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## Abstract

This document provides an overview on how to get configure Remote Port Mirror on the Ethernet Routing Switch 8600.

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## Conventions

This section describes the text, image, and command conventions used in this document.

### Symbols



Tip – Highlights a configuration or technical tip.



Note – Highlights important information to the reader.



Warning – Highlights important information about an action that may result in equipment damage, configuration or data loss.

### Text

**Bold** text indicates emphasis.

*Italic* text in a Courier New font indicates text the user must enter or select in a menu item, button or command:

```
ERS5520-48T# show running-config
```

Output examples from Avaya devices are displayed in a Lucida Console font:

```
ERS5520-48T# show sys-info
```

```
Operation Mode:      Switch
MAC Address:        00-12-83-93-B0-00
PoE Module FW:      6370.4
Reset Count:        83
Last Reset Type:    Management Factory Reset
Power Status:       Primary Power
Autotopology:      Enabled
Pluggable Port 45:  None
Pluggable Port 46:  None
Pluggable Port 47:  None
Pluggable Port 48:  None
Base Unit Selection: Non-base unit using rear-panel switch
sysDescr:          Ethernet Routing Switch 5520-48T-PWR
HW:02              FW:6.0.0.10  SW:v6.2.0.009
Mfg Date:12042004  HW Dev:H/W rev.02
```

## 1. Remote Mirroring

### 1.1 Remote Mirroring Overview

The port-mirroring feature can be used to analyze traffic flowing on a port. The Ethernet Routing Switch 8600 supports both ingress and egress port mirroring. Any packet ingressing or egressing a specified port is forwarded normally and a copy of the packet is sent out to the mirroring or destination port to be observed using a network analyzer.

With remote mirroring, mirrored traffic from any Ethernet Routing Switch 8600 switch in the network can be redirected to a remote switch to be analyzed. With this feature, you can monitor ports from different switches in the network using just one network analyzer. This is accomplished by encapsulating mirrored packets in a Remote Mirroring Encapsulation 'wrapper'. The encapsulated frame is bridged through the network via a separate port based VLAN to the remote mirroring termination port. The remote mirroring encapsulation 'wrapper' is 20-bytes in length and consists of a Layer 2 Destination Address, Layer 2 Source Address, Monitor Tag, Monitor EtherType, and Monitor Control. The original CRC-32 is stripped from the mirrored packet, and a new CRC-32 is computed over the entire encapsulated frame. Note that when the mirrored frame is 1522 bytes (1518 plus 4-byte 802.1p/q tag), the resulting maximum frame length is 1542 bytes. To support remote mirroring, all switches in the network must have the capability to handle a packet size up to 1542. At the termination point, the encapsulation header is removed before sending the packet out the port. The source port for remote mirroring is called Remote Mirroring Source (RMS) and the destination port is called Remote Mirroring Termination (RMT).

The remote mirroring feature uses a particular VLAN if the remote mirroring is enabled on Port Mirroring Destination Port. The VLAN ID configured will be set as the vlan-id in the Monitor Tag field of the remote mirrored packet. With this, the user can segregate the remote mirrored traffic to single VLAN in the entire network.

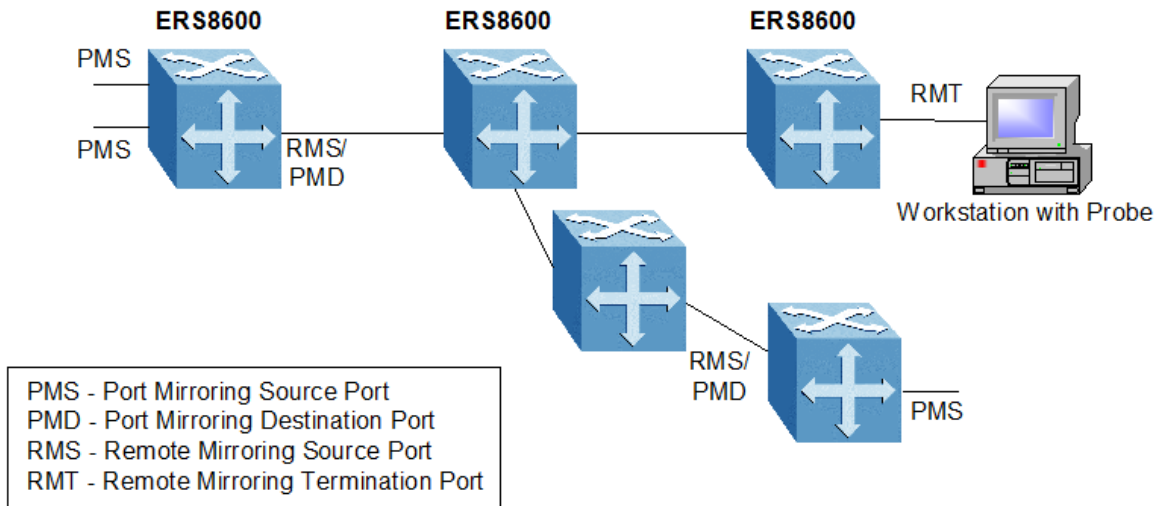


Figure 1.1 – Remote Port Mirror



## 1.2 Remote Mirrored Packet Format

6 Bytes	6 Bytes	4 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	6 Bytes	6 Bytes	46 to 1506 Bytes	4 Bytes
Mirror DA	Mirror SA	Mirror Tag	Mirror EtherType	Mirror Control	Original DA	Original SA	Mirrored Traffic	CRC-32

The Mirror Destination Address (Mirror DA), Mirror Source Address (Mirror SA) and mirror EtherType are user configurable parameters under the port remote-mirroring command. In regards to the Mirror SA, the three least significant bits are derived from the MAC port number. The Mirror Tag field is generated from the "IEEE VLAN ID" configured under port remote-mirroring.

## 1.3 Remote Mirror Operation

Prior to sending traffic out on a RMS, the mirrored traffic will be encapsulated with a remote mirror wrapper. All remote mirrored packets sent out of RMS are always tagged with the remote mirroring tag.

When a RMT port receives an encapsulated frame from the switch fabric, it will strip off the Remote Mirroring Encapsulation as it is being transmitted on the port. Remote mirrored encapsulated frames are identified when the configured "remote mirroring destination mac Address" is detected as the "destination MAC address" in the packet. RMT will send dummy broadcast layer-2 packets with "remote mirroring destination mac" as source mac so that all nodes in the network can learn this mac address. This is sent every 10 secs (as the minimum value of FDB-aging timer is 10 secs). When a port is configured as RMT, a static FDB entry is added to channel all traffic destined for the remote mirroring destination mac to RMT port. When an RMT port is removed from all VLANs configured, the Remote mirroring feature on the port is disabled.

- Only RWA user will be allowed to configure Remote mirroring.
- Remote mirrored packets will be sent lowest priority (pBit value of 0).
- RMS port has to be a mirror destination port. Only mirrored packets will be remote mirrored.
- This check is not done when RMS is enabled on the port. No error message will be generated while RMS is configured on a port which is not a port mirroring destination port. If port mirroring is disabled, then no packets will be remote mirrored. Whenever user is using remote mirroring, user has to make sure that the port mirroring is enabled with RMS port as mirror destination Port.
- If RMS is a tagged port, then the remote mirroring packet will be sent with VLAN ID of that of mirrored packet (Original Packet).
- RMT has to be part of at least one port based VLAN.
- Packets will be captured as long as RMT is reachable.
- Whenever a user enables/disables remote mirroring, a Trap is sent to trap receiver and a SMP log message is generated stating that remote mirroring is enabled/disabled and the mode.

## 2. Configuration Parameters

### 2.1 CLI

The following command has been added for setting remote mirroring parameters under the configure ethernet heading.

```
ERS8600:6# config ethernet <slot/port> remote-mirroring
```

The following CLI commands are added:

```
enable <true|false> [mode <source|termination>] [srcmac <mac>] [dstmac <mac>]
[ether-type <ether-type>]
mode <source|termination>
srcmac <mac>
dstmac <mac>
ether-type <ether-type>
add-vlan-id <vlan-id>
remove-vlan-id <vlan-id>
info
```

**mode:** specifies whether the port is a RMT (mode = termination) or RMS (mode = source).

**srcmac:** used to set the source mac for the remote mirroring encapsulation. The packet will be sent out of RMS with source mac derived from this. The source mac of the encapsulated frame will contain first 45 bits of this Mac address. The three least significant bits are derived from the MAC port number of RMS. Mac address of the port is used as default value.

**dstmac:** used to set the destination mac for the remote mirroring encapsulation. The remote mirrored packet will be sent to this mac address. User configured dstmac is used only for RMS. For RMT, one of the unused Mac addresses from the switch Port Mac address range is used. To get the same dstmac for RMT across re-boot, this mac address is saved in configuration file and only when config file is restored, the dstmac of RMT is accepted from user.

**ether-type:** The ether-type of the remote mirrored packet. Default value is 0x8100.

**vlan-id:** Used only for RMT. The user has to specify which vlan the remote mirror destination mac belongs to. This has to be a port based VLAN. When the RMT port is removed from the last vlan in the list, RMT will be disabled from the port.

enable: enable/disable the feature on the port. When RMT is enabled, the following things are done:

- A FDB static entry for the dstmac is added. This is to send all the packets that are coming with remote mirroring dstmac to RMT port.
- Switch periodically (once in 10 secs) transmits broadcast layer 2 packets in the vlan added so that all nodes in the network can learn the dstmac.



Parameters can only be modified if remote mirroring is disabled.

This activity also modified the port mirroring CLI commands so that the user can set the IEEE VLAN ID used by remote mirroring packet.

```
ERS8600:6# config diag mirror-by-port <id>
```

The following command is modified:

```
PP8600A:6# create in-port <value> out-port <value> [mode <value>] [enable <value>] [remotemirroring-vlanid <vlan-id>]
```

Also a new CLI command is added:

```
ERS8600:6# remote-mirroring-vlanid <vlanid>
```

When `remote-mirroring-vlanid` is set, the remote mirrored packet will be sent with this vlan ID in the mirror Tag.

Also, added a new show command under node

Show port info

```
ERS8600:6# remote-mirroring [<port-num>] [mode <value>] [dstmac <value>]  
[srcmac <value>] [vlan-id <value>]
```

This will display the remote mirroring related information of the port.

## 2.2 Hardware Requirements

For remote mirroring packets, the I/O card hardware should support port mirroring and remote mirroring. E-Series or M-Series cards are required to remotely capture Egress packets from a port.

## 2.3 Software Requirements and Dependencies

None

## 2.4 Limitations and Restrictions

1. Maximum of 16 RMTs can be configured in a switch.
2. RMT can be enabled in only one port in an octapid, i.e. using an 8648, 6 ports are used per octapid.
3. For a port to function as RMS, it has to be a destination Port of port mirroring. Octapid has a limitation of only one port as port mirror destination port. So RMS can be enabled in only one port in an octapid.

## 3. Configuration Example

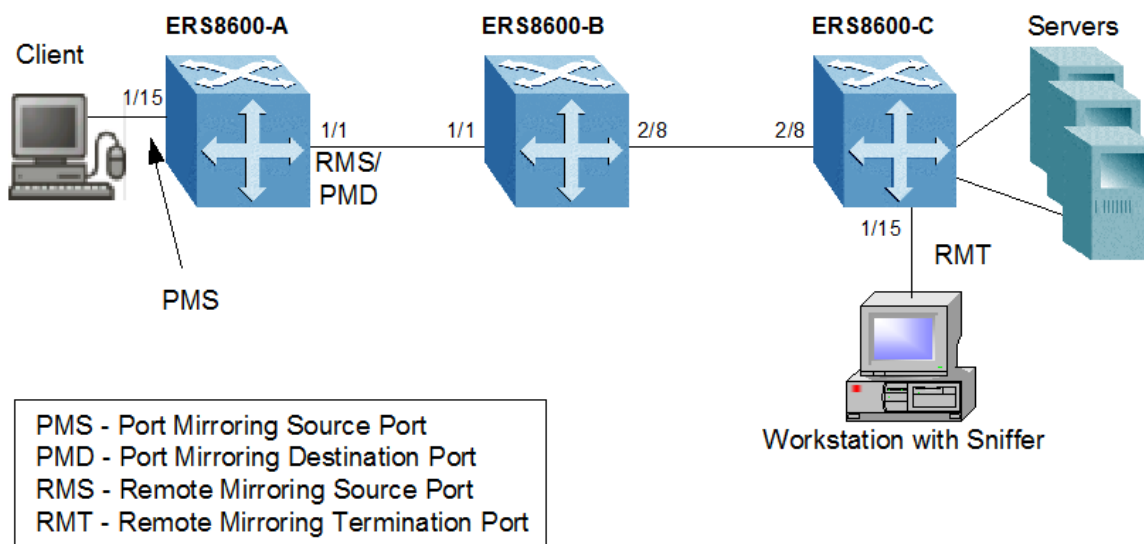


Figure 3.0 – Remote Port Mirror Example

### ERS8600-A

- a) Create a separate port based VLAN to channel the remote mirroring traffic in the network. In this example, we will use VLAN 10

```
ERS8600-A:5# config vlan 10 create byport 1
```

- b) Add PMD port to VLAN 10

```
ERS8600-A:5# config vlan 10 ports add 1/1
```

- c) Create port mirror with RMS as the destination port and add VLAN 10. The source port is the port from which packets need to be remotely mirrored.

```
ERS8600-A:5# config diag mirror-by-port 1 create in-port 1/15 out-port 1/1 mode rx enable true remote-mirror-vlan-id 10
```



In this example, we picked rx mirror mode. If the Ethernet Routing Switch 8600 module is either an E-series or M-series, you can select both in addition to rx and tx.

- d) Add the destination MAC for remote mirroring to the RMS port. This is the destination MAC address of the RMT port from switch PP8600-C

```
ERS8600-A:5# config ethernet 1/1 remote-mirroring create
```

```
ERS8600-A:5# config ethernet 1/1 remote-mirroring dstmac 00:e0:7b:82:9d:9c
```

- e) Enable RMS

```
ERS8600-A:5# config ethernet 1/1 remote-mirroring enable true
```

## ERS8600-B

For the PP8600-B switch, the remote packets are just bridged. The only thing we need to do on this switch is add VLAN 10 and add ports 1/1 and 2/8 to this VLAN.

- a) Create VLAN 10

```
ERS8600-B:5# config vlan 10 create byport 1
```

- b) Add ports to VLAN 10

```
ERS8600-B:5# config vlan 10 ports add 1/1,2/8
```

## ERS8600-C

- a) Create a separate port based VLAN to channel the remote mirroring traffic in the network. In this example, we will use VLAN 10

```
ERS8600-C:5# config vlan 10 create byport 1
```

- b) Add the RMT ports and the port which remote mirrored packets enter the switch for VLAN 10

```
ERS8600-C:5# config vlan 10 ports add 1/15,2/8
```

- c) Add VLAN to the RMT Ethernet port, in this example port 1/15.

```
ERS8600-C:5# config ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring create
```

```
ERS8600-C:5# config ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring add-vlan-id 10
```

```
ERS8600-C:5# config ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring mode termination
```

```
ERS8600-C:5# config ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring enable true
```

- d) Get the destination MAC address of the RMT port. This is needed to configure RMS in the other switches

```
ERS8600-C:5# config ether 1/15 remote-mirroring info
```

```
port 1/15
```

```
Enable = FALSE
```

```
Mode = termination
```

```
srcmac = 00:e0:7b:82:9c:0e
```

```
dstmac = 00:e0:7b:82:9d:9c
```

```
ether-type = 0x8103
```

```
vlan-id-list = 10
```

## 4. Appendix A – Configuration Files

### ERS8600-A

```
#
# PORT CONFIGURATION - PHASE I
#

ethernet 1/1 perform-tagging enable

#
# VLAN CONFIGURATION
#

vlan 1 ports remove 1/1-1/48,2/1-2/48 member portmember
vlan 10 create byport 1
vlan 10 ports remove 1/2-1/48,2/1-2/48 member portmember
vlan 10 ports add 1/1 member portmember

#
# PORT CONFIGURATION - PHASE II
#

ethernet 1/1 default-vlan-id 110
ethernet 1/1 stg 1 stp disable
ethernet 1/1 remote-mirroring create
ethernet 1/1 remote-mirroring dstmac 00:e0:7b:82:9d:9c
ethernet 1/1 remote-mirroring enable true

#
# DIAG CONFIGURATION
#

diag mirror-by-port 1 create in-port 1/15 out-port 1/1
diag mirror-by-port 1 remote-mirror-vlan-id 10
```

**ERS8600-B**

#

# PORT CONFIGURATION - PHASE I

#

ethernet 1/1 perform-tagging enable

ethernet 2/8 perform-tagging enable

#

# VLAN CONFIGURATION

#

vlan 1 ports remove 1/1-1/48,2/1-2/8,3/1-3/8 member portmember

vlan 10 create byport 1

vlan 10 ports remove 1/2-1/48,2/1-2/7,3/1-3/8 member portmember

vlan 10 ports add 1/1,2/8 member portmember

#

# PORT CONFIGURATION - PHASE II

#

ethernet 1/1 default-vlan-id 10

ethernet 2/8 default-vlan-id 10

**ERS8600-C**

```
#
# PORT CONFIGURATION - PHASE I
#

ethernet 2/8 perform-tagging enable

#
# VLAN CONFIGURATION
#

vlan 1 ports remove 1/1-1/48,2/1-2/8,3/1-3/8 member portmember
vlan 10 create byport 1
vlan 10 ports remove 1/1-1/14,1/16-1/48,2/1-2/7,3/1-3/8 member portmember
vlan 10 ports add 1/15,2/8 member portmember

#
# PORT CONFIGURATION - PHASE II
#

ethernet 1/15 stg 1 stp disable
ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring create
ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring mode termination
ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring dstmac 00:e0:7b:82:9d:9c
ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring add-vlan-id 10
ethernet 1/15 remote-mirroring enable true
ethernet 2/8 default-vlan-id 10
```



The dstmac will change depending on slot/port number.



## 5. Reference Documentation

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