Configure IPv6 Black–Holing through Interface Null0

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Introduction

This document describes how to configure Black—Holing in IPv6 through interface Nullo. Black Hole Routing is a method that allows the administrator to block undesirable traffic, such as traffic from illegal sources or traffic generated by a Denial of Service (DoS) attack, by dynamically routing the traffic to a dead interface or to a host designed to collect information for investigation, which mitigates the impact of the attack on the network.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Make sure that you meet these requirements before you attempt this configuration:

- Have an understanding of BGP routing protocol and its operation
- Have an understanding of the IPv6 Addressing scheme

Components Used

The information in this document is based on the Cisco 7200 Series Router with Cisco IOS[®] Software Release 15.0(1).

Conventions

Refer to Cisco Technical Tips Conventions for more information on document conventions.

Configure

In this section, you are presented with the information to configure the features described in this document.

Note: Use the Command Lookup Tool (registered customers only) in order to find more information on the commands used in this document.

Network Diagram

This document uses this network setup:



In this network, the routers and R1 and R2 forms an eBGP relationship with each other. The routers use OSPFv3 in order to communicate internally. In router R1, Black-holing is achieved by the configuration of Null0 in such a way that any packets with source address 20:20::20/128 are directed to Null0. In other words all traffic routed to Null0 are dropped.

Sample Configurations

This document uses these configurations:

- Router R1
- Router R2

```
Router R1
hostname R1
no ip domain lookup
ip cef
ipv6 unicast-routing
ipv6 cef
interface Loopback1
no ip address
ipv6 address AA::1/128
ipv6 enable
ipv6 ospf 10 area 0
interface Loopback10
no ip address
ipv6 address AA:10::10/128
ipv6 enable
interface FastEthernet1/0
no ip address
speed auto
duplex auto
ipv6 address 2012:AA::1/64
ipv6 enable
ipv6 ospf 10 area 0
```

```
router bgp 6501
bgp router-id 1.1.1.1
bgp log-neighbor-changes
no bgp default ipv4-unicast
neighbor BB::1 remote-as 6502
neighbor BB::1 ebgp-multihop 2
neighbor BB::1 update-source Loopback1
address-family ipv4
exit-address-family
address-family ipv6
 redistribute static
 network AA:10::10/128
 neighbor BB::1 activate
exit-address-family
ipv6 route 20:20::20/128 Null0
ipv6 router ospf 10
router-id 1.1.1.1
end
```

Router R2

```
hostname R2
ipv6 unicast-routing
ipv6 cef
!
!
interface Loopback1
no ip address
ipv6 address BB::1/128
ipv6 enable
ipv6 ospf 10 area 0
interface Loopback20
no ip address
ipv6 address 20:20::20/128
ipv6 enable
interface FastEthernet1/0
no ip address
speed auto
duplex auto
ipv6 address 2012:AA::2/64
 ipv6 enable
ipv6 ospf 10 area 0
router bgp 6502
bgp router-id 2.2.2.2
bgp log-neighbor-changes
no bgp default ipv4-unicast
neighbor AA::1 remote-as 6501
neighbor AA::1 ebgp-multihop 2
neighbor AA::1 update-source Loopback1
 address-family ipv4
 exit-address-family
address-family ipv6
 network 20:20::20/128
 neighbor AA::1 activate
```

```
exit-address-family
!
ipv6 router ospf 10
router-id 2.2.2.2
!
end
```

Verify

Use this section to confirm that your configuration works properly.

The Output Interpreter Tool (registered customers only) (OIT) supports certain **show** commands. Use the OIT to view an analysis of **show** command output.

In order to verify the eBGP configuration, use the **show ipv6 route bgp** and **show bgp ipv6 unicast** commands in router R1.

```
Router R1
show ipv6 route
R1#show ipv6 route bgp
IPv6 Routing Table - default - 7 entries
Codes: C - Connected, L - Local, S - Static, U - Per-user Static route
      B - BGP, HA - Home Agent, MR - Mobile Router, R - RIP
      I1 - ISIS L1, I2 - ISIS L2, IA - ISIS interarea, IS - ISIS summary
      D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, ND - Neighbor Discovery
      O - OSPF Intra, OI - OSPF Inter, OE1 - OSPF ext 1, OE2 - OSPF ext 2
       ON1 - OSPF NSSA ext 1, ON2 - OSPF NSSA ext 2
!--- The router R2 advertises the network 20:20::20/128,
!--- but still the routing table is empty.
To check what are the routes received by BGP use the show bgp ipv6 unicast command.
R1#show bgp ipv6 unicast
BGP table version is 3, local router ID is 1.1.1.1
Status codes: s suppressed, d damped, h history, * valid, > best, I - internal,
             r RIB-failure, S Stale
Origin codes: I - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete
  Network
                  Next Hop
                                       Metric LocPrf Weight Path
 20:20::20/128
                   BB::1
                                           0 0 6502 I
*>
                    ::
                                             0
                                                      32768 ?
*> AA:10::10/128
                    ::
                                             0
                                                       32768 I
!--- Note that the route 20:20::20/128 is received,
!--- but it is not installed in the routing table.
```

Use the source as loopback interface 20 in order to try to ping router R1 from the router R2.

```
R2#ping ipv6 AA:10::10 source lo20

Type escape sequence to abort.

Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to AA:10::10, timeout is 2 seconds:
Packet sent with a source address of 20:20::20
.....

Success rate is 0 percent (0/5)
```

```
!--- The reason is the ICMP packet reaches !--- router R1 with source address as !--- 20:20::20/128 and therefore gets dropped.
```

Try ping router R1 from router R2 without the use of the loopback interface as source.

```
R2#ping AA:10::10

Type escape sequence to abort.

Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to AA:10::10, timeout is 2 seconds:
!!!!!

Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 8/61/180 ms

!--- In this case, the ICMP packet has
!--- the source address as BB::1.
```

If the **ipv6 route 20:20::20/128 Null0** statement is removed from the router R1, the route 20:20::20/128 advertised by router R2 gets installed in the routing table of router R1. This is the sample output:

```
In router R1
R1(config)#no ipv6 route 20:20::20/128 Null0
!--- The Null0 command in removed from router R1.
R1#show bgp ipv6 unicast
BGP table version is 7, local router ID is 1.1.1.1
Status codes: s suppressed, d damped, h history, * valid, > best, I - internal,
             r RIB-failure, S Stale
Origin codes: I - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete
  Network
                   Next Hop
                                      Metric LocPrf Weight Path
*> 20:20::20/128
                                            0
                   ::
                                                     32768 ?
                                                      0 6502 I
                   BB::1
                                            Ω
*> AA:10::10/128
                  ::
                                                     32768 I
!--- After the removal of the statement,
!--- the route 20:20::20/128 is shown as best route.
R1#show ipv6 route bgp
IPv6 Routing Table - default - 7 entries
Codes: C - Connected, L - Local, S - Static, U - Per-user Static route
      B - BGP, HA - Home Agent, MR - Mobile Router, R - RIP
      I1 - ISIS L1, I2 - ISIS L2, IA - ISIS interarea, IS - ISIS summary
      D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, ND - Neighbor Discovery
      O - OSPF Intra, OI - OSPF Inter, OE1 - OSPF ext 1, OE2 - OSPF ext 2
      ON1 - OSPF NSSA ext 1, ON2 - OSPF NSSA ext 2
  20:20::20/128 [20/0]
   via BB::1
!--- You can see that the route is displayed in routing table.
```

Now try to ping the router R1 from router R2 with the source as loopback interface Lo 20.

```
Type escape sequence to abort.

Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to AA:10::10, timeout is 2 seconds:

Packet sent with a source address of 20:20::20

!!!!!

Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 0/54/140 ms

!--- You can see that the ping is successful.
```

Related Information

- Remotely Triggered Black Hole Filtering
- BGP Technology Support
- IP Version 6 Technology Support
- BGP Case Studies
- Technical Support & Documentation Cisco Systems

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