!
default-action drop
!
!
lists
vpn-list test-vpn-list
vpn 1
!
```

```
!
!
```

### Control Access

This example shows a data policy that limits the type of packets that a source can send to a specific destination. Here, the host at source address 192.0.2.1 in site 100 and VPN 100 can send only TCP traffic to the destination host at 203.0.113.1. This policy also specifies the next hop for the TCP traffic sent by 192.0.2.1, setting it to be TLOC 209.165.200.225, color gold. All other traffic is accepted as a result of the **default-action** statement.

```
policy
  lists
    site-list north
      site-id 100
    vpn-list vpn-north
      vpn 100
  !
  data-policy tcp-only
    vpn-list vpn-north
    sequence 10
    match
      source-ip 192.0.2.1/32
      destination-ip 198.51.100.1/32
      protocol tcp
      action accept
      set tloc 203.0.113.1 gold
    !
    default-action accept
  !
!
apply-policy
  site north data-policy tcp-only
```

### Restrict Traffic

This examples illustrates how to disallow certain types of data traffic from being sent from between VPNs. This policy drops data traffic on port 25, which carries SMTP mail traffic, that originates in 209.165.201.0/27. However, the policy accepts all other data traffic, including non-SMTP traffic from 209.165.201.0/27.

```
policy
  lists
    data-prefix-list north-ones
      ip-prefix 209.165.201.0/27
      port 25
    vpn-list all-vpns
      vpn 1
      vpn 2
    site-list north
      site-id 100
  !
  data-policy no-mail
    vpn-list all-vpns
    sequence 10
    match
      source-data-prefix-list north-ones
      action drop
    !
    default-action accept
  !
!
apply-policy
  site north data-policy no-mail
```



### Allow Traffic to Exit from a Cisco vEdge Device to the Internet

The following example allows data traffic destined for two prefixes on the Internet to exit directly from the local Cisco vEdge device to the internet destination. Configure this policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller.

```

policy
  lists
    vpn-list vpn-1
      vpn 1
    !
    site-list nat-sites
      site-id 100,200
    !
  data-policy accept-nat
    vpn-list vpn-1
    sequence 100
    match
      source-ip      10.20.24.0/24
      destination-ip 10.0.12.12/32
    !
    action accept
    count nat
    nat use-vpn 0
    !
    !
    sequence 101
    match
      source-ip      10.20.24.0/24
      destination-ip 10.1.15.13/32
    !
    action accept
    count nat_inet
    nat use-vpn 0
    !
    !
    default-action accept
    !
    !
  apply-policy
    site-list nat-sites data-policy accept-nat

```

Using the destination port instead of a destination IP prefix allows greater flexibility for traffic exiting to the internet. Here, traffic can go to all HTTP and HTTPS sites (ports 80 and 443, respectively). Configure this policy on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller.

```

data-policy accept-nat
  vpn-list vpn-1
  sequence 100
  match
    source-ip      10.20.24.0/24
    destination-port 80
  !
  action accept
  count nat
  nat use-vpn 0
  !
  !
  sequence 101
  match
    source-ip      10.20.24.0/24
    destination-port 443
  !
  action accept

```

```

count nat_inet
nat use-vpn 0
!
!
default-action accept
!
!

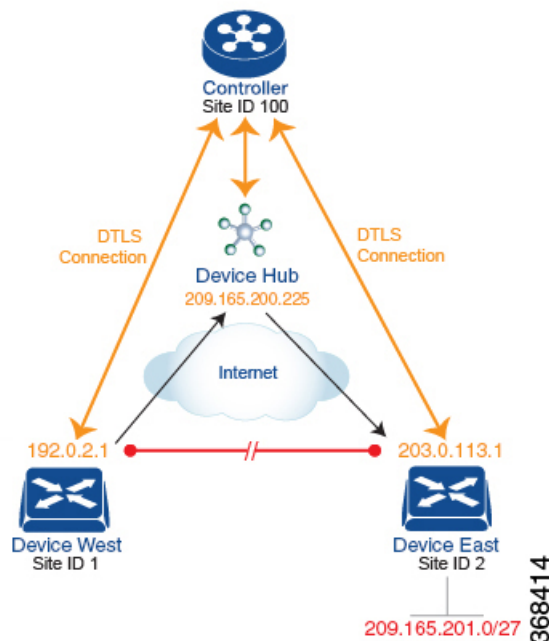
```

## Traffic Engineering

This example of traffic engineering forces all traffic to come to a Cisco SD-WAN device using a device hub instead of directly.

One common way to design a domain in a Cisco SD-WAN overlay network is to route all traffic destined for branches through a hub router, which is typically located in a data center, rather than sending the traffic directly from one Cisco SD-WAN device to another. You can think of this as a hub-and-spoke design, where one device is acting as a hub and the devices are the spokes. With such a design, traffic between local branches travels over the IPsec connections that are established between the spoke routers and the hub routers when the devices are booted up. Using established connections means that the devices do not need to expend time and CPU cycles to establish IPsec connections with each other. If you were to imagine that this were a large network with many devices, having a full mesh of connections between each pair of routers would require a large amount of CPU from the routers. Another attribute of this design is that, from an administrative point of view, it can be simpler to institute coordinated traffic flow policies on the hub routers, both because there are fewer of them in the overlay network and because they are located in a centralized data center.

One way to direct all the device spoke router traffic to a Cisco hub router is to create a policy that changes the TLOC associated with the routes in the local network. Let's consider the topology in the figure here:



This topology has two devices in different branches:

- The Device West in site ID 1. The TLOC for this device is defined by its IP address (192.0.2.1), a color (gold), and an encapsulation (here, IPsec). We write the full TLOC address as {192.0.2.1, gold, ipsec}. The color is simply a way to identify a flow of traffic and to separate it from other flows.

- The Device East in site ID 2 has a TLOC address of {203.0.113.1, gold, ipsec}.

The devices West and East learn each other's TLOC addresses from the OMP routes distributed to them by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. In this example, the Device East advertises the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 as being reachable at TLOC {203.0.113.1, gold, }. In the absence of any policy, the Device West could route traffic destined for 209.165.201.0/27 to TLOC {203.0.113.1, gold, ipsec}, which means that the Device West would be sending traffic directly to the Device East.

However, our design requires that all traffic from West to East be routed through the hub router, whose TLOC address is {209.165.200.225, gold, ipsec}, before going to the Device East. To effect this traffic flow, you define a policy that changes the route's TLOC. So, for the prefix 209.165.201.0/27, you create a policy that changes the TLOC associated with the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 from {203.0.113.1, gold, ipsec}, which is the TLOC address of the Device East, to {209.165.200.225, gold, ipsec}, which is the TLOC address of the hub router. The result is that the OMP route for the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller advertises to the Device West that contains the TLOC address of the hub router instead of the TLOC address of the Device East. From a traffic flow point of view, the Device West then sends all traffic destined for 209.165.201.0/27 to the hub router.

The device also learns the TLOC addresses of the West and East devices from the OMP routes advertised by the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. Because, devices must use these two TLOC addresses, no policy is required to control how the hub directs traffic to the devices.

Here is a policy configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller that directs the Device West (and any other devices in the network domain) to send traffic destined to prefix 209.165.201.0/27 to TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold, which is the device:

```
policy
  lists
    prefix-list east-prefixes
      ip-prefix 209.165.201.0/27
    site-list west-sites
      site-id 1
  control-policy change-tloc
    sequence 10
    match route
      prefix-list east-prefixes
      site-id 2
    action accept
      set tloc 209.165.200.225 color gold encaps ipsec
  apply-policy
    site west-sites control-policy change-tloc out
```

A rough English translation of this policy is:

```
Create a list named "east-prefixes" that contains the IP prefix "209.165.201.0/27"
Create a list named "west-sites" that contains the site-id "1"
Define a control policy named "change-tloc"
  Create a policy sequence element that:
    Matches a prefix from list "east-prefixes", that is, matches "209.165.201.0/27"
    AND matches a route from site-id "2"
  If a match occurs:
    Accept the route
    AND change the route's TLOC to "209.165.200.225" with a color of "gold" and an
    encapsulation of "ipsec"
  Apply the control policy "change-tloc" to OMP routes sent by the vSmart
  controller to "west-sites", that is, to site ID 1
```

This control policy is configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller as an outbound policy, as indicated by the **out** option in the apply-policy site command. This option means the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller applies the TLOC change to the OMP route after it distributes the route from its route table. The OMP route

for prefix 209.165.201.0/27 that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller distributes to the Device West associates 209.165.201.0/27 with TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold. This is the OMP route that the Device West installs it in its route table. The end results are that when the Device West sends traffic to 209.165.201.0/27, the traffic is directed to the hub; and the Device West does not establish a DTLS tunnel directly with the Device East.

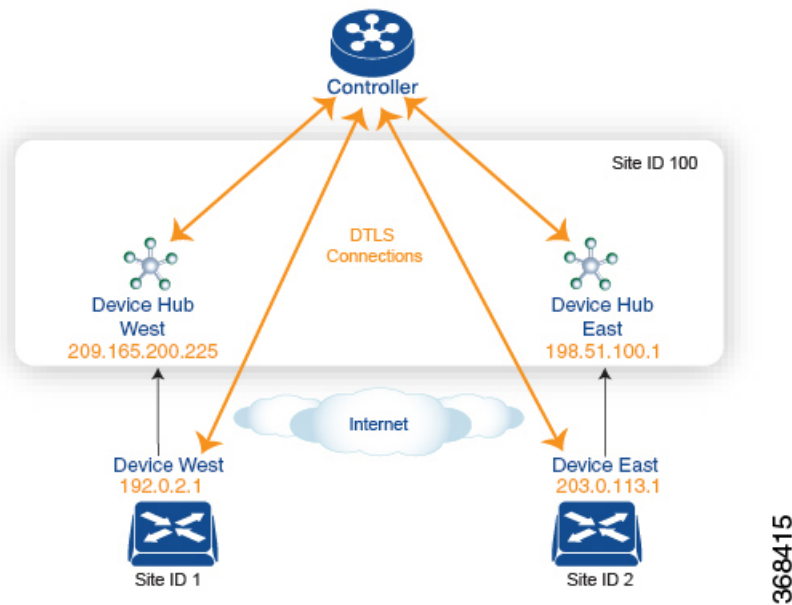
If the West side of the network had many sites instead of just one and each site had its own device, it would be straightforward to apply this same policy to all the sites. To do this, you simply add the site IDs of all the sites in the **site-list west-sites** list. This is the only change you need to make in the policy to have all the West-side sites send traffic bound for the prefix 209.165.201.0/27 through the device. For example:

```
policy
  lists
    prefix-list east-prefixes
      ip-prefix 209.165.201.0/27
    site-list west-sites
      site-id 1
      site-id 11
      site-id 12
      site-id 13
  control-policy change-tloc
    sequence 10
    match route
      prefix-list east-prefixes
      site-id 2
    action accept
      set tloc 209.165.200.225 color gold encaps ipsec
  apply-policy
    site west-sites control-policy change-tloc out
```

### Creating Arbitrary Topologies

To provide redundancy in the hub-and-spoke-style topology discussed in the previous example, you can add a second Cisco hub to create a dual-homed hub site. The following figure shows that site ID 100 now has two Device hubs. We still want all inter-branch traffic to be routed through a device hub. However, because we now have dual-homed hubs, we want to share the data traffic between the two hub routers.

- Device Hub West, with TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold. We want all data traffic from branches on the West side of the overlay network to pass through and be processed by this device.
- Device Hub East, with TLOC 198.51.100.1, gold. Similarly, we all East-side data traffic to pass through the Device Hub East.



Here is a policy configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller that would send West-side data traffic through the Cisco hub, and West and East-side traffic through the Device Hub East:

```

policy
  lists
    site-list west-sites
      site-id 1
    site-list east-sites
      site-id 2
    tloc-list west-hub-tlocs
      tloc-id 209.165.200.225 gold
    tloc-list east-hub-tlocs
      tloc-id 198.51.100.1 gold
  control-policy prefer-west-hub
    sequence 10
    match tloc
      tloc-list west-hub-tlocs
    action accept
    set preference 50
  control-policy prefer-east-hub
    sequence 10
    match tloc
      tloc-list east-hub-tlocs
    action accept
    set preference 50
  apply-policy
    site west-sites control-policy prefer-west-hub out
    site east-sites control-policy prefer-east-hub out

```

Here is an explanation of this policy configuration:

Create the site lists that are required for the **apply-policy** configuration command:

- **site-list west-sites** lists all the site IDs for all the devices in the West portion of the overlay network.
- **site-list east-sites** lists the site IDs for the devices in the East portion of the network.

Create the TLOC lists that are required for the match condition in the control policy:

- **west-hub-tlocs** lists the TLOC for the Device West Hub, which we want to service traffic from the West-side device.
- **east-hub-tlocs** lists the TLOC for the Device East Hub, to service traffic from the East devices.

Define two control policies:

- **prefer-west-hub** affects OMP routes destined to TLOC 209.165.200.225, gold, which is the TLOC address of the Device West hub router. This policy modifies the preference value in the OMP route to a value of 50, which is large enough that it is likely that no other OMP routes will have a larger preference. So setting a high preference value directs traffic destined for site 100 to the Device West hub router.
- Similarly, **prefer-east-hub** sets the preference to 50 for OMP routes destined TLOC 198.51.100.1, gold, which is the TLOC address of the Device East hub router, thus directing traffic destined for site 100 site to the Device East hub 198.51.100.1 router.

Apply the control policies:

- The first line in the **apply-policy** configuration has the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller apply the **prefer-west-hub** control policy to the sites listed in the **west-sites** list, which here is only site ID 1, so that the preference in their OMP routes destined to TLOC 209.165.200.225 is changed to 50 and traffic sent from the Device West to the hub site goes through the Device West hub router.
- The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller applies the **prefer-east-hub** control policy to the OMP routes that it advertises to the devices in the **east-sites** list, which changes the preference to 50 for OMP routes destined to TLOC 198.51.100.1, so that traffic from the Device East goes to the Device East hub router.

## Localized Data Policy

Data policy operates on the data plane in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network and affects how data traffic is sent among the Cisco vEdge devices in the network. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN architecture defines two types of data policy, centralized data policy, which controls the flow of data traffic based on the IP header fields in the data packets and based on network segmentation, and localized data policy, which controls the flow of data traffic into and out of interfaces and interface queues on a Cisco vEdge device.

Localized data policy, so called because it is provisioned on the local Cisco vEdge device, is applied on a specific router interface and affects how a specific interface handles the data traffic that it is transmitting and receiving. Localized data policy is also referred to as access lists (ACLs). With access lists, you can provision class of service (CoS), classifying data packets and prioritizing the transmission properties for different classes. You can configure policing. You can also provision packet mirroring.

For IPv4, you can configure QoS actions.

You can apply IPv4 access lists in any VPN on the router, and you can create access lists that act on unicast and multicast traffic. You can apply IPv6 access lists only to tunnel interfaces in the transport VPN (VPN 0).

You can apply access lists either in the outbound or inbound direction on the interface. Applying an IPv4 ACL in the outbound direction affects data packets traveling from the local service-side network into the IPsec tunnel toward the remote service-side network. Applying an IPv4 ACL in the inbound direction affects data packets exiting from the IPsec tunnel and being received by the local Cisco vEdge device. For IPv6, an outbound ACL is applied to traffic being transmitted by the router, and an inbound ACL is applied to received traffic.

## Explicit and Implicit Access Lists

Access lists that you configure using localized data policy are called *explicit* ACLs. You can apply explicit ACLs in any VPN on the router.

Router tunnel interfaces also have *implicit* ACLs, which are also referred to as *services*. Some of these are present by default on the tunnel interface, and they are in effect unless you disable them. Through configuration, you can also enable other implicit ACLs. On Cisco vEdge devices, the following services are enabled by default: DHCP (for DHCPv4 and DHCPv6), DNS, and ICMP. You can also enable services for BGP, Netconf, NTP, OSPF, SSHD, and STUN.

## Perform QoS Actions

With access lists, you can provision quality of service (QoS) which allows you to classify data traffic by importance, spread it across different interface queues, and control the rate at which different classes of traffic are transmitted. See Forwarding and QoS Overview.

## Mirror Data Packets

Once packets are classified, you can configure access lists to send a copy of data packets seen on a Cisco vEdge device to a specified destination on another network device. The Cisco vEdge devices support 1:1 mirroring; that is, a copy of every packet is sent to the alternate destination.

# Localized Data Policy for IPv4

This topic provides procedures for configuring IPv4 localized data policy. This type of data policy is called access lists, or ACLs. You can provision simple access lists that filter traffic based on IP header fields. You also use access lists to apply QoS, mirroring, and policing to data packets. You can create access lists that act on unicast and multicast traffic.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure a localized data policy from the **Configuration > Policies** screen, using a policy configuration wizard. In the CLI, you configure these policies on the Cisco vEdge devices.

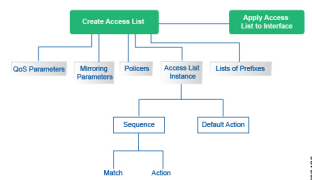
## Configuration Components

An access list consists of a sequence of match–action pairs that are evaluated in order, from lowest sequence number to highest sequence number. When a packet matches one of the match conditions, the associated action is taken and policy evaluation on that packet stops. Keep this in mind as you design your policies to ensure that the desired actions are taken on the items subject to policy.

If a packet matches no parameters in any of the sequences in the policy configuration, it is, by default, dropped.

The following figure illustrates the configuration components for access lists.

**Figure 22: Configuration Components**



## Configure Localized Data Policy for IPv4 Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

Table 22: Feature History

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Control Traffic Flow Using Class of Service Values	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 19.2.1	This feature lets you control the flow of traffic into and out of a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN device interface based on the conditions defined in the quality of service (QoS) map. A priority field and a layer 2 class of service (CoS) were added for configuring the re-write rule.

To configure IPv4 localized policy, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. The wizard is a UI policy builder that consists of five screens to configure IPv4 localized policy components:

- Groups of Interest, also called lists—Create data prefix lists and mirroring and policer parameters that group together related items and that you call in the match or action components of a policy.
- Forwarding Classes—Define forwarding classes and rewrite rules to use for QoS.
- Access Control Lists—Define the match and action conditions of ACLs.
- Route Policies—Define the match and action conditions of route policies.
- Policy Settings—Define additional policy settings, including Cloud QoS settings and the frequency for logging policy-related packet headers.

You configure some or all these components depending on the specific policy you are creating. To skip a component, click the **Next** button at the bottom of the screen. To return to a component, click the **Back** button at the bottom of the screen.

### Step 1: Start the Policy Configuration Wizard

To start the policy configuration wizard:

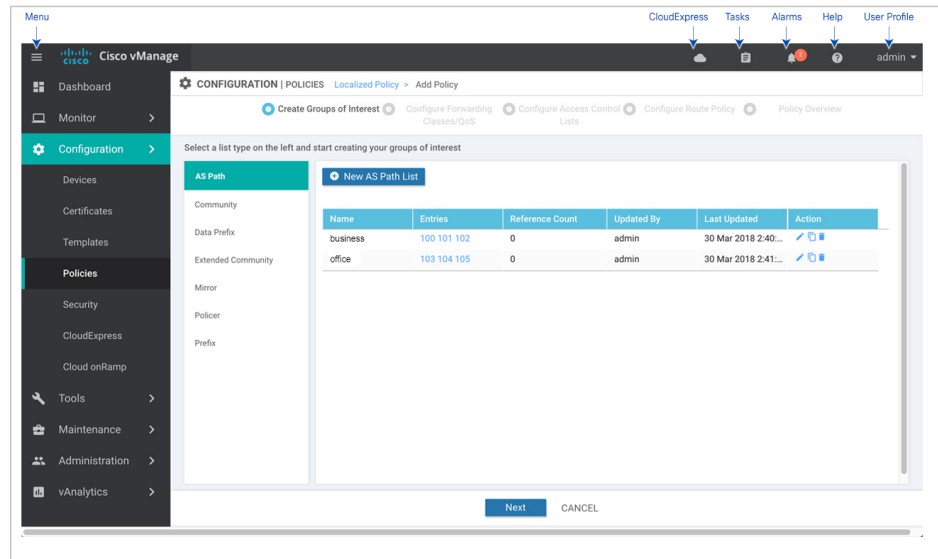
1. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configuration > Policies** screen.
2. Select the **Localized Policy** tab.
3. Click **Add Policy**.

The policy configuration wizard opens, and the Create Groups of Interest screen is displayed.

### Step 2: Create Groups of Interest

In the Create Groups of interest screen, create lists to use in the localized data policy:





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1. Create new lists of groups as described in the following table:

List Type	Procedure
Data Prefix	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the left bar, click <b>Data Prefix</b>.</li> <li>Click <b>New Data Prefix List</b>.</li> <li>Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>Enter one or more IP prefixes.</li> <li>Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
Mirror	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the left bar, click <b>Mirror</b>.</li> <li>Click <b>New Mirror List</b>. The Mirror List popup displays.</li> <li>Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>In the Remote Destination IP field, enter the IP address of the destination to which to mirror the packets.</li> <li>In the Source IP field, enter the IP address of the source of the packets to mirror.</li> <li>Click <b>Save</b>.</li> </ol>

List Type	Procedure
Policer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Policer</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Policer List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the Burst field, enter maximum traffic burst size. It can be a value from 15000 to 10000000 bytes.</li> <li>e. In the Exceed field, select the action to take when the burst size or traffic rate is exceeded. Select <b>Drop</b> (the default) to set the packet loss priority (PLP) to low. Select <b>Remark</b> to set the PLP to high.</li> <li>f. In the Rate field, enter the maximum traffic rate. It can be value from 0 through <math>2^{64} - 1</math> bps</li> <li>g. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>

2. Click **Next** to move to Configure Forwarding Classes/QoS in the wizard.

### Step 3: Configure Forwarding Classes for QoS

When you first open the Forwarding Classes/QoS screen, the **QoS** tab is selected by default:

To configure forwarding classes for use by QoS:

1. To create a new QoS mapping:
  - a. In the QoS tab, click the **Add QoS** drop-down.
  - b. Select **Create New**.
  - c. Enter a name and description for the QoS mapping.
  - d. Click **Add Queue**. The Add Queue popup displays.
  - e. Select the queue number from the Queue drop-down.
  - f. Select the maximum bandwidth and buffer percentages, and the scheduling and drop types. Enter the forwarding class.
  - g. Click **Save**.
2. To import an existing QoS mapping:
  - a. In the QoS tab, click the **Add QoS** drop-down.
  - b. Select **Import Existing**.
  - c. Select a QoS mapping.
  - d. Click **Import**.
3. To view or copy a QoS mapping or to remove the mapping from the localized policy, click the **More Actions** icon to the right of the row, and select the desired action.
4. To configure policy rewrite rules for the QoS mapping:

- a. In the QoS tab, click the **Add Rewrite Policy** drop-down..
  - b. Select **Create New**.
  - c. Enter a name and description for the rewrite rule.
  - d. Click **Add Rewrite Rule**. The Add Rule popup displays.
  - e. Select a class from the Class drop-down.
  - f. Select the priority (**Low** or **High**) from the Priority drop-down.
  - g. Enter the DSCP value (0 through 63) in the DSCP field.
  - h. Enter the class of service (CoS) value (0 through 7) in the Layer 2 Class of Service field.
  - i. Click **Save**.
5. To import an existing rewrite rule:
- a. In the QoS tab, click the **Add Rewrite Policy** drop-down..
  - b. Select **Import Existing**.
  - c. Select a rewrite rule.
  - d. Click **Import**.
6. Click **Next** to move to Configure Access Lists in the wizard.

#### Step 4: Configure ACLs

1. In the Configure Access Control Lists screen, configure ACLs.
2. To create a new IPv4 ACL, click the **Add Access Control List Policy** drop-down. Then select **Add IPv4 ACL Policy**.
3. Enter a name and description for the ACL.
4. In the left pane, click **Add ACL Sequence**. An Access Control List box is displayed in the left pane.
5. Double-click the **Access Control List** box, and type a name for the ACL.
6. In the right pane, click **Add Sequence Rule** to create a single sequence in the ACL. The Match tab is selected by default.
7. Click a **match** condition.
8. On the left, enter the values for the match condition.
9. On the right enter the action or actions to take if the policy matches.
10. Repeat Steps 6 through 8 to add match–action pairs to the ACL.
11. To rearrange match–action pairs in the ACL, in the right pane drag them to the desired position.
12. To remove a match–action pair from the ACL, click the **X** in the upper right of the condition.
13. Click **Save Match and Actions** to save a sequence rule.

14. To rearrange sequence rules in an ACL, in the left pane drag the rules to the desired position.
15. To copy, delete, or rename an ACL sequence rule, in the left pane, click **More Options** next to the rule's name and select the desired option.
16. If no packets match any of the ACL sequence rules, the default action is to drop the packets. To change the default action:
  - a. Click **Default Action** in the left pane.
  - b. Click the **Pencil** icon.
  - c. Change the default action to **Accept**.
  - d. Click **Save Match and Actions**.
17. Click **Next** to move to Configure Route Policy in the wizard.
18. Click **Next** to move to the Policy Overview screen.

#### Step 5: Configure Policy Settings

In Policy Overview, configure policy settings:

1. Enter a name and description for the ACL.
2. To enable cflowd visibility so that a Cisco vEdge device can perform traffic flow monitoring on traffic coming to the device from the LAN, click **Netflow**.
3. To enable application visibility so that a Cisco vEdge device can monitor and track the applications running on the LAN, click **Application**.
4. To enable QoS scheduling and shaping for traffic that a Cisco vEdge device receives from transport-side interfaces, click **Cloud QoS**.
5. To enable QoS scheduling and shaping for traffic that a Cisco vEdge device receives from service-side interfaces, click **Cloud QoS Service Side**.
6. To log the headers of all packets that are dropped because they do not match a service configured by an Allow Service parameter on a tunnel interface, click **Implicit ACL Logging**.
7. To configure how often packets flows are logged, click **Log Frequency**. Packet flows are those that match an access list (ACL), a cflowd flow, or an application-aware routing flow.
8. Click **Preview** to view the full policy in CLI format.
9. Click **Save Policy**.

#### Step 6: Apply a Localized Data Policy in a Device Template

1. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configuration > Templates** screen.
2. If you are creating a new device template:
  - a. In the Device tab, click **Create Template**.
  - b. From the Create Template drop-down, select **From Feature Template**.
  - c. From the Device Model drop-down, select one of the Cisco vEdge devices.

- d. In the Template Name field, enter a name for the device template. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (–), and underscores ( \_ ). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
  - e. In the Description field, enter a description for the device template. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
  - f. Continue with Step 4.
3. If you are editing an existing device template:
    - a. In the Device tab, click the **More Actions** icon to the right of the desired template, and click the **Pencil** icon.
    - b. Click the **Additional Templates** tab. The screen scrolls to the Additional Templates section.
    - c. From the Policy drop-down, select the name of a policy that you have configured.
  4. Click the **Additional Templates** tab located directly beneath the Description field. The screen scrolls to the Additional Templates section.
  5. From the Policy drop-down, select the name of the policy you configured in the above procedure.
  6. Click **Create** (for a new template) or **Update** (for an existing template).

## Components of Localized Policies

### Components of Access Lists

Following are the structural components required to configure access lists.

```

policy
  implicit-acl-logging
  log-frequency number
  mirror mirror-name
    remote-dest ip-address source ip-address
  policer policer-name
    rate bandwidth
    burst bytes
    exceed action
policy ipv6
  access-list list-name
    sequence number
    match match-parameters
    action
      drop
      user counter-name
      log
      accept
      class class-name
      mirror mirror-name
      policer policer-name
    default-action (accept | drop)
vpn vpn-id
  interface interface-name
    ipv6 access-list list-name (in | out)

```

## Lists

The localized policy uses the following types of lists to group related items. You configure lists under the **policy lists** command hierarchy on Cisco vEdge devices.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you can configure lists from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Create Groups of Interest**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Lists > Data Prefix**

List Type	Description	CLI Command
AS paths	List of one or more BGP AS paths. You can write each AS as a single number or as a regular expression. To specify more than one AS in a single path, include the list in quotation marks (" "). To configure multiple AS paths in a single list, include multiple <b>as-path</b> options, specifying one AS path in each option.	<b>as-path-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>as-path</b> <i>path-list</i>
Communities	List of one or more communities. In <b>community</b> , you can specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>aa:nn</b>: Autonomous system number and network number. Each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535.</li> <li>• <b>internet</b>: Routes in this community are advertised to the Internet community. This community comprises all BGP-speaking networking devices.</li> <li>• <b>local-as</b>: Routes in this community are not advertised outside the local AS.</li> <li>• <b>no-advertise</b>: Attach the NO_ADVERTISE community to routes. Routes in this community are not advertised to other BGP peers.</li> <li>• <b>no-export</b>: Attach the NO_EXPORT community to routes. Routes in this community are not advertised outside the local AS or outside a BGP confederation boundary. To configure multiple BGP communities in a single list, include multiple <b>community</b> options, specifying one community in each option.</li> </ul>	<b>community-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>community</b> [ <i>aa:nn</i>   <b>internet</b>   <b>local-as</b>   <b>no-advertise</b>   <b>no-export</b> ]
Data prefixes	List of one or more IP prefixes. You can specify both unicast and multicast addresses. To configure multiple prefixes in a single list, include multiple <b>ip-prefix</b> options, specifying one prefix in each option.	<b>data-prefix-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>ip-prefix</b> <i>prefix/length</i>
Extended communities	List of one or more BGP extended communities. In <b>community</b> , you can specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>rt</b> (<i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i>): Route target community, which is one or more routers that can receive a set of routes carried by BGP. Specify this as the autonomous system number and network number, where each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535, or as an IP address.</li> <li>• <b>soo</b> (<i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i>): Route origin community, which is one or more routers that can inject a set of routes into BGP. Specify this as the autonomous system number and network number, where each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535, or as an IP address. To configure multiple extended BGP communities in a single list, include multiple <b>community</b> options, specifying one community in each option.</li> </ul>	<b>ext-community-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>community</b> [ <b>rt</b> ( <i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i> )   <b>soo</b> ( <i>aa:nn</i>   <i>ip-address</i> )]
Class Map	List of one or more classes.	<b>class</b> <i>class map</i>

List Type	Description	CLI Command
Mirror	List of one or more mirror parameters.  To configure mirroring parameters, define the remote destination to which to mirror the packets, and define the source of the packets. Mirroring applies to unicast traffic only. It does not apply to multicast traffic.	<b>mirror</b> <i>mirror-name</i> <b>remote-dest</b> <i>ip-address</i> <b>source</b> <i>ip-address</i>
Policier	List of one or more policier parameters, such as burst, exceed, and rate.  <i>rate</i> is the maximum traffic rate. It can be a value from 0 through 264 – 1 bits per second.  <i>burst</i> is the maximum traffic burst size. It can be a value from 15000 to 1000000 bytes.  <i>exceed</i> is the action to take when the burst size or traffic rate is exceeded. <i>action</i> can be <i>drop</i> (the default) or <i>remark</i> . The <i>drop</i> action is equivalent to setting the packet loss priority (PLP) bit to low. The <i>remark</i> action sets the PLP bit to high. In a centralized data policy, access lists, and application-aware routing policy, you can match the PLP with the <i>match plp</i> option.	<b>policer</b> <i>policer-name</i> <b>rate</b> <i>bandwidth</i> <b>burst</b> <i>bytes</i> <b>exceed</b> <i>action</i>
Prefixes	List of one or more IP prefixes. To configure multiple prefixes in a single list, include multiple <b>ip-prefix</b> options, specifying one prefix in each option. Specify the IP prefixes as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>prefix/length</i>—Exactly match a single prefix–length pair.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0/0</b>—Match any prefix–length pair.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0 le length</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is less than or equal to <i>length</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 le 16</b> matches all IP prefixes with lengths from /1 through /16.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0 ge length</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is greater than or equal to <i>length</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0 ge 25</b> matches all IP prefixes with lengths from /25 through /32.</li> <li>• <b>0.0.0.0 ge length1 le length2</b>, or <b>0.0.0.0 le length2 ge length1</b>—Match any IP prefix whose length is greater than or equal to <i>length1</i> and less than or equal to <i>length2</i>. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 ge 20 le 24</b> matches all /20, /21, /22, /23, and /24 prefixes. Also, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 le 24 ge 20</b> matches the same prefixes. If <i>length1</i> and <i>length2</i> are the same, a single IP prefix length is matched. For example, <b>ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0 ge 24 le 24</b> matches only /24 prefixes.</li> </ul>	<b>prefix-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>ip-prefix</b> <i>prefix/length</i>

## Logging Parameters

If you configure a logging action in a data policy, by default, the Cisco vEdge devices log all data packet headers to a syslog file. You can log only a sample of the data packet headers.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure how often to log packet headers from:

**Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Policy Overview > Log Frequency field**

In the CLI, you configure this as follows:

```
vEdge(config)# policy log-frequency number
```

*number* specifies how often to log packet headers. The default value is 1000. *number* can be an integer, and the software rounds the value down to the nearest power of 2. So for example, with the default value of 1000, the logging frequency is rounded down to 512, so every 512th packet is logged.

You can log the headers of all packets that are dropped because they do not match a service configured with an Allow Service configuration or an **allow-service** command. You can use these logs for security purposes, for example, to monitor the flows that are being directed to a WAN interface and to determine, in the case of a DDoS attack, which IP addresses to block.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure this logging from:

**Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Policy Overview > Implicit ACL Logging field**

In the CLI, you do this as follows:

```
vEdge (config) # policy implicit-acl-logging
```

When you enable implicit ACL logging, by default, the headers of all dropped packets are logged. It is recommended that you configure a limit to the number of packets logged in the Log Frequency field or with the **log-frequency** command.

## Mirroring Parameters

To configure mirroring parameters, define the remote destination to which to mirror the packets, and define the source of the packets.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure mirroring parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Create Groups of Interest > Mirror > New Mirror List**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Lists > Mirror > New Mirror List**

In the CLI, you configure mirroring parameters as follows:

```
vEdge (config) # policy mirror
mirror-namevEdge (config-mirror) # remote-dest ip-address
source
ip-address
```

Mirroring applies to unicast traffic only. It does not apply to multicast traffic.

## QoS Parameters

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you can configure QoS parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configuring Forwarding Classes/QoS**
- or
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Configuring Forwarding Classes/QoS**

This section explains how to configure QoS parameters from the CLI.

To configure QoS parameters on a device, first define a classification. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager:

```
Device (config) # policy class-map class class-name queue number
```

*class-name* is the name of the class. It can be a text string from 1 through 32 characters long.



For hardware, each interface has eight queues, numbered from 0 through 7. Queue 0 is reserved for low-latency queuing (LLQ), so any class that is mapped to queue 0 must be configured to use LLQ. The default scheduling method for all is weighted round-robin (WRR).

For Cisco vEdge devices, each interface has eight queues, numbered from 0 through 7. Queue 0 is reserved for control traffic, and queues 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 are available for data traffic. The scheduling method for all eight queues is WRR. LLQ is not supported.

To configure QoS parameters on a Cisco vEdge device, you must enable QoS scheduling and shaping. To enable QoS parameters for traffic that the Cisco vEdge device receives from transport-side interfaces:

```
Device(config)# policy cloud-qos
```

To enable QoS parameters for traffic that the Cisco vEdge device receives from service-side interfaces:

```
Device(config)# policy cloud-qos-service-side
```

Next, configure scheduling:

```
Device(config)# policy qos-scheduler scheduler-name
Device(config-qos-scheduler)# class percentage
Device(config-qos-scheduler)# buffer-percent percentage
Device(config-qos-scheduler)# drops (red-drop | tail-drop)
Device(config-qos-scheduler)# scheduling (llq | wrr)
```

*scheduler-name* is the name of the QoS scheduler. It can be a text string from 1 through 32 characters long.

*class-name* is the name of the forwarding class and can be a text string from 1 through 32 characters long. The common class names correspond to the per-hop behaviors AF (assured forwarding), BE (best effort), and EF (expedited forwarding).

The bandwidth percentage is the percentage of the interface's bandwidth to allocate to the forwarding class. The sum of the bandwidth on all forwarding classes on an interface should not exceed 100 percent.

The buffer percentage is the percentage of the interface's buffering capacity to allocate to the forwarding class. The sum of the buffering capacity of all forwarding classes on an interface should not exceed 100 percent.

Packets that exceed the bandwidth or buffer percentage are dropped either randomly, using random early detection (**red-drop**), or from the end of the queue (**tail-drop**). Low-latency queuing (LLQ) cannot use random early detection.

The algorithm to schedule interface queues can be either low-latency queuing (**llq**) or weighted round-robin (**wrr**).

Then, assign the scheduler to a QoS map:

```
Device(config-policy)# qos-map map-name qos-scheduler scheduler-name
```

*map-name* is the name of the QoS map, and *scheduler-name* is the name of the scheduler you configured above. Each name can be a text string from 1 through 32 characters long.

Finally, to configure a rewrite rule to overwrite the DSCP field of a packet's outer IP header:

```
Device(config)# policy rewrite-rule rule-name class class-name loss-priority
dscp dscp-value layer-2-cos number
```

*rule-name* is the name of the rewrite rule. It can be a text string from 1 through 32 characters long.

*class-name* is the name of a class you configured with the **qos-scheduler class** command. The packet loss priority (PLP) can be either **high** or **low**. To have a DSCP value overwrite the DSCP field of the packet's outer IP header, set a value from 0 through 63. To include an 802.1p marking in the packet, specify a number from 0 through 7.

## Policer Parameters

To configure policing parameters, create a policer that specifies the maximum bandwidth and burst rate for traffic on an interface, and how to handle traffic that exceeds these values.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure policer parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Centralized Policy > Add Policy > Create Groups of Interest > Policer**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Centralized Policy > Lists > Policer**

In the CLI, you configure policer parameters as follows:

```
vSmart(config)# policy policer policer-name
vSmart(config-policer)# rate bps
vSmart(config-policer)# burst bytes
vSmart(config-policer)# exceed action
```

*rate* is the maximum traffic rate. It can be a value from 0 through 264 – 1 bits per second.

*burst* is the maximum traffic burst size. It can be a value from 15000 to 1000000 bytes.

*exceed* is the action to take when the burst size or traffic rate is exceeded. *action* can be *drop* (the default) or *remark*. The *drop* action is equivalent to setting the packet loss priority (PLP) bit to low. The *remark* action sets the PLP bit to high. In a centralized data policy, access lists, and application-aware routing policy, you can match the PLP with the *match plp* option.

## Sequences

An access list contains sequences of match–action pairs. The sequences are numbered to set the order in which a packet is analyzed by the match–action pairs in the access lists.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure sequences from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Access Control Lists > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Access Control List Policy > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence**

In the CLI, you configure sequences with the **policy access-list sequence** command.

Each sequence in an access list can contain one match condition and one action condition.

## Match Parameters

### Access List Parameters

Access lists can match IP prefixes and fields in the IP headers.

In the CLI, you configure the match parameters with the **policy access-list sequence match** command.

Each sequence in an access-list must contain one match condition.

Match class in ACL is not supported. You can use rewrite policy to configure DSCP values.

For access lists, you can match these parameters:

Match Condition	Description
Class	Name of a class defined with a <b>policy class-map</b> command.

Match Condition	Description
<b>Destination Data Prefix</b>	Name of a data-prefix-list list.
<b>Destination Port</b>	Specifies a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]). The range is 0 through 65535.
<b>DSCP</b>	Specifies the DSCP value. The range is 0 through 63.
<b>Protocol</b>	Specifies the internet protocol number. The range is 0 through 255.
<b>ICMP Message</b>	<p>When you select a Protocol value as 1 the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays where you can select an ICMP message to apply to the data policy.</p> <p>When you select a Next Header value as 58 the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays where you can select an ICMP message to apply to the data policy.</p> <p><b>Note</b> This field is available from , Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1.</p>
<b>Packet Length</b>	Specifies the length of the packet. The range can be from 0 through 65535. Specify a single length, a list of lengths (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of lengths (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).
<b>Source Data Prefix</b>	Specifies the name of a <b>data-prefix-list</b> list.
<b>PLP</b>	Specifies the Packet Loss Priority (PLP) ( <b>high</b>   <b>low</b> ). By default, packets have a PLP value of <b>low</b> . To set the PLP value to <b>high</b> , apply a policer that includes the <b>exceed remark</b> option.
<b>Source Port</b>	Specifies a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]). The range is 0 through 65535.
<b>TCP</b>	<b>syn</b>

### Route Policy Parameters

For route policies, you can match these parameters:

Match Condition	Description
<b>Address</b>	Specifies the name of a <b>Prefix-List</b> list.
<b>AS Path List</b>	Specifies one or more BGP AS path lists. You can write each AS as a single number or as a regular expression. To specify more than one AS number in a single path, include the list in quotation marks (" "). To configure multiple AS numbers in a single list, include multiple <b>AS Path</b> options, specifying one AS path in each option.

Match Condition	Description
<b>Community List</b>	<p>List of one or more BGP communities. In <b>Community List</b>, you can specify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>aa:nn</b>: AS number and network number. Each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535.</li> <li>• <b>internet</b>: Routes in this community are advertised to the Internet community. This community comprises all BGP-speaking networking devices.</li> <li>• <b>local-as</b>: Routes in this community are not advertised outside the local AS.</li> <li>• <b>no-advertise</b>: Attach the NO_ADVERTISE community to routes. Routes in this community are not advertised to other BGP peers.</li> <li>• <b>no-export</b>: Attach the NO_EXPORT community to routes. Routes in this community are not advertised outside the local AS or outside a BGP confederation boundary. To configure multiple BGP communities in a single list, include multiple <b>community</b> options, specifying one community in each option.</li> </ul>
<b>Extended Community List</b>	<p>Specifies the list of one or more BGP extended communities. In <b>community</b>, you can specify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>rt (aa:nn   ip-address)</b>: Route target community, which is one or more routers that can receive a set of routes carried by BGP. Specify this as the AS number and network number, where each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535, or as an IP address.</li> <li>• <b>soo (aa:nn   ip-address)</b>: Route origin community, which is one or more routers that can inject a set of routes into BGP. Specify this as the AS number and network number, where each number is a 2-byte value with a range from 1 to 65535, or as an IP address. To configure multiple extended BGP communities in a single list, include multiple <b>community</b> options, specifying one community in each option.</li> </ul>
<b>BGP Local Preference</b>	Specifies the BGP local preference number. The range is 0 through 4294967295.
<b>Metric</b>	Specifies the route metric value. The range is 0 through 4294967295.
<b>Next Hop</b>	Specifies the name of an IP prefix list.
<b>OMP Tag</b>	Specifies the OMP tag number. The range is 0 through 4294967295.
<b>Origin</b>	Specifies the BGP origin code. The options are: EGP (default), IGP, Incomplete.
<b>OSPF Tag</b>	Specifies the OSPF tag number. The range is 0 through 4294967295.
<b>Peer</b>	Specifies the peer IP address.

## Action Parameters

### Access List Parameters

When a packet matches the conditions in the match portion of an access list, the packet can be accepted or dropped, and it can be counted. Then, you can classify, mirror, or police accepted packets.

In the CLI, you configure the action parameters with the **policy access-list sequence action** command.

Each sequence in an access list can contain one action condition.

In the action, you first specify whether to accept or drop a matching data packet, and whether to count it:

Action Condition	Description
Accept	Accepts the packet. An accepted packet is eligible to be modified by the additional parameters configured in the <b>action</b> portion of the access list.
Counter	Name of a counter. To display counter information, use the <b>show policy access-lists counters</b> command on the Cisco vEdge device.
Drop	Discards the packet. This is the default action.

For a packet that is accepted, the following actions can be configured:

Description	Value or Range
Class	Specifies the name of a QoS class. It can also be defined with a <b>policy class-map</b> command.
Mirror List	Specifies the name of mirror . It is defined with a <b>policy mirror</b> command.
Policer	Specifies the name of a policer defined with a <b>policy policer</b> command.
DSCP	Specifies the packet's DSCP value. The range is 0 through 63.
Next Hop	Specifies the IPv4 address. It sets the next hop IP address to which the packet should be forwarded.  <b>Note</b> Starting from Cisco vManage Release 20.5.1 and Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1, <b>Use Default Route when Next Hop is not available</b> field is available next to Next Hop action parameter.

### Route Policy Parameters

Each sequence in a localized control policy can contain one action condition.

When a route matches the conditions in the match portion of a route policy, the route can be accepted or rejected:

For a packet that is accepted, the following actions can be configured:

Description	Value or Range
Aggregator	Set sthe AS number in which a BGP route aggregator is located and the IP address of the route aggregator. The range is 1 through 65535.
As Path	Sets an AS number or a series of AS numbers to exclude from the AS path or to prepend to the AS path. The range is 1 through 65535.
Atomic Aggregate	Sets the BGP atomic aggregate attribute.
Community	Sets the BGP community value.
Local Preference	Sets the BGP local preference. The range is 0 through 4294967295.
Metric	Sets the metric value. The range is 0 through 4294967295.

Description	Value or Range
<b>Metric Type</b>	Sets the metric type. The options are type1 or type2.
<b>Next Hop</b>	Sets the IPv4 address. It sets the next hop IP address to which the packet should be forwarded.  <b>Note</b> Starting from Cisco vManage Release 20.5.1 and Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1, <b>Use Default Route when Next Hop is not available</b> field is available next to Next Hop action parameter.
<b>OMP Tag</b>	Sets the OMP tag for OSPF to use. The range is 0 through 4294967295.
<b>Origin</b>	Sets the BGP origin code. The options are: EGP (default), IGP, Incomplete.
<b>Originator</b>	Sets the IP address from which the route was learned.
<b>OSPF Tag</b>	Sets the OSPF tag value. The range is 0 through 4294967295.
<b>Weight</b>	Sets the BGP weight. The range is 0 through 4294967295.

## Default Action

If a packet being evaluated does not match any of the match conditions in a access list, a default action is applied to this packet. By default, the packet is dropped.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you modify the default action from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Access Control Lists > Default Action**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Access Control List Policy > Default Action**

In the CLI, you modify this behavior with the **access-list default-action accept** command.

## Apply Access Lists

For an access list to take effect, you must apply it to an interface.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you apply the access list from **Configuration > Templates**. You can any of the interface feature configuration templates. For example, VPN interface cellular, ethernet, GRE, PPP and so on.

In the CLI, you apply the access list as follows:

```
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id interface interface-name
Device(config-interface)# access-list list-name (in|out)
```

Applying the policy in the inbound direction (**in**) affects prefixes being received on the interface. Applying it in the outbound direction (**out**) affects prefixes being transmitted on the interface.

For an access list that applies QoS classification, apply any DSCP rewrite rules to the same interface to which you apply the access list:

```
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id interface interface-name rewrite-rule rule-name
```

Note that you can also apply a policer directly to an interface, which has the effect of policing all packets transiting the interface, rather than policing only the selected packets that match the access list. You can apply the policer to either inbound or outbound packets:

```
Device(config)# vpn vpn-id interface interface-name
Device(config-interface)# policer
policer-name (in|out) interface-name
```

## Explicit and Implicit Access Lists

Access lists that you configure through localized data policy using the **policy access-list** command are called *explicit ACLs*. You can apply explicit ACLs to any interface in any VPN on the device.

The device's tunnel interfaces in VPN 0 also have *implicit ACLs*, which are also referred to as *services*. Some services are enabled by default on the tunnel interface, and are in effect unless you disable them. Through configuration, you can also enable other services. You configure and modify implicit ACLs with the **allow-service** command:

```
Device(config)# vpn 0
Device(config-vpn)# interface interface-name
Device(config-interface)# tunnel-interface
Device(config-tunnel-interface)# allow-service service-name
Device(config-tunnel-interface)# no allow-service service-name
```

On Cisco vEdge devices, the following services are enabled by default: DHCP (for DHCPv4 and DHCPv6), DNS, and ICMP. These three services allow the tunnel interface to accept DHCP, DNS, and ICMP packets. You can also enable services for BGP, Netconf, NTP, OSPF, SSHD, and STUN.



**Note** If a connection is initiated from a device, and if NAT is enabled on the device (for example, Direct Internet Access (DIA) is configured), return traffic is allowed by the NAT entry even if the implicit ACL has been configured as **no allow-service**. You can still block this traffic with an explicit ACL.

When data traffic matches both an explicit ACL and an implicit ACL, how the packets are handled depends on the ACL configuration. Specifically, it depends on:

- Whether the implicit ACL is configured as allow (**allow-service service-name**) or deny (**no allow-service service-name**). Allowing a service in an implicit ACL is the same as specifying the **accept** action in an explicit ACL, and a service that is not allowed in an implicit ACL is the same as specifying the **drop** action in an explicit ACL
- Whether, in an explicit ACL, the **accept** or **deny** action is configured in a policy sequence or in the default action.

The following table explains how traffic matching both an implicit and an explicit ACL is handled:

**Table 23:**

Implicit ACL	Explicit ACL: Sequence	Explicit ACL: Default	Result
Allow (accept)	Deny (drop)	—	Deny (drop)
Allow (accept)	—	Deny (drop)	Allow (accept)

Implicit ACL	Explicit ACL: Sequence	Explicit ACL: Default	Result
Deny (drop)	Allow (accept)	—	Allow (accept)
Deny (drop)	—	Allow (accept)	Deny (drop)

## Configure Localized Policy for IPv4 Using the CLI

Following are the high-level steps for configuring an access list using the CLI for Cisco vEdge devices:

1. Create lists of IP prefixes as needed:

```
vEdge (config) # policy
vEdge (config-policy) # lists data-prefix-list list-name
vEdge (config-data-prefix-list) # ip-prefix prefix/length
```

2. If you configure a logging action, configure how often to log packets to the syslog files:

```
vEdge (config) # policy log-frequency number
```

3. For QoS, map each forwarding class to an output queue, configure a QoS scheduler for each forwarding class, and group the QoS schedulers into a QoS map:

```
vEdge (config) # policy class-map
vEdge (config-class-map) # class class-name queue number
vEdge (config) # policy qos-scheduler scheduler-name
vEdge (config-qos-scheduler) # class class-name
vEdge (config-qos-scheduler) # bandwidth-percent percentage
vEdge (config-qos-scheduler) # buffer-percent percentage
vEdge (config-qos-scheduler) # drops drop-type
vEdge (config-qos-scheduler) # scheduling type
vEdge (config) # policy qos-map map-name qos-scheduler scheduler-name
```

4. For QoS, define rewrite rules to overwrite the DSCP field of a packet's outer IP header, if desired:

```
vEdge (config) # policy rewrite-rule rule-name
vEdge (config-rewrite-rule) # class class-name loss-priority
dscp dscp-value layer-2-cos number
```

*class-name* is one of the classes defined under a **qos-scheduler** command.

5. Define mirroring parameters (for unicast traffic only):

```
vEdge (config) # policy mirror mirror-name
vEdge (config-mirror) # remote-dest ip-address source ip-address
```

6. Define policing parameters:

```
vEdge (config) # policy policer policer-name
vEdge (config-policer) # rate bandwidth
vEdge (config-policer) # burst bytes
vEdge (config-policer) # exceed action
```

7. Create an access list instance:

```
vEdge (config) # policy access-list list-name
```

8. Create a series of match-action pair sequences:

```
vEdge (config-access-list) # sequence number
vEdge (config-sequence) #
```



The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

9. Define match parameters for packets:

```
vEdge (config-sequence-number)
# match match-parameter
```

10. Define actions to take when a match occurs:

```
vEdge (config-sequence) # action drop
vEdge (config-sequence) # action count counter-name
vEdge (config-sequence) # action log
vEdge (config-sequence) # action accept class class-name
vEdge (config-sequence) # action accept mirror mirror-name
vEdge (config-sequence) # action accept policer policer-name
vEdge (config-sequence) # action accept set dscp value
vEdge (config-sequence) # action accept set next-hop ipv4-address
```

11. Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the access list, as needed.
12. If a packet does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. If you want nonmatching packets to be accepted, configure the default action for the access list:

```
vEdge (config-policy-name)
# default-action accept
```

13. Apply the access list to an interface:

```
vEdge (config) # vpn vpn-id interface interface-name
vEdge (config-interface) # access-list list-name (in | out)
```

Applying the access list in the inbound direction (**in**) affects packets being received on the interface. Applying it in the outbound direction (**out**) affects packets being transmitted on the interface. For QoS, apply a DSCP rewrite rule to the same egress interface:

```
vEdge (config) # vpn vpn-id interface interface-name rewrite-rule rule-name
```

14. You can apply a policer directly to an interface, which has the effect of policing all packets transiting the interface, rather than policing only the selected packets that match the access list. You can apply the policer to either inbound or outbound packets:

```
vEdge (config) # vpn vpn-id interface interface-name
vEdge (config-interface) # policer policer-name (in | out)
```

## Localized Data Policy for IPv6

This topic provides procedures for configuring IPv6 localized data policy. This type of data policy is called access lists, or ACLs. You can provision simple access lists that filter traffic based on IP header fields. You also use access lists to apply mirroring and policing to data packets.

For IPv6, you can apply access lists only to interfaces in the transport VPN, VPN 0.

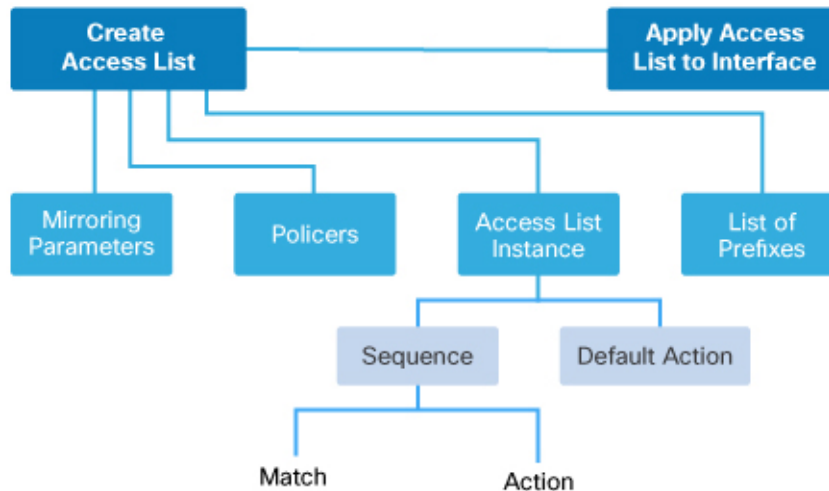
In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure a localized data policy from the **Configuration > Policies** screen, using a policy configuration wizard. In the CLI, you configure these policies on the Cisco vEdge devices.

### Configuration Components

An access list consists of a sequences of match–action pairs that are evaluated in order, from lowest sequence number to highest sequence number. When a packet matches one of the match conditions, the associated action is taken and policy evaluation on that packets stops. Keep this in mind as you design your policies to ensure that the desired actions are taken on the items subject to policy.

If a packet matches no parameters in any of the sequences in the policy configuration, it is, by default, dropped.

The following figure illustrates the configuration components for IPv6 access lists:



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## Configure Localized Data Policy for IPv6 Using vManage

To configure IPv6 localized data policy, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. The wizard is a UI policy builder that consists of five screens, and you use four of them to configure IPv6 localized policy components:

- Groups of Interest, also called *lists*—Create data prefix lists and mirroring and policer parameters that group together related items and that you call in the match or action components of a policy.
- Access Control Lists—Define the match and action conditions of ACLs.
- Route Policies—Define the match and action conditions of route policies.
- Policy Settings—Define additional policy settings. Specify the frequency for logging policy-related packet headers.

You configure some or all these components depending on the specific policy you are creating. To skip a component, click the **Next** button at the bottom of the screen. To return to a component, click the **Back** button at the bottom of the screen.

### Step 1: Start the Policy Configuration Wizard

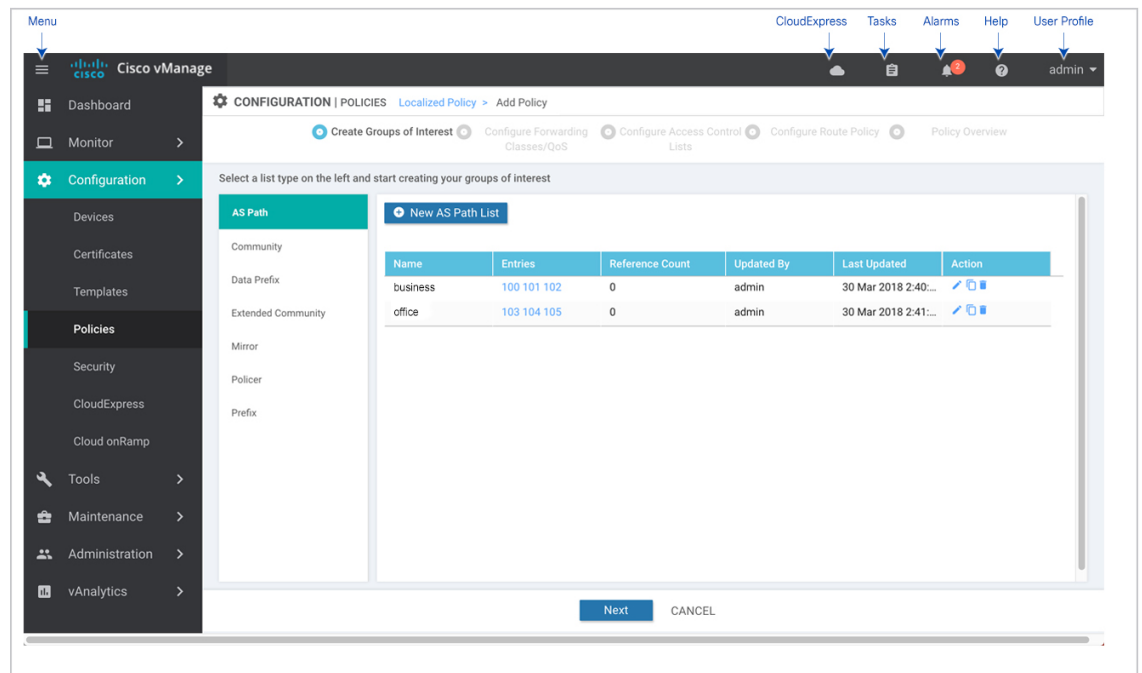
To start the policy configuration wizard:

1. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configuration > Policies** screen. When you first open this screen, the Centralized Policy tab is selected by default.

2. Select the **Localized Policy** tab.
3. Click **Add Policy**. The policy configuration wizard opens, and the Create Groups of Interest screen is displayed.

## Step 2: Create Groups of Interest

In the Create Groups of interest screen create lists to use in the localized data policy:



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1. Create news lists of groups as described in the following table:

List Type	Procedure
AS Path	<p>Permit or deny prefixes from certain autonomous systems.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>AS Path</b>.</li> <li>b. Enter a name for the list. For Cisco vEdge devices: Enter an alphanumeric value.</li> <li>c. Set the preference value for the list in the <b>Add AS Path</b> field.</li> </ol>
Community	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Community</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Community List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the <b>Add Community</b> field, enter one or more data prefixes separated by commas.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>

List Type	Procedure
Data Prefix	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Data Prefix</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Data Prefix List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the Internet Protocol field, click <b>IPv4</b> or <b>IPv6</b>.</li> <li>e. In the <b>Add Data prefix</b> field, enter one or more data prefixes separated by commas.</li> <li>f. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
Extended Community	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Extended Community</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Extended Community List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. In the <b>Add Extended Community</b> field, enter one or more data prefixes separated by commas.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
Class Map	<p>Map a class name to an interface queue number.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Class Map</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Class List</b>. The Class List popup displays.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list. The class name can be a text string from 1 to 32 characters long.</li> <li>d. Select a queue number between 0 and 7 from the <b>Queue</b> drop-down menu.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Save</b>.</li> </ol>
Mirror	<p>Define the remote destination for mirrored packets, and define the source of the packets.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Mirror</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Mirror List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. Enter the <b>Remote Destination IP</b> address in the left field, where the mirrored traffic should be routed.</li> <li>e. Enter the <b>Source IP</b> address of the mirrored traffic in the right field.</li> <li>f. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>

List Type	Procedure
Policer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Policer</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Policer List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. Define the policing parameters: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the <b>Burst</b> field, enter the maximum traffic burst size, a value from 15,000 to 10,000,000 bytes.</li> <li>2. In the <b>Exceed</b> field, select the action to take when the burst size or traffic rate is exceeded. It can be <b>drop</b>, which sets the packet loss priority (PLP) to low, or <b>remark</b>, which sets the PLP to high.</li> <li>3. In the <b>Rate</b> field, enter the maximum traffic rate, a value from 0 through 264 – 1 bits per second (bps).</li> </ol> </li> <li>e. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>
Prefix	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the left bar, click <b>Prefix</b>.</li> <li>b. Click <b>New Prefix List</b>.</li> <li>c. Enter a name for the list.</li> <li>d. Click either <b>IPv4</b> or <b>IPv6</b>.</li> <li>e. Under <b>Add Prefix</b>, enter the prefix for the list. (An example is displayed.) Optionally, click the green <b>Import</b> link on the right-hand side to import a prefix list.</li> <li>f. Click <b>Add</b>.</li> </ol>

2. Click **Next** to move to Configure Forwarding Classes/QoS in the wizard. For IPv6 localized data policy, you cannot configure QoS.
3. Click **Next** to move to Configure Access Lists in the wizard.

### Step 3: Configure ACLs

1. In the Configure Access Control Lists screen, click **Add Access Control List Policy**, and choose **Add IPv6 ACL Policy** from the drop-down.
2. Enter a name and description for the ACL.
3. From the left column, click **Add ACL Sequence**.
4. Click **Sequence Rule** to open the ACL match/action sequence menu.
5. Click a match condition. See [Match Parameters](#) for a full description of these options.
6. On the left side, enter the values for the match condition.

7. On the right side, enter the action or actions to take if the policy matches. See [Action Parameters](#) for a full description of these options.
8. Repeat Steps 3 through 7 to add match–action pairs to the ACL.
9. To rearrange match–action pairs in the ACL, drag them to the desired position in the right pane.
10. To remove a match–action pair from the ACL, click the X in the upper right of the condition.
11. Click **Save Match and Actions** to save a sequence rule.
12. To copy, delete, or rename an ACL sequence rule, in the left pane, click the **More Options** menu (three dots) next to the rule's name and select the desired option.
13. If no packets match any of the ACL sequence rules, the default action is to drop the packets. To change the default action:
  - a. Click **Default Action** in the left pane.
  - b. Click the Pencil icon.
  - c. Change the default action to **Accept**.
  - d. Click **Save Match and Actions**.
14. Click **Next** to move to Configure Route Policy in the wizard.
15. Click **Next** to move to the Policy Overview screen.

#### Step 4: Configure Policy Settings

In Policy Overview, configure policy settings:

1. Enter a name and description for the ACL.
2. Under **Policy Settings**, select one of the following policy options:

Policy Settings Options	Description
Netflow	
Application	
Cloud QoS	
Cloud QoS Service side	
Implicit ACL Logging	Log the headers of all packets that are dropped because they do not match a service configured by an Allow Service parameter on a tunnel interface.
Log Frequency	Configure how often packet flows are logged. Packet flows are those that match an access list (ACL), a cflowd flow, or an application-aware routing flow.

3. Click **Preview** to view the full policy in CLI format.

4. Click **Save Policy**.

### Step 5: Apply a Localized Data Policy in a Device Template

1. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, select the **Configuration > Templates** screen.
2. If you are creating a new device template:
  - a. In the Device tab, click **Create Template**.
  - b. From the Create Template drop-down, select **From Feature Template**.
  - c. From the **Device Model** drop-down, select a Cisco vEdge device.
  - d. In the **Template Name** field, enter a name for the device template. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (–), and underscores (\_). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
  - e. In the **Description** field, enter a description for the device template. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
  - f. Continue with Step 4.
3. If you are editing an existing device template:
  - a. In the **Device** tab, click the **More Actions** icon to the right of the desired template, and click the pencil icon.
  - b. Click the **Additional Templates** tab. The screen scrolls to the Additional Templates section.
  - c. From the Policy drop-down, select the name of a policy that you have configured.
4. Click the **Additional Templates** tab located directly beneath the **Description** field. The screen scrolls to the Additional Templates section.
5. From the Policy drop-down, select the name of the policy you configured in the above procedure.
6. Click **Create** (for a new template) or **Update** (for an existing template).

## Structural Components of Configuration for Access Lists

Following are the structural components required to configure access lists. Each one is explained in more detail in the sections below.

```

policy
  implicit-acl-logging
  log-frequency number
  mirror mirror-name
    remote-dest ip-address source ip-address
  policer policer-name
    rate bandwidth
    burst bytes
    exceed action
policy ipv6
  access-list list-name
    sequence number
    match match-parameters

```

```

    action
      drop
      user counter-name
      log
      accept
        class class-name
        mirror mirror-name
        policer policer-name
    default-action (accept | drop)
  vpn vpn-id
  interface interface-name
  ipv6 access-list list-name (in | out)

```

## Logging Parameters

If you configure a logging action in a data policy, by default, the Cisco vEdge device logs all data packet headers to a syslog file. You can log only a sample of the data packet headers.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure how often to log packet headers from **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Policy Overview > Log Frequency** field.

In the CLI, you configure this as follows:

```
vEdge(config)# policy implicit-acl-logging
```

You can log the headers of all packets that are dropped because they do not match a service configured with an Allow Service configuration or an **allow-service** command. You can use these logs for security purposes, for example, to monitor the flows that are being directed to a WAN interface and to determine, in the case of a DDoS attack, which IP addresses to block.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure this logging from the **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Policy Overview > Implicit ACL Logging** field.

In the CLI, you do this as follows:

```
vEdge(config)# policy implicit-acl-logging
```

When you enable implicit ACL logging, by default, the headers of all dropped packets are logged. It is recommended that you configure a limit to the number of packets logged in the Log Frequency field or with the **log-frequency** command.

## Mirroring Parameters

To configure mirroring parameters, define the remote destination to which to mirror the packets, and define the source of the packets.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure mirroring parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Create Groups of Interest > Mirror > New Mirror List**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Lists > Mirror > New Mirror List**

In the CLI, you configure mirroring parameters as follows:

```

device(config)# policy mirror mirror-name
device(config-mirror)# remote-dest ip-address source ip-address

```



## Policer Parameters

To configure policing parameters, create a policer that specifies the maximum bandwidth and burst rate for traffic on an interface, and how to handle traffic that exceeds these values.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure policer parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Create Groups of Interest > Policer > New Policer List**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Lists > Policer > New Policer List**

In the CLI, you configure policer parameters as follows:

```
Device(config)# policy policer policer-name
Device(config-policer)# rate bps
Device(config-policer)# burst bytes
Device(config-policer)# exceed action
```

- **rate** is the maximum traffic rate. It can be a value from 0 through  $2^{64} - 1$  bits per second.
- **burst** is the maximum traffic burst size. It can be a value from 15000 to 1000000 bytes.
- **exceed** is the action to take when the burst size or traffic rate is exceeded. *action* can be **drop** (the default) or **remark**. The **drop** action is equivalent to setting the packet loss priority (PLP) bit to low. The **remark** action sets the PLP bit to high. In a centralized data policy, access lists, and application-aware routing policy, you can match the PLP with the **match plp** option.

## Sequences

### Sequences

An access list contains sequences of match–action pairs. The sequences are numbered to set the order in which a packet is analyzed by the match–action pairs in the access lists.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure sequences from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Access Control Lists > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > > Access Control List Policy > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence**

In the CLI, you configure sequences with the **policy ipv6 access-list sequence** command.

Each sequence in an access list can contain one match condition and one action condition.

## Match Parameters

Access lists can match IP prefixes and fields in the IP headers.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure match parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Access Control Lists > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence > Add Sequence Rule > > Match**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Access Control List Policy > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence > Add Sequence Rule > > Match**

In the CLI, you configure the match parameters with the **policy ipv6 access-list sequence match** command. Each sequence in an access list must contain one match condition.

For access lists, you can match these parameters:

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Enter a Destination port number.	Destination Port	<b>destination-port</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 65535; specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-])
Select the Next Header protocol	Next Header	<b>next-header</b> <i>number</i>	0 through 255, corresponding to an <a href="https://www.iana.org/assignments/protocol-numbers/protocol-numbers.xhtml">https://www.iana.org/assignments/protocol-numbers/protocol-numbers.xhtml</a>
Specify the packet length	Packet Length	<b>packet-length</b> <i>number</i>	Length of the packet. <i>number</i> can be from 0 through 65535. Specify a single length, a list of lengths (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of lengths (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-])
Specify the packet loss priority (PLP)	PLP	<b>plp</b>	<b>(high   low)</b> By default, packets have a PLP value of <b>low</b> . To set the PLP value to <b>high</b> , apply a policer that includes the <b>exceed remark</b> option.
Select a Source data prefix list	N/A	N/A	
Enter a Source port number	Source Port	<b>source-port</b> <i>address</i>	0 through 65535; specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-])
Enter a Destination Data Prefix	N/A	N/A	
TCP	TCP	<b>tcp</b> <i>flag</i>	<b>syn</b>
Set the packet's DSCP value	Class	<b>set class</b> <i>value</i>	0 through 63
Traffic class	Traffic Class	<b>traffic-class</b> <i>value</i>	0 through 63

## Action Parameters

When a packet matches the conditions in the match portion of an access list, the packet can be accepted or dropped, and it can be counted. Then, you can classify, mirror, or police accepted packets.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you configure match parameters from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Access Control Lists > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence > Add Sequence Rule > Action**
- **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Access Control List Policy > Add Access Control List Policy > Add ACL Sequence > Add Sequence Rule > Action**

In the CLI, you configure the actions parameters with the **policy ipv6 access-list sequence action** command.

Each sequence in an access list can contain one action condition.

In the action, you first specify whether to accept or drop a matching data packet, and whether to count it:

For a packet that is accepted, the following actions can be configured:

Description	Cisco SD-WAN Manager	CLI Command	Value or Range
Accept the packet. An accepted packet is eligible to be modified by the additional parameters configured in the <b>action</b> portion of the access list.	Click <b>Accept</b> .	<b>accept</b>	—
Count the accepted or dropped packets.	<b>Counter Name</b>	<b>count</b> <i>counter-name</i>	Name of a counter. To display counter information, use the <b>show ipv6 policy access-lists counters</b> command on the Cisco vEdge device.
Log the packet headers into system logging (syslog) files.  In addition to logging the packet headers, a syslog message is generated the first time a packet header is logged and then every 5 minutes thereafter, as long as the flow is active.	<b>Log</b>	<b>log</b>	To display logging information, use the <b>show app log flow-all</b> and <b>show app log flows</b> command on the Cisco vEdge device.
Designate the next hop router.	<b>Next Hop</b>	N/A	
Traffic Class	N/A	<b>set traffic-class</b> <i>value</i>	0-63
Mirror the packet.	Mirror List	<b>mirror</b> <i>mirror-name</i>	Name of mirror defined with a <b>policy mirror</b> command.
Set the packet's DSCP value.	Class	N/A	0 through 63
Police the packet.	Policer	<b>policer</b> <i>policer-name</i>	Name of a policer defined with a <b>policy policer</b> command.
Discard the packet. This is the default action.	Click <b>Drop</b> .	<b>drop</b>	—

### Default Action

If a packet being evaluated does not match any of the match conditions in a access list, a default action is applied to this packet. By default, the packet is dropped.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you modify the default action from:

- **Configuration > Policies > Localized Policy > Add Policy > Configure Access Control Lists > Default Action**

• **Configuration > Policies > Custom Options > Localized Policy > Access Control List Policy > Default Action**

In the CLI, you modify this behavior with the **access-list ipv6 default-action accept** command.

## Apply Access Lists

For an access list to take effect, you must apply it to a tunnel interface in VPN 0.

In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, you apply the access list in one of the interface feature configuration templates.

In the CLI, you apply the access list as follows:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn 0 interface interface-name
vEdge(config-interface)# ipv6 access-list list-name (in | out)
```

Applying the policy in the inbound direction (**in**) affects prefixes being received on the interface. Applying it in the outbound direction (**out**) affects prefixes being transmitted on the interface.

## Explicit and Implicit Access Lists

Access lists that you configure through localized data policy using the **policy access-list** command are called *explicit* ACLs. You can apply explicit ACLs to any interface in any VPN on the router.

The router's tunnel interfaces in VPN 0 also have implicit ACLs, which are also referred to as *services*. Some services are enabled by default on the tunnel interface, and are in effect unless you disable them. Through configuration, you can also enable other services. You configure and modify implicit ACLs with the **allow-service** command:

```
Device(config)# vpn 0
Device(config-vpn)# interface interface-name
Device(config-interface)# tunnel-interface
Device(config-tunnel-interface)# allow-service service-name
Device(config-tunnel-interface)# no allow-service service-name
```

On Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN devices, the following services are enabled by default: DHCP (for DHCPv4 and DHCPv6), DNS, and ICMP. These three services allow the tunnel interface to accept DHCP, DNS, and ICMP packets. You can also enable services for BGP, Netconf, NTP, OSPF, SSHD, and STUN.




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**Note** If a connection is initiated from a device, and if NAT is enabled on the device (for example, Direct Internet Access (DIA) is configured), return traffic is allowed by the NAT entry even if the implicit ACL has been configured as **no allow-service**. You can still block this traffic with an explicit ACL.

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When data traffic matches both an explicit ACL and an implicit ACL, how the packets are handled depends on the ACL configuration. Specifically, it depends on:

- Whether the implicit ACL is configured as allow (**allow-service service-name**) or deny (**no allow-service service-name**). Allowing a service in an implicit ACL is the same as specifying the **accept** action in an explicit ACL, and a service that is not allowed in an implicit ACL is the same as specifying the **drop** action in an explicit ACL.
- Whether, in an explicit ACL, the **accept** or **deny** action is configured in a policy sequence or in the default action.

The following table explains how traffic matching both for an implicit and an explicit ACL is handled:

Implicit ACL	Explicit ACL: Sequence	Explicit ACL: Default	Result
Allow (accept)	Deny (drop)	—	Deny (drop)
Allow (accept)	—	Deny (drop)	Allow (accept)
Deny (drop)	Allow (accept)	—	Allow (accept)
Deny (drop)	—	Allow (accept)	Deny (drop)

## Configure Localized Policy for IPv6 Using the CLI

Following are the high-level steps for configuring an access list using the CLI:

1. Define mirroring parameters (for unicast traffic only):

```
vEdge (config)# policy mirror mirror-name
vEdge (config-mirror)# remote-dest ip-address source ip-address
```

2. Define policing parameters:

```
vEdge (config)# policy policer policer-name
vEdge (config-policer)# rate bandwidth
vEdge (config-policer)# burst bytes
vEdge (config-policer)# exceed action
```

3. Create an access list instance:

```
vEdge (config)# policy ipv6 access-list list-name
```

4. Create a series of match–action pair sequences:

```
vEdge (config-ipv6-access-list)# sequence number
vEdge (config-sequence)#
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

5. Define match parameters for packets:

```
vEdge (config-sequence-number)# match match-parameter
```

6. Define actions to take when a match occurs:

```
vEdge (config-sequence)# action drop
vEdge (config-sequence)# action count counter-name
vEdge (config-sequence)# action log
vEdge (config-sequence)# action accept class class-name
vEdge (config-sequence)# action accept mirror mirror-name
vEdge (config-sequence)# action accept policer policer-name
```

7. Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the access list, as needed.

8. If a packet does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. If you want nonmatching packets to be accepted, configure the default action for the access list:

```
vEdge (config-policy-name)# default-action accept
```

### 9. Apply the access list to an interface:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn vpn-id interface interface-name
vEdge(config-interface)# ipv6 access-list list-name (in | out)
```

Applying the access list in the inbound direction (**in**) affects packets being received on the interface.

Applying it in the outbound direction (**out**) affects packets being transmitted on the interface.

## Localized Data Policy Configuration Examples

This topic provides some straightforward examples of configuring localized data policy to help you get an idea of how to use policy to influence traffic flow across the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN domain. Localized data policy, also known as access lists, is configured directly on the local Cisco vEdge devices.

### QoS

You can configure quality of service (QoS) to classify data packets and control how traffic flows out of and in to the interfaces on a Cisco vEdge device and on the interface queues. For examples of how to configure a QoS policy, see Forwarding and QoS Configuration Examples.

### Mirroring Example

This example illustrates how to configure a mirror instance to automatically send a copy of certain types of data packet to a specified destination for analysis. After you configure the mirror instance, include it in an access list. Here, "mirror-m1" is configured with the host at source address 10.20.23.16 and destination host at 10.2.2.11. The mirror instance is then included in the access list "acl2," which is configured so that data packets originating from the host at source address 10.20.24.17 and going to the destination host at 10.20.25.18 are mirrored to the destination host at 10.2.2.11 with the source address of the originating host as 10.20.23.16.

```
policy
  mirror m1
    remote-dest 10.2.2.11 source 10.20.23.16
  !
!

vm5# show running-config policy access-list acl2
policy
  access-list acl2
    sequence 1
      match
        source-ip 10.20.24.17/32
        destination-ip 10.20.25.18/32
      !
      action accept
        mirror m1
      !
    !
    default-action drop
  !
!
```

### ICMP Message Example

This example displays the configuration for localized data policy for ICMP messages.

```
policy
  access-list acl_1
    sequence 100
```

```
match
  protocol 1
  icmp-msg administratively-prohibited
!
action accept
  count administratively-prohibited
!
!
```







## CHAPTER 7

# Policy Basics CLI Reference

CLI commands for configuring and monitoring policy.

### Centralized Control Policy Command Hierarchy

Configure on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers only.

```
policy
  lists
    color-list list-name
      color color
    prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix/length
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    tloc-list list-name
      tloc address color color encap encapsulation [preference value weight value]
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id

policy
  control-policy policy-name
  default-action action
  sequence number
  match
    route
      color color
      color-list list-name
      omp-tag number
      origin protocol
      originator ip-address
      preference number
      prefix-list list-name
      site-id site-id
      site-list list-name
      tloc address
      tloc-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id
      vpn-list list-name
    tloc
      carrier carrier-name
      color color
      color-list list-name
      domain-id domain-id
      group-id group-id
      omp-tag number
      originator ip-address
      preference number
```

```

        site-id site-id
        site-list list-name
        tloc address
        tloc-list list-name
    action
        reject
        accept
        export-to (vpn vpn-id | vpn-list list-name)
        set
            omp-tag number
            preference value
            service service-name (tloc ip-address | tloc-list list-name) [vpn vpn-id]
            tloc-action action
            tloc-list list-name

    apply-policy
        site-list list-name control-policy policy-name (in | out)

```

### Localized Control Policy Command Hierarchy

Configure on Cisco vEdge devices only.

```

policy
    lists
        as-path-list list-name
        as-path as-number
        community-list list-name
            community [aa:nn | internet | local-as | no-advertise | no-export]
        ext-community-list list-name
            community [rt (aa:nn | ip-address) | soo (aa:nn | ip-address)]
        prefix-list list-name
            ip-prefix prefix/length

policy
    route-policy policy-name
        default-action action
        sequence number
        match
            address list-name
            as-path list-name
            community list-name
            ext-community list-name
            local-preference number
            metric number
            next-hop list-name
            omp-tag number
            origin (egp | igp | incomplete)
            ospf-tag number
            peer address
        action
            reject
            accept
            set
                aggregator as-number ip-address
                as-path (exclude | prepend) as-number
                atomic-aggregate
                community value
                local-preference number
                metric number
                metric-type (type1 | type2)
                next-hop ip-address
                omp-tag number
                origin (egp | igp | incomplete)
                originator ip-address

```

```

ospf-tag number
weight number

    vpn vpn-id
    router
    bgp local-as-number
    address-family ipv4_unicast
    redistribute (connected | nat | omp | ospf | static) [route-policy policy-name]
    neighbor address
    address-family ipv4-unicast
    route-policy policy-name (in | out)
    ospf
    redistribute (bgp | connected | nat | omp | static) route-policy policy-name
    route-policy policy-name in

```

### Centralized Data Policy Command Hierarchy

Configure on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers only.

```

policy
  lists
    app-list list-name
      (app applications | app-family application-families)
    data-prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix/length
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    tloc-list list-name
      tloc ip-address color color encap encapsulation [preference value weight value]
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id

    policy
      data-policy policy-name
      vpn-list list-name
      default-action action
      sequence number
      match
        app-list list-name
        destination-data-prefix-list list-name
        destination-ip prefix/length
        destination-port number
        dns (request | response)
        dns-app-list list-name
        dscp number
        icmp-msg
        packet-length number
        plp (high | low)
        protocol number
        source-data-prefix-list list-name
        source-ip prefix/length
        source-port number
        tcp flag
      action
        cflowd
        count counter-name
        drop
        log
        tcp-optimization
        accept
          nat [pool number] [use-vpn-0]
          redirect-dns (host | ip-address)
        set
          dscp number
          forwarding-class class

```

```

        local-tloc color color [encap encapsulation]
        local-tloc-list color color [encap encapsulation] [restrict]
        next-hop ip-address
        policer policer-name
        service service-name local [restrict] [vpn vpn-id]
        service service-name [tloc ip-address | tloc-list list-name] [vpn vpn-id]
        tloc ip-address color color [encap encapsulation]
        tloc-list list-name
        vpn vpn-id
    vpn-membership policy-name
        default-action action
        sequence number
        match
            vpn vpn-id
            vpn-list list-name
        action
            (accept | reject)

```

```

apply-policy
    site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)
    site-list list-name vpn-membership policy-name

```

## Localized Data Policy Command Hierarchy

### For IPv4

Configure on Cisco vEdge devices only.

```

policy
    lists
        prefix-list list-name
            ip-prefix prefix/length
    class-map
        class class-name queue number
    log-frequency number
    mirror mirror-name
        remote-dest ip-address source ip-address
    policer policer-name
        burst bytes
        exceed action
        rate bps
    qos-map map-name
        qos-scheduler scheduler-name
    qos-scheduler scheduler-name
        bandwidth-percent percentage
        buffer-percent percentage
        class class-name
        drops (red-drop | tail-drop)
        scheduling (llq | wrr)
    rewrite-rule rule-name

policy
    access-list acl-name
        default-action action
        sequence number
        match
            class class-name
            destination-data-prefix-list list-name
            destination-ip prefix/length
            destination-port number
            dscp number
            packet-length number
            plp (high | low)
            protocol number

```

```

source-data-prefix-list list-name
source-ip prefix-length
source-port number
tcp flag
action
  drop
    count counter-name
    log
  accept
    class class-name
    count counter-name
    log
    mirror mirror-name
    policer policer-name
    set dscp value

  vpn vpn-id
    interface interface-name
    access-list acl-name (in | out)

```

### For IPv6

Configure on Cisco vEdge devices only.

```

policy ipv6
  class-map
    class class map map
  mirror mirror-name
  remote-dest ip-address source ip-address
  policer policer-name
  rate bandwidth
  burst bytes
  exceed action

policy ipv6
  access-list list-name
  sequence number
  match
    match-parameters
  action
    drop
    count counter-name
    log
  accept
    class class-name
    mirror mirror-name
    policer policer-name
  default-action
  (accept | drop)

vpn vpn-id
  interface interface-name
  ipv6 access-list list-name (in | out)

```

### Operational Commands

**show running-config**





## CHAPTER 8

# Forward Error Correction



**Note** To achieve simplification and consistency, the Cisco SD-WAN solution has been rebranded as Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN. In addition, from Cisco IOS XE SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 20.12.1, the following component changes are applicable: **Cisco vManage** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager**, **Cisco vAnalytics** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics**, **Cisco vBond** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator**, **Cisco vSmart** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller**, and **Cisco Controllers** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components**. See the latest Release Notes for a comprehensive list of all the component brand name changes. While we transition to the new names, some inconsistencies might be present in the documentation set because of a phased approach to the user interface updates of the software product.

*Table 24: Feature History*

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Forward Error Correction	Cisco SD-WAN Release 19.1.x	Feature introduced. FEC is a mechanism to recover lost packets on a link by sending extra “parity” packets for every group of 4 packets.

Forward Error Correction (FEC) is a mechanism to recover lost packets on a link by sending extra “parity” packets for every group of 4 packets. As long as the receiver receives a subset of packets in the group (at-least N-1) and the parity packet, up to a single lost packet in the group can be recovered. FEC is supported on Cisco vEdge 1000, 2000, and 5000 routers.

- [Supported Devices for Forward Error Correction, on page 165](#)
- [Configure Forward Error Correction for a Policy, on page 166](#)
- [Monitor Forward Error Correction Tunnel Information, on page 166](#)
- [Monitor Forward Error Application Family Information, on page 167](#)
- [Monitor Forward Error Correction Status Using the CLI, on page 168](#)

## Supported Devices for Forward Error Correction

The following are the supported devices for forward error correction:

- ASR10002-HX
- ENCS 5408

## Configure Forward Error Correction for a Policy

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- Step 1** From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**.
- Step 2** Click **Centralized Policy** and then click **Add Policy**.
- Step 3** Click **Next**.
- Step 4** Click **Next** again and then click **Configure Traffic Rules**.
- Step 5** Click **Traffic Data**, and from the **Add Policy** drop-down list, choose **Create New**.
- Step 6** Click **Sequence Type**.
- Step 7** From the **Add Data Policy** pop-up menu, choose **QoS**.
- Step 8** Click **Sequence Rule**.
- Step 9** In the **Applications/Application Family List**, choose one or more applications or lists.
- Step 10** Click **Accept**.
- Step 11** Click **Actions** and click **Loss Correction**.
- Step 12** In the **Actions** area, choose one of the following:
- **FEC Adaptive**: Only send FEC information when the loss detected by the system exceeds the packet loss threshold.
  - **FEC Always**: Always send FEC information with every transmission.
  - **Packet Duplication** check box: Duplicates packets through secondary links to reduce packet loss if one link goes down.
- Step 13** Click **Save Match and Actions**.
- Step 14** Click **Save Data Policy**.
- Step 15** Click **Next** and take these actions to create a centralized policy:
- a) Enter a **Name** and a **Description**.
  - b) Select **Traffic Data Policy**.
  - c) Choose VPNs and a site list for the policy.
  - d) Save the policy.

## Monitor Forward Error Correction Tunnel Information

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- Step 1** From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Monitor > Devices**.  
Cisco vManage Release 20.6.x and earlier: From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Monitor > Network**.
- Step 2** Choose a device group.
- Step 3** In the left panel, click **Tunnel**, which displays under WAN.  
The WAN tunnel information includes the following:
- A graph that shows the total tunnel loss for the selected tunnels.



- A table that provides the following information for each tunnel endpoint:
    - Name of the tunnel endpoint
    - Communications protocol that the endpoint uses
    - State of the endpoint
    - Jitter, in ms, on the endpoint
    - Packet loss percentage for the endpoint
    - Latency, in ms, on the endpoint
    - Total bytes transmitted from the endpoint
    - Total bytes received by the endpoint
    - Application usage link
- 

## Monitor Forward Error Application Family Information

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**Step 1** From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Monitor > Devices**.

Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components Release 20.6.1 and earlier: From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Monitor > Network**.

**Step 2** Choose a device group.

**Step 3** In the left panel, click **SAIE Applications**, which displays under **Applications**.

**Note** In Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components Release 20.7.1 and earlier releases, **SAIE Applications** is called **DPI Applications**.

The FEC Recovery Rate application information includes the following:

- A graph for which you can choose the following perspective:
  - Application Usage—Usage of various types of traffic for the selected application families, in KB.
- A table that provides the following for each application family:
  - Name of the application family.
  - Packet Delivery Performance for the application family.

**Note** If you need to see the packet delivery performance for the selected application family, ensure that packet duplication is enabled. Packet delivery performance is calculated based on the formula as displayed in the Cisco SD-WAN Manager tooltip for the **Packet Delivery Performance** column.

- Traffic usage, in KB, MB, or GB for the selected application family.

## Monitor Forward Error Correction Status Using the CLI

Use the **show sdwan tunnel statistics fec** command to verify the FEC status on a Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN device:

```
Device# show sdwan tunnel statistics fec
tunnel stats ipsec 80.80.10.19 80.80.10.25 12346 12366
fec-rx-data-pkts      0
fec-rx-parity-pkts   0
fec-tx-data-pkts     0
fec-tx-parity-pkts   0
fec-reconstruct-pkts 0
fec-capable          true
fec-dynamic           false
tunnel stats ipsec 80.80.10.19 80.80.10.50 12346 12346
fec-rx-data-pkts     122314
fec-rx-parity-pkts   30578
fec-tx-data-pkts     125868
fec-tx-parity-pkts   31467
fec-reconstruct-pkts 3
fec-capable          true
fec-dynamic           false
```

The following table describes the FEC counters related to the output shown in the **show sdwan tunnel statistics fec** command:

Name of Counter	Description
<b>fec-rx-data-pkts</b>	Displays the number of data packets received by the device.
<b>fec-rx-parity-pkts</b>	Displays the number of parity packets received by the device.
<b>fec-tx-data-pkts</b>	Displays the number of data packets sent by the device.
<b>fec-tx-parity-pkts</b>	Displays the number of parity packets sent by the device.
<b>fec-reconstruct-pkts</b>	Displays the number of received packets reconstructed by the device.



## CHAPTER 9

# Packet Duplication for Noisy Channels



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*Table 25: Feature History*

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Packet Duplication for Noisy Channels	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 19.2.1	This feature helps mitigate packet loss over noisy channels, thereby maintaining high application QoE for voice and video.

- [Information about Packet Duplication, on page 169](#)
- [Configure Packet Duplication, on page 170](#)
- [Monitor Packet Duplication Per Application, on page 170](#)

## Information about Packet Duplication

Cisco vEdge devices use packet duplication to overcome packet loss.

Packet duplication sends copies of packets on alternate available paths to reach Cisco vEdge devices. If one of the packets is lost, a copy of the packet is forwarded to the server. Receiving Cisco vEdge devices discard copies of the packet and forward one packet to the server.

Packet duplication is suitable for edges with multiple access links. Once packet duplication is configured and pushed to your device, you can see the tunnel packet duplication statistics.

## Configure Packet Duplication

1. Select **Configuration > Policies**
2. Select **Centralized Policy** at the top of the page and then click **Add Policy**.
3. Click **Next** twice to select Configure Traffic Rules.
4. Select **Traffic Data**, and from the Add Policy drop-down, click **Create New**.
5. Click **Sequence Type** in the left pane.
6. From the Add Data Policy pop-up, select **QoS**.
7. Click **Sequence Rule**.
8. In the **Applications/Application Family List/Data Prefix**, Select one or more applications or lists.
9. Click **Actions** and select **Loss Correction**.
10. In the Actions area, select the **Pack Duplication** option to enable the packet duplication feature.
  - **FEC Adaptive**—Only send Forward Error Correction (FEC) information when the system detects a packet loss.
  - **FEC Always**—Always send FEC information with every transmission.
  - **None**—Use when no loss protection is needed.
  - **Packet Duplication**—Enable when packets need to be duplicated and sent on the next available links to reduce packet loss.
11. Click **Save Match and Actions**.
12. Click **Save Data Policy**.
13. Click **Next** and take these actions to create a Centralized Policy:
  - Enter a Name and a Description.
  - Select **Traffic Data Policy**.
  - Choose **VPNs/site list** for the policy.
  - Save the policy.

## Monitor Packet Duplication Per Application

1. Select **Monitor > Network**
2. Select a device group.
3. In the left pane, click **Applications**.
4. On the Application usage, select the application family of interest, and click on the Application family listed.

5. If packet duplication is enabled for any application, Cisco SD-WAN Manager displays Packet Delivery Performance as GOOD, MODERATE, or POOR or the field displays as N/A.
6. GOOD and MODERATE performance is a clickable link. When clicking on the link, the status pops up a window.
7. On the pop-up window, you see Application, Packet Delivery Performance, Overall for the Application, Average Drop Rate, and Overall for the Application information. The time slot graph represents the packets transmitted with different available link colors and the overall performance calculated when packet duplication is enabled.
8. If you hover over the time slot, you can see the performance status and the average drop rate for each link.





## CHAPTER 10

# Application-Aware Routing



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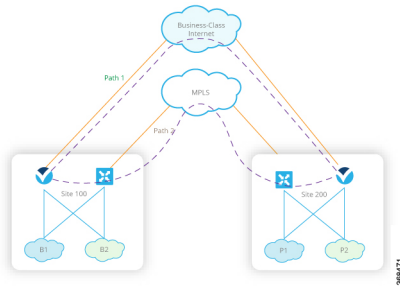
- [Information About Application-Aware Routing](#), on page 173
- [Configure Application-Aware Routing](#), on page 181
- [Dampen Data Plane Tunnels](#), on page 197
- [Configure Application-Aware Routing Using CLIs](#), on page 200
- [Configure Application Probe Class Using CLI](#), on page 202
- [Application-Aware Routing Policy Configuration Example](#), on page 202

## Information About Application-Aware Routing

Application-aware routing tracks network and path characteristics of the data plane tunnels between Cisco SD-WAN devices and uses the collected information to compute optimal paths for data traffic. These characteristics include packet loss, latency, and jitter, and the load, cost and bandwidth of a link. The ability to consider factors in path selection other than those used by standard routing protocols—such as route prefixes, metrics, link-state information, and route removal on the Cisco SD-WAN device—offers a number of advantages to an enterprise:

- In normal network operation, the path taken by application data traffic through the network can be optimized, by directing it to WAN links that support the required levels of packet loss, latency, and jitter defined in an application's SLA.
- In the face of network brownouts or soft failures, performance degradation can be minimized. The tracking of network and path conditions by application-aware routing in real time can quickly reveal performance issues, and it automatically activates strategies that redirect data traffic to the best available path. As the network recovers from the soft failure conditions, application-aware routing automatically readjusts the data traffic paths.

- Network costs can be reduced because data traffic can be more efficiently load-balanced.
- Application performance can be increased without the need for WAN upgrades.



Each Cisco SD-WAN device supports up to eight TLOCs, allowing a single Cisco SD-WAN device to connect to up to eight different WAN networks. This capability allows path customization for application traffic that has different needs in terms of packet loss and latency.

## Application-Aware Routing Support for Multicast Protocols

Starting from Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.3.1a, application-aware routing supports overlay multicast traffic on devices. In older releases, an application-route policy is supported only for unicast traffic.

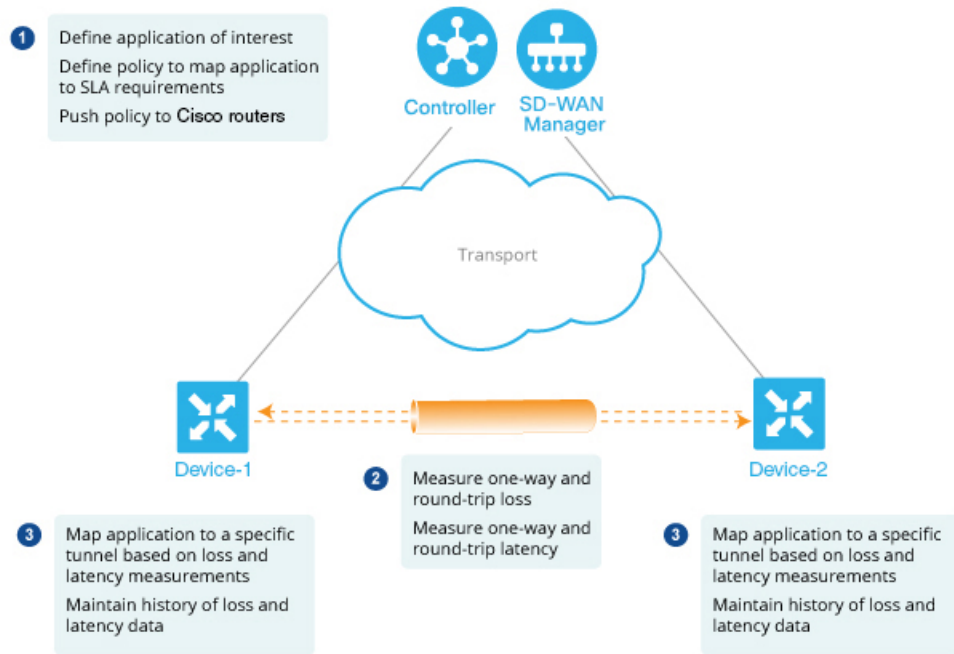
The devices classify the multicast traffic based on the group address and sets the SLA class. The group address can be source IP, destination IP, source prefixes, and destination prefixes. In the forwarding plane, any traffic for group address must use only those TLOC paths that meet the SLA requirement. You can perform the path selection for a group based on the preferred color, backup color, or the default action.

## Components of Application-Aware Routing

The Cisco SD-WAN Application-Aware Routing solution consists of three elements:

- **Identification**—You define the application of interest, and then you create a centralized data policy that maps the application to specific SLA requirements. You single out data traffic of interest by matching on the Layer 3 and Layer 4 headers in the packets, including source and destination prefixes and ports, protocol, and DSCP field. As with all centralized data policies, you configure them on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, which then passes them to the appropriate Cisco SD-WAN devices.
- **Monitoring and measuring**—The Cisco SD-WAN software uses BFD packets to continuously monitor the data traffic on the data plane tunnels between devices, and periodically measures the performance characteristics of the tunnel. To gauge performance, the Cisco SD-WAN device looks for traffic loss on the tunnel, and it measures latency by looking at the one-way and round-trip times of traffic traveling over the tunnel. These measurements might indicate suboptimal data traffic conditions.
- **Mapping application traffic to a specific transport tunnel**—The final step is to map an application's data traffic to the data plane tunnel that provides the desired performance for the application. The mapping decision is based on two criteria: the best-path criteria computed from measurements performed on the WAN connections and on the constraints specified in a policy specific to application-aware routing.





To create a data policy based on the Layer 7 application itself, configure the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow with a centralized data policy. With the SAIE flow, you can direct traffic to a specific tunnel, based on the remote TLOC, the remote TLOC, or both. You cannot direct traffic to tunnels based on SLA classes.



**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.1 and earlier releases, the SAIE flow is called the deep packet inspection (DPI) flow.

## SLA Classes

*Table 26: Feature History*

Feature	Release Information	Description
Support for SLA Classes	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.1.1	This feature allows you to configure up to a maximum of eight SLA classes on Cisco SD-WAN Controller. Using this feature, you can configure additional options in an application-aware routing policy.

Feature	Release Information	Description
Support for six SLA Classes per Policy	Cisco vManage Release 20.3.1 Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.3.1	This feature allows you to configure up to four SLA classes per policy on Cisco SD-WAN devices. This enhancement allows additional options in an application-aware routing policy.
SLA Class Support Enhancement	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.6.1	This feature is an enhancement to support more than six SLA classes per policy on Cisco SD-WAN devices.
Application Aware Routing and Data Policy SLA Preferred Colors	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.6.1	This feature provides different behaviors to choose preferred colors based on the SLA requirements when both application-aware routing policy and data policies are configured.

A service-level agreement (SLA) determines actions taken in application-aware routing. The SLA class defines the maximum jitter, maximum latency, maximum packet loss, or a combination of these values for data plane tunnels in Cisco SD-WAN devices. Each data plane tunnel comprises a local transport locators (TLOC) and a remote TLOC pair. You can configure SLA classes under the **policy sla-class** command hierarchy on Cisco SD-WAN Controllers. From Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.1.x, you can configure a maximum of eight SLA classes on Cisco SD-WAN Validator. However, you can define only four unique SLA classes in an application-aware route policy. In releases earlier than Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.1.x, you can configure a maximum of four SLA classes.



**Note** In Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.3.1, you cannot configure more than four different SLA classes on Cisco SD-WAN devices. If you configure more than four different SLA classes, the application-aware routing policy gets rejected.

You can configure the following parameters in an SLA class.

**Table 27: SLA Components**

Description	Command	Value or Range
Maximum acceptable packet jitter on the data plane tunnel	<b>jitter</b> <i>milliseconds</i>	1–1000 milliseconds
Maximum acceptable packet latency on the data plane tunnel.	<b>latency</b> <i>milliseconds</i>	1–1000 milliseconds
Maximum acceptable packet loss on the data plane tunnel.	<b>loss</b> <i>percentage</i>	1–100 percent

### SLA Support Enhancement

From Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 and Cisco vManage Release 20.6.1, you can configure more than six SLA classes per policy on Cisco SD-WAN devices.

vEdge Cloud Router platforms require another 250-MB RAM to support 7+1 SLA classes. vEdge Cloud Routers can be small or medium depending on the RAM size. Small vEdge Cloud Routers have RAM size less than 1.75 GB and the medium vEdge Cloud Routers have RAM size from 1.75 GB to 2.5 GB. (For example, when you upgrade to Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1, vEdge Cloud Router with RAM size 1.5 GB is a small device.)

This feature enhancement increases the number of SLA classes supported on Cisco SD-WAN Controller and SD-WAN Edge devices. With the increase in the SLA class support, you can align SLA classes to IP Virtual Private Networks (IP-VPN) on Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) networks for transporting traffic to a global network.

The SLA enhancement helps in multitenancy, where you can push different SLA classes for different tenants. The multitenancy feature requires the Cisco SD-WAN Controller to support more than eight SLA classes. To allocate SLA classes to different tenants, the global limit for policies must be 64.



**Note** You cannot configure the default SLA. The default SLA is configured in all the devices to forward traffic when no user-defined SLA is met.

**Table 28: Maximum SLA Classes Supported on Cisco SD-WAN Devices**

Platform	User-configurable SLA Classes Prior to Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 (+1 Default SLA Class)	User-configurable SLA Classes from Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 (+1 Default SLA Class)
Cisco SD-WAN Controller	8	64
Cisco vEdge 5000	4	15
vEdge Cloud Router	4	7
Any other Cisco vEdge devices	4	4

### SLA-Preferred Colors

From Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1, when you configure both application-aware routing policy and data policy, and if data flow matches the app-route and data policy sequences, the following expected behaviors occur:

- If the preferred colors that you configure in application-aware routing meet the SLA requirements, and these preferred colors have some colors that are common with data policy, the common preferred colors are chosen over others for forwarding. (Prior to Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1, the data policy-preferred colors were forwarded and the application-aware routing policy preferences were ignored.)
- If preferred colors in application-aware routing do not meet the SLA, but there are colors that are common with the data policy, and these colors meet the SLA in application-aware routing, then these colors take precedence and are chosen for forwarding.

- If no tunnels or colors meet the SLA in application-aware routing, the data policy takes precedence and is chosen for forwarding. If the data policy has preferred colors, these colors are chosen. Otherwise, load balance occurs across all the colors in the data policy.

## Classification of Tunnels into SLA Classes

The process of classifying tunnels into one or more SLA classes for application-aware routing has three parts:

- Measure loss, latency, and jitter information for the tunnel.
- Calculate the average loss, latency, and jitter for the tunnel.
- Determine the SLA classification of the tunnel.

### Measure Loss, Latency, and Jitter

When a data plane tunnel in the overlay network is established, a BFD session automatically starts on the tunnel. In the overlay network, each tunnel is identified with a color that identifies a specific link between a local TLOC and a remote TLOC. The BFD session monitors the liveness of the tunnel by periodically sending Hello packets to detect whether the link is operational. Application-aware routing uses the BFD Hello packets to measure the loss, latency, and jitter on the links.

By default, the BFD Hello packet interval is 1 second. This interval is user-configurable (with the **bfd color interval** command). Note that the BFD Hello packet interval is configurable per tunnel.

### Calculate Average Loss, Latency, and Jitter

BFD periodically polls all the tunnels on the Cisco SD-WAN devices to collect packet latency, loss, jitter, and other statistics for use by application-aware routing. At each poll interval, application-aware routing calculates the average loss, latency, and jitter for each tunnel, and then calculates or recalculates each tunnel's SLA. Each poll interval is also called a "bucket."

By default, the poll interval is 10 minutes. With the default BFD Hello packet interval at 1 second, this means that information from about 600 BFD Hello packets is used in one poll interval to calculate loss, latency, and jitter for the tunnel. The poll interval is user-configurable (with the **bfd app-route poll-interval** command). Note that the application-aware routing poll interval is configurable per Cisco SD-WAN device; that is, it applies to all tunnels originating on a device.

Reducing the poll interval without reducing the BFD Hello packet interval may affect the quality of the loss, latency, and jitter calculation. For example, setting the poll interval to 10 seconds when the BFD Hello packet interval is 1 second means that only 10 Hello packets are used to calculate the loss, latency, and jitter for the tunnel.

The loss, latency, and jitter information from each poll interval is preserved for six poll intervals. At the seventh poll interval, the information from the earliest polling interval is discarded to make way for the latest information. In this way, application-aware routing maintains a sliding window of tunnel loss, latency, and jitter information.

The number of poll intervals (6) is not user-configurable. Each poll interval is identified by an index number (0 through 5) in the output of the **show app-route statistics** command.

## Determine SLA Classification

To determine the SLA classification of a tunnel, application-aware routing uses the loss, latency, and jitter information from the latest poll intervals. The number of poll intervals used is determined by a multiplier. By default, the multiplier is 6, so the information from all the poll intervals (specifically, from the last six poll intervals) is used to determine the classification. For the default poll interval of 10 minutes and the default multiplier of 6, the loss, latency, and jitter information collected over the last hour is considered when classifying the SLA of each tunnel. These default values have to be chosen to provide damping of sorts, as a way to prevent frequent reclassification (flapping) of the tunnel.

The multiplier is user-configurable (with the **bfd app-route multiplier** command). Note that the application-aware routing multiplier is configurable per Cisco SD-WAN device; that is, it applies to all tunnels originating on a device.

If there is a need to react quickly to changes in tunnel characteristics, you can reduce the multiplier all the way down to 1. With a multiplier of 1, only the latest poll interval loss and latency values are used to determine whether this tunnel can satisfy one or more SLA criteria.

Based on the measurement and calculation of tunnel loss and latency, each tunnel may satisfy one or more user-configured SLA classes. For example, a tunnel with a mean loss of 0 packets and mean latency of 10 milliseconds would satisfy a class that has been defined with a maximum packet loss of 5 and a minimum latency of 20 milliseconds, and it would also satisfy a class that has been defined with a maximum packet loss of 0 and minimum latency of 15 milliseconds.

Regardless of how quickly a tunnel is reclassified, the loss, latency, and jitter information is measured and calculated continuously. You can configure how quickly application-aware routing reacts to changes by modifying the poll interval and multiplier.

## Per-Class Application-Aware Routing

*Table 29: Feature History*

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Per-Class Application-Aware Routing	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1	This feature enhances the capabilities of directing traffic to next-hop addresses based on the service level agreement (SLA) definitions. These SLA definitions along with the policy to match and classify traffic types can be used to direct traffic over specific Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN tunnels. The SLA definition comprises of values of loss, latency, and jitter, which are measured using the Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) channel that exists between two transport locators (TLOCs).

### Per-Class Application-Aware Routing Overview

The SLA definition comprises of values of loss, latency, and jitter, which are measured using the BFD channel that exists between two TLOCs. These values collectively represent the status of the network and the BFD link. The BFD control messages are sent with a high priority Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP) marking of 48.

The SLA metrics based on the high priority packet does not reflect the priority that is received by the actual data that flows through the edge device. The data, depending on the application class, can have different DSCP values in the network. Therefore, a more accurate representation of the loss, latency, and jitter for the traffic profiles is required for the networks to use such measurements to direct traffic types to the right tunnels.

Application-aware routing uses policies that constrain paths that can be used for forwarding the application. These constraints are usually expressed in terms of SLA classes that contain loss, latency, and jitter requirements that must be met. This requires that these metrics be measured on all the paths to the destination of the traffic using active probing or by passive monitoring.

Active probing methods include generation of synthetic traffic that is injected along with real traffic. The expectation is that the probes and the real traffic is forwarded in the same way. BFD probing, ICMP, periodic HTTP requests and IP SLA measurements are some examples of active probing mechanisms. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN solution uses BFD based probes for active measurements. Passive monitoring methods rely on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow and monitoring actual traffic. For example, RTP/TCP traffic is monitored for loss, latency, and jitter.



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**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.1 and earlier releases, the SAIE flow is called the deep packet inspection (DPI) flow.

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## Application Probe Class

An application probe class (app-probe-class) comprises of a forwarding class, color, and DSCP. This defines the marking per color of applications that are forwarded. The color or DSCP mapping is local to a Cisco SD-WAN network site. However, a few colors and the DSCP mapping for a color does not change per site. The forwarding class determines the QoS queue in which the BFD echo request is queued at the egress tunnel port. This is applicable only for BFD echo request packets. The packet-loss-priority for BFD packets is fixed to low. When BFD packets are sent with SLA class, they use the same DSCP value. When BFD packets are sent with app-probe-class along with SLA class, the BFD packets are sent for each SLA app-probe-class separately in a round-robin manner.

## Default DSCP Values

The default DSCP value that is used in the DSCP control traffic is 48. However, there is a provision to change the default value along with the option to configure on the edge devices. All the network service providers may not necessarily use DSCP 48.

The BFD packet having the default DSCP can also be used for other features such as PMTU. A change in the default DSCP means that the other features are affected by the new default DSCP value. Therefore, we recommend that you configure the highest priority DSCP marking that the service provider provides (usually 48, but can be different based on the SLA agreement of the service provider). The color level overrides the global level default DSCP marking.

# Configure Application-Aware Routing

*Table 30: Feature History*

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Application-Aware Routing for Hub and Spoke	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.9.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1	This feature enables you to configure an application-aware routing policy on a hub device and apply the policy to packets that the hub device receives from a spoke device and sends to another spoke device. Applying the application-aware routing policy helps you realize the required SLA for spoke-hub-spoke traffic.

This topic provides general procedures for configuring application-aware routing. Application-aware routing policy affects only traffic that is flowing from the service side (the local/WAN side) to the tunnel (WAN) side of the Cisco SD-WAN device.

An application-aware routing policy matches applications with an SLA, that is, with the data plane tunnel performance characteristics that are necessary to transmit the applications' data traffic. The primary purpose of application-aware routing policy is to optimize the path for data traffic being transmitted by Cisco SD-WAN devices.

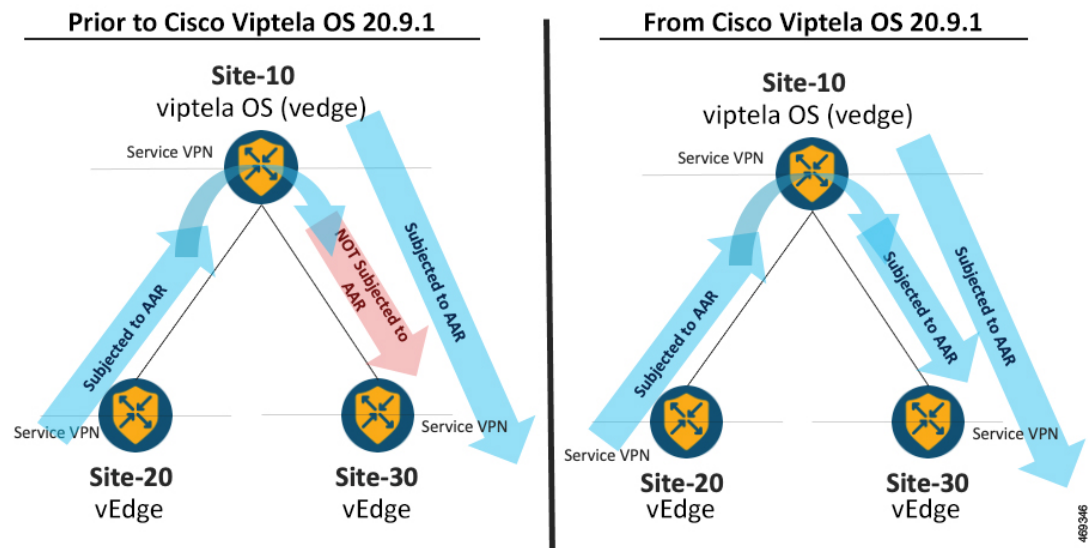
An application-aware routing policy is a type of centralized data policy: you configure it on the vSmart controller, and the controller automatically pushes it to the affected Cisco SD-WAN devices. As with any policy, an application-aware routing policy consists of a series of numbered (ordered) sequences of match-action pairs that are evaluated in order, from lowest sequence number to highest sequence number. When a data packet matches one of the match conditions, an SLA action is applied to the packet to determine the data plane tunnel to use to transmit the packet. If a packet matches no parameters in any of the policy sequences, and if no SLA class is configured for the default-action, the packet is accepted and forwarded with no consideration of SLA. Because application-aware routing policy accepts nonmatching traffic by default, it is considered as a positive policy. Other types of policies in the Cisco SD-WAN software are negative policies, because by default they drop nonmatching traffic.

## Hub and Spoke Topology

Minimum releases: Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.9.1 and Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1

You can configure an application-aware routing policy on a hub device and apply the policy to packets that the hub device receives from a spoke device and sends to another spoke device.

Figure 23: Hub and Spoke Topology



## Configure Application-Aware Routing Policies Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

To configure application-aware routing policy, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. For Centralized Policy configuration details, see [Configure Centralized Policies](#). The wizard consists of four sequential windows that guide you through the process of creating and editing policy components:

- **Create Applications or Groups of Interest:** Create lists that group together related items and that you call in the match or action components of a policy. For configuration details, see [Configure Groups of Interest](#).
- **Configure Topology:** Create the network structure to which the policy applies. For topology configuration details, see [Configure Topology and VPN Membership](#).
- **Configure Traffic Rules:** Create the match and action conditions of a policy.
- **Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs:** Associate policy with sites and VPNs in the overlay network.

In the first three policy configuration wizard windows, you are creating policy components or blocks. In the last window, you are applying policy blocks to sites and VPNs in the overlay network.

For an application-aware routing policy to take effect, you must activate the policy.



# Configure Best Tunnel Path

Table 31: Feature History

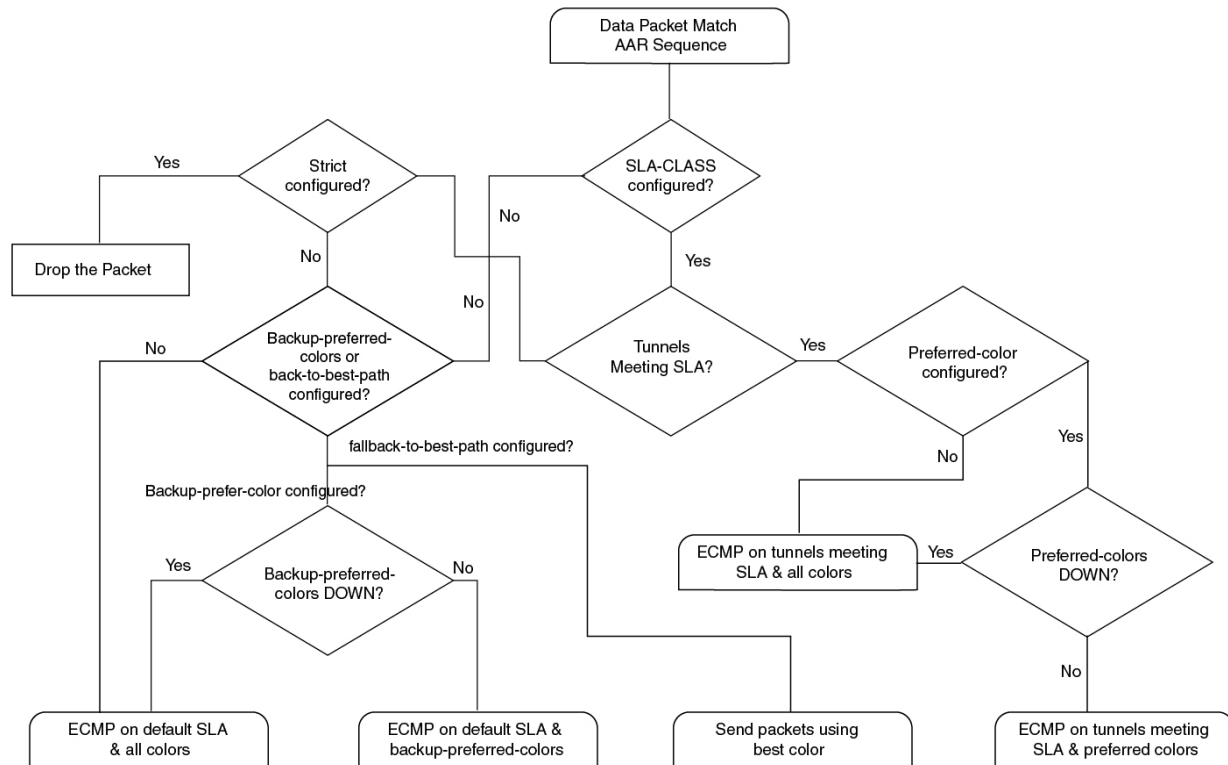
Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Best of the Worst (BOW) Tunnel Selection	Cisco vManage Release 20.5.1 Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1	This feature introduces a new policy action <b>fallback-to-best-path</b> to pick the best path or color out of the available colors.  When the data traffic does not meet any of the SLA class requirements, this feature allows you to select the best tunnel path criteria sequence using the <b>Fallback Best Tunnel</b> option under each SLA class to avoid packet loss.

## Best Tunnel Path Overview

To avoid data packet loss and to configure the best application-aware routing tunnel selection when a SLA is not met, you can configure the following policy actions:

- **backup-preferred-color**
- **fallback-to-best-path**

Figure 24: Flow Chart for Application-Aware Routing Tunnel Selection



## Recommendation for the Best Tunnel Path

- Configure the **fallback-to-best-path** policy action in Cisco SD-WAN Manager when configuring a SLA class.
- Configure the **backup-preferred-color** policy action in Cisco SD-WAN Manager when configuring traffic rules.

## Configure Variance for Best Tunnel Path

Cisco SD-WAN Manager uses best of worst (BOW) to find a best tunnel when no tunnel meets any of the SLA class requirements.

Assume that the required latency is 100 ms to meet the SLA class requirements and tunnel T1 has 110 ms. Tunnel T2 has 111 ms and tunnel T3 has 112 ms.

As per the BOW logic, the best tunnel is T1. T2 and T3 are equally the best tunnels, with only a difference of a few ms.

You configure variance in Cisco SD-WAN Manager when configuring an SLA class. Variance accommodates small deviations as part of the best tunnel selection.

For more information, see [Configure SLA Class](#).

### Example: Without Variance Configured

At time t1: T1 has 100 ms, T2 has 101 ms, and T3 has 102 ms

At time t2: T1 has 101 ms, T2 has 100 ms, and T3 has 102 ms

At time t3: T1 has 101 ms, T2 has 112 ms, and T3 has 100 ms

At time t1, the best tunnel changes from T1 to T2, and for time t2, the best tunnel changes from T2 to T3. Because variance is not configured, this leads to data path reprogramming and changes to the data traffic paths.

Assume instead that you configure variance to dampen a small deviation in ms.

For example, you configure variance as 5 ms, which means that the best tunnel SLA = 100 ms. The range is from 100 ms to 105 ms.

### Example: With Variance Configured

BOW(t1) = {T1, T2, T3}

BOW(t2) = {T1, T2, T3}

BOW(t3) = {T1, T2, T3}

With variance configured, there is no data path reprogramming required or changes to data traffic paths.

## Verify Configuration of Variance for Best Tunnel Path

### Example for Latency Variance

```
Device# show sdwan policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart sla-class video
latency                100
jitter                 150
```

```

fallback-best-tunnel      latency

Tunnel T1: Latency: 110 msec, Loss: 0%, Jitter: 200 msec
Tunnel T2: Latency: 115 msec, Loss: 0%, Jitter: 200 msec
Tunnel T3: Latency: 120 msec, Loss: 0%, Jitter: 200 msec

```

Without latency variance, the best tunnel is T1.

With latency variance configured as 10 ms, T1, T2, and T3 are the best tunnels.

The range is from 110 ms to 120 ms.

The best latency + variance is 110 ms + 10 ms.

Use the following formula to find the best tunnel selection for latency variance:

(best\_latency, best\_latency + latency\_variance)

### Example for Jitter Variance

```

Device# show sdwan policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart sla-class video
latency                100
jitter                 150
  fallback-best-tunnel jitter

Tunnel T1: Latency: 90 msec, Loss: 0%, Jitter: 160 msec
Tunnel T2: Latency: 80 msec, Loss: 0%, Jitter: 200 msec
Tunnel T3: Latency: 70 msec, Loss: 0%, Jitter: 152 msec

```

Without jitter variance, the best tunnel is T3.

With jitter variance configured as 10 ms, T1 and T3 are the best tunnels.

The range is from 152 ms to 162 ms.

The best jitter + variance is 152 ms + 10 ms.

Use the following formula to find the best tunnel selection for jitter variance:

(best\_jitter, best\_jitter + jitter\_variance)

### Example for Loss Variance

```

Device# show sdwan policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart sla-class video
latency                100
jitter                 1
  fallback-best-tunnel loss

Tunnel T1: Latency: 110 msec, Loss: 2%, Jitter: 200 msec
Tunnel T2: Latency: 115 msec, Loss: 3%, Jitter: 200 msec
Tunnel T3: Latency: 120 msec, Loss: 4%, Jitter: 200 msec

```

Without loss variance, the best tunnel is T1.

With loss variance configured as 1%, T1 and T2 are the best tunnels.

The range is from 2% to 3%.

The best loss + variance is 2%.

Use the following formula to find the best tunnel selection for loss variance:

(best\_loss, best\_loss + loss\_variance)

## Configure SLA Class

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, select **Configuration** > **Policies**. Centralized Policy is selected and displayed by default.
2. Click **Add Policy**.
3. In the create groups of interest page, from the left pane, click **SLA Class**, and then click **New SLA Class List**.
4. In the **SLA Class List Name** field, enter a name for SLA class list.
5. Define the SLA class parameters:
  - a. In the **Loss** field, enter the maximum packet loss on the connection, a value from 0 through 100 percent.
  - b. In the **Latency** field, enter the maximum packet latency on the connection, a value from 1 through 1,000 milliseconds.
  - c. In the **Jitter** field, enter the maximum jitter on the connection, a value from 1 through 1,000 milliseconds.
  - d. Choose the required app probe class from the **App Probe Class** drop-down list.
6. (Optional) Check the **Fallback Best Tunnel** check box to enable the best tunnel criteria.

This optional field is available from Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1 to pick the best path or color from the available colors when a SLA is not met. When this option is selected, you can choose the required criteria from the drop-down. The criteria are a combination of one or more of loss, latency, and jitter values.
7. Select the **Criteria** from the drop-down. The available criteria are:
  - None
  - Latency
  - Loss
  - Jitter
  - Latency, Loss
  - Latency, Jitter
  - Loss, Latency
  - Loss, Jitter
  - Jitter, Latency
  - Jitter, Loss
  - Latency, Loss, Jitter
  - Latency, Jitter, Loss
  - Loss, Latency, Jitter

- Loss, Jitter, Latency
  - Jitter, Latency, Loss
  - Jitter, Loss, Latency
8. (Optional) Enter the **Loss Variance (%)**, **Latency Variance (ms)**, and the **Jitter Variance (ms)** for the selected criteria.
- For more information, see [Configure Variance for Best Tunnel Path](#).
9. Click **Add**.

## Configure Traffic Rules

To configure an application-aware routing policy:

1. Click **Application Aware Routing**.
2. From the **Add Policy** drop-down list, choose **Create New**.
3. Click **Sequence Type**. A policy sequence containing the text string **App Route** is added in the left pane.
4. Double-click the **App Route** text string and enter a name for the policy sequence. You can copy, delete, or rename a policy sequence. The name you enter is displayed both in the **Sequence Type** list in the left pane and in the right pane.
5. In the right pane, click **Sequence Rule**. The **Match/Actions** dialog box opens, and **Match** is selected by default. The available policy match conditions are listed below the dialog box.
6. In the **Protocol** drop-down list, choose one of the following option:
  - **IPv4**
  - **IPv6**
  - **Both**



**Note** Depending on which protocol that you choose, the **Match** or **Actions** conditions may be different.

7. Click and choose one or more **Match** conditions. Set the values as described in the following table:

**Table 32: Match Conditions**

Match Condition	Procedure
None (match all packets)	Do not specify any match conditions.
<b>Application/Application Family List</b>	Click <b>Application/Application Family List</b> and choose an application list.

<b>Cloud SaaS Application List</b>	<p>Cisco SD-WAN Manager provides a list of several cloud applications that Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp for SaaS can use to determine the best path selection for each SaaS application.</p> <p>For more information on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp for SaaS, see the <i>Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp Configuration Guide, Cisco IOS XE Release 17.x</i>.</p> <p><b>Note</b>      <b>Cloud SaaS Application List</b> displays as a match condition if you specify <b>IPv4</b> as the <b>Protocol</b> option.</p> <p>In the drop-down list, choose a SaaS application from the drop-down list.</p>
<b>DNS Application List</b>	In the drop-down list, select an application family.
<b>Destination Data Prefix</b>	<p>To match a list of destination prefixes, choose the list from the drop-down list.</p> <p>To match an individual destination prefix, type the prefix in the <b>Destination</b> dialog box.</p>
<b>Destination Region</b>	<p>You can use <b>Destination Region</b> in a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN network using Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Multi-Region Fabric.</p> <p>Choose one of the following options from the drop-down list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary</b>: Match traffic if the destination site is in the same primary region (also called access region) as the source.</li> <li>• <b>Secondary</b>: Match traffic if the destination site is not in the same primary region as the source but is within the same secondary region as the source. This traffic can reach the destination using a direct tunnel, as described for secondary regions.</li> <li>• <b>Other</b>: Match traffic if the destination site is not in the same primary region or secondary region as the source. This traffic requires a multi-hop path from the source to the destination.</li> </ul> <p>For more information on how to configure Multi-Region Fabric, see the <i>Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Multi-Region Fabric (also Hierarchical SD-WAN) Configuration Guide</i>.</p>
<b>Destination Port</b>	Enter the port number. Specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).
<b>Traffic To</b>	When creating a data policy or an application-aware policy for a border router for Multi-Region Fabric, you can use match criteria to match traffic flowing to the access region, the core region, or a service VPN.
<b>DNS (to enable split DNS)</b>	In the drop-down list, choose <b>Request</b> to process DNS requests for the DNS applications, and choose <b>Response</b> to process DNS responses for the applications.
<b>DSCP</b>	Type the DSCP value, a number from 0 through 63.

<b>PLP</b>	Choose <b>Low</b> or <b>High</b> . To set the PLP to <b>High</b> , apply a policer that includes the <b>exceed remark</b> option.
<b>Protocol</b>	Type the internet protocol number, a number from 0 through 255.
<b>ICMP Message</b>	<p>For <b>Protocol (IPv4)</b>, when you select a value as 1 in the <b>Protocol</b> field in the Match Conditions section, the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays where you can select an ICMP message to apply to the data policy.</p> <p>For <b>Protocol (IPv6)</b>, when you select a value as 58 in the <b>Protocol</b> field in the <b>Match Conditions</b> section, the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays where you can select an ICMP message to apply to the data policy.</p> <p><b>Note</b> This field is available from Cisco IOS XE Release 17.4.1 or Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1, and also Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1.</p> <p>When <b>Protocol</b> is selected as <b>Both</b>, the <b>ICMP Message or ICMPv6 Message</b> field displays.</p>
<b>Source Data Prefix</b>	<p>To match a list of source prefixes, choose the list from the drop-down list.</p> <p>To match an individual source prefix, enter the prefix in the <b>Source</b> field.</p>
<b>Source Port</b>	Enter the port number. Specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).

8. To select actions for the matched data traffic, click **Actions**. Set the values as described in the following table:

Table 33: Actions

Action	Procedure
<b>Backup SLA Preferred Color</b>	<p>Set the policy action for a <b>Backup SLA Preferred Color</b> match condition. When no tunnel matches the SLA, direct the data traffic to a specific tunnel. Data traffic is sent out the configured tunnel if that tunnel interface is available. If that tunnel interface is not available, traffic is sent out to another available tunnel. You can specify one or more colors. The backup SLA preferred color is a loose matching condition, not a strict matching condition.</p> <p>Click <b>Backup SLA Preferred Color</b>.</p> <p>In the drop-down list, choose one or more colors.</p>
<b>Counter</b>	<p>Set the policy action for a <b>Counter</b> match condition.</p> <p>Click <b>Counter</b>.</p> <p>In the <b>Counter Name</b> field, enter the name of the file in which to store packet counters.</p>
<b>Log</b>	<p>You can place a sampled set of packets that match the SLA class rule into system logging (<b>syslog</b>) files. In addition to logging the packet headers, a <b>syslog</b> message is generated the first time a packet header is logged and then every five minutes thereafter, as long as the flow is active.</p> <p>Click <b>Log</b> to enable logging.</p>

Action	Procedure
<b>SLA Class List</b>	<p>Set the policy action for an <b>SLA Class List</b> match condition. For the SLA class, all matching data traffic is directed to a tunnel whose performance matches the SLA parameters defined in the class. The device first tries to send the traffic through a tunnel that matches the SLA. If a single tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through that tunnel. If two or more tunnels match, traffic is distributed among them. If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through one of the available tunnels.</p> <p>Click <b>SLA Class List</b>.</p> <p>In the <b>SLA Class</b> drop-down list, choose one or more SLA classes.</p> <p>Optionally, in the <b>Preferred Color</b> drop-down list, choose the color of the data plane tunnel or tunnels to prefer. Traffic is load-balanced across all the tunnels. If no tunnels match the SLA, data traffic is sent through any available tunnel. That is, color preference is a loose matching, not a strict matching.</p> <p>Optionally, when the <b>Preferred Color</b> is not selected, you can choose the preferred color group from the <b>Preferred Color Group</b> drop-down list. Select the preferred color group of the data plane tunnel or tunnels to prefer. You can configure up to three levels of priority based on the color or path preference. This field is available from Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.9.1a and Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1.</p> <p>Click <b>Strict/Drop</b> to perform strict matching of the SLA class. If no data plane tunnel is available that satisfies the SLA criteria, traffic is dropped.</p> <p>Click <b>Fallback to best path</b> to select the best available tunnel to avoid a packet drop.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>Fallback to best path</b> option is available from Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.5.1a and Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1.</p> <p>You can select the <b>Fallback to best path</b> action only when the <b>Fallback Best Tunnel</b> option is enabled while defining a SLA class. If the <b>Fallback Best Tunnel</b> option is not enabled, then the following error message displays in Cisco SD-WAN Manager:</p> <pre>SLA Class selected, does not have Fallback Best Tunnel enabled. Please change the SLA class or change to Strict/Drop.</pre> <p>Click <b>Load Balance</b> to load balance traffic across all the tunnels.</p>
<b>Cloud SLA</b>	<p><b>Cloud SLA</b> enables traffic to use the best path selection with Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp for SaaS.</p> <p>Click <b>Cloud SLA</b>.</p>

9. Click **Save Match and Actions**.
10. Create additional sequence rules as desired. Drag and drop to re-arrange them.
11. Click **Save Application Aware Routing Policy**.
12. Click **Next** to move to **Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs** in the wizard.

## Default Action of Application-Aware Routing Policy

The default action of the policy defines how to handle packets that match none of the match conditions. For application-aware routing policy, if you do not configure a default action, all data packets are accepted and transmitted based on normal routing decisions, with no consideration of SLA.

To modify this behavior, include the **default-action sla-class** *sla-class-name* command in the policy, specifying the name of an SLA class you defined in the **policy sla-class** command.



When you apply an SLA class in a policy's default action, you cannot specify the **strict** option.

If no data plane tunnel satisfies the SLA class in the default action, the Cisco SD-WAN device selects one of the available tunnels by performing load-balancing across equal paths.

Expected behavior when data flow matches both AAR and data policies:

1. When data policy local TLOC action is configured, the **App-route preferred-color** and **backup-preferred-color** actions are ignored.
2. The **sla-class** and **sla-strict** actions are retained from the application routing configuration.
3. The data policy TLOC takes precedence.

When there is a **local-tloc-list** action that has multiple options, choose the local-TLOC that meets SLA.

- If no **local-tloc** meets SLA, then choose equal-cost multi-path routing (ECMP) for the traffic over the **local-tloc-list**.
- If none of the **local-tloc** is up, then choose a TLOC that is up.
- If none of the **local-tloc** is up and the DP is configured in restrict mode, then drop the traffic.

## Configure Application Probe Class through Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**.
2. In **Centralized Policy**, click **Add Policy**. The **Create Groups of Interest** page appears.
3. Choose the list type **App Probe Class** from the left navigation panel to create your groups of interest.
4. Click **New App Probe Class**.
5. Enter the probe class name in the **Probe Class Name** field.
6. Choose the required forwarding class from the **Forwarding Class** drop-down list.

If there are no forwarding classes, then create a class from the **Class Map** list page under the **Localized Policy Lists** in the **Custom Options** menu.

To create a forwarding class:

- a. In the **Custom Options** drop-down, choose **Lists** from the Localized Policy options.
  - b. In the Define Lists window, choose the list type **Class Map** from the left navigation panel.
  - c. Click **New Class List** to create a new list.
  - d. Enter **Class** and choose the **Queue** from the drop-down list.
  - e. Click **Save**.
7. In the **Entries** pane, choose the appropriate color from the **Color** drop-down list and enter the **DSCP** value.  
Click + sign, to add more entries as required.
  8. Click **Save**.

## Add App-Probe-Class to an SLA Class

1. From the left pane, select **SLA Class**.
2. Click **New SLA Class List**.
3. In the **SLA Class List Name** field, enter a name for SLA class list.
4. Enter the required **Loss (%)**, **Latency (ms)**, and **Jitter (ms)**.
5. Choose the required app probe class from the **App Probe Class** drop-down list.
6. Click **Add**.

The new SLA Class created with loss, latency, jitter, and app probe class is added to the table.

## Configure Default DSCP on Cisco BFD Template

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, select **Configuration > Templates**.
2. Click **Feature Templates**.




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**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.x and earlier releases, **Feature Templates** is titled **Feature**.

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3. Click **Add Template**.
4. Select a device from the device list in the left pane.
5. In the right pane, select the BFD template listed under Basic Information.
6. Enter **Template Name** and **Description** in the respective fields.
7. In the **Basic Configuration** pane, enter **Multiplier** and **Poll Interval (milliseconds)**.
8. In the **Default DSCP value for BFD Packets** field, enter the required device specific value or choose the default value for DSCP.
9. (Optional) In the **Color** pane, choose the required color from the drop-down list.
10. Enter the required **Hello Interval (milliseconds)** and **Multiplier**.
11. Choose the **Path MTU Discovery** value.
12. Enter the **BFD Default DSCP value for tloc color**.
13. Click **Add**.

The default DSCP and color values are configured on the BFD template.

## Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs

In the last window of the policy configuration wizard, you associate the policy blocks that you created on the previous three windows with VPNs and with sites in the overlay network.

To apply a policy block to sites and VPNs in the overlay network:

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**. Centralized Policy is selected and displayed by default.
2. Click **Add Policy**. The Create Applications or Groups of Interest page is displayed.
3. Click **Next**. The Network Topology window opens, and in the Topology bar, Topology is selected by default.
4. Click **Next**. The Configure Traffic Rules window opens, and in the Application-Aware Routing bar, Application-Aware Routing is selected by default.
5. Click **Next**. The Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs window opens.
6. In the Policy Name field, enter a name for the policy. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (-), and underscores (\_). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
7. In the Policy Description field, enter a description of the policy. It can contain up to 2048 characters. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
8. From the Topology bar, select the type of policy block. The table then lists policies that you have created for that type of policy block.
9. Click **Add New Site List** and **VPN list**. Select one or more site lists and select one or more VPN lists. Click **Add**.
10. Click **Preview** to view the configured policy. The policy is displayed in CLI format.
11. Click **Save Policy**. The **Configuration > Policies** page appears, and the policies table includes the newly created policy.

For an application-aware route policy to take effect, you apply it to a list of sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name app-route-policy policy-name
```

When you apply the policy, you do not specify a direction (either inbound or outbound). Application-aware routing policy affects only the outbound traffic on the Cisco SD-WAN devices.

For all **app-route-policy** policies that you apply with **apply-policy** commands, the site IDs across all the site lists must be unique. That is, the site lists must not contain overlapping site IDs. An example of overlapping site IDs are those in the two site lists **site-list 1, site-id 1-100**, and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**. Here, sites 70 through 100 are in both lists. If you were to apply these two site lists to two different **app-route-policy** policies, the attempt to commit the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller would fail.

The same type of restriction also applies to the following types of policies:

- Centralized control policy (**control-policy**)
- Centralized data policy (**data-policy**)
- Centralized data policy used for cflowd flow monitoring (**data-policy** that includes a **cflowd** action and **apply-policy** that includes a **cflowd-template** command)

You can, however, have overlapping site IDs for site lists that you apply for different types of policy. For example, the sites lists for **app-route-policy** and **data-policy** policies can have overlapping site IDs. So for the two example site lists above, **site-list 1, site-id 1-100**, and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**, you could apply one to a control policy and the other to a data policy.

As soon as you successfully activate the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller by issuing a **commit** command, the controller pushes the application-aware routing policy to the Cisco SD-WAN devices at the specified sites.

To view the policy configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, use the **show running-config** command on the controller.

To view the policy that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller has pushed to the device, issue the **show policy from-vsmart** command on the router.

To display flow information for the application-aware applications running on the device, issue the **show app dpi flows** command on the router.

## How Application-Aware Routing Policy is Applied in Combination with Other Data Policies

If you configure a Cisco SD-WAN device with application-aware routing policy and with other policies, the policies are applied to data traffic sequentially.

On a Cisco SD-WAN device, you can configure the following types of data policy:

- Centralized data policy. You configure this policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, and the policy is passed to the device. You define the configuration with the **policy data-policy configuration** command, and you apply it with the **apply-policy site-list data-policy**, or **apply-policy site-list vpn-membership** command.
- Localized data policy, which is commonly called access lists. You configure access lists on the device with the **policy access-list** configuration command. You apply them, within a VPN, to an incoming interface with the **vpn interface access-list in** configuration command or to an outgoing interface with the **vpn interface access-list out** command.
- Application-aware routing policy. Application-aware routing policy affects only traffic that is flowing from the service side (the local/LAN side) to the tunnel (WAN) side of the Cisco SD-WAN device. You configure application-aware routing policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller with the **policy app-route-policy** configuration command, and you apply it with the **apply-policy site-list app-route-policy** command. When you commit the configuration, the policy is passed to the appropriate devices. Then, matching data traffic on the device is processed in accordance with the configured SLA conditions. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of this policy is passed to the data policy for evaluation. If the data traffic does not match and if no default action is configured, transmit it without SLA consideration.

You can apply only one data policy and one application-aware routing policy to a single site in the overlay network. When you define and apply multiple site lists in a configuration, you must ensure that a single data policy or a single application-aware routing policy is not applied to more than one site. The CLI does not check for this circumstance, and the **validate** configuration command does not detect whether multiple policies of the same type are applied to a single site.

For data traffic flowing from the service side of the router to the WAN side of the router, policy evaluation of the traffic evaluation occurs in the following order:

1. Apply the input access list on the LAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of this access list is passed to the application-aware routing policy for evaluation.
2. Apply the application-aware routing policy. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of this policy is passed to the data policy for evaluation. If the data traffic does not match and if no default action is configured, transmit it without SLA consideration.

3. Apply the centralized data policy. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the input access list is passed to the output access list for evaluation.
4. Apply the output access list on the WAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the output access list is transmitted out the WAN interface.

For data traffic coming from the WAN through the router and into the service-side LAN, the policy evaluation of the traffic occurs in the following order:

1. Apply the input access list on the WAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the input access list is passed to the data policy for evaluation.
2. Apply the data policy. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the input access list is passed to the output access list for evaluation.
3. Apply the output access list on the LAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the output access list is transmitted out the LAN interface, towards its destination at the local site.

As mentioned above, application-aware routing policy affects only traffic that is flowing from the service side (the local/LAN side) to the tunnel (WAN) side of the Cisco SD-WAN device, so data traffic inbound from the WAN is processed only by access lists and data policy.



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**Note** When both application-aware routing and data policies are configured, if the data policy rules that contain actions such as redirect DNS, NextHop, secure internet gateway, NAT VPN, or service, the traffic which matches those rules will skip AAR policy even though the traffic also matches rules defined in the AAR policy. Data policy actions override AAR rules.

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## Activate an Application-Aware Routing Policy

To activate a policy:

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**. **Centralized Policy** is selected and displayed by default.
2. For the desired policy, click **...** and select **Activate**. The Activate Policy popup opens. It lists the IP addresses of the reachable Cisco SD-WAN Controllers to which the policy is to be applied.
3. Click **Activate**.

When you activate an application-aware routing policy, the policy is sent to all the connected Cisco SD-WAN Controllers.

## Monitor Data Plane Tunnel Performance

The Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) protocol runs over all data plane tunnels between Cisco SD-WAN devices, monitoring the liveness, and network and path characteristics of the tunnels. Application-aware routing uses the information gathered by BFD to determine the transmission performance of the tunnels. Performance is reported in terms of packet latency and packet loss on the tunnel.

BFD sends Hello packets periodically to test the liveness of a data plane tunnel and to check for faults on the tunnel. These Hello packets provide a measurement of packet loss and packet latency on the tunnel. The Cisco

SD-WAN device records the packet loss and latency statistics over a sliding window of time. BFD keeps track of the six most recent sliding windows of statistics, placing each set of statistics in a separate bucket. If you configure an application-aware routing policy for the device, it is these statistics that the router uses to determine whether a data plane tunnel's performance matches the requirements of the policy's SLA.

The following parameters determine the size of the sliding window:

Parameters	Default	Configuration Command	Range
BFD Hello packet interval	1 second	<b>bfd color <i>color</i> hello-interval <i>seconds</i></b>	1 through 65535 seconds
Polling interval for application-aware routing	10 minutes (600,000 milliseconds)	<b>bfd app-route poll-interval <i>milliseconds</i></b>	1 through 4,294,967 ( $2^{32} - 1$ ) milliseconds
Multiplier for application-aware routing	6	<b>bfd app-route multiplier <i>number</i></b>	1 through 6

Let us use the default values for these parameters to explain how application-aware routing works:

- For each sliding window time period, application-aware routing sees 600 BFD Hello packets (BFD Hello interval x polling interval: 1 second x 600 seconds = 600 Hello packets). These packets provide measurements of packet loss and latency on the data plane tunnels.
- Application-aware routing retains the statistics for 1 hour (polling interval x multiplier: 10 minutes x 6 = 60 minutes).
- The statistics are placed in six separate buckets, indexed with the numbers 0 through 5. Bucket 0 contains the latest statistics, and bucket 5 the oldest. Every 10 minutes, the newest statistics are placed in bucket 0, the statistics in bucket 5 are discarded, and the remaining statistics move into the next bucket.
- Every 60 minutes (every hour), application-aware routing acts on the loss and latency statistics. It calculates the mean of the loss and latency of all the buckets in all the sliding windows and compares this value to the specified SLAs for the tunnel. If the calculated value satisfies the SLA, application-aware routing does nothing. If the value does not satisfy the SLA, application-aware routing calculates a new tunnel.
- Application-aware routing uses the values in all six buckets to calculate the mean loss and latency for a data tunnel. This is because the multiplier is 6. While application-aware always retains six buckets of data, the multiplier determines how many it actually uses to calculate the loss and latency. For example, if the multiplier is 3, buckets 0, 1, and 2 are used.

Because these default values take action only every hour, they work well for a stable network. To capture network failures more quickly so that application-aware routing can calculate new tunnels more often, adjust the values of these three parameters. For example, if you change just the polling interval to 1 minute (60,000 milliseconds), application-aware routing reviews the tunnel performance characteristics every minute, but it performs its loss and latency calculations based on only 60 Hello packets. It may take more than 1 minute for application-aware routing to reset the tunnel if it calculates that a new tunnel is needed.

To display the next-hop information for an IP packet that a device sends out a service side interface, use the **show policy service-path** command. To view the similar information for packets that the router sends out a WAN transport tunnel interface, use the **show policy tunnel-path** command.

## Enable Application Visibility on Cisco SD-WAN Devices

You can enable application visibility directly on Cisco SD-WAN devices, without configuring application-aware routing policy so that you can monitor all the applications running in all VPNs in the LAN. To do this, configure application visibility on the router:

```
vEdge(config)# policy app-visibility
```

To monitor the applications, use the **show app dpi applications** and **show app dpi supported-applications** commands on the device.

## Dampen Data Plane Tunnels

*Table 34: Feature History*

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Configure Dampening on Data Plane Tunnels	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.5.1	This feature introduces a configurable delay (dampening) mechanism on data plane tunnels to minimize tunnel flapping on the WAN links. The dampening process removes a tunnel from the SLA class until it stops flapping and becomes stable.

## Restrictions for Tunnel Dampening

- If there's no other tunnel available on an SLA class, you can add a tunnel into the SLA class when it meets the SLA class criteria, instead of configuring tunnel dampening. Don't configure dampening on a tunnel when:
  - Rebooting a router
  - Configuring any one of the two transport locators (TLOCs)
  - TLOCs are flapping due to interface shutdown and no-shutdown events.
- Don't configure dampening on a tunnel when there's only one TLOC present on a Cisco vEdge device or using the tunnel as the circuit of last resort on a Cisco vEdge device.

## Information About Tunnel Dampening

In a network operation, you can optimize the path that an application data traffic takes through the network by directing it to WAN links. Some of the WAN links can be unstable and can cause data plane tunnel on the WAN links to flap. This data plane tunnel is the tunnel under detention. The tunnel flapping can change the tunnel quality such that the tunnel SLA classes keep changing. In this scenario, when tunnel quality degrades and it doesn't meet the desired SLA criteria, critical traffic such as, voice or video is redirected to a different tunnel. The traffic flow resumes from the tunnel under detection when the tunnel SLA normalizes.

The tunnel dampening feature allows you to configure a delay mechanism on a tunnel to suppress the effect of traffic flaps due to the tunnel not meeting the SLA criteria. You can dampen a tunnel and remove it from the SLA class to minimize notifications from the tunnel and prevent instability in the network.



**Note** The dampening of a tunnel suppresses the SLA-change notifications until the tunnel under detection stops flapping and it meets the SLA criteria consistently.

## Functionalities of Tunnel Dampening

- The tunnel SLA of an application is calculated based on the values of global poll interval and multiplier.
- You can dampen a tunnel before adding the tunnel into the user-defined SLA class and not into the default SLA class.
- When a tunnel is part of an SLA class, there's no change in the behavior of removing it from the SLA class. The tunnel SLA is calculated at every poll interval based on the values of global multiplier. If the tunnel doesn't meet the SLA criteria, it's taken out from the SLA class.
- The tunnel dampening for an SLA class starts when a tunnel meets the SLA class criteria. If the tunnel doesn't meet the SLA criteria, you can reset the tunnel dampening and start it again when the tunnel meets the SLA class criteria.
- When you configure tunnel dampening on a BFD color, there's no impact on the existing tunnels for this color and they remain in their current SLA class. If the tunnel doesn't meet the SLA criteria, it's taken out from the SLA class, and dampened before adding it back.
- The tunnel dampening feature can be configured only by using the [CLI Add-on Feature templates](#) to enter the configuration applicable to your environment.

## Default Class Behavior of Tunnel Dampening

By default, every tunnel is part of the default SLA class. When you dampen a tunnel and it isn't part of the SLA class, the traffic on the data plane tunnels between devices falls into default class (if there's no tunnel in the SLA class). The data traffic can then choose any of the available tunnels based on the ECMP method. However, you can use the best of the worst tunnel selection feature (introduced in Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1) to choose the best tunnel from the available tunnels rather than simple ECMP. You can configure the best tunnel criteria on each SLA class because for different SLA classes, the criteria to choose the best tunnel can be different. For example, the best tunnel criteria can be the lowest latency tunnel for voice SLA and lowest loss tunnel for data SLA class.

## Configure Tunnel Dampening Using the CLI

1. Configure the poll interval of BFD timers used by application-aware routing.

```
Device# config
Device(config)# bfd app-route poll-interval poll-interval
```

By default, the poll interval is 10 minutes (600,000 milliseconds).

The poll interval value specifies the interval at which SLA is calculated periodically for each tunnel.

2. Configure the total number of poll intervals (multiplier) for which the SLA data is maintained.

The average of all the poll intervals determine the SLA of a tunnel.



```
Device(config)# bfd app-route multiplier multiplier
```

By default, the multiplier value is six.

3. Configure the BFD timers used on transport tunnels (color) for application-aware routing.

```
Device(config)# bfd app-route color color
```

4. Configure dampening on a tunnel.

```
Device(config-color-<color>)# sla-damp-multiplier damp-multiplier
```

After you configure tunnel dampening, the dampening remains effective for a duration calculated as a product of damp multiplier and poll interval values.

5. Reset dampening on a tunnel for a specific color.

```
Device# request sla-dampening-reset color color
```

The following is a sample configuration for removing a tunnel from an SLA class within three minutes and dampen it for a duration of one hour (3,600,000 milliseconds).

```
Device# config
Device(config)# bfd app-route poll-interval 60000
Device(config)# bfd app-route multiplier 3
Device(config)# bfd app-route color public-internet
Device(config-color-public-internet)# sla-damp-multiplier 60
!
```

The following is a sample command to reset dampening.

```
Device# request sla-dampening-reset color public-internet
```

## Verify Tunnel Dampening

The following is a sample output from the **show app-route stats** command.

```
Device# show app-route stats

app-route statistics 192.168.0.1 192.168.101.2 ipsec 12346 12386
remote-system-ip 172.16.248.101
local-color      public-internet
remote-color     public-internet
mean-loss
mean-latency     15
sla-class-index  0, 1
Dampening-sla-class-index 2,3
Dampening-multiplier-left 10,20
```

TOTAL INDEX	PACKETS	AVERAGE LOSS	AVERAGE LATENCY	TX DATA JITTER	RX DATA PKTS	RX DATA PKTS
0	600	0	16	21	0	0
1	600	0	14	18	0	0
2	599	0	17	20	0	0
3	599	0	14	18	0	0
4	600	0	15	19	0	0
5	599	0	15	19	0	0
...						

In this command output:

Command Output	Purpose
<b>Dampening-sla-class-index</b>	Displays the SLA indexes that are dampened.
<b>Dampening-multiplier-left</b>	Represents the damp-multiplier left for both the SLA indexes.

## Configure Application-Aware Routing Using CLIs

Following are the high-level steps for configuring an application-aware routing policy:

1. Create a list of overlay network sites to which the application-aware routing policy is to be applied (in the **apply-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-site-list)# site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (-). Create additional site lists, as needed.

2. Create SLA classes and traffic characteristics to apply to matching application data traffic:

```
vSmart(config)# policy sla-class sla-class-name
vSmart(config-sla-class)# jitter milliseconds
vSmart(config-sla-class)# latency milliseconds
vSmart(config-sla-class)# loss percentage
vSmart(config-sla-class)# app-probe-class app-probe-class
vSmart(config-sla-class)# fallback-best-tunnel criteria latency loss jitter
```

3. Create lists of applications, IP prefixes, and VPNs to use in identifying application traffic of interest (in the **match** section of the policy definition):

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# app-list list-name
vSmart(config-app-list)# (app application-name | app-family family-name)

vSmart(config-lists)# prefix-list list-name
vSmart(config-prefix-list)# ip-prefix prefix/length

vSmart(config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# vpn vpn-id
```

4. If you are configuring a logging action, configure how often to log packets to syslog files:

```
vEdge(config)# policy log-frequency number
```

5. Create an application-aware routing policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs:

```
vSmart(config)# policy app-route-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-app-route-policy)# vpn-list list-name
```

6. Within the policy, create one or more numbered sequence of match–action pairs, where the match parameters define the data traffic and applications of interest and the action parameters specify the SLA class to apply if a match occurs.

- a. Create a sequence:

```
vSmart(config-app-route-policy)# sequence number
```

- b. Define match parameters for data packets:

```
vSmart (config-sequence) # match parameters
```

- c. Define the action to take if a match occurs:

```
vSmart (config-sequence) # action sla-class sla-class-name [strict]
vSmart (config-sequence) # action sla-class sla-class-name [strict] preferred-color
colors
vSmart (config-sequence) # <userinput>action backup-sla-preferred-color</userinput>
<varname>colors</varname>
```

The first two **action** options direct matching data traffic to a tunnel interface that meets the SLA characteristics in the specified SLA class:

- **sla-class** *sla-class-name*—When you specify an SLA class with no additional parameters, data traffic that matches the SLA is forwarded as long as one tunnel interface is available. The software first tries to send the traffic through a tunnel that matches the SLA. If a single tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through that tunnel. If two or more tunnels match, traffic is distributed among them. If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through one of the available tunnels.
- **sla-class** *sla-class-name* **preferred-color** *color*—To set a specific tunnel to use when data traffic matches an SLA class, include the **preferred-color** option, specifying the color of the preferred tunnel. If more than one tunnel matches the SLA, traffic is sent to the preferred tunnel. If a tunnel of the preferred color is not available, traffic is sent through any tunnel that matches the SLA class. If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through any available tunnel. In this sense, color preference is considered to be a loose matching, not a strict matching, because data traffic is always forwarded, whether a tunnel of the preferred color is available or not.
- **sla-class** *sla-class-name* **preferred-color** *colors*—To set multiple tunnels to use when data traffic matches an SLA class, include the **preferred-color** option, specifying two or more tunnel colors. Traffic is load-balanced across all tunnels.

If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through any available tunnel. In this sense, color preference is considered to be a loose matching, not a strict matching, because data traffic is always forwarded, whether a tunnel of the preferred color is available or not. When no tunnel matches the SLA, you can choose how to handle the data traffic:

- **strict**—Drop the data traffic.
  - **backup-sla-preferred-color** *colors*—Direct the data traffic to a specific tunnel. Data traffic is sent out the configured tunnel if that tunnel interface is available; if that tunnel is unavailable, traffic is sent out another available tunnel. You can specify one or more colors. As with the **preferred-color** option, the backup SLA preferred color is loose matching. In a single **action** configuration, you cannot include both the **strict** and **backup-sla-preferred-color** options.
- d. Count the packets or bytes that match the policy:
- ```
vSmart (config-sequence) # action count counter-name
```
- e. Place a sampled set of packets that match the SLA class rule into syslog files:
- ```
vSmart (config-sequence) # action log
```
- f. The match–action pairs within a policy are evaluated in numerical order, based on the sequence number, starting with the lowest number. If a match occurs, the corresponding action is taken and policy evaluation stops.

7. If a packet does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, a default action is taken. For application-aware routing policy, the default action is to accept nonmatching traffic and forward it with no consideration of SLA. You can configure the default action so that SLA parameters are applied to nonmatching packets:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name)# default-action sla-class sla-class-name
```

8. Apply the policy to a site list:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name app-route-policy policy-name
```

## Configure Application Probe Class Using CLI

Configure app-probe-class, real-time-video and map them with the SLA class as shown in the following example:

```
Device(config)# app-probe-class real-time-video
Device(config)# forwarding-class videofc
Device(config)# color mpls dscp 34
Device(config)# color biz-internet dscp 40
Device(config)# color lte dscp 0
```

```
Device(config)# sla-class streamsla
Device(config)# latency 20
Device(config)# loss 10
Device(config)# app-probe-class real-time-video
```

Configure the default value for DSCP using BFD template as shown:

```
Device(config)# bfd default-dscp 50
Device(config)# bfd color mpls 15
```

## Application-Aware Routing Policy Configuration Example

This topic shows a straightforward example of configuring application-aware routing policy. This example defines a policy that applies to ICMP traffic, directing it to links with latency of 50 milliseconds or less when such links are available.

You configure application-aware routing policy on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. The configuration consists of the following high-level components:

- Definition of the application (or applications)
- Definition of App Probe Class (Optional)
- Definition of SLA parameters
- Definition of sites, prefixes, and VPNs
- Application-aware routing policy itself
- Specification of overlay network sites to which the policy is applied

The order in which you configure these components is immaterial from the point of view of the CLI. However, from an architectural design point of view, a logical order is to first define all the parameters that are invoked in the application-aware routing policy itself or that are used to apply the policy to various sites in the overlay network. Then, you specify the application-aware routing policy itself and the network sites to which you want to apply the policy.

Here is the procedure for configuring this application-aware routing policy on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller:

1. Define the SLA parameters to apply to matching ICMP traffic. In our example, we want to direct ICMP traffic to links that have a latency of 50 milliseconds or less:

```
vSmart# config
vSmart(config)# policy sla-class test_sla_class latency 50
vSmart(config-sla-class-test_sla_class)#
```

2. Define the site and VPN lists to which we want to apply the application-aware routing policy:

```
vSmart(config-sla-class-test_sla_class)# exit
vSmart(config-sla-class-test_sla_class)# lists vpn-list vpn_1_list vpn 1
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# exit
vSmart(config-lists)# site-list site_500 site-id 500
vSmart(config-site-list-site_500)#
```

3. Configure the application-aware routing policy. Note that in this example, we apply the policy to the application in two different ways: In sequences 1, 2, and 3, we specify the protocol number (protocol 1 is ICMP, protocol 6 is TCP, and protocol 17 is UDP).

```
vSmart(config-site-list-site_500)# exit
vSmart(config-lists)# exit
vSmart(config-policy)# app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
vSmart(config-app-route-policy-test_app_route_policy)# vpn-list vpn_1_list
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# sequence 1 match protocol 6
vSmart(config-match)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-1)# action sla-class test_sla_class strict
vSmart(config-sequence-1)# exit
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# sequence 2 match protocol 17
vSmart(config-match)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-2)# action sla-class test_sla_class
vSmart(config-sequence-2)# exit
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# sequence 3 match protocol 1
vSmart(config-match)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-3)# action sla-class test_sla_class strict
vSmart(config-sequence-3)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-4)#
```

4. Apply the policy to the desired sites in the Cisco SD-WAN overlay network:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-4)# top
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list site_500 app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
```

5. Display the configuration changes:

```
vSmart(config-site-list-site_500)# top
vSmart(config)# show config
```

6. Validate that the configuration contains no errors:

```
vSmart(config)# validate
Validation complete
```

7. Activate the configuration:

```
vSmart(config)# commit
Commit complete.
```

#### 8. Exit from configuration mode:

```
vSmart(config)# exit
vSmart#
```

Putting all the pieces of the configuration together gives this configuration:

```
vSmart# show running-config policy
policy
sla-class test_sla_class
  latency 50
!
app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
vpn-list vpn_1_list
  sequence 1
    match
      protocol 6
    !
    action sla-class test_sla_class strict
  !
  sequence 2
    match
      protocol 17
    !
    action sla-class test_sla_class
  !
  sequence 3
    match
      protocol 1
    !
    action sla-class test_sla_class strict
  !
!
!
lists
vpn-list vpn_1_list
  vpn 1
!
site-list site_500
  site-id 500
!
site-list site_600
  site-id 600
!
!
!
apply-policy
  site-list site_500
  app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
!
!
```

The following example defines the multicast protocol:

```
policy
!
sla-class SLA_BEST_EFFORT
  jitter 900
!
sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_CRITICAL
  loss 1
```

```
latency 250
jitter 300
!
sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_DATA
loss 3
latency 400
jitter 500
!
sla-class SLA_REALTIME
loss 2
latency 300
jitter 60
!
app-route-policy policy_multicast
vpn-list multicast-vpn-list
sequence 10
match
source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
destination-ip 10.255.255.254/8
!
action
count mc-counter-10
sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_CRITICAL
!
!
sequence 15
match
source-ip 172.16.0.0/12
destination-ip 172.31.255.254/12
!
action
count mc-counter-15
sla-class SLA_BEST_EFFORT
!
!
sequence 20
match
destination-ip 192.168.0.1
!
action
count mc-counter-20
sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_CRITICAL
!
!
sequence 25
match
protocol 17
!
action
count mc-counter-25
sla-class SLA_REALTIME
!
!
sequence 30
match
source-ip 192.168.0.0/16
destination-ip 192.168.255.254
protocol 17
!
action
count mc-counter-30
sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_DATA preferred-color lte
!
!
```

```

default-action sla-class SLA_BEST_EFFORT
!
sequence 35
match
  source-ip      10.0.0.0/8
  destination-ip 10.255.255.254/8
  protocol       17
!
action
  count mc-counter-35
  sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_DATA preferred-color lte
  backup-sla-preferred-color 3g
!
!
lists
vpn-list multicast-vpn-list
  vpn 1
  vpn 60
  vpn 4001-4010
  vpn 65501-65510
!
site-list multicast-site-list
  site-id 1100
  site-id 500
  site-id 600
!
!
!
apply-policy
  site-list multicast-site-list
  app-route-policy policy_multicast
!
!

```

### Ranking Color Preference Example

```

app-route-policy SAMPLE _AAR
vpn-list ONE
sequence 10
match
  dscp 46
!
action
  sla VOICE_SLA strict preferred-color-group GROUP2_COLORS
!
!
sequence 20
match
  dscp 34
!
action
  sla VOICE_SLA preferred-color-group GROUP1_COLORS
!
!
sequence 30
match
  dscp 28
!
action
  sla VOICE_SLA preferred-color-group GROUP3_COLORS
!
!
!
policy lists

```



```

preferred-color-group GROUP1_COLORS
  primary-preference
    color-preference biz-internet
    path-preference direct-tunnel
  !
  secondary-preference
    color-preference mpls
    path-preference multi-hop-path
  !
  tertiary-preference
    color-preference lte
  !
!
preferred-color-group GROUP2_COLORS
  primary-preference
    color-preference mpls
  !
  secondary-preference
    color-preference biz-internet
  !
!
preferred-color-group GROUP3_COLORS
  primary-preference
    color-preference mpls biz-internet lte
  !
!

```




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**Note** You can configure path-preference option only if you enable the Multi-Region Fabric option in Cisco SD-WAN Manager.

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### AAR Policy for IPv6 Applications Example

```

policy
  sla-class Default
    jitter 100
    latency 300
    loss 25
  !
  app-route-policy _VPN1_AAR-Policy-for-IPv6-Traffic
    vpn-list VPN1
      sequence 1
        match
          app-list Msft-0365
        !
        action
          sla-class Default preferred-color public-internet
        !
      !
    !
  !
  lists
    app-list Msft-0365
      app ms-office-web-apps
    !
    site-list SITE-100
      site-id 100
    !
    vpn-list VPN1
      vpn 1
    !
  !
!

```

```
!  
apply-policy  
  site-list SITE-100  
  app-route-policy _VPN1_AAR-Policy-for-IPv6-Traffic  
!  
!
```

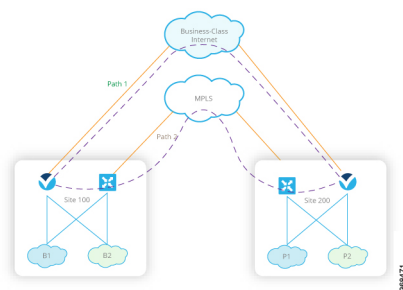


# CHAPTER 11

## Information About Application-Aware Routing

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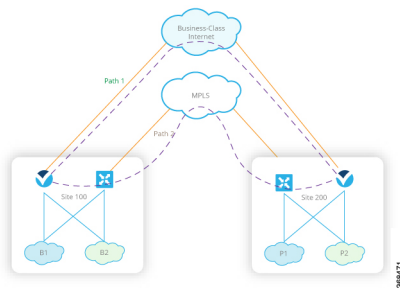
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## Application-Aware Routing Support for Multicast Protocols

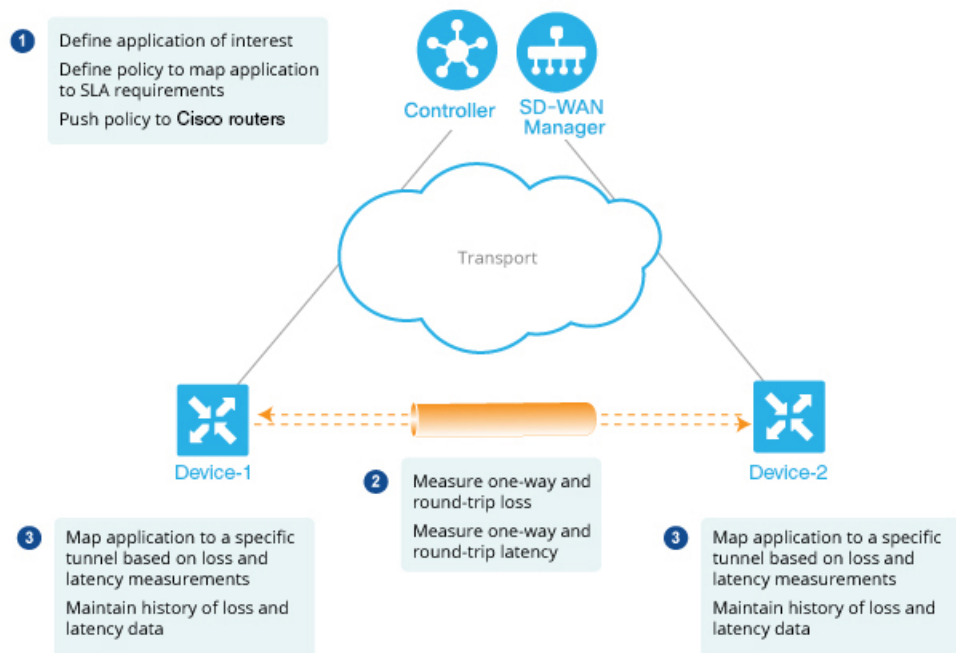
Starting from Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.3.1a, application-aware routing supports overlay multicast traffic on devices. In older releases, an application-route policy is supported only for unicast traffic.

The devices classify the multicast traffic based on the group address and sets the SLA class. The group address can be source IP, destination IP, source prefixes, and destination prefixes. In the forwarding plane, any traffic for group address must use only those TLOC paths that meet the SLA requirement. You can perform the path selection for a group based on the preferred color, backup color, or the default action.

## Components of Application-Aware Routing

The Cisco SD-WAN Application-Aware Routing solution consists of three elements:

- **Identification**—You define the application of interest, and then you create a centralized data policy that maps the application to specific SLA requirements. You single out data traffic of interest by matching on the Layer 3 and Layer 4 headers in the packets, including source and destination prefixes and ports, protocol, and DSCP field. As with all centralized data policies, you configure them on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, which then passes them to the appropriate Cisco SD-WAN devices.
- **Monitoring and measuring**—The Cisco SD-WAN software uses BFD packets to continuously monitor the data traffic on the data plane tunnels between devices, and periodically measures the performance characteristics of the tunnel. To gauge performance, the Cisco SD-WAN device looks for traffic loss on the tunnel, and it measures latency by looking at the one-way and round-trip times of traffic traveling over the tunnel. These measurements might indicate suboptimal data traffic conditions.
- **Mapping application traffic to a specific transport tunnel**—The final step is to map an application's data traffic to the data plane tunnel that provides the desired performance for the application. The mapping decision is based on two criteria: the best-path criteria computed from measurements performed on the WAN connections and on the constraints specified in a policy specific to application-aware routing.



To create a data policy based on the Layer 7 application itself, configure the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow with a centralized data policy. With the SAIE flow, you can direct traffic to a specific tunnel, based on the remote TLOC, the remote TLOC, or both. You cannot direct traffic to tunnels based on SLA classes.



**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.1 and earlier releases, the SAIE flow is called the deep packet inspection (DPI) flow.

## SLA Classes

**Table 35: Feature History**

Feature	Release Information	Description
Support for SLA Classes	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.1.1	This feature allows you to configure up to a maximum of eight SLA classes on Cisco SD-WAN Controller. Using this feature, you can configure additional options in an application-aware routing policy.
Support for six SLA Classes per Policy	Cisco vManage Release 20.3.1 Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.3.1	This feature allows you to configure up to four SLA classes per policy on Cisco SD-WAN devices. This enhancement allows additional options in an application-aware routing policy.
SLA Class Support Enhancement	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.6.1	This feature is an enhancement to support more than six SLA classes per policy on Cisco SD-WAN devices.
Application Aware Routing and Data Policy SLA Preferred Colors	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.6.1	This feature provides different behaviors to choose preferred colors based on the SLA requirements when both application-aware routing policy and data policies are configured.

A service-level agreement (SLA) determines actions taken in application-aware routing. The SLA class defines the maximum jitter, maximum latency, maximum packet loss, or a combination of these values for data plane tunnels in Cisco SD-WAN devices. Each data plane tunnel comprises a local transport locators (TLOC) and a remote TLOC pair. You can configure SLA classes under the **policy sla-class** command hierarchy on Cisco SD-WAN Controllers. From Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.1.x, you can configure a maximum of eight SLA classes on Cisco SD-WAN Validator. However, you can define only four unique SLA classes in an application-aware route policy. In releases earlier than Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.1.x, you can configure a maximum of four SLA classes.



**Note** In Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.3.1, you cannot configure more than four different SLA classes on Cisco SD-WAN devices. If you configure more than four different SLA classes, the application-aware routing policy gets rejected.

You can configure the following parameters in an SLA class.

Table 36: SLA Components

Description	Command	Value or Range
Maximum acceptable packet jitter on the data plane tunnel	<b>jitter</b> <i>milliseconds</i>	1–1000 milliseconds
Maximum acceptable packet latency on the data plane tunnel.	<b>latency</b> <i>milliseconds</i>	1–1000 milliseconds
Maximum acceptable packet loss on the data plane tunnel.	<b>loss</b> <i>percentage</i>	1–100 percent

### SLA Support Enhancement

From Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 and Cisco vManage Release 20.6.1, you can configure more than six SLA classes per policy on Cisco SD-WAN devices.

vEdge Cloud Router platforms require another 250-MB RAM to support 7+1 SLA classes. vEdge Cloud Routers can be small or medium depending on the RAM size. Small vEdge Cloud Routers have RAM size less than 1.75 GB and the medium vEdge Cloud Routers have RAM size from 1.75 GB to 2.5 GB. (For example, when you upgrade to Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1, vEdge Cloud Router with RAM size 1.5 GB is a small device.)

This feature enhancement increases the number of SLA classes supported on Cisco SD-WAN Controller and SD-WAN Edge devices. With the increase in the SLA class support, you can align SLA classes to IP Virtual Private Networks (IP-VPN) on Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) networks for transporting traffic to a global network.

The SLA enhancement helps in multitenancy, where you can push different SLA classes for different tenants. The multitenancy feature requires the Cisco SD-WAN Controller to support more than eight SLA classes. To allocate SLA classes to different tenants, the global limit for policies must be 64.



**Note** You cannot configure the default SLA. The default SLA is configured in all the devices to forward traffic when no user-defined SLA is met.

Table 37: Maximum SLA Classes Supported on Cisco SD-WAN Devices

Platform	User-configurable SLA Classes Prior to Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 (+1 Default SLA Class)	User-configurable SLA Classes from Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1 (+1 Default SLA Class)
Cisco SD-WAN Controller	8	64
Cisco vEdge 5000	4	15
vEdge Cloud Router	4	7
Any other Cisco vEdge devices	4	4

### SLA-Preferred Colors

From Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1, when you configure both application-aware routing policy and data policy, and if data flow matches the app-route and data policy sequences, the following expected behaviors occur:

- If the preferred colors that you configure in application-aware routing meet the SLA requirements, and these preferred colors have some colors that are common with data policy, the common preferred colors are chosen over others for forwarding. (Prior to Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.6.1, the data policy-preferred colors were forwarded and the application-aware routing policy preferences were ignored.)
- If preferred colors in application-aware routing do not meet the SLA, but there are colors that are common with the data policy, and these colors meet the SLA in application-aware routing, then these colors take precedence and are chosen for forwarding.
- If no tunnels or colors meet the SLA in application-aware routing, the data policy takes precedence and is chosen for forwarding. If the data policy has preferred colors, these colors are chosen. Otherwise, load balance occurs across all the colors in the data policy.

## Classification of Tunnels into SLA Classes

The process of classifying tunnels into one or more SLA classes for application-aware routing has three parts:

- Measure loss, latency, and jitter information for the tunnel.
- Calculate the average loss, latency, and jitter for the tunnel.
- Determine the SLA classification of the tunnel.

## Measure Loss, Latency, and Jitter

When a data plane tunnel in the overlay network is established, a BFD session automatically starts on the tunnel. In the overlay network, each tunnel is identified with a color that identifies a specific link between a local TLOC and a remote TLOC. The BFD session monitors the liveness of the tunnel by periodically sending Hello packets to detect whether the link is operational. Application-aware routing uses the BFD Hello packets to measure the loss, latency, and jitter on the links.

By default, the BFD Hello packet interval is 1 second. This interval is user-configurable (with the **bfd color interval** command). Note that the BFD Hello packet interval is configurable per tunnel.

## Calculate Average Loss, Latency, and Jitter

BFD periodically polls all the tunnels on the Cisco SD-WAN devices to collect packet latency, loss, jitter, and other statistics for use by application-aware routing. At each poll interval, application-aware routing calculates the average loss, latency, and jitter for each tunnel, and then calculates or recalculates each tunnel's SLA. Each poll interval is also called a "bucket."

By default, the poll interval is 10 minutes. With the default BFD Hello packet interval at 1 second, this means that information from about 600 BFD Hello packets is used in one poll interval to calculate loss, latency, and jitter for the tunnel. The poll interval is user-configurable (with the **bfd app-route poll-interval** command). Note that the application-aware routing poll interval is configurable per Cisco SD-WAN device; that is, it applies to all tunnels originating on a device.



Reducing the poll interval without reducing the BFD Hello packet interval may affect the quality of the loss, latency, and jitter calculation. For example, setting the poll interval to 10 seconds when the BFD Hello packet interval is 1 second means that only 10 Hello packets are used to calculate the loss, latency, and jitter for the tunnel.

The loss, latency, and jitter information from each poll interval is preserved for six poll intervals. At the seventh poll interval, the information from the earliest polling interval is discarded to make way for the latest information. In this way, application-aware routing maintains a sliding window of tunnel loss, latency, and jitter information.

The number of poll intervals (6) is not user-configurable. Each poll interval is identified by an index number (0 through 5) in the output of the **show app-route statistics** command.

## Determine SLA Classification

To determine the SLA classification of a tunnel, application-aware routing uses the loss, latency, and jitter information from the latest poll intervals. The number of poll intervals used is determined by a multiplier. By default, the multiplier is 6, so the information from all the poll intervals (specifically, from the last six poll intervals) is used to determine the classification. For the default poll interval of 10 minutes and the default multiplier of 6, the loss, latency, and jitter information collected over the last hour is considered when classifying the SLA of each tunnel. These default values have to be chosen to provide damping of sorts, as a way to prevent frequent reclassification (flapping) of the tunnel.

The multiplier is user-configurable (with the **bfd app-route multiplier** command). Note that the application-aware routing multiplier is configurable per Cisco SD-WAN device; that is, it applies to all tunnels originating on a device.

If there is a need to react quickly to changes in tunnel characteristics, you can reduce the multiplier all the way down to 1. With a multiplier of 1, only the latest poll interval loss and latency values are used to determine whether this tunnel can satisfy one or more SLA criteria.

Based on the measurement and calculation of tunnel loss and latency, each tunnel may satisfy one or more user-configured SLA classes. For example, a tunnel with a mean loss of 0 packets and mean latency of 10 milliseconds would satisfy a class that has been defined with a maximum packet loss of 5 and a minimum latency of 20 milliseconds, and it would also satisfy a class that has been defined with a maximum packet loss of 0 and minimum latency of 15 milliseconds.

Regardless of how quickly a tunnel is reclassified, the loss, latency, and jitter information is measured and calculated continuously. You can configure how quickly application-aware routing reacts to changes by modifying the poll interval and multiplier.

## Per-Class Application-Aware Routing

Table 38: Feature History

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Per-Class Application-Aware Routing	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1	This feature enhances the capabilities of directing traffic to next-hop addresses based on the service level agreement (SLA) definitions. These SLA definitions along with the policy to match and classify traffic types can be used to direct traffic over specific Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN tunnels. The SLA definition comprises of values of loss, latency, and jitter, which are measured using the Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) channel that exists between two transport locators (TLOCs).

### Per-Class Application-Aware Routing Overview

The SLA definition comprises of values of loss, latency, and jitter, which are measured using the BFD channel that exists between two TLOCs. These values collectively represent the status of the network and the BFD link. The BFD control messages are sent with a high priority Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP) marking of 48.

The SLA metrics based on the high priority packet does not reflect the priority that is received by the actual data that flows through the edge device. The data, depending on the application class, can have different DSCP values in the network. Therefore, a more accurate representation of the loss, latency, and jitter for the traffic profiles is required for the networks to use such measurements to direct traffic types to the right tunnels.

Application-aware routing uses policies that constrain paths that can be used for forwarding the application. These constraints are usually expressed in terms of SLA classes that contain loss, latency, and jitter requirements that must be met. This requires that these metrics be measured on all the paths to the destination of the traffic using active probing or by passive monitoring.

Active probing methods include generation of synthetic traffic that is injected along with real traffic. The expectation is that the probes and the real traffic is forwarded in the same way. BFD probing, ICMP, periodic HTTP requests and IP SLA measurements are some examples of active probing mechanisms. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN solution uses BFD based probes for active measurements. Passive monitoring methods rely on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Application Intelligence Engine (SAIE) flow and monitoring actual traffic. For example, RTP/TCP traffic is monitored for loss, latency, and jitter.



**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.1 and earlier releases, the SAIE flow is called the deep packet inspection (DPI) flow.

### Application Probe Class

An application probe class (app-probe-class) comprises of a forwarding class, color, and DSCP. This defines the marking per color of applications that are forwarded. The color or DSCP mapping is local to a Cisco SD-WAN network site. However, a few colors and the DSCP mapping for a color does not change per site. The forwarding class determines the QoS queue in which the BFD echo request is queued at the egress tunnel

port. This is applicable only for BFD echo request packets. The packet-loss-priority for BFD packets is fixed to low. When BFD packets are sent with SLA class, they use the same DSCP value. When BFD packets are sent with app-probe-class along with SLA class, the BFD packets are sent for each SLA app-probe-class separately in a round-robin manner.

## Default DSCP Values

The default DSCP value that is used in the DSCP control traffic is 48. However, there is a provision to change the default value along with the option to configure on the edge devices. All the network service providers may not necessarily use DSCP 48.

The BFD packet having the default DSCP can also be used for other features such as PMTU. A change in the default DSCP means that the other features are affected by the new default DSCP value. Therefore, we recommend that you configure the highest priority DSCP marking that the service provider provides (usually 48, but can be different based on the SLA agreement of the service provider). The color level overrides the global level default DSCP marking.

# Configure Application-Aware Routing

*Table 39: Feature History*

Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Application-Aware Routing for Hub and Spoke	Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.9.1 Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1	This feature enables you to configure an application-aware routing policy on a hub device and apply the policy to packets that the hub device receives from a spoke device and sends to another spoke device. Applying the application-aware routing policy helps you realize the required SLA for spoke-hub-spoke traffic.

This topic provides general procedures for configuring application-aware routing. Application-aware routing policy affects only traffic that is flowing from the service side (the local/WAN side) to the tunnel (WAN) side of the Cisco SD-WAN device.

An application-aware routing policy matches applications with an SLA, that is, with the data plane tunnel performance characteristics that are necessary to transmit the applications' data traffic. The primary purpose of application-aware routing policy is to optimize the path for data traffic being transmitted by Cisco SD-WAN devices.

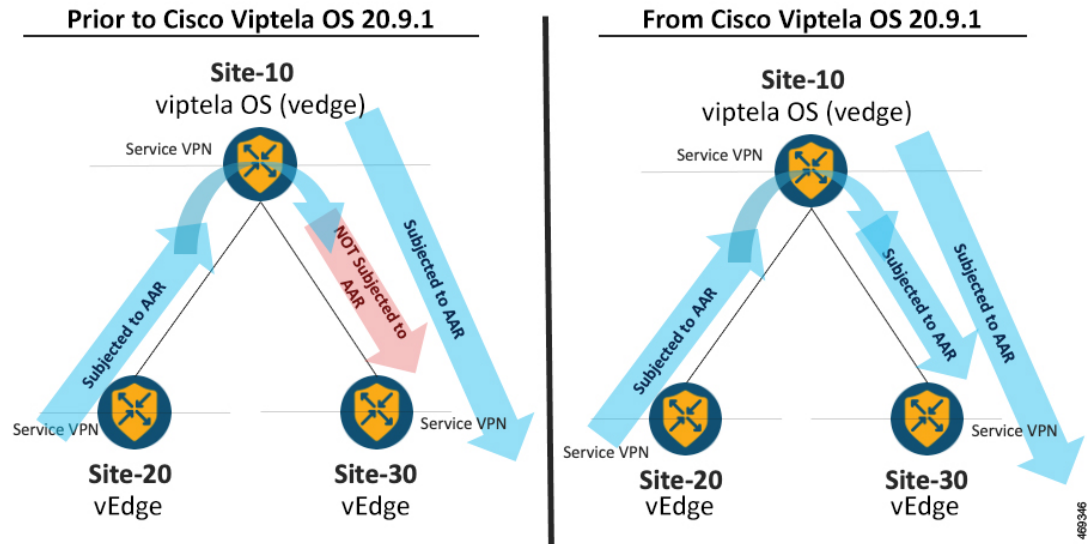
An application-aware routing policy is a type of centralized data policy: you configure it on the vSmart controller, and the controller automatically pushes it to the affected Cisco SD-WAN devices. As with any policy, an application-aware routing policy consists of a series of numbered (ordered) sequences of match-action pairs that are evaluated in order, from lowest sequence number to highest sequence number. When a data packet matches one of the match conditions, an SLA action is applied to the packet to determine the data plane tunnel to use to transmit the packet. If a packet matches no parameters in any of the policy sequences, and if no SLA class is configured for the default-action, the packet is accepted and forwarded with no consideration of SLA. Because application-aware routing policy accepts nonmatching traffic by default, it is considered as a positive policy. Other types of policies in the Cisco SD-WAN software are negative policies, because by default they drop nonmatching traffic.

## Hub and Spoke Topology

Minimum releases: Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.9.1 and Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1

You can configure an application-aware routing policy on a hub device and apply the policy to packets that the hub device receives from a spoke device and sends to another spoke device.

Figure 25: Hub and Spoke Topology



## Configure Application-Aware Routing Policies Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

To configure application-aware routing policy, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. For Centralized Policy configuration details, see [Configure Centralized Policies](#). The wizard consists of four sequential windows that guide you through the process of creating and editing policy components:

- Create Applications or Groups of Interest: Create lists that group together related items and that you call in the match or action components of a policy. For configuration details, see [Configure Groups of Interest](#).
- Configure Topology: Create the network structure to which the policy applies. For topology configuration details, see [Configure Topology and VPN Membership](#).
- Configure Traffic Rules: Create the match and action conditions of a policy.
- Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs: Associate policy with sites and VPNs in the overlay network.

In the first three policy configuration wizard windows, you are creating policy components or blocks. In the last window, you are applying policy blocks to sites and VPNs in the overlay network.

For an application-aware routing policy to take effect, you must activate the policy.

# Configure Best Tunnel Path

Table 40: Feature History

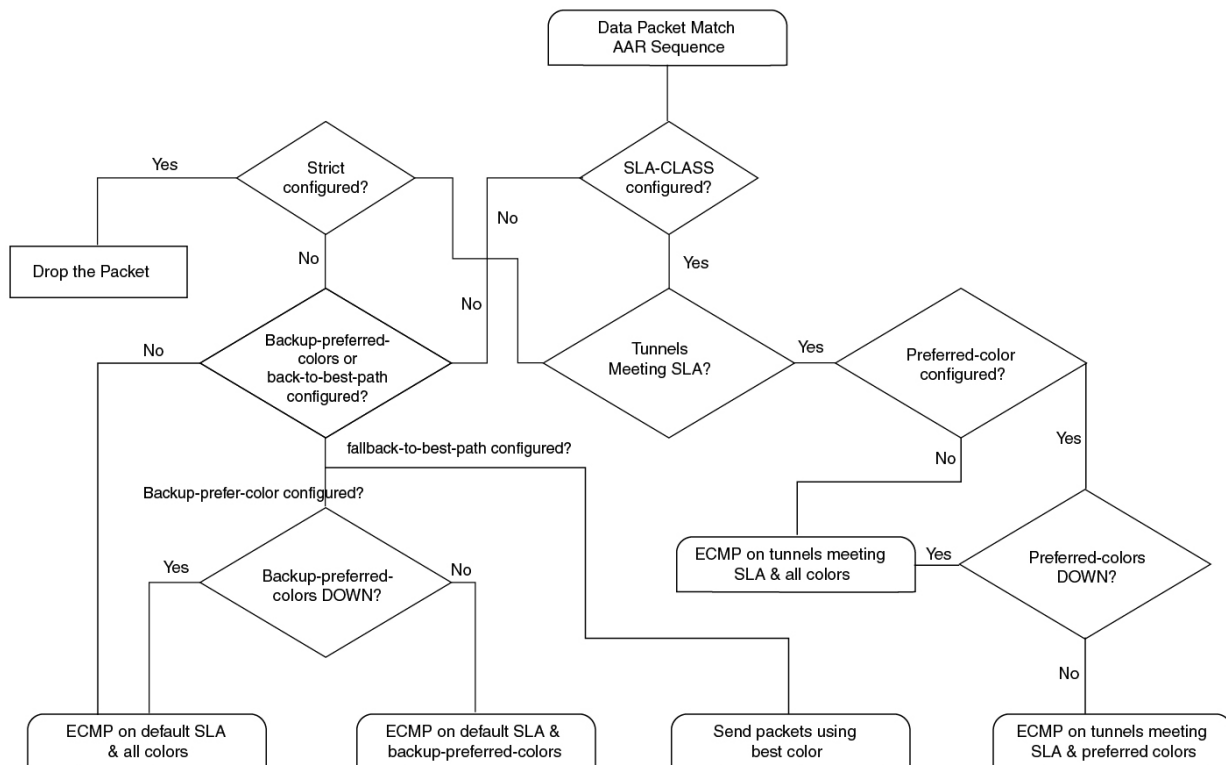
Feature Name	Release Information	Description
Best of the Worst (BOW) Tunnel Selection	Cisco vManage Release 20.5.1 Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1	This feature introduces a new policy action <b>fallback-to-best-path</b> to pick the best path or color out of the available colors.  When the data traffic does not meet any of the SLA class requirements, this feature allows you to select the best tunnel path criteria sequence using the <b>Fallback Best Tunnel</b> option under each SLA class to avoid packet loss.

## Best Tunnel Path Overview

To avoid data packet loss and to configure the best application-aware routing tunnel selection when a SLA is not met, you can configure the following policy actions:

- **backup-preferred-color**
- **fallback-to-best-path**

Figure 26: Flow Chart for Application-Aware Routing Tunnel Selection



## Recommendation for the Best Tunnel Path

- Configure the **fallback-to-best-path** policy action in Cisco SD-WAN Manager when configuring a SLA class.
- Configure the **backup-preferred-color** policy action in Cisco SD-WAN Manager when configuring traffic rules.

## Configure SLA Class

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, select **Configuration > Policies**. Centralized Policy is selected and displayed by default.
2. Click **Add Policy**.
3. In the create groups of interest page, from the left pane, click **SLA Class**, and then click **New SLA Class List**.
4. In the **SLA Class List Name** field, enter a name for SLA class list.
5. Define the SLA class parameters:
  - a. In the **Loss** field, enter the maximum packet loss on the connection, a value from 0 through 100 percent.
  - b. In the **Latency** field, enter the maximum packet latency on the connection, a value from 1 through 1,000 milliseconds.
  - c. In the **Jitter** field, enter the maximum jitter on the connection, a value from 1 through 1,000 milliseconds.
  - d. Choose the required app probe class from the **App Probe Class** drop-down list.
6. (Optional) Check the **Fallback Best Tunnel** check box to enable the best tunnel criteria.  
 This optional field is available from Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1 to pick the best path or color from the available colors when a SLA is not met. When this option is selected, you can choose the required criteria from the drop-down. The criteria are a combination of one or more of loss, latency, and jitter values.
7. Select the **Criteria** from the drop-down. The available criteria are:
  - None
  - Latency
  - Loss
  - Jitter
  - Latency, Loss
  - Latency, Jitter
  - Loss, Latency
  - Loss, Jitter

- Jitter, Latency
  - Jitter, Loss
  - Latency, Loss, Jitter
  - Latency, Jitter, Loss
  - Loss, Latency, Jitter
  - Loss, Jitter, Latency
  - Jitter, Latency, Loss
  - Jitter, Loss, Latency
8. (Optional) Enter the **Loss Variance (%)**, **Latency Variance (ms)**, and the **Jitter Variance (ms)** for the selected criteria.  
For more information, see [Configure Variance for Best Tunnel Path](#).
  9. Click **Add**.

## Configure Traffic Rules

To configure an application-aware routing policy:

1. Click **Application Aware Routing**.
2. From the **Add Policy** drop-down list, choose **Create New**.
3. Click **Sequence Type**. A policy sequence containing the text string **App Route** is added in the left pane.
4. Double-click the **App Route** text string and enter a name for the policy sequence. You can copy, delete, or rename a policy sequence. The name you enter is displayed both in the **Sequence Type** list in the left pane and in the right pane.
5. In the right pane, click **Sequence Rule**. The **Match/Actions** dialog box opens, and **Match** is selected by default. The available policy match conditions are listed below the dialog box.
6. In the **Protocol** drop-down list, choose one of the following option:
  - **IPv4**
  - **IPv6**
  - **Both**



**Note** Depending on which protocol that you choose, the **Match** or **Actions** conditions may be different.

7. Click and choose one or more **Match** conditions. Set the values as described in the following table:

*Table 41: Match Conditions*

Match Condition	Procedure
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None (match all packets)	Do not specify any match conditions.
<b>Application/Application Family List</b>	Click <b>Application/Application Family List</b> and choose an application list.
<b>Cloud SaaS Application List</b>	<p>Cisco SD-WAN Manager provides a list of several cloud applications that Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp for SaaS can use to determine the best path selection for each SaaS application.</p> <p>For more information on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp for SaaS, see the <i>Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp Configuration Guide, Cisco IOS XE Release 17.x</i>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> <b>Cloud SaaS Application List</b> displays as a match condition if you specify <b>IPv4</b> as the <b>Protocol</b> option.</p> <p>In the drop-down list, choose a SaaS application from the drop-down list.</p>
<b>DNS Application List</b>	In the drop-down list, select an application family.
<b>Destination Data Prefix</b>	<p>To match a list of destination prefixes, choose the list from the drop-down list.</p> <p>To match an individual destination prefix, type the prefix in the <b>Destination</b> dialog box.</p>
<b>Destination Region</b>	<p>You can use <b>Destination Region</b> in a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN network using Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Multi-Region Fabric.</p> <p>Choose one of the following options from the drop-down list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary</b>: Match traffic if the destination site is in the same primary region (also called access region) as the source.</li> <li>• <b>Secondary</b>: Match traffic if the destination site is not in the same primary region as the source but is within the same secondary region as the source. This traffic can reach the destination using a direct tunnel, as described for secondary regions.</li> <li>• <b>Other</b>: Match traffic if the destination site is not in the same primary region or secondary region as the source. This traffic requires a multi-hop path from the source to the destination.</li> </ul> <p>For more information on how to configure Multi-Region Fabric, see the <i>Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Multi-Region Fabric (also Hierarchical SD-WAN) Configuration Guide</i>.</p>
<b>Destination Port</b>	Enter the port number. Specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).
<b>Traffic To</b>	When creating a data policy or an application-aware policy for a border router for Multi-Region Fabric, you can use match criteria to match traffic flowing to the access region, the core region, or a service VPN.



<b>DNS</b> (to enable split DNS)	In the drop-down list, choose <b>Request</b> to process DNS requests for the DNS applications, and choose <b>Response</b> to process DNS responses for the applications.
<b>DSCP</b>	Type the DSCP value, a number from 0 through 63.
<b>PLP</b>	Choose <b>Low</b> or <b>High</b> . To set the PLP to <b>High</b> , apply a policer that includes the <b>exceed remark</b> option.
<b>Protocol</b>	Type the internet protocol number, a number from 0 through 255.
<b>ICMP Message</b>	<p>For <b>Protocol (IPv4)</b>, when you select a value as 1 in the <b>Protocol</b> field in the Match Conditions section, the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays where you can select an ICMP message to apply to the data policy.</p> <p>For <b>Protocol (IPv6)</b>, when you select a value as 58 in the <b>Protocol</b> field in the <b>Match Conditions</b> section, the <b>ICMP Message</b> field displays where you can select an ICMP message to apply to the data policy.</p> <p><b>Note</b> This field is available from Cisco IOS XE Release 17.4.1 or Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1, and also Cisco vManage Release 20.4.1.</p> <p>When <b>Protocol</b> is selected as <b>Both</b>, the <b>ICMP Message or ICMPv6 Message</b> field displays.</p>
<b>Source Data Prefix</b>	To match a list of source prefixes, choose the list from the drop-down list. To match an individual source prefix, enter the prefix in the <b>Source</b> field.
<b>Source Port</b>	Enter the port number. Specify a single port number, a list of port numbers (with numbers separated by a space), or a range of port numbers (with the two numbers separated with a hyphen [-]).

8. To select actions for the matched data traffic, click **Actions**. Set the values as described in the following table:

Table 42: Actions

Action	Procedure
<b>Backup SLA Preferred Color</b>	<p>Set the policy action for a <b>Backup SLA Preferred Color</b> match condition. When no tunnel matches the SLA, direct the data traffic to a specific tunnel. Data traffic is sent out the configured tunnel if that tunnel interface is available. If that tunnel interface is not available, traffic is sent out to another available tunnel. You can specify one or more colors. The backup SLA preferred color is a loose matching condition, not a strict matching condition.</p> <p>Click <b>Backup SLA Preferred Color</b>.</p> <p>In the drop-down list, choose one or more colors.</p>
<b>Counter</b>	<p>Set the policy action for a <b>Counter</b> match condition.</p> <p>Click <b>Counter</b>.</p> <p>In the <b>Counter Name</b> field, enter the name of the file in which to store packet counters.</p>

Action	Procedure
<b>Log</b>	<p>You can place a sampled set of packets that match the SLA class rule into system logging (<b>syslog</b>) files. In addition to logging the packet headers, a <b>syslog</b> message is generated the first time a packet header is logged and then every five minutes thereafter, as long as the flow is active.</p> <p>Click <b>Log</b> to enable logging.</p>
<b>SLA Class List</b>	<p>Set the policy action for an <b>SLA Class List</b> match condition. For the SLA class, all matching data traffic is directed to a tunnel whose performance matches the SLA parameters defined in the class. The device first tries to send the traffic through a tunnel that matches the SLA. If a single tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through that tunnel. If two or more tunnels match, traffic is distributed among them. If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through one of the available tunnels.</p> <p>Click <b>SLA Class List</b>.</p> <p>In the <b>SLA Class</b> drop-down list, choose one or more SLA classes.</p> <p>Optionally, in the <b>Preferred Color</b> drop-down list, choose the color of the data plane tunnel or tunnels to prefer. Traffic is load-balanced across all the tunnels. If no tunnels match the SLA, data traffic is sent through any available tunnel. That is, color preference is a loose matching, not a strict matching.</p> <p>Optionally, when the <b>Preferred Color</b> is not selected, you can choose the preferred color group from the <b>Preferred Color Group</b> drop-down list. Select the preferred color group of the data plane tunnel or tunnels to prefer. You can configure up to three levels of priority based on the color or path preference. This field is available from Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.9.1a and Cisco vManage Release 20.9.1.</p> <p>Click <b>Strict/Drop</b> to perform strict matching of the SLA class. If no data plane tunnel is available that satisfies the SLA criteria, traffic is dropped.</p> <p>Click <b>Fallback to best path</b> to select the best available tunnel to avoid a packet drop.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>Fallback to best path</b> option is available from Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.5.1a and Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.5.1.</p> <p>You can select the <b>Fallback to best path</b> action only when the <b>Fallback Best Tunnel</b> option is enabled while defining a SLA class. If the <b>Fallback Best Tunnel</b> option is not enabled, then the following error message displays in Cisco SD-WAN Manager:</p> <pre>SLA Class selected, does not have Fallback Best Tunnel enabled. Please change the SLA class or change to Strict/Drop.</pre> <p>Click <b>Load Balance</b> to load balance traffic across all the tunnels.</p>
<b>Cloud SLA</b>	<p><b>Cloud SLA</b> enables traffic to use the best path selection with Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp for SaaS.</p> <p>Click <b>Cloud SLA</b>.</p>

9. Click **Save Match and Actions**.
10. Create additional sequence rules as desired. Drag and drop to re-arrange them.
11. Click **Save Application Aware Routing Policy**.
12. Click **Next** to move to **Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs** in the wizard.

## Default Action of Application-Aware Routing Policy

The default action of the policy defines how to handle packets that match none of the match conditions. For application-aware routing policy, if you do not configure a default action, all data packets are accepted and transmitted based on normal routing decisions, with no consideration of SLA.

To modify this behavior, include the **default-action sla-class** *sla-class-name* command in the policy, specifying the name of an SLA class you defined in the **policy sla-class** command.

When you apply an SLA class in a policy's default action, you cannot specify the **strict** option.

If no data plane tunnel satisfies the SLA class in the default action, the Cisco SD-WAN device selects one of the available tunnels by performing load-balancing across equal paths.

Expected behavior when data flow matches both AAR and data policies:

1. When data policy local TLOC action is configured, the **App-route preferred-color** and **backup-preferred-color** actions are ignored.
2. The **sla-class** and **sla-strict** actions are retained from the application routing configuration.
3. The data policy TLOC takes precedence.

When there is a **local-tloc-list** action that has multiple options, choose the local-TLOC that meets SLA.

- If no **local-tloc** meets SLA, then choose equal-cost multi-path routing (ECMP) for the traffic over the **local-tloc-list**.
- If none of the **local-tloc** is up, then choose a TLOC that is up.
- If none of the **local-tloc** is up and the DP is configured in restrict mode, then drop the traffic.

## Configure Application Probe Class through Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**.
2. In **Centralized Policy**, click **Add Policy**. The **Create Groups of Interest** page appears.
3. Choose the list type **App Probe Class** from the left navigation panel to create your groups of interest.
4. Click **New App Probe Class**.
5. Enter the probe class name in the **Probe Class Name** field.
6. Choose the required forwarding class from the **Forwarding Class** drop-down list.

If there are no forwarding classes, then create a class from the **Class Map** list page under the **Localized Policy Lists** in the **Custom Options** menu.

To create a forwarding class:

- a. In the **Custom Options** drop-down, choose **Lists** from the Localized Policy options.
- b. In the Define Lists window, choose the list type **Class Map** from the left navigation panel.
- c. Click **New Class List** to create a new list.
- d. Enter **Class** and choose the **Queue** from the drop-down list.

- e. Click **Save**.
7. In the **Entries** pane, choose the appropriate color from the **Color** drop-down list and enter the **DSCP** value.  
Click + sign, to add more entries as required.
8. Click **Save**.

## Add App-Probe-Class to an SLA Class

1. From the left pane, select **SLA Class**.
2. Click **New SLA Class List**.
3. In the **SLA Class List Name** field, enter a name for SLA class list.
4. Enter the required **Loss (%)**, **Latency (ms)**, and **Jitter (ms)**.
5. Choose the required app probe class from the **App Probe Class** drop-down list.
6. Click **Add**.

The new SLA Class created with loss, latency, jitter, and app probe class is added to the table.

## Configure Default DSCP on Cisco BFD Template

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, select **Configuration > Templates**.
2. Click **Feature Templates**.




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**Note** In Cisco vManage Release 20.7.x and earlier releases, **Feature Templates** is titled **Feature**.

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3. Click **Add Template**.
4. Select a device from the device list in the left pane.
5. In the right pane, select the BFD template listed under Basic Information.
6. Enter **Template Name** and **Description** in the respective fields.
7. In the **Basic Configuration** pane, enter **Multiplier** and **Poll Interval (milliseconds)**.
8. In the **Default DSCP value for BFD Packets** field, enter the required device specific value or choose the default value for DSCP.
9. (Optional) In the **Color** pane, choose the required color from the drop-down list.
10. Enter the required **Hello Interval (milliseconds)** and **Multiplier**.
11. Choose the **Path MTU Discovery** value.
12. Enter the **BFD Default DSCP value for tloc color**.
13. Click **Add**.

The default DSCP and color values are configured on the BFD template.

## Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs

In the last window of the policy configuration wizard, you associate the policy blocks that you created on the previous three windows with VPNs and with sites in the overlay network.

To apply a policy block to sites and VPNs in the overlay network:

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**. Centralized Policy is selected and displayed by default.
2. Click **Add Policy**. The Create Applications or Groups of Interest page is displayed.
3. Click **Next**. The Network Topology window opens, and in the Topology bar, Topology is selected by default.
4. Click **Next**. The Configure Traffic Rules window opens, and in the Application-Aware Routing bar, Application-Aware Routing is selected by default.
5. Click **Next**. The Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs window opens.
6. In the Policy Name field, enter a name for the policy. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (-), and underscores (\_). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
7. In the Policy Description field, enter a description of the policy. It can contain up to 2048 characters. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
8. From the Topology bar, select the type of policy block. The table then lists policies that you have created for that type of policy block.
9. Click **Add New Site List** and **VPN list**. Select one or more site lists and select one or more VPN lists. Click **Add**.
10. Click **Preview** to view the configured policy. The policy is displayed in CLI format.
11. Click **Save Policy**. The **Configuration > Policies** page appears, and the policies table includes the newly created policy.

For an application-aware route policy to take effect, you apply it to a list of sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name app-route-policy policy-name
```

When you apply the policy, you do not specify a direction (either inbound or outbound). Application-aware routing policy affects only the outbound traffic on the Cisco SD-WAN devices.

For all **app-route-policy** policies that you apply with **apply-policy** commands, the site IDs across all the site lists must be unique. That is, the site lists must not contain overlapping site IDs. An example of overlapping site IDs are those in the two site lists **site-list 1**, **site-id 1-100**, and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**. Here, sites 70 through 100 are in both lists. If you were to apply these two site lists to two different **app-route-policy** policies, the attempt to commit the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller would fail.

The same type of restriction also applies to the following types of policies:

- Centralized control policy (**control-policy**)
- Centralized data policy (**data-policy**)

- Centralized data policy used for cflowd flow monitoring (**data-policy** that includes a **cflowd** action and **apply-policy** that includes a **cflowd-template** command)

You can, however, have overlapping site IDs for site lists that you apply for different types of policy. For example, the sites lists for **app-route-policy** and **data-policy** policies can have overlapping site IDs. So for the two example site lists above, **site-list 1**, **site-id 1-100**, and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**, you could apply one to a control policy and the other to a data policy.

As soon as you successfully activate the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller by issuing a **commit** command, the controller pushes the application-aware routing policy to the Cisco SD-WAN devices at the specified sites.

To view the policy configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, use the **show running-config** command on the controller.

To view the policy that the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller has pushed to the device, issue the **show policy from-vsmart** command on the router.

To display flow information for the application-aware applications running on the device, issue the **show app dpi flows** command on the router.

## How Application-Aware Routing Policy is Applied in Combination with Other Data Policies

If you configure a Cisco SD-WAN device with application-aware routing policy and with other policies, the policies are applied to data traffic sequentially.

On a Cisco SD-WAN device, you can configure the following types of data policy:

- Centralized data policy. You configure this policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, and the policy is passed to the device. You define the configuration with the **policy data-policy configuration** command, and you apply it with the **apply-policy site-list data-policy**, or **apply-policy site-list vpn-membership** command.
- Localized data policy, which is commonly called access lists. You configure access lists on the device with the **policy access-list** configuration command. You apply them, within a VPN, to an incoming interface with the **vpn interface access-list in** configuration command or to an outgoing interface with the **vpn interface access-list out** command.
- Application-aware routing policy. Application-aware routing policy affects only traffic that is flowing from the service side (the local/LAN side) to the tunnel (WAN) side of the Cisco SD-WAN device. You configure application-aware routing policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller with the **policy app-route-policy** configuration command, and you apply it with the **apply-policy site-list app-route-policy** command. When you commit the configuration, the policy is passed to the appropriate devices. Then, matching data traffic on the device is processed in accordance with the configured SLA conditions. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of this policy is passed to the data policy for evaluation. If the data traffic does not match and if no default action is configured, transmit it without SLA consideration.

You can apply only one data policy and one application-aware routing policy to a single site in the overlay network. When you define and apply multiple site lists in a configuration, you must ensure that a single data policy or a single application-aware routing policy is not applied to more than one site. The CLI does not check for this circumstance, and the **validate** configuration command does not detect whether multiple policies of the same type are applied to a single site.

For data traffic flowing from the service side of the router to the WAN side of the router, policy evaluation of the traffic evaluation occurs in the following order:

1. Apply the input access list on the LAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of this access list is passed to the application-aware routing policy for evaluation.
2. Apply the application-aware routing policy. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of this policy is passed to the data policy for evaluation. If the data traffic does not match and if no default action is configured, transmit it without SLA consideration.
3. Apply the centralized data policy. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the input access list is passed to the output access list for evaluation.
4. Apply the output access list on the WAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the output access list is transmitted out the WAN interface.

For data traffic coming from the WAN through the router and into the service-side LAN, the policy evaluation of the traffic occurs in the following order:

1. Apply the input access list on the WAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the input access list is passed to the data policy for evaluation.
2. Apply the data policy. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the input access list is passed to the output access list for evaluation.
3. Apply the output access list on the LAN interface. Any data traffic that is not dropped as a result of the output access list is transmitted out the LAN interface, towards its destination at the local site.

As mentioned above, application-aware routing policy affects only traffic that is flowing from the service side (the local/LAN side) to the tunnel (WAN) side of the Cisco SD-WAN device, so data traffic inbound from the WAN is processed only by access lists and data policy.



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**Note** When both application-aware routing and data policies are configured, if the data policy rules that contain actions such as redirect DNS, NextHop, secure internet gateway, NAT VPN, or service, the traffic which matches those rules will skip AAR policy even though the traffic also matches rules defined in the AAR policy. Data policy actions override AAR rules.

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## Activate an Application-Aware Routing Policy

To activate a policy:

1. From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu, choose **Configuration > Policies**. **Centralized Policy** is selected and displayed by default.
2. For the desired policy, click **...** and select **Activate**. The Activate Policy popup opens. It lists the IP addresses of the reachable Cisco SD-WAN Controllers to which the policy is to be applied.
3. Click **Activate**.

When you activate an application-aware routing policy, the policy is sent to all the connected Cisco SD-WAN Controllers.

## Monitor Data Plane Tunnel Performance

The Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) protocol runs over all data plane tunnels between Cisco SD-WAN devices, monitoring the liveness, and network and path characteristics of the tunnels. Application-aware routing uses the information gathered by BFD to determine the transmission performance of the tunnels. Performance is reported in terms of packet latency and packet loss on the tunnel.

BFD sends Hello packets periodically to test the liveness of a data plane tunnel and to check for faults on the tunnel. These Hello packets provide a measurement of packet loss and packet latency on the tunnel. The Cisco SD-WAN device records the packet loss and latency statistics over a sliding window of time. BFD keeps track of the six most recent sliding windows of statistics, placing each set of statistics in a separate bucket. If you configure an application-aware routing policy for the device, it is these statistics that the router uses to determine whether a data plane tunnel's performance matches the requirements of the policy's SLA.

The following parameters determine the size of the sliding window:

Parameters	Default	Configuration Command	Range
BFD Hello packet interval	1 second	<b>bfd color <i>color</i> hello-interval</b> <i>seconds</i>	1 through 65535 seconds
Polling interval for application-aware routing	10 minutes (600,000 milliseconds)	<b>bfd app-route poll-interval</b> <i>milliseconds</i>	1 through 4,294,967 ( $2^{32} - 1$ ) milliseconds
Multiplier for application-aware routing	6	<b>bfd app-route multiplier</b> <i>number</i>	1 through 6

Let us use the default values for these parameters to explain how application-aware routing works:

- For each sliding window time period, application-aware routing sees 600 BFD Hello packets (BFD Hello interval x polling interval: 1 second x 600 seconds = 600 Hello packets). These packets provide measurements of packet loss and latency on the data plane tunnels.
- Application-aware routing retains the statistics for 1 hour (polling interval x multiplier: 10 minutes x 6 = 60 minutes).
- The statistics are placed in six separate buckets, indexed with the numbers 0 through 5. Bucket 0 contains the latest statistics, and bucket 5 the oldest. Every 10 minutes, the newest statistics are placed in bucket 0, the statistics in bucket 5 are discarded, and the remaining statistics move into the next bucket.
- Every 60 minutes (every hour), application-aware routing acts on the loss and latency statistics. It calculates the mean of the loss and latency of all the buckets in all the sliding windows and compares this value to the specified SLAs for the tunnel. If the calculated value satisfies the SLA, application-aware routing does nothing. If the value does not satisfy the SLA, application-aware routing calculates a new tunnel.
- Application-aware routing uses the values in all six buckets to calculate the mean loss and latency for a data tunnel. This is because the multiplier is 6. While application-aware always retains six buckets of data, the multiplier determines how many it actually uses to calculate the loss and latency. For example, if the multiplier is 3, buckets 0, 1, and 2 are used.

Because these default values take action only every hour, they work well for a stable network. To capture network failures more quickly so that application-aware routing can calculate new tunnels more often, adjust the values of these three parameters. For example, if you change just the polling interval to 1 minute (60,000



milliseconds), application-aware routing reviews the tunnel performance characteristics every minute, but it performs its loss and latency calculations based on only 60 Hello packets. It may take more than 1 minute for application-aware routing to reset the tunnel if it calculates that a new tunnel is needed.

To display the next-hop information for an IP packet that a device sends out a service side interface, use the **show policy service-path** command. To view the similar information for packets that the router sends out a WAN transport tunnel interface, use the **show policy tunnel-path** command.

## Enable Application Visibility on Cisco SD-WAN Devices

You can enable application visibility directly on Cisco SD-WAN devices, without configuring application-aware routing policy so that you can monitor all the applications running in all VPNs in the LAN. To do this, configure application visibility on the router:

```
vEdge(config)# policy app-visibility
```

To monitor the applications, use the **show app dpi applications** and **show app dpi supported-applications** commands on the device.

## Configure Application-Aware Routing Using CLIs

Following are the high-level steps for configuring an application-aware routing policy:

1. Create a list of overlay network sites to which the application-aware routing policy is to be applied (in the **apply-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-site-list)# site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (–). Create additional site lists, as needed.

2. Create SLA classes and traffic characteristics to apply to matching application data traffic:

```
vSmart(config)# policy sla-class sla-class-name
vSmart(config-sla-class)# jitter milliseconds
vSmart(config-sla-class)# latency milliseconds
vSmart(config-sla-class)# loss percentage
vSmart(config-sla-class)# app-probe-class app-probe-class
vSmart(config-sla-class)# fallback-best-tunnel criteria latency loss jitter
```

3. Create lists of applications, IP prefixes, and VPNs to use in identifying application traffic of interest (in the **match** section of the policy definition):

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# app-list list-name
vSmart(config-app-list)# (app application-name | app-family family-name)

vSmart(config-lists)# prefix-list list-name
vSmart(config-prefix-list)# ip-prefix prefix/length

vSmart(config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# vpn vpn-id
```

4. If you are configuring a logging action, configure how often to log packets to syslog files:

```
vEdge(config)# policy log-frequency number
```

5. Create an application-aware routing policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs:

```
vSmart(config)# policy app-route-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-app-route-policy)# vpn-list list-name
```

6. Within the policy, create one or more numbered sequence of match–action pairs, where the match parameters define the data traffic and applications of interest and the action parameters specify the SLA class to apply if a match occurs.

- a. Create a sequence:

```
vSmart(config-app-route-policy)# sequence number
```

- b. Define match parameters for data packets:

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# match parameters
```

- c. Define the action to take if a match occurs:

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# action sla-class sla-class-name [strict]
vSmart(config-sequence)# action sla-class sla-class-name [strict] preferred-color
colors
vSmart(config-sequence)# <userinput>action backup-sla-preferred-color</userinput>
<varname>colors</varname>
```

The first two **action** options direct matching data traffic to a tunnel interface that meets the SLA characteristics in the specified SLA class:

- **sla-class** *sla-class-name*—When you specify an SLA class with no additional parameters, data traffic that matches the SLA is forwarded as long as one tunnel interface is available. The software first tries to send the traffic through a tunnel that matches the SLA. If a single tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through that tunnel. If two or more tunnels match, traffic is distributed among them. If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through one of the available tunnels.
- **sla-class** *sla-class-name* **preferred-color** *color*—To set a specific tunnel to use when data traffic matches an SLA class, include the **preferred-color** option, specifying the color of the preferred tunnel. If more than one tunnel matches the SLA, traffic is sent to the preferred tunnel. If a tunnel of the preferred color is not available, traffic is sent through any tunnel that matches the SLA class. If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through any available tunnel. In this sense, color preference is considered to be a loose matching, not a strict matching, because data traffic is always forwarded, whether a tunnel of the preferred color is available or not.
- **sla-class** *sla-class-name* **preferred-color** *colors*—To set multiple tunnels to use when data traffic matches an SLA class, include the **preferred-color** option, specifying two or more tunnel colors. Traffic is load-balanced across all tunnels.

If no tunnel matches the SLA, data traffic is sent through any available tunnel. In this sense, color preference is considered to be a loose matching, not a strict matching, because data traffic is always forwarded, whether a tunnel of the preferred color is available or not. When no tunnel matches the SLA, you can choose how to handle the data traffic:

- **strict**—Drop the data traffic.
- **backup-sla-preferred-color** *colors*—Direct the data traffic to a specific tunnel. Data traffic is sent out the configured tunnel if that tunnel interface is available; if that tunnel is unavailable, traffic is sent out another available tunnel. You can specify one or more colors. As with the **preferred-color** option, the backup SLA preferred color is loose matching. In a single **action** configuration, you cannot include both the **strict** and **backup-sla-preferred-color** options.

- d. Count the packets or bytes that match the policy:

```
vSmart(config-sequence) # action count counter-name
```

- e. Place a sampled set of packets that match the SLA class rule into syslog files:

```
vSmart(config-sequence) # action log
```

- f. The match-action pairs within a policy are evaluated in numerical order, based on the sequence number, starting with the lowest number. If a match occurs, the corresponding action is taken and policy evaluation stops.

7. If a packet does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, a default action is taken. For application-aware routing policy, the default action is to accept nonmatching traffic and forward it with no consideration of SLA. You can configure the default action so that SLA parameters are applied to nonmatching packets:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name) # default-action sla-class sla-class-name
```

8. Apply the policy to a site list:

```
vSmart(config) # apply-policy site-list list-name app-route-policy policy-name
```

## Configure Application Probe Class Using CLI

Configure `app-probe-class`, `real-time-video` and map them with the SLA class as shown in the following example:

```
Device(config) # app-probe-class real-time-video
Device(config) # forwarding-class videofc
Device(config) # color mpls dscp 34
Device(config) # color biz-internet dscp 40
Device(config) # color lte dscp 0
```

```
Device(config) # sla-class streamsla
Device(config) # latency 20
Device(config) # loss 10
Device(config) # app-probe-class real-time-video
```

Configure the default value for DSCP using BFD template as shown:

```
Device(config) # bfd default-dscp 50
Device(config) # bfd color mpls 15
```

## Application-Aware Routing Policy Configuration Example

This topic shows a straightforward example of configuring application-aware routing policy. This example defines a policy that applies to ICMP traffic, directing it to links with latency of 50 milliseconds or less when such links are available.

You configure application-aware routing policy on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. The configuration consists of the following high-level components:

- Definition of the application (or applications)

- Definition of App Probe Class (Optional)
- Definition of SLA parameters
- Definition of sites, prefixes, and VPNs
- Application-aware routing policy itself
- Specification of overlay network sites to which the policy is applied

The order in which you configure these components is immaterial from the point of view of the CLI. However, from an architectural design point of view, a logical order is to first define all the parameters that are invoked in the application-aware routing policy itself or that are used to apply the policy to various sites in the overlay network. Then, you specify the application-aware routing policy itself and the network sites to which you want to apply the policy.

Here is the procedure for configuring this application-aware routing policy on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller:

1. Define the SLA parameters to apply to matching ICMP traffic. In our example, we want to direct ICMP traffic to links that have a latency of 50 milliseconds or less:

```
vSmart# config
vSmart(config)# policy sla-class test_sla_class latency 50
vSmart(config-sla-class-test_sla_class)#
```

2. Define the site and VPN lists to which we want to apply the application-aware routing policy:

```
vSmart(config-sla-class-test_sla_class)# exit
vSmart(config-sla-class-test_sla_class)# lists vpn-list vpn_1_list vpn 1
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# exit
vSmart(config-lists)# site-list site_500 site-id 500
vSmart(config-site-list-site_500)#
```

3. Configure the application-aware routing policy. Note that in this example, we apply the policy to the application in two different ways: In sequences 1, 2, and 3, we specify the protocol number (protocol 1 is ICMP, protocol 6 is TCP, and protocol 17 is UDP).

```
vSmart(config-site-list-site_500)# exit
vSmart(config-lists)# exit
vSmart(config-policy)# app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
vSmart(config-app-route-policy-test_app_route_policy)# vpn-list vpn_1_list
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# sequence 1 match protocol 6
vSmart(config-match)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-1)# action sla-class test_sla_class strict
vSmart(config-sequence-1)# exit
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# sequence 2 match protocol 17
vSmart(config-match)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-2)# action sla-class test_sla_class
vSmart(config-sequence-2)# exit
vSmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1_list)# sequence 3 match protocol 1
vSmart(config-match)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-3)# action sla-class test_sla_class strict
vSmart(config-sequence-3)# exit
vSmart(config-sequence-4)#
```

4. Apply the policy to the desired sites in the Cisco SD-WAN overlay network:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-4)# top
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list site_500 app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
```

5. Display the configuration changes:

```
vSmart(config-site-list-site_500)# top
vSmart(config)# show config
```

6. Validate that the configuration contains no errors:

```
vSmart(config)# validate
Validation complete
```

7. Activate the configuration:

```
vSmart(config)# commit
Commit complete.
```

8. Exit from configuration mode:

```
vSmart(config)# exit
vSmart#
```

Putting all the pieces of the configuration together gives this configuration:

```
vSmart# show running-config policy
policy
sla-class test_sla_class
  latency 50
!
app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
vpn-list vpn_1_list
  sequence 1
  match
    protocol 6
  !
  action sla-class test_sla_class strict
!
sequence 2
  match
    protocol 17
  !
  action sla-class test_sla_class
!
sequence 3
  match
    protocol 1
  !
  action sla-class test_sla_class strict
!
!
!
lists
vpn-list vpn_1_list
  vpn 1
!
site-list site_500
  site-id 500
!
site-list site_600
  site-id 600
!
!
!
apply-policy
  site-list site_500
  app-route-policy test_app_route_policy
!
!
```

The following example defines the multicast protocol:

```

policy
!
sla-class SLA_BEST_EFFORT
  jitter 900
!
sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_CRITICAL
  loss 1
  latency 250
  jitter 300
!
sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_DATA
  loss 3
  latency 400
  jitter 500
!
sla-class SLA_REALTIME
  loss 2
  latency 300
  jitter 60
!
app-route-policy policy_multicast
  vpn-list multicast-vpn-list
  sequence 10
    match
      source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
      destination-ip 10.255.255.254/8
    !
    action
      count mc-counter-10
      sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_CRITICAL
    !
  !
  sequence 15
    match
      source-ip 172.16.0.0/12
      destination-ip 172.31.255.254/12
    !
    action
      count mc-counter-15
      sla-class SLA_BEST_EFFORT
    !
  !
  sequence 20
    match
      destination-ip 192.168.0.1
    !
    action
      count mc-counter-20
      sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_CRITICAL
    !
  !
  sequence 25
    match
      protocol 17
    !
    action
      count mc-counter-25
      sla-class SLA_REALTIME
    !
  !
  sequence 30

```

```

match
  source-ip      192.168.0.0/16
  destination-ip 192.168.255.254
  protocol       17
  !
action
  count mc-counter-30
  sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_DATA preferred-color lte
  !
!
default-action sla-class SLA_BEST_EFFORT
!
sequence 35
match
  source-ip      10.0.0.0/8
  destination-ip 10.255.255.254/8
  protocol       17
  !
action
  count mc-counter-35
  sla-class SLA_BUSINESS_DATA preferred-color lte
  backup-sla-preferred-color 3g
  !
!
lists
vpn-list multicast-vpn-list
  vpn 1
  vpn 60
  vpn 4001-4010
  vpn 65501-65510
  !
site-list multicast-site-list
  site-id 1100
  site-id 500
  site-id 600
  !
!
!
apply-policy
site-list multicast-site-list
app-route-policy policy_multicast
!
!

```

### Ranking Color Preference Example

```

app-route-policy SAMPLE _AAR
vpn-list ONE
sequence 10
match
  dscp 46
  !
action
  sla VOICE_SLA strict preferred-color-group GROUP2_COLORS
  !
!
sequence 20
match
  dscp 34
  !
action
  sla VOICE_SLA preferred-color-group GROUP1_COLORS
  !
!

```

```

sequence 30
  match
    dscp 28
  !
  action
    sla VOICE_SLA preferred-color-group GROUP3_COLORS
  !
!
!
policy lists
  preferred-color-group GROUP1_COLORS
  primary-preference
    color-preference biz-internet
    path-preference direct-tunnel
  !
  secondary-preference
    color-preference mpls
    path-preference multi-hop-path
  !
  tertiary-preference
    color-preference lte
  !
!
  preferred-color-group GROUP2_COLORS
  primary-preference
    color-preference mpls
  !
  secondary-preference
    color-preference biz-internet
  !
!
  preferred-color-group GROUP3_COLORS
  primary-preference
    color-preference mpls biz-internet lte
  !

```




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**Note** You can configure path-preference option only if you enable the Multi-Region Fabric option in Cisco SD-WAN Manager.

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### AAR Policy for IPv6 Applications Example

```

policy
  sla-class Default
    jitter 100
    latency 300
    loss 25
  !
  app-route-policy _VPN1_AAR-Policy-for-IPv6-Traffic
  vpn-list VPN1
  sequence 1
  match
    app-list Msft-0365
  !
  action
    sla-class Default preferred-color public-internet
  !
!
!
lists

```



```
app-list Msft-0365
  app ms-office-web-apps
  !
site-list SITE-100
  site-id 100
  !
vpn-list VPN1
  vpn 1
  !
!
!
apply-policy
  site-list SITE-100
  app-route-policy _VPN1_AAR-Policy-for-IPv6-Traffic
  !
!
```





## CHAPTER 12

# Service Chaining



**Note** To achieve simplification and consistency, the Cisco SD-WAN solution has been rebranded as Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN. In addition, from Cisco IOS XE SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 20.12.1, the following component changes are applicable: **Cisco vManage to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager, Cisco vAnalytics to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics, Cisco vBond to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator, Cisco vSmart to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, and Cisco Controllers to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components.** See the latest Release Notes for a comprehensive list of all the component brand name changes. While we transition to the new names, some inconsistencies might be present in the documentation set because of a phased approach to the user interface updates of the software product.

### Services in the Network

Services such as firewall, load balancer, and intrusion detection and prevention (IDP) are often run within a virtualized environment, and they may physically be centralized in one location or in several locations for redundancy. Services may be internal, cloud based, or external subscriptions. Networks must be able to reroute traffic from any location in the network through such services.

Customers want the ability to internally spawn or externally subscribe to new services on demand—for capacity, redundancy, or simply to select best-of-breed technologies. For example, if a firewall site exceeds its capacity, a customer can spawn a new firewall service at a new location. Supporting this new firewall would require the configuration of policy-based, weighted load distribution to multiple firewalls.

Following are some of the reasons to reroute a traffic flow through a service or chain of services:

- Traffic flow from a less secure region of a network must pass through a service, such as a firewall, or through a chain of services to ensure that it has not been tampered with.
- For a network that consists of multiple VPNs, each representing a function or an organization, traffic between VPNs must traverse through a service, such as a firewall, or through a chain of services. For example, in a campus, interdepartmental traffic might go through a firewall, while intradepartmental traffic might be routed directly.
- Certain traffic flows must traverse a service, such as a load balancer.

Today, the only way to reroute traffic flow is by provisioning every routing node—from the source to the service node to the systems beyond the service node—with a policy route. This is done either by having an operator manually configure each node or by using a provisioning tool that performs the configuration for

each node on behalf of the operator. Either way, the process is operationally complex to provision, maintain, and troubleshoot.

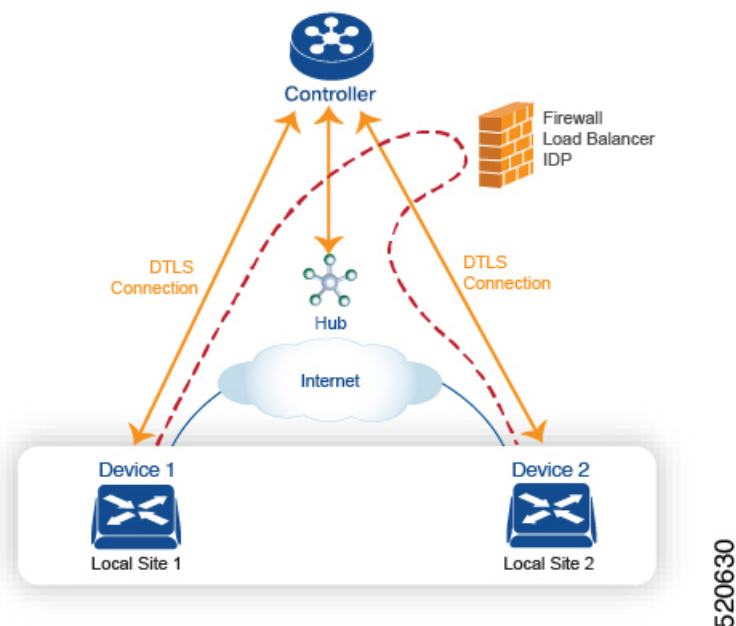
### Provisioning Services in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Overlay Network

In the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN solution, the network operator can enable and orchestrate all service chaining from a central controller, that is, from the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. No configuration or provisioning is required on any of the devices.

The general flow of service chaining in a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN network is as follows:

- Devices advertise the services available in their branch or campus—such as firewall, IDS, and IDP—to the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in their domain. Multiple devices can advertise the same services.
- Devices also advertise their OMP routes and TLOCs to the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers.
- For traffic that requires services, the policy on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller changes the next hop for the OMP routes to the service landing point. In this way, the traffic is first processed by the service before being routed to its final destination.

The following figure illustrates how service chaining works in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN solution. The network shown has a centralized hub router that is connected to two branches, each with a device. The standard network design implements a control policy such that all traffic from branch site 1 to branch site 2 travels through the hub router. Sitting behind the hub router is a firewall device. So now, assume we want all traffic from site 1 to site 2 to first be processed by the firewall. Traffic from the device at site 1 still flows to the hub router, but instead of sending it directly to site 2, the hub router redirects the traffic to the firewall device. When the firewall completes its processing, it returns all cleared traffic to the hub, which then passes it along to the device at site 2.



### Service Route SAFI

The hub and local branch devices advertise the services available in their networks to the Cisco SD-WAN Controllers in its domain using service routes, which are sent by way of OMP using the service route Subsequent

Address Family Identifier (SAFI) bits of the OMP NLRI. The Cisco SD-WAN Controllers maintain the service routes in their RIB, and they do not propagate these routes to the devices.

Each service route SAFI has the following attributes:

- VPN ID (vpn-id)—Identifies the VPN that the service belongs to.
- Service ID (svc-id)—Identifies the service being advertised by the service node. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN software has the following predefined services:
  - FW, for firewall (maps to svc-id 1)
  - IDS, for Intrusion Detection Systems (maps to svc-id 2)
  - IDP, for Identity Providers (maps to svc-id 3)
  - netsvc1, netsvc2, netsvc3, and netsvc4, which are reserved for custom services (they map to svc-id 4, 5, 6, and 7, respectively)
- Label—For traffic that must traverse a service, the Cisco SD-WAN Controller replaces the label in the OMP route with the service label in order to direct the traffic to that service.
- Originator ID (originator-id)—The IP address of the service node that is advertising the service.
- TLOC—The transport location address of the device that is “hosting” the service.
- Path ID (path-id)—An identifier of the OMP path.

### Service Chaining Policy

To route traffic through a service, you provision either a control policy or a data policy on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. You use a control policy if the match criteria are based on a destination prefix or any of its attributes. You use a data policy if the match criteria include the source address, source port, DSCP value, or destination port of the packet or traffic flow. You can provision the policy directly using the CLI, or it can be pushed from Cisco SD-WAN Manager.

The Cisco SD-WAN Controller maintains OMP routes, TLOC routes, and service routes in its route table. A given OMP route carries a TLOC and the label associated with it. On a Cisco SD-WAN Controller, a policy can be applied that changes the TLOC and its associated label to be that of a service.

### Tracking the Health of the Service Chain

Beginning with Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.3.1, Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN periodically probes devices providing network services to test whether they are operational. Tracking the availability of devices in the service chain helps to prevent a null route, which can occur if a policy routes traffic to a service device which is not available. By default, Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN writes the tracking results to a service log, but this can be disabled.

### Limitations

- Service insertion over tunnel interface is not supported on Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices.
- Control policy based service-chain action on locally hosted service-chain is not supported.
- Configuring service-chain and AppQoE on the same device is not supported irrespective of the data-policy or control-policy based actions.
- Tracker for service insertion over tunnel interface is not supported on Cisco vEdge devices.

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## Configure Service Chaining

Here is the workflow for configuring service chaining for a device managed by Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN:

1. Service devices are accessed through a specific VRF. In the VPN template that corresponds to the VRF for a service device, configure service chaining, specifying the service type and device addresses. By default, the tracking feature adds each service device status update to the service log. You can disable this in the VPN template.
2. Attach the VPN template to the device template for the device managed by Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN.
3. Apply the device template to the device.

### Configure Service Chaining Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager

To configure service chaining for a device.

1. In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, create a VPN template.
2. Click **Service**.
3. In the **Service** section, click **New Service** and configure the following:
  - **Service Type:** Select the type of service that the service device is providing.
  - **IP Address:** IP Address is the only working option.
  - **IPv4 Address:** Enter between one and four addresses for the device.
  - **Tracking:** Determines whether the periodic health updates of the service device are recorded in the system log. Default: On




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**Note** Maximum number of services: 8

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4. Click **Add**. The service appears in the table of configured services.

### CLI Equivalent for Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Devices

The following table shows how configuration of service chaining by CLI corresponds to configuration in Cisco SD-WAN Manager. CLI configuration differs between Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices and Cisco vEdge devices. The CLI example below is for a Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN device.

CLI (Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN device)	Cisco SD-WAN Manager
<pre>service firewall vrf 10</pre>	<p>In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, configure service insertion in the VPN template for a specific VRF—VRF 10 in this example.</p> <p>Select the service type from the drop-down —firewall in this example.</p>
<pre>no track-enable</pre> <p><b>Note</b>      Default: enabled</p>	<p>When adding a service in the VPN template <b>Service</b>, select <b>On</b> or <b>Off</b> for <b>Tracking</b>.</p>
<pre>ipv4 address 10.0.2.1 10.0.2.2</pre>	<p>In the VRF template <b>Service</b>, enter one or more IP addresses for the service device providing a specific service.</p>

### CLI Example

```
sdwan
  service firewall vrf 10
  ipv4 address 10.0.2.1 10.0.2.2
commit
```

### CLI Equivalent for Cisco vEdge Devices

The following table shows how configuration of service chaining by CLI corresponds to configuration in Cisco SD-WAN Manager. CLI configuration differs between Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices and Cisco vEdge devices. The CLI example below is for a Cisco vEdge device.

CLI (Cisco vEdge device)	Cisco SD-WAN Manager
<pre>vpn 10</pre>	<p>In Cisco SD-WAN Manager, configure service insertion in the VPN template—VPN 10 in this example.</p> <p>Select the service type from the drop-down—firewall in this example.</p>
<pre>service FW address 10.0.2.1</pre>	<p>Select the service type from the drop-down—firewall in this example. Provide one or more addresses for the service device.</p>
<pre>no track-enable</pre> <p><b>Note</b>      Default: enabled</p>	<p>When adding a service in the VPN template <b>Service</b>, select <b>On</b> or <b>Off</b> for <b>Tracking</b>.</p>

### CLI Example

```
vpn 10
  service FW address 10.0.2.1
commit
```

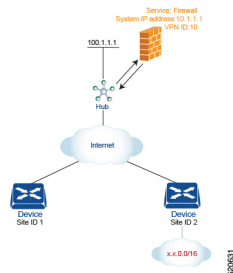
## Service Chaining Configuration Examples

Service chaining control policies direct data traffic to service devices that can be located in various places in the network before the traffic is delivered to its destination. For service chaining to work, you configure a centralized control policy on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, and you configure the service devices themselves

on the device collocated in the same site as the device. To ensure that the services are advertised to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, the IP address of the service device must resolve locally.

This topic provides examples of configuring service chaining.

### Route Intersite Traffic through a Service



A simple example is to route data traffic traveling from one site to another through a service. In this example, we route all traffic traveling from the device at Site 1 to the device at Site 2 through a firewall service that sits behind a hub (whose system IP address is 100.1.1.1). To keep things simple, all devices are in the same VPN.

For this scenario, you configure the following:

- On the hub router, you configure the IP address of the firewall device.
- On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, you configure a control policy that redirects traffic destined from Site 1 to Site 2 through the firewall service.
- On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, you apply the control policy to Site 1.

Here is the configuration procedure:

1. On the hub router, provision the firewall service, specifying the IP address of the firewall device. With this configuration, OMP on the hub router advertises one service route to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. The service route contains a number of properties that identify the location of the firewall, including the TLOC of the hub router and a service label of svc-id-1, which identifies the service type as a firewall. (As mentioned above, before advertising the route, the device ensures that the firewall's IP address can be resolved locally.)

```
vpn 10
  service FW address 10.1.1.1
```

2. On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, configure a control policy that redirects data traffic traveling from Site 1 to Site 2 through the firewall. Then, also on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, apply this policy to Site 1.

```
policy
  lists
    site-list firewall-sites
      site-id 1
  control-policy firewall-service
    sequence 10
      match route
        site-id 2
      action accept
      set service FW vpn 10
  default-action accept
```



```

apply-policy
  site-list firewall-sites control-policy firewall-service out

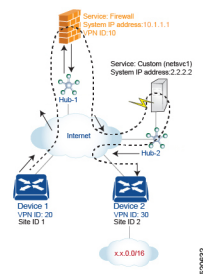
```

This policy configuration does the following:

- Create a site list called **firewall-sites** that is referenced in the **apply-policy** command and that enumerates all the sites that this policy applies to. If you later want to scale this policy so that all traffic destined to Site 2 from other sites should also first pass through the firewall, all you need to do is add the additional site IDs to the **firewall-sites** site list. You do not need to change anything in the **control-policy firewall-service** portion of the configuration.
- Define a control policy named **firewall-service**. This policy has one sequence element and the following conditions:
  - Match routes destined for Site 2.
  - If a match occurs, accept the route and redirect it to the firewall service provided by the Hub router, which is located in VPN 10.
  - Accept all nonmatching traffic. That is, accept all traffic not destined for Site 2.
- Apply the policy to the sites listed in **firewall-list**, that is, to Site 1. The Cisco SD-WAN Validator applies the policy in the outbound direction, that is, on routes that it redistributes to Site 1. In these routes:
  - The TLOC is changed from Site 2's TLOC to the hub router's TLOC. This is the TLOC that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller learned from the service route received from the hub router. It is because of the change of TLOC that traffic destined for Site 2 is directed to the hub router
  - The label is changed to svc-id-1, which identifies the firewall service. This label causes the hub router to direct the traffic to the firewall device.

When the hub router receives the traffic, it forwards it to the address 10.1.1.1, which is the system IP address of the firewall. After the firewall has finished processing the traffic, the firewall returns the traffic to the hub router, and this router then forwards it to its final destination, which is Site 2.

### Route Inter-VPN Traffic through a Service Chain with One Service per Node



A service chain allows traffic to pass through two or more services before reaching its destination. The example here routes traffic from one VPN to another through services located in a third VPN. The services are located behind different hub routers. Specifically, we want all traffic from device-1 in VPN 20 and that is destined for prefix x.x.0.0/16 in VPN 30 on device-2 to go first through the firewall behind Hub-1 and then through the custom service netvc1 behind Hub-2 before being sent to its final destination.

For this policy to work:

- VPN 10, VPN 20, and VPN 30 must be connected by an extranet, such as the Internet
- VPN 10 must import routes from VPN 20 and VPN 30. Routes can be selectively imported if necessary.
- VPN 20 must import routes from VPN 30. Routes can be selectively imported if necessary.
- VPN 30 must import routes from VPN 20. Routes can be selectively imported if necessary.

For this scenario, you configure four things:

- You configure the IP address of the firewall device on the Hub-1 router.
- You configure the IP address of the custom service device on the Hub-2 router.
- On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, you configure a control policy that redirects traffic destined from Site 1 to Site 2 through the firewall device.
- On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, you configure a second control policy that redirects traffic to the custom service device.

Here is the configuration procedure:

1. Configure the firewall service on Hub-1. With this configuration, OMP on the Hub-1 router advertises a service route to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller. The service route contains a number of properties that identify the location of the firewall, including the TLOC of the hub router and a service label of `svc-id-1`, which identifies the service type as a firewall.

```
vpn 10
  service fw address 10.1.1.1
```

2. Configure the custom service `netvc1` on Hub-2. With this configuration, OMP on the Hub-2 router advertises a service route to the vSmart controller. The service route contains the TLOC of the Hub-2 and a service label of `svc-id-4`, which identifies the custom service.

```
vpn 10
  service netvc1 address 2.2.2.2
```

3. Create a control policy on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller for first service in the chain—the firewall—and apply it to Site 1, which is the location of the device-1 router:

```
policy
  lists
    site-list firewall-custom-service-sites
      site-id 1
  control-policy firewall-service
    sequence 10
      match route
        vpn 30
        site-id 2
      action accept
      set service FW
    default-action accept
  apply-policy
    site-list firewall-custom-service-sites control-policy firewall-service out
```

This policy configuration does the following:

- Create a site list called **firewall-custom-service-sites** that is referenced in the **apply-policy** command and that enumerates all the sites that this policy applies to.
- Define a control policy named **firewall-service** that has one sequence element and the following conditions:

- Match routes destined for both VPN 30 and Site 2.
  - If a match occurs, accept the route and redirect it to a firewall service.
  - If a match does not occur, accept the traffic.
- Apply the policy to the sites in the **firewall-custom-service-sites** site list, that is, to Site 1. The Cisco vSmart controller applies this policy in the outbound direction, that is, on routes that it redistributes to Site 1. In these routes:
    - The TLOC is changed from Site 2's TLOC to the Hub-1 router's TLOC. This is the TLOC that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller learned from the service route received from the hub. It is because of the change of TLOC that traffic destined for Site 2 is directed to the Hub-1 router.
    - The label is changed to svc-id-1, which identifies the firewall service. This label causes the Hub-1 router to direct the traffic to the firewall device.

When the Hub-1 router receives the traffic, it forwards it to the address 10.1.1.1, which is the system IP address of the firewall. After the firewall completes processing the traffic, it returns the traffic to the Hub-1 router, which, because of the policy defined in the next step, forwards it to the Hub-2 router.

4. Create a control policy on the Cisco SD-WAN Controller for the second service in the chain, which is the custom service, and apply it to the site of the Hub-1 router:

```

policy
  site-list custom-service
  site-id 3
  control-policy netsvc1-service
  sequence 10
    match route
      vpn 30
      site-id 2
    action accept
    set service netsvc1
  default-action accept
apply-policy
  site-list custom-service control-policy netsvc1-service out

```

This policy configuration does the following:

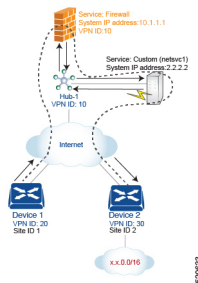
- Create a site list called **custom-service** that is referenced in the **apply-policy** command and that enumerates all the sites that this policy applies to.
- Define a control policy named **netsvc1-service** that has one sequence element and the following conditions:
  - Match routes destined for both VPN 30 and Site 2.
  - If a match occurs, accept the route and redirect it to the custom service.
  - If a match does not occur, accept the traffic.
- Apply the policy to the sites in the **custom-service** list, that is, to Site 3. The Cisco vSmart controller applies this policy in the outbound direction, that is, on routes that it redistributes to Site 3. In these routes:
  - The TLOC is changed from Site 2's TLOC to the Hub-2 router's TLOC. This is the TLOC that the Cisco SD-WAN Controller learned from the service route received from the Hub-2 router.

It is because of the change of TLOC that traffic destined for Site 2 is directed to the Hub-2 router.

- The label is changed to `svc-id-4`, which identifies the custom service. This label causes the Hub-2 to direct the traffic to the device that is hosting the custom service

When the Hub-2 router receives the traffic, it forwards it to the address 2.2.2.2, which is the system IP address of the device hosting the custom service. After the traffic has been processed, it is returned to the Hub-2 router, which then forwards it to its final destination, Site 2.

### Route Inter-VPN Traffic through a Service Chain with Multiple Services per Node



If a service chain has more than one service that is connected to the same node, that is, both services are behind the same device, you use a combination of control policy and data policy to create the desired service chain. The example here is similar to the one in the previous section, but instead has a firewall and a custom service (`netvc1`) behind a single hub router. Here, we want all data traffic from device-1 in VPN 20 destined for prefix `x.x.0.0/16` on device-2 in VPN 30 to first go through the firewall at Hub-1, then through the custom service `netvc1`, also at Hub-1, and then to its final destination.

For this policy to work:

- VPN 10, VPN 20, and VPN 30 must be connected by an extranet, such as the Internet.
- VPN 10 must import routes from VPN 20 and VPN 30. Routes can be selectively imported if necessary.
- VPN 20 must import routes from VPN 30. Routes can be selectively imported if necessary.
- VPN 30 must import routes from VPN 20. Routes can be selectively imported if necessary.

For this scenario, you configure the following:

- On the hub router, you configure the firewall and custom services.
- On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, you configure a control policy that redirects data traffic from Site 1 that is destined to Site 2 through the firewall.
- On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, you configure a data policy that redirects data traffic to the custom service.

Here is the configuration procedure:

1. On the hub router, configure the firewall and custom services:

```
vpn 10
  service FW address 10.1.1.1
  service netvc1 address 2.2.2.2
```

With this configuration, OMP on the hub router advertises two service routes to the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, one for the firewall and the second for the custom service netvc1. Both service routes contain the TLOC of the Hub-1 router and a service label that identifies the type of service. For the firewall service, the label is svc-id-1, and for the custom service, the label is svc-id-4.

2. On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, configure a control policy controller to reroute traffic destined for VPN 30 (at Site 2) to firewall service that is connected to Hub-1 (at Site 3), and apply this policy to Site 1:

```
policy
  lists
    site-list device-1
    site-id 1
  control-policy firewall-service
  sequence 10
  match route
    vpn 30
  action accept
  set service FW
apply-policy
  site-list device-1 control-policy firewall-service out
```

3. On the Cisco SD-WAN Controller, configure a data policy that redirects, or chains, the data traffic received from the firewall device to the custom service netvc1. Then apply this policy to Hub-1. This data policy routes packets headed for destinations in the network x.x.0.0/16 to the IP address 2.2.2.2, which is the system IP address of the device hosting the custom service.

```
policy
  lists
    site-list device-2
    site-id 2
    site-list Hub-1
    site-id 3
  prefix-list svc-chain
  ip-prefix x.x.0.0/16
  vpn-list vpn-10
  vpn 10
  data-policy netvc1-policy
  vpn-list vpn-10
  sequence 1
  match
    ip-destination x.x.0.0/16
  action accept
  set next-hop 2.2.2.2
apply-policy
  site-list Hub-1 data-policy netvc1-policy from-service
```

### Active or Backup Scenario with Service Chaining

When using **set service** action to configure active or backup control policy with **set service** action for service chaining, if total number of available paths (summary of active and standby paths) is more than configured **send-path-limit**, do not set preference directly to routes. Ensure to use **set tloc-list** action to set preferences together with **set service** action. Otherwise, you may see cases where either only active or only backup paths are advertised to a particular spoke router.

For example, in the Cisco SD-WAN Controller OMP table, there are eight active and backup paths. Based on the best-path calculation, the paths are sorted in the following order:

backup1, backup2, backup3, backup4, active1, active2, active3, active4

When **send-path-limit 4** is configured, if you apply the first policy, only the four backup paths are sent. If you apply the second policy, two active and two backup paths are sent.

Example of policy susceptible for failures if **send-path-limit** is lower than total number of active and backup paths:

```
control-policy SET_SERVICE_ACTIVE-BACKUP
sequence 10
match route
prefix-list _AnyIpv4PrefixList
site-list HUBS_PRIMARY
tloc-list INTERNET_TLOCS
!
action accept
set
preference 200
service FW vpn 10
!
!
sequence 20
match route
prefix-list _AnyIpv4PrefixList
site-list HUBS_SECONDARY
tloc-list INTERNET_TLOCS
!
action accept
set
preference 100
service FW vpn 10
!
!
!
default-action accept
!
!
```

Example of the same policy but fixed according to recommendations:

```
policy
lists
tloc-list HUBS_PRIMARY_INTERNET_TLOCS
tloc 10.0.0.0 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 200
tloc 10.0.0.1 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 200
!
tloc-list HUBS_SECONDARY_INTERNET_TLOCS
tloc 10.255.255.254 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 100
tloc 10.255.255.255 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 100
!
!
control-policy SET_SERVICE_ACTIVE-BACKUP_FIXED
sequence 10
match route
prefix-list _AnyIpv4PrefixList
site-list HUBS_PRIMARY
tloc-list INTERNET_TLOCS
!
action accept
set
service FW vpn 10 tloc-list HUBS_PRIMARY_INTERNET_TLOCS
!
!
sequence 20
match route
```

```

prefix-list _AnyIpv4PrefixList
site-list HUBS_SECONDARY
tloc-list INTERNET_TLOCS
!
action accept
set
  service FW vpn 10 tloc-list HUBS_SECONDARY_INTERNET_TLOCS
!
!
!
default-action accept
!
!

```

## Monitor Service Chaining

You can monitor different aspects of service chaining on hub and spoke devices.




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**Note** Configuring a service device to operate as part of the service chain is called service insertion.

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- On a hub device, view the configured services.
  - From the Cisco SD-WAN Manager menu:
 

View the configured services on the **Real Time** monitoring page (**Monitor** > **Devices** > *hub-device* > **Real Time**). For **Device Options**, select **OMP Services**.

Cisco vManage Release 20.6.x and earlier: View the configured services on the **Real Time** monitoring page (**Monitor** > **Network** > *hub-device* > **Real Time**). For **Device Options**, select **OMP Services**.
- On a spoke device, view the details of the service chain path.
  - **Using Cisco SD-WAN Manager:**

View the service chain path on the **Traceroute** page (**Monitor** > **Devices** > *spoke-device* > **Troubleshooting** > **Connectivity** > **Trace Route**). Enter the destination IP, VPN, and source interface for the desired path.

Cisco vManage Release 20.6.x and earlier: View the service chain path on the **Traceroute** page (**Monitor** > **Network** > *spoke-device* > **Troubleshooting** > **Connectivity** > **Trace Route**). Enter the destination IP, VPN, and source interface for the desired path.
  - **Using the CLI:**

Use the **traceroute** command. For information, see the [Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Command Reference](#).

### Example: View a Service Chain Path Between Two Spoke Devices

The following example shows how to view the path between two spokes before and after adding a service chain between them, using Cisco SD-WAN Manager or the CLI.

For clarity, the example presents a scenario of two spoke devices, a hub device, and a service device providing a firewall service, and shows how to configure the firewall service chain.

Here are the details for each device in the scenario:

Device	Address
Hub, through interface ge0/4	10.20.24.15
Spoke 1	10.0.3.1
Spoke 2	10.0.4.1
Service device (firewall service)	10.20.24.17

Configuration of the three devices:

```

Hub
====
vm5# show running-config vpn 1
vpn 1
 name ospf_and_bgp_configs
 service FW
  address 10.20.24.17
 exit
router
 ospf
  router-id 10.100.0.1
  timers spf 200 1000 10000
  redistribute static
  redistribute omp
  area 0
   interface ge0/4
   exit
  exit
 !
 !
 interface ge0/4
  ip address 10.20.24.15/24
  no shutdown
 !
 interface ge0/5
  ip address 10.30.24.15/24
  no shutdown
 !
 !

```

```

Spoke 1
=====
vpn 1
 name ospf_and_bgp_configs
 interface ge0/1
  ip address 10.0.3.1/24
  no shutdown
 !
 !

```

```

Spoke2
=====
vpn 1
 interface ge0/1
  ip address 10.0.4.1/24
  no shutdown

```



!  
!

### 1. Without Service Insertion:

At this point, no service insertion policy has been configured, so executing **traceroute** on Spoke 1 to display the path details to Spoke 2 (10.0.4.1) shows a simple path to Spoke 2:

#### → Spoke 2 (10.0.4.1)

```
vm4# traceroute vpn 1 10.0.4.1
Traceroute 10.0.4.1 in VPN 1
traceroute to 10.0.4.1 (10.0.4.1), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
 1 10.0.4.1 (10.0.4.1) 7.447 ms 8.097 ms 8.127 ms
```

Similarly, viewing the Traceroute page in Cisco SD-WAN Manager shows a simple path from Spoke 1 to Spoke 2.

### 2. With Service Insertion:

The following Cisco SD-WAN Controller policy configures service insertion for a firewall service, using the firewall service device described above.

```
vm9# show running-config policy
policy
  lists
    site-list firewall-sites
      site-id 400
  !
  !
  control-policy firewall-services
  sequence 10
  match route
    site-id 600
  !
  action accept
  set
    service FW vpn 1
  !
  !
  !
  default-action accept
  !
  !
vm9# show running-config apply-policy
apply-policy
  site-list firewall-sites
  control-policy firewall-services out
  !
  !
```

After configuring the service insertion, executing **traceroute** on Spoke 1 (10.0.3.1) to display the path details to Spoke 2 (10.0.4.1) shows this path:

#### → Hub (10.20.24.15) → Firewall service device (10.20.24.17) → Hub (10.20.24.15) → Spoke 2 (10.0.4.1)

```
Traceroute -m 15 -w 1 -s 10.0.3.1 10.0.4.1 in VPN 1
traceroute to 10.0.4.1 (10.0.4.1), 15 hops max, 60 byte packets
 1 10.20.24.15 (10.20.24.15) 2.187 ms 2.175 ms 2.240 ms
 2 10.20.24.17 (10.20.24.17) 2.244 ms 2.868 ms 2.873 ms
 3 10.20.24.15 (10.20.24.15) 2.959 ms 4.910 ms 4.996 ms
 4 10.0.4.1 (10.0.4.1) 5.045 ms 5.213 ms 5.247 ms
```

Similarly, viewing the **Traceroute** page in Cisco SD-WAN Manager shows each step of the path from Spoke 1 to Spoke 2, through the hub and firewall service device.



## CHAPTER 13

# Traffic Flow Monitoring with Cflowd



**Note** To achieve simplification and consistency, the Cisco SD-WAN solution has been rebranded as Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN. In addition, from Cisco IOS XE SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 20.12.1, the following component changes are applicable: **Cisco vManage** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager**, **Cisco vAnalytics** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics**, **Cisco vBond** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator**, **Cisco vSmart** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller**, and **Cisco Controllers** to **Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components**. See the latest Release Notes for a comprehensive list of all the component brand name changes. While we transition to the new names, some inconsistencies might be present in the documentation set because of a phased approach to the user interface updates of the software product.

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## Information about Traffic Flow Monitoring

### Traffic Flow Monitoring with Cflowd Overview

Cflowd is a flow analysis tool, used for analyzing Flexible NetFlow (FNF) traffic data. It monitors traffic flowing through Cisco vEdge devices in the overlay network and exports flow information to a collector, where it can be processed by an IP Flow Information Export (IPFIX) analyzer. For a traffic flow, Cflowd periodically sends template reports to flow collector. These reports contain information about the flows and the data is extracted from the payload of these reports.

You can create a Cflowd template that defines the location of Cflowd collectors, how often sets of sampled flows are sent to the collectors, and how often the template is sent to the collectors (on Cisco SD-WAN Controllers and on Cisco SD-WAN Manager). You can configure a maximum of four Cflowd collectors per Cisco vEdge device. To have a Cflowd template take effect, apply it with the appropriate data policy.

You must configure at least one Cflowd template, but it need not contain any parameters. With no parameters, the data flow cache on the nodes is managed using default settings, and no flow export occurs.

Cflowd traffic flow monitoring is equivalent to FNF.

The Cflowd software implements Cflowd version 10, as specified in *RFC 7011* and *RFC 7012*. Cflowd version 10 is also called the IP Flow Information Export (IPFIX) protocol.



Cflowd performs 1:1 sampling. Information about all flows is aggregated in the Cflowd records; flows are not sampled. Cisco vEdge devices do not cache any of the records that are exported to a collector.




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**Note** NetFlow on Secure Internet Gateway (SIG) tunnels is not supported on Cisco vEdge devices.

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### Cflowd and SNMP Comparison

Cflowd monitors service side traffic. Cflowd mainly monitors traffic from LAN to WAN, WAN to LAN, LAN to LAN and DIA. If you use Cflowd and SNMP to monitor traffic of LAN interface (input or output), then packets and bytes should be similar. The difference of bytes in SNMP starts from L2 header, but Cflowd starts from L3 header. However, if we use Cflowd and SNMP to monitor traffic of WAN interface (input or output), then packets or bytes are unlikely to be the same. All the traffic of WAN interfaces is not service side traffic. For example, Cflowd does not monitor BFD traffic, but SNMP does. The packets or bytes of Cflowd and SNMP traffic are not the same.

## Restrictions for Enabling Collect Loopback in Flow Telemetry When Using Loopbacks as TLOCs

- Supports configuration only through the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller CLI or Cisco SD-WAN Manager CLI-template. Feature template is not supported for this release.
- Collect loopback in FNF VPN0 interfaces is not supported.
- Collect loopback in the Decidated Internet Access (DIA) scenario, is not supported.
- Multi-tenant scenario is not supported.

## Components of Cflowd

In the overlay network, you configure cflowd using a centralized data policy. As part of the policy, you specify the location of the collector.

By default, flow information is sent to the collector every 60 seconds. You can modify this and other timers related to how often cflowd templates are refreshed and how often a traffic flow times out.

You can configure many cflowd policies, but in one single cflowd policy, you can configure at most four external collectors. When you configure a new data policy that changes which flows are sampled, the software allows the old flows to expire gracefully rather than deleting them all at once.

The Cisco vEdge device exports template records and data records to a collector. The template record is used by the collector to parse the data record information that is exported to it.



**Note** Option templates are not supported on Cisco vEdge devices.

The source IP address for the packet containing the IPFIX records is selected from the collector that is closer to the interfaces in the VPN. The flow records are exported through TCP or UDP connections for Cisco devices. Anonymization of records and TLS encryption are not performed, because it is assumed that the collector and the IPFIX analyzer are both located within the data center, traffic traveling within the data center is assumed to be safe.

Cflowd can track GRE, ICMP, IPsec, SCTP, TCP, and UDP flows.

## IPFIX Information Elements for Cisco vEdge Devices

The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN cflowd software exports the following IPFIX information elements to the cflowd collector. These information elements are a subset of those defined in *RFC 7012* and maintained by IANA. The elements are exported in the order listed. You cannot modify the information elements that are exported, nor can you change the order in which they appear.

Information Element	Element ID	Description	Data Type	Data Type Semantics	Units or Range
ipClassOfService	5	Value of type of service (TOS) field in the IPv4 packet header.	unsigned8 (1 byte)	identifier	—
ipNextHopIPv4Address	15	IPv4 address of the next IPv4 hop.	IPv4Address (4 bytes)	default	—
minimumIpTotalLength	25	Length of the smallest packet observed for this flow. The packet length includes the IP headers and the IP payload.	unsigned64 (8 bytes)	—	Octets
maximumIpTotalLength	26	Length of the largest packet observed for this flow. The packet length includes the IP headers and the IP payload.	unsigned64 (8 bytes)	—	Octets
icmpTypeCodeIPv4	32	Type and Code of the IPv4 ICMP message. The combination of both values is reported as (ICMP type * 256) + ICMP code.	unsigned16 (2 bytes)	identifier	—
octetTotalCount	85	Total number of octets in incoming packets for this flow at the observation point since initialization or re-initialization of the metering process for the observation point. The count includes the IP headers and the IP payload.	unsigned64 (8 bytes)	totalCounter	Octets
packetTotalCount	86	Total number of incoming packets for this flow at the observation point since initialization or re-initialization of the metering process for the observation point.	unsigned64 (8 bytes)	totalCounter	Packets

Information Element	Element ID	Description	Data Type	Data Type Semantics	Units or Range
flowStartSeconds	150	Absolute timestamp of the first packet of this flow.	dateTime-Seconds (4 bytes)	—	—
flowEndSeconds	151	Absolute timestamp of the last packet of this flow.	dateTime-Seconds (4 bytes)	—	—
ipPrecedence	196	Value of IP precedence. This value is encoded in the first 3 bits of the IPv4 TOS field.	unsigned8 (1 byte)	flags	0 through 7
paddingOctets	210	Value of this Information Element is always a sequence of 0x00 values.	octetArray	default	—

## Configure Cflowd Traffic Flow Monitoring

This topic provides general procedures for configuring Cflowd traffic flow monitoring. You configure Cflowd traffic flow monitoring using the basic components of centralized data policy. Cflowd template and Cflowd in data policy are independent of each other.

To configure policy for Cflowd traffic flow monitoring, use the Cisco SD-WAN Manager policy configuration wizard. The wizard consists of four sequential screens that guide you through the process of creating and editing policy components:

1. Create Applications or Groups of Interest—Create lists that group together related items and that you call in the match or action components of a policy.
2. Configure Topology—Create the network structure to which the policy applies.
3. Configure Traffic Rules—Create the match and action conditions of a policy.
4. Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs—Associate policy with sites and VPNs in the overlay network.

In the first three policy configuration wizard screens, you are creating policy components or blocks. In the last screen, you are applying policy blocks to sites and VPNs in the overlay network.

For the Cflowd policy to take effect, you must activate the policy.

### Step 1: Start the Policy Configuration Wizard

To start the policy configuration wizard:

1. In the Cisco SD-WAN Manager NMS, select the **Configure > Policies** screen. When you first open this screen, the **Centralized Policy** tab is selected by default.
2. Click **Add Policy**.

The policy configuration wizard opens, and the Create Applications or Groups of Interest screen is displayed.

### Step 2: Create Applications or Groups of Interest

To create lists of applications or groups to use in Cflowd policy:

1. Create new lists as described in the following table:
  - Prefix
    - a. In the left bar, click **Prefix**.
    - b. Click **New Prefix List**.
    - c. Enter a name for the list.
    - d. In the Add Prefix field, enter one or more data prefixes separated by commas.
    - e. Click **Add**.
  - Site
    - a. In the left bar, click **Site**.
    - b. Click **New Site List**.
    - c. Enter a name for the list.
    - d. In the Add Site field, enter one or more site IDs separated by commas.
    - e. Click **Add**.
  - VPN
    - a. In the left bar, click **VPN**.
    - b. Click **New VPN List**.
    - c. Enter a name for the list.
    - d. In the Add VPN field, enter one or more VPN IDs separated by commas.
    - e. Click **Add**.
2. Click **Next** to Configure Topology in the wizard. When you first open this screen, the Topology tab is selected by default.

### Step 3: Configure the Network Topology

To configure the network topology:

In the Topology tab, create a network topology as described:

1. Hub and Spoke - Policy for a topology with one or more central hub sites and with spokes connected to a hub
  - a. In the Add Topology drop-down, select **Hub and Spoke**.
  - b. Enter a name for the hub-and-spoke policy.
  - c. Enter a description for the policy.
  - d. In the VPN List field, select the VPN list for the policy.
  - e. In the left pane, click **Add Hub and Spoke**. A hub-and-spoke policy component containing the text string My Hub-and-Spoke is added in the left pane.

- f. Double-click the **My Hub-and-Spoke** text string, and enter a name for the policy component.
  - g. In the right pane, add hub sites to the network topology:
    1. Click **Add Hub Sites**.
    2. In the **Site List** field, select a site list for the policy component.
    3. Click **Add**.
    4. Repeat Steps 7a, 7b, and 7c to add more hub sites to the policy component.
  - h. In the right pane, add spoke sites to the network topology:
    1. Click **Add Spoke Sites**.
    2. In the **Site List** field, select a site list for the policy component.
    3. Click **Add**.
    4. Repeat Steps 8a, 8b, and 8c to add more spoke sites to the policy component.
  - i. Repeat Steps 5 through 8 to add more components to the hub-and-spoke policy.
  - j. Click **Save Hub and Spoke Policy**.
2. Mesh - Partial-mesh or full-mesh region
    - a. In the Add Topology drop-down, select **Mesh**.
    - b. Enter a name for the mesh region policy component.
    - c. Enter a description for the mesh region policy component.
    - d. In the VPN List field, select the VPN list for the policy.
    - e. Click **New Mesh Region**.
    - f. In the Mesh Region Name field, enter a name for the individual mesh region.
    - g. In the Site List field, select one or more sites to include in the mesh region.
    - h. Repeat Steps 5 through 7 to add more mesh regions to the policy.
    - i. Click **Save Mesh Region**.

To use an existing topology:

1. In the Add Topology drop-down, click **Import Existing Topology**. The Import Existing Topology popup displays.
2. Select the type of topology.
3. In the Policy drop-down, select the name of the topology.
4. Click **Import**.

Click **Next** to move to Configure Traffic Rules in the wizard. When you first open this screen, the Application-Aware Routing tab is selected by default.



#### Step 4: Configure Traffic Rules

To configure traffic rules for Cflowd policy:

1. In the Application-Aware Routing bar, select the **Cflowd** tab.
2. Click the **Add Policy** drop-down.
3. Select **Create New**. The Add Cflowd Policy popup opens.
4. Configure timer parameters for the Cflowd template:
  - a. In the Active Flow Timeout field, specify how long to collect a set of flows on which traffic is actively flowing, a value from 30 through 3,600 seconds. The default is 600 seconds (10 minutes).
  - b. In the Inactive Flow Timeout field, specify how long to wait to send a set of sampled flows to a collector for a flow on which no traffic is flowing, a value from 1 through 3,600 seconds. The default is 60 seconds (1 minute).
  - c. In the Flow Refresh Interval field, specify how often to send the Cflowd template record fields to the collector, a value from 60 through 86,400 seconds (1 minute through 1 day). The default is 90 seconds.
  - d. In the Sampling Interval field, specify how many packets to wait before creating a new flow, a value from 1 through 65,536 seconds. While you can configure any integer value, the software rounds the value down to the nearest power of 2.
5. Click **Add New Collector**, and configure the location of the Cflowd collector. You can configure up to four collectors.
  - a. In the VPN ID field, enter the number of the VPN in which the collector is located.
  - b. In the IP Address field, enter the IP address of the collector.
  - c. In the Port Number field, enter the collector port number. The default port is 4739.
  - d. In the Transport Protocol drop-down, select the transport type to use to reach the collector, either TCP or UDP.
  - e. In the Source Interface field, enter the name of the interface to use to send flows to the collector. It can be either a Gigabit Ethernet, a 10-Gigabit Ethernet interface (**ge**), or a loopback interface (**loopback number**).
6. Click **Save Cflowd Policy**.
7. Click **Next** to move to Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs in the wizard.

#### Step 5: Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs

To apply a policy block to sites and VPNs in the overlay network:

1. If you are already in the policy configuration wizard, skip to Step 6. Otherwise, in the Cisco SD-WAN Manager NMS, select the **Configure > Policies** screen. When you first open this screen, the Centralized Policy tab is selected by default.
2. Click **Add Policy**. The policy configuration wizard opens, and the Create Applications or Groups of Interest screen is displayed

3. Click **Next**. The Network Topology screen opens, and in the Topology bar, the Topology tab is selected by default.
4. Click **Next**. The Configure Traffic Rules screen opens, and in the Application-Aware Routing bar, the Application-Aware Routing tab is selected by default.
5. Click **Next**. The Apply Policies to Sites and VPNs screen opens.
6. In the Policy Name field, enter a name for the policy. This field is mandatory and can contain only uppercase and lowercase letters, the digits 0 through 9, hyphens (–), and underscores (\_). It cannot contain spaces or any other characters.
7. In the Policy Description field, enter a description of the policy. It can contain up to 2048 characters. This field is mandatory, and it can contain any characters and spaces.
8. From the Topology bar, select the type of policy block. The table then lists policies that you have created for that type of policy block.
9. Click **Add New Site List**. Select one or more site lists, and click **Add**.
10. Click **Preview** to view the configured policy. The policy is displayed in CLI format.
11. Click **Save Policy**. The **Configuration > Policies** screen opens, and the policies table includes the newly created policy.

#### Step 6: Activate a Centralized Policy

Activating a Cflowd policy sends that policy to all connected Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers. To activate a Cflowd policy:

1. In the Cisco SD-WAN Manager NMS, select the **Configure > Policies** screen. When you first open this screen, the Centralized Policy tab is selected by default.
2. Select a policy.
3. Click the **More Actions** icon to the right of the row, and click **Activate**. The Activate Policy popup opens. It lists the IP addresses of the reachable Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers to which the policy is to be applied.
4. Click **Activate**.

## Configure Cflowd Traffic Flow Monitoring Using the CLI

Following are the high-level steps for configuring a Cflowd centralized data policy to perform traffic monitoring and to export traffic flows to a collector:

1. Create a list of overlay network sites to which the Cflowd centralized data policy is to be applied (in the **apply-policy** command).

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (–). Create additional site lists, as needed.

2. Create a list of VPN for which the Cflowd centralized data policy is to be configured (in the **policy data-policy** command).

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# vpn vpn-id
```

3. Create lists of IP prefixes, as needed.

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# prefix-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name)# ip-prefix prefix/length
```

4. Configure a Cflowd template, and optionally, configure template parameters, including the location of the Cflowd collector, the flow export timers, and the flow sampling interval.

```
vSmart(config)# policy cflowd-template template-name
vSmart(config-cflowd-template-template-name)# collector vpn vpn-id address ip-address
port port-number transport-type (transport_tcp | transport_udp) source-interface
interface-name
vSmart(config-cflowd-template-template-name)# flow-active-timeout seconds
vSmart(config-cflowd-template-template-name)# flow-inactive-timeout seconds
vSmart(config-cflowd-template-template-name)# protocol ipv4/ipv6/both
vSmart(config-cflowd-template-template-name)# template-refresh seconds
```

You must configure a Cflowd template, but it need not contain any parameters. With no parameters, the data flow cache on router is managed using default settings, and no flow export occurs. You can configure one Cflowd template per router, and it can export to a maximum of four collectors.

By default, an actively flowing data set is exported to the collector every 60 seconds (1 minute), a data set for a flow on which no traffic is flowing is sent every 10 seconds, and the Cflowd template record fields (the three timer values) are sent to the collector every 600 seconds.

Also by default, a new flow is created immediately after an existing flow has ended. If you modify the configuration of the template record fields, the changes take effect only on flows that are created after the configuration change has been propagated to the router. Because an existing flow continues indefinitely, to have configuration changes take effect, clear the flow with the **clear app cflowd flows** command.




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**Note** On Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices, a flow-active-timeout is fixed as 60 seconds. If a flow-inactive-timeout is fixed as 10 seconds. The **flow-active-timeout** and **flow-inactive-timeout** value that is configured on Cisco SD-WAN Controller or Cisco SD-WAN Manager do not take effect on Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN devices.

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5. If you configure a logging action, configure how often to log packets to the syslog files.

```
vEdge(config)# policy log-frequency number
```

6. Create a data policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs.

```
vSmart(config)# policy data-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-data-policy-policy-name)# vpn-list list-name
```

7. Create a sequence to contain a single match–action pair.

```
vSmart(config-vpn-list-list-name)# sequence number
vSmart(config-sequence-number)#
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. If no match occurs, the default action is taken.

- Define match parameters for the data packets.

```
vSmart (config-sequence-number) # match parameters
```

- Enable Cflowd action.

```
vSmart (config-sequence-number) # action cflowd
```

- In the action, count or log data packets.

```
vSmart (config-sequence-number) # action count counter-name
vSmart (config-sequence-number) # action log
```

- Create additional numbered sequences of match–action pairs within the data policy, as needed.

- If a route does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. If you want nonmatching prefixes to be accepted, configure the default action for the policy.

```
vSmart (config-policy-name) # default-action accept
```

- Apply the policy and the Cflowd template to one or more sites in the overlay network.

```
vSmart (config) # apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name
vSmart (config) # apply-policy site-list list-name cflowd-template template-name
```

## Verify Collect Loopback

You can verify the ingress and egress interface output using the following command.

### **show sdwan app-fwd cflowd flows**

The following is a sample output from the **show sdwan app-fwd cflowd flows** using the **flows** keyword.

```
Device#show sdwan app-fwd cflowd flows
app-fwd cflowd flows vpn 1 src-ip 10.10.15.12 dest-ip 10.20.15.12 src-port 0 dest-port 0
dscp 0 ip-proto 1
tcp-cntrl-bits          24
icmp-opcode            0
total-pkts             5
total-bytes            500
start-time             "Tue Jun 27 09:21:09 2023"
egress-intf-name       Loopback1
ingress-intf-name      GigabitEthernet5
application            ping
family                 network-service
drop-cause              "No Drop"
drop-octets            0
drop-packets           0
sla-not-met            0
color-not-met          0
queue-id               2
initiator              2
tos                    0
dscp-output            0
sampler-id             0
fec-d-pkts             0
fec-r-pkts             0
pkt-dup-d-pkts-orig    0
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pkt-dup-d-pkts-dup      0
pkt-dup-r-pkts         0
pkt-cxp-d-pkts         0
category                0
service-area           0
cxp-path-type          0
region-id              0
ssl-read-bytes         0
ssl-written-bytes      0
ssl-en-read-bytes      0
ssl-en-written-bytes   0
ssl-de-read-bytes      0
ssl-de-written-bytes   0
ssl-service-type       0
ssl-traffic-type       0
ssl-policy-action      0
appqoe-action          0
appqoe-sn-ip           0.0.0.0
appqoe-pass-reason     0
appqoe-dre-input-bytes 0
appqoe-dre-input-packets 0
appqoe-flags           0
    
```

You can verify the ingress and egress interface output using the following command.

**show sdwan app-fwd cflowd table**

The following is a sample output from the **show sdwan app-fwd cflowd table** using the **table** keyword.

```

show sdwan app-fwd cflowd flows table
PKT  PKT  PKT  PKT                                     SSL
SSL                                     APPQOE  APPQOE
                                         TCP
                                         SLA  COLOR
                                         FEC  FEC  DUP D  DUP D  DUP  CXP
SSL  SSL  EN  SSL EN  DE  SSL DE  SSL  SSL  SSL
APPQOE  DRE  DRE
                                         SRC  DEST  IP  CNTRL
ICMP  TOTAL  TOTAL                                     EGRESS INTF  INGRESS INTF
                                         DROP  DROP  NOT  NOT  QUEUE
                                         DSCP  SAMPLER  D  R  PKTS  PKTS  R  D  SERVICE  PATH  REGION
READ  WRITTEN  READ  WRITTEN  READ  WRITTEN  SERVICE  TRAFFIC  POLICY  APPQOE  APPQOE
PASS  INPUT  INPUT  APPQOE
VPN  SRC IP  DEST IP                                     PORT  PORT  DSCP  PROTO  BITS
OPCODE  PKTS  BYTES  START TIME                                     NAME  NAME
APPLICATION  FAMILY  DROP CAUSE  OCTETS  PACKETS  MET  MET  ID  INITIATOR
TOS  OUTPUT  ID  PKTS  PKTS  ORIG  DUP  PKTS  PKTS  CATEGORY  AREA  TYPE  ID
BYTES  BYTES  BYTES  BYTES  BYTES  BYTES  BYTES  TYPE  TYPE  ACTION  ACTION  SN
IP  REASON  BYTES  PACKETS  FLAGS
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1  10.10.15.11  10.20.20.10  0  0  0  1  24  0
   5  500  Tue Jun 27 09:21:06 2023  Loopback1  GigabitEthernet5  ping
   network-service  No Drop  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  2  2  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0.0.0.0
0  10.0.5.5  10.0.15.10  58048  22  4  6  24
0  41  1752  Tue Jun 27 09:21:06 2023  internal0/0/rp:0  GigabitEthernet9  unknown
   network-service  No Drop  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  2  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0.0.0.0
0  0  0  0  0
1  10.10.15.11  10.20.20.10  0  2048  0  1  24
    
```

```

2048      5      500      Tue Jun 27 09:21:06 2023 GigabitEthernet5 Loopback1      ping
      network-service      No Drop      0      0      0      0      2      2      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0.0.0.0
0      0      0      0
1      10.10.15.11      10.5.10.15      0      2048      0      1      31
2048      20      960      Tue Jun 27 09:21:06 2023 Null      GigabitEthernet5 ping
      network-service      Ipv4NoRoute 960      20      0      0      2      2      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0.0.0.0
0      0      0      0
1      10.10.15.11      10.20.20.10      50920 4739      0      17      31      0
473      524768 Tue Jun 27 09:21:06 2023 GigabitEthernet5 internal0/0/rp:0 ipfix
      network-management No Drop      0      0      0      0      2      1      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0.0.0.0
0      0      0      0
0      10.0.5.10      10.0.5.10      22      58048 48      6      24
0      39      3020      Tue Jun 27 09:21:05 2023 GigabitEthernet9 internal0/0/rp:0 ssh
      terminal      No Drop      0      0      0      0      2      2      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0.0.0.0
0      0      0      0
1      10.10.15.11      10.20.20.10      0      771      48      1      31
771      8      4192      Tue Jun 27 09:21:05 2023 internal0/0/rp:0 GigabitEthernet5 icmp
      network-service      No Drop      0      0      0      0      2      2      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0.0.0.0
0      0      0      0
1      fe40::6044:ff:feb7:c2db ff01::1:ff00:10      0      34560 0      58      0
34560 6      432      Tue Jun 27 09:20:41 2023 internal0/0/rp:0 GigabitEthernet5 ipv6-icmp
      network-service      No Drop      0      0      0      0      0      2      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0.0.0.0
0      0      0
1      10:20:20::10      fe40::6024:ff:feb6:c1db 0      34816 56      58      0
34816 4      288      Tue Jun 27 09:20:41 2023 GigabitEthernet5 internal0/0/rp:0 ipv6-icmp
      network-service      No Drop      0      0      0      0      2      2      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0.0.0.0
0      0      0

```

## Verify Interface Binding on the Device

You can verify the interface binding on the device using the following command.

**show sdwan control local-properties wan-interface-list**

The following is a sample output from the **show sdwan control local-properties wan-interface-list** using the **wan-interface-list** keyword.

The command displays:

- The physical interface bound to the loopback WAN interface in bind mode.
- Unbind for loopback WAN interface in unbind mode.
- N/A for any other cases.

```

Device#show sdwan control local-properties wan-interface-list
NAT TYPE: E -- indicates End-point independent mapping

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A -- indicates Address-port dependent mapping  
 N -- indicates Not learned  
 Note: Requires minimum two vbonds to learn the NAT type

			PUBLIC		PUBLIC PRIVATE		PRIVATE		
MAX	RESTRICT/		LAST	SPI TIME	NAT VM		BIND		
INTERFACE		PORT	VS/VM COLOR	STATE	IPV4		IPV6		
CNTRL CONTROL/	LR/LB	CONNECTION	REMAINING	TYPE	CON REG		INTERFACE		
		PRF	IDS				STUN		
GigabitEthernet1			10.0.10.10	12346	10.0.10.10	::			
		12346	2/1 lte	up	2	no/yes/no	No/No	0:20:20:27	
	0:01:14:20	N	5 Default N/A						
GigabitEthernet4			10.0.10.10	12346	10.0.10.10	::			
		12346	2/0 blue	up	2	no/yes/no	No/No	0:20:20:27	
	0:01:14:20	N	5 Default N/A						
Loopback1			1.1.1.1	12366	1.1.1.1	::			
		12366	2/0 custom1	up	2	no/yes/no	No/No	0:20:20:27	
	0:01:14:20	N	5 Default GigabitEthernet1						
Loopback2			2.2.2.2	12406	2.2.2.2	::			
		12406	2/0 custom2	up	2	no/yes/no	No/No	0:20:20:27	
	0:01:14:20	N	5 Default Unbind						

## Configuration Examples for Flexible NetFlow Export of BFD Metrics

Minimum releases: Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.10.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components Release 20.10.1

The following example shows a centralized policy configuration with export of BFD metrics enabled:

```
Device# show sdwan policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart cflowd-template fnf
flow-active-timeout 600
flow-inactive-timeout 60
template-refresh 600
flow-sampling-interval 1
protocol ipv4
customized-ipv4-record-fields
no collect-tos
no collect-dscp-output
collector vpn 0 address 10.0.100.1 port 4739 transport transport_udp
bfd-metrics-export
export-interval 600
```

The following example shows FNF BFD telemetry data with average jitter, average latency, and loss metrics:

```
{ 'Data_Template': 'Data_Flow',
  'ObservationDomainId': 6,
  'Version': 10,
  'arrive_time': 1658807309.2496994,
  'dfs_tfs_length': 200,
  'export_dfs_tfs_templates_list_dict': { 'FlowSequence': 3354,
                                          'Flowset_id': '258',
                                          'Flowset_length': 200,
                                          'Length': 286,
                                          'ObservationDomainId': 6,
```

```

'TimeStamp': 1658807269,
'Version': 10,
'flow': [ { 'bfd_avg_jitter': 1000,
            'bfd_avg_latency': 1000,
            'bfd_loss': 15,
            'bfd_pfr_update_ts': 1658806692155,
            'bfd_rx_cnt': 0,
            'bfd_tx_cnt': 0,
            'ipDiffServCodePoint': 48,
            'tloc_table_overlay_session_id': 10},
          ...
        ]},
'flow_length': 4,
'flow_time': 1658807269,
'flowset_id': '258',
'header': { 'FlowSequence': 3354,
            'Length': 286,
            'ObservationDomainId': 6,
            'TimeStamp': 1658807269,
            'Version': 10},
'host': '10.0.100.15',
'ipfix_length': 286,
'packet_number': 2,
'template_id': '258'}

```

## Apply and Enable Cflowd Policy

For a centralized data policy to take effect, you must apply it to a list of sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name
```

To activate the Cflowd template, associate it with the data policy:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy cflowd-template template-name
```

For all **data-policy** policies that you apply with **apply-policy** commands, the site IDs across all the site lists must be unique. That is, the site lists must not contain overlapping site IDs. An example of overlapping site IDs are those in the two site lists **site-list 1 site-id 1-100** and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**. Here, sites 70 through 100 are in both lists. If you apply these two site lists to two different **data-policy** policies, the attempt to commit the configuration on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller would fail.

The same type of restriction also applies to the following types of policies:

- Application-aware routing policy (**app-route-policy**)
- Centralized control policy (**control-policy**)
- Centralized data policy (**data-policy**)

You can, however, have overlapping site IDs for site lists that you apply for different types of policy. For example, the sites lists for **control-policy** and **data-policy** policies can have overlapping site IDs. So for the two example site lists above, **site-list 1 site-id 1-100** and **site-list 2 site-id 70-130**, you could apply one to a control policy and the other to a data policy.

After you successfully activate the configuration by issuing a **commit** command, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller pushes the data policy to the Cisco vEdge devices located in the specified sites. To view the policy as configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, use the **show running-config** command in the



Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. To view the policy that has been pushed to the device, use the **show policy from-vsmart** command on the device.

To display the centralized data policy as configured on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, use the **show running-config** command:

```
vSmart# show running-config policy
vSmart# show running-config apply-policy
```

### Enable Cflowd Visibility on Cisco vEdge devices

You can enable Cflowd visibility directly on Cisco vEdge devices, without configuring a data policy, so that you can perform traffic-flow monitoring on traffic coming to the router from all VPNs in the LAN. To do this, configure Cflowd visibility on the device:

```
Device(config)# policy flow-visibility
```

To monitor the applications, use the **show app cflowd flows** and **show app cflowd statistics** commands on the device.

## Cflowd Traffic Flow Monitoring Configuration Examples

This topic shows a complete example of configuring traffic flow monitoring.

### Configuration Steps

Enable Cflowd traffic monitoring with a centralized data policy, so all configuration is done on a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. The following example procedure monitors all TCP traffic, sending it to a single collector:

1. Create a Cflowd template to define the location of the collector and to modify Cflowd timers.

```
vsmart(config)# policy cflowd-template test-cflowd-template
vsmart(config-cflowd-template-test-cflowd-template)# collector vpn 1 address 172.16.155.15
port 13322 transport transport_udp
vsmart(config-cflowd-template-test-cflowd-template)# flow-inactive-timeout 60
vsmart(config-cflowd-template-test-cflowd-template)# template-refresh 90
```

2. Create a list of VPNs whose traffic you want to monitor.

```
vsmart(config)# policy lists vpn-list vpn_1 vpn 1
```

3. Create a list of sites to apply the data policy to.

```
vsmart(config)# policy lists site-list cflowd-sites site-id 400,500,600
```

4. Configure the data policy.

```
vsmart(config)# policy data-policy test-cflowd-policy
vsmart(config-data-policy-test-cflowd-policy)# vpn-list vpn_1
vsmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1)# sequence 1
vsmart(config-sequence-1)# match protocol 6
vsmart(config-match)# exit
vsmart(config-sequence-1)# action accept cflowd
vsmart(config-action)# exit
vsmart(config-sequence-1)# exit
vsmart(config-vpn-list-vpn_1)# default-action accept
```

5. Apply the policy and the Cflowd template to sites in the overlay network.

```
vsmart(config)# apply-policy site-list cflowd-sites data-policy test-cflowd-policy
Device(config-site-list-cflowd-sites)# cflowd-template test-cflowd-template
```

## 6. Activate the data policy.

```
vsmart(config-site-list-cflowd-sites)# validate
Validation complete
vsmart(config-site-list-cflowd-sites)# commit
Commit complete.
vsmart(config-site-list-cflowd-sites)# exit configuration-mode
```

## Example Configuration

Here is a complete example of a Cflowd configuration:

```
vsmart(config)# show configuration
apply-policy
  site-list cflowd-sites
  data-policy test-cflowd-policy
  cflowd-template test-cflowd-template
!
!
policy
  data-policy test-cflowd-policy
  vpn-list vpn_1
  sequence 1
  match
    protocol 6
  !
  action accept
  cflowd
  !
  !
  default-action accept
!
!
cflowd-template test-cflowd-template
  flow-inactive-timeout 60
  template-refresh 90
  collector vpn 1 address 192.168.0.1 protocol ipv4 port 13322 transport transport_udp
!
lists
  vpn-list vpn_1
  vpn 1
  !
  site-list cflowd-sites
  site-id 400,500,600
  !
!
!
```

## Verify Cflowd Configuration

To verify the Cflowd configuration after activating it on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, use the **show running-config policy** and **show running-config apply-policy** commands.

Starting from Cisco IOS XE Catalyst SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a, the cflowd commands have been enhanced for both IPv4 and IPv6 flow records.

```
Device# show flow record sdwan_flow_record-xxx
```

IPv4 flow record:

```

flow record sdwan_flow_record-1666223692122679:
  Description:      flow and application visibility records
  No. of users:    1
  Total field space: 102 bytes
  Fields:
    match ipv4 protocol
    match ipv4 source address
    match ipv4 destination address
    match transport source-port
    match transport destination-port
    match routing vrf service
    collect ipv4 dscp
    collect transport tcp flags
    collect interface input
    collect interface output
    collect counter bytes long
    collect counter packets long
    collect timestamp absolute first
    collect timestamp absolute last
    collect application name
    collect flow end-reason
    collect connection initiator
    collect overlay session id input
    collect overlay session id output
    collect connection id long
    collect drop cause id
    collect counter bytes sdwan dropped long
    collect sdwan sla-not-met
    collect sdwan preferred-color-not-met
    collect sdwan qos-queue-id
collect counter packets sdwan dropped long

```

#### IPv6 flow format:

```

flow record sdwan_flow_record_ipv6-1667963213662363:
  Description:      flow and application visibility records
  No. of users:    1
  Total field space: 125 bytes
  Fields:
    match ipv6 protocol
    match ipv6 source address
    match ipv6 destination address
    match transport source-port
    match transport destination-port
    match routing vrf service
    collect ipv6 dscp
    collect transport tcp flags
    collect interface input
    collect interface output
    collect counter bytes long
    collect counter packets long
    collect timestamp absolute first
    collect timestamp absolute last
    collect application name
    collect flow end-reason
    collect connection initiator
    collect overlay session id input
    collect overlay session id output
    collect connection id long
    collect drop cause id
    collect counter bytes sdwan dropped long
    collect sdwan sla-not-met
    collect sdwan preferred-color-not-met
    collect sdwan qos-queue-id
    collect counter packets sdwan dropped long

```

```

Device# show flow monitor sdwan_flow_monitor cache
Cache type: Normal (Platform cache)
Cache size: 128000
Current entries: 4
High Watermark: 5
Flows added: 6
Flows aged: 2
- Inactive timeout ( 10 secs) 2
IPV4 SOURCE ADDRESS: 10.20.24.110
IPV4 DESTINATION ADDRESS: 10.20.25.110
TRNS SOURCE PORT: 40254
TRNS DESTINATION PORT: 443
IP VPN ID: 1
IP PROTOCOL: 6
tcp flags: 0x02
interface input: Gi5
interface output: Gi1
counter bytes long: 3966871
counter packets long: 52886
timestamp abs first: 02:07:45.739
timestamp abs last: 02:08:01.840
flow end reason: Not determined
connection initiator: Initiator
interface overlay session id input: 0
interface overlay session id output: 4
connection connection id long: 0xD8F051F000203A22

```

### Check the Flows

On the Cisco vEdge devices affected by the Cflowd data policy, various commands let you check the status of the Cflowd flows.

To display information about the flows themselves.

```

vEdge# show app cflowd flows

```

VPN	SRC IP	DEST IP	SRC PORT	DEST PORT	DSCP	IP PROTO	TCP CNTRL BITS	ICMP OPCODE	NHOP	IP INTF	EGRESS INTF	INGRESS INTF	TOTAL PKTS	TOTAL BYTES	MIN LEN	MAX LEN	START TIME	TIME TO EXPIRE
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46772	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:31:45 2014	3
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46773	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:31:50 2014	8
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46774	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:31:55 2014	13
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46775	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:00 2014	18
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46776	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:05 2014	23
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46777	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:10 2014	28
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46778	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:15 2014	33
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46779	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:19 2014	38
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46780	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:25 2014	43
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46781	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:30 2014	48
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46782	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:35 2014	53
1	10.20.24.15	172.16.155.15	46783	13322	0	6	2	0	0.0.0.0	0	0	0	1	78	78	78	Wed Nov 19 12:32:40 2014	58

To quickly get a count of the number of flows.

```

vEdge# show app cflowd flow-count
VPN count
-----
1      12

```

To display flow statistics.

```

vEdge# show app cflowd statistics

data_packets           :      0
template_packets      :      0
total-packets          :      0
flow-refresh           :     123
flow-ageout            :     117
flow-end-detected     :      0
flow-end-forced       :      0

```

The following commands show information about the Cflowd collectors and the Cflowd template information that is sent to the collector.

```
vEdge# show app cflowd collector
```

VPN ID	COLLECTOR IP ADDRESS	COLLECTOR PORT	CONNECTION STATE	CONNECTION PROTOCOL	IPFIX VERSION	CONNECTION RETRY	TEMPLATE PACKETS	DATA PACKETS
1	172.16.155.15	13322	false	TCP	10	133	0	0

```
vEdge# show app cflowd template
app cflowd template name test-cflowd-template
app cflowd template flow-active-timeout 30
app cflowd template flow-inactive-timeout 60
app cflowd template template-refresh 90
```

### FNF IPv6 Configuration Example for IPv6 traffic

The following example shows the centralized policy configuration with Cflowd for IPv6 traffic:

```
policy
data-policy _vpn_1_accept_cflowd_vpn_1
vpn-list vpn_1
sequence 102
match
source-ipv6      2001:DB8:0:/32
destination-ipv6 2001:DB8:1:/32
!
action accept
count cflowd_ipv6_1187157291
cflowd
!
!
default-action accept
!
!
cflowd-template cflowd_server
flow-active-timeout 60
flow-inactive-timeout 30
protocol            ipv6
!
lists
vpn-list vpn_1
vpn 1
site-list vedgel
site-id 500
!

apply-policy
site-list vedgel
data-policy _vpn_1_accept_cflowd_vpn_1 all
cflowd-template cflowd_server
```

### FNF Export Spread Configuration Example

The following example shows the configuration for export spreading:

```
Device# show sdwan policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart cflowd-template cflowd
flow-active-timeout 600
flow-inactive-timeout 60
template-refresh 60
```

```
flow-sampling-interval 1
protocol                ipv4
customized-ipv4-record-fields
  no collect-tos
  no collect-dscp-output
collector vpn 0 address 10.0.100.1 port 4739 transport transport_udp
export-spread
  app-tables 20
  tloc-tables 10
  other-tables 5
```



# CHAPTER 14

## Cisco vEdge Device as a NAT Device

To achieve simplification and consistency, the Cisco SD-WAN solution has been rebranded as Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN. In addition, from Cisco IOS XE SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 20.12.1, the following component changes are applicable: **Cisco vManage to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager**, **Cisco vAnalytics to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics**, **Cisco vBond to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator**, **Cisco vSmart to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller**, and **Cisco Controllers to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components**. See the latest Release Notes for a comprehensive list of all the component brand name changes. While we transition to the new names, some inconsistencies might be present in the documentation set because of a phased approach to the user interface updates of the software product.

Cisco vEdge device can act as a NAT device, both on the transport side and on the service side of the router. On the transport side, the NAT functionality allows traffic from a local site to flow directly to the Internet rather than being backhauled to a colo facility that provides NAT services for Internet access. The NAT function is performed as the traffic enters the overlay tunnel to the WAN transport. On the service side, NAT functionality allows traffic from the local site to traverse the NAT before entering the overlay tunnel.

**Table 43: Feature History**

Release	Description
Cisco SD-WAN 19.1	Feature introduced. Cisco vEdge device can act as a NAT device, both on the transport side and on the service side of the router. On the transport side, the NAT functionality allows traffic from a local site to flow directly to the Internet rather than being backhauled to a colo facility that provides NAT services for Internet access.

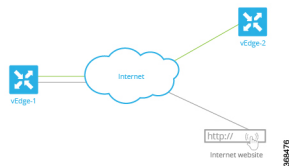
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## Cisco vEdge Device as a NAT Device on the Transport Side

To provide users at a local site with direct, secure access to Internet resources, such as websites, you can configure the Cisco vEdge device to function as a Network Address Translation (NAT) device, performing

both address and port translation (NAPT). Enabling NAT allows traffic exiting from a Cisco vEdge device to pass directly to the Internet rather than being backhauled to a colocation facility that provides NAT services for Internet access. Using NAT in this way on a Cisco vEdge device can eliminate traffic "tromboning" and allows for efficient routes, that have shorter distances, between users at the local site and the network-based applications that they use.

The figure below shows the router acting as a NAT device. The vEdge splits its traffic into two flows, which you can think of as two separate tunnels. One traffic flow, shown in green, remains within the overlay network and travels between the two routers in the usual fashion, on the secure IPsec tunnels that form the overlay network. The second traffic stream, shown in grey, is redirected through the Cisco vEdge device's NAT device and then out of the overlay network to a public network.



The NAT functionality on a Cisco vEdge device operates in a standard end-point independent fashion. The NAT software performs both address and port translation (NAPT). It establishes a translation entry between a private address and port pair inside the overlay network and a public address and port outside the overlay network. Once this translation entry is created, the NAT software allows incoming connections from an external host to be established with that private address and port only if that private address and port already established a connection to the external host. That is, an external host can reply to traffic from the private address and port; it cannot initiate a connection.

Cisco vEdge devices provide Application Layer Gateway (ALG) FTP support with Network Address Translation – Direct Internet Access (NAT-DIA) and Service NAT. Starting from Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 Service NAT support is extended to the FTP server. Service NAT was already supported for FTP ALG on the client side for Cisco SD-WAN Release 18.4.x and later releases.

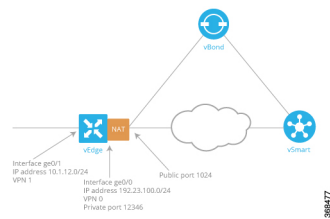
From Cisco SD-WAN Release 20.4.1 the following scenarios are supported:

1. Depending on the location of the FTP server and FTP client:
  - FTP client in private network and FTP server on the internet.
  - FTP server in private network and FP client on the internet.
2. Depending on the type of connectivity present between the FTP client and FTP server:
  - FTP client and server are connected through NAT DIA.
  - FTP client and server are connected through overlay using service side NAT.

## Transport-Side NAT Operation

The following figure explains how the NAT functionality on the Cisco vEdge device splits traffic into two flows (or two tunnels), so that some of it remains within the overlay network and some goes directly to the Internet or other public network.





In this figure, the Cisco vEdge device has two interfaces:

- Interface ge0/1 faces the local site and is in VPN 1. Its IP address is 10.1.12.0/24.
- Interface ge0/0 faces the transport cloud and is in VPN 0 (the transport VPN). Its IP address is 192.23.100.0/24, and it uses the default OMP port number, 12346, for overlay network tunnels.

To configure the Cisco vEdge device to act as a NAT device so that some traffic from the router can go directly to a public network, you do three things:

- Enable NAT in the transport VPN (VPN 0) on the WAN-transport-facing interface, which here is ge0/0. All traffic exiting from the Cisco vEdge device, going either to other overlay network sites or to a public network, passes through this interface.
- To direct data traffic from other VPNs to exit from the Cisco vEdge device directly to a public network, enable NAT in those VPNs or ensure that those VPNs have a route to VPN 0.
- On the vCisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, create a centralized data policy that redirects the desired data traffic from the non-transport VPN to VPN 0, and then apply that data policy to the non-transport VPN. In this case, we apply the policy to VPN 1.

Once NAT is enabled on the Cisco vEdge device, data traffic affected by the centralized data policy (here, the data traffic from VPN 1) is split into two flows:

- Traffic destined for another Cisco vEdge device in the overlay network remains in VPN 1, and it travels directly through the IPsec data plane tunnel from the source Cisco vEdge device to the destination Cisco vEdge device. This traffic never passes through VPN 0, and therefore it is never touched by NAT.
- Traffic destined for the public network passes from VPN 1 to VPN 0, where it is NATed. During the NAT processing, the source IP address is changed from 10.1.12.0/24 to that of ge0/0, 192.23.100.0/24, and the source port is changed to 1024.

When NAT is enabled, all traffic that passes through VPN 0 is NATed. This includes both the data traffic from VPN 1 that is destined for a public network, and all control traffic, including the traffic required to establish and maintain DTLS control plane tunnels between the Cisco vEdge device and the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller and between the router and the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator.

The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator learns both the public and private addresses of the Cisco vEdge device, and it advertises both addresses to the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller. In turn, the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller advertises both addresses to all the devices in its domain. Each Cisco vEdge device then decides whether to use the public or the private address to communicate with another Cisco vEdge device as follows:

- If the Cisco vEdge device is located at the same site as the other router (that is, if they are both configured with the same overlay network site ID), it communicates using the private address. Because both routers have the same site ID, they are behind the same NAT, and so their communication channels are already secure.

- If the Cisco vEdge device route is at a different site, it communicates with the other router using the public address. Then, the NAT functionality on the Cisco vEdge device translates the public address to the proper private address.

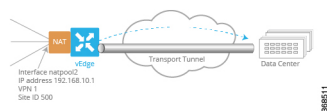
If a Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller connected to a corporate NAT and a NAT-enabled Cisco vEdge device are located at the same physical overlay network site, you must configure them with different Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN site identifiers in order for them to be able to communicate. Similarly, if more than one NAT-enabled Cisco vEdge device is located at the same physical overlay network site, each one must be configured with a different site identifier.

## Cisco vEdge Device as a Service-Side NAT Device

On a Cisco vEdge device, you can configure NAT on the service side of the router so that data traffic traverses the NAT before entering the overlay tunnel that is located in the transport VPN. The service-side NAT performs NAT to mask the IP address of data traffic it receives. You can configure both dynamic NAT and 1:1 static NAT on the Cisco vEdge device.

### Service-Side NAT Operation

The following figure explains how the Cisco vEdge device provides NAT services on the service side:



In this figure, the Cisco vEdge device has one NAT interface in VPN 1. This interface pools all service-side traffic destined for the NAT interface. The interface name is natpool2, and its IP address is 192.168.10.1. This IP address is the address each packet's IP address is translated to.

To configure the service-side NAT operation on the Cisco vEdge device so that traffic traverses the NAT in VPN 1 before being placed on the transport tunnel towards its destination, you do two things:

- Create a NAT pool interface in VPN 1, the service-side VPN. Here, the NAT pool number is 2.
- To direct data traffic from prefixes within VPN 1 to the service-side NAT, create a centralized data policy on the vSmart controller. In the match condition, specify the prefixes to be NATed. In the action condition, set the desired NAT pool, here, natpool 2. Then apply the data policy to the desired site (here, site 500), and apply it to traffic coming from the service side.

When service-side NAT is enabled, all matching prefixes in VPN 1 are directed to the natpool2 interface. This traffic is NATed, with the NAT swapping out the service-side IP address and replacing it with its NAT pool IP address. The packet then gets forwarded to its destination, here the data center.

## Configure Local Internet Exit

To configure a Cisco vEdge device to be an Internet exit point, you enable NAT within a VPN on the Cisco vEdge device, and then you configure a centralized data policy on a Cisco vSmart controller. This policy splits the traffic within the VPN so that some of it is directed towards remote sites within the VPN, and hence remains within the overlay network, and other traffic is directed to the Internet or other destinations outside

the overlay network. It is also possible to configure a Cisco vEdge device to forward data traffic directly to the Internet, by specifying the destination IP prefix.

### NAT Configuration Considerations

When configuring a Cisco vEdge device to act as a NAT device, keep the following considerations in mind:

- For a Cisco vEdge device that is acting as a vBond orchestrator, do not enable NAT operation on the interface that is tied to the vBond orchestrator's IP address. If you do so, the orchestrator is placed into a private address space behind the NAT. For the overlay network to function properly, the vBond orchestrator must be in a public address space. You can, however, enable NAT operation on other Cisco vEdge device interfaces.
- When you enable NAT on a Cisco vEdge device, the router NATs all traffic that is sent out through VPN 0. That is, both data traffic and control traffic are NATed.
- The NAT operation on outgoing traffic is performed in VPN 0, which is always only a transport VPN. The router's connection to the Internet is in VPN 0. Performing the NAT operation in VPN 0 avoids the IPsec tunnels that carry data traffic within the overlay network.
- If you configure NAT on multiple interfaces in VPN 0, ECMP is performed among the interfaces.
- When you use NAT—either by configuring it on an interface or by setting it as an action in a centralized data policy—no route lookup is performed. Instead, traffic is forwarded to one of the available NAT default gateways.
- The Cisco vEdge device NAT implementation uses end-point-independent NAT. If your network contains other NAT devices that interact with the Cisco vEdge device NAT, these devices must either perform end-point-independent NAT, or they must be configured with policy rules so that they do not change the port numbers for Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network destinations.
- When a Cisco vEdge device has two or more NAT interfaces, and hence two or more DIA connections to the internet, by default, data traffic is forwarding on the NAT interfaces using ECMP. To direct data traffic to a specific DIA interface, configure a centralized data policy on the Cisco vSmart controller that sets two actions—**nat** and **local-tloc** color. In the **local-tloc** color action, specify the color of the TLOC that connects to the desired DIA connection.
- Interface IP has to be lesser than NAT range start IP. It is required for IP address of the NAT interface to be lower than the IP addresses used for the IP NAT pool range and static NAT translations. When this requirement is not met, the error is displayed and the configuration will be rejected. When NAT interface IP is higher than the static NAT mapping IP entry, error "Source address is not in the range of the interface IP prefix" displays. The address assigned to the interface IP is in the same subnet as the static mapping IP.

For example, interface IP is 192.168.1.100/24, and the natpool has a range of 192.168.1.10 to 192.168.1.30 with a static mapping of the translated address 192.168.1.10, configuration will be rejected, error will displayed.

If the interface IP is lower than the natpool range and static mapping, it allows to commit the configuration with no issues, configuration will be accepted.

For example, interface IP is 192.168.1.1, and the natpool has a range of 192.168.1.10 to 192.168.1.30 with a static mapping of the translated address 192.168.1.10, configuration will be accepted as the interface IP is lower than the natpool range and static mapping, it allows to commit the configuration with no issues.

### Direct Traffic to Exit to the Internet Using Data Policy

To use a centralized data policy to direct traffic from a Cisco vEdge device directly to the Internet, you enable NAT functionality in the WAN VPN or VPNs, and then you create and apply a centralized data policy.

### Enable NAT Functionality in the WAN VPN

The first step in setting up Internet exit on a Cisco vEdge device is to configure the router to act as a NAT device. You do this by enabling NAT functionality in VPNs that have interfaces that connect to a WAN transport network. By default, VPN 0 always connects to the WAN transport. Other VPNs in your network might also connect to WANs.

To configure a Cisco vEdge device to act as a NAT device:

1. Enable NAT in the desired VPN:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn vpn-id interface interface-name nat
```

2. By default, NAT mappings from the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN overlay network side of the NAT to the external side of the NAT remain active, and NAT mapping timers are refreshed regularly to keep the mapping operational. To also refresh NAT mappings of packets coming from the external side of the NAT into the overlay network, change the refresh behavior:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# refresh bi-directional
```

3. NAT sessions time out after a period of non-use. By default, TCP sessions time out after 60 minutes, and UDP sessions time out after 20 minutes. To change these times:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# tcp-timeout minutes
vEdge(config-nat)# udp-timeout minutes
```

The times can be from 1 to 65535 minutes.

The following NAT session timers are fixed, and you cannot modify them:

- TCP session timeout if no SYN-ACK response is received—5 seconds
- TCP session timeout if three-way handshaking is not established—10 seconds
- TCP session timeout after receiving a FIN/RST packet—30 seconds
- ICMP timeout—6 seconds
- Other IP timeout—60 seconds

4. By default, the Cisco vEdge device does not receive inbound ICMP error messages. However, NAT uses ICMP to relay error messages across a NAT. To have the router receive the NAT ICMP messages:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# no block-icmp-error
```

In case of a DDoS attack, you might want to return to the default, to again prevent the Cisco vEdge device from receiving inbound ICMP error messages.

### Create a Data Policy to Direct Traffic to the Internet Exit

To direct data traffic from a Cisco vEdge device to an Internet exit point, you split the destination of the traffic within a VPN, sending some to remote sites in the VPN and directing the traffic that is destined to the Internet (or other destinations outside the overlay network) to exit directly from the local Cisco vEdge device to the external destination.

To split the traffic, configure a centralized data policy on a Cisco vSmart controller:

1. Configure the source prefix of the data traffic:

```
vSmart(config)# policy data-policy policy-name
vSmart(data-policy)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(vpn-list)# sequence number
vSmart(sequence)# match source-ip ip-prefix
```

2. Configure the destination of the data traffic, either by IP prefix or by port number:

```
vSmart(sequence)# match destination-ip ip-prefix
vSmart(sequence)# match destination-port port-number
```

3. Direct matching data traffic to the NAT functionality. You can optionally configure a packet counter.

```
vSmart(sequence)# action accept
vSmart(accept)# count counter-name
vSmart(accept)# nat use-vpn 0
```

4. Configure additional sequences, as needed, for other source prefixes and destination prefixes or ports, and for other VPNs.

5. Change the default data policy accept default action from reject to accept. With this configuration, all non-matching data traffic is forwarded to service-side VPNs at remote sites instead of being dropped.

```
vSmart(vpn-list)# default-action accept
```

6. Apply the data policy to particular sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name from-service
```

### Direct Traffic To Exit to the Internet Based Only on IP Prefix

You can direct local data traffic to exit to the internet based only on the destination IP prefix. To configure this, in the service VPN, forward traffic that is destined towards an internet location to VPN 0, which is the WAN transport VPN:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn vpn-id
vEdge(config-vpn)# ip route prefix vpn 0
```

In the **vpn** command, specify the VPN ID of the service-side VPN from which you are sending the traffic. In the **ip route** command, *prefix* is the IPv4 prefix of the remote destination. The **vpn 0** option configures the software to perform the route lookup in VPN 0 rather than in the service-side VPN. This is done because the service-side VPN cannot resolve the route.

For the traffic redirection to work, in VPN 0, you must enable NAT on the interface associated with the configured prefix:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn 0 interface interface-name nat
```

Here, the interface is the one to use to reach the destination prefix.

The following snippet illustrates the two parts of the configuration:

```
vEdge# show running-config vpn 1
vpn 1
...
ip route 10.1.17.15/32 vpn 0
!
vEdge# show running-config vpn 0
vpn 0
...
interface ge0/1
```

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```

...
nat
!
no shutdown
!
!

```

To verify that the redirection is working properly, look at the output of the **show ip routes** command:

```

vEdge# show ip routes
Codes Proto-sub-type:
IA -> ospf-inter-area,
E1 -> ospf-external1, E2 -> ospf-external2,
N1 -> ospf-nssa-external1, N2 -> ospf-nssa-external2,
e -> bgp-external, i -> bgp-internal
Codes Status flags:
F -> fib, S -> selected, I -> inactive,
B -> blackhole, R -> recursive

```

VPN	PREFIX	PROTOCOL	SUB TYPE	NEXTHOP IF NAME	NEXTHOP ADDR	NEXTHOP VPN	TLOC IP	COLOR	ENCAP	STATUS
0	0.0.0.0/0	static	-	ge0/0	10.1.15.13	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.0.20.0/24	connected	-	ge0/3	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.0.100.0/24	connected	-	ge0/7	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.1.15.0/24	connected	-	ge0/0	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	<b>10.1.17.0/24</b>	<b>connected</b>	-	<b>ge0/1</b>	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	57.0.1.0/24	connected	-	ge0/6	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	172.16.255.15/32	connected	-	system	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	<b>10.1.17.15/32</b>	<b>nat</b>	-	<b>ge0/1</b>	-	<b>0</b>	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.20.24.0/24	ospf	-	ge0/4	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	10.20.24.0/24	connected	-	ge0/4	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.20.25.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	56.0.1.0/24	connected	-	ge0/5	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	60.0.1.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	61.0.1.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
512	10.0.1.0/24	connected	-	eth0	-	-	-	-	-	F,S

In VPN 1, the prefix 10.1.17.15/32 is associated with the protocol "nat", which reflects the configuration of the **ip route** command in VPN 1. For this prefix, the next-hop interface is **ge0/1**, and the next-hop VPN is VPN 0. This prefix is installed into the route table only if the resolving next hop is over an interface on which NAT is enabled.

The prefix that you configure in the **ip route** represents a route in the specified VPN (the service VPN whose ID you enter in the first command above). To direct traffic to that prefix, you can redistribute it into BGP or OSPF:

```

vEdge (config-vpn) # bgp address-family address-family redistribute nat
vEdge (config-vpn) # ospf redistribute nat

```

### Track Transport Interface Status

When you enable NAT on a transport interface to allow the local router to forward traffic directly to the internet rather than first forwarding the traffic to a data center router connected to the internet, the router directs data traffic according to the centralized data policy that is applied to that interface, forwarding some traffic directly to the internet (or other external network) and other traffic to other VPNs in the overlay network, including the data center. If the internet or external network becomes unavailable, for example, due to a brownout, the router has no way to learn of this disruption, and it continues to forward traffic based on the policy rules. The result is that traffic that is being forwarded to the internet is silently dropped.

To prevent the internet-bound traffic from being dropped, you can configure the router to track the status of the transport interface and to redirect the traffic to the non-NATed tunnel on the transport interface when the local internet is unavailable. With tracking enabled, the router periodically probes the path to the internet to determine whether it is up. When it detects that the path is down, the router withdraws the NAT route to the internet destination, and reroutes the traffic to the non-NATed tunnel on the interface so that another router in the overlay network can forward the traffic to the internet. The local router continues to periodically check the status of the path to the interface. When it detects that the path is again functioning, the router reinstalls the NAT route to the internet.

To track the transport interface status, you create a global interface tracker, and then you apply it to the transport interface on which NAT is enabled.

To create a transport interface tracker:

```
vEdge(config)# system
vEdge(config-system)# tracker tracker-name
vEdge(config-tracker)# endpoint-dns-name dns-name
vEdge(config-tracker)# endpoint-ip ip-address
vEdge(config-tracker)# interval seconds
vEdge(config-tracker)# multiplier number
vEdge(config-tracker)# threshold milliseconds
```

The tracker name can be up to 128 lowercase characters.

At a minimum, you must specify the IP address or DNS name of a destination on the internet. This is the destination to which the router sends probes to determine the status of the transport interface. You can configure either one IP address or one DNS name.

By default, a status probe is sent every minute (60 seconds). To modify this value, change the time in the **interval** command to a value from 10 through 600 seconds.

By default, the router waits 300 milliseconds to receive a response from the internet destination. To modify the time to wait for a response, change the time in the **threshold** command to a value from 100 through 1000 milliseconds.

By default, after sending three probes and receiving no responses, the router declares that transport interface is down. To modify the number of retries, change the number in the **multiplier** command to a value from 1 through 10.

You can configure up to eight interface trackers.

To apply a tracker to a transport interface:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn 0
vEdge(vpn)# interface interface-name
vEdge(interface)# tracker tracker-name
```

You can apply only one tracker to an interface.

## Configure Service-Side NAT

You can configure both dynamic NAT and 1:1 static NAT on the service side of a router. To do so, you create a NAT pool interface within a service VPN on the router, and then you configure a centralized data policy on the Cisco vSmart controller. This policy directs data traffic with the desired prefixes to the service-side NAT. Finally, you configure either dynamic NAT or static NAT on the desired NAT pool interfaces.

### Create a NAT Pool Interface

On the router, you create a NAT pool interface. This interface NATs data traffic that is directed to it and then forwards the traffic towards its destination.

To create a NAT pool interface:

1. In the desired VPN, create the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-vpn)# interface natpool number
```

The pool can have a number from 1 through 31. You refer to this NAT pool number in the action portion of the centralized data policy that you configure to direct data traffic to the pool. You can configure a maximum of 31 NAT pool interfaces in a VPN.

## 2. Configure the NAT pool interface's IP address:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# ip address prefix/show ip routes length
```

The length of the IP address determines the number of addresses that the router can NAT at the same time. For each NAT pool interface, you can configure a maximum of 250 IP addresses.

## 3. Enable the interface:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# no shutdown
```

On a NAT pool interface, you can configure only these two commands (**ip address** and **shutdown/no shutdown**) and the **nat** command, discussed below. You cannot configure any of the other interface commands.

Here is an example of configuring the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge# show running-config vpn 1
vpn 1
 interface ge0/4
   ip address 10.20.24.15/24
   no shutdown
 !
 interface ge0/5
   ip address 56.0.1.15/24
   no shutdown
 !
 interface natpool2
   ip address 192.179.10.1/32
   nat
   !
   no shutdown
 !
 !
```

To display information about the NAT pool interface, use the **show interface** command:

```
vEdge# show interface vpn 1
```

VPN	INTERFACE	IP ADDRESS	IF ADMIN STATUS	IF OPER STATUS	ENCAP TYPE	PORT TYPE	MTU	HWADDR	SPEED MBPS	DUPLEX	TCP MSS ADJUST	UPTIME	RX PACKETS	TX PACKETS
1	ge0/4	10.20.24.15/24	Up	Up	null	service	1500	00:0c:29:7d:1e:26	10	full	1420	0:01:24:06	566	565
1	ge0/5	56.0.1.15/24	Up	Up	null	service	1500	00:0c:29:7d:1e:30	10	full	1420	0:01:24:06	26	4
1	natpool2	192.179.10.1/32	Up	Up	null	service	1500	00:00:00:00:00:00	10	full	1420	0:00:40:57	0	0

## Create a Data Policy To Direct Data Traffic to a Service-Side NAT

To direct data traffic from the service side of the router to the NAT, you create a centralized data policy on the Cisco vSmart controller. In the match condition of the policy, you identify the data traffic that you want to direct to the NAT. One way to do this is to match on the IP prefixes of the data traffic. In the action condition of the policy, you direct the matching traffic to one of the number NAT pools. Finally, you apply the policy to the service side at the desired overlay network sites.

To create a data policy to direct data traffic to a service-side NAT:

### 1. Configure the lists required for the data policy. You must configure a list of VPN and sites. If you are matching on data prefixes, configure a data prefix list.

```
vSmart(config-policy-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-policy-vpn-list)# vpn vpn-id
vSmart(config-policy-lists)# site-list list-name
vSmart(config-policy-site-list)# site-id site-id
vSmart(config-policy-lists)# data-prefix-list list-name
vSmart(config-policy-data-prefix-list)# ip-prefix prefix/length
```



2. Configure a data policy:

```
vSmart(config-policy)# data-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-data-policy)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# sequence number
```

3. Configure the desired match conditions:

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# match condition
```

4. In the action, associate matching data traffic with the desired NAT pool:

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# action accept
vSmart(config-sequence)# nat pool number
```

5. Configure the desired default action for the data policy:

```
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# default-action (accept | reject)
```

6. Apply the policy to the desired sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name from-service
```

Here is an example of configuring the centralized data policy:

```
vSmart# show running-config policy
policy
data-policy service-side-nat-policy
vpn-list vpn-1
sequence 10
match
source-data-prefix-list prefixes-to-nat
!
action accept
nat pool 2
!
!
default-action accept
!
!
lists
vpn-list vpn-1
vpn 1
!
data-prefix-list prefixes-to-nat
ip-prefix 56.0.1.0/24
!
site-list site-500
site-id 500
!
!
!
vSmart# show running-config apply-policy
apply-policy
site-list site-500
data-policy service-side-nat-policy from-service
!
!
```

After you activate the policy, you can see that it has been applied to the router:

```
vEdge# show policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart data-policy service-side-nat-policy
direction from-service
vpn-list vpn-1
sequence 10
```

```

match
  source-data-prefix-list prefixes-to-nat
  action accept
  nat pool 2
  default-action accept
from-vsmart lists vpn-list vpn-1
vpn 1
from-vsmart lists data-prefix-list prefixes-to-nat
ip-prefix 56.0.1.0/24

```

Here is an example of configuring NAT fallback behaviour:

```

vEdge# show policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart data-policy service-side-nat-policy
direction from-service
vpn-list vpn-1
sequence 91
match
  source-data-prefix-list RFC1918
  action accept
  nat use-vpn 0
  nat fallback
exit

```

### Configure Dynamic NAT

By default, when you configure a router to act as a NAT, the router performs dynamic network address translation. In this capacity, the router can perform dynamic NAT for up to 250 IP addresses across NAT pools.

To configure dynamic NAT:

1. In the desired VPN, create the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-vpn)# interface natpool number
```

The pool can have a number from 1 through 31. You refer to this NAT pool number in the action portion of the centralized data policy that you configure to direct data traffic to the pool. You can configure a maximum of 31 NAT pool interfaces in a VPN.

2. Configure the IP address prefix for the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# ip address prefix/length
```

The prefix length determines the maximum number of addresses that the router can NAT at the same time. For example, for a /30 prefix length, the router can perform translation on four addresses at a time. For each NAT pool interface, you can configure a maximum of 250 IP addresses.

3. Enable the interface:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# no shutdown
```

4. Enable dynamic NAT:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# nat
```

As mentioned above, the length of the IP address determines the number of IP addresses that the router can NAT at the same time, up to a maximum of 250 across all NAT pools. When all available IP addresses have been used, the router reuses the last IP address multiple times, changing the port number. The port number is chosen at random from the nonreserved port numbers, that is, those port numbers in the range 1024 through 65535. For example, if the IP address is 10.1.17.3/30, the Cisco vEdge device can uniquely NAT four IP

addresses. Let us say that the router maps the fourth IP address to 10.1.20.5, or more specifically to 10.1.20.5:12346 if we include the port number. It would then map the fifth IP address to the same IP address, but with a different port, such as 10.1.20.5:12347. To have the router drop packets when no more IP addresses are available for the translation process, include the following command:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn vpn-id interface natpool number
vEdge(config-natpool)# no overload
```

### Configure Static NAT

You can configure a router acting as a NAT to perform static network address translation (also called 1:1 static NAT) of source IP addresses. You can translate service-side source addresses before sending packets out to the overlay network, and you can translate external addresses before forwarding packets to the service-side network. You can also translate service-side source addresses before sending packets out to another service-side LAN connected to the same router.

For packets originating on the service side of a router, you can statically map the packets' source IP address to another IP address. You do this by creating a NAT pool interface within a service-side VPN. For this interface, you configure a pool of IP addresses to use for network address translation, and then you configure the static address mappings. When the address pool is depleted, you can choose to drop packets that have unmapped source IP addresses. (Dropping these packets is not the default behavior.)

For packets exiting a transport tunnel from a router, you can statically map the packet's source IP address to another IP address, generally to an address that is routable within the service-side network. You configure this in the same way as for NATing packets originating on the service side.

You must create separate NAT pool interfaces to translate source IP addresses for service-side packets and for tunnel packets.

Across all NAT pools, a vEdge router can NAT a maximum of 254 source IP addresses. This is the number of addresses in a /24 prefix, less the .0 and .255 addresses. You cannot configure translation for .0 and .255 addresses.

This section explains how to configure static NAT for translating service-side source IP addresses and for translating external (transport-side) IP addresses. The two procedures are very similar, but we describe them separately for clarity.

### Static NATing of Service-Side Addresses

To configure the static NATing of service-side source IP addresses:

1. In the desired VPN, create the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-vpn)# interface natpool number
```

The pool can have a number from 1 through 31. You refer to this NAT pool number in the action portion of the centralized data policy that you configure to direct data traffic to the pool. You can configure a maximum of 31 NAT pool interfaces in a VPN.

2. Enable the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# no shutdown
```

3. Configure the IP address prefix for the NAT pool interface

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# ip address prefix/length
```

The prefix length determines the maximum number of source IP addresses that can be NATed in the NAT pool. For example, for a /30 prefix length, a maximum of four source IP addresses can be NATed. For each NAT pool interface, you can configure a maximum of 250 IP addresses.

4. Configure the NAT pool interface to perform network address translation:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# nat
```

5. By default, all IP addresses are translated to an address in the pool of NAT addresses configured in the **ip address** command. The addresses are mapped one to one until the address pool is depleted. Then, the first address is used multiple times, and the port number is changed to a random value between 1024 and 65535. This reuse of the last address is called *overloading*. Overloading effectively implements dynamic NAT.

To configure static NAT, include the **no overload** command to enforce the mapping of a single source IP address to a single translated IP address:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# no overload
```

With this command, when the maximum number of available IP addresses available to be translated is reached, packets with other IP addresses are dropped.

6. Set the direction in which the NAT pool interface performs static mapping to **inside** to statically translate service-side IP source addresses:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# direction inside
```

Note that the default direction is **inside**.

A single NAT pool interface can perform static address translation either for service-side source addresses (**direction inside**) or for external source addresses (**direction outside**), but not for both. This means that for a single NAT pool, you can configure only one **direction** command.

7. Define the static address translations for service-side source IP addresses:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# static source-ip ip-address1 translate-ip ip-address2 inside
```

*ip-address1* is the source IP address of a device or branch router on the service side of the Cisco vEdge device.

*ip-address2* is the translated source IP address. This is the address that the Cisco vEdge device places in the source field of the packet's IP header when transmitting the packet out the transport network. Because the NAT pool direction is **inside**, this IP address must be in the interface's IP address range. This is the IP address prefix configured in the **ip address** command.

The **inside** option indicates that it is a service-side, or inside, address that is being statically translated. Note that the **inside** option in the **static** command is different from and independent of the **inside** or **outside** option you specify in the **direction** command. When you are statically NATing service-side addresses, you can statically map both service-side addresses (with a **static...inside** command) and transport-side addresses (with a **static...outside** command), as described in the next step. The maximum number of service-side source IP addresses that you can statically NAT is equal to the number of addresses available in the interface's prefix range. For example, for a /30 prefix length, you can configure a maximum of four static NAT mappings.

Once the NAT static address mapping is installed in the router's NAT table, the router can perform source IP address translation in both directions—when a service-side packet is being transmitted into the transport network, and when an external packet (addressed to *ip-address2*) arrives at the router.

8. Define the static address translations for transport-side source IP addresses:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# static source-ip ip-address1 translate-ip ip-address2 outside
```

*ip-address1* is the source IP address of an external device or router, that is, of a device at a remote site.

*ip-address2* is the translated source IP address. This is the address that the vEdge router places in the source field of the packet's IP header before forwarding the traffic to the service-side network.

The **outside** option indicates that an external IP address is being statically translated. Note that the **outside** option in the **static** command is different from and independent of the **inside** or **outside** option you specify in the **direction** command. When you are statically NATing service-side addresses, you can statically map both service-side addresses (with a **static...inside** command) and transport-side addresses (with a **static...outside** command), as described in the previous step.

Because the direction of the NAT pool is **inside**, the pool of IP addresses set aside for NATing is used only to NAT service-side source IP addresses. This means that here, you can configure any number of external static address translations.

As a corollary of NATing an external IP address, when a service-side device responds to that external IP address, it simply takes the source IP address from the received packet and places it into the destination IP field in the IP header.

9. Optionally, log the creation and deletion of NAT flows:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# log-translations
```

### Static NATing of External Addresses

To configure the static NATing of external source IP addresses:

1. In the desired VPN, create the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-vpn)# interface natpool number
```

The pool can have a number from 1 through 31. You refer to this NAT pool number in the action portion of the centralized data policy that you configure to direct data traffic to the pool. You can configure a maximum of 31 NAT pool interfaces in a VPN.

2. Enable the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# no shutdown
```

3. Configure the IP address prefix for the NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# ip address prefix/length
```

The prefix length determines the maximum number of IP addresses that the router can NAT at the same time in that NAT pool. For example, for a /30 prefix length, the router can perform translation on four addresses at a time. For each NAT pool interface, you can configure a maximum of 250 IP addresses.

4. Configure the NAT pool interface to perform network address translation:

```
vEdge(config-natpool)# nat
```

5. By default, all IP addresses are translated to an address in the pool of NAT addresses configured in the **ip address** command. The addresses are mapped one to one until the address pool is depleted. Then, the last address is used multiple times, and the port number is changed to a random value between 1024 and 65535. This reuse of the last address is called *overloading*. Overloading effectively implements dynamic NAT. To configure static NATing of external addresses, you must include the **no overload** command to enforce the mapping of a single source IP address to a single translated IP address, because the software does not support overloading on the outside NAT pool interface:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# no overload
```

With this command, when the maximum number of available IP addresses available to be translated is reached, packets with other IP addresses are dropped.

- Set the direction in which the NAT pool interface performs static mapping to **outside** to statically translate external IP source addresses:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# direction outside
```

The default direction is **inside**.

A single NAT pool interface can perform static address translation either for service-side source addresses (**direction inside**) or for external source addresses (**direction outside**), but not for both. This means that for a single NAT pool, you can configure only one **direction** command.

- Define the static address translations for external source-IP addresses:

```
vEdge(config-nat)# static source-ip ip-address1 translate-ip ip-address2 outside
```

*ip-address1* is the source IP address of a remote device or router on the transport side of the router.

*ip-address2* is the translated source IP address. This is the address that the router places in the source field of the packet's IP header when forwarding the packet into the service-side network. Because the NAT pool direction is **outside**, this IP address must be in the interface's IP address range. This is the IP address prefix configured in the **ip address** command.

The **outside** option indicates that it is an external, or outside, address that is being statically translated. Note that the **outside** option in the **static** command is different from and independent of the **inside** or **outside** option you specify in the **direction** command. When you are statically NATing external addresses, you can statically map both transport-side addresses (with a **static...outside** command) and service-side addresses (with a **static...inside** command), as described in the previous step.

The maximum number of external source IP addresses that you can statically NAT is equal to the number of addresses available in the interface's prefix range. For example, for a /30 prefix length, you can configure a maximum of four static NAT mappings.

As a corollary of NATing an external IP address, when a service-side device responds to that external IP address, it simply takes the source IP address from the received packet and places it into the destination IP field in the IP header.

## Configure Split DNS

When an application-aware routing policy allows a Cisco vEdge device to send application traffic to and receive application traffic from a service VPN, the router performs a Domain Name System (DNS) lookup to determine how to reach a server for the application. If the router does not have a connection to the internet, it sends DNS queries to a router that has such a connection, and that router determines how to reach a server for that application. In a network in which the internet-connect router is in a geographically distant data center, the resolved DNS address might point to a server that is also geographically distant from the site where the service VPN is located.

Because you can configure a Cisco vEdge device to be an internet exit point, it is possible for any router to reach the internet directly to perform DNS lookups. To do this, you create a policy that configures split DNS and that defines, on an application-by-application basis, how to perform DNS lookups.

You configure split DNS with either a centralized data policy or, if you want to apply SLA criteria to the data traffic, an application-aware routing policy. You create these policies on a Cisco vSmart controller, and they are pushed to the Cisco vEdge devices.

## CLI Configuration Procedure

### Configure Split DNS with a Centralized Data Policy

The following high-level steps show the minimum policy components required to enable split DNS with a centralized data policy:

1. Create one or more lists of overlay network sites to which the centralized data policy is to be applied (in an **apply-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config)# policy
vSmart(config-policy)# lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists)# site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (-).

2. Create lists of applications or application families for which you want to enable split DNS. You refer to these lists in the **match** section of the data policy.

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# app-list list-name
vSmart(config-app-list)# (app application-name | app-family family-name)
```

3. Create lists VPNs to which the split DNS policy is to be applied (in a **policy data-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config)# policy lists
vSmart(config-lists)# vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists)# vpn vpn-id
```

4. Create a data policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs:

```
vSmart(config)# policy data-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-data-policy)# vpn-list list-name
```

5. Create a series of match–action pair sequences:

```
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# sequence number
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

6. Process the DNS server resolution for the applications or application families contained in an application list. In *list-name*, specify one of the names in a **policy lists app-list** command.

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# match dns-app-list list-name
```

7. Configure the match–action pair sequence to process DNS requests (for outbound data traffic) or responses (for inbound data traffic):

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# match dns (request | response)
```

8. Accept matching packets, optionally counting and logging them:

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# action accept [count counter-name] [log]
```

9. Enable local internet exit:

```
vSmart(config-sequence) # action accept nat [pool number] [use-vpn 0]
```

- By default, the DNS servers configured in the VPN in which the policy is applied are used to process DNS lookups for the applications. You can direct DNS requests to a particular DNS server. For a data policy condition that applies to outbound traffic (from the service network), configure the IP address of the DNS server:

```
vSmart(config-sequence) # action accept redirect-dns ip-address
```

For a data policy condition that applies to inbound traffic (from the tunnel), include the following so that the DNS response can be correctly forwarded back to the service VPN:

```
vSmart(config-sequence) # action accept redirect-dns host
```

- If a route does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, it is rejected by default. To accept nonmatching prefixed, configure the default action for the policy:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name) # default-action accept
```

- Apply the policy to one or more sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config) # apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)
```

### Configure Split DNS with an Application-Aware Routing Policy

The following high-level steps show the minimum policy components required to enable split DNS with an application-aware routing policy:

- Create one or more lists of overlay network sites to which the centralized data policy is to be applied (in an **apply-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config) # policy
vSmart(config-policy) # lists site-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name) # site-id site-id
```

The list can contain as many site IDs as necessary. Include one **site-id** command for each site ID. For contiguous site IDs, you can specify a range of numbers separated with a dash (–).

- Create SLA classes and traffic characteristics to apply to matching application data traffic:

```
vSmart(config) # policy sla-class sla-class-name
vSmart(config-sla-class) # jitter milliseconds
vSmart(config-sla-class) # latency milliseconds
vSmart(config-sla-class) # loss percentage
```

- Create lists of applications or application families to identify application traffic of interest in the **match** section of the data policy:

```
vSmart(config) # policy lists
vSmart(config-lists) # app-list list-name
vSmart(config-app-list) # (app application-name | app-family family-name)
```

- Create lists VPNs to which the split DNS policy is to be applied (in a **policy data-policy** command):

```
vSmart(config) # policy lists
vSmart(config-lists) # vpn-list list-name
vSmart(config-lists-list-name) # vpn vpn-id
```

- If you are configuring a logging action, configure how often to log packets to syslog files:

```
vEdge(config) # policy log-frequency number
```

- Create an application-aware routing policy instance and associate it with a list of VPNs:



```
vSmart(config)# policy app-route-policy policy-name
vSmart(config-data-policy-policy-name)# vpn-list list-name
```

7. Create a series of match–pair sequences:

```
vSmart(config-vpn-list)# sequence number
```

The match–action pairs are evaluated in order, by sequence number, starting with the lowest numbered pair and ending when the route matches the conditions in one of the pairs. Or if no match occurs, the default action is taken (either rejecting the route or accepting it as is).

8. Process the DNS server resolution for the applications or application families contained in an application list. In *list-name*, specify one of the names in a **policy lists app-list** command.

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match dns-app-list list-name
```

9. Configure the match–action pair sequence to process s DNS requests (for outbound data traffic) or responses (for inbound data traffic):

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# match (request | response)
```

10. Define the SLA action to take if a match occurs:

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# action sla-class sla-class-name [strict]
vSmart(config-sequence)# action sla-class sla-class-name [strict] preferred-color
colors
vSmart(config-sequence)# action backup-sla-preferred-color colors
```

11. For matching packets, optionally count and log them:

```
vSmart(config-sequence)# action count counter-name
vSmart(config-sequence)# action log
```

12. Enable local internet exit:

```
vSmart(config-sequence-number)# action accept nat [pool number] [use-vpn 0]
```

13. If a packet does not match any of the conditions in one of the sequences, a default action is taken. For application-aware routing policy, the default action is to accept nonmatching traffic and forward it with no consideration of SLA. You can configure the default action so that SLA parameters are applied to nonmatching packets:

```
vSmart(config-policy-name)# default-action sla-class sla-class-name
```

14. Apply the policy to one or more sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name app-route-policy policy-name
```

### Structural Components of Policy Configuration for Split DNS

Below are the structural components required to configure split DNS on a vSmart controller. The components related to configuring split DNS are explained in the sections below. For an explanation of the data policy and application-aware routing policy components that are not specifically related to split DNS, see *Configure Centralized Data Policy* and *Configure Application-Aware Routing*.

```
policy
  lists
    app-list list-name
      (app application-name | app-family application-family)
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn-id vpn-id
```

```

data-policy policy-name
  vpn-list list-name
    sequence number
    match
      dns (request | response)
      dns-app-list list-name
    action accept
      count counter-name
      log
      nat use-vpn 0
      redirect-dns (ip-address | host)
    default-action
      (accept | drop)
apply-policy
  site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)

policy
  lists
    app-list list-name
      (app application-name | app-family application-family)
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn-id vpn-id
  log-frequency number
  sla-class sla-class-name
    jitter milliseconds
    latency milliseconds
    loss percentage
  app-route-policy policy-name
    vpn-list list-name
    sequence number
    match
      dns (request | response)
      dns-app-list list-name
    action
      backup-sla-preferred-color colors
      count counter-name
      log
      nat use-vpn 0
      sla-class sla-class-name [strict] [preferred-color colors]
    default-action
      sla-class sla-class-name
  apply-policy
    site-list list-name app-route-policy policy-name

```

## Lists

A data policy or an application-aware routing policy for split DNS uses the following types of lists to group related items. You configure these lists under the **policy lists** command hierarchy on Cisco vSmart controllers.

Table 44:

List Type	Description	Command
Applications and application families	List of one or more applications or application families running on the subnets connected to the Cisco vEdge device. Each <b>app-list</b> can contain either applications or application families, but you cannot mix the two. To configure multiple applications or application families in a single list, include multiple <b>app</b> or <b>app-family</b> options, specifying one application or application family in each <b>app</b> or <b>app-family</b> . • <i>application-name</i> is the name of an application. The Cisco SD-WAN software supports about 2300 different applications. To list the supported applications, use the ? in the CLI. • <i>application-family</i> is the name of an application family. It can be one of the following: <b>antivirus</b> , <b>application-service</b> , <b>audio_video</b> , <b>authentication</b> , <b>behavioral</b> , <b>compression</b> , <b>database</b> , <b>encrypted</b> , <b>erp</b> , <b>file-server</b> , <b>file-transfer</b> , <b>forum</b> , <b>game</b> , <b>instant-messaging</b> , <b>mail</b> , <b>microsoft-office</b> , <b>middleware</b> , <b>network-management</b> , <b>network-service</b> , <b>peer-to-peer</b> , <b>printer</b> , <b>routing</b> , <b>security-service</b> , <b>standard</b> , <b>telephony</b> , <b>terminal</b> , <b>thin-client</b> , <b>tunneling</b> , <b>wap</b> , <b>web</b> , and <b>webmail</b> .	<b>app-list</b> <i>list-name</i> ( <b>app</b> <i>application-name</i>   <b>app-family</b> <i>application-family</i> )
Sites	List of one or more site identifiers in the overlay network. To configure multiple sites in a single list, include multiple <b>site-id</b> options, specifying one site number in each option. You can specify a single site identifier (such as <b>site-id 1</b> ) or a range of site identifiers (such as <b>site-id 1-10</b> ).	<b>site-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>site-id</b> <i>site-id</i>
VPNs	List of one or more VPNs in the overlay network. To configure multiple VPNs in a single list, include multiple <b>vpn</b> options, specifying one VPN number in each option. You can specify a single VPN identifier (such as <b>vpn-id 1</b> ) or a range of VPN identifiers (such as <b>vpn-id 1-10</b> ).	<b>vpn-list</b> <i>list-name</i> <b>vpn</b> <i>vpn-id</i>

In the Cisco vSmart controller configuration, you can create multiple iterations of each type of list. For example, it is common to create multiple site lists and multiple VPN lists so that you can apply data policy to different sites and different customer VPNs across the network.

When you create multiple iterations of a type of list (for example, when you create multiple VPN lists), you can include the same values or overlapping values in more than one of these list. You can do this either on purpose, to meet the design needs of your network, or you can do this accidentally, which might occur when you use ranges to specify values. (You can use ranges to specify data prefixes, site identifiers, and VPNs.) Here are two examples of lists that are configured with ranges and that contain overlapping values:

- **vpn-list list-1 vpn 1-10**
- **vpn-list list-2 vpn 6-8**
- **site-list list-1 site 1-10**
- **site-list list-2 site 5-15**

When you configure data policies that contain lists with overlapping values, or when you apply data policies, you must ensure that the lists included in the policies, or included when applying the policies, do not contain overlapping values. To do this, you must manually audit your configurations. The Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN configuration software performs no validation on the contents of lists, on the data policies themselves, or on how the policies are applied to ensure that there are no overlapping values.

If you configure or apply data policies that contain lists with overlapping values to the same site, one policy is applied and the others are ignored. Which policy is applied is a function of the internal behavior of Cisco SD-WAN software when it processes the configuration. This decision is not under user control, so the outcome is not predictable.

### VPN Lists

Each data or application-aware policy instance is associated with a VPN list. You configure VPN lists with the **policy data-policy vpn-list** or **policy app-route-policy vpn-list** command. The VPN list you specify must be one that you created with a **policy lists vpn-list** command.

### Sequences

Within each VPN list, a data policy or an application-aware policy contains sequences of match–action pairs. The sequences are numbered to set the order in which data traffic is analyzed by the match–action pairs in the policy. You configure sequences with the **policy data-policy vpn-list sequence** or **policy app-aware-policy vpn-list sequence** command.

Each sequence in a policy can contain one **match** command and one **action** command.

### Match Parameters

For a data policy or an application-aware routing policy for split DNS, you must the following two match conditions. You configure the match parameters with the **match** command under the **policy data-policy vpn-list sequence** or **policy app-route-policy vpn-list sequence** command hierarchy on Cisco vSmart controllers.

*Table 45:*

Description	Command	Value or Range
Enable split DNS, to resolve and process DNS requests and responses on an application-by-application basis	<b>dns-app-list</b> <i>list-name</i>	Name of an <b>app-list</b> list. This list specifies the applications whose DNS requests are processed.
Specify the direction in which to process DNS packets	<b>dns (request   response)</b>	To process DNS requests sent by the applications (for outbound DNS queries), specify <b>dns request</b> . To process DNS responses returned from DNS servers to the applications, specify <b>dns response</b> .

### Action Parameters

When data traffic matches the match parameters, the specified action is applied to it. You configure the action parameters with the **action** command under the **policy data-policy vpn-list sequence** or **policy app-route-policy vpn-list sequence** command hierarchy on vSmart controllers.

For application-aware routing policy, the action is to apply an SLA class, which defines the maximum packet latency or maximum packet loss, or both, for DNS traffic related to the application. For information about these action parameters, see *Configure Application-Aware Routing*.

For a centralized data policy that enables split DNS, configure the following actions. You can configure other actions, as described in *Configure Centralized Data Policy*.

Table 46:

Description	Command	Value or Range
Direct data traffic to an Internet exit point on the local router	<b>nat use-vpn 0</b>	—
Count matching data packets. Counting packets is optional, but recommended.	<b>action count</b> <i>counter-name</i>	Name of a counter.
Redirect DNS requests to a particular DNS server. Redirecting requests is optional, but if you do so, you must specify both actions.	<b>redirect-dns host</b> <b>redirect-dns ip-address</b>	For an inbound policy, <b>redirect-dns host</b> allows the DNS response to be correctly forwarded back to the requesting service VPN.  For an outbound policy, specify the IP address of the DNS server.

### Default Action

If a data packet being evaluated does not match any of the match conditions in a policy, a default action is applied. By default, the data packet is dropped. To modify this behavior, include the **policy data-policy vpn-list default-action accept** command.

### Applying a Policy

For an application-aware route policy to take effect, you apply it to a list of sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name app-route-policy policy-name
```

When you apply the policy, you do not specify a direction (either inbound or outbound). Application-aware routing policy affects only the outbound traffic on the vEdge routers.

For a centralized data policy to take effect, you apply it to a list of sites in the overlay network:

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy site-list list-name data-policy policy-name (all | from-service | from-tunnel)
```

For split DNS to work, you apply a policy to DNS requests originated from a server VPN. If you are specifying the address of a DNS server for a particular application, the *policy-name* data policy must contain a **redirect-dns ip-address** action that applies to that application.

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy policy-name site-list list-name data-policy policy-name from-service
```

You also apply a policy to DNS responses being returned from the internet. If you included a **redirect-dns** action in the outbound policy, the *policy-name* data policy must contain a **redirect-dns host** action that applies to the proper application.

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy policy-name site-list list-name data-policy policy-name from-tunnel
```

You can apply the same policy to traffic coming from the service VPN and from the tunnel interface between the router and the internet. If the policy specifies use of a specific DNS for a particular application, the policy must contain two sequences for that application, one with a **request-dns ip-address** action and the second with a **request-dns host** action.

```
vSmart(config)# apply-policy policy-name site-list list-name data-policy policy-name all
```

### Example Configuration

The following example shows a data policy that enables split DNS for a number of applications and counts the DNS traffic:

```
vSmart# show running-config policy
policy
data-policy split_dns
vpn-list vpn_1
sequence 1
match
  dns-app-list facebook
  dns          request
!
action accept
  count facebook_app
!
!
sequence 2
match
  dns-app-list concur
  dns          request
!
action accept
  count concur-app
  nat use-vpn 0
  redirect-dns 75.0.0.1
!
!
sequence 3
match
  dns-app-list yahoo
!
action accept
  count yahoo-app
  nat use-vpn 0
  redirect-dns 75.0.0.1
!
!
sequence 4
match
  dns-app-list salesforce
!
action accept
  count salesforce
  nat use-vpn 0
  redirect-dns 75.0.0.1
!
!
sequence 5
match
  dns-app-list twitter
  dns          request
!
action accept
  count twitter
  nat use-vpn 0
  redirect-dns 75.0.0.1
!
!
sequence 9
match
  dns-app-list dns_list
  dns          request
```

```

!
action accept
  count dns_app_list_count
  nat use-vpn 0
  redirect-dns 75.0.0.1
!
!
sequence 10
  match
    app-list dns_list
  !
  action accept
    count dns_list_count
    nat use-vpn 0
    redirect-dns 75.0.0.1
  !
!
default-action accept
!
!
lists
  vpn-list vpn_1
    vpn 1
  !
  app-list concur
    app concur
  !
  app-list dns_list
    app dns
  !
  app-list facebook
    app facebook
  !
  app-list gmail
    app gmail
    app gmail_basic
    app gmail_chat
    app gmail_drive
    app gmail_mobile
  !
  app-list intuit
    app intuit
  !
  app-list salesforce
    app salesforce
  !
  app-list twitter
    app twitter
  !
  app-list yahoo
    app yahoo
  !
  app-list zendesk
    app zendesk
  !
  site-list vedgel
    site-id 500
  !
!
!
vSmart# show running-config apply-policy
apply-policy
  site-list vedgel data-policy split_dns all

```

## Configure Transport-Side NAT

NAT allows requests coming from the internal (local) network to go out to the external network, but it does not allow request from the external network to come to the internal network. This behavior means that it is impossible for an external device to send a packet to a device on the internal network. It also means that device in the internal network cannot operate as a server with regards to the external network.

To allow requests from the external network to reach internal network devices, you configure the Cisco vEdge device that sits at the edge of the internal network to be a NAT gateway that performs NAT port forwarding (also called *port mapping*). You can also create pools of internal network addresses and dynamically or statically map them to other addresses

### Configure NAT Port Forwarding

To allow requests from the external network to reach internal network devices, you configure the Cisco vEdge device that sits at the edge of the internal network to be a NAT gateway that performs NAT port forwarding (also called *port mapping*). With such a configuration, the Cisco vEdge device sends all packets received on a particular port from an external network to a specific device on the internal (local) network.

To configure NAT port forwarding, define one or more port-forwarding rules to send packets received on a particular port from the external network to an internal server:

```
vEdge(config)# vpn 0
vEdge(config-vpn)# interface ge slot/port
vEdge(config-interface)# nat
vEdge(config-nat)# port-forward port-start port-number1 port-end port-number2 proto (tcp |
udp) private-vpn vpn-id private-ip-address ip-address
```

Use the **port-start** and **port-end** options to define the desired TCP or UDP port or range of ports. *port-number1* must be less than or equal to *port-number2*. To apply port forwarding to a single port, specify the same port number for the starting and ending numbers. When applying port forwarding to a range of ports, the range includes the two port numbers that you specify—*port-number1* and *port-number2*. Packets whose destination port matches the configured port or ports are forwarded to the internal server.

Each rule applies either to TCP or UDP traffic. To match the same ports for both TCP and UDP traffic, configure two rules.

For each rule, specify the private VPN in which the internal server resides and the IP address of the internal server. This VPN is one of the VPN identifiers in the overlay network.

You can create up to 128 rules.

### Best Practices for Configuring NAT Port Forwarding

Configuring NAT port forwarding can, in some circumstances, make the Cisco vEdge device vulnerable to brute-force attacks. The following configuration snippet illustrates a case where the router could fall victim to an SSH brute-force attack:

```
system
  aaa
    auth-order local
interface ge0/0
  description Internet
  ip address 192.168.50.28/28
  nat
    no block-icmp-error
    respond-to-ping
```



```

port-forward port-start 22 port-end 22 proto tcp
  private-vpn      0
  private-ip-address 192.168.50.28
!
!
tunnel-interface
  encapsulation ipsec
  color public-internet
!
no shutdown
!

```

This configuration creates a port-forwarding rule for TCP port 22, to accept SSH requests from external devices. By itself, this rule provides no opening for brute-force attacks. (As a side note, enabling SSH on a router interface that is connected to the internet is inherently unsafe.) However, problems can arise because of some of the other commands in this configuration:

- **respond-to-ping**—This command allows the Cisco vEdge device to respond to ping requests that are sent from the external network. These ping requests bypass any NAT port-forwarding rules that you have configured. In this configuration, the external network is the Internet, so ping requests can come from anywhere. It is recommended that you do not configure the NAT interface to respond to ping requests. If you need to test reachability, configure this command temporarily and then remove it once the reachability testing is complete.
- **private-vpn 0**—The SSH requests are sent to the WAN transport VPN, VPN 0. A best practice is to forward external traffic to a service-side VPN, that is, to a VPN other than VPN 0 or VPN 512.
- **private-ip-address 192.168.50.28** and **ip address 192.168.50.28/28**—The address of the internal server to which external traffic is being sent is the same as the IP address of the WAN interface. For the private IP address, a best practice is to specify the IP address of a service-side device. If you need to specify a private IP address for one of the interfaces on the Cisco vEdge device, do not use an address in the transport VPN (VPN 0). If you need to use an address in VPN 0, do not use an interface that is connected to the Internet.
- **auth-order local**—This configuration provides only for local authentication, using the credentials configured on the Cisco vEdge device itself. No RADIUS or TACACS server is used to verify the user's SSH login credentials. While this configuration normally does not expose the router to brute-force attacks, here, in the context of the rest of the configuration, it contributes to the router's vulnerability to attack.

## Configure NAT Pools

You can configure pools of public IP address and map them to private IP addresses.

First configure a pool of public IP addresses to use for NAT translation:

```

vEdge(config)# vpn 0
vEdge(config-vpn)# interface interface-name
vEdge(config-interface)# nat
vEdge(config-nat)# natpool range-start ip-address1 range-end ip-address2

```

In the address range, *ip-address1* must be less than or equal to *ip-address2*. The pool can contain a maximum of 32 IP addresses. The addresses must be in the same subnet as the interface's IP address.

Then define the address mapping:

```

vEdge(config)# vpn 0
vEdge(config-vpn)# interface interface-name
vEdge(config-interface)# nat

```

```
vEdge(config-nat)# static source-ip ip-address1 translate-ip ip-address2 source-vpn vpn-id
protocol (tcp | udp) source-port number translate-port number
```

In **source-ip**, specify the private source IP address to be NATed. This is the IP address of a device or branch router on the service side of the Cisco vEdge device.

In **translate-ip**, specify the public IP address to map the private source address to. This IP address must be contained in the pool of NAT addresses that you configure with the **natpool** command.

In **source-vpn**, specify the service-side VPN from which the traffic flow is being sent.

In **protocol**, specify the protocol being used to send the traffic flow.

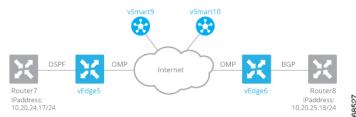
In **source-port** and **translate-port**, specify the number of the source port and the port to which to translate it. The port number can be from 1 through 65535.

You can configure as many static address mappings as there are addresses in the NAT pool.

If you configure a NAT pool but do not configure any static address mappings, NAT translation is done dynamically using the IP addresses in the NAT pool. When a flow terminates, its NATed IP address is released and can be reused.

## Service-Side NAT Configuration Example

In this service-side NAT configuration example, two vEdge routers—vEdge5 and vEdge6—are located at two different sites in the overlay network and connected to each other via the Internet. They are both configured as NATs. Router7 sits in the service side behind vEdge5, and the local network at this site runs OSPF. Router8 sits behind vEdge6 on a network running IBGP.



vEdge5 NATs the source IP address 10.20.24.17, which originates on Router7, translating it to 10.15.1.4. From a NAT perspective on vEdge5, the address 10.20.24.17 is an inside address.

When vEdge6 receives packets with the source IP address 10.15.1.4, it translates the address to 10.16.1.4. From a NAT perspective on vEdge6, the address 10.15.1.4 is an outside address.

In addition, vEdge5 NATs the outside IP source address 10.20.25.18, which originates on Router8 (behind vEdge6), translating it to 10.25.1.1.

The data policies to direct service-side traffic to the NAT are configured on two vSmart controllers, vSmart9 and vSmart10.

By default, OMP advertises all inside NAT pool IP addresses and all static NAT pool IP addresses, so all devices on the overlay network learn these routes automatically. In this example configuration, we configure OSPF and BGP to redistribute outside NAT pool IP addresses. The result is that OSPF on vEdge5 redistributes outside NAT pool IP addresses to its OSPF neighbor, Router7, and BGP redistributes outside NAT pool IP addresses to its BGP neighbor, Router8.

### Configure Service-Side NAT on the vEdge Routers

vEdge5 and vEdge6 are vEdge routers at two different sites. They are both connected to the Internet, and they are both are running NAT.

On vEdge5, we configure a NAT pool that can translate four static addresses:

```
vEdge5(config)# vpn 1
vEdge5(config-vpn-1)# interface natpool1
vEdge5(config-natpool1)# ip address 10.15.1.4/30
vEdge5(config-natpool1)# no shutdown
```



**Note** When you edit the static NAT pool, there might be a previous static NAT pool entry that is retained, causing packet drops to the destination. To avoid this issue, we recommend that you first remove the existing static NAT pool mapping, commit the change, reconfigure a new static NAT pool mapping, and commit again.

With this configuration, the following IP addresses are available for static source IP address mapping: 10.15.1.4, 10.15.1.5, 10.15.1.6, and 10.15.1.7.

We then configure NAT on this interface:

```
vEdge5(config-natpool1)# nat
```

We want to enforce 1:1 static source IP address mapping:

```
vEdge5(config-nat)# no overload
```

If you omit this command, the default behavior is **overload**, which is effectively dynamic NAT. With the default behavior, all IP addresses are translated to an address in the pool of NAT addresses configured in the **ip address** command. The addresses are mapped one to one until the address pool is depleted. Then, the last address is used multiple times, and the port number is changed to a random value between 1024 and 65535. Overloading effectively implements dynamic NAT.

For this NAT pool, we want network address translation to be performed only on inside IP source addresses. Inside address translation is the default behavior. You can also explicitly configure it:

```
vEdge5(config-nat)# direction inside
```

For this example, we configure two NAT mappings. We want to NAT the source IP address 10.20.24.17, which is the IP address of Router7, This address is an inside address; that is, it is an address at the local site. We also want to NAT the source IP address 10.20.25.18, which comes from Router 8, a router behind vEdge6. This is an outside address.

```
vEdge5(config-nat)# static source-ip 10.20.24.17 translate-ip 10.15.1.4 inside
vEdge5(config-nat)# static source-ip 10.20.25.18 translate-ip 10.25.1.1 outside
```

We translate the inside source IP address 10.20.24.17 to 10.15.1.4. Because this NAT pool performs NAT only on inside IP source addresses (**direction inside**), and because 10.20.24.17 is an inside address, the translated address must be one of the addresses in the IP address range 10.15.1.4/30, which is the IP address of the NAT pool interface (configured in the **ip address** command).

We translate the outside address 10.20.25.18 to 10.25.1.1. Because this NAT pool performs NAT only on inside IP source addresses, we can translate outside addresses to any IP address that is routable on the service-side network behind vEdge5.

At vEdge6, we want to translate the source IP address 10.15.1.4, the translated address received from vEdge5, to an address that is routable on the service network behind vEdge6. The NAT pool that we configure on vEdge6 performs NAT only on outside addresses:

```
vEdge6(config)# vpn 1
vEdge6(config-vpn-1)# interface natpool2
vEdge6(config-natpool2)# ip address 10.16.1.4/30
vEdge6(config-natpool2)# no shutdown
vEdge6(config-natpool2)# nat
```

```
vEdge6(config-nat)# direction outside
vEdge6(config-nat)# static source-ip 10.15.1.4 translate-ip 10.16.1.4 outside
vEdge6(config-nat)# no overload
```

Here are the complete configurations for the static NAT pools on the vEdge5 and vEdge6 routers:

```
vEdge5# show running-config vpn 1 interface natpool1
vpn 1
 interface natpool1
   ip address 10.15.1.4/30
   nat
     static source-ip 10.20.24.17 translate-ip 10.15.1.4 inside
     static source-ip 10.20.25.18 translate-ip 10.25.1.1 outside
     no overload
   !
   no shutdown
   !
 !

vEdge6# show running-config vpn 1 interface natpool2
vpn 1
 interface natpool2
   ip address 10.16.1.4/30
   nat
     static source-ip 10.15.1.4 translate-ip 10.16.1.4 outside
     direction outside
     no overload
   !
   no shutdown
   !
 !
```

### Configure Data Policies on vSmart Controllers

To direct service-side traffic to the NAT pool interface, you configure centralized data policies on the vSmart controllers. Our example network has two vSmart controllers, vSmart9 and vSmart10. The data policies must be identical on both of them.

The basic structure of the data policy is to define the match criteria for the packets destined to the NAT interface and then, in the action portion of the policy, to assign or direct the packets to a specific NAT pool. The data policy structure looks like this:

```
For a data-policy
  For a vpn-list
    For a sequence number
      Match specific criteria
      Action accept
        nat pool number
  Apply the data-policy to all data traffic
```

In our example, we want a data policy that directs service-side traffic behind the vEdge5 router to the router's NAT pool interface 1 (**interface natpool 1**). Here is one portion of the data policy (specifically, one of the sequences within the policy) that does this, defining the service-side traffic by its source and destination IP addresses:

```
policy
 data-policy accept_nat
  vpn-list vpn_1
  sequence 108
  match
    source-ip 10.1.17.0/24
    destination-ip 10.25.1.0/24
  !
  action accept
```





```

1 natpool10 endpoint-independent address-port-restricted 0 0 10.21.29.15/32 1
1 natpool11 endpoint-independent address-port-restricted 0 0 10.21.30.15/32 1
1 natpool12 endpoint-independent address-port-restricted 0 0 10.21.31.15/32 1
1 natpool13 endpoint-independent address-port-restricted 0 0 10.21.32.15/32 1
1 natpool14 endpoint-independent address-port-restricted 0 0 10.21.33.15/32 1
1 natpool15 endpoint-independent address-port-restricted 0 0 10.21.34.15/32 1
1 natpool16 endpoint-independent address-port-restricted 0 0 10.21.35.15/32 1

```

```

vEdge6# show ip nat interface
ip nat interface nat-vpn 1 nat-ifname natpool2
mapping-type endpoint-independent
filter-type address-port-restricted
filter-count 0
fib-filter-count 0
ip 10.16.1.4/30

```

### Verify Routes and Route Redistribution

We configured OSPF and BGP to redistribute routes learned from outside NAT into OSPF and BGP, respectively. (We also configured OSPF and BGP to redistribute static and OMP routes, and we configured OMP to redistribute routes learned from directly connected devices.)

To see where routes have been learned from, look at the Protocol field in the output of the **show ip routes** command.

Looking on the vEdge5 router, we see that OSPF has redistributed 10.15.1.4/30, a route learned from an inside NAT (these routes are redistributed by default) and 10.25.1.1/32, a route learned from an outside NAT. The vEdge5 router translates the IP address 10.25.1.1 from 10.20.25.18. Both these routes have a next-hop interface of natpool1, which is the NAT pool we configured to run static NAT.

```

vEdge5# show ip routes
Codes Proto-sub-type:
IA -> ospf-inter-area,
E1 -> ospf-external1, E2 -> ospf-external2,
N1 -> ospf-nssa-external1, N2 -> ospf-nssa-external2,
e -> bgp-external, i -> bgp-internal
Codes Status flags:
F -> fib, S -> selected, I -> inactive,
B -> blackhole, R -> recursive

```

VPN	PREFIX	PROTOCOL	PROTOCOL SUB TYPE	NEXTHOP IF NAME	NEXTHOP ADDR	NEXTHOP VPN	TLOC IP	COLOR	ENCAP	STATUS
0	0.0.0.0/0	static	-	ge0/0	10.1.15.13	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.0.20.0/24	connected	-	ge0/3	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.0.100.0/24	connected	-	ge0/7	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.1.15.0/24	connected	-	ge0/0	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.1.17.0/24	connected	-	ge0/1	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	57.0.1.0/24	connected	-	ge0/6	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	172.16.255.15/32	connected	-	system	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	2.2.0.0/16	static	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	B,F,S
1	4.4.4.4/32	static	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	B,F,S
1	9.0.0.0/8	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.1.17.0/24	static	-	ge0/4	10.20.24.17	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.1.18.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.2.2.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.11	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.2.3.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.21	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	<b>10.15.1.4/30</b>	<b>natpool-inside</b>	-	<b>natpool1</b>	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.20.24.0/24	ospf	-	ge0/4	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	10.20.24.0/24	connected	-	ge0/4	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.20.25.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.25.1.0/24	static	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	B,F,S
1	<b>10.25.1.1/32</b>	<b>natpool-outside</b>	-	<b>natpool1</b>	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	56.0.1.0/24	connected	-	ge0/5	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	60.0.1.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	61.0.1.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.16	lte	ipsec	F,S
512	10.0.1.0/24	connected	-	eth0	-	-	-	-	-	F,S

The vEdge6 router translates the outside source IP address 10.15.1.4 to 10.16.1.4. The route table on vEdge6 shows this route and that it has been learned from an outside NAT. The next-hop interface for this prefix is natpool2.

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```
vEdge6# show ip routes
Codes Proto-sub-type:
  IA -> ospf-inter-area,
  E1 -> ospf-external1, E2 -> ospf-external2,
  N1 -> ospf-nssa-external1, N2 -> ospf-nssa-external2,
  e -> bgp-external, i -> bgp-internal
Codes Status flags:
  F -> fib, S -> selected, I -> inactive,
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```

VPN	PREFIX	PROTOCOL	PROTOCOL SUB TYPE	NEXTHOP IF NAME	NEXTHOP ADDR	NEXTHOP VPN	TLOC IP	COLOR	ENCAP	STATUS
0	0.0.0.0/0	static	-	ge0/0	10.1.16.13	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.0.21.0/24	connected	-	ge0/3	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.0.100.0/24	connected	-	ge0/7	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.1.16.0/24	connected	-	ge0/0	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	10.1.18.0/24	connected	-	ge0/1	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
0	172.16.255.16/32	connected	-	system	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	2.2.0.0/16	static	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	B,F,S
1	4.4.4.4/32	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.15	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	9.0.0.0/8	static	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	B,F,S
1	10.1.17.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.15	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.1.18.0/24	static	-	ge0/4	10.20.25.18	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.2.2.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.11	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.2.3.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.21	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.15.1.4/30	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.15	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	<b>10.16.1.4/30</b>	<b>natpool-outside</b>	-	natpool2	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.20.24.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.15	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	10.20.25.0/24	connected	-	ge0/4	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	10.25.1.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.15	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	56.0.1.0/24	omp	-	-	-	-	172.16.255.15	lte	ipsec	F,S
1	60.0.1.0/24	connected	-	ge0/5	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
1	61.0.1.0/24	connected	-	ge0/6	-	-	-	-	-	F,S
512	10.0.1.0/24	connected	-	eth0	-	-	-	-	-	F,S

## View Interface Statistics

To display packet receipt and transmission statistics for the interfaces, use the **show interface statistics** command. The output shows the following statistics:

```
vEdge5# show interface statistics natpool1 | notab
interface vpn 1 interface natpool1 af-type ipv4
rx-packets 0
rx-octets 0
rx-errors 0
rx-drops 0
tx-packets 0
tx-octets 0
tx-errors 0
tx-drops 0
rx-pps 0
rx-kbps 0
tx-pps 0
tx-kbps 0
```

To display NAT-specific interface statistics, use the **show ip nat interface-statistics** command. The output shows the following statistics for each NAT pool:

```
vEdge5# show ip nat interface-statistics
ip nat interface-statistics nat-vpn 1 nat-ifname natpool1
nat-outbound-packets 0
nat-inbound-packets 0
nat-encode-fail 0
nat-decode-fail 0
nat-map-add-fail 0
nat-filter-add-fail 0
nat-filter-lookup-fail 0
nat-state-check-fail 0
nat-policer-drops 0
outbound-icmp-error 0
inbound-icmp-error 0
inbound-icmp-error-drops 0
```



```
nat-fragments          0
nat-fragments-fail     0
nat-unsupported-proto  0
nat-map-no-ports       0
nat-map-cannot-xlate   0
nat-filter-map-mismatch 0
nat-map-ip-pool-exhausted 0
```

### View the Data Policy Pushed to the vEdge Routers

To view and verify the data policy pushed from the vSmart controllers to the two vEdge routers, use the **show policy from-vsmart** command. The following is the command output for the vEdge5 router. The output on vEdge6 is identical.

```
vEdge5# show policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart data-policy accept_nat
direction all
vpn-list vpn_1
sequence 100
match
  source-ip      10.20.24.0/24
  destination-ip 10.20.25.0/24
action accept
count nat
nat pool 1
sequence 101
match
  source-ip      10.20.24.0/24
  destination-ip 10.1.15.13/32
action accept
count nat_inet
nat use-vpn 0
sequence 102
match
  dscp 15
action accept
count nat_dscp
nat use-vpn 0
sequence 104
match
  source-ip      10.1.18.0/24
  destination-ip 10.20.24.0/24
action accept
count nat2
nat pool 1
sequence 105
match
  source-ip      10.1.18.0/24
  destination-ip 10.1.17.0/24
action accept
count nat3
nat pool 1
sequence 106
match
  source-ip      10.1.17.0/24
  destination-ip 10.20.25.0/24
action accept
nat pool 1
sequence 107
match
  source-ip      10.15.1.0/24
  destination-ip 10.20.25.0/24
action accept
```

```

    nat pool 2
sequence 108
match
    source-ip      10.1.17.0/24
    destination-ip 10.25.1.0/24
action accept
    count nat_108
    nat pool 1
sequence 109
match
    source-ip      10.20.24.0/24
    destination-ip 10.25.1.0/24
action accept
    count nat_109
    nat pool 1
default-action accept
from-vsmart lists vpn-list vpn_1
vpn 1

```

### Configurations for Each Network Device

For each of the network devices in this configuration example, this section shows the portions of the configuration relevant to the service-side NAT configuration.

#### vEdge5 Router

The vEdge5 router is located at site 500, has a system IP address of 172.16.255.15, and has one connection to the Internet:

```

system
host-name      vm5
system-ip      172.16.255.15
site-id        500
!
vpn 0
interface ge0/0
ip address 10.1.15.15/24
tunnel-interface
encapsulation ipsec
color lte
hello-interval 60000
hello-tolerance 120
no allow-service bgp
allow-service dhcp
allow-service dhcpv6
allow-service dns
allow-service icmp
no allow-service sshd
no allow-service netconf
no allow-service ntp
no allow-service ospf
no allow-service stun
!
no shutdown
!
!

```

In VPN 1, NAT pool 1 runs 1:1 static NAT:

```

vpn 1
interface natpool1
ip address 10.15.1.4/30
nat

```

```

static source-ip 10.20.24.17 translate-ip 10.15.1.4 inside
static source-ip 10.20.25.18 translate-ip 10.25.1.1 outside
no overload
!
no shutdown
!

```

VPN 1 also has a number of other NAT pool interfaces:

```

interface natpool10
 ip address 10.21.29.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool11
 ip address 10.21.30.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool12
 ip address 10.21.31.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool13
 ip address 10.21.32.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool14
 ip address 10.21.33.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool15
 ip address 10.21.34.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool16
 ip address 10.21.35.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool17
 ip address 10.21.26.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool18
 ip address 10.21.27.15/32
 no shutdown
!
interface natpool19
 ip address 10.21.28.15/32
 no shutdown
!
ip route 2.2.0.0/16 null0
ip route 4.4.4.4/32 null0
ip route 10.1.17.0/24 10.20.24.17
ip route 10.25.1.0/24 null0
!

```

OSPF runs in VPN 1 and is configured to redistribute routes learned from outside NAT prefixes into OSPF:

```

vpn 1
router
 ospf
  timers spf 200 1000 10000
  redistribute static
  redistribute connected
  redistribute omp
  redistribute natpool-outside

```

```

    area 0
      interface ge0/4
        hello-interval 1
        dead-interval 3
      exit
    exit
  !
!
!

```

### vEdge6 Router

The vEdge6 router is located at site 600, has a system IP address of 172.16.255.16, and has one connection to the Internet:

```

system
  host-name          vm6
  system-ip          172.16.255.16
  site-id            600
!
vpn 0
  interface ge0/0
    ip address 10.1.16.16/24
  tunnel-interface
    encapsulation ipsec
    color lte
    no allow-service bgp
    allow-service dhcp
    allow-service dhcpv6
    allow-service dns
    allow-service icmp
    no allow-service sshd
    no allow-service netconf
    no allow-service ntp
    no allow-service ospf
    no allow-service stun
  !
  no shutdown
!
!

```

VPN 1 has one NAT pool for static address translation:

```

vpn 1
  interface natpool12
    ip address 10.1.155.4/30
    shutdown
  !
  interface natpool2
    ip address 10.16.1.4/30
    nat
      static source-ip 10.15.1.4 translate-ip 10.16.1.4 outside
      direction outside
      no overload
    !
    no shutdown
  !
  ip route 2.2.0.0/16 null0
  ip route 9.0.0.0/8 null0
  ip route 10.1.18.0/24 10.20.25.18
!

```

BGP runs in VPN 1 and is configured to redistribute routes learned from outside NAT prefixes into BGP:

```

vm6# show running-config vpn 1 router
vpn 1
router
  bgp 1
  timers
    keepalive 1
    holdtime 3
  !
  address-family ipv4-unicast
    redistribute static
    redistribute omp
    redistribute natpool-outside
  !
  neighbor 10.20.25.18
    no shutdown
    remote-as 2
    timers
      connect-retry 2
      advertisement-interval 1
  !
  !
  !
  !

```

### Router7 and Router8

Router7 sits in the local site behind the vEdge5 router, and it is an OSPF peer with vEdge5. Router8 sits behind the vEdge6 router and is an IBGP peer with vEdge6.

In our example network, both these routers are configured on vEdge software routers. However, there is nothing in their configuration that specifically relates to static NAT, so we do not show the configurations for these two devices.

### vSmart9 and vSmart10 vSmart Controllers

You configure the data policy that runs on the vEdge routers to direct data traffic to the NAT interfaces on the vSmart controllers. The vSmart controllers then push the data policy to the appropriate vEdge routers. The configure data policy must be identical on all vSmart controllers in the overlay network to ensure reproducible data traffic handling in the network.

Here is the complete policy configuration for the two vSmart controllers in our example:

```

policy
data-policy accept_nat
vpn-list vpn_1
sequence 100
match
  source-ip 10.20.24.0/24
  destination-ip 10.20.25.0/24
  !
action accept
count nat
nat pool 1
!
!
sequence 101
match
  source-ip 10.20.24.0/24
  destination-ip 10.1.15.13/32
  !
action accept

```

```

        count nat_inet
        nat use-vpn 0
    !
    !
sequence 102
match
    dscp 15
    !
    action accept
        count nat_dscp
        nat use-vpn 0
    !
    !
sequence 104
match
    source-ip      10.1.18.0/24
    destination-ip 10.20.24.0/24
    !
    action accept
        count nat2
        nat pool 1
    !
    !
sequence 105
match
    source-ip      10.1.18.0/24
    destination-ip 10.1.17.0/24
    !
    action accept
        count nat3
        nat pool 1
    !
    !
sequence 106
match
    source-ip      10.1.17.0/24
    destination-ip 10.20.25.0/24
    !
    action accept
        nat pool 1
    !
    !
sequence 107
match
    source-ip      10.15.1.0/24
    destination-ip 10.20.25.0/24
    !
    action accept
        nat pool 2
    !
    !
sequence 108
match
    source-ip      10.1.17.0/24
    destination-ip 10.25.1.0/24
    !
    action accept
        count nat_108
        nat pool 1
    !
    !
    sequence 109
match
    source-ip      10.20.24.0/24

```

```
        destination-ip 10.25.1.0/24
        !
        action accept
        count nat_109
        nat pool 1
        !
        !
        default-action accept
        !
    !
lists
vpn-list vpn_1
  vpn 1
  !
  site-list east
  site-id 100
  site-id 500
  !
  site-list vedge1
  site-id 500
  !
  site-list vedge2
  site-id 600
  !
  site-list vedges
  site-id 500
  site-id 600
  !
  site-list west
  site-id 200
  site-id 400
  site-id 600
  !
  prefix-list prefix_list
  ip-prefix 10.20.24.0/24
  !
!
!
vm9# show running-config apply-policy
apply-policy
  site-list vedge1
  data-policy accept_nat all
  !
  site-list vedge2
  data-policy accept_nat all
  !
!
```







## CHAPTER 15

# Policy Applications Using CLIs

CLI commands for configuring and monitoring policy applications.

### Application-Aware Routing Command Hierarchy

Configure and apply the policy on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers:

```
policy
  lists
    app-list list-name
      (app application-name | app-family application-family)
    data-prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix/length
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id
    sla-class sla-class-name
      jitter milliseconds
      latency milliseconds
      loss percentage

policy
  app-route-policy policy-name
  vpn-list list-name
  default-action sla-class sla-class-name
  sequence number
  match
    app-id app-id-name
    app-list list-name
    destination-data-prefix-list list-name
    destination-ip prefix/length
    destination-port number
    dns (request | response)
    dns-app-list list-name
    dscp number
    plp (high | low)
    protocol number
    source-data-prefix-list list-name
    source-ip prefix/length
    source-port number
  action
    backup-sla-preferred-color colors
    count
    log
    sla-class sla-class-name [strict] [preferred-color colors]
```

```

apply-policy site-list list-name
  app-route-policy policy-name

```

Configure the data plane tunnel performance monitoring parameters on the Cisco vEdge devices:

```

bfd
  app-route
    multiplier number
    poll-interval milliseconds

```

### Cflowd Traffic Flow Monitoring Command Hierarchy

Configure on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers only:

```

policy
  lists
    prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix/length
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id
  cflowd-template template-name
    collector vpn vpn-id address ip-address port port-number transport transport-type
    flow-active-timeout seconds
    flow-inactive-timeout seconds
    flow-sampling-interval number
    template-refresh seconds

policy
  data-policy policy-name vpn-list list-name
    default-action action
    sequence number
    match
      destination-data-prefix-list list-name
      destination-ip prefix/length
      destination-port number
      dscp number
      protocol number
      source-data-prefix-list list-name
      source-ip prefix/length
      source-port number
    action
      count counter-name
      drop
      accept
        cflowd

apply-policy
  site-list list-name
    data-policy policy-name direction
    cflowd-template template-name

```

### Local Internet Exit Command Hierarchy

Configure and apply a centralized data policy on the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller:

```

policy
  lists
    prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix/length
    site-list list-name
      site-id site-id
    vpn-list list-name
      vpn vpn-id

```

```

cflowd-template template-name
  collector vpn vpn-id address ip-address port port-number
  flow-active-timeout seconds
  flow-inactive-timeout seconds
  template-refresh seconds

policy
  data-policy policy-name vpn-list list-name
  default-action action
  sequence number
  match
    destination-data-prefix-list list-name
    destination-ip prefix/length
    destination-port number
    dscp number
    protocol number
    source-data-prefix-list list-name
    source-ip prefix/length
    source-port number
  action
    count counter-name
    drop
    accept
      nat use-vpn 0

apply-policy
  site-list list-name
  data-policy policy-name direction

```

On a Cisco vEdge device, enable NAT functionality in the WAN VPN:

```

vpn vpn-id
  interface interface-name
  nat
    refresh (bi-directional | outbound)
    tcp-timeout minutes
    udp-timeout minutes

```

### Zone-Based Firewalls

```

policy
  lists
    prefix-list list-name
      ip-prefix prefix/length
  tcp-syn-flood-limit number
  zone (destination-zone-name | source-zone-name)
    vpn vpn-id
  zone-to-no-zone-internet (allow | deny)
  zone-pair pair-name
    source-zone source-zone-name
    destination-zone destination-zone-name
  zone-policy policy-name
  zone-based-policy policy-name
  default-action action
  sequence number
  match
    destination-data-prefix-list list-name
    destination-ip prefix/length
    destination-port number
    protocol number
    source-data-prefix-list list-name
    source-ip prefix-length
    source-port number
  action
    drop

```

```
inspect
log
pass
```

### Operational Commands

```
clear app cflowd flow-all (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
clear app cflowd flows (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
clear app cflowd statistics (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
clear policy zbfw filter-statistics (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
clear policy zbfw global-statistics (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
clear policy zbfw sessions (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show app-route stats (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show app cflowd collector (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show app cflowd flow-count (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show app cflowd flows (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show app cflowd statistics (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show app cflowd template (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show ip routes (on Cisco vEdge devices)
show policy from-vsmart (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show policy zbfw filter-statistics (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show policy zbfw global-statistics (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show policy zbfw sessions (on Cisco vEdge devices only)
show running-config (on Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controllers only)
```