# Cpr E 489: Computer Networking and Data Communications Lab Experiment #8: Using Cisco IOS XE to Configure OSPF Routing (Total Points: 100)

## **Objective**

To introduce students to OSPF routing using Cisco IOS XE.

#### Pre-Lab

Familiarize yourself with addressing and routing since these skills will help you to troubleshoot any problems you might encounter during this lab. In addition, it may be helpful to review Lab #7.

# **Lab Expectations**

Work through the lab and let the TA know if you have any questions.

- Just like Lab #7, this lab will be completed in partner pairs (teams of two).
- DO NOT modify other groups' switches, as this will disrupt the lab process for others.
- After the lab, write up a lab report. Each team only needs to submit one lab report on Canvas.

#### Be sure to:

- 1) Attend the lab. (5 points)
- 2) Summarize what you learned in a few paragraphs. (15 points)
- 3) Complete Exercise 1 "Static Routing" (20 points) and Exercise 2 "OSPF" (45 points) and answer the questions asked in the exercises.
- 4) Complete Exercise 3 "Reset the Student Switch" (15 points) and demonstrate you have successfully reset the switch to the TA before the end of lab section. It is crucial that each team completes the "Reset the Student Switch" Tasks 1 and 2 before the end of the lab section, regardless of whether you have completed Exercises 1 and 2. This is to ensure that all switches are reset to the initial configuration so that other lab sections are not impacted in any way. Include your answer to both tasks in the lab report.

## **Procedure**

In this lab, we are going to build upon the experience attained in Lab #7 to configure OSPF routing and compare it to static routing. This lab must be done with the TA's help; otherwise, you would have to configure at least two switches on your own.

Important Note: For this lab experiment you must log on with the local user account.

Username: 489labuser Password: 489labuser

#### Connect to a Cisco Switch

Switch Name	Switch Management IP	Connected Host – Management Port	Connected Host – GigabitEthernet1/0/1
co2061-9300-13	192.168.77.113	co2061-01	co2061-02
co2061-9300-02	192.168.77.102	co2061-03	co2061-04
co2061-9300-03	192.168.77.103	co2061-05	co2061-06
co2061-9300-04	192.168.77.104	co2061-07	co2061-08
co2061-9300-05	192.168.77.105	co2061-09	co2061-10
co2061-9300-06	192.168.77.106	co2061-11	co2061-12
co2061-9300-07	192.168.77.107	co2061-13	co2061-14
co2061-9300-08	192.168.77.108	co2061-15	co2061-16
co2061-9300-09	192.168.77.109	co2061-17	co2061-18
co2061-9300-10	192.168.77.110	co2061-19	co2061-20
co2061-9300-11	192.168.77.111	co2061-21	co2061-22
co2061-9300-12	192.168.77.112	co2061-23	co2061-24
co2061-9300-01	192.168.77.101	TA	TA

You can login to the IOS XE interface of each switch from the specified hosts that are listed under [Connected Host – Management Port]. Note that, for computers co2061-01 and co2061-02, there is a change of switch from Lab #7.

For example, to log into switch co2061-9300-02 from desktop co2061-03, do:

```
ssh admin@192.168.77.102
password is: cat9.3k
```

If the connection is successful, you will see a prompt like:

```
co2061-9300-02#
```

#### Brief Review of some Cisco IOS XE commands

After login, you can always enter the Global Configuration mode by entering configure terminal (or conf t for short).

Some useful commands in the Privileged EXEC mode:

```
show ip route// Display the current IP routing tableshow ip int br// Display IP and status of the interfacesshow run// Display the current routing configuration
```

If you are in any **configuration** mode (Global, Interface, Router ... etc), the above show commands won't run, but you can precede them with **do** to make them run. For example, **do show ip int br** 

#### Setting the IP Address of an Interface (Port)

You will need to set up the IP addresses related to your switch as shown in Figure 1 on the next page. First of all, to enable the routing capability of the switch, type the following command in the Global Configuration Mode:

```
co2061-9300-01(config) #ip routing
```

To set or change the IP address of an interface, you must enter the Interface Configuration Mode for the interface you wish to change. For example, if we want to configure **GigabitEthernet 1/0/1** on the switch, we will proceed through the modes and select **GigabitEthernet 1/0/1** for the interface:

Privileged EXEC→ Global Configuration→ Interface Configuration for GigabitEthernet 1/0/1

Cisco Catalyst 9300 Series Switch provides layer-3 capabilities, which means that we can convert the interfaces from "switch ports" to "routed ports". Use the following command to configure the selected interface as a "routed port":

```
co2061-9300-01(config-if) #no switchport
```

Once we set the port to a "routed port", we can assign an IP address for this interface using the following syntax:

```
co2061-9300-01(config-if) #ip address <IP address> <netmask>
```

Now exit to the Privileged EXEC Mode, type the following to verify the IP address of GigabitEthernet 1/0/1.

```
co2061-9300-01#show ip int br
```

To remove the IP address of GigabitEthernet 1/0/1, you must return to the Interface Configuration Mode and enter the following:

```
co2061-9300-01(config-if) #no ip address <IP address> <netmask>
```

To configure the port back to a "switch port", simply use the command:

```
co2061-9300-01(config-if)#switchport
```

### **Network Diagram**

Figure 1 shows the network diagram used in this lab. You can observe the network diagram is divided into two parts: the TA has configured the upper part; the student is responsible for configuring the lower part.

## The letter "X" is the number of the even-numbered PC you are using.

For example: If your switch is connected to even-numbered computer #12, your loopback interface would be 10.12.12.12 instead of 10.X.X.X.

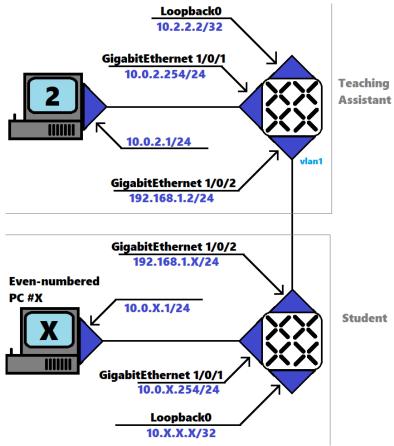


Figure 1: Lab #8 Network Diagram

## Basic Setup of the Switch

We will start with the loopback interface. With Cisco switches, loopback interfaces can be used to simulate networks. They can also be used by OSPF to identify the switch (Switch ID) as we will see later on. To configure the loopback interface, use the following commands (make sure to change the IP address to the one you are supposed to use):

```
co2061-9300-01(config) #interface Loopback0
co2061-9300-01(config-if) #ip address 10.X.X.X 255.255.255
co2061-9300-01(config-if) #exit
```

Configure the rest of the interfaces on your switch (GE 1/0/1 and GE 1/0/2) in accordance with Figure 1. If the port is currently a switchport, you will have to change it to a routed port to assign an IP address to it.

Test your configuration by pinging the three interfaces (192.168.1.X/24, 10.0.X.254/24, and 10.X.X.X) from your switch. After all the tests are successful, make sure to ping the TA's switch IP which is 192.168.1.2. This ping should be done from your switch (in Privileged EXEC Mode) as it will fail if it's done from your computer even if the connection is fine.

Now we must configure the interface and routing table for the even-numbered PC. Configure your computer for this lab by using the following commands similarly to how we did in Lab #7.

Note: please do NOT modify any interfaces on the odd-numbered PC as this could lead to trouble accessing the switch and other unexpected issues.

```
sudo /sbin/ifconfig enp3s0f1 10.0.X.1 netmask 255.255.255.0
sudo /sbin/route add -net 10.0.0.0 netmask 255.0.0.0 gw 10.0.X.1 enp3s0f1
sudo /sbin/route add -net 192.168.1.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 gw 10.0.X.1 enp3s0f1
```

After configuring the computer, try to ping both GigabitEthernet interfaces (10.0.X.254 and 192.168.1.X) on your switch from the even-numbered computer. **Do they both work?** 

## Setting Static Routing Table Entries

To add or remove routing table entries, you must be in Global Configuration mode. Setting static routing table entries is not very different from the corresponding UNIX route commands. The following command adds a route to the network or gateway with IP address <destination address> via gateway <next hop address>:

```
co2061-9300-01(config) #ip route <destination address> <mask> <next hop address> <cost>
```

The following command deletes a route from the routing table:

```
co2061-9300-01(config) #no ip route <destination address> <mask> <next_hop address>
<cost>
```

As an example, if we want to create a static route to the remote network of 172.16.1.0, with a mask of 255.255.255.0, the next hop as 172.16.2.1, and at a cost of 5 hops, we would type the following:

```
co2061-9300-01 (config) #ip route 172.16.1.0 255.255.255.0 172.16.2.1 5
```

Note: if you add this route to the configuration, you will need to remove it before continuing on.

#### Exercise 1 – Static Routing

Create two static routes on your (Student) switch: one to the network 10.0.2.0/24, and another one to the loopback interface IP 10.2.2.2 of the TA's switch.

Follow that by pinging these IP addresses both from your switch, and from the even-numbered computer:

- 192.168.1.X
- 192.168.1.2
- 10.2.2.2
- 10.0.2.254

**Question 1:** Provide the following: (a) Use show run command and take a screenshot of the static routes created. (b) Capture screenshots of each ping results. (10 points)

**Question 2:** Considering our network in the Cpr E 489 lab which consists of 12 switches, each with two of its own VLANs (including the simulated network by the loopback interface), how many static routes should be configured across all switches to make sure that all networks are reachable? (10 points)

## Dynamic Routing vs. Static Routing

Static routes are mainly used in small networks where traffic is predictable and less bandwidth is available for routing updates. Dynamic routing using any routing protocol would consume a certain amount of bandwidth to update all routers of routing related information. Static routes can also be used to specify a gateway of last resort (a default router to which all non-routable packets are sent).

# OSPF - Open Shortest Path First

OSPF is an Interior Gateway Routing (IGP) protocol that uses link state rather than distance vectors for path selection. OSPF sends/receives link-state advertisements (LSAs) and converges more quickly than RIP. All switches have an identical link-state database. Some of the advantages of OSPF over RIP are:

- OSPF LSAs are sent less frequently than RIP, and updates are only sent when needed. This would save bandwidth
- RIP networks are flat networks without the areas and boundaries that exist in OSPF. OSPF areas can be
  used to split a huge network into smaller ones, keeping the size of the link-state database on each switch
  manageable.
- OSPF uses cost to do routing decisions. It helps OSPF to avoid sending data to links with less bandwidth, for example. While the default calculation is 100M / BW, the cost can also be set manually.

# **Configuring OSPF**

To configure OSPF, you must be in Global Configuration mode. You first need to enable routing for the switch:

```
co2061-9300-01(config) #ip routing
```

Now you must enable an OSPF process:

```
co2061-9300-01(config) #router ospf copess-ID>
```

The process-ID doesn't need to be the same for all routers in your network. It is locally significant and is used to differentiate multiple instances of OSPF on the same switch. It can generally be any positive integer. The following command uses process-id of 102:

```
co2061-9300-01(config) #router ospf 102
```

To define the IP addresses on which OSPF runs, we need to use the command **network <IP Address> <Wildcard-mask> area <area\_id>.** Any IP interface on the switch that has an IP address within the specified IP range will run OSPF. This command also defines the area ID for the specified interface.

The **wildcard-mask** specifies how much of the IP address must match exactly. It's actually the **inverse** of the **subnet mask**. One way to calculate it is by subtracting the subnet mask from 255.255.255.255. For example, a network with subnet mask **255.255.255.255.0** can be represented by wildcard mask of **0.0.0.255**. A network with subnet mask **255.255.255.240** would have a wildcard mask of **0.0.0.15**.

Three examples of the **network** command are listed below:

```
co2061-9300-01(config-router)#network 10.0.17.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
co2061-9300-01(config-router)#network 10.17.17.17 0.0.0.0 area 0
co2061-9300-01(config-router)#network 192.168.2.0 0.0.0.31 area 0
```

#### Exercise 2 – OSPF

Before allowing OSPF to handle routes for you, you should remove all static routes you have set on the switch. You can view all routes with the following command. Static routes are prefixed with "S".

```
co2061-9300-01#show ip route
```

And you can remove them with the following command:

```
no ip route <destination address> <mask> <next_hop address>
```

In this exercise, we will assume that all switches belong to **area 0**. Configure OSPF on your switch by using the commands described in the previous section, and make sure to use the IPs that are relevant to your switch. You should advertise all three subnets to which your switch is directly connected and pay attention to their subnet masks in order to create the equivalent wildcard masks.

Question 3: Include the output of the show run command that is related to the OSPF setups. (10 points)

Question 4: Ping these three IPs from the even-numbered computer again:

- 192.168.1.X
- 192.168.1.2
- 10.2.2.2
- 10.0.2.254

Include screenshots and explain the results. (10 points)

Questions 5-9: Include the output of the following commands (executed on your switch), and answer the questions:

- show ip route
  - o Question 5: Which routes are directly connected or local? Which routes are via OSPF, if any? Of the OSPF routes, is there a route from an area other than area 0? (5 points)
- show ip protocols
  - Question 6: What is the Router ID? If you look at your interfaces' IP addresses, which one of them
    is similar to the router ID? (5 points)
  - o Question 7: Look for the line "Distance: (default is ...)." What is the number? (5 points)
- Show ip ospf neighbor
  - Question 8: Find the neighbor with the ID: 10.2.2.2. What is the Address field in this record?
     (5 points)
- show ip ospf interface
  - Question 9: Look for the Cost set on each interface. List these numbers for all your interfaces.
     (5 points)

# Exercise 3 - Reset the Student Switch

You are required to reset the student switch to the initial configuration <u>before the end of lab section</u> regardless of whether you have completed Exercises 1 and 2. This is to ensure that all switches are reset to the initial configuration so that other lab sections are not impacted in any way. **Complete** both Task 1 and Task 2 described below, and **demonstrate** you have successfully reset the switch to the TA <u>before the end of lab section</u>. **(15 points)** 

Task 1: Ensure all static routes created in Exercise 1 are removed:

```
Even number PC:
```

```
sudo /sbin/route del -net 10.0.0.0 netmask 255.0.0.0 gw 10.0.X.1 p2p2
sudo /sbin/route del -net 192.168.1.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 gw 10.0.X.1 p2p2
```

Cisco switch:

no ip route <destination address> <mask> <next\_hop address>

**Task 2:** Undo the OSPF network commands and shut down the OSPF router created in Exercise 2. Set the interfaces Loopback0, Gi1/0/1, Gi1/0/2 back to their default configurations by removing their IP addresses and switchport status.

Hint: Look through the screenshots you have taken so far and make sure none of the changes remain using commands like show run and show ip int br.

## Other helpful OSPF commands

- debug ip ospf adjacency (used to debug neighborhood adjacencies and routing update issues)
- debug ip ospf events (used to debug routing updates issues and interface flapping)
- **debug ip ospf packets** (used to display each OSPF packet received)
- show ip ospf database (displays all link state advertisements)