

Chapter 4: EtherChannel and HSRP

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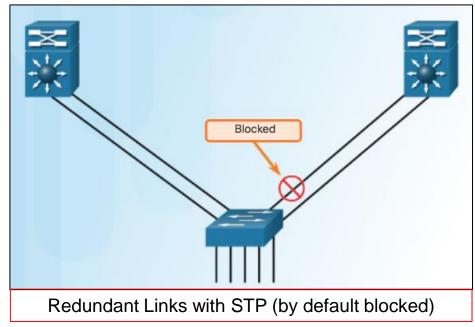
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4.1 Link Aggregation Concepts

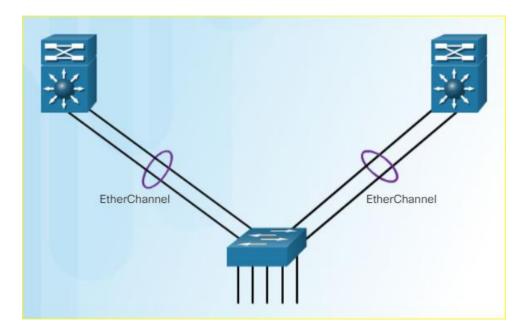
Link Aggregation Introduction to Link Aggregation

- It is possible to combine the number of physical links between switches to increase the overall speed of switch-to-switch communication.
 - STP will block redundant links to prevent routing loops.



Link Aggregation Advantages of EtherChannel

- Most configuration tasks can be done on the EtherChannel interface instead of on each individual port.
- EtherChannel relies on existing switch ports.
- Load balancing takes place between links that are part of the same EtherChannel.
- EtherChannel creates an aggregation that is seen as one logical link.
- EtherChannel provides redundancy because the overall link is seen as one logical connection.

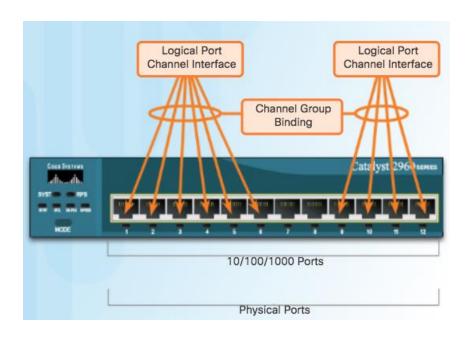


EtherChannel Operation Implementation Restrictions

- EtherChannel groups multiple physical ports into one or more logical EtherChannel links.
- EtherChannel Restrictions

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- Interface types cannot be mixed. (Fast Ethernet + Gigabit Ethernet cannot be grouped.)
- Provides full-duplex bandwidth up to 800 Mbps (Fast EtherChannel) or 8 Gbps (Gigabit EtherChannel)
- Cisco IOS Switch can support 6 EtherChannels.
- Created between two switches or a server and switch.
- If one side is configured as trunk, the other side must be a trunk within same native VLAN.
- Each EtherChannel has a logical port channel interface and changes to a channel affects its physical interfaces.



EtherChannel Operation Port Aggregation Protocol

- EtherChannels can be formed by using PAgP or LACP protocol
- PAgP ("Pag-P") Cisco-proprietary protocol

PAgP modes:

- On: Channel member without negotiation (no protocol).
- Desirable: Actively asking if the other side can or will participate.
- Auto: Passively waiting for the other side.



S1	S2	Channel Establishment	
On	On	Yes	
Auto/Desirable	Desirable	Yes	
On/Auto/Desirable	Not Configured	No	
On	Desirable	No	
Auto/On	Auto	No	

EtherChannel Operation

Link Aggregation Control Protocol

LACP multivendor environment

LACP modes:

- On: Channel member without negotiation (no protocol).
- Active: Actively asking if the other side can or will participate.
- Passive: Passively waiting for the other side.



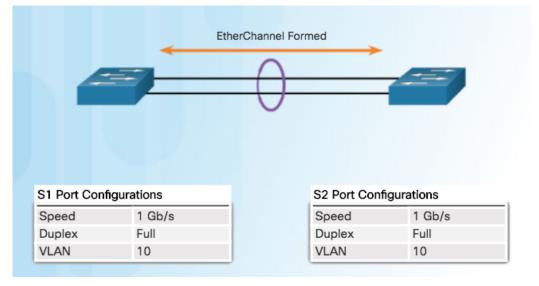
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4.2 Link Aggregation Configuration



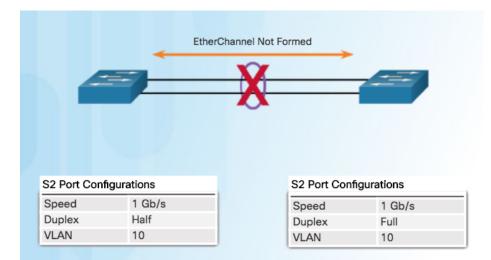
Configuring EtherChannel Configuration Guidelines

- Configuration Settings Match on Both Switches
 - Same speed and duplex mode.
 - All interfaces in a bundle must be assigned to the same VLAN, or configured as a trunk.
 - Trunk must support same range of VLANs.



Configuring EtherChannel Configuration Guidelines (Cont.)

- If Configuration Settings Do Not Match
- EtherChannel not formed between S1 and S2

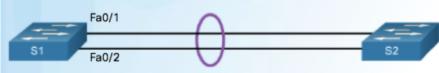


Note: When changing settings, configure them in port channel interface configuration mode. The configuration applied to the port channel interface also affects the individual interfaces.

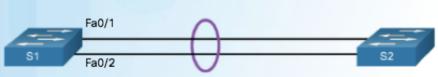
Configuring EtherChannel Configuring Interfaces

- This configuration creates EtherChannel with LACP and configures trunking.
 - Step 1: Specify the interfaces that compose the EtherChannel group.
 - Step 2: Create the port channel interface with the **channel-group** command in **active** mode. (Channel group number needs to be selected.)
 - Step 3: Change Layer 2 settings in port channel interface configuration mode.



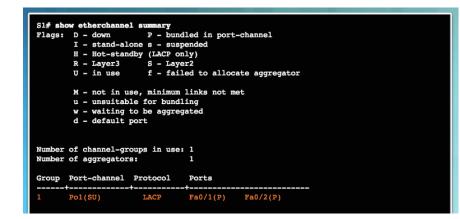


Verifying and Troubleshooting EtherChannel Verifying EtherChannel



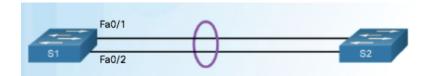
S1# show interfaces port-channel 1
Port-channel1 is up, line protocol is up (connected)
Hardware is EtherChannel, address is 0cd9.96e8.8a02 (bia
0cd9.96e8.8a02)
MTU 1500 bytes, BW 200000 Kbit/sec, DLY 100 usec,
 reliability 255/255, txload 1/255, rxload 1/255
Encapsulation ARPA, loopback not set
<Output omitted>

Verifies the interface status.



Displays a one-line summary per channel group. SU indicates in use.

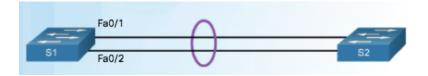
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Displays port channel information.

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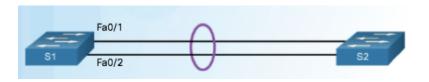
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Flags:			ing Slow LACPDUs tive mode.				ing fast assive mo	
Local in	formatio	n:						
Domt	Place	State	LACP port	Admin	Oper			Port
Port Fa0/1	Flags SA	State bndl	Priority 32768	Key 0x1	Key 0x1			State 0x3D
Partner	s inform	ation:						
		LACP port			Admin	Oper	Port	Port
Port	Flags		Dev ID	Age	key	Key	Number	State
Fa0/1	SA	32768	0cd9.96d2.4000) 13s	0x0	0x1	0x102	0x3D
			Ocd9.96d2.4000			0x1	0x102	0x3D

Displays role of particular interface in an EtherChannel.

Verifying and Troubleshooting EtherChannel Troubleshooting EtherChannel



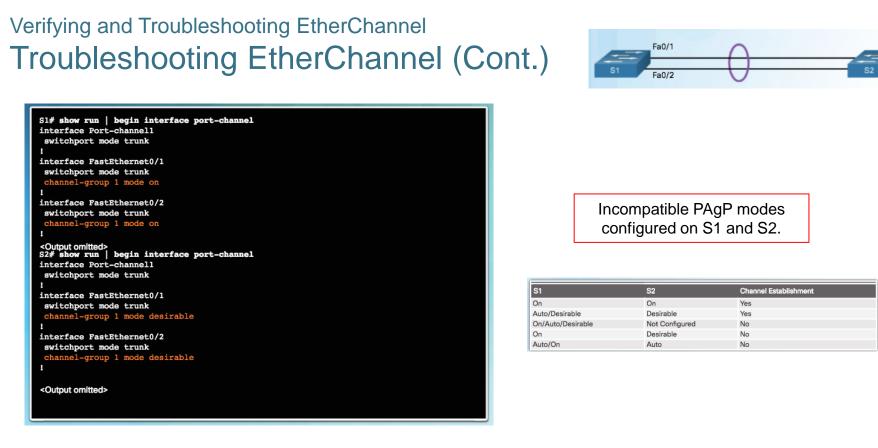
- All interfaces within EtherChannel must have the same:
 - speed
 - duplex mode
 - native and allowed VLANs on trunk (Ports with different native VLANs cannot form an EtherChannel.)
 - assigned to same VLAN

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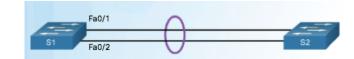


S1# show etherchannel summary Flags: D - down P - bundled in port-channel I - stand-alone s - suspended H - Hot-standby (LACP only) R - Layer3 S - Laver2 f - failed to allocate aggregator U - in use M - not in use, minimum links not met u - unsuitable for bundling w - waiting to be aggregated d - default port Number of channel-groups in use: 1 Number of aggregators: 1 Port-channel Protocol Ports Group ------+-----+----+---Pol(SD) Fa0/1(D) Fa0/2(D)

Output indicates that the EtherChannel is down (SD).



Verifying and Troubleshooting EtherChannel Troubleshooting EtherChannel (Cont.)



Sl(config)# no interface port-channel 1
Sl(config)# interface range f0/1 - 2
Sl(config-if-range)# channel-group 1 mode desirable
Creating a port-channel interface Port-channel 1

S1(config-if-range)# no shutdown S1(config-if-range)# interface port-channel 1 S1(config-if)# switchport mode trunk S1(config-if)# end S1# show etherchannel summary Flags: D - down P - bundled in port-channel I - stand-alone s - suspended H - Hot-standby (LACP only) R - Laver3 S - Laver2 f - failed to allocate aggregator U - in use M - not in use, minimum links not met u - unsuitable for bundling w - waiting to be aggregated d - default port Number of channel-groups in use: 1 Number of aggregators: 1 Group Port-channel Protocol Ports ---------+---____ Pol(SU) PAqP Fa0/1(P)Fa0/2(P)

PAgP mode on the EtherChannel is changed to desirable and the EtherChannel becomes active.

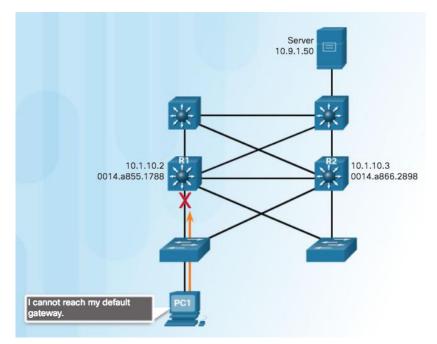
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4.3 First Hop Redundancy Protocols



Concept of First Hop Redundancy Protocols Default Gateway Limitations

- A mechanism is needed to provide alternate default gateways in switched networks where two or more routers are connected to the same VLANs.
 - Note: In the graphic, a multilayer switch is acting as the default gateway and used for routing.
 - In a switched network, each client receives only one default gateway.
 - There is no way to use a secondary gateway, even if a second path exists to carry packets off the local segment.
 - In the figure, R1 is responsible for routing packets from PC1. If R1 becomes unavailable, R2 can route packets that would have gone through R1.

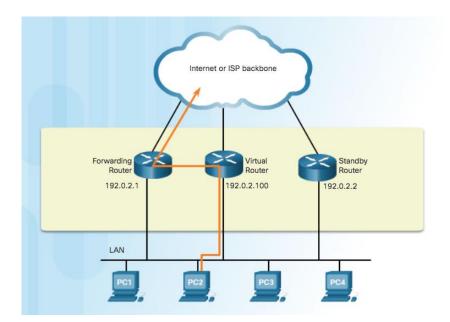


- End devices are typically configured with a single IP address for a default gateway.
- If that default gateway IP address cannot be reached, the local device is unable to send packets off the local network.

Concept of First Hop Redundancy Protocols Router Redundancy

- To prevent a single point of failure at the default gateway, implement a virtual router.
 - Present the illusion of a single router to the hosts on the LAN.
 - By sharing an IP address and a MAC address, two or more routers can act as a single virtual router.
 - IPv4 address of the virtual router is configured as the default gateway for the workstations on a specific IPv4 segment.
 - ARP resolution returns the MAC address of the virtual router.
 - Physical router that forwards traffic is transparent to the host devices.

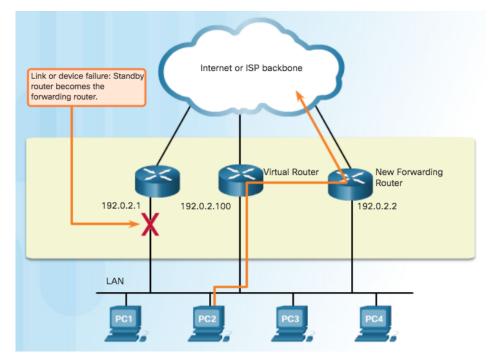
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- A redundancy protocol provides the mechanism for determining which router should take the active role in forwarding traffic.
- Ability of a network to dynamically recover from the failure of a device acting as a default gateway is known as first-hop redundancy.

Concept of First Hop Redundancy Protocols Steps for Router Failover

- When the active router fails, the redundancy protocol transitions the standby router to the new active router role.
- These are the steps that take place when the active router fails:
 - 1. The standby router stops seeing hello messages from the forwarding router.
 - 2. The standby router assumes the role of the forwarding router.
 - 3. Because the new forwarding router assumes both the IPv4 and MAC addresses of the virtual router, the host devices see no disruption in service.



Concept of First Hop Redundancy Protocols First Hop Redundancy Protocols

- Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP) A Ciscoproprietary FHRP designed to allow for transparent failover of a first-hop IPv4 device.
 - Active device is the device that is used for routing packets.
 - Standby device is the device that takes over when the active device fails.
 - Function of the HSRP standby router is to monitor the operational status of the HSRP group and to quickly assume packet-forwarding responsibility if the active router fails.
- HSRP for IPv6 Cisco-proprietary FHRP providing the same functionality of HSRP, but in an IPv6 environment.

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- HSRP defines a group of routers one active and one standby.
- Virtual IP and MAC addresses are shared between the two routers.
- To verify HSRP state, use the show standby command.
- HSRP is Cisco proprietary.
- VRRP is a standard protocol.

Concept of First Hop Redundancy Protocols First Hop Redundancy Protocols (Cont.)

- Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol version 2 -A nonproprietary protocol that dynamically assigns responsibility for one or more virtual routers to the VRRP routers on an IPv4 LAN.
 - One router is elected as the virtual router master, with the other routers acting as backups, in case the virtual router master fails.
- VRRPv3 Capability to support IPv4 and IPv6.
- Gateway Load Balancing Protocol (GLBP) -Cisco-proprietary FHRP that protects data traffic from a failed router or circuit allowing load balancing between a group of redundant routers.
- GLBP for IPv6 Cisco-proprietary FHRP providing the same functionality of GLBP.

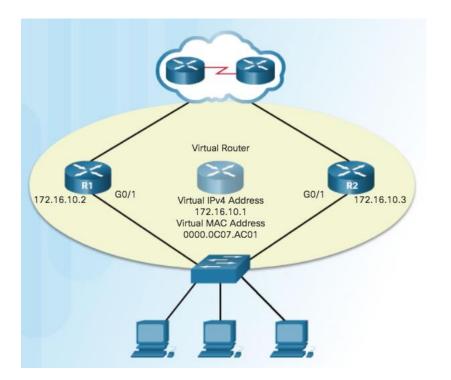
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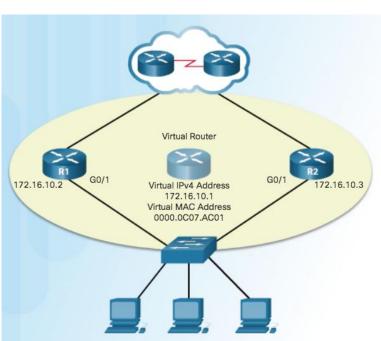
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HSRP Operations HSRP Overview



- One of the routers is selected by HSRP to be the active router and default gateway.
- Other router will become the standby router.
- If active router fails, standby assumes the role of active router and default gateway.
- Hosts are configured with single default gateway VIRTUAL address that is recognizable by both the active and standby routers.

HSRP Operations HSRP Versions



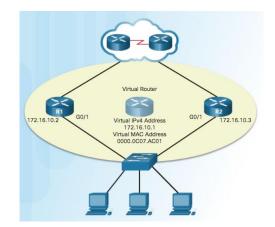
Version	HSRP V1 (Default)	HSRP V2
Group numbers	0 to 255	0 to 4095
Multicast address	224.0.0.2	224.0.0.102 or FF02::66
Virtual MAC address	0000.0C07.AC00 - 0000.0C07.ACFF (last two digits group number)	IPv4 0000.0C9F.F000 to 0000.0C9F.FFFF IPv6 0005.73A0.0000- 0005.73A0.0FFF (last three digits group number)
Support for MD5 authentication	No	Yes

Note: For our labs, use group number 1. 27

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HSRP Operations HSRP Priority and Preemption

- Role of active and standby routers determined by election process.
- By default, the router with the numerically highest IPv4 address is elected as the active router.
- Control HSRP election with priority and do not use highest address.
- HSRP Priority
 - Used to determine active router.
 - Default HSRP priority is 100.
 - Range is 0 to 255 and router with highest priority will become active.
 - Use the standby priority interface command.
- HSRP Preemption
 - Preemption ability of HSRP router to trigger the re-election process.
 - To force a new HSRP election process, preemption must be enabled using standby preempt interface.
 - A router that comes online with the a higher priority will become the active router.



HSRP Operations HSRP States and Timers

State	Definition
Initial	This state is entered through a configuration change or when an interface first becomes available.
Learn	The router has not determined the virtual IP address and has not yet seen a hello message from the active router. In this state, the router waits to hear from the active router.
Listen	The router knows the virtual IP address, but the router is neither the active router nor the standby router. It listens for hello messages from those routers.
Speak	The router sends periodic hello messages and actively participates in the election of the active and/or standby router.
Standby	The router is a candidate to become the next active router and sends periodic hello messages.
Active	The router currently forwards packets that are sent to the group virtual MAC address. The router sends periodic hello messages.

- The active and standby HSRP routers send hello packets to the HSRP group multicast address every 3 seconds, by default. The standby router will become active if it does not receive a hello message from the active router after 10 seconds.
- You can lower these timer settings to speed up the failover or preemption. However, to avoid increased CPU usage and unnecessary standby state changes, do not set the hello timer below 1 second or the hold timer below 4 seconds.

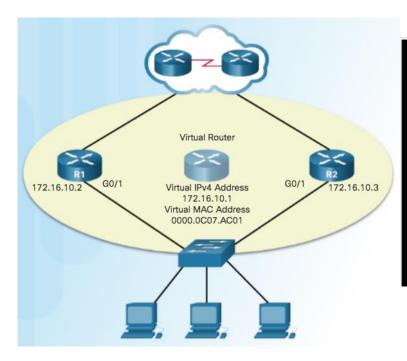
HSRP Configuration HSRP Configuration Commands

- Step 1. Configure HSRP version 2.
- Step 2. Configure the virtual IP address for the group.
- Step 3. Configure the priority for the desired active router to be greater than 100.

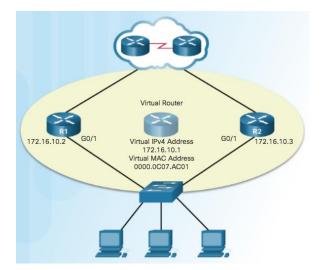
Step 4. Configure the active router to preempt the standby router in cases where the active router comes online after the standby router.

Command	Definition
Router(config-if)# standby version 2	Configures HSRP to use version 2. HSRP version 1 is the default.
Router(config-if)# standby [group- number] ip-address	Configures the HSRP virtual IP address that will be used by the specified group. If no group is configured, then the virtual IP address is assigned to group 0.
Router(config-if)# standby [group- number] priority [priority-value]	Configures the desired active router with a higher priority than default priority of 100. Range is 0 to 255. If no priority is configured or if priority is equal, than the router with the highest IP address has priority.
Router(config-if)# standby [group- number] preempt	Configures a router to preempt the currently active router.

HSRP Configuration HSRP Sample Configuration



HSRP Configuration HSRP Verification

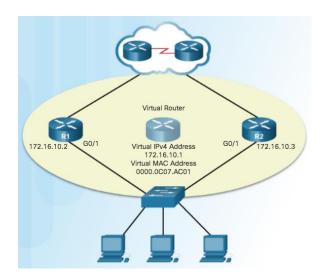


Rl# show standby GigabitEthernet0/1 - Group 1 (version 2) State is Active 5 state changes, last state change 01:02:18 Virtual IP address is 172.16.10.1 Active virtual MAC address is 0000.0c9f.f001 Local virtual MAC address is 0000.0c9f.f001 (v2 default) Hello time 3 sec, hold time 10 sec Next hello sent in 1.120 secs Preemption enabled Active router is local Standby router is 172.16.10.3, priority 100 (expires in 9.392 sec) Priority 150 (configured 150) Group name is "hsrp-Gi0/1-1" (default)

R1#

R2# show standby GigabitEthernet0/1 - Group 1 (version 2) State is Standby 5 state changes, last state change 01:03:59 Virtual IP address is 172.16.10.1 Active virtual MAC address is 0000.0c9f.f001 Local virtual MAC address is 0000.0c9f.f001 (v2 default) Hello time 3 sec, hold time 10 sec Next hello sent in 0.944 secs Preemption disabled Active router is 172.16.10.2, priority 150 (expires in 8.160 sec) MAC address is fc99.4775.c3e1 Standby router is local Priority 100 (default 100) Group name is "hsrp-Gi0/1-1" (default) R2#

HSRP Configuration HSRP Verification (Cont.)

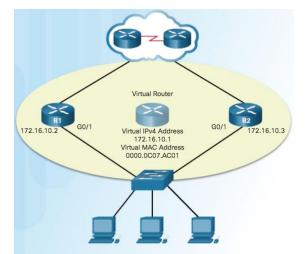


R1# show stand		es configured	to preempt.	
	rp Pri P 150 P		Standby 172.16.10.3	Virtual IP 172.16.10.1

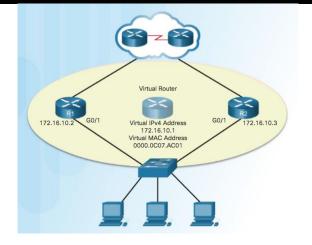
R2# show st	andby		es configured t	o preempt.	
Interface Gi0/1 R2#	Grp 1	State Standby	Active 172.16.10.2	Standby local	Virtual IP 172.16.10.1

HSRP Troubleshooting HSRP Failure

- Most issues will arise during one of the following HSRP functions:
 - Failing to successfully elect the active router that controls the virtual IP for the group
 - Failure of the standby router to successfully keep track of the active router
 - Failing to determine when control of the virtual IP for the group should be handed over to another router
 - Failure of end devices to successfully configure the virtual IP address as the default gateway



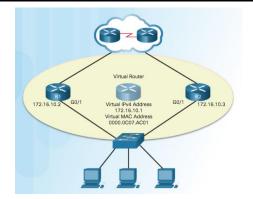
R2# debug standby ?
errors HSRP errors
events HSRP events
packets HSRP packets terse
Display limited range of HSRP errors, events and packets
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View the HSRP Hello Packets on Standby Router

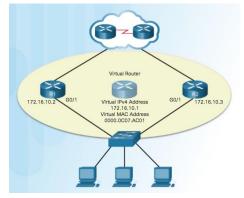
R2# debug standby packets
*Dec 2 15:20:12.347: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Hello in 172.16.10.2
Active pri 150 vIP 172.16.10.1

*Dec 2 15:20:12.643: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Hello out 172.16.10.3 Standby pri 100 vIP 172.16.10.1



R1 Fails and R2 is Elected Active HSRP Router

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!!!!!!R1 is powered off!!!!!
R2# debug standby terse
HSRP:
 HSRP Errors debugging is on
 HSRP Events debugging is on
    (protocol, neighbor, redundancy, track, arp, interface)
 HSRP Packets debugging is on
    (Coup, Resign)
R2#
    2 16:11:31.855: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Standby: c/Active timer expired
*Dec
  (172.16.10.2)
*Dec 2 16:11:31.855: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Active router is local, was
 172.16.10.2
*Dec 2 16:11:31.855: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 no longer active for
 group 1 (Standby)
*Dec 2 16:11:31.855: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 Was active or standby
 - start passive holddown
*Dec 2 16:11:31.855: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Standby router is unknown, was
 local
*Dec 2 16:11:31.855: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Standby -> Active
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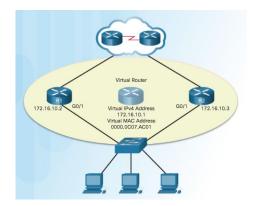
Use **debug standby terse** to view the HSRP events as R1 is powered down and R2 assumes the role of active HSRP router for the 172.16.10.0/24 network.

R2#

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R1 Initiates Coup to Become Active HSRP Router

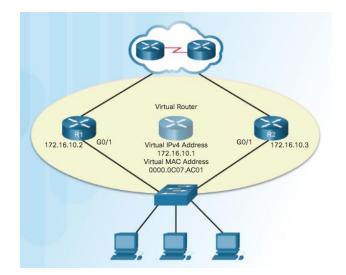
R1# 2 18:01:30.183: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 Adv in, active 0 *Dec passive 1 *Dec 2 18:01:30.183: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 created *Dec 2 18:01:30.183: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 is passive *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 Adv in, active 1 passive 1 *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 is no longer passive *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 destroyed *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Coup in 172.16.10.2 Listen pri 150 vIP 172.16.10.1 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Active: j/Coup rcvd from higher *Dec pri router (150/172.16.10.2) *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Active router is 172.16.10.2, was local *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 created *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 active for group 1 *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Active -> Speak *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: %HSRP-5-STATECHANGE: GigabitEthernet0/1 Grp 1 state Active -> Speak *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Redundancy "hsrp-Gi0/1-1" state Active -> Speak *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Removed 172.16.10.1 from ARP *Dec 2 18:01:32.443: HSRP: Gi0/1 IP Redundancy "hsrp-Gi0/1-1" update, Active -> Speak *Dec 2 18:01:43.771: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Speak: d/Standby timer expired (unknown) *Dec 2 18:01:43.771: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Standby router is local *Dec 2 18:01:43.771: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Speak -> Standby



Because R1 is configured with the **standby 1 preempt** command, it initiates a coup and assumes the role of active router. R2 actively listens to hello messages during the Speak state until it confirms that R1 is the new active router and R2 is the new standby router.

R1 is Administratively Shutdown and Resigns as Active HSRP Router

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R1(config)# interface g0/1
R1(config-if)# shutdown
R1(config-if)#
*Dec 2 17:36:20.275: %HSRP-5-STATECHANGE: GigabitEthernet0/1
  Grp 1 state Active -> Init
*Dec 2 17:36:22.275: %LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface
   GigabitEthernet0/1, changed state to administratively down
*Dec 2 17:36:23.275: %LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on
   Interface GigabitEthernet0/1, changed state to down
R1(config-if)#
! ------
R2#
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Resign in 172.16.10.2
  Active pri 150 vIP 172.16.10.1
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Standby: i/Resign rcvd
   (150/172.16.10.2)
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Active router is local,
   was 172.16.10.2
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 no longer
   active for group 1 (Standby)
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Nbr 172.16.10.2 Was active
   or standby - start passive holddown
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Standby router is
   unknown, was local
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Standby -> Active
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: %HSRP-5-STATECHANGE: GigabitEthernet0/1
   Grp 1 state Standby -> Active
*Dec 2 17:36:30.699: HSRP: Gi0/1 Grp 1 Redundancy "hsrp-
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HSRP Troubleshooting Common HSRP Configuration Issues

Use the debug commands to detect common configuration issues:

- HSRP routers are not connected to the same network segment. Although this could be a physical layer issue, it could also be a VLAN subinterface configuration issue.
- HSRP routers are not configured with IPv4 addresses from the same subnet. HSRP hello packets are local. They are not routed beyond the network segment. Therefore, a standby router would not know when the active router fails.
- HSRP routers are not configured with the same virtual IPv4 address. The virtual IPv4 address is the default gateway for end devices.
- HSRP routers are not configured with the same HSRP group number. This will cause each router to assume the active role.
- End devices are not configured with the correct default gateway address. Although not directly related to HSRP, configuring the DHCP server with one of the real IP addresses of the HSRP router would mean that end devices would only have connectivity to remote networks when that HSRP router is active.

4.4 Chapter Summary



Conclusion

Chapter 4: EtherChannel and HSRP

- Explain link aggregation operation in a switched LAN environment.
- Implement link aggregation to improve performance on high-traffic switch links.
- Implement HSRP.

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