

**NAME**

pppoe-discovery – perform PPPoE discovery

**SYNOPSIS**

**pppoe-discovery** [ *options* ]  
**pppoe-discovery** { **-V** | **-h** }

**DESCRIPTION**

**pppoe-discovery** performs the same discovery process as **pppoe**, but does not initiate a session. It sends a PADI packet and then prints the names of access concentrators in each PADO packet it receives.

**OPTIONS**

**-I** *interface*

The **-I** option specifies the Ethernet interface to use. Under Linux, it is typically eth0 or eth1. The interface should be “up” before you start **pppoe-discovery**, but should *not* be configured to have an IP address. The default interface is eth0.

**-D** *file\_name*

The **-D** option causes every packet to be dumped to the specified *file\_name*. This is intended for debugging only.

**-U**

Causes **pppoe-discovery** to use the Host-Uniq tag in its discovery packets. This lets you run multiple instances of **pppoe-discovery** and/or **pppoe** without having their discovery packets interfere with one another. You must supply this option to *all* instances that you intend to run simultaneously.

**-S** *service\_name*

Specifies the desired service name. **pppoe-discovery** will only accept access concentrators which can provide the specified service. In most cases, you should *not* specify this option. Use it only if you know that there are multiple access concentrators or know that you need a specific service name.

**-C** *ac\_name*

Specifies the desired access concentrator name. **pppoe-discovery** will only accept the specified access concentrator. In most cases, you should *not* specify this option. Use it only if you know that there are multiple access concentrators. If both the **-S** and **-C** options are specified, they must *both* match.

**-A**

This option is accepted for compatibility with **pppoe**, but has no effect.

**-V** | **-h**

Either of these options causes **pppoe-discovery** to print its version number and usage information, then exit.

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**SEE ALSO**

pppoe(8), pppoe-sniff(8)