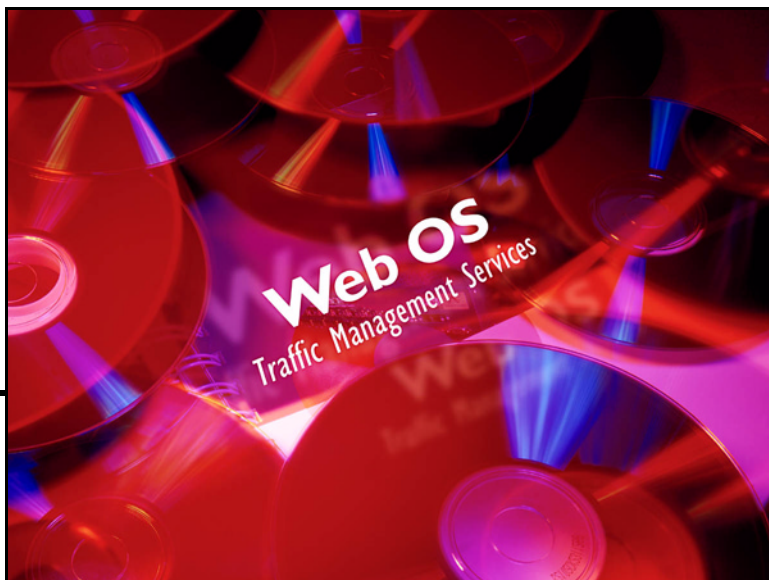


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Preface

The *Web OS 8.3 Command Reference* describes how to configure and use the Web OS software with the Alteon WebSystems family of switches.

For documentation on installing the switches physically, see the hardware installation guide for your particular switch model.

Who Should Use This Book

The *Command Reference* is intended for network installers and system administrators engaged in configuring and maintaining a network. The administrator should be familiar with Ethernet concepts, IP addressing, the IEEE 802.1d Spanning Tree Protocol, and SNMP configuration parameters.

How This Book Is Organized

Chapter 1, “Web OS Feature Summary,” provides brief descriptions of the major features included in this release of the switch software.

Chapter 2, “The Command Line Interface,” describes how to connect to the switch and access the information and configuration menus.

Chapter 3, “First-Time Configuration,” describes how to use the Setup utility for initial switch configuration and how to change the system passwords.

Chapter 4, “Menu Basics,” provides an overview of the menu system, including a menu map, global commands, and menu shortcuts.

Chapter 5, “The Information Menu,” shows how to view switch configuration parameters.

Chapter 6, “The Statistics Menu,” shows how to view switch performance statistics.

Chapter 7, “The Configuration Menu,” shows how to configure switch system parameters, ports, VLANs, Jumbo Frames, Spanning Tree Protocol, SNMP, Port Mirroring, IP Routing, Port Trunking, and more.

Chapter 8, “The SLB Configuration Menu,” shows how to configure Server Load Balancing, Filtering, Global Server Load Balancing, and more.

Chapter 9, “The Operations Menu,” shows how to use commands which affect switch performance immediately, but do not alter permanent switch configurations (such as temporarily disabling ports). The menu describes how to activate or deactivate optional software features.

Chapter 10, “The Boot Options Menu,” describes the use of the primary and alternate switch images, how to load a new software image, and how to reset the software to factory defaults.

Chapter 11, “The Maintenance Menu,” shows how to generate and access a dump of critical switch state information, how to clear it, and how to clear part or all of the forwarding database.

Appendix A, “Web OS Syslog Messages,” shows a listing of syslog messages.

Appendix B, “Web OS SNMP Agent,” lists the Management Interface Bases (MIBs) supported in the switch software.

“Glossary” includes definitions of terminology used throughout the book.

Typographic Conventions

The following table describes the typographic styles used in this book.

Table 1 Typographic Conventions

Typeface or Symbol	Meaning	Example
AaBbCc123	This type is used for names of commands, files, and directories used within the text. It also depicts on-screen computer output and prompts.	View the <code>readme.txt</code> file. Main#
AaBbCc123	This bold type appears in command examples. It shows text that must be typed in exactly as shown.	Main# sys
<AaBbCc123>	This italicized type appears in command examples as a parameter placeholder. Replace the indicated text with the appropriate real name or value when using the command. Do not type the brackets. This also shows book titles, special terms, or words to be emphasized.	To establish a Telnet session, enter: host# telnet <i><IP address></i> Read your <i>User's Guide</i> thoroughly.
[]	Command items shown inside brackets are optional and can be used or excluded as the situation demands. Do not type the brackets.	host# ls [-a]

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CHAPTER 1

Web OS Feature Summary

This chapter provides an overview of features and enhancements found in the Web OS 8.3 switch software. The latest version of switch software supports and extends the capabilities of the Alteon 180e, Alteon 184, Alteon AD3, and Alteon AD4 WebSwitches.

Web OS 8.3 extends switch application and content-intelligent traffic management services to include support for the following features:

- Intelligent traffic redirection with URL header parsing
- Session Persistence with advanced cookie parsing
- URL-based Server Load Balancing
- VPN Load Balancing
- Stateful Failover
- Bandwidth Management, including URL-based, HTTP Header-based, and Cookie-based
- Port Mapping Enhancement
- User-configurable client proximity tables to control Global SLB traffic redirection
- User-scriptable health checks and enhanced RADIUS health checking
- Advanced packet filtering
- Option to List ICMP FilteringTypes
- Secure switch management
- Virtual Matrix Architecture, enabling the distribution of traffic across multiple processors and efficiently allocating memory resources to maximize switch performance
- Server-Side, Multi-Response Cookie Search
- CPU Usage and Session Table Information
- Increased Static Route Capacity
- Using TFTP Put Command to Store Images on a TFTP Server
- Wireless Session Protocol Content Health Checks

NOTE – Some features are optional and may require additional software licenses on some switches. For information on activating these features on your switch (if necessary), see [“Activating Optional Software”](#) on page 261.

Finding the Information You Need

The following table lists Web OS features grouped according to their applicable Layer 1-7 functionality, and the page number where you'll find summary information for each feature.

NOTE – More application-specific information and configuration details can be found in the *Web OS 8.3 Application Guide*.

Layer	Feature/Function	See
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	■ Host Header Inspection	page 20
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	Content-Intelligent Web Cache Redirection	
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	■ Session ID-based Persistence	page 22
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	■ FTP Client NAT	page 29
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Layer	Feature/Function	See
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Virtual Matrix Architecture	Distributed architecture, enabling switch resources to be shared across ports.	page 39
Dual Homing	Network resiliency and redundancy.	page 40

Layer 5-7 Features

Layer 5-7 features and support are summarized below.

NOTE – Not all features described in this section are “layer-specific.”

Content-Intelligent Switching

“Content intelligent,” or “content aware,” switching enhancements in Web OS software are principally divided into two areas of functionality: HTTP Header Inspection and URL-based Server Load Balancing (SLB). Each is briefly described below.

HTTP Host Header Inspection

Through inspection of HTTP HOST: headers, the switch supports these capabilities:

- Virtual Hosting
 - Using a single virtual IP address to represent multiple domains in a hosting environment.
- Cache redirection based on domain names
 - Using the hashing algorithm, you can optimize “cache hits,” redirecting client requests going to the same page of an origin server to a specific cache server.
 - Determine cachability or redirection, based on the domain name in the HOST header.
 - For example, requests with URLs containing “.com” are redirected to Server Group 1 and all other requests are sent to Server Group 2.
- Defining cacheable domains
 - Configure domain pages that should not be cached.
- HTTP Header-Based Server Load Balancing
 - User-Agent header: direct requests to different servers, based on browser type.

NOTE – For more information about the application and configuration of content-intelligent switching, refer to the *Web OS 8.3 Application Guide*.

URL-Based Server Load Balancing

To take advantage of server memory and optimize server utilization, the switch can parse the URL information associated with incoming packets and redirect those packets based on URL substring matching. This enables the network administrator to send requests for static content to one server group while requests for dynamic content can be directed to another group. The switch can also inspect URLs that are split in multiple frames, up to 4500 bytes.

By inspecting the URL, the switch makes it easier to support these capabilities:

- Optimize “cache hits,” redirecting client requests going to the same page of an origin server to a specific cache server.
- Exclusionary URL substring matching
- URL Hashing

URL-Based Web Cache Redirection

Web OS software enables you to send requests with specific URLs or URL substrings to designated cache servers. The URL-based redirection option allows you to perform cache server farm tuning and offload overhead processing from the cache servers by only sending appropriate requests to the cache server farm. This feature supports both HTTP 1.0 and HTTP 1.1.

Each request is examined and handled as described below:

- If the request is a non-GET request like HEAD, POST, PUT, or HTTP with cookies, it doesn't get sent to the cache.
- If the request is an ASP or CGI request, or a dynamically generated page, it doesn't get sent to the cache.
- If the request is a cookie, it can optionally bypass the cache.

Session Persistence

Session persistence allows you to re-establish a user's connection to a particular server. This is an important consideration for administrators of e-commerce Websites, where a server may have data associated with a specific user that is not dynamically shared with other servers at the site.

Persistence-based load balancing enables the network administrator to redirect requests from a client to the real server that initially handled the request. On a switch running Web OS software, persistence can be based on IP source address, cookies for HTTP requests, or SSL session ID for encrypted HTTP requests.

Cookie-Based Persistence

As viewed by the switch, a “cookie” is an HTTP header sent as part of the response to a request from a client by the switch or the server. On all subsequent requests from the client for the same IP address, the client includes the cookie, to enable the server to determine that the user is the same one that sent the original request.

There are two methods of handling cookies. Each is described below:

- **Passive Cookie Mode**

In this mode, there is no definition of any special persistence cookie on the server. The network administrator configures an existing cookie that the switch should look for in subsequent requests from the same client.

- **Active Cookie Mode/Cookie Rewrite Mode**

In active cookie mode (or cookie rewrite mode), the switch will generate the cookie value on behalf of the server, eliminating the need for a network administrator to generate cookies for each user.

SSL Session ID-Based Persistence

Using the SSL session ID, the switch forwards the request to the real server that it bound the user to during the last session. Using the session ID will enhance network performance. Negotiating the type of encryption used during data transmission requires a lengthy protocol exchange that is bypassed with session persistence.

Server-Side Multi-Response Cookie Search

Cookie-based persistence requires the switch to search the HTTP response packet from the server and, if a persistence cookie is found, set up a persistence connection between the server and the client. Previously, the Alteon WebSystems switch would only look through the first HTTP response from the server. While this approach works for most servers, some customers with complex server configurations might send the persistence cookie a few responses later. To achieve cookie-based persistence in such cases, Web OS 8.3 enables the switch to be configured to look through multiple HTTP responses from the server.

NOTE – For more information about the application and configuration of session persistence policies, refer to the *Web OS 8.3 Application Guide*.

Bandwidth Management

Bandwidth Management (BWM) enables Website managers to allocate a certain portion of the available bandwidth for specific users or applications. Traffic classification can be based on user or application information. Policies can be configured to set lower and upper bounds on the bandwidth allocation.

Bandwidth management provides the following support:

- Allocation of capacity from a Web server farm by Website address.
- Allocation of WAN capacity by Website address.
- User-defined minimum and maximum rates.
- Data pacing technology for rate-controlling the source.
- Traffic classification based on Layer 2/3/4 attributes.
 - Nesting of rules allowed.
 - 256 to 1,024 traffic classes per switch. (More than 256 classes supported only on Alteon A184 and AD4 WebSwitches).
- Bandwidth management based on traffic classes.
 - Multiple levels of bandwidth per traffic class. Guaranteed bandwidth, soft ceiling, hard ceiling.
 - Classification based on user information or application.
 - Guaranteed bandwidth for mission-critical applications.
- Accounting. Usage logging per traffic class
- IP TOS bit rewrite, based on whether the traffic is over or under the soft limit.

URL-Based Bandwidth Management

URL-based Bandwidth Management allows the network administrator or Website manager to control bandwidth based on URLs, HTTP headers, or cookies.

All three types of bandwidth management are accomplished by following the configuration guidelines on content switching described in “Content Intelligent Switching” in the *Web OS Application Guide*. You would also need to assign a contract to each defined string, where the string is contained in a URL, an HTTP header, or a cookie.

HTTP Header-Based Bandwidth Management

HTTP header-based bandwidth management allows Website managers to allocate bandwidth based on header value. Bandwidth allocation can be based on browser type, cookie value, and so on.

Cookie-Based Bandwidth Management

Cookie-based bandwidth management enables Website managers to prevent network abuse by bandwidth-hogging users. Using this feature, bandwidth can be allocated by type of user or other user-specific information available in the cookie.

Cookie-based bandwidth management empowers service providers to create tiered services. For example: Website managers can classify users as first class, business class and coach, and allocate a larger share of the bandwidth for preferred classes.

NOTE – For more information about the application and configuration of bandwidth management contracts, refer to the *Web OS 8.3 Application Guide*.

Layer 4 and Layer 7 Features

Web OS 8.3 allows redundant switches to share session information.

Stateful Failover

In previous versions of Web OS, redundant Alteon WebSystems switches do not share session information. If the master switch fails, and the backup takes over, the session state recorded on the master switch is lost. The hash metric can be used to solve this problem for most Layer 4 persistency, but it does not address Layer 7 persistency.

Web OS 8.3 provides stateful failover of content-intelligent persistent session state and Layer 7 persistent session state. This includes SSL session state, HTTP cookie state, and Layer 4 persistent and FTP session state. Providing stateful failover enables network administrators to mirror their Layer 7 and Layer 4 persistent transactional state on the peer switch.

To provide stateful failover, the state of the connection and session table must be shared between the switches in high-availability configurations. With Virtual Matrix Architecture (VMA) enabled, all URL and cookie parsing information is stored in the session table on port 9. Sharing this information between switches is necessary to keep delayed binding sessions alive when a switch fails.

Layer 4 Features

Running Web OS software, Alteon WebSystem switches support local and global server load balancing, application redirection, non-server (such as firewall, router) load balancing, active-active high availability configurations, bandwidth management, and server security services.

Web OS Layer 4 (Application/Protocol) features and support are summarized below, with pointers to where you can find topics discussed in greater detail.

Server Load Balancing

Through server load balancing, your WebSwitch is aware of the shared services provided by your server pool. The switch can then balance user session traffic among available servers. For even greater control, traffic is distributed according to a variety of user-selectable metrics.

By helping to eliminate server over-utilization, important session traffic gets through more easily, reducing user competition for connections on overworked servers.

- TCP and UDP load balancing
- SSL session ID substitution
- MaxConns, back-up, and overflow server support
- Roundrobin and connection-based load balancing
- Server static weighting
- Hash and minmisses load balancing

Health Checks

The switch can perform health checks at various levels. This includes checking the Layer 3 connectivity using ICMP Ping. Layer 4 connectivity is checked by sending a TCP connection request to the server. The next level of health check supported is checking the retrieval of the actual content from various applications. Content-intelligent health checks are performed for DNS, FTP, HTTP, NNTP, POP3, IMAP, SMTP, and RADIUS services. If any server in a server pool fails, the remaining servers continue to provide access to vital applications and data. The failed server can be brought back up without interrupting access to services. As users are added and the server pool's capabilities are saturated, new servers can be added to the pool transparently.

Web OS server health check enhancements increase availability to a broader base of applications by allowing flexible application and content verification using customized scripts.

Through the use of “send/expect” script-based health checks, you can configure the switch to send a sequence of user-specified tests to be executed on select servers and the corresponding confirmation to be verified, to ensure total application and content availability. The switch can also check availability of SSL and RADIUS functionality.

VPN Load Balancing

A Virtual Private Network (VPN) is a connection that has the appearance and advantages of a dedicated link, but it occurs over a shared network. Using a technique called *tunneling*, data packets are transmitted across a routed network such as the Internet in a private “tunnel” that simulates a point-to-point connection. This approach enables network traffic from many sources to travel via separate tunnels across the infrastructure. It also enables traffic from many sources to be differentiated, so that it can be directed to specific destinations and receive specific levels of service.

VPNs provide security features of a firewall, network address translation, data encryption, authentication and authorization. Since most of the data sent between VPN initiators and terminators is encrypted, network devices cannot use information inside the packet to make intelligent routing decisions.

VPN load balancing requires that all ingress traffic passing through a particular VPN must traverse the same VPN as it egresses back to the client. Traffic ingressing from the Internet is usually addressed to the VPNs, with the real destination encrypted inside the datagram. Traffic egressing the VPNs into the intranet contains the real destination in the clear.

Because the address may be encrypted inside the datagram, using the hash metric on the source and destination address may not be possible in many VPN/firewall configurations. Also, the source/destination IP address of the packet may change as the packet traverses from the dirty-side switches to clean-side switches and back.

To support VPN load balancing, the WebSwitch running Web OS 8.3 records state on frames entering the switch to and from the VPNs. This ensures that the same VPN server handles all the traffic between an inside host and an outside client for a particular session.

Firewall Load Balancing

Firewall load balancing with Alteon WebSystems WebSwitches allows firewalls to operate in parallel, giving network administrators the ability to maximize firewall productivity, scale firewall performance without forklift upgrades, and eliminate the firewall as a single point of failure.

To facilitate FWLB, Alteon WebSystems WebSwitches feature a powerful distributed processing architecture, and sophisticated Layer 4 through 7 switching functionality, including the ability to maintain the state of individual TCP sessions. This makes our WebSwitches ideally suited for the processor-intensive packet examination and manipulation required to perform FWLB for thousands or tens of thousands of packets per second.

FTP Server Load Balancing

FTP load balancing enhancements enable the switch to look deep into the FTP packet to support load balancing of FTP servers on a private network, regardless whether the servers are operating in active or passive FTP mode.

Direct Server Return

Using this Web OS feature, the server responds directly to the client in a one-arm load balancing configuration. This capability is useful for sites where large amounts of data are going from servers to clients, such as is the case with content providers or portal sites that have asymmetric traffic patterns.

Virtual Port to Real Port Mapping

Prior to Web OS 8.3, each virtual Layer 4 port (`vport`) could only be mapped to one real port (`rport`) on a server. A particular service running on a server is configured for a virtual port on the switch. For each server, up to eight services can be configured on the switch.

To take advantage of multi-CPU or multi-process servers, Web OS 8.3 enables the network administrator to map a single virtual port to multiple real ports. This capability allows Website managers, for example, to differentiate users of a service by using multiple service ports to process client requests.

An Alteon WebSystems switch running Web OS 8.3 will now support up to eight real ports per service. This feature enables the network administrator to configure up to eight remote ports for a single virtual service port on all of the Alteon 180 series and AD series platforms. This feature is supported in Layer 4 and Layer 7 as well as in cookie-based and SSL persistence switching environments.

Filtering

Alteon WebSystems switches support Layer 3 (IP) and Layer 4 (transport) filtering for up to 224 filters per port, giving network administrators a powerful tool to protect their server networks. Switch-wide filtering rules can be defined on each Alteon WebSystems switch, with any or all rules applied to each port.

Packet Filtering

Web OS software supports packet filtering based on IP options, ICMP message types, the IP Type-of-Service (TOS), and TCP flags. Each filter can forward, drop, or redirect packets and can optionally log results, based on any combination of the following user-specified criteria:

- IP source address, by address and mask
- IP destination address, by address and mask
- Protocol type (IP, UDP, TCP, ICMP and others)

Web OS software supports packet filtering, based on any or all ICMP message types.

- TCP flags

Web OS software supports packet filtering, based on any or all TCP flags.

- Application source port, by name, integer or range
- Application destination port, by name, integer or range
- TOS coloring—replacing TOS value with configured value per filter

ICMP Type Listing

For filtering, Web OS 8.3 provides an option to the ICMP command to list available ICMP types, and a usage help map listing the valid ICMP number/names that can be entered.

Application Redirection

Repeated client access to common Web or application content across the Internet can be an inefficient use of network resources. The same filtering system that provides basic network security can also be used to intercept and redirect client traffic to cache and application servers. By redirecting client requests to a local cache or application server, you increase the speed at which clients access the information and free up valuable network bandwidth. Application redirection support includes DNS, firewall, router load balancing, and web cache redirection.

Web Cache Redirection

Web cache redirection can help alleviate the congestion seen at your Internet router. When Application Redirection filters are properly configured for your Web OS powered switch, outbound client requests for Internet data are intercepted and redirected to a group of web cache servers on your network. The web cache servers duplicate and store inbound Internet data that has been requested by your clients. If the web cache servers recognize a client's outbound request as one that can be filled with cached information, the web cache servers will supply the information, rather than sending the request out across the Internet.

FTP Client NAT

Alteon WebSystems switches provide Network Address Translation (NAT) services to many clients with private IP addresses. However, on switches running Web OS 6.0, clients using active FTP cannot send a request to a remote FTP server when their client IP address is private. In Web OS 8.0 and higher, an FTP enhancement provides the capability to perform true FTP NAT for dynamic NAT.

The switch can monitor the control channel and replace the client's private IP address with a proxy IP (PIP) address defined on the switch. When a client in active FTP mode sends a `PORT` command to a remote FTP server, the switch will look into the data part of the frame and modify the `PORT` command.

Global SLB

Using Global Server Load Balancing (GSLB), you can balance server traffic load across multiple physical sites. This allows you to smoothly integrate the resources of a world-wide series of server sites and balance Web content (or other services) intelligently among them. Alteon WebSystems' GSLB takes into account individual sites' health, response time, and geographic location for a global performance perspective. Web OS supports up to 64 GSLB sites per switch.

URL-based SLB is compatible with GSLB. Cookie-based persistence is compatible with GSLB using Active Cookie Mode (Cookie Rewrite Mode).

In certain customer configurations, IANA data does not provide sufficient geographic separation of proximity information. As a result, large ISP partners cannot use their own geographic data to determine GSLB site selection based on client location. Web OS software supports client proximity tables using static "client to site" mapping. Switch managers can configure private client proximity information. The limit on the number of entries in the proximity database is 128.

NOTE – For more information about the application and configuration of Global SLB, refer to the *Web OS 8.3 Application Guide*.

Wireless Session Protocol (WSP) Content Health Checks

Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) is a new protocol that allows Web services to be delivered to mobile phones and handsets. The translation from HTTP/HTML to WAP/WML (Wireless Markup Language) is done by servers known as WAP gateways. WAP devices can communicate either in the unencrypted Wireless Session Protocol (WSP) mode, or an encrypted Wireless Transport Layer Security (WTLS) mode.

When devices communicate with the WAP gateway using the unencrypted WSP protocol, they can either establish a connection-oriented WSP session or work in a connectionless WSP mode. This feature provides a connectionless WSP health check for WAP gateways. Future releases will cover WTLS health checks.

Layer 3 Features

Web OS Layer 3 (IP) features and support are summarized below.

High Availability and VRRP

High availability refers to a network topology where no device can create a single point of failure on a network and no single device forces a point of failure on another part of the network.

Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP) support on Alteon WebSystems switches provides redundancy between routers in a LAN. This is accomplished by configuring the same virtual router IP address and ID number on each participating VRRP-capable routing device. One of the virtual routers is then elected as the master, based on a number of priority criteria, and assumes control of the shared virtual router IP address. If the master fails, one of the backup virtual routers will assume routing authority and take control of the virtual router IP address.

Alteon WebSystems has extended VRRP, as defined in RFC 2338, to include virtual servers, allowing for full *active-active*, *active-standby*, and *hot-standby* redundancy between its Layer 4 switches. Both redundant switch configurations increase application availability by removing single points of failure from networks.

Active-Standby Redundancy

In an *active-standby configuration*, shown in [Figure 1 on page 32](#), both switches can support active traffic. However, services are not shared across the switches. That is, each switch can be active for some number of services, such as IP routing interfaces or load balancing VIP addresses, and act as a standby for other services on the other switch.

NOTE – In an active-standby configuration, the same service cannot be active simultaneously on both switches.

Active-Active Redundancy

Active-active redundancy enables more efficient network resource allocation than the hot-standby method. It also supports more complex failover topologies. In an *active-active* configuration, shown in [Figure 2 on page 32](#), both switches can process traffic for the same service at the same time. That is, both switches can be active simultaneously for a given IP routing interface or load balancing virtual server (VIP).

When both switches are healthy, active-active configurations increase performance and capacity by allowing two or more WebSwitches to support the same interface and service.

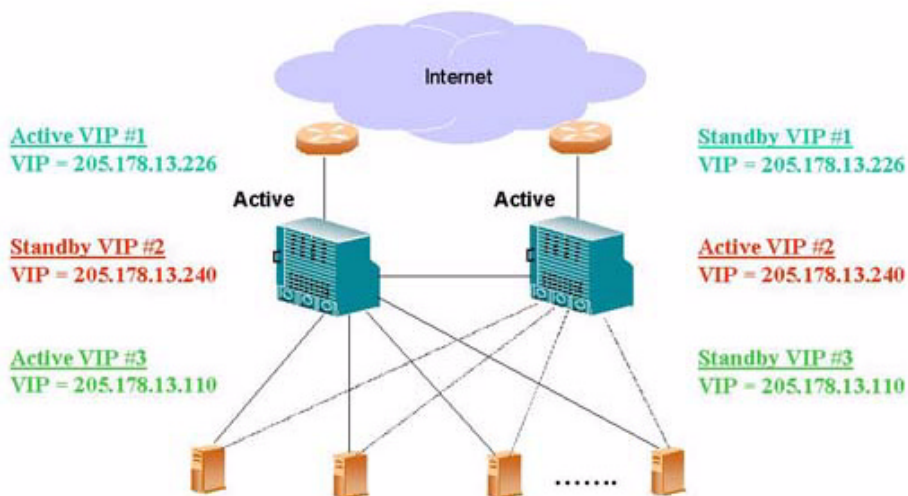


Figure 1 Active-Standby Redundancy

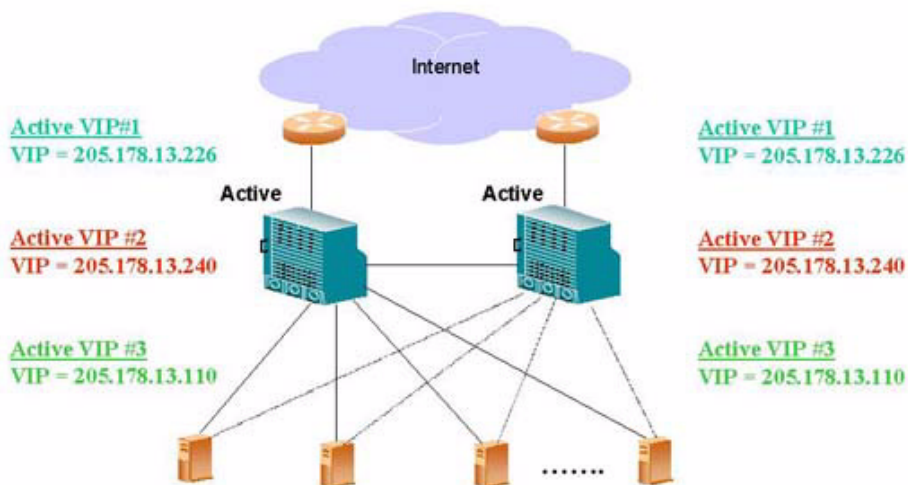


Figure 2 Active-Active Redundancy

IP Routing

IP Routing allows the network administrator to seamlessly connect server IP subnets to the rest of the backbone network, using a combination of configurable IP switch interfaces and IP routing options. The IP Routing feature enhances Alteon WebSystems server switching solution in the following ways:

- It provides the ability to perform Server Load Balancing (using both Layer 3 and Layer 4 switching in combination) to server subnets which are separate from backbone subnets.
- By automatically fragmenting Jumbo Frames when routing to non-Jumbo Frame subnets or VLANs, it provides another means to invisibly introduce Jumbo Frames technology into the server switched network.
- It provides the ability to seamlessly route IP traffic between multiple VLANs and subnets configured in the switch.

Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) Support

Web OS allows user Domain Name Server (DNS) requests to be resolved by the closest authoritative DNS server, based on Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) autonomous system (AS) hops. User requests can now be served by the closest site using BGP, while BGP route removal ensures that requests will not be forwarded to failed or overloaded server farms.

Alteon WebSystems switches can advertise their IP interfaces and VIP addresses using BGP, as well as take BGP feeds from up to four BGP router peers. This gives customers more resilience and flexibility in balancing traffic from the Internet.

Static Route Capacity

The number of static routes that can be configured on the switch has been doubled from 64 to 128.

TFTP Put Command to Store Images on a PC

Web OS 8.3 provides a command to store a copy of a switch image or kernel on a remote TFTP server. Currently, the switch can download a boot image or kernel from a remote TFTP server. TFTP commands are useful for backing up switch images.

Layer 2 Features

Web OS Layer 2 features and support are summarized below.

- Fast Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet ports support the same feature set
- Architectural support for up to 2048 MAC addresses

Jumbo Frames

Alteon Websystem switches automatically and transparently forward Ethernet frames of all sizes, including optional jumbo frames of up to 9,000 bytes. Jumbo frames can reduce packet processing overhead on servers by as much as 85 percent and increase throughput on CPU-bound systems by over 100 percent.

NOTE – Jumbo frames are not supported on ports operating at 10 Mbps or ports set to half-duplex at any link speed.

VLANs can be configured on the same adapters and switches to separate regular traffic from Jumbo Frame traffic. End-stations with a ACEnic adapters installed and attached to Alteon WebSystems switches can communicate across both the Jumbo Frame VLANs and regular frame VLANs at the same time.

Port Trunk Groups

Ports in a trunk group combine their bandwidth to create a single, larger virtual link. Web OS software supports EtherChannel-compatible trunk groups, enabling link-level redundancy and load sharing with other EtherChannel-compatible devices. Web OS support enables the following port trunking capabilities:

- Up to eight trunk groups can be configured per switch
- Up to six ports can be trunked together to form a single virtual link with bandwidth between 2 and 4 Gigabits per second
- IP Session ID hashing for IP addresss
- MAC SA/DA hashing for non-IP address
- Trunk groups are inherently fault tolerant: the trunk is active as long as any of its ports are available
- Traffic on the trunk is statistically load balanced between the ports in the link
- Trunk connections support third-party devices, such as Cisco routers and switches with EtherChannel technology and Sun's Quad Fast Ethernet adapter

VLANs

Virtual Local Area Networks (VLANs) are commonly used to split up groups of network users into manageable broadcast domains, to create logical segmentation of workgroups, and to enforce security policies among logical segments.

Web OS supports the following VLAN capabilities:

- IEEE 802.1Q tagging (4K external, 4K internal) allows multiple VLANs per port and provides standards-based VLAN support for Ethernet systems
- Up to 246 VLANs per switch

Spanning Tree Support

When multiple paths exist, Spanning Tree configures the network so that a switch uses only the most efficient path. The Spanning Tree on the switch is associated with a port and can be configured with multiple VLANs. One Spanning Tree is supported per switch.

Port Mirroring

Port mirroring provides a powerful network debugging tool. When mirroring is configured, network packets being sent and/or received on a target port are duplicated and sent to a monitor port. By attaching a network analysis computer to the monitor port, you can collect detailed information about your network performance and usage.

NOTE – Port mirroring is supported on the Alteon AD4 and Alteon 184 WebSwitches.

RMON Lite Support

This feature provides support to RMON applications for collecting and presenting information about your network performance. Through the use of an RMON console application (available separately), you can access the following switch performance information:

- EtherStats: Real-time counters for packet and octet rates, error rates, and frame size distribution.
- History: If enabled, periodic measurements of the EtherStats are saved in switch memory. These performance snap-shots can be retrieved and displayed by your RMON application.
- Alarms and Events: Measures special user-selected conditions of which the administrator wishes to be informed (such as excessive FCS errors or high broadcast rates).

Layer 1 Features

Web OS Layer 1 port link characteristics are summarized below.

- 100 Mbps ports support half- and full-duplex operations and 802.3u 10/100 autonegotiation
- 1000 Mbps ports support 802.3z full-duplex operation with asymmetric flow control
- IEEE 802.3x Flow Control

Switch Management Features

Network administrators can configure and monitor all Alteon WebSystems switch functions via the Web OS Browser-Based Interface (BBI), SNMP applications, and a Command Line Interface (CLI) accessed from the console port, via Telnet, or via Secure Shell program (SSH). Seven levels of password protection are provided, to allow switch configuration changes and to view switch information and statistics.

NOTE – Web OS access levels and password protection are described in [“Accessing the Switch” on page 45](#).

Secure Switch Administration

- Secure shell (SSH) protocol-based secured switch management on the Alteon AD4 and Alteon 184 WebSwitches.
- Secure copy protocol (SCP) can be used to securely upload/download switch configuration.

RADIUS Authentication

- Authentication for secured switch management supports a variable-length RADIUS secret password.
- RSA SecurID token-based authentication is supported, provided that the RADIUS server can do the RSA ACE/Server proxy.

NOTE – For information on how SSH, SCP, and RADIUS authentication is implemented, refer to the *Web OS 8.3 Application Guide*.

Network Management

Usability features of the command line interface and SNMP are described below.

Command Line Interface (CLI)

CLI enhancements include a Setup facility, command line retrieval and editing capability, and tab completion function for commands and options. Aliases for real servers and real server groups are also supported, making it easier to identify them on information and statistics screens.

Web OS CLI features are listed below:

- Configuration restore command
 - “revert” command to remove pending changes between “apply”
- Viewing of last 10 syslog messages from console
- Option to reset (zeroing) Layer 4 and Layer 7 statistics counters via a single CLI command. The **clear** command is found in the `/stat/slb` and the `/stat/slb/port` menu.

The following counters are NOT cleared by this command:

- All operational counters that the switch used to perform Layer 4 and Layer 7 functions: for example, the current sessions on a real server.
- All related SNMP counters.
- New configuration dump format, `/cfg/dump`
 - More “readable” configuration dump, with one command per line and indentation.

Browser-Based Interface (BBI)

The Web OS BBI provides direct browser-to-switch interaction for switch configuration and monitoring.

Alteon AD4 and A184 WebSwitches support a private MIB and four groups of RMON on every port. Port mirroring provides for switch and server performance analysis. The switch management interface is integrated with HP OpenView 6.0 under UNIX (HP-UX, Solaris) and Windows NT.

SNMP MIB Support

The SNMP agent for Alteon WebSystems WebSwitches supports the following standard Management Interface Bases (MIBs): RFC 1213 MIB-II, RFC 1493 Bridge MIB, RFC 1643 Ethernet-like MIB, RFC 1573 Interface Extensions MIB, RFC 1724 RIP2 MIB, RFC 1757 RMON (Groups 1-4) MIB, and RFC 2037 Entity MIB.

Security is provided through SNMP community strings that can be modified only through the Command Line Interface (CLI). The default community strings are “public” for SNMP GET operations and “private” for SNMP SET operations.

All switch configuration and monitoring data is now accessible via an enterprise Web OS MIB, which can be compiled into MIB-based systems such as HP-OpenView.

SNMP agent features in Web OS are listed below:

- Option to enable/disable SNMP
- Option to disable SNMP SET

NOTE – For a listing of SNMP Agent MIBs supported in Web OS 8.0, refer to Appendix B.

RFC 1573 Interface Extension MIB Compliance

Without the RFC 1573 MIB, high-speed LAN technologies such as Fast Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet can cause frame and octet counters within the MIB-II interface to roll over in a short period of time, ruining their statistical significance.

Web OS supports the RFC 1573 MIB. This IF Extensions MIB allows for higher speed networking environments, providing 64-bit counters on many MIB-II statistics, plus roll-over counters for 32-bit counters.

CPU Usage and Session Table Information

CPU and session utilization measurements show how much *head room* exists for current traffic patterns. This feature supports proactive capacity planning.

Virtual Matrix Architecture

Virtual Matrix Architecture (VMA) is a hybrid architecture that realizes the full potential of distributed processing by taking advantage of any unused resources within a WebSwitch. It combines the strengths of central and distributed processing to deliver improvements in processing power and port capacity.

With VMA, the switch makes optimal use of system resources by distributing the workload to multiple processors. Dividing the workload and using multiple processors to complete a task improves switch performance and increases the number of concurrent sessions per switch.

Characteristics of VMA are

- Based on its IP address, each client is assigned a designated port that does all the Layer 4 frame processing.
- Each client is assigned to a designated port's CPUs for Layer 4–Layer 7 processing, regardless of where it ingresses. The algorithm ensures even distribution of traffic. Packets to and from the same client are always processed by the same CPUs.
- Session entries are kept in memory local to designated CPUs. A global session table is kept for all persistent sessions. All ports store all filtering/redirection policies.
- CPUs at all ports are actively processing load at all times.
- Memory at all eight ports is pooled to increase storage capacity, enabling up to 512K session table entries, depending on platform and configuration, even when all traffic enters at a single port.
- Increased packet buffering capacity.

VMA provides maximum parallel processing with minimum memory search latency. It is optimized for both asymmetric and symmetric topologies, providing up to an eight-fold increase in session performance at all load levels.

Server Dual Homing

Server switching networks require the capability to employ resiliency and redundancy similar to FDDI network environments. The combination of Alteon WebSystems adapters and switches provide the Ethernet user with this capability.

For Dual Homing support, you must install two ACEnic adapters in the same host system. These adapters are configured to provide a hot-standby failover service. The switches must be configured to support Spanning Tree on both Gigabit Ethernet ports to support the ACEnic Dual Homing capability.

Refer to your ACEnic adapter *Installation and User's Guide* for more information about this feature.



CHAPTER 2

The Command Line Interface

Your Alteon WebSystems switch is ready to perform basic switching functions right out of the box. Some of the more advanced features, however, require some administrative configuration before they can be used effectively.

The extensive Web OS switching software included in your switch provides a variety of options for accessing and configuring the switch:

- A built-in, text-based command line interface and menu system for access via local terminal or remote Telnet session
- A Web-based management interface for interactive network access through your Web browser
- SNMP support for access through network management software such as HP-OpenView

The command line interface is the most direct method for collecting switch information and performing switch configuration. Using a basic terminal, you are presented with a hierarchy of menus that enable you to view information and statistics about the switch, and to perform any necessary configuration.

This chapter explains how to access the Command Line Interface (CLI) to the switch.

Connecting to the Switch

You can access the command line interface in two ways:

- Using a console connection via the console port
- Using a Telnet connection over the network
- Using a SSH connection to securely log into another computer over a network

Establishing a Console Connection

Requirements

To establish a console connection with the switch, you will need the following:

- An ASCII terminal or a computer running terminal emulation software set to the parameters shown in the table below:

Table 2-1 Console Configuration Parameters

Parameter	Value
Baud Rate	9600
Data Bits	8
Parity	None
Stop Bits	1
Flow Control	None

- A standard serial cable with a male DB9 connector (see your switch hardware installation guide for specifics).

Procedure

1. **Connect the terminal to the Console port using the serial cable.**
2. **Power on the terminal.**
3. **To establish the connection, press <Enter> a few times on your terminal.**

You will next be required to enter a password for access to the switch. (For more information, see [“Setting Passwords” on page 62](#)).

Establishing a Telnet Connection

A Telnet connection offers the convenience of accessing the switch from any workstation connected to the network. Telnet access provides the same options for user access and administrator access as those available through the console port.

To configure the switch for Telnet access, you need to have a device with Telnet software located on the same network as the switch. The switch must have an IP address. The switch can get its IP address in one of two ways:

- Dynamically, from a BOOTP server on your network
- Manually, when you configure the switch IP address (see “[Setup Part 1: Basic System Configuration](#)” on [page 51](#)).

Using a BOOTP Server

By default, the Web OS software is set up to request its IP address from a BOOTP server. If you have a BOOTP server on your network, add the MAC address of the switch to the BOOTP configuration file located on the BOOTP server. The MAC address can be found on a small white label on the back panel of the switch. The MAC address can also be found in the System Information menu (see “[System Information](#)” on [page 87](#)).

Running Telnet

Once the IP parameters on the switch are configured, you can access the CLI using a Telnet connection. To establish a Telnet connection with the switch, run the Telnet program on your workstation and issue the Telnet command, followed by the switch IP address:

```
telnet <IP address>
```

You will then be prompted to enter a password as explained on [page 43](#).

Establishing an SSH Connection

NOTE – This feature is supported only on Alteon AD4 and Alteon 184 WebSwitches.

Although a remote network administrator can manage the configuration of an Alteon Web-Systems switch via Telnet, this method does not provide a secure connection. The SSH (Secure Shell) protocol enables you to securely log into another computer over a network to execute commands remotely. As a secure alternative to using Telnet to manage switch configuration, SSH ensures that all data sent over the network is encrypted and secure.

The switch can do only one session of key/cipher generation at a time. Thus, a SSH/SCP client will not be able to login if the switch is doing key generation at that time or if another client has just logged in before this client. Similarly, the system will fail to do the key generation if a SSH/SCP client is logging in at that time.

The supported SSH encryption and authentication methods are listed below.

- Server Host Authentication: Client RSA-authenticates the switch in the beginning of every connection.
- Key Exchange: RSA
- Encryption: 3DES-CBC, DES
- User Authentication: Local password authentication, Radius

The following SSH clients have been tested:

- SSH 1.2.23 and SSH 1.2.27 for Linux (freeware)
- SecureCRT 3.0.2 and SecureCRT 3.0.3 (Van Dyke Technologies, Inc.)
- F-Secure SSH 1.1 for Windows (Data Fellows)

NOTE – The Web OS implementation of SSH is based on SSH version 1.5 and supports SSH-1.5-1.X.XX. SSH clients of other versions (especially Version 2) will not be supported.

Running SSH

Once the IP parameters are configured and the SSH service is turned on the switch, you can access the command line interface using an SSH connection.

To establish an SSH connection with the switch, run the SSH program on your workstation by issuing the SSH command, followed by the switch IP address:

```
>> # ssh <switch IP address>
```

or, if SecurID authentication is required, use the following command:

```
>> # ssh -l ace <switch IP address>
```

You will then be prompted to enter your username and password.

Accessing the Switch

To enable better switch management and user accountability, seven levels or *classes* of user access have been implemented on the switch. Levels of access to CLI and Web management functions and screens increase as needed to perform various switch management tasks. Conceptually, access classes are defined as follows:

- User interaction with the switch is completely passive—nothing can be changed on the switch. Users may display information that has no security or privacy implications, such as switch statistics and current operational state information.
- Operators can only effect temporary changes on the switch. These changes will be lost when the switch is rebooted/reset. Operators have access to the switch management features used for daily switch operations. Because any changes an operator makes are undone by a reset of the switch, operators cannot severely impact switch operation.
- Administrators are the only ones that may make permanent changes to the switch configuration—changes that are persistent across a reboot/reset of the switch. Administrators can access switch functions to configure and troubleshoot problems on the switch. Because administrators can also make temporary (operator-level) changes as well, they must be aware of the interactions between temporary and permanent changes.

Access to switch functions is controlled through the use of unique surnames and passwords. Once you are connected to the switch via local console, Telnet, or SSH, you are prompted to enter a password. The default usernames/password for each access level are listed in the following table.

NOTE – It is recommended that you change default switch passwords after initial configuration and as regularly as required under your network security policies. For more information, see [“Setting Passwords” on page 62](#).

Table 2-2 User Access Levels

User Account	Description and Tasks Performed	Password
User	The User has no direct responsibility for switch management. He or she can view all switch status information and statistics, but cannot make any configuration changes to the switch.	user

Table 2-2 User Access Levels

User Account	Description and Tasks Performed	Password
SLB Operator	The SLB Operator manages Web servers and other Internet services and their loads. In addition to being able to view all switch information and statistics, the SLB Operator can enable/disable servers using the Server Load Balancing operation menu.	slboper
Layer 4 Operator	The Layer 4 Operator manages traffic on the lines leading to the shared Internet services. This user currently has the same access level as the SLB operator, and the access level is reserved for future use, to provide access to operational commands for operators managing traffic on the line leading to the shared Internet services.	l4oper
Operator	The Operator manages all functions of the switch. In addition to SLB Operator functions, the Operator can reset ports or the entire switch.	oper
SLB Administrator	The SLB Administrator configures and manages Web servers and other Internet services and their loads. In addition to SLB Operator functions, the SLB Administrator can configure parameters on the Server Load Balancing menus, with the exception of not being able to configure filters or bandwidth management.	slbadmin
Layer 4 Administrator	The Layer 4 Administrator configures and manages traffic on the lines leading to the shared Internet services. In addition to SLB Administrator functions, the Layer 4 Administrator can configure all parameters on the Server Load Balancing menus, including filters and bandwidth management.	l4admin
Administrator	The superuser Administrator has complete access to all menus, information, and configuration commands on the switch, including the ability to change both the user and administrator passwords.	admin

NOTE – With the exception of the “admin” user, access to each user level can be disabled by setting the password to an empty value. All user levels below “admin” will (by default) be initially disabled (empty password) until they are enabled by the “admin” user. This is done in order to avoid inadvertently leaving the switch open to unauthorized users.

CLI Versus Setup

Once the administrator password is verified, you are given complete access to the switch. If the switch is still set to its factory default configuration, the system will ask whether you wish to run Setup (see [Chapter 3, “First-Time Configuration”](#)), a utility designed to help you through the first-time configuration process. If the switch has already been configured, the Main Menu of the CLI instead.

The following figure shows the Main Menu with administrator privileges.

```
[Main Menu]
  info      - Information Menu
  stats     - Statistics Menu
  cfg       - Configuration Menu
  oper      - Operations Command Menu
  boot      - Boot Options Menu
  maint     - Maintenance Menu
  diff      - Show pending config changes [global command]
  apply     - Apply pending config changes [global command]
  save      - Save updated config to FLASH [global command]
  revert    - Revert pending or applied changes [global command]
  exit      - Exit [global command, always available]
```

Figure 3 Administrator Main Menu

NOTE – If you are accessing a user account or Layer 4 administrator account, some menu options will not be available.

Command Line History and Editing

For a description of global commands, shortcuts, and command line editing functions, see [Chapter 4, “Menu Basics.”](#)

Idle Timeout

By default, the switch will disconnect your console or Telnet session after five minutes of inactivity. This function is controlled by the idle timeout parameter, which can be set from 1 to 60 minutes. For information on changing this parameter, see “System Configuration” on [page 144](#).



CHAPTER 3

First-Time Configuration

To help with the initial process of configuring your switch, the Web OS software includes a Setup utility. The Setup utility prompts you step-by-step to enter all the necessary information for basic configuration of the switch. This chapter describes how to use the Setup utility and how to change system passwords.

Using the Setup Utility

Whenever you log in as the system administrator under the factory default configuration, you are asked whether you wish to run the Setup utility. Setup can also be activated manually from the command line interface any time after login.

Information Needed For Setup

Setup requests the following information:

- Basic system information
 - ☐ Date & time
 - ☐ Whether to use BOOTP or not
 - ☐ Whether to use Spanning Tree Protocol or not
- Optional configuration for each port
 - ☐ Speed, duplex, flow control, and negotiation mode (as appropriate)
 - ☐ Whether to use VLAN tagging or not (as appropriate)
- Optional configuration for each VLAN
 - ☐ Name of VLAN
 - ☐ Whether the VLAN uses Jumbo Frames or not
 - ☐ Which ports are included in the VLAN

- Optional configuration of IP parameters
 - IP address, subnet mask, and broadcast address, and VLAN for each IP interface
 - IP addresses for up to four default gateways
 - Destination, subnet mask, and gateway IP address for each IP static route
 - Whether IP forwarding is enabled or not
 - Whether the RIP supply is enabled or not

Starting Setup When You Log In

The Setup prompt appears automatically whenever you login as the system administrator under the factory default settings.

1. Connect to the switch console.

After connecting, the login prompt will appear as shown below.

```
Enter Password:
```

2. Enter **admin** as the default administrator password.

If the factory default configuration is detected, the system prompts:

```
Connected to Alteon ACEdirector 4
18:44:05 Wed Jan  3, 2001

The switch is booted with factory default configuration.
To ease the configuration of the switch, a "Set Up" facility which
will prompt you with those configuration items that are essential to
the operation of the switch is provided.
Would you like to run "Set Up" to configure the switch? [y/n]:
```

NOTE – If the default **admin** login is unsuccessful, or if the administrator Main Menu appears instead, the system configuration has probably been changed from the factory default settings. If you are certain that you need to return the switch to its factory default settings, see [“Selecting a Configuration Block” on page 267](#).

3. Enter **y** to begin the initial configuration of the switch, or **n** to bypass the Setup facility.

Stopping and Restarting Setup Manually

Stopping Setup

To abort the Setup utility, press <Ctrl-C> during any Setup question. When you abort Setup, the system will prompt:

```
Would you like to run from top again? [y/n]
```

Enter **n** to abort Setup, or **y** to restart the Setup program at the beginning.

Restarting Setup

You can restart the Setup utility manually at any time by entering the following command at the administrator prompt:

```
# /cfg/setup
```

Setup Part 1: Basic System Configuration

When Setup is started, the system prompts:

```
"Set Up" will walk you through the configuration of
System Date and Time, BOOTP, Spanning Tree, Port Speed/Mode,
VLANs, and IP interfaces. [type Ctrl-C to abort "Set Up"]
-----

Will you be configuring VLANs? [y/n]
```

- 1. Enter **y** if you will be configuring VLANs. Otherwise enter **n**.**

If you decide not to configure VLANs during this session, you can configure them later using the configuration menus, or by restarting the Setup facility. For more information on VLANs issues, see (**to be supplied*).

Next, the Setup utility prompts you to input basic system information.

- 2. Enter the month of the current system date at the prompt:**

```
System Date:
Enter month [1]:
```

Enter the month as a number from 1 to 12. To keep the current month, press <Enter>.

3. Enter the day of the current date at the prompt:

```
Enter day [3]:
```

Enter the date as a number from 1 to 31. To keep the current day, press <Enter>.

4. Enter the year of the current date at the prompt:

```
Enter year [2001]:
```

Enter the last two digits of the year as a number from 00 to 99. "00" is considered 2000. To keep the current year, press <Enter>.

The system displays the date and time settings:

```
System clock set to 18:55:36 Wed Jan 3, 2001.
```

5. Enter the hour of the current system time at the prompt:

```
System Time:  
Enter hour in 24-hour format [18]:
```

Enter the hour as a number from 00 to 23. To keep the current hour, press <Enter>.

6. Enter the minute of the current time at the prompt:

```
Enter minutes [55]:
```

Enter the minute as a number from 00 to 59. To keep the current minute, press <Enter>.

7. Enter the seconds of the current time at the prompt:

```
Enter seconds [37]:
```

Enter the seconds as a number from 00 to 59. To keep the current second, press <Enter>.

The system displays the date and time settings:

```
System clock set to 8:55:36 Wed Jan 3, 2001.
```

8. Enable or disable the use of BOOTP at the prompt:

```
BootP Option:
Current BOOTP usage:          enabled
Enter new BOOTP usage [d/e]:
```

If available on your network, a BOOTP server can supply the switch with IP parameters so that you do not have to enter them manually. BOOTP must be disabled however, before the system will prompt for IP parameters.

Enter **d** to disable the use of BOOTP, or enter **e** to enable the use of BOOTP. To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

9. Turn Spanning Tree Protocol on or off at the prompt:

```
Spanning Tree:
Current Spanning Tree setting: ON
Turn Spanning Tree OFF? [y/n]
```

Enter **y** to turn off Spanning Tree, or enter **n** to leave Spanning Tree on.

Setup Part 2: Port Configuration

NOTE – The port configuration options shown in these steps are for the ACEswitch 180e. When configuring port options for other switches, some of the prompts and options may be different.

1. Select the port to configure, or skip port configuration at the prompt:

```
Port Config:
Enter port number: (1-9)
```

If you wish to change settings for individual ports, enter the number of the port you wish to configure. To skip port configuration, press <Enter> without specifying any port and go to [“Setup Part 3: VLANs” on page 56](#).

2. If appropriate, configure Ethernet/Fast Ethernet port speed.

If you selected a port that has an Ethernet/Fast Ethernet connector, the system prompts:

```
Fast Link Configuration:
Port Speed:
Current Port 1 speed setting:    10/100
Enter new speed [ "10"/"100"/"any" ]:
```

Enter the port speed from the options available, or enter **any** to have the switch auto-sense the port speed. To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

3. If appropriate, configure Ethernet/Fast Ethernet port duplex mode.

If you selected a port that has an Ethernet/Fast Ethernet connector, the system prompts:

```
Port Mode:
Current port 1 mode setting:      any
Enter new speed [ "full"/"half"/"any" ]
```

Enter **full** for full-duplex, **half** for half-duplex, or **any** to have the switch autonegotiate. To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

4. If appropriate, configure Ethernet/Fast Ethernet port flow control.

If you selected a port that has an Ethernet/Fast Ethernet connector, the system prompts:

```
Port Flow Control:
Current Port 1 flow control setting:    both
Enter new value [ "rx"/"tx"/"both"/"none" ]:
```

Enter **rx** to enable receive flow control, **tx** for transmit flow control, **both** to enable both, or **none** to turn flow control off for the port. To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

5. If appropriate, configure Ethernet/Fast Ethernet port autonegotiation mode.

If you selected a port that has an Ethernet/Fast Ethernet connector, the system prompts:

```
Port Auto Negotiation:
Current Port 1 autonegotiation:          on
Enter new value [ "on"/"off" ]:
```

Enter **on** to enable autonegotiation, **off** to disable it, or press <Enter> to keep the current setting.

6. If appropriate, configure Gigabit Ethernet port flow parameters.

If you selected a port that has a Gigabit Ethernet connector, the system prompts:

```
Gig Link Configuration:
Port Flow Control:
Current Port 1 flow control setting:      both
Enter new value ["rx"/"tx"/"both"/"none"]:
```

Enter **rx** to enable receive flow control, **tx** for transmit flow control, **both** to enable both, or **none** to turn flow control off for the port. To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

7. If appropriate, configure Gigabit Ethernet port autonegotiation mode.

If you selected a port that has a Gigabit Ethernet connector, the system prompts:

```
Port Auto Negotiation:
Current Port 1 autonegotiation:          on
Enter new value ["on"/"off"]:
```

Enter **on** to enable port autonegotiation, **off** to disable it, or press <Enter> to keep the current setting.

8. If configuring VLANs, enable or disable VLAN tagging for the port.

If you have selected to configure VLANs back in Part 1, the system prompts:

```
Port VLAN tagging config (tagged port can be a member of multiple VLANs)
Current TAG flag:                      disabled
Enter new TAG status [d/e]:
```

Enter **d** to disable VLAN tagging for the port or enter **e** to enable VLAN tagging for the port. To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

9. The system prompts you to configure the next port:

```
Enter port number: (1 to 9)
```

When you are through configuring ports, press <Enter> without specifying any port. Otherwise, repeat the steps in this section.

Setup Part 3: VLANs

If you chose to skip VLANs configuration back in Part 1, skip to [“Setup Part 4: IP Configuration” on page 58](#).

1. Select the VLAN to configure, or skip VLAN configuration at the prompt:

```
VLAN Config:
Enter VLAN number from 2 to 4094, NULL at end:
```

If you wish to change settings for individual VLANs, enter the number of the VLAN you wish to configure. To skip VLAN configuration, press <Enter> without typing a VLAN number and go to [“Setup Part 4: IP Configuration” on page 58](#).

2. Enter the new VLAN name at the prompt:

```
VLAN is newly created.
Pending new VLAN name: "VLAN 2"
Enter new VLAN name, without quotes:
```

Entering a new VLAN name is optional. To use the pending new VLAN name, press <Enter>.

3. Enable or disable Jumbo Frame support for the VLAN at the prompt:

```
VLAN Jumbo Frame Support:
Current Jumbo Frame support:          disabled
Enter new Jumbo Frame support [d/e]:
```

Enter **d** to disable Jumbo Frame support for the VLAN, or enter **e** to enable Jumbo Frame support for the VLAN. To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

4. Enter the VLAN port numbers.

The system prompts you to define the first port in the VLAN:

```
Define ports in VLAN:
Current VLAN 2: empty
Enter port numbers one per line, NULL at end:
```

Type the first port number to add to the current VLAN and press <Enter>. The right angle prompt appears:

```
>
```

For each additional port in the VLAN, type the port number and press <Enter> to move to the next line. Repeat this until all ports for the VLAN being configured are entered. When you are finished adding ports to this VLAN, press <Enter> without specifying any port.

5. The system prompts you to configure the next VLAN:

```
VLAN Config:
Enter VLAN number from 2 to 4094, NULL at end:
```

Repeat the steps in this section until all VLANs have been configured. When all VLANs have been configured, press <Enter> without specifying any VLAN.

Setup Part 4: IP Configuration

If BOOTP was enabled back in Part 1, skip to [Setup Part 5: Final Steps](#). Otherwise, if you disabled BOOTP, the system prompts for IP parameters.

IP Interfaces

IP interfaces are used for defining subnets to which the switch belongs.

Up to 256 IP interfaces can be configured on the switch. The IP address assigned to each IP interface provide the switch with an IP presence on your network. No two IP interfaces can be on the same IP subnet. The interfaces can be used for connecting to the switch for remote configuration, and for routing between subnets and VLANs (if used).

1. **Select the IP interface to configure, or skip interface configuration at the prompt:**

```
IP Config:

IP interfaces:
Enter interface number: (1-256)
```

If you wish to configure individual IP interfaces, enter the number of the IP interface you wish to configure. To skip IP interface configuration, press <Enter> without typing an interface number and go to [“Default Gateways” on page 59](#).

2. **For the specified IP interface, enter the IP address in dotted decimal notation:**

```
Current IP address:      0.0.0.0
Enter new IP address:
```

To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

3. **At the prompt, enter the IP subnet mask in dotted decimal notation:**

```
Current subnet mask:      0.0.0.0
Enter new subnet mask:
```

To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

4. At the prompt, enter the broadcast IP address in dotted decimal notation:

```
Current broadcast address:      0.0.0.0
Enter new broadcast address:
```

To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

5. If configuring VLANs, specify a VLAN for the interface.

This prompt appears if you selected to configure VLANs back in Part 1:

```
Current VLAN:      1
Enter new VLAN:
```

Enter the number for the VLAN to which the interface belongs, or press <Enter> without specifying a VLAN number to accept the current setting.

6. At the prompt, enter *y* to enable the IP interface, or *n* to leave it disabled:

```
Enable IP interface? [y/n]
```

7. The system prompts you to configure another interface:

```
Enter interface number: (1-256)
```

Repeat the steps in this section until all IP interfaces have been configured. When all interfaces have been configured, press <Enter> without specifying any interface number.

Default Gateways

1. At the prompt, select a default gateway for configuration, or skip default gateway configuration:

```
IP default gateways:
Enter default gateway number: (1-4)
```

Enter the number for the default gateway to be configured. To skip default gateway configuration, press <Enter> without typing a gateway number and go to [“IP Routing” on page 60](#).

2. At the prompt, enter the IP address for the selected default gateway:

```
Current IP address:      0.0.0.0
Enter new IP address:
```

Enter the IP address in dotted decimal notation, or press <Enter> without specifying an address to accept the current setting.

3. At the prompt, enter *y* to enable the default gateway, or *n* to leave it disabled:

```
Enable default gateway? [y/n]
```

4. The system prompts you to configure another default gateway:

```
Enter default gateway number: (1-4)
```

Repeat the steps in this section until all default gateways have been configured. When all default gateways have been configured, press <Enter> without specifying any number.

IP Routing

When IP interfaces are configured for the various subnets attached to your switch, IP routing between them can be performed entirely within the switch. This eliminates the need to bounce inter-subnet communication off an external router device. Routing on more complex networks, where subnets may not have a direct presence on the switch, can be accomplished through configuring static routes or by letting the switch learn routes dynamically.

This part of the Setup program prompts you to configure the various routing parameters.

1. At the prompt, enable or disable forwarding for IP Routing:

```
Enable IP forwarding? [y/n]
```

Enter *y* to enable IP forwarding. To disable IP forwarding, enter *n* and proceed to [Step 2](#). To keep the current setting, press <Enter>.

2. At the prompt, enable or disable the RIP supply:

```
Enable RIP supply? [y/n]
```

If your network uses Routing Interface Protocol (RIP), enter *y* to enable the RIP supply. Otherwise, enter *n* to disable it. When RIP is enabled, RIP listen is set by default.

Setup Part 5: Final Steps

1. When prompted, decide whether to restart Setup or continue:

```
Would you like to run from top again? [y/n]
```

Enter **y** to restart the Setup utility from the beginning, or **n** to continue.

2. When prompted, decide whether you wish to review the configuration changes:

```
Review the changes made? [y/n]
```

Enter **y** to review the changes made during this session of the Setup utility. Enter **n** to continue without reviewing the changes. We recommend that you review the changes.

3. Next, decide whether to apply the changes at the prompt:

```
Apply the changes? [y/n]
```

Enter **y** to apply the changes, or **n** to continue without applying. Changes are normally applied.

4. At the prompt, decide whether to make the changes permanent:

```
Save changes to flash? [y/n]
```

Enter **y** to save the changes to flash. Enter **n** to continue without saving the changes. Changes are normally saved at this point.

5. If you do not apply or save the changes, the system prompts whether to abort them:

```
Abort all changes? [y/n]
```

Enter **y** to discard the changes. Enter **n** to return to the “Apply the changes?” prompt.

NOTE – After initial configuration is complete, it is recommended that you change the default passwords as shown in the following section.

Setting Passwords

It is recommended that you change the user and administrator passwords after initial configuration and as regularly as required under your network security policies.

To change both the user password and the administrator password, you must login using the administrator password. Passwords cannot be modified from the user command mode.

NOTE – If you forget your administrator password, call your technical support representative for help using the password fix-up mode.

Changing the Default Administrator Password

The administrator has complete access to all menus, information, and configuration commands, including the ability to change both the user and administrator passwords.

The default password for the administrator account is `admin`. To change the default password, follow this procedure:

1. **Connect to the switch and log in using the `admin` password.**
2. **From the Main Menu, use the following command to access the Configuration Menu:**

```
Main# cfg
```

The Configuration Menu is displayed

```
[Configuration Menu]
  sys      - System-wide Parameter Menu
  port     - Port Menu
  ip       - IP Menu
  vlan     - VLAN Menu
  stp      - Spanning Tree Menu
  snmp     - SNMP Menu
  mirr     - Port Mirroring Menu
  slb      - Server Load Balancing Menu
  trunk    - Trunk Group Menu
  vrrp     - Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol Menu
  bwm      - Bandwidth Management Menu
  isd      - Integrated Service Director Menu
  setup    - Step by step configuration set up
  dump     - Dump current configuration to script file
  ptcfg    - Backup current configuration to tftp server
  gtcfg    - Restore current configuration from tftp server
```

3. From the Configuration Menu, use the following command to select the System Menu:

```
>> Configuration# sys
```

The System Menu is displayed

```
[System Menu]
  syslog - Syslog Menu
  sshd   - SSH Server Menu
  radius - RADIUS Authentication Menu
  ntp    - NTP Server Menu
  date   - Set system date
  time   - Set system time
  idle   - Set timeout for idle CLI sessions
  snmp   - Set SNMP access control
  wport  - Set Web server port number
  bannr  - Set login banner
  mnet   - Set management network
  mmask  - Set management netmask
  smtp   - Set SMTP host
  bootp  - Enable or disable use of BOOTP
  http   - Enable or disable HTTP (Web) access
  user   - User Access Control Menu (passwords)
  cur    - Display current system-wide parameters
```

4. Select the administrator password by entering `admpw` at the `System#` prompt.

```
System# admpw
```

5. Enter the current administrator password at the prompt:

```
Changing ADMINISTRATOR password; validation required...
Enter current administrator password:
```

NOTE – If you forget your administrator password, call your technical support representative for help using the password fix-up mode.

6. Enter the new administrator password at the prompt:

```
Enter new administrator password:
```

7. Enter the new administrator password, again, at the prompt:

```
Re-enter new administrator password:
```

8. Apply and save your change by entering the following commands:

```
System# apply  
System# save
```

Changing the Default User Password

The user login has limited control of the switch. Through a user account, you can view switch information and statistics, but you can't make configuration changes.

The default password for the user account is `user`. This password cannot be changed from the user account. Only the administrator has the ability to change passwords, as shown in the following procedure.

1. Connect to the switch and log in using the `admin` password.
2. From the Main Menu, use the following command to access the Configuration Menu:

```
Main# cfg
```

3. From the Configuration Menu, use the following command to select the System Menu:

```
>> Configuration# sys
```

4. Select the user password by entering `usrpw` at the `System#` prompt.

```
System# usrpw
```

5. Enter the current administrator password at the prompt.

Only the administrator can change the user password. Entering the administrator password confirms your authority.

```
Changing USER password; validation required...  
Enter current administrator password:
```


6. Enter the new user password at the prompt:

```
Enter new user password:
```

7. Enter the new user password, again, at the prompt:

```
Re-enter new user password:
```

8. Apply and save your changes:

```
System# apply  
System# save
```

Changing the Default Layer 4 Administrator Password

The Layer 4 administrator has limited control of the switch. Through a Layer 4 administrator account, you can view all switch information and statistics, but can configure changes only on the Server Load Balancing menus.

The default password for the Layer 4 administrator account is `14admin`. To change the default password, follow this procedure:

1. Connect to the switch and log in using the administrator account.

To change any switch password, you must login using the administrator password. Passwords cannot be modified from the Layer 4 administrator account or the user account.

2. From the Main Menu, use the following command to access the System Menu:

```
Main# /cfg/sys
```

3. Select the Layer 4 administrator password:

```
System# 14apw
```

4. Enter the current *administrator* password (not the Layer 4 administrator password) at the prompt:

```
Changing L4 ADMINISTRATOR password; validation required...  
Enter current administrator password:
```

NOTE – If you forget your administrator password, call your technical support representative for help using the password fix-up mode.

5. Enter the new Layer 4 administrator password at the prompt:

```
Enter new L4 administrator password:
```

6. Enter the new administrator password, again, at the prompt:

```
Re-enter new L4 administrator password:
```

7. Apply and save your change by entering the following commands:

```
System# apply  
System# save
```



CHAPTER 4

Menu Basics

The switch's Command Line Interface (CLI) is used for viewing switch information and statistics. In addition, the administrator can use the CLI for performing all levels of switch configuration.

To make the CLI easy to use, the various commands have been logically grouped into a series of menus and sub-menus. Each menu displays a list of commands and/or sub-menus that are available, along with a summary of what each command will do. Below each menu is a prompt where you can enter any command appropriate to the current menu.

This chapter describes the Main Menu commands, and provides a list of commands and short-cuts that are commonly available from all the menus within the CLI.

The Main Menu

The Main Menu appears after a successful connection and login. [Figure 4](#) shows the Main Menu for the administrator login. Some features are not available under the user login.

```
[Main Menu]
info      - Information Menu
stats     - Statistics Menu
cfg       - Configuration Menu
oper      - Operations Command Menu
boot      - Boot Options Menu
maint     - Maintenance Menu
diff      - Show pending config changes [global command]
apply     - Apply pending config changes [global command]
save      - Save updated config to FLASH [global command]
revert    - Revert pending or applied changes [global command]
exit      - Exit [global command, always available]
```

Figure 4 Administrator Main Menu

Menu Summary

■ Information Menu

Provides sub-menus for displaying information about the current status of the switch: from basic system settings to VLANs, Layer 4 settings, and more.

■ Statistics Menu

Provides sub-menus for displaying switch performance statistics. Included are port, IF, IP, ICMP, TCP, UDP, SNMP, routing, ARP, DNS, VRRP, and Layer 4 statistics.

■ Configuration Menu

This menu is available only from an administrator login. It includes sub-menus for configuring every aspect of the switch. Changes to configuration are not active until explicitly applied. Changes can be saved to non-volatile memory.

■ Operations Command Menu

Operations-level commands are used for making immediate and temporary changes to switch configuration. This menu is used for bringing ports temporarily in and out of service, performing port mirroring, and enabling or disabling Server Load Balancing functions. It is also used for activating or deactivating optional software packages.

■ Boot Options Menu

This menu is used for upgrading switch software, selecting configuration blocks, and for resetting the switch when necessary.

■ Maintenance Menu

This menu is used for debugging purposes, enabling you to generate a dump of the critical state information in the switch, and to clear entries in the forwarding database and the ARP and routing tables.

Global Commands

Some basic commands are recognized throughout the menu hierarchy. These commands are useful for obtaining online help, navigating through menus, and for applying and saving configuration changes:

Table 4-1 Global Commands

Command	Action
? <i>command</i>	Provides more information about a specific command on the current menu. When used without the <i>command</i> parameter, a summary of the global commands is displayed.
.	Display the current menu.
..	Go up one level in the menu structure.
/	If placed at the beginning of a command, go to the Main Menu. Otherwise, this is used to separate multiple commands placed on the same line.
diff	Show any pending configuration changes.
apply	Apply pending configuration changes.
save	Write configuration changes to non-volatile flash memory.
revert	Remove pending configuration changes between “apply” commands. Use this command to restore configuration parameters set since last “apply” command.
exit	Exit from the command line interface and log out.
ping	Use this command to verify station-to-station connectivity across the network. The format is as follows: <div>ping address [tries [delay]]</div> Where <i>address</i> is the hostname or IP address of the device, <i>tries</i> (optional) is the number of attempts (1-32), and <i>delay</i> (optional) is the number of milliseconds between attempts. The DNS parameters must be configured if specifying hostnames (see “Domain Name System Configuration” on page 171).

Table 4-1 Global Commands

Command	Action
traceroute	<p>Use this command to identify the route used for station-to-station connectivity across the network. The format is as follows:</p> <p>traceroute <i>address</i> [<i>max-hops</i> [<i>delay</i>]]</p> <p>Where <i>address</i> is the hostname or IP address of the target station, <i>max-hops</i> (optional) is the maximum distance to trace (1-16 devices), and <i>delay</i> (optional) is the number of milliseconds for wait for the response. As with <code>ping</code>, the DNS parameters must be configured if specifying hostnames.</p>
pwd	Display the command path used to reach the current menu.
lines <i>n</i>	Set the number of lines (<i>n</i>) that display on the screen at one time. The default is 24 lines. When used without a value, the current setting is displayed.
verbose <i>n</i>	<p>Sets the level of information displayed on the screen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Quiet: Nothing appears except errors—not even prompts. 1 = Normal: Prompts and requested output are shown, but no menus. 2 = Verbose: Everything is shown. <p>When used without a value, the current setting is displayed.</p>

Command Line History and Editing

Using the command line interface, you can retrieve and modify previously entered commands with just a few keystrokes. The following options are available globally at the command line:

Table 4-2 Command Line History and Editing Options

Option	Description
history	Display a numbered list of the last 10 previously entered commands.
!!	Repeat the last entered command.
!<i>n</i>	Repeat the <i>n</i> th command shown on the history list.
<Ctrl-p>	(Also the up arrow key.) Recall the <i>previous</i> command from the history list. This can be used multiple times to work backward through the last 10 commands. The recalled command can be entered as is, or edited using the options below.
<Ctrl-n>	(Also the down arrow key.) Recall the <i>next</i> command from the history list. This can be used multiple times to work forward through the last 10 commands. The recalled command can be entered as is, or edited using the options below.
<Ctrl-a>	Move the cursor to the beginning of command line.
<Ctrl-e>	Move cursor to the <i>end</i> of the command line.
<Ctrl-b>	(Also the left arrow key.) Move the cursor <i>back</i> one position to the left.
<Ctrl-f>	(Also the right arrow key.) Move the cursor <i>forward</i> one position to the right.
<Backspace>	(Also the Delete key.) Erase one character to the left of the cursor position.
<Ctrl-d>	<i>Delete</i> one character at the cursor position.
<Ctrl-k>	<i>Kill</i> (erase) all characters from the cursor position to the end of the command line.
<Ctrl-l>	Redraw the screen.
<Ctrl-u>	Clear the entire line.
Other keys	Insert new characters at the cursor position.

Command Line Interface Shortcuts

Command Stacking

As a shortcut, you can type multiple commands on a single line, separated by forward slashes (/). You can connect as many commands as required to access the menu option that you want. For example, the keyboard shortcut to access the Spanning Tree Port Configuration Menu from the Main# prompt is as follows:

```
Main# cfg/stp/port
```

Command Abbreviation

Most commands can be abbreviated by entering the first characters which distinguish the command from the others in the same menu or sub-menu. For example, the command shown above could also be entered as follows:

```
Main# c/st/p
```

Tab Completion

By entering the first letter of a command at any menu prompt and hitting <Tab>, the CLI will display all commands or options in that menu that begin with that letter. Entering additional letters will further refine the list of commands or options displayed. If only one command fits the input text when <Tab> is pressed, that command will be supplied on the command line, waiting to be entered. If the <Tab> key is pressed without any input on the command line, the currently active menu will be displayed.

CHAPTER 5

The Information Menu

You can view configuration information for the switch in both the user and administrator command modes. This chapter discusses how to use the command line interface to display switch information.

NOTE – The new Web OS 8.3 commands are highlighted in **bold**.

/info

Information Menu

```
[Information Menu]
slb      - Layer 4 Information Menu
route    - IP Routing Information Menu
arp      - ARP Information Menu
fdb      - Forwarding Database Information Menu
sys      - Show system information
log      - Show last 10 syslog messages
link     - Show link status
stp      - Show STP information
vlan     - Show VLAN information
port     - Show port information
ip       - Show IP information
vrrp     - Show Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol information
trunk    - Show Trunk Group information
bwm      - Show Bandwidth Management information
isd     - Show isd server information
swkey    - Show enabled software features
dump     - Dump all information
```

The information provided by each menu option is briefly described in [Table 5-1 on page 74](#), with pointers to where detailed information can be found.

Table 5-1 Information Menu Options (/info)

Command Syntax and Usage

slb

Displays the Layer 4 Information Menu. For details, see [page 77](#).

route

Displays the IP Routing Menu. Using the options of this menu, the system displays the following for each configured or learned route:

- Route destination IP address, subnet mask, and gateway address
- Type of route
- Tag indicating origin of route
- Metric for RIP tagged routes, specifying the number of hops to the destination (1-15 hops, or 16 for infinite hops)
- The IP interface that the route uses

For details, see [page 80](#).

arp

Displays the Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) Information Menu. For details, see [page 83](#).

fdb

Displays the Forwarding Database Information Menu. For details, see [page 85](#).

sys

Displays system information, including:

- System date and time
- Switch model name and number
- Switch name and location
- Time of last boot
- MAC address of the switch management processor
- IP address of IP interface #1
- Hardware version and part number
- Software image file and version number
- Configuration name
- Log-in banner, if one is configured

For details, see [page 87](#).

log

Displays 10 most recent syslog messages. For details, see [page 88](#).

Table 5-1 Information Menu Options (/info)

Command Syntax and Usage

link

Displays configuration information about each port, including:

- Port number
- Port speed (10, 100, 10/100, or 1000)
- Duplex mode (half, full, or auto)
- Flow control for transmit and receive (no, yes, or auto)
- Link status (up or down)

For details, see [page 89](#).

stp

In addition to seeing if STP is enabled or disabled, you can view the following STP bridge information:

- Priority
- Hello interval
- Maximum age value
- Forwarding delay
- Aging time

You can also see the following port-specific STP information:

- Port number and priority
- Cost
- State

For details, see [page 90](#).

vlan

Displays VLAN configuration information, including:

- VLAN Number
- VLAN Name
- Status
- Jumbo Frame usage
- Port membership of the VLAN

For details, see [page 92](#).

port

Displays port status information, including:

- Port number
- Whether the port uses VLAN Tagging or not
- Port VLAN ID (PVID)
- Port name
- VLAN membership

For details, see [page 93](#).

Table 5-1 Information Menu Options (/info)

Command Syntax and Usage

ip

Displays IP Information. For details, see [page 94](#).

IP information, includes:

- IP interface information: Interface number, IP address, subnet mask, broadcast address, VLAN number, and operational status.
 - Default gateway information: Metric for selecting which configured gateway to use, gateway number, IP address, and health status
 - IP forwarding information: Enable status, lnet and lmask
 - Port status
-

vrrp

Displays the VRRP Information Menu. For details, see [page 95](#).

trunk

When trunk groups are configured, you can view the state of each port in the various trunk groups. For details, see [page 96](#).

bwm

Shows bandwidth management information. For details, see [page 96](#).

isd

Shows information for the Integrated Service Director-SSL Offload (iSD100-SSL) device. No information will be displayed unless you have an iSD100-SSL configured and physically attached to your switch. For details, see [page 97](#).

swkey

Displays a list of all the optional software packages which have been activated or installed on your switch.

dump

Dumps all switch information available from the Information Menu (10K or more, depending on your configuration).

If you want to capture dump data to a file, set your communication software on your workstation to capture session data prior to issuing the dump commands.

/info/slb

SLB Information

[Server Load Balancing Information Menu]

sess

- Session table information menu

real

- Show real server information

virt

- Show virtual server information

filt

- Show redirect filter information

port

- Show port information

gslb

- Show GSLB information

dump

- Show all layer 4 information

Layer 4 information includes the following:

Table 5-2 Layer 4 Information Menu Options (/info/slb)

Command Syntax and Usage

sess

Displays the Session Table Information Menu. To view menu options, see [page 78](#).

real <real server number (1-255)>

Real server number, real IP address, MAC address, VLAN, physical switch port, layer where health check is performed, and health check result.

virt <virtual server number (1-256)>

- Displays Virtual Server State: Virtual server number, IP address, virtual MAC address
- Virtual Port State: Virtual service or port, server port mapping, real server group, group backup server.

filt <filter ID (1-224)>

Displays the filter number, destination port, real server port, real server group, health check layer, group backup server, URL for health checks, and real server group, IP address, backup server, and status.

port <port number (1-9)>

Displays the physical port number, proxy IP address, filter status, a list of applied filters, and client and/or server Layer 4 activity.

gslb

Displays the remote switch number, IP address, IP subnet mask, and health status.

dump

Displays all Layer 4 information for the switch. For details, see [page 79](#).

/info/slb/sess

Show Session Table Information

[Session Table Information Menu]		
find	-	Show all session entries with source IP address
port	-	Show all session entries on port
dump	-	Show all session entries

Table 5-3 Session Information Menu Options (/info/slb/sess)

Command Syntax and Usage

find *<IP address>*
Displays all session entries with source IP address.

port *<port number (1-9)>*
Displays all session entries on port.

dump
Displays all session entries.

/info/slb/dump

Show All Layer 4 Information

```

Global SLB state:
  1: 220.3.78.3, 0.0.0.0, FAILED

Real server state:
  2: 10.10.10.2, 00:60:cf:42:e4:40, vlan 1, port 8, health 4, up

Virtual server state:
  1: 10.10.10.10, 00:60:cf:40:78:ce
    HTTP Application: virtual ports:
    http: rport http, group 1, backup none, httpslb
    real servers:
      2: 10.10.10.2, backup none, up
        exclusionary string matching: disabled

Redirect filter state:
  1: dport http, rport http, group 1, health 4, backup none, cnt /
    real servers:
      20: 10.10.10.20, backup none, FAILED
      21: 10.10.10.21, backup none, up
  2: dport any, rport 0, group 1, health 3, backup none
    real servers:
      20: 10.10.10.20, backup none, FAILED
      21: 10.10.10.21, backup none, up

Port state:
  1: 0.0.0.0
    filt disabled, filters: empty
  2: 0.0.0.0
    filt disabled, filters: empty
  3: 0.0.0.0
    filt disabled, filters: empty
  4: 0.0.0.0
    filt disabled, filters: empty

```

/info/route

IP Routing Information

[IP Routing Menu]	
find	- Show a single route by destination IP address
gw	- Show routes to a single gateway
type	- Show routes of a single type
tag	- Show routes of a single tag
if	- Show routes on a single interface
dump	- Show all routes

Using the commands listed below, you can display all or a portion of the IP routes currently held in the switch.

Table 5-4 Route Information Menu Options (/info/route)

Command Syntax and Usage

find *<IP address>*
Displays a single route by destination IP address.

gw *<default gateway address>*
Displays routes to a single gateway.

type **indirect|direct|local|broadcast|martian|multicast**
Displays routes of a single type.

tag **fixed|static|snmp|addr|rip|icmp|broadcast|martian|multicast|vip|bgp**
Displays routes of a single tag.

if *<interface number (1-256)>*
Displays routes on a single interface.

dump
Displays all routes configured in the switch. For more information, see [page 81](#).

/info/route/dump

Show All IP Route Information

Destination	Mask	Gateway	Type	Tag	Metr	If
0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	2	1
0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	static		1
127.0.0.0	255.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	martian	martian		
172.17.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	2	1
172.19.1.0	255.255.255.0	172.19.1.201	direct	fixed		1
172.19.1.201	255.255.255.255	172.19.1.201	local	addr		1
172.19.1.255	255.255.255.255	172.19.1.255	broadcast	broadcast		1
172.20.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	2	1
172.23.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	3	1
172.25.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	4	1
172.26.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	3	1
172.27.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	5	1
172.28.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	3	1
172.30.0.0	255.255.0.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	3	1
205.178.13.0	255.255.255.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	2	1
205.178.15.0	255.255.255.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	3	1
205.178.16.0	255.255.255.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	3	1
205.178.17.0	255.255.255.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	3	1
205.178.18.0	255.255.255.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	2	1
208.214.245.0	255.255.255.0	172.19.1.1	indirect	rip	5	1
224.0.0.0	224.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	martian	martian		

The following table describes the Type parameters.

Table 5-5 IP Routing Type Parameters

Parameter	Description
indirect	The next hop to the host or subnet destination will be forwarded through a router at the Gateway address.
direct	Packets will be delivered to a destination host or subnet attached to the switch.
local	Indicates a route to one of the switch's IP interfaces.
broadcast	Indicates a broadcast route.
martian	The destination belongs to a host or subnet which is filtered out. Packets to this destination are discarded.
multicast	Indicates a multicast route.

The following table describes the Tag parameters.

Table 5-6 IP Routing Tag Parameters

Parameter	Description
fixed	The address belongs to a host or subnet attached to the switch.
static	The address is a static route which has been configured on the switch.
icmp	The address was learned via ICMP.
snmp	This address was configured through SNMP.
addr	The address belongs to one of the switch's IP interfaces.
rip	The address was learned by the Routing Information Protocol (RIP).
broadcast	Indicates a broadcast address.
martian	The address belongs to a filtered group.
multicast	Indicates a multicast address.
vip	Indicates a route destination that is a virtual server IP address. VIP routes are needed to advertise virtual server IP addresses via BGP.
bgp	The address was learned via Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)

/info/arp

ARP Information

[Address Resolution Protocol Menu]

find

- Show a single ARP entry by IP address

port

- Show ARP entries on a single port

vlan

- Show ARP entries on a single VLAN

refpt

- Show ARP entries referenced by a single port

dump

- Show all ARP entries

addr

- Show ARP address list

The ARP information includes IP address and MAC address of each entry, address status flags (see [Table 5-8 on page 84](#)), VLAN and port for the address, and port referencing information.

Table 5-7 ARP Information Menu Options (/info/arp)

Command Syntax and Usage

find *<IP address>*

Displays a single ARP entry by IP address.

port *<port number (1-9)>*

Displays the ARP entries on a single port.

vlan *<VLAN number (1-4094)>*

Displays the ARP entries on a single VLAN.

refpt *<port number (1-9)>*

Displays the ARP entries referenced by a single port.

dump

Displays all ARP entries. including:

- IP address and MAC address of each entry
- Address status flag (see below)
- The VLAN and port to which the address belongs
- The ports which have referenced the address (empty if no port has routed traffic to the IP address shown)

For more information, see [page 84](#).

addr

Displays the ARP address list: IP address, IP mask, MAC address, and VLAN flags.

/info/arp/dump

Show All ARP Entry Information

IP address	Flags	MAC address	VLAN	Port	Referenced ports
10.10.10.10	P 4	00:60:cf:40:78:ce	1		1-9
172.19.1.1		00:60:cf:42:e4:40	1	8	empty
172.19.1.61		00:10:a4:f0:4c:13	1	8	empty
172.19.1.201	P	00:60:cf:40:78:c0	1		1-9

The Flag field is interpreted as follows:

Table 5-8 ARP Dump Flag Parameters

Flag	Description
P	Permanent entry created for switch IP interface.
P 4	Permanent entry created for Layer 4 proxy IP address or virtual server IP address.
R	Indirect route entry.
U	Unresolved ARP entry. The MAC address has not been learned.

/info/arp/addr

ARP Address List Information

IP address	IP mask	MAC address	VLAN	Flags
205.178.18.66	255.255.255.255	00:70:cf:03:20:04		P
205.178.50.1	255.255.255.255	00:70:cf:03:20:06	1	
205.178.18.64	255.255.255.255	00:70:cf:03:20:05	1	

/info/fdb

FDB Information

[Forwarding Database Menu]	
find	- Show a single FDB entry by MAC address
port	- Show FDB entries on a single port
vlan	- Show FDB entries on a single VLAN
refpt	- Show FDB entries referenced by a single port
dump	- Show all FDB entries

The forwarding database (FDB) contains information that maps the media access control (MAC) address of each known device to the switch port where the device address was learned. The FDB also shows which other ports have seen frames destined for a particular MAC address.

NOTE – The master forwarding database supports up to 8192 MAC address entries per switch. Each switch port supports up to 4096 entries.

Table 5-9 FDB Information Menu Options (/info/fdb)

Command Syntax and Usage

find *<MAC address>* [*<VLAN>*]

Displays a single database entry by its MAC address. You are prompted to enter the MAC address of the device. Enter the MAC address using the format, *xx:xx:xx:xx:xx:xx*. For example, 08:00:20:12:34:56.

You can also enter the MAC address using the format, *xxxxxxxxxxxx*. For example, 080020123456.

port *<port number (1-9)>*

Displays all FDB entries for a particular port.

vlan *<VLAN number (1-4094)>*

Displays all FDB entries on a single VLAN.

refpt *<port number (1-9)>*

Displays the FDB entries referenced by a single port.

dump

Displays all entries in the Forwarding Database. For more information, see [page 86](#).

/info/fdb/dump

Show All FDB Information

MAC Address	VLAN	Port	State	Referenced ports...
00:a0:24:76:be:90	1	1	FWD	1 4
08:00:20:0a:a7:7f	1	2	FWD	2 3
08:00:20:73:b6:29	1	1	FWD	1 2
08:00:20:82:4d:8d	1	3	FWD	3 4
08:00:20:8a:54:2b	1		UNK	1

An address that is in the forwarding (FWD) state, means that it has been learned by the switch. When in the trunking (TRK) state, the port field represents the trunk group number. If the state for the port is listed as unknown (UNK), the MAC address has not yet been learned by the switch, but has only been seen as a destination address. When an address is in the unknown state, no outbound port is indicated, although ports which reference the address as a destination will be listed under “Reference ports.”

If the state for the port is listed as an interface (IF), the MAC address is for a standard VRRP virtual router. If the state is listed as a virtual server (VIP), the MAC address is for a virtual server router—a virtual router with the same IP address as a virtual server.

Clearing Entries from the Forwarding Database

To delete a MAC address from the forwarding database (FDB) or to clear the entire FDB, refer to [page 271](#).

/info/sys

System Information

```
System Information at 16:18:09 Wed Dec 13, 2000

ACEdirector 4
sysName:
sysLocation:
Last boot: 14:47:02 Fri Dec 8, 2000 (power cycle)

MAC address: 00:60:cf:44:98:80      IP (If 1) address: 172.25.1.11
Hardware Revision: B
Hardware Part No: C04_5A-D_6A-D
Software Version 8.3.14 (FLASH image1), active configuration.
```

System information includes:

- System date and time
- Switch model name and number
- Switch name and location
- Time of last boot
- MAC address of the switch management processor
- IP address of IP interface #1
- Hardware version and part number
- Software image file and version number
- Configuration name
- Log-in banner, if one is configured

/info/log

Show Last 10 Syslog Messages

```
Apr 1 17:28:52 ALERT slb: cannot contact real server 215.118.113.74
Apr 1 17:29:10 NOTICE console: admin login
Apr 1 17:30:01 NOTICE telnet/ssh-1: admin idle timeout from Telnet
Apr 1 18:55:43 NOTICE telnet/ssh-1: admin logout from Telnet
Apr 2 12:56:35 INFO web server: new configuration applied
Apr 2 14:57:35 WARNING slb: filter 10 fired on port 4
Apr 3 7:58:03 ERR telnet: no apply needed
```

Each syslog message has a criticality level associated with it, included in text form as a prefix to the log message. One of eight different prefixes is used, depending on the condition that the administrator is being notified of, as shown below.

- EMERG: indicates the system is unusable
- ALERT: Indicates action should be taken immediately
- CRIT: Indicates critical conditions
- ERR: indicates error conditions or errored operations
- WARNING: indicates warning conditions
- NOTICE: indicates a normal but significant condition
- INFO: indicates an information message
- DEBUG: indicates a debug-level message

`/info/link`

Link Status Information

Port	Speed	Duplex	Flow Ctrl		Link
			--TX--	--RX--	
1	10/100	any	yes	yes	down
2	100	full	yes	yes	down
3	10/100	any	yes	yes	down
4	100	half	no	no	up
5	100	half	no	no	down
6	100	half	no	no	down
7	10/100	any	yes	yes	down
8	100	half	no	no	up
9	1000	full	yes	yes	down

Use this command to display link status information about each port on an Alteon WebSystems switch slot, including:

- Port number
- Port speed (10, 100, 10/100, or 1000)
- Duplex mode (half, full, or auto)
- Flow control for transmit and receive (no, yes, or auto)
- Link status (up or down)
- Port attributes

For example, if “`/info/link`” is entered from console, link status of all four Gigabit ports on slot 1 will be displayed. If no parameter is entered, link status of entire switch wire ports will be displayed. The screenshot shown above is an abbreviated link status of the entire switch wire ports. An error message will be displayed if the slot number entered is either a Management Processor or Switch Processor slot.

/info/stp

Spanning Tree Information

```

Current Root:          Path-Cost Port Hello MaxAge FwdDel Aging
7fff 00:60:cf:40:4c:b0      15      8      2      20      15      300

Number of topology changes:      2
Time since last topology change:  0 days, 03:24:08

Parameters:  Priority  Hello  MaxAge  FwdDel  Aging
              32768      2      20      15      300

Port  Priority  Cost  State  Designated Bridge  Des Port
  1      128      0  DISABLED
  2      128      0  DISABLED
  3      128      0  DISABLED
  4      128     10  FORWARDING  8000-00:60:cf:43:a4:70  32772
  5      128      0  DISABLED
  6      128      0  DISABLED
  7      128      0  DISABLED
  8      128     10  FORWARDING  8000-00:60:cf:40:61:00  32776
  9      128      0  DISABLED

```

The switch software uses the IEEE 802.1d Spanning Tree Protocol (STP). In addition to seeing if STP is enabled or disabled, you can view the following STP bridge information:

- Priority
- Hello interval
- Maximum age value
- Forwarding delay
- Aging time

You can also see the following port-specific STP information:

- Slot number
- Port number and priority
- Cost
- State

The following table describes the STP parameters.

Table 5-10 Spanning Tree Parameter Descriptions

Parameter	Description
Priority (bridge)	The bridge priority parameter controls which bridge on the network will become the STP root bridge.
Hello	The hello time parameter specifies, in seconds, how often the root bridge transmits a configuration bridge protocol data unit (BPDU). Any bridge that is not the root bridge uses the root bridge hello value.
MaxAge	The maximum age parameter specifies, in seconds, the maximum time the bridge waits without receiving a configuration bridge protocol data unit before it reconfigures the STP network.
FwdDel	The forward delay parameter specifies, in seconds, the amount of time that a bridge port has to wait before it changes from learning state to forwarding state.
Aging	The aging time parameter specifies, in seconds, the amount of time the bridge waits without receiving a packet from a station before removing the station from the Forwarding Database.
priority (port)	The port priority parameter helps determine which bridge port becomes the designated port. In a network topology that has multiple bridge ports connected to a single segment, the port with the lowest port priority becomes the designated port for the segment.
Cost	The port path cost parameter is used to help determine the designated port for a segment. Generally speaking, the faster the port, the lower the path cost. A setting of 0 indicates that the cost will be set to the appropriate default after the link speed has been autonegotiated.
State	The state field shows the current state of the port. The state field can be either BLOCKING, LISTENING, LEARNING, FORWARDING, or DISABLED.

/info/vlan

VLAN Information

VLAN	Name	Status	Jumbo	BWC	Ports
1	Default VLAN	ena	n	1024	1-9
2	VLAN 2	ena	n	1024	empty

This information display includes all configured VLANs and all member ports that have an active link state. Port membership is represented in slot/port format.

VLAN information includes:

- VLAN Number
- VLAN Name
- Status
- Jumbo Frame usage
- Port membership of the VLAN

/info/port

Port Information

Port	Tag	UnTag	PriTag	RMON	VLAN (s)
9	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1
10	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1
11	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1
12	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1
13	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1
14	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1
15	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1
16	disc	frwd	frwd	d	1

Port information includes:

- Port number
- Whether the port uses VLAN tagging or not
- Port VLAN ID (PVID)
- Port name
- VLAN membership
- Whether RMON is enabled or disabled on the port

/info/ip

IP Information

```
Interface information:
  1: 172.19.1.201,      255.255.255.0,   172.19.1.255,   vlan 1, up

Default gateway information: metric strict
  1: 172.19.1.1,      up

Current IP forwarding settings: OFF

Current local networks:

Current RIP settings:
  ON, update 30, LISTEN, DEFAULT, STATIC
  split horizon with poisoned reverse

BGP Information:
  OFF, id 172.25.1.26

BGP Peer Information
* 2 205.178.18.40, id 205.178.18.40, hold 90, established
```

IP information includes:

- IP interface information: Interface number, IP address, subnet mask, broadcast address, VLAN number, and operational status
- Default gateway information: Metric for selecting which configured gateway to use, gateway number, IP address, and health status
- IP forwarding information: Enable status, lnet and lmask
- Port status
- RIP1 information: enable status, update period, and active modes
- DNS information: primary and secondary DNS IP address, and default domain name
- BGP Peer information

/info/vrrp

VRRP Information

Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP) support on Alteon WebSystems' switches provides redundancy between routers in a LAN. This is accomplished by configuring the same virtual router IP address and ID number on each participating VRRP-capable routing device. One of the virtual routers is then elected as the master, based on a number of priority criteria, and assumes control of the shared virtual router IP address. If the master fails, one of the backup virtual routers will assume routing authority and take control of the virtual router IP address.

VRRP information:

```
1: vrid 2, 205.178.18.210, if 1, renter, prio 100, master, server
2: vrid 1, 205.178.18.202, if 1, renter, prio 100, backup
3: vrid 3, 205.178.18.204, if 1, renter, prio 100, master, proxy
```

When virtual routers are configured, you can view the status of each virtual router using this command. VRRP information includes:

- Virtual router number
- Virtual router ID and IP address
- Interface number
- Ownership status
 - `owner` identifies the preferred master virtual router. A virtual router is the owner when the IP address of the virtual router and its IP interface are the same.
 - `renter` identifies virtual routers which are not owned by this device.
- Priority value. During the election process, the virtual router with the highest priority becomes master.
- Activity status
 - `master` identifies the elected master virtual router.
 - `backup` identifies that the virtual router is in backup mode.
- Server status. The `server` state identifies virtual routers that support Layer 4 services. These are known as virtual *server* routers: any virtual router whose IP address is the same as any configured virtual server IP address.
- Proxy status. The `proxy` state identifies virtual proxy routers, where the virtual router shares the same IP address as a proxy IP address. The use of virtual proxy routers enables redundant switches to share the same IP address, minimizing the number of unique IP addresses that must be configured.

/info/trunk

Trunk Group Information

Group	Slot	Port	State
1	2	4	DOWN
	2	5	DOWN
	2	6	DOWN
	2	9	DOWN
2	3	1	forwarding
	4	3	DOWN

When trunk groups are configured, you can view the state of each port in the various trunk groups.

NOTE – If Spanning Tree Protocol on any port in the trunk group is set to *forwarding*, the remaining ports in the trunk group will also be set to *forwarding*.

/info/bwm <contract number>

Bandwidth Management Information

Current Bandwidth Management setting: ON

Policy Enforcement:enabled

BWM history will be mailed in 2 hour(s) 21 minute(s)
to '' at host ''

Contract		Policy		wTOS				Save		
Num	Name	Prec	Hard	Soft	Resv	oTOS	uTOS	Buffer	Hist	State
1	mon	1	10	15m	5m	500k	0D	0	8219	E E
2	tue	1	1	15m	5m	500k	0D	0	8219	E E
3	wed	1	1	15m	5m	500k	0D	0	8219	E E
4	thu	1	1	15m	5m	500k	0D	0	8219	E E
5	fri	1	1	15m	5m	500k	0D	0	8219	E E
6	ser80	1	1	15m	5m	500k	0D	0	8219	E E
7	vip	1	255	15m	5m	500k	0D	0	8219	E E
11	bcon_tue	2	1	40m	30m	500k	0D	0	16320	E E
256	Default	--	0	--Available	BW--	0D	0	16320	E	E

/info/isd

iSD Information Command

NOTE – This command is for the iSD100-SSL device. The information will not appear unless you have configured and connected one or more iSD100-SSL devices to your switch.

The iSD information is displayed below:

```
Current isd server configuration:
  10.0.1.10, 1, 0, ON
isd BOOTP server: ON
isd master IP: 10.0.1.10
Network interface for isd: 2
Current isd servers:
state   isd IP      mac_addr      life
-----
  2     10.0.1.10  00:01:02:08:4d:1c  8676

isd system status:
  Total Memory:      264507392
  Free Memory:       252874752
  Buffer Memory:      335872
  Blocks Written:    0
  Blocks Read:       0
  Interrupts:        108
  Context Switches:  20
  User Time:         0
  System Time:       1
  Idle Time:         99
  System status averaged over 3 seconds

isd free disk space:
  total disk size: 50685K
  free disk size: 21671K

SSL app status:
  total connections   = 0
  running threads     = 7
  current connections = 0
  maximum connections = 0
```

Table 5-11 describes the iSD100-SSL information output:

Table 5-11 /info/isd Output

Parameter	Description
Current isd server configuration	This line contains the following data about basic iSD100-SSL configuration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Starting IP address (<code>ipstart</code>) of the iSD100-SSL units ■ Number of iSD100-SSL units (<code>ipnum</code>) configured on the switch ■ Virtual router number (<code>vrnum</code>) ■ State of WebSwitch iSD100-SSL processing, on or off.
isd BOOTP server	State of the BOOTP server which assigns IP addresses to the iSD100-SSL: on or off.
isd master IP	IP address of the Master iSD100-SSL.
Network interface for isd	The IP interface configured for communication between the WebSwitch and the iSD100-SSL.
Current isd servers	There is one line for each configured iSD100-SSL, with the following data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <code>state</code> 2 means that IP address has been assigned. ■ <code>isd IP</code> The IP address assigned to the iSD100-SSL. ■ <code>mac_addr</code> The MAC address of the iSD100-SSL. ■ <code>life</code> This represents the number of milliseconds since the iSD100-SSL sent a signal to the WebSwitch. If <code>life</code> exceeds 120,000 ms, the switch considers the iSD100-SSL to be down, and no further traffic will be directed to that iSD100-SSL until it comes back up. If the down iSD100-SSL is a Master, the switch will select another Master Web OS. If no other iSD100-SSL units are up and available, HTTPS traffic will be sent directly to the real Web servers on port 443.
isd system status	Memory and time usage characteristics averages over three seconds.
isd free disk space	Total and available disk space available on the iSD100-SSL.
SSL app status	SSL connection and thread information.

/info/swkey

Software Enabled Keys

For optional Layer 4 switching software, the information would be displayed as follows

```
Enabled Software features:  
  Layer 4: SLB + WCR  
  Layer 4: GSLB
```

Software key information includes a list of all the optional software packages which have been activated or installed on your switch.

info/dump

Information Dump

Use the dump command to dump all switch information available from the Information Menu (10K or more, depending on your configuration). This data is useful for tuning and debugging switch performance.

If you want to capture dump data to a file, set your communication software on your workstation to capture session data prior to issuing the dump commands.

CHAPTER 6

The Statistics Menu

You can view switch performance statistics in both the user and administrator command modes. This chapter discusses how to use the command line interface to display switch statistics.

/stats

Statistics Menu

```
[Statistics Menu]
  port      - Port Stats Menu
  slb       - Server Load Balancing Stats Menu
  bwm       - Bandwidth Management Stats Menu
  mp        - MP-specific Stats Menu
  if        - Show IP interface ("if") stats
  ip        - Show IP stats
  icmp      - Show ICMP stats
  tcp       - Show TCP stats
  udp       - Show UDP stats
  snmp      - Show SNMP stats
  fdb       - Show FDB stats
  route     - Show route stats
  arp       - Show ARP stats
  dns       - Show DNS stats
  vrrp      - Show VRRP stats
  dump      - Dump all stats
```

Table 6-1 Statistics Menu Options (/stats)

Command Syntax and Usage

port *<port number (1-9)>*

Displays the Port Statistics Menu for the specified port. Use this command to display traffic statistics on a port-by-port basis. Traffic statistics are included in SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) objects. To view menu options, see [page 104](#).

slb

Displays the Server Load Balancing (SLB) Menu. To view menu options, see [page 109](#).

bwm

Displays the Bandwidth Management Menu. To view menu options, see [page 126](#).

mp

Displays the Management Processor Statistics Menu. Use this command to view information on how switch management processes and resources are currently being allocated. To view menu options, see [page 129](#).

if *<interface number (1-256)>*

Displays IP interface statistics for the management processors. See [page 133](#) for sample output.

ip

Displays IP statistics. See [page 133](#) for sample output.

icmp

Displays ICMP statistics. See [page 134](#) for sample output.

tcp

Displays TCP statistics. See [page 134](#) for sample output.

udp

Displays UDP statistics. See [page 134](#) for sample output.

snmp

Displays SNMP statistics. See [page 135](#) for sample output.

fdb

Displays FDB statistics. See [page 136](#) for sample output.

route

Displays route statistics. See [page 137](#) for sample output.

Table 6-1 Statistics Menu Options (/stats)

Command Syntax and Usage	
arp	Displays Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) statistics. See page 137 for sample output.
dns	Displays Domain Name Server (DNS) statistics. See page 137 for sample output.
vrrp	<p>When virtual routers are configured, you can display the following protocol statistics for VRRP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Advertisements received (vrrpInAdvers)■ Advertisements transmitted (vrrpOutAdvers)■ Advertisements received, but ignored (vrrpBadAdvers) <p>See page 138 for sample output.</p>
dump	Dumps all switch statistics. Use this command to gather data for tuning and debugging switch performance. If you want to capture dump data to a file, set your communication software on your workstation to capture session data prior to issuing the dump command. For details, see page 138 .

/stats/port *<port number>*

Port Statistics Menu

This menu displays traffic statistics on a port-by-port basis. Traffic statistics include SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) objects.

[Port Statistics Menu]	
brg	- Bridging ("dot1") statistics
ether	- Ethernet ("dot3") statistics
if	- Interface ("if") statistics
ip	- Internet Protocol ("IP") stats
link	- Link stats
rmon	- Show RMON stats
cpu	- Show CPU utilization
maint	- Maintenance stats

Table 6-2 Port Statistics Menu Options (/stats/port)

Command Syntax and Usage	
brg	Displays bridging ("dot1") statistics for the port. See page 105 for sample output.
ether	Displays Ethernet ("dot1") statistics for the port. See page 105 for sample output.
if	Displays interface statistics for the port. See page 106 for sample output.
ip	Displays IP statistics for the port. See page 106 for sample output.
link	Displays link statistics for the port. See page 106 for sample output.
rmon	Displays RMON statistics for the port. See page 107 for sample output.
cpu	Displays CPU statistics for the port. CPU statistics are for periods of 1, 4, and 64 seconds. See page 107 for sample output.
maint	Displays maintenance statistics for the port. See page 108 for sample output.

/stats/port <port number> /brg

Bridging Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the bridging statistics of the selected port.

```
Bridging statistics for port 1:
dot1PortInFrames:                187155
dot1PortOutFrames:               1059212
dot1PortInDiscards:              0
dot1TpLearnedEntryDiscards:      0
dot1BasePortDelayExceededDiscards: 0
dot1BasePortMtuExceededDiscards: 0
dot1StpPortForwardTransitions:   1
```

/stats/port <port number> /ether

Ethernet Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the ethernet statistics of the selected port.

```
Ethernet statistics for port 1:
dot3StatsAlignmentErrors:        0
dot3StatsFCSErrors:              0
dot3StatsSingleCollisionFrames:   0
dot3StatsMultipleCollisionFrames: 0
dot3StatsSQETestErrors:          0
dot3StatsDeferredTransmissions:   0
dot3StatsLateCollisions:         0
dot3StatsExcessiveCollisions:    0
dot3StatsInternalMacTransmitErrors: 0
dot3StatsCarrierSenseErrors:     0
dot3StatsFrameTooLongs:         0
dot3StatsInternalMacReceiveErrors: 0
dot3CollFrequencies [1-15]:
 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

/stats/port *<port number>* **/if** Interface Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the interface statistics of the selected port.

```
Interface statistics for port 1:
           ifHCIn Counters           ifHCOut Counters
Octets:                12046215           86913772
UcastPkts:              187106             211622
BroadcastPkts:           248             294478
MulticastPkts:           8             554238
Discards:               0                 0
Errors:                 0                 0
ifInUnknownProtos:      0
```

/stats/port *<port number>* **/ip** Interface Protocol Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the interface statistics of the selected port.

```
IP statistics for port 1:
ipInReceives:          0   ipInHdrErrors:          0
ipInAddrErrors:        0   ipForwDatagrams:        0
ipInUnknownProtos:     0   ipInDiscards:          0
ipInDelivers:          0   ipCacheFull:           0
ipTtlExceeds:          0   ipQueueFull:           0
ipFragOKs:             0   ipFragCreates:         0
ipDontFrag:            0   ipFragFails:           0
```

/stats/port *<port number>* **/link** Link Statistics

This menu enables you to display the link statistics of the selected port.

```
Link statistics for port :    1
linkStateChange:            1
```

/stats/port <port number> /rmon

RMON Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the remote monitor statistics of the selected port.

```
RMON statistics for port 1:
etherStatsDropEvents:                0
etherStatsOctets:                    192
etherStatsPkts:                      3
etherStatsBroadcastPkts:             0
etherStatsMulticastPkts:             0
etherStatsCRCAlignErrors:            0
etherStatsUndersizePkts:             0
etherStatsOversizePkts:             0
etherStatsFragments:                0
etherStatsJabbers:                  0
etherStatsCollisions:               0
etherStatsPkts64to127Octets:         3
etherStatsPkts128to255Octets:        0
etherStatsPkts256to511Octets:        0
etherStatsPkts512to1023Octets:       0
etherStatsPkts1024to1518Octets:      0
```

/stats/port <port number> /cpu

CPU Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the CPU statistics of the selected port.

```
CPU utilization for port 8:
cpuAUtil1Second:    0%   cpuBUtil1Second:    0%
cpuAUtil4Seconds:   0%   cpuBUtil4Seconds:    0%
cpuAUtil64Seconds:  0%   cpuBUtil64Seconds:   0%
```

/stats/port <port number> /maint

Maintenance Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the maintenance statistics of the selected port.

```
Maintenance statistics for port 1:
ddwOvflo:                0    ddwOvfloOvflo:                0
dmaRdOverrun:            0    dmaRdUnderrun:                0
dmaWrOverrun:            0    dmaWrUnderrun:                0
txFlowCntrlled:          0    rxFlowCntrlled:              0
linkStateChange:         1    macRxBufClean:                1
pfdBFreeEmpty:           0    macRxBufCldma:                0
resolveErrNoddw:         0    macRxBufCldmaOvflo:          0
learnErrNoddw:           0    macRxBufClMacDescr0:         1
deleteMiss:              0    macRxBufClMacDescr1:         0
txOvfloOvflo:            0    macRxBufClMacDescrN:         0
mac_rx_err:
  CRC                    0    Collided                    0
  LinkErr                0    PhyErr                      0
  Nibble                 0    Abort                      0
  Runt                   0    NoBuffer                    0
  Over32k                0    Over16k                     0
  Over9k                 0
```

/stats/slb

Load Balancing Statistics

[Server Load Balancing Statistics Menu]	
port	- SLB Switch Port Stats Menu
real	- Show real server stats
group	- Show real server group stats
virt	- Show virtual server stats
filt	- Show filter stats
gslb	- Show global SLB stats
url	- Show URL SLB and Redirection stats
ssl	- Show SSL SLB stats
ftp	- Show FTP SLB parsing and NAT stats
maint	- Show maintenance stats
clear	- Clear non-operational Server Load Balancing stats
dump	- Dump all SLB statistics

Table 6-3 SLB Statistics Menu Options (/stats/slb)

Command Syntax and Usage

port <port number (1-9)>
Displays the switch port statistics. See [page 114](#) for sample output.

real <real server number (1-255)>
Displays the following real server statistics:

- Number of times the real server has failed its health checks
- Number of sessions currently open on the real server
- Total sessions the real server was assigned
- Highest number of simultaneous sessions recorded for each real server
- Real server transmit/receive octets

See [page 111](#) for sample output.

group <real server group number (1-256)>
Displays the following real server group statistics:

- Current and total sessions for each real server in the real server group.
- Current and total sessions for all real servers associated with the real server group.
- Highest number of simultaneous sessions recorded for each real server.
- Real server transmit/receive octets. For per-service octet counters, see the procedure on [page 111](#).

See [page 112](#) for sample output.

Table 6-3 SLB Statistics Menu Options (/stats/slb)

Command Syntax and Usage

virt *<virtual server number (1-256)>*

Displays the following virtual server statistics:

- Current and total sessions for each real server associated with the virtual server.
- Current and total sessions for all real servers associated with the virtual server.
- Highest number of simultaneous sessions recorded for each real server.
- Real server transmit/receive octets. For per-service octet counters, see [page 113](#).

See [page 113](#) for sample output.

filt *<filter ID (1-224)>*Displays the total number of times any filter has been used. See [page 113](#) for sample output.

gslbDisplays the Global SLB Statistics Menu. For more information, see [page 117](#).

urlDisplays URL SLB and redirection statistics. See [page 119](#) for sample output.

sslDisplays SSL server load balancing statistics. See [page 121](#) for sample output.

ftpDisplays FTP SLB parsing and NAT statistics. See [page 121](#) for sample output.

maintDisplays SLB maintenance statistics. See [page 123](#) for sample output.

clear [*y|n*]Clears all non-operating SLB statistics on the switch, resetting them to zero. This command does not reset the switch and does **not** affect the following counters:

- Counters required for Layer 4 and Layer 7 operation (such as current real server sessions).
- All related SNMP counters.

To view the statistics reset by this command, refer to [Table 6-8 on page 124](#).

dump

Dumps all switch SLB statistics. Use this command to gather data for tuning and debugging switch performance. To save dump data to a file, set your communication software on your workstation to capture session data prior to issuing the dump command.

/stats/slb/real <real server number>

Real Server SLB Statistics

Real server 1 stats:	
Health check failures:	0
Current sessions:	129
Total sessions:	65478
Highest sessions:	4343
Octets	523824000

NOTE – Octets are provided per server, not per service, unless configured as described below.

Per Service Octet Counters

For each load-balanced real server, the octet counters represent the combined number of transmit and receive bytes (octets). These counters are then added to report the total octets for each virtual server.

The octet counters are provided per server—not per service. If you need octet counters on a per-service basis, you can accomplish this through the following configuration:

- 1. Configure a separate IP address for each service on each server being load balanced.**

For instance, you can configure IP address 10.1.1.20 for HTTP services, and 10.1.1.21 for FTP services on the same physical server.

- 2. On the switch, configure a real server with a real IP address for each service above.**

Continuing the example above, two real servers would be configured for the physical server (representing each real service). If there were five physical servers providing the two services (HTTP and FTP), 10 real servers would have to be configured: five for the HTTP services on each physical server, and five for the FTP services on each physical server.

- 3. On the switch, configure one real server group for each type of service, and group each appropriate real server IP address into the group that handles the specific service.**

Thus, in keeping with our example, two groups would be configured: one for handling HTTP and one for handling FTP.

- 4. Configure a virtual server and add the appropriate services to that virtual server.**

/stats/slb/group *<real server group number>*

Real Server Group Statistics

Real server group 1 stats:					
Real	IP address	Current Sessions	Total Sessions	Highest Sessions	Octets
1	200.100.10.14	20	60	9	480000
2	200.100.10.15	20	77	12	616000
		40	137	21	1096000

Real server group statistics include the following:

- Current and total sessions for each real server in the real server group.
- Current and total sessions for all real servers associated with the real server group.
- Highest number of simultaneous sessions recorded for each real server.
- Real server transmit/receive octets. For per-service octet counters, see the procedure on [page 111](#).

/stats/slb/virt <virtual server number>
Virtual Server SLB Statistics

Virtual server 1 stats:					
Real	IP address	Current Sessions	Total Sessions	Highest Sessions	Octets

1	200.100.10.14	20	60	9	480000
2	200.100.10.15	20	77	12	616000

	200.100.10.20	40	309	21	1096000

NOTE – The virtual server IP address is shown on the last line, below the real server IP addresses.

Virtual server statistics include the following:

- Current and total sessions for each real server associated with the virtual server.
- Current and total sessions for all real servers associated with the virtual server.
- Highest number of simultaneous sessions recorded for each real server.
- Real server transmit/receive octets. For per-service octet counters, see [page 111](#).

/stats/slb/filt <filter number>
Filter SLB Statistics

Filter 1 stats:	
Total firings:	1011

You can obtain the total number of times any filter has been used.

/stats/slb/port *<port number>*

Port SLB Statistics

```
[Server Load Balancing Port Statistics Menu]
real      - Show real server stats
group     - Show real server group stats
virt      - Show virtual server stats
filt      - Show filter stats
maint     - Show maintenance stats
clear     - Clear port stats
```

Table 6-4 Switch Processor SLB Statistics Menu Options (/stats/slb/sp)

Command Syntax and Usage

real *<real server number (1-255)>*

Displays real server statistics for the selected port. See [page 115](#) for sample output.

group *<real server group number (1-256)>*

Displays real server group statistics for the selected port. See [page 115](#) for sample output.

virt *<virtual server number (1-256)>*

Displays virtual server statistics for the selected port. See [page 115](#) for sample output.

filt *<filter ID (1-224)>*

Displays filter statistics for the selected port. See [page 116](#) for sample output.

maint

Displays maintenance statistics for the selected port. See [page 116](#) for sample output

clear

Clears the following non-operating SLB statistics for this port, resetting them to zero:

Real server stats: Octets, Total sessions

Real server group: Octets, Total sessions

Virtual server: Octets, Total sessions

Total firings: Octets

/stats/slb/port <#>/real <server number>

Port Real Server SLB Statistics

```
Port 1 Real server 1 stats:
Current sessions:           9
Total sessions:            24
Octets:                    192000
```

/stats/slb/port <#>/group <group number>

Port Real Server Group SLB Statistics

```
Port 1 Real server group 1 stats:
      Current      Total  Highest
Real IP address  Sessions Sessions Sessions      Octets
-----
  20 200.100.10.14      9      24      16      192000
  21 200.100.10.15     12      23      15      184000
-----
                        21      47      31      376000
```

/stats/slb/port <#>/virt <server number>

Port Virtual Server SLB Statistics

```
Port 1 Virtual server 1 stats:
      Current      Total  Highest
Real IP address  Sessions Sessions Sessions      Octets
-----
  20 200.100.10.14      9      24      16      192000
  21 200.100.10.15     12      23      15      184000
-----
  200.100.13.1      21      47      31      376000
```

NOTE – The virtual server IP address is shown in the “Totals” area below the real server IP addresses.

/stats/slb/port <#> **/filter** <filter number>

Port Filter SLB Statistics

Filter 1 stats:	
Total firings:	1011

This menu option displays the total number of times a filter has been fired on a specific port.

/stats/slb/port <#> **/maint** <server number>

Port Maintenance SLB Statistics

Port 1 SLB Maintenance stats:	
Maximum sessions:	64512
Current sessions:	0
4 second average:	0
64 second average:	0
Terminated sessions:	0
Allocation failures:	0
Non TCP/IP frames:	0
TCP fragments:	0
UDP datagrams:	0
Incorrect VIPs:	0
Incorrect Vports:	0
No available real server:	0
Filtered (denied) frames:	0
VMA discards:	0

/stats/slb/gslb

Global SLB Statistics

[Global SLB Statistics Menu]

real

- Show Real server Global SLB stats

group

- Show Real server group Global SLB stats

virt

- Show Virtual server Global SLB stats

maint

- Show Global SLB maintenance stats

Table 6-5 Global SLB Statistics Menu Options (/stats/slb/gslb)

Command Syntax and Usage

- real** <real server number (1-255)>

Where the real server number represents the real server ID on this switch, under which the remote server is configured.

To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 117](#).
- group** <real server group number (1-256)>

To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 118](#).
- virtual** <virtual server number (1-256)>

To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 118](#).
- maint**

To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 119](#).

/stats/slb/gslb/real <real server number>

Real Server Global SLB Statistics

Real server 1 global stats:

DNS handoffs:

3210

HTTP redirects:

12

For any remote real server configured for Global Server Load Balancing, the following statistics can be viewed:

- Number of DNS hand-offs to the remote server
- Number of HTTP redirects to the remote server

/stats/slb/gslb/group <group number>

Real Server Group Global SLB Statistics

Real server group 1 Global SLB stats:			
Real server	IP address	DNS Handoffs	HTTP Redirects
1	205.178.13.54	1240	30
2	205.178.13.223	608	12
Totals		1848	42

Real server group global statistics include the following:

- Number of DNS hand-offs to each remote real server in the group
- Number of HTTP redirects to each remote real server in the group
- Total DNS hand-offs and HTTP redirects to the remote real servers in the group

/stats/slb/gslb/virt <virtual server number>

Virtual Server Global SLB Statistics

Virtual server 1 Global SLB stats:				
Service	Server	IP address	Response time	Min sessions avail
http	v1	205.178.13.55	16	21190
http	r1	205.178.13.54	10	24120
telnet	v1	205.178.13.55	4	31032

Virtual server global statistics include the following:

- Service: type of service running on the virtual server
- Server: type of server configuration and server ID number.
 - **v#** represents a local virtual server number
 - **r#** represents a remote site. Since each remote sites is configured on its peers as if it were a real server (with certain special properties), the number represents the real server ID on this switch, under which the remote server is configured.
- IP address of the server

- Response time: the average time (present weighted) that each service takes to respond to information exchanges with its peers. The time is specified in ticks of 65 milliseconds.
- Minimum sessions available: the current number of sessions available for serving client requests. This number will change as client traffic loads change, or as real servers under the virtual server or remote sites go in or out of service.

/stats/slb/gslb/maint

Global SLB Maintenance Statistics

```
Global SLB maintenance stats:
Updates received:           0
Bad updates received:       0
```

Global SLB maintenance statistics include the following:

- The number of Distributed Site State Protocol (DSSP) updates received from remote sites.
- The number of bad DSSP updates received from remote sites. Bad updates usually indicate that there is a GSLB switch configuration problem. If bad updates occur, check your syslog for configuration error messages.

/stats/slb/url

SLB URL and Redirection Statistics

```
[URL SLB and Redirection Statistics Menu]
redir    - Show URL Redirection stats
lb        - Show URL SLB stats
maint     - Show URL SLB/Redir Maintenance stats
```

/stats/slb/url/redir

URL SLB Redirection Statistics

```
Total URL based web cache redirection stats:
Total cache server hits:           73942
Total origin server hits:          2244
Total none-GETs hits:              0
Total 'Cookie: ' hits:             0
Total no-cache hits:               0
```

/stats/slb/url/lb

URL SLB Statistics

SLB String stats:	
ID Server Load Balance String	Hits
1 any	73881
2 .gif	3203
3 /sales	879
5 /manual	162102

/stats/slb/url/maint

URL Maintenance Statistics

URL SLB/Redir maintenance stats:			
No available URL LB server:		0	
Clients reset by switch:		0	
Connection Splicing to support HTTP/1.1:		0	
Half open connections:		0	
Switch retries:		0	
Current available SP memory units:		648	
Current SEQ buffer entries:	0	Highest:	0
Current URL buffer use:	0	Highest:	0
Current SP buffer entries:	0	Highest:	0
Alloc Fails - Seq buffers:	0	Alloc Fails - Ubufs:	0
Max sessions per bucket:	0	Max frames per session:	0
Max bytes buffered (sess):	0		

/stats/slb/ssl

SLB Secure /Socket Layer Statistics

SSL SLB maintenance stats:			
SessionId allocation fails:			0
	Current	Total	Highest
	Sessions	Sessions	Sessions

Unique SessionIds	0	0	0
SSL connections	0	0	0
Persistent Port Sessions	0	0	0

/stats/slb/ftp

SLB File Transfer Protocol Statistics

[FTP SLB parsing and Filter Statistics Menu]	
active	- Show active FTP NAT filter stats
parsing	- Show FTP SLB parsing server stats
maint	- Show FTP maintenance stats
dump	- Dump all FTP SLB/NAT stats

Table 6-6

Command Syntax and Usage

active

Shows active FTP SLB parsing and filter statistics. To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 122](#).

parsing

Shows parsing statistics. To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 122](#).

maint

Shows maintenance statistics. To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 122](#).

dump

Shows all FTP SLB/NAT statistics. To view an example and description of what is displayed on-screen, see [page 122](#).

/stats/slb/ftp/active

Active FTP SLB Parsing and Filter Statistics

```
>> FTP SLB parsing and Filter Statistics# dump
Total FTP : 0
Total FTP NAT Filtered: 0
Total new active FTP NAT Index: 0
Total new FTP SLB parsing Index: 0
FTP Active FTP NAT ACK/SEQ diff: 0
FTP SLB parsing ACK/SEQ diff: 0
```

/stats/slb/ftp/parsing

Passive FTP SLB Parsing Statistics

```
Total FTP SLB Parsing Stats(PASV):
Total FTP: 0
Total New FTP SLB parsing Index: 0
FTP SLB parsing ACK/SEQ diff: 0
```

/stats/slb/ftp/maint

FTP SLB Maintenance Statistics

```
FTP Buffer copy error: 0
FTP mode switch error: 0
```

/stats/slb/ftp/dump

FTP SLB Statistics Dump

```
Total FTP : 0
Total FTP NAT Filtered: 0
Total new active FTP NAT Index: 0
Total new FTP SLB parsing Index: 0
FTP Active FTP NAT ACK/SEQ diff: 0
FTP SLB parsing ACK/SEQ diff: 0
FTP Buffer copy error: 0
FTP mode switch error: 0
```

/stats/slb/maint

SLB Maintenance Statistics

SLB Maintenance stats:	
Maximum sessions:	516096
Current sessions:	0
4 second average:	0
64 second average:	0
Terminated sessions:	0
Allocation failures:	0
TCP fragments:	0
UDP datagrams:	0
Non TCP/IP frames:	0
Incorrect VIPs:	0
Incorrect Vports:	0
No available real server:	0
Backup server activations:	0
Overflow server activations:	0
Filtered (denied) frames:	0
VMA discards:	0

SLB Maintenance statistics are described in the following table.

Table 6-7 Server Load Balancing Maintenance Statistics

Statistic	Description
Current Sessions	Number of session bindings currently in use the last 4 and 64 seconds.
Terminated Sessions	Number of session removed from the session table because the the server assigned to them failed and graceful server failure was not enabled.
Allocation Failures	Indicates instances where the switch ran out of available bindings for a port.
TCP Fragments	Indicates the number of TCP fragments encountered by the switch. Layer 4 processing might not handle TCP fragments, depending on configuration.
UDP Datagrams	Indicates that the virtual server IP address and MAC are receiving UDP frames when UDP balancing is not turned on.
Non TPC/IP Frames	Indicates the number of non-IP based frames received by the virtual server.
Incorrect VIPs	Indicates the number of times the switch has received a Layer 4 request for a virtual server which was not configured.
Incorrect Vports	This dropped frames counter indicates that the virtual server has received frames for TCP/UDP services that have not been configured. Normally this indicates a mis-configuration on the virtual server or the client, but it may be an indication of a potential security probing application like SATAN.

Table 6-7 Server Load Balancing Maintenance Statistics

Statistic	Description
No Server Available	This dropped frames counter indicates that all real servers are either out of service or at their maxcon limit.
Backup Server Activations	This indicates the number of times a real server failure has occurred and caused a backup server to be brought online.
Overflow Server Activations	This indicates the number of times a real server has reached the maxcon limit and caused an overflow server to be brought online.
Filtered (Denied) Frames	This indicates the number of frames that were dropped because they matched an active filter with the “deny” action set.

/stats/slb/clear

Clearing the SLB Statistics

The following statistics are reset to zero when the clear command is given and confirmed:

Table 6-8 SLB Statistics Reset Using the /stats/slb/clear Command

Statistic
Real server stats:
Health check failures
Total sessions
Highest sessions
Octets
Real server group stats:
Total sessions
Highest sessions
Octets
Virtual server stats:
Total sessions
Highest sessions
Octets
Filter stats:
Total firings
SLB switch port stats, per port:
Real server stats: Octets, Total sessions
Real server group: Octets, Total sessions
Virtual server: Octets, Total sessions
Total firings: Octets

Table 6-8 SLB Statistics Reset Using the `/stats/slb/clear` Command

Statistic
Global SLB stats: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Per real server:<ul style="list-style-type: none">DNS handoffsHTTP redirectsPer server group:<ul style="list-style-type: none">DNS handoffsHTTP redirects
URL SLB and Redirection stats: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Redir:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Total cache server hitsTotal origin server hitsTotal none-GETs hitsTotal 'Cookie: ' hitsTotal no-cache hitsLB:<ul style="list-style-type: none">ID SLB String hits
SSL SLB stats: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Total SessionsHighest Sessions
FTP SLB parsing and NAT stats: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Total FTPTotal FTP NAT FilteredTotal new active FTP NAT IndexTotal new FTP SLB parsing IndexFTP Active FTP NAT ACK/SEQ diffFTP SLB parsing ACK/SEQ diff
Real server stats: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Health check failuresTotal sessionsHighest sessionsOctets
Real server group stats: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Total sessionsHighest sessionsOctets
Virtual server stats: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Total sessionsHighest sessionsOctets

/stats/bwm

Bandwidth Management Statistics

[Bandwidth Management Statistics Menu]	
sp	- Switch Processor Contract Stats Menu
cont	- BW Contract stats
rcont	- BW Contract rate stats
hist	- BW History stats
dump	- Dump all BWM statistics

Table 6-9 Bandwidth Management Statistics Menu Options (/stats/bwm)

Command Syntax and Usage

sp <port number (1-9)>

Displays Switch processor Contract Statistics Menu. To view menu options, see [page 127](#).

cont <BW Contract number (1-256)>

Displays bandwidth management contract statistics.

rcont <BW Contract number (1-256)>

Displays bandwidth management contract rate statistics.

hist

Displays bandwidth management history statistics.

dump

Displays all bandwidth management statistics.

/stats/bwm/sp

Bandwidth Management Switch Processor Statistics

[Bandwidth Management Statistics Menu]

cont - BW Contract stats

rcont - BW Contract rate stats

Table 6-10 Management Processor Statistics Menu Options (/stats/bwm/sp)

Command Syntax and Usage

cont <BW Contract number (1-256)>
Displays bandwidth management contract statistics.

rcont <BW Contract number (1-256)>
Displays bandwidth management contract rate statistics.

/stats/bwm/cont <contract number>

Bandwidth Management Contract Statistics

BW Contract statistics

Contract Name	Octets	Discards	BufUsed	BufMax
1	0	0	0	32640
2	0	0	0	32640

Use this command to show statistics for all contracts or a specific contract.

/stats/bwm/rcont

Bandwidth Management Contract Rate Statistics

BW Contract statistics						
Contract	Name	Rate(Kbps)	Octets	Discards	BufUsed	BufMax

6		0	0	0	0	293760
256	Default	8	7476567	0	0	293760
4		0	0	0	0	293760
6		0	0	0	0	293760
256	Default	3	7477355	0	0	293760
4		0	0	0	0	293760
6		0	0	0	0	293760
256	Default	1	7477681	0	0	293760
4		0	0	0	0	293760
6		0	0	0	0	293760
256	Default	12	7480867	0	0	293760
4		0	0	0	0	293760
6		0	0	0	0	293760
256	Default	1	7481129	0	0	293760

Use this command to show the rate statistics of all the enabled contracts.

/stats/bwm/hist

Bandwidth Management History Statistics

BW History statistics			
Cont	Octets	Discards	TimeStamp

1	0	0	012215:47
2	0	0	012215:47
3	0	0	012215:47
4	0	0	012215:47
10	0	0	012215:47
11	0	0	012215:47
1024	34122	0	012215:47

Use this command to show the history of all the contracts for which history is enabled. The sampling is done at one-minute intervals.

/stats/mp

Management Processor Statistics

[MP-specific Statistics Menu]	
mem	- STEM memory stats
amem	- All STEM memory blocks in use
dma	- DMA exception counts
pkt	- Packet stats
tcb	- All TCP control blocks in use
uart	- UART counters
cpu	- Show CPU utilization

Table 6-11 Management Processor Statistics Menu Options (/stats/mp)

Command Syntax and Usage

mem	Displays STEM memory statistics, showing available memory.
amem	Displays all STEM memory blocks in use to check for leaks.
dma	Displays DMA exception counts.
pkt	Displays packet statistics, to check for leads and load.
tcb	Displays all TCP control blocks (TCB) in use.
uart	Displays universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter (UART) statistics.
cpu	Displays CPU utilization for periods of up to 1, 4, and 64 seconds.

/stats/mp/mem

STEM Memory Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the STEM memory statistics.

```
STEM memory stats:
allocs:          52948    frees:          52610
alloc_fails:      0      pool_bytes:    3696816
bytes_curr:    198048    bytes_hiwat:    210976
largest:         65536
```

/stats/mp/amem

All STEM Memory Statistics

This menu option enables you to display all STEM memory statistics.

```
All STEM memory allocated blocks:
Number      Caller      Blocks      Bytes
-----
  1      00047628         21      86016
  2      000c1bfc          1         64
  3      000c2ca4          1         32
  4      000c1c98          9         576
  5      000c2d88          9         576
  6      000c1cd8          9        1152
  7      000b595c          5         320
  8      0004496c          1        2048
  9      0002cb18          1         32
 10      0000af38          1        4096
```

/stats/mp/dma

DMA Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the DMA exception counts.

DMA counts:			
RdOverruns:	0	RdUnderrun:	0
WrOverruns:	0	WrUnderrun:	0
Ovflos:	553	OvfloOvflos:	0
Mailbox Off: false			
mailbox off:	358961	mailbox on:	358961
DMA Read Off: false			
dma read off:	0	dma read on:	0

/stats/mp/pkt

Packet Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the packet counts.

Packet counts:			
allocs:	1367726	frees:	1367726
mediums:	0	jumbos:	0
smalls:	0	failures:	0

/stats/mp/tcb

TCP Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the TCP statistics.

All TCP allocated control blocks:				
00494b9c:	0.0.0.0	0 <=> 0.0.0.0	80	listen
00499d7c:	172.25.1.101	1055 <=> 172.25.1.11	23	estab- lished
0049879c:	0.0.0.0	0 <=> 0.0.0.0	23	listen
0049851c:	0.0.0.0	0 <=> 0.0.0.0	22	listen

/stats/mp/uart

UART Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the UART statistics.

```

UART:
  input overflows:      0
  tx hang fix:          0
  Rx discards:          0  Tx discards:          0
  X-OFFs seen:          0  X-ONs seen:          0
  X-OFFs sent:          0  X-ONs sent:          0
  Software RX FIFO discards: 0
UART Info:
  State:
    bRxEmpty 1, bTxEmpty 1, bRxCxoff 0, bTxXoff 0, bTxActive 0,
bRxXPend 0
    bBlockTx 0

  Buf Info:
    RX Buf Start - 0028aad0, Buf End - 0028aed0, Prod - 0028aad0, Cons
- 0028aad0
    TX Buf Start - 0028aed0, Buf End - 0028b2d0, Prod - 0028b1bc, Cons
- 0028b1bc
  Queue Info:
    Blk RX Thd - 003d14e0,

    TX Blk Queue - 0040a1f4, End - 0040a20c, Num Thd - 0, Num Buf Full
- 0
    TOQ - 0040a1f4, BOQ - 0040a1f4

```

/stats/mp/cpu

CPU Statistics

This menu option enables you to display the CPU utilization statistics.

```

CPU utilization:
cpuAUtillSecond:          6%  cpuBUtillSecond:          6%
cpuAUtill4Seconds:        6%  cpuBUtill4Seconds:        6%
cpuAUtill64Seconds:       6%  cpuBUtill64Seconds:       6%

```

/stats/if *<interface number>*

Interface Statistics

IP interface 1 statistics:			
ifInOctets:	2435148747	ifInUcastPkts:	1000174
ifInNUCastPkts:	2365278	ifInDiscards:	0
ifInErrors:	0	ifInUnknownProtos:	27
ifOutOctets:	0	ifOutUcastPkts:	0
ifOutNUcastPkts:	0	ifOutDiscards:	0
ifOutErrors:	0	ifStateChanges	0

/stats/ip

IP Statistics

IP statistics:			
ipInReceives:	3115873	ipInHdrErrors:	1
ipInAddrErrors:	35447	ipForwDatagrams:	0
ipInUnknownProtos:	500504	ipInDiscards:	0
ipInDelivers:	2334166	ipOutRequests:	1010542
ipOutDiscards:	4	ipOutNoRoutes:	4
ipReasmReqds:	0	ipReasmOKs:	0
ipReasmFails:	0	ipFragOKs:	0
ipFragFails:	0	ipFragCreates:	0
ipRoutingDiscards:	0	ipDefaultTTL:	255
ipReasmTimeout:	5		

/stats/icmp

ICMP Statistics

```

ICMP statistics:
icmpInMsgs:                245802    icmpInErrors:                1393
icmpInDestUnreaches:       41        icmpInTimeExcds:             0
icmpInParmProbs:           0         icmpInSrcQuenches:           0
icmpInRedirects:           0         icmpInEchos:                 18
icmpInEchoReps:            244350    icmpInTimestamps:           0
icmpInTimestampReps:       0         icmpInAddrMasks:            0
icmpInAddrMaskReps:        0         icmpOutMsgs:                 253810
icmpOutErrors:             0         icmpOutDestUnreaches:       15
icmpOutTimeExcds:          0         icmpOutParmProbs:           0
icmpOutSrcQuenches:        0         icmpOutRedirects:           0
icmpOutEchos:              253777    icmpOutEchoReps:            18
icmpOutTimestamps:         0         icmpOutTimestampReps:       0
icmpOutAddrMasks:         0         icmpOutAddrMaskReps:        0

```

/stats/tcp

TCP Statistics

```

TCP statistics:
tcpRtoAlgorithm:           4         tcpRtoMin:                   0
tcpRtoMax:                 240000    tcpMaxConn:                  512
tcpActiveOpens:            252214    tcpPassiveOpens:             7
tcpAttemptFails:           528       tcpEstabResets:              4
tcpInSegs:                 756401    tcpOutSegs:                  756655
tcpRetransSegs:            0         tcpInErrs:                   0
tcpCurBuff:                0         tcpCurConn:                  3
tcpOutRsts:                417

```

/stats/udp

UDP Statistics

```

UDP statistics:
udpInDatagrams:            54        udpOutDatagrams:             43
udpInErrors:               0         udpNoPorts:                  1578077

```

/stats/snmp

SNMP Statistics

SNMP statistics:			
snmpInPkts:	54	snmpInBadVersions:	0
snmpInBadC'tyNames:	0	snmpInBadC'tyUses:	0
snmpInASNParseErrs:	0	snmpEnableAuthTraps:	0
snmpOutPkts:	54	snmpInBadTypes:	0
snmpInTooBigs:	0	snmpInNoSuchNames:	0
snmpInBadValues:	0	snmpInReadOnlys:	0
snmpInGenErrs:	0	snmpInTotalReqVars:	105
snmpInTotalSetVars:	0	snmpInGetRequests:	2
snmpInGetNexts:	52	snmpInSetRequests:	0
snmpInGetResponses:	0	snmpInTraps:	0
snmpOutTooBigs:	0	snmpOutNoSuchNames:	2
snmpOutBadValues:	0	snmpOutReadOnlys:	0
snmpOutGenErrs:	0	snmpOutGetRequests:	0
snmpOutGetNexts:	0	snmpOutSetRequests:	0
snmpOutGetResponses:	54	snmpOutTraps:	0

/stats/fdb

FDB Statistics

```
FDB statistics:
creates:          30503   deletes:          30420
current:           83    hiwat:            855
lookups:         511889  lookup fails:     1126
finds:           21801   find fails:       0
find_or_c's:     36140   overflows:       0
```

This menu option enables you to display statistics regarding the use of the forwarding database, including the number of new entries, finds, and unsuccessful searches.

FDB statistics are described in the following table:

Table 6-12 Forwarding Database Statistics

Statistic	Description
creates	Number of entries created in the Forwarding Database.
current	Current number of entries in the Forwarding Database.
lookups	Number of entry lookups in the Forwarding Database.
finds	Number of successful searches in the Forwarding Database.
find_or_c's	Number of entries found or created in the Forwarding Database.
deletes	Number of entries deleted from the Forwarding Database.
hiwat	Highest number of entries in the Forwarding Database.
lookup fails	Number of unsuccessful searches made in the Forwarding Database.
find fails	Number of search failures in the Forwarding Database.
overflows	Number of entries overflowing the Forwarding Database.

/stats/route

Route Statistics

```
Route statistics:
ipRoutesCur:          8   ipRoutesHighWater:      8
ipRoutesMax:         1024

RIP statistics:
ripInPkts:            0   ripOutPkts:              0
ripBadPkts:           0   ripRoutesAgedOut:        0

BGP statistics:
bgpInPkts:            0   bgpOutPkts:              0
bgpBadPkts:           0   bgpSessFailures:         0
bgpRoutesAdded:       0   bgpRoutesRemoved:        0
bgpRoutesCur:         0   bgpRoutesFailed:         0
bgpRoutesIgnored:     0   bgpRoutesFiltered:       0
```

/stats/arp

ARP Statistics

```
ARP statistics:
arpEntriesCur:        3   arpEntriesHighWater:     4
arpEntriesMax:       4096
```

This menu option enables you to display Address Resolution Protocol statistics.

/stats/dns

DNS Statistics

```
DNS statistics:
dnsInRequests:         0   dnsOutRequests:          0
dnsBadRequests:        0
```

This menu option enables you to display Domain Name System statistics.

/stats/vrrp

VRRP Statistics

Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP) support on Alteon WebSystems' switches provides redundancy between routers in a LAN. This is accomplished by configuring the same virtual router IP address and ID number on each participating VRRP-capable routing device. One of the virtual routers is then elected as the master, based on a number of priority criteria, and assumes control of the shared virtual router IP address. If the master fails, one of the backup virtual routers will assume routing authority and take control of the virtual router IP address.

When virtual routers are configured, you can display the following protocol statistics for VRRP:

- Advertisements received (`vrrpInAdvers`)
- Advertisements transmitted (`vrrpOutAdvers`)
- Advertisements received, but ignored (`vrrpBadAdvers`)

The statistics for the VRRP LAN are displayed:

VRRP statistics:			
<code>vrrpInAdvers:</code>	0	<code>vrrpBadAdvers:</code>	0
<code>vrrpOutAdvers:</code>	0		

/stats/dump

Statistics Dump

Use the dump command to dump all switch statistics available from the Statistics Menu (40K or more, depending on your configuration). This data can be used in tuning and debugging switch performance.

If you want to capture dump data to a file, set your communication software on your workstation to capture session data prior to issuing the dump commands.



CHAPTER 7

The Configuration Menu

This chapter discusses how to use the Command Line Interface (CLI) for making, viewing, and saving switch configuration changes. Many of the commands, although not new, display more or different information than in the previous version. Important differences are called out in the text.

To make finding information easier, the menu options under the Server Load Balancing Menu (/cfg/slb) are in Chapter 8.

NOTE – The new Web OS 8.3 commands are highlighted in **bold**.

/cfg

Configuration Menu

```
[Configuration Menu]
sys      - System-wide Parameter Menu
port     - Port Menu
ip       - IP Menu
vlan     - VLAN Menu
stp      - Spanning Tree Menu
snmp     - SNMP Menu
mirr     - Port Mirroring Menu
slb      - Server Load Balancing Menu
trunk    - Trunk Group Menu
vrrp     - Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol Menu
bwm      - Bandwidth Management Menu
isd     - Integrated Service Director Menu
setup    - Step by step configuration set up
dump     - Dump current configuration to script file
ptcfg    - Backup current configuration to tftp server
gtcfg    - Restore current configuration from tftp server
```

Table 7-1 Configuration Menu Options (/cfg)

Command Syntax and Usage

sys

Displays the System Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see [page 144](#).

port <port number (1-9)>

Displays the Port Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see [page 153](#).

ip

Displays the IP Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see [page 157](#).

vlan <VLAN number (1-4094)>

Displays the VLAN Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see [page 174](#).

stp

Displays the Spanning Tree Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see [page 176](#).

snmp

Displays the SNMP Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see [page 180](#).

mirr

Displays the Mirroring Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see [page 182](#).

Table 7-1 Configuration Menu Options (/cfg)

Command Syntax and Usage	
slb	Displays the Server Load Balancing Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see Chapter 8, “The SLB Configuration Menu” .
trunk <i><group number (1-4)></i>	Displays the Trunk Group Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see page 184 .
vrrp	Displays the Virtual Router Redundancy Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see page 185 .
bwm	Displays the Bandwidth Management Configuration Menu. To view menu options, see page 196 .
isd	Displays the iSD Menu. This menu is used only for configuring an iSD100-SSL device that can be attached to your switch. If you do not have an iSD100-SSL device, disregard this menu and all submenus. For details, see page 200 .
setup	Step-by-step configuration set-up of the switch. For details, see page 203 .
dump	Dumps current configuration to a script file. For details, see page 203 .
ptcfg <i><host name or IP address> <filename on host></i>	Backs up current configuration to TFTP server. For details, see page 204 .
gtcfg <i><host name or IP address> <filename on host></i>	Restores current configuration from TFTP server. For details, see page 204 .

Viewing, Applying, and Saving Changes

As you use the configuration menus to set switch parameters, the changes you make do not take effect immediately. All changes are considered “pending” until you explicitly apply them. Also, any changes are lost the next time the switch boots unless the changes are explicitly saved.

While configuration changes are in the pending state, you can do the following:

- View the pending changes
- Apply the pending changes
- Save the changes to flash memory

Viewing Pending Changes

You can view all pending configuration changes by entering **diff** at the menu prompt.

NOTE – The **diff** command is a global command. Therefore, you can enter **diff** at any prompt in the CLI.

Applying Pending Changes

To make your configuration changes active, you must apply them. To apply configuration changes, enter **apply** at any prompt in the CLI.

```
# apply
```

NOTE – The **apply** command is a global command. Therefore, you can enter **apply** at any prompt in the administrative interface.

NOTE – All configuration changes take effect immediately when applied, except for starting Spanning Tree Protocol. To turn STP on or off, you must apply the changes, save them (see below), and then reset the switch (see “Resetting the Switch” on page 267).

Saving the Configuration

In addition to applying the configuration changes, you can save them to flash memory on the switch.

NOTE – If you do not save the changes, they will be lost the next time the system is rebooted.

To save the new configuration, enter the following command at any CLI prompt:

```
# save
```

When you save configuration changes, the changes are saved to the *active* configuration block. The configuration being replaced by the save is first copied to the *backup* configuration block. If you do not want the previous configuration block copied to the backup configuration block, enter the following instead:

```
# save n
```

You can decide which configuration you want to run the next time you reset the switch. Your options include:

- The active configuration block
- The backup configuration block
- Factory default configuration

You can view all pending configuration changes that have been applied but not saved to flash memory using the `diff flash` command. It is a global command that can be executed from any menu.

For instructions on selecting the configuration to run at the next system reset, see [“Selecting a Configuration Block” on page 267](#).

/cfg/sys

System Configuration

```
[System Menu]
  syslog - Syslog Menu
  sshd   - SSH Server Menu
  radius - RADIUS Authentication Menu
  ntp     - NTP Server Menu
  date    - Set system date
  time    - Set system time
  idle    - Set timeout for idle CLI sessions
  snmp    - Set SNMP access control
  wport   - Set Web server port number
  bannr   - Set login banner
  mnet    - Set management network
  mmask   - Set management netmask
  smtp    - Set SMTP host
  bootp   - Enable or disable use of BOOTP
  http    - Enable or disable HTTP (Web) access
  user    - User Access Control Menu (passwords)
  cur     - Display current system-wide parameters
```

This menu provides configuration of switch management parameters such as user and administrator privilege mode passwords, Web-based management settings, and management access list

Table 7-2 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys)

Command Syntax and Usage

syslog

Displays the Syslog Menu. To view menu options, see [page 146](#).

sshd

Displays the SSH Server Menu. To view menu options, see [page 147](#).

radius

Displays the RADIUS Authentication Menu. To view menu options, see [page 148](#).

ntp

Displays the NTP Server Menu. To view menu options, see [page 150](#).

date

Prompts the user for the system date.

Table 7-2 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys)**Command Syntax and Usage****time**

Configures the system time using a 24-hour clock format.

idle *<idle timeout in minutes; affects both console and Telnet>*

Sets the idle timeout for CLI sessions, from 1 to 60 minutes. The default is 5 minutes.

snmp

Disables or provides read-only/write-read SNMP access.

wport *<TCP port number (1-65535)>*

Sets the switch port used for serving switch Web content. The default is HTTP port 80. If Global Server Load Balancing is to be used, set this to a different port (such as 8080).

bannr *<string, maximum 80 characters>*

Configures a login banner of up to 80 characters. When a user or administrator logs into the switch, the login banner is displayed. It is also displayed as part of the output from the `/info/sys` command.

mnet *<IP subnet (such as 192.4.17.0)>*

Sets the base source IP address that allows access to switch management through Telnet, SNMP, RIP, or the Web OS browser-based interface. A range of IP addresses is produced when used with `mmask` (below). Specify an IP address in dotted-decimal notation.

mmask *<IP subnet mask (such as 255.255.0.0)>*

This IP address mask is used with `mnet` to set a range of source IP addresses allowed access to switch management functions. Specify the mask in dotted-decimal notation.

smtp *<SMTP host name or IP address>*

Sets SMTP host.

bootp **disable|enable**

Enables or disables the use of BOOTP. If you enable BOOTP, the switch will query its BOOTP server for all of the switch IP parameters.

http **disable|enable**

Enables or disables HTTP (Web) access to the browser-based interface.

user

Displays the User Access Control Menu. To view menu options, see [page 151](#).

cur

Displays the current system parameters.

/cfg/sys/syslog

System Host Log Configuration

```
[Syslog Menu]
host      - Set IP address of first syslog host
host2     - Set IP address of second syslog host
facil     - Set facility of first syslog host
facil2    - Set facility of second syslog host
console   - Enable or disable console output of syslog messages
cur       - Display current syslog settings
```

Table 7-3 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys/syslog)

Command Syntax and Usage

host

Sets the IP address of the first syslog host.

host2

Sets the IP address of the second syslog host.

facil <0-7>

Sets the facility of the first syslog host.

facil2 <0-7>

Sets the facility of the second syslog host.

console ~~disable~~enable

Enables or disables delivering syslog messages to the console. When necessary, disabling `console` ensures the switch is not affected by syslog messages.

cur

Display the current syslog settings.

/cfg/sys/sshd

SSH Server Configuration

[SSHD Menu]
interval - Set Interval for generating the RSA server key
scpadm - Set SCP-only admin password
hkeygen - Generate the RSA host key
skeygen - Generate the RSA server key
ena - Enable the SCP apply and save
dis - Disable the SCP apply and save
on - Turn SSH server ON
off - Turn SSH server OFF
cur - Display current SSH server configuration

For Alteon AD3, AD4, 180e and 184 switches, this menu enables Secure Shell access from any SSH client. SSH scripts can be viewed by using the /cfg/dump command (see [page 203](#)).

NOTE – Except for cur, the commands of this menu are only accessible through the console port.

Table 7-4 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys/sshd)

Command Syntax and Usage

interval <number of hours (0-24)>
Sets the interval for automatically re-generating the RSA server key.
scpadm
Sets the SCP-only administrator password, up to 15 characters. The command will prompt for the required information.
hkeygen
Generates the RSA host key.
skeygen
Generates the RSA server key.
ena
Enables the SCP apply and save.
dis
Disables the SCP apply and save.

Table 7-4 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys/sshd)**Command Syntax and Usage****on**

Enables the SSH server.

off

Disables the SSH server.

cur

Displays the current SSH server configuration.

/cfg/sys/radius

RADIUS Server Configuration

```
[RADIUS Server Menu]
  prisrv  - Set primary RADIUS server address
  secsrv  - Set secondary RADIUS server address
  secret  - Set RADIUS secret
  port    - Set RADIUS port
  retries - Set RADIUS server retries
  timeout - Set RADIUS server timeout
  telnet  - Enable or disable RADIUS backdoor for telnet
  on      - Turn RADIUS authentication ON
  off     - Turn RADIUS authentication OFF
  cur     - Display current RADIUS configuration
```

Table 7-5 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys/radius)**Command Syntax and Usage****prisrv** <IP address>

Sets the primary RADIUS server address.

secsrv <IP address>

Sets the secondary RADIUS server address.

secret <1-32 character secret>

This is the shared secret between the switch and the RADIUS server(s).

port <RADIUS port>

Enter the number of the UDP port, between 1500 - 3000. The default is 1645.

Table 7-5 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys/radius)

Command Syntax and Usage	
retries < <i>RADIUS server retries (1-3)</i> >	Sets the number of failed authentication requests before switching to a different RADIUS server. The default is 3 requests.
timeout < <i>RADIUS server timeout seconds (1-10)</i> >	Sets the amount of time, in seconds, before a RADIUS server authentication attempt is considered to have failed. The default is 3 seconds.
telnet disable enable	Enables or disables the RADIUS backdoor for telnet. telnet also applies to SSH/SCP connections.
on	Enables the RADIUS server.
off	Disables the RADIUS server.
cur	Displays the current RADIUS server parameters.

/cfg/sys/ntp

NTP Server Configuration

```
[NTP Server Menu]
server    - Set NTP server address
interval  - Set NTP server resync interval
tzzone    - Set NTP timezone offset from GMT
dlight    - Enable or disable NTP daylight savings time
on        - Turn NTP service ON
off       - Turn NTP service OFF
cur       - Display current NTP configuration
```

This menu enables you to synchronize the switch clock to a Network Time Protocol (NTP) server.

Table 7-6 System Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/sys/ntp)

Command Syntax and Usage

server <IP address>

Specifies the IP address of the NTP server you want to synchronize the switch clock to.

interval <resync interval in minutes>

Specifies the interval, that is, how often, in minutes (1-2880), to resynchronize the switch clock with the NTP server.

tzzone <timezone offset, in hours>

Specifies the timezone offset, in hours, of the switch you are synchronizing from Greenwich Mountain Time (GMT).

dlight disable|enable

Disables or enables daylight savings time in the system clock. When enabled, the switch will add an extra hour to the system clock so that it is consistent with the local clock. By default, this option is disabled.

on

Enables the NTP synchronization service.

off

Disables the NTP synchronization service.

cur

Displays the current NTP service settings.

`/cfg/sys/user`

User Access Control Configuration

[User Access Control Menu]

usrpw

- Set user password (user)

sopw

- Set SLB operator password (slboper)

l4opw

- Set L4 operator password (l4oper)

opw

- Set operator password (oper)

sapw

- Set Slb administrator password (slbadmin)

l4apw

- Set L4 administrator password (l4admin)

admpw

- Set administrator password (admin)

cur

- Display current user statistics

NOTE – Passwords can be a maximum of 15 characters.

Table 7-7 User Access Control Menu Options (/cfg/sys/user)

Command Syntax and Usage

usrpw

Sets the user (user) password. The user has no direct responsibility for switch management. He or she can view switch status information and statistics, but cannot make any configuration changes.

sopw

Sets the SLB operator (slboper) password. The SLB operator manages Web servers and other Internet services and their loads. He or she can view all switch information and statistics and can enable/disable servers using the Server Load Balancing configuration menus.

Access includes "user" functions.

l4opw

Sets the Layer 4 operator (l4oper) password. The Layer 4 operator manages traffic on the lines leading to the shared Internet services. He or she can view all switch information and statistics.

Access includes "slboper" functions.

opw

Sets the operator (oper) password. The operator password can have a maximum of 15 characters. The operator manages all functions of the switch. He or she can view all switch information and statistics and can reset ports or the entire switch.

Access includes "l4oper" functions.

Table 7-7 User Access Control Menu Options (/cfg/sys/user)

Command Syntax and Usage

sapw

Sets the SLB administrator (slbadmin) password. Administrator who configures and manages Web servers and other Internet services and their loads. He or she can view all switch information and statistics, but can configure changes only on the Server Load Balancing menus. Note that the Filter Menu options are not accessible to the SLB administrator.

Access includes “l4oper” functions.

l4apw

Sets the Layer 4 administrator (l4admin) password. The Layer 4 administrator configures and manages traffic on the lines leading to the shared Internet services. He or she can view all switch information and statistics and can configure parameters on the Server Load Balancing menus, with the exception of not being able to configure filters.

Access includes “slbadmin” functions.

admpw

Sets the administrator (admin) password. The superuser administrator has complete access to all menus, information, and configuration commands on the switch, including the ability to change both the user and administrator passwords.

Access includes “oper” and “l4admin” functions.

cur

Displays the current user status.

`/cfg/port <port number>`

Port Configuration

[Port 1 Menu]

fast

- Fast Phy Menu

gig

- Gig Phy Menu

pref

- Set preferred phy

back

- Set backup phy

pvid

- Set default port VLAN id

name

- Set port name

cont

- Set default port BW Contract

rmon

- Enable/Disable RMON for port

tag

- Enable or disable VLAN tagging for port

iponly

- Enable or disable allowing only IP related frames

ena

- Enable port

dis

- Disable port

cur

- Display current port configuration

The Port Menu enables you to configure settings for individual switch ports.

Table 7-8 Port Configuration Menu Options (cfg/port)

Command Syntax and Usage

fast

If a port is configured to support Fast Ethernet, this option displays the Fast Ethernet Physical Link Menu. To view menu options, see [page 155](#).

gig

If a port is configured to support Gigabit Ethernet, this option displays the Gigabit Ethernet Physical Link Menu. To view menu options, see [page 155](#).

pref

If dual physical connectors are available on the port, this option defines the preferred physical connector. Choices are:

- Fast Ethernet Port, RJ-45 connector
- Gigabit Ethernet Port, SC fiber connector (default)

back

If dual physical connectors are available on the port, this option defines the physical connector to use when the preferred choice fails or is unavailable. Choices are:

- Fast Ethernet Port, RJ-45 connector (default)
 - Gigabit Ethernet Port, SC fiber connector
 - None
-

Table 7-8 Port Configuration Menu Options (cfg/port)

Command Syntax and Usage

pvid

Sets the default VLAN number which will be used to forward frames which are not VLAN tagged.

name

Sets a name for the port. The assigned port name appears next to the port number on some information and statistics screens.

cont *<BWM Contract (1-256)>*

Sets the default Bandwidth Management Contract for this port.

rmon disable|enable

Disables or enables RMON for this port.

tag disable|enable

Disables or enables VLAN tagging for this port.

iponly disable|enable

Disables or enables allowing only IP-related frames.

ena

Enables the port.

dis

Disables the port. (To temporarily disable a port without changing its configuration attributes, refer to [“Temporarily Disabling a Port” on page 156.](#))

cur

Displays current port parameters.

`/cfg/port <port number> fast|gig`

Port Link Configuration

[Fast Link Menu]

speed

- Set link speed

mode

- Set full or half duplex mode

fctl

- Set flow control

auto

- Control autonegotiation

cur

- Display current link configuration

Use these menu options to set port parameters for the port link.

NOTE – Since the `speed` and `mode` parameters cannot be set for Gigabit Ethernet ports, these options do not appear on the Gigabit Link Menu.

Link menu options are described in [Table 7-9](#) and appear on the `fast` and `gig` port configuration menus for the Alteon WebSystems switches. Using these configuration menus, you can set port parameters such as speed, flow control, and negotiation mode for the port link.

Table 7-9 Port Link Configuration Menu Options (`/cfg/port <number> fast|gig`)

Command Syntax and Usage

speed `10|100|1000|any` (not all options are valid on all ports)

Sets the link speed. The choices include:

- “Any,” for automatic detection (default)
- 10 Mbps
- 100 Mbps
- 1000 Mbps

mode `full|half|any`

Sets the operating mode. The choices include:

- “Any,” for autonegotiation (default)
- Full-duplex
- Half-duplex

fctl `rx|tx|both|none`

Sets the flow control. The choices include:

- Autonegotiation (default)
- Receive flow control
- Transmit flow control
- Both receive and transmit flow control
- No flow control

Table 7-9 Port Link Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/port <number> fast|gig)

Command Syntax and Usage

auto on|off

Enable or disable autonegotiation for the port.

cur

Displays current port parameters.

Temporarily Disabling a Port

To temporarily disable a port without changing its stored configuration attributes, enter the following command at any prompt:

```
Main# /oper/port <port number>/dis
```

Because this configuration sets a temporary state for the port, you do not need to use apply or save. See [“Operations Menu” on page 253](#) for other operations-level commands.

/cfg/ip

IP Configuration

[IP Menu]	
if	- Interface menu
gw	- Default gateway menu
route	- Static route menu
frwd	- Forwarding menu
ripl	- Routing Information Protocol menu
bgp	- Border Gateway Protocol menu
port	- IP port menu
dns	- Domain Name System menu
bootp	- Bootstrap Protocol Relay Menu
rearp	- Set re-ARP period in minutes
metrc	- Set default gateway metric
cur	- Display current IP configuration

Table 7-10 IP Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/ip)

Command Syntax and Usage

if <interface number (1-256)>	Displays the IP Interface Menu. To view menu options, see page 158 .
gw <default gateway number (1-4)>	Displays the IP Default Gateway Menu. To view menu options, see page 159 .
route	Displays the IP Static Route Menu. To view menu options, see page 161 .
frwd	Displays the IP Forwarding Menu. To view menu options, see page 162 .
ripl	Displays the Routing Interface Protocol Menu. To view menu options, see page 164 .
bgp	Displays the Border Gateway Protocol Menu. To view menu options, see page 164 .
port <port number (1-9)>	Displays the IP Port Menu. To view menu options, see page 170 .
dns	Displays the IP Domain Name System Menu. To view menu options, see page 171 .

Table 7-10 IP Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/ip)**Command Syntax and Usage****bootp**

Displays the Bootstrap Protocol Menu. To view menu options, see [page 172](#).

rearp <2-120 minutes>

Sets the re-ARP period in minutes. The switch periodically sends ARP (Address Resolution Protocol) requests to refresh its address database. This command is used for setting the interval between ARP refreshes of the next IP address in the database.

metrc strict|roundrobin

Sets the default gateway metric for **strict** or **roundrobin**.

cur

Displays the current IP configuration.

/cfg/ip/if <interface number>

IP Interface Configuration

[IP Interface 1 Menu]

```

addr      - Set IP address
mask      - Set subnet mask
broadcast - Set broadcast address
vlan      - Set VLAN number
relay    - Enable or disable BOOTP relay
ena       - Enable interface
dis       - Disable interface
del       - Delete interface
cur       - Display current interface configuration

```

The switch can be configured with up to 256 IP interfaces. Each IP interface represents the switch on an IP subnet on your network.

Table 7-11 IP Interface Menu Options (/cfg/ip/if)**Command Syntax and Usage****addr** <IP address (such as 192.4.17.101)>

Configures the IP address of the switch interface using dotted decimal notation.

mask <IP subnet mask (such as 255.255.255.0)>

Configures the IP subnet address mask for the interface using dotted decimal notation.

Table 7-11 IP Interface Menu Options (/cfg/ip/if)

Command Syntax and Usage	
broad <broadcast address (such as 192.4.17.255)>	Configures the IP broadcast address for the interface using dotted decimal notation.
vlan <VLAN number>	Configures the VLAN number for this interface. Each interface can belong to one VLAN, though any VLAN can have multiple IP interfaces in it.
relay	Enables or disables the BOOTP relay on this interface.
ena	Enables this IP interface.
dis	Disables this IP interface.
del	Removes this IP interface.
cur	Displays the current interface settings.

/cfg/ip/gw <gateway number>
Default IP Gateway Configuration

[Default gateway 1 Menu]

addr

- Set IP address

intr

- Set interval between ping attempts

retry

- Set number of failed attempts to declare gateway DOWN

arp

- Enable or disable ARP only health checks

ena

- Enable default gateway

dis

- Disable default gateway

del

- Delete default gateway

cur

- Display current default gateway configuration

The switch can be configured with up to four default IP gateways.

Table 7-12 Default Gateway Options (/cfg/ip/gw)

Command Syntax and Usage

addr <i><default gateway address></i>	Configures the IP address of the default IP gateway using dotted decimal notation.
intr <i><value (0-60 seconds)></i>	The switch pings the default gateway to verify that it's up. The <code>intr</code> option sets the time between health checks. The range is from 1 to 120 seconds. The default is 2 seconds.
retry <i><attempts (1-120)></i>	Sets the number of failed health check attempts required before declaring this default gateway inoperative. The range is from 1 to 120 attempts. The default is 8 attempts.
arp	Enables or disables ARP-only (Address Resolution Protocol) health checks.
ena	Enables the gateway for use.
dis	Disables the gateway.
del	Deletes the gateway from the configuration.
cur	Displays the current gateway settings.

Default Gateway Metrics

For information about configuring which gateway is selected when multiple default gateways are enabled, see [page 173](#).

/cfg/ip/route

IP Static Route Configuration

[IP Static Route Menu]

add

- Add static route

rem

- Remove static route

cur

- Display current static routes

Up to 128 static routes can be configured.

Table 7-13 IP Static Route Menu (/cfg/ip/route)

Command Syntax and Usage

add <destination> <mask> <gateway> <interface number>	Adds a static route. You will be prompted to enter a destination IP address, destination subnet mask, and gateway address. Enter all addresses using dotted decimal notation.
rem <destination>	Removes a static route. The destination address of the route to remove must be specified using dotted decimal notation.
cur	Displays the current IP static routes.

/cfg/ip/frwd

IP Forwarding Configuration

```
[IP Forwarding Menu]
  local    - Local network definition for route caching menu
  dirbr    - Enable or disable forwarding directed broadcasts
  on       - Globally turn IP Forwarding ON
  off      - Globally turn IP Forwarding OFF
  cur      - Display current IP Forwarding configuration
```

Table 7-14 IP Forwarding Options (/cfg/ip/frwd)

Command Syntax and Usage

local

Displays the menu used to define local network for route caching. Up to five local networks (lnets) can be configured. To view menu options, see [page 162](#).

dirbr

Enables or disables forwarding directed broadcasts.

on

Enables IP forwarding (routing) on the switch.

off

Disables IP forwarding (routing) on the switch.

cur

Displays the current IP forwarding settings.

/cfg/ip/frwd/local

Local Network Route Caching Definition

```
[IP Local Networks Menu]
  add      - Add local network definition
  rem      - Remove local network definition
  cur      - Display current local network definitions
```

This menu is used for adding local networks by setting the local network address and netmask for the route cache, and to remove local networks.

Table 7-15 IP Local Network Options (/cfg/ip/frwd/local)

Command Syntax and Usage	
add <Local Network Address> <Local Network Mask>	Adds a definition for a local network. For details, see “Defining IP Address Ranges for the Local Route Cache” below.
rem	Removes a definition for a local network
cur	Displays the current local network definitions.

Defining IP Address Ranges for the Local Route Cache

The Local Route Cache lets you use switch resources more efficiently, by reducing the size of the ARP table on the switch. The /cfg/ip/frwd/local/add parameters define a range of addresses that will be cached on the switch. The local network address is used to define the base IP address in the range which will be cached, and the local network mask is the mask which is applied to produce the range. To determine if a route should be added to the memory cache, the destination address is masked (bitwise AND) with the local network mask and checked against the local network address.

By default, the local network address and mask are both set to 0.0.0.0. This produces a range that includes all Internet addresses for route caching: 0.0.0.0 through 255.255.255.255.

Addresses to be cached are subnets that are directly connected for which there is an interface configured on the switch. To limit the route cache to your local hosts, you could configure the parameters as shown in the examples in the following table.

Table 7-16 Local Routing Cache Address Ranges

Local Host Address Range	Address	Mask
0.0.0.0 - 127.255.255.255	0.0.0.0	128.0.0.0
128.0.0.0 - 255.255.255.255	128.0.0.0	128.0.0.0
205.32.0.0 - 205.32.255.255	205.32.0.0	255.255.0.0

NOTE – All addresses that fall outside the defined range are forwarded to the default gateway. The default gateways must be within range.

/cfg/ip/rip1

Routing Information Protocol Configuration

```
[Routing Information Protocol Menu]
  updat    - Set update period in seconds
  spply    - Enable or disable supplying route updates
  lsten    - Enable or disable listening to route updates
  deflt    - Enable or disable listening to default routes
  statc    - Enable or disable supplying static routes
  poison   - Enable or disable poisoned reverse
  on       - Globally turn RIP ON
  off      - Globally turn RIP OFF
  cur      - Display current RIP configuration
```

The RIP1 Menu is used for configuring Routing Information Protocol, version 1 parameters.

NOTE – Do not configure RIP1 parameters if your routing equipment uses RIP version 2.

Table 7-17 Routing Information Protocol Menu (/cfg/ip/rip1)

Command Syntax and Usage

updat <update period (1-120 seconds)>

Sets the RIP update period in seconds.

spply **disable|enable**

When enabled, the switch supplies routes to other routers.

lstn **disable|enable**

When enabled, the switch learns routes from other routers.

deflt **none|lstn|spply|both**

When enabled, the switch accepts RIP default routes from other routers and gives them priority over configured default gateways. When disabled, the switch rejects RIP default routes.

poisn **disable|enable**

When enabled, the switch uses split horizon with poisoned reverse. When disabled, the switch uses only split horizon.

on

Globally turns RIP ON.

Table 7-17 Routing Information Protocol Menu (/cfg/ip/rip1)

Command Syntax and Usage	
off	Globally turns RIP OFF.
cur	Displays the current RIP configuration.

/cfg/ip/bgp

Border Gateway Protocol Configuration

[Border Gateway Protocol Menu]

peer

- Peer Menu

filt

- Filter Menu

on

- Globally turn BGP ON

off

- Globally turn BGP OFF

cur

- Display current BGP configuration

Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is an Internet protocol that enables routers on a network to share routing information with each other and advertise information about the segments of the IP address space they can access within their network with routers on external networks. BGP allows you to decide what is the “best” route for a packet to take from your network to a destination on another network, rather than simply setting a default route from your border router(s) to your upstream provider(s). BGP is defined in RFC 1771.

The BGP Menu enables you to configure the switch to receive routes and to advertise static routes, fixed routes and virtual IP addresses with other internal and external routers. In the current Web OS implementation, we do not advertise BGP routes learned from other BGP “speakers.”

NOTE – Fixed routes are subnet routes. There is one fixed route per IP interface.

When multiple peers advertise the same route, we use the route with the shortest AS path as the preferred route if eBGP or use the local preference if iBGP.

Table 7-18 Border Gateway Protocol Menu (/cfg/ip/bgp)

Command Syntax and Usage

peer <peer number (1 -4)>

Displays the menu used to configure each BGP *peer*. Each border router within an autonomous system that exchanges routing information with routers on other external networks. To view menu options, see [page 167](#).

filt <filter number (1-4)>

Displays the menu used to configure the range of IP destinations accepted by each BGP peer filter. To view menu options, see [page 169](#).

on

Globally turns BGP on.

off

Globally turns BGP off.

cur

Displays the current BGP configuration.

/cfg/ip/bgp/peer *<peer number>*

BGP Peer Configuration

[BGP Peer 1 Menu]	
addr	- Set remote IP address
ras	- Set remote autonomous system number
if	- Set local IP interface
las	- Set local autonomous system number
hold	- Set hold time
ttl	- Set time-to-live of IP datagrams
metric	- Set metric of advertized routes
fixed	- Enable or disable advertising fixed routes
static	- Enable or disable advertising static routes
vip	- Enable or disable advertising VIP routes
ena	- Enable peer
dis	- Disable peer
del	- Delete peer
cur	- Display current peer configuration

This menu is used to configure BGP peers, which are border routers that exchange routing information with routers on internal and external networks.

Table 7-19 BGP Peer Configuration Options (/cfg/ip/bgp/peer)

Command Syntax and Usage

addr <i><IP address (such as 192.4.17.101)></i>	Defines the IP address for the specified peer (border router), using dotted decimal notation. The default address is 0.0.0.0.
ras <i><AS number (0-65535)></i>	Sets the remote autonomous system number for the specified peer.
if <i><interface number (1-256)></i>	Selects a switch IP interface (between 1 and 256) for the specified peer. The default value is 1.
las <i><AS number (0-65535)></i>	Sets the local autonomous system number for the specified peer.
hold <i><hold time (0, 3-65535)></i>	Sets the period of time, in seconds, that will elapse before the peer session is torn down because the switch hasn't received a "keep alive" message from the peer.

Table 7-19 BGP Peer Configuration Options (/cfg/ip/bgp/peer)**Command Syntax and Usage****ttl** *<number of router hops (1-255)>*

Specifies the number of router hops that the IP datagram can make. This value is used to restrict the number of “hops” the advertisement makes. It is also used to support multi-hops, which allow BGP peers to talk across a routed network.

metric *<metric (1-255)>*

Sets the length of the AS path used when advertising eBGP routes. When advertising iBGP routes, this parameter sets the local preference.

fixed **disable|enable**

Enables or disables advertising fixed routes.

static **disable|enable**

Enables or disables advertising static routes. No default route is advertised.

vip **disable|enable**

Enables or disables advertising virtual server routes.

ena

Enables this peer configuration.

dis

Disables this peer configuration.

del

Deletes this peer configuration.

cur

Displays the current BGP peer configuration.

`/cfg/ip/bgp/filt` *<filter number>*

BGP Filter Configuration

[BGP Filter 1 Menu]

addr

- Set filter address

mask

- Set filter mask

ena

- Enable filter

dis

- Disable filter

del

- Delete filter

cur

- Display current filter configuration

This menu enables you to configure filters that specify the routes/range of IP destinations a peer router will accept from other peers. A route must match a filter to be installed in the routing table.

Table 7-20 BGP Filter Configuration Options (/cfg/ip/bgp/filt)

Command Syntax and Usage

addr <i><IP address (such as 192.4.17.101)></i>	Defines the starting IP address for this filter, using dotted decimal notation. The default address is 0.0.0.0.
mask <i><IP address></i>	This IP address mask is used with addr to define the range of IP addresses that will be accepted by the peer when the filter is enabled.
ena	Enables this BGP filter.
dis	Disables this BGP filter.
del	Deletes this BGP filter.
cur	Displays the current BGP filter configuration.

/cfg/ip/port *<port number>*

IP Port Configuration

[IP Forwarding Port 1 Menu]	
on	- Turn Forwarding ON
off	- Turn Forwarding OFF
cur	- Display current port configuration

The IP Port Menu allows you to turn IP forwarding on or off on a port-by-port basis.

Table 7-21 IP Forwarding Port Options (/cfg/ip/port)

Command Syntax and Usage	
on	Enables IP forwarding for the current port.
off	Disables IP forwarding for the current port.
cur	Displays the current IP forwarding settings.

/cfg/ip/dns

Domain Name System Configuration

[Domain Name System Menu]

prima

- Set IP address of primary DNS server

secon

- Set IP address of secondary DNS server

dtype

- Set default domain name

cur

- Display current DNS configuration

The Domain Name System (DNS) Menu is used for defining the primary and secondary DNS servers on your local network, and for setting the default domain name served by the switch services. DNS parameters must be configured prior to using hostname parameters with the ping, traceroute, and tftp commands.

Table 7-22 Domain Name Service Menu Options (/cfg/ip/dns)

Command Syntax and Usage

prima <IP address (such as 192.4.17.101)>
You will be prompted to set the IP address for your primary DNS server. Use dotted decimal notation.
secon <IP address (such as 192.4.17.101)>
You will be prompted to set the IP address for your secondary DNS server. If the primary DNS server fails, the configured secondary will be used instead. Enter the IP address using dotted decimal notation.
dtype <dotted DNS notation> none
Sets the default domain name used by the switch. For example: mycompany.com
cur
Displays the current Domain Name System settings.

/cfg/ip/bootp

Bootstrap Relay Configuration

[Bootstrap Protocol Relay Menu]	
addr	- Set IP address of BOOTP server
addr2	- Set IP address of second BOOTP server
on	- Globally turn BOOTP relay ON
off	- Globally turn BOOTP relay OFF
cur	- Display current BOOTP relay configuration

The Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP) Relay Menu is used to allow hosts to obtain their configurations from a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server. The BOOTP configuration enables the switch to forward a client request for an IP address to two DHCP/BOOTP servers with IP addresses that have been configured on the switch.

Table 7-23

Command Syntax and Usage	
addr <IP address>	Sets the IP address of the BOOTP server.
addr2 <IP address>	Sets the IP address of the second BOOTP server.
on	Globally turns on BOOTP relay.
off	Globally turns off BOOTP relay.
cur	Displays the current BOOTP relay configuration.

`/cfg/ip/metric` *<metric name>*

Default Gateway Metrics

If multiple default gateways are configured and enabled, a metric can be set to determine which primary gateway is selected. There are two metrics, which are described in the table below:

Table 7-24 Default Gateway Metrics (/cfg/ip/metric)

Option	Description
strict	The gateway number determines its level of preference. Gateway #1 acts as the preferred default IP gateway until it fails or is disabled, at which point the next in line will take over as the default IP gateway.
roundrobin	This provides basic gateway load balancing. The switch sends each new gateway request to the next healthy, enabled gateway in line. All gateway requests to the same destination IP address are resolved to the same gateway.

/cfg/vlan <VLAN number> VLAN Configuration

```
[VLAN 1 Menu]
name      - Set VLAN name
cont      - Set BW contract
add       - Add port to VLAN
rem       - Remove port from VLAN
def       - Define VLAN as list of ports
jumbo     - Enable or disable Jumbo Frame support
ena       - Enable VLAN
dis       - Disable VLAN
del       - Delete VLAN
cur       - Display current VLAN configuration
```

The commands in this menu configure VLAN attributes, change the status of the VLAN, delete the VLAN, and change the port membership of the VLAN. For more information on configuring VLANs, see [“Setup Part 3: VLANs” on page 56](#).

Table 7-25 VLAN Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/vlan)

Command Syntax and Usage

name <name to be assigned to the VLAN, maximum 32 characters>

Assigns a name to the VLAN or changes the existing name.

cont <BWM Contract (1-1024)>

Sets the Bandwidth Management contract for this VLAN.

add <port number>

Adds port(s) or trunk group(s) to the VLAN membership.

remove <port number>

Removes port(s) or trunk group(s) from this VLAN.

def

Defines which ports are members of this VLAN. Every port must be a member of at least one VLAN.

jumbo disable|enable>

Enables or disables support for Jumbo Frame support on this VLAN.

ena

Enables this VLAN.

Table 7-25 VLAN Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/vlan)

Command Syntax and Usage	
dis	Disables this VLAN without removing it from the configuration.
del	Deletes this VLAN.
cur	Displays the current VLAN configuration.
NOTE – You cannot add a port to more than one VLAN unless the port has VLAN tagging turned on (see “/cfg/port <port number>” on page 153).	
NOTE – All ports must belong to at least one VLAN. Any port which is removed from a VLAN and which is not a member of any other VLAN is automatically added to default VLAN #1. You cannot remove a port from VLAN #1 if the port has no membership in any other VLAN.	

/cfg/stp

Spanning Tree Configuration

```
[Spanning Tree Group 1 Menu]
brg      - Bridge parameter menu
port     - Port parameter menu
on       - Globally turn Spanning Tree ON
off      - Globally turn Spanning Tree OFF
cur      - Display current bridge parameters
```

Web OS supports the IEEE 802.1d Spanning Tree Protocol (STP). STP is used to prevent loops in the network topology.

NOTE – When VRRP is used for active/active redundancy, STP must be enabled.

Table 7-26 Spanning Tree Configuration Menu (/cfg/stp)

Command Syntax and Usage

brg

Displays the Bridge Spanning Tree Menu. To view menu options, see [page 177](#).

port <port number (1-9)>

Displays the Spanning Tree Port Menu. To view menu options, see [page 179](#).

on

Globally enables STP.

off

Globally disables STP.

cur

Displays current STP parameters.

/cfg/stp/brg

Bridge Spanning Tree Configuration

[Bridge Spanning Tree Menu]

prior

- Set bridge Priority [0-65535]

hello

- Set bridge Hello Time [1-10 secs]

mxage

- Set bridge Max Age (6-40 secs)

fwd

- Set bridge Forward Delay (4-30 secs)

aging

- Set bridge Aging Time (1-65535 secs, 0 to disable)

cur

- Display current bridge parameters

Spanning Tree bridge parameters affect the global STP operation of the switch. STP bridge parameters include:

- Bridge priority
- Bridge hello time
- Bridge maximum age
- Forwarding delay
- Bridge aging time

Table 7-27 Bridge Spanning Tree Menu Options (/cfg/stp/brg)

Command Syntax and Usage

prior <new bridge priority (0-65535)>
Configures the bridge priority. The bridge priority parameter controls which bridge on the network is the STP root bridge. To make this switch the root bridge, configure the bridge priority lower than all other switches and bridges on your network. The lower the value, the higher the bridge priority. The range is 0 to 65535, and the default is 32768
hello <new bridge hello time (1-10 secs)>
Configures the bridge hello time. The hello time specifies how often the root bridge transmits a configuration bridge protocol data unit (BPDU). Any bridge that is not the root bridge uses the root bridge hello value. The range is 1 to 10 seconds, and the default is 2 seconds.
mxage <new bridge max age (6-40 secs)>
Configures the bridge maximum age. The maximum age parameter specifies the maximum time the bridge waits without receiving a configuration bridge protocol data unit before it reconfigures the STP network. The range is 6 to 40 seconds, and the default is 20 seconds.

Table 7-27 Bridge Spanning Tree Menu Options (/cfg/stp/brg)

Command Syntax and Usage

frwd <new bridge Forward Delay (4-30 secs)>

Configures the bridge forward delay parameter. The forward delay parameter specifies the amount of time that a bridge port has to wait before it changes from the listening state to the learning state and from the learning state to the forwarding state. The range is 4 to 30 seconds, and the default is 15 seconds.

aging <new bridge Aging Time (1-65535 secs, 0 to disable)>

Configures the forwarding database aging time. The aging time specifies the amount of time the bridge waits without receiving a packet from a station before removing the station from the forwarding database. The range is 1 to 65535 seconds, and the default is 300 seconds. To disable aging, set this parameter to 0.

current

Displays the current bridge STP parameters.

When configuring STP bridge parameters, the following formulas must be used:

- $2*(fwd-1) \geq mxage$
- $2*(hello+1) \leq mxage$

`/cfg/stp/port <port number>`

Spanning Tree Port Configuration

[Spanning Tree Port 1 Menu]

prior

- Set port Priority (0-255)

cost

- Set port Path Cost (1-65535, 0 for default)

on

- Turn port's Spanning Tree ON

off

- Turn port's Spanning Tree OFF

cur

- Display current port Spanning Tree parameters

Spanning Tree port parameters are used to modify STP operation on an individual port basis. STP port parameters include:

- Port priority
- Port path cost

Table 7-28 Spanning Tree Port Menu (`/cfg/stp/port <port-number>`)

Command Syntax and Usage

prior <i><new port Priority (0-255)></i>	Configures the port priority. The port priority helps determine which bridge port becomes the designated port. In a network topology that has multiple bridge ports connected to a single segment, the port with the lowest port priority becomes the designated port for the segment. The range is 0 to 255, and the default is 128.
cost <i><new port Path Cost (1-65535, 0 for default)></i>	Configures the port path cost. The port path cost is used to help determine the designated port for a segment. Generally speaking, the faster the port, the lower the path cost. The range is 1 to 65535. The default is 10 for 100Mbps ports, and 1 for gigabit ports. A value of 0 indicates that the default cost will be computed for an autonegotiated link speed.
on	Enables STP on the port.
off	Disables STP on the port.
cur	Displays the current STP port parameters.

/cfg/snmp

SNMP Configuration

```
[ SNMP Menu ]
name      - Set SNMP "sysName"
locn      - Set SNMP "sysLocation"
cont      - Set SNMP "sysContact"
rcomm     - Set SNMP read community string
wcomm     - Set SNMP write community string
trap1     - Set first SNMP trap host address
trap2     - Set second SNMP trap host address
tlcomm    - Set community string for first trap host
t2comm    - Set community string for second trap host
auth      - Enable or disable SNMP "sysAuthenTrap"
linkt     - Enable or disable SNMP link up/down trap
cur       - Display current SNMP configuration
```

The Web OS software supports SNMP-based network management. If you are running an SNMP network management station on your network, you can manage the switch using the following standard SNMP MIBs:

- MIB II (RFC 1213)
- Ethernet MIB (RFC 1643)
- Bridge MIB (RFC 1493)

SNMP parameters that can be modified include:

- System name
- System location
- System contact
- Use of the SNMP system authentication trap function
- Read community string
- Write community string
- Trap hosts
- Trap community strings

Table 7-29 SNMP Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/snmp)

Command Syntax and Usage

name *<new string, maximum 64 characters>*

Configures the name for the system. The name can have a maximum of 64 characters.

locn *<new string, maximum 64 characters>*

Configures the name of the system location. The system location can have a maximum of 64 characters.

cont *<new string, maximum 64 characters>*

Configures the name of the system contact. The system contact can have a maximum of 64 characters.

rcomm *<new SNMP read community string, maximum 32 characters>*

Configures the SNMP read community string. The read community string controls SNMP “get” access to the switch. It can have a maximum of 32 characters.

wcomm *<new SNMP write community string, maximum 32 characters>*

Configures the SNMP write community string. The write community string controls SNMP “set” and “get” access to the switch. It can have a maximum of 32 characters.

trap1 *<new SNMP trap host IP address>*

Configures the IP address of the first SNMP trap host using dotted decimal notation. The SNMP trap host is the device that receives SNMP trap messages from the switch.

trap2 *<new SNMP trap host IP address>*

Configures the IP address of the second SNMP trap host using dotted decimal notation.

t1com *<new trap host community string, maximum 32 characters>*

Configures the community string for the first trap host.

t2com *<new trap host community string, maximum 32 characters>*

Configures the community string for the second trap host.

auth **disable|enable**

Enables or disables the use of the system authentication trap facility. The default setting is disabled.

linkt *<port>* **[disable|enable]**

Enables or disables the sending of SNMP link up and link down traps.

cur

Displays the current STP port parameters.

/cfg/mirr

Port Mirroring Menu

```
[Mirroring Menu]
port      - Port Mirroring Menu
```

/cfg/mirr/port

Port Mirroring Configuration

```
[Port Mirroring Menu]
to        - Set "Monitoring" port
from      - Set "Mirrored" port
dir       - Set Direction [in, out, both]
tmout     - Set Mirroring Timeout value in seconds
ena       - Enable Port Mirroring
dis       - Disable Port Mirroring
cur       - Display current Port Mirroring configuration
```

NOTE – Port mirroring menu options are accessible only to the Alteon AD4 and Alteon 184 WebSystems switches.

The Port Mirroring Menu is used to configure, enable, and disable the port monitor. When enabled, network packets being sent and/or received on a target port are duplicated and sent to a monitor port. By attaching a network analyzer to the monitor port, you can collect detailed information about your network performance and usage.

There can be a total of four mirroring selectors. One of these selectors will be used to configure both address and non address-based mirroring selection criteria, and the other three selectors will be used only for non address-based ones. The address-based selection criteria allows user to specify MAC destinationA, MAC SA, IP DA, and/or IP SA, in addition to in-port, out-port, in-VLAN ID, and/or COS. The maximum number of configurable monitoring ports is 2.

NOTE – Port Mirroring cannot be used simultaneously with Layer 4 services (Server Load Balancing or Application Redirection) on any switch port connected to a server either directly, or through another switch or hub.

For Server Load Balancing, this applies to any switch port configured in the “server” state. For Application Redirection, this applies to any switch port that has a cache server attached to it directly or indirectly. Use your network analyzer with a full-duplex pass-through connection or an Ethernet hub when troubleshooting a switch port for a server used for Layer 4 services.

Table 7-30 Port Mirroring Options (/cfg/mirr/port)

Command Syntax and Usage

to <port number where monitoring station is located>	This defines the monitoring port. When port mirroring is enabled, packets received and/or transmitted by the mirrored port will be duplicated to the switch port specified in this command.
from <input port to be mirrored>	This defines the mirrored port. When port mirroring is enabled, packets received and/or sent by the port specified in this command will be sent to the monitor port.
dir	This determines which type of packets will be sent to the monitor port: in = packets received at the mirrored port out = packets sent from the mirrored port both = packets sent and received by the mirrored port
tmout <seconds after which mirroring gets disabled (1-86400, 0 for no timeout)>	Port mirroring will be automatically disabled (regardless of port state) after the time-out period specified in this command. Valid times are from 0 (does not time-out) to 86400 seconds.
dis	Turns port mirroring off.
ena	Turns port mirroring on.
cur	Displays the current parameter settings.

/cfg/trunk <trunk group number> Trunk Configuration

```
[Trunk group 1 Menu]
  cont    - Set BW contract for this trunk group
  add     - Add port to trunk group
  rem     - Remove port from trunk group
  ena     - Enable trunk group
  dis     - Disable trunk group
  del     - Delete trunk group
  cur     - Display current Trunk Group configuration
```

Trunk groups can provide super-bandwidth connections between Alteon WebSystems switches or other trunk capable devices. A *trunk* is a group of ports that act together, combining their bandwidth to create a single, larger port. Up to four trunk groups can be configured on the switch, with the following restrictions:

- Any physical switch port can belong to no more than one trunk group.
- Up to four ports can belong to the same trunk group.
- Best performance is achieved when all ports in a trunk are configured for the same speed.
- Trunking from non-Alteon devices must comply with Cisco® EtherChannel® technology.

Table 7-31 Trunk Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/trunk)

Command Syntax and Usage

cont <BWM Contract (1-1024)>

Sets the default Bandwidth Management Contract for this trunk group.

add <port number (1-9)>

Adds a physical port to the current trunk group.

rem <port number (1-9)>

Removes a physical port from the current trunk group.

ena

Enables the current trunk group.

dis

Turns the current trunk group off.

del

Removes the current trunk group configuration.

cur

Displays current trunk group parameters.

/cfg/vrrp

VRRP Configuration

```
[Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol Menu]
vr          - VRRP Virtual Router menu
group       - VRRP Virtual Router Group menu
if          - VRRP Interface menu
track       - VRRP Priority Tracking menu
hotstan     - Enable or disable hot-standby processing
on          - Globally turn VRRP ON
off         - Globally turn VRRP OFF
cur         - Display current VRRP configuration
```

Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP) support on Alteon WebSystems switches provides redundancy between routers in a LAN. This is accomplished by configuring the same virtual router IP address and ID number on each participating VRRP-capable routing device. One of the virtual routers is then elected as the master, based on a number of priority criteria, and assumes control of the shared virtual router IP address. If the master fails, one of the backup virtual routers will assume routing authority and take control of the virtual router IP address.

Alteon WebSystems has extended VRRP to include virtual servers as well, allowing for full active/active redundancy between its Layer 4 switches.

Table 7-32 Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol Options (/cfg/vrrp)

Command Syntax and Usage

- vr** *<virtual router number (1-256)>*

Displays the VRRP Virtual Router Menu. This menu is used for configuring up to 256 virtual routers on this switch. To view menu options, see [page 186](#).
- group**

Displays the VRRP virtual router group menu, used to combine all virtual routers together as one logical entity. Group options must be configured when using two or more Alteon switches in a hot-standby failover configuration where only one switch is active at any given time. To view menu options, see [page 191](#).
- if** *<interface number (1-256)>*

Displays the VRRP Virtual Router Interface Menu. To view menu options, see [page 193](#).
-

Table 7-32 Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol Options (/cfg/vrrp)**Command Syntax and Usage****track** *<interface number (1-256)>*

Displays the VRRP Tracking Menu. This menu is used for weighting the criteria used when modifying priority levels in the master router election process. To view menu options, see [page 194](#).

hotstan **disable|enable**

Enables or disables hot standby processing, in which two or more switches provide redundancy for each other.

on

Globally enables VRRP on this switch.

off

Globally disables VRRP on this switch.

cur

Displays the current VRRP parameters.

/cfg/vrrp/vr *<router number>*

Virtual Router Configuration

```
[VRRP Virtual Router 1 Menu]
  track    - Priority Tracking Menu
  vrid     - Set virtual router ID
  addr     - Set IP address
  if       - Set interface number
  prio     - Set renter priority
  adver    - Set advertisement interval
  preem    - Enable or disable preemption
  share    - Enable or disable sharing
  ena      - Enable virtual router
  dis      - Disable virtual router
  del      - Delete virtual router
  cur      - Display current VRRP virtual router configuration
```

This menu is used for configuring up to 256 virtual routers for this switch. A virtual router is defined by its virtual router ID and an IP address. On each VRRP-capable routing device participating in redundancy for this virtual router, a virtual router will be configured to share the same virtual router ID and IP address.

Table 7-33 VRRP Virtual Router Options (/cfg/vrrp/vr)

Command Syntax and Usage

track

Displays the VRRP Priority Tracking Menu for this virtual router. Tracking is an Alteon WebSystems proprietary extension to VRRP, used for modifying the standard priority system used for electing the master router. Tracking is not needed if sharing (*share*) is enabled. The default value is “nothing.” To view menu options, see [page 189](#).

vrid <virtual router ID (1-255)>

Defines the virtual router ID. This is used in conjunction with *addr* (below) to define a virtual router on this switch. To create a pool of VRRP-enabled routing devices which can provide redundancy to each other, each participating VRRP device must be configured with the same virtual router: one that shares the same *vrid* and *addr* combination.

The *vrid* for standard virtual routers (where the virtual router IP address is not the same as any virtual server) can be any integer between 1 and 255. The default value is 1.

All *vrid* values must be unique within the VLAN to which the virtual router’s IP interface (see *if* below) belongs.

addr <IP address>

Defines the IP address for this virtual router using dotted decimal notation. This is used in conjunction with the *vrid* (above) to configure the same virtual router on each participating VRRP device. The default address is 0.0.0.0.

if <interface number (1-256)>

Selects a switch IP interface (between 1 and 256). If the IP interface has the same IP address as the *addr* option above, this switch is considered the “owner” of the defined virtual router. An owner has a special priority of 255 (highest) and will always assume the role of master router, even if it must preempt another virtual router which has assumed master routing authority. This preemption occurs even if the *preem* option below is disabled. The default value is 1.

Table 7-33 VRRP Virtual Router Options (/cfg/vrrp/vr)

Command Syntax and Usage

prio <priority (1-254)>

Defines the election priority bias for this virtual server. This can be any integer between 1 and 254. The default value is 100.

During the master router election process, the routing device with the highest virtual router priority number wins. If there is a tie, the device with the highest IP interface address wins. If this virtual router's IP address (addr) is the same as the one used by the IP interface, the priority for this virtual router will automatically be set to 255 (highest).

When priority tracking is used (/cfg/vrrp/track or /cfg/vrrp/vr #/track), this base priority value can be modified according to a number of performance and operational criteria.

adver <seconds (1-255)>

Defines the time interval between VRRP master advertisements. This can be any integer between 1 and 255 seconds. The default value is 1.

preem disable|enable

Enables or disables master preemption. When enabled, if this virtual router is in backup mode but has a higher priority than the current master, this virtual router will preempt the lower priority master and assume control. Note that even when preem is disabled, this virtual router will always preempt any other master if this switch is the owner (the IP interface address and virtual router addr are the same). By default, this option is enabled.

share disable|enable

Enables or disables virtual router sharing, an Alteon WebSystems proprietary extension to VRRP. When enabled, this switch will process any traffic addressed to this virtual router, even when in backup mode. By default, this option is enabled.

ena

Enables this virtual router.

dis

Disables this virtual router.

del

Deletes this virtual router from the switch configuration.

cur

Displays the current configuration information for this virtual router.

`/cfg/vrrp/vr <router number> /track`

Virtual Router Priority Tracking Configuration

[VRRP Virtual Router 1 Priority Tracking Menu]	
<code>vrs</code>	- Enable or disable tracking virtual routers
<code>ifs</code>	- Enable or disable tracking other interfaces
<code>ports</code>	- Enable or disable tracking VLAN switch ports
<code>l4pts</code>	- Enable or disable tracking L4 switch ports
<code>reals</code>	- Enable or disable tracking L4 real servers
<code>hsrp</code>	- Enable or disable tracking HSRP
<code>cur</code>	- Display current VRRP virtual router configuration

This menu is used for modifying the priority system used when electing the master router from a pool of virtual routers. Various tracking criteria can be used to bias the election results. Each time one of the tracking criteria is met, the priority level for the virtual router is increased by an amount defined through the VRRP Tracking Menu (see [page 194](#)).

Criteria are tracked dynamically, continuously updating virtual router priority levels when enabled. If the virtual router preemption option (see `preem` in [Table 7-33 on page 187](#)) is enabled, this virtual router can assume master routing authority when its priority level rises above that of the current master.

Some tracking criteria (`vrs`, `ifs`, and `ports` below) apply to standard virtual routers, otherwise called “virtual interface routers.” Other tracking criteria (`l4pts`, `reals`, and `hsrp`) apply to “virtual server routers,” which perform Layer 4 Server Load Balancing functions. A virtual *server* router is defined as any virtual router whose IP address (`addr`) is the same as any configured virtual server IP address.

Table 7-34 VRRP Priority Tracking Options (`/cfg/vrrp/vr #/track`)

Command Syntax and Usage	
<code>vrs disable enable</code>	When enabled, the priority for this virtual router will be increased for each virtual router in master mode on this switch. This is useful for making sure that traffic for any particular client/server pairing are handled by the same switch, increasing routing and load balancing efficiency.
<code>ifs disable enable</code>	When enabled, the priority for this virtual router will be increased for each other IP interface active on this switch. An IP interface is considered active when there is at least one active port on the same VLAN. This helps elect the virtual routers with the most available routes as the master.

Table 7-34 VRRP Priority Tracking Options (/cfg/vrrp/vr #/track)

Command Syntax and Usage

ports disable|enable

When enabled, the priority for this virtual router will be increased for each active port on the same VLAN. A port is considered “active” if it has a link and is forwarding traffic. This helps elect the virtual routers with the most available ports as the master.

l4pts disable|enable

When enabled for virtual server routers, the priority for this virtual router will be increased for each physical switch port which has active Layer 4 processing on this switch. This helps elect the main Layer 4 switch as the master.

reals disable|enable

When enabled for virtual server routers, the priority for this virtual router will be increased for each healthy real server behind the virtual server IP address of the same IP address as the virtual router on this switch. This helps elect the switch with the largest server pool as the master, increasing Layer 4 efficiency.

hsrp disable|enable

Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP) is used with some types of routers for establishing router failover. In networks where HSRP is used, enable this switch option to increase the priority of this virtual router for each Layer 4 client-only port that receives HSRP advertisements. This helps elect the switch closest to the master HSRP router as the master, optimizing routing efficiency.

cur

Displays the current configuration for priority tracking for this virtual router.

/cfg/vrrp/group

Virtual Router Group Configuration

```
[VRRP Virtual Router Group Menu]
track    - Priority Tracking Menu
vrid     - Set virtual router ID
if       - Set interface number
prio     - Set renter priority
adver    - Set advertisement interval
preem    - Enable or disable preemption
share    - Enable or disable sharing
ena      - Enable virtual router
dis      - Disable virtual router
del      - Delete virtual router
cur      - Display current VRRP virtual router configuration
```

This menu is used for associating all virtual routers into a single logical virtual router, which forces all virtual routers on the switch to either be master or backup as a group. A virtual router is defined by its virtual router ID and an IP address. On each VRRP-capable routing device participating in redundancy for this virtual router, a virtual router will be configured to share the same virtual router ID and IP address.

NOTE – This option is required to be configured only when using at least two Alteon switches in a hot-standby failover configuration, where only one switch is active at any given time.

Figure 7-1 VRRP Virtual Router Group Options (/cfg/vrrp/group)

Command Syntax and Usage

track

Displays the VRRP Priority Tracking Menu for the virtual router group. Tracking is an Alteon WebSystems proprietary extension to VRRP, used for modifying the standard priority system used for electing the master router. Tracking is not needed if sharing (share) is enabled. The default value is “nothing.”

To view menu options, see [page 194](#).

vrid <virtual router ID (1-255)>

Defines the virtual router ID.

The vrid for standard virtual routers (where the virtual router IP address is not the same as any virtual server) can be any integer between 1 and 255. All vrid values but must be unique within the VLAN to which the virtual router’s IP interface (see if below) belongs.

Figure 7-1 VRRP Virtual Router Group Options (/cfg/vrrp/group)

Command Syntax and Usage

if *<interface number (1-256)>*

Selects a switch IP interface (between 1 and 256).

prio *<priority (1-254)>*

Defines the election priority bias for this virtual router group. This can be any integer between 1 and 254. The default value is 100.

During the master router election process, the routing device with the highest virtual router priority number wins. If there is a tie, the device with the highest IP interface address wins. If this virtual router's IP address (**addr**) is the same as the one used by the IP interface, the priority for this virtual router will automatically be set to 255 (highest).

When priority tracking is used (/cfg/vrrp/track or /cfg/vrrp/vr #/track), this base priority value can be modified according to a number of performance and operational criteria.

adver *<1-255 seconds>*

Defines the time interval between VRRP master advertisements. This can be any integer between 1 and 255 seconds. The default is 1.

preem **disable|enable**Enables or disables master preemption. When enabled, if the virtual router group is in backup mode but has a higher priority than the current master, this virtual router will preempt the lower priority master and assume control. Note that even when **preem** is disabled, this virtual router will always preempt any other master if this switch is the owner (the IP interface address and virtual router **addr** are the same).**share** **disable|enable**

Enables or disables virtual router sharing, an Alteon WebSystems proprietary extension to VRRP. When enabled, this switch will process any traffic addressed to this virtual router, even when in backup mode. By default, this option is enabled.

ena

Enables the virtual router group.

dis

Disables the virtual router group.

del

Deletes the virtual router group from the switch configuration.

curDisplays the current configuration information for the virtual router group.

/cfg/vrrp/if <interface number>

VRRP Interface Configuration

NOTE – The *interface-number* (1 to 256) represents the IP interface on which authentication parameters must be configured.

[VRRP Interface 1 Menu]

auth - Set authentication types

passw - Set plain-text password

del - Delete interface

cur - Display current VRRP interface configuration

This menu is used for configuring VRRP authentication parameters for the IP interfaces used with the virtual routers.

Table 7-35 VRRP Interface Options (/cfg/vrrp/if)

Command Syntax and Usage

auth none|password

Defines the type of authentication:

noneNo authentication used.

passwordPassword authentication will be used.

passw <key>

Defines a plain text password up to eight characters long. This password will be added to each VRRP packet transmitted by this interface when password authentication is chosen (see auth above).

del

Clears the authentication configuration parameters for this IP interface. The IP interface itself is not deleted.

cur

Displays the current configuration for this IP interface’s authentication parameters.

/cfg/vrrp/track

VRRP Tracking Configuration

[VRRP Tracking Menu]	
vrs	- Set priority increment for virtual router tracking
ifs	- Set priority increment for IP interface tracking
ports	- Set priority increment for VLAN switch port tracking
l4pts	- Set priority increment for L4 switch port tracking
reals	- Set priority increment for L4 real server tracking
hsrp	- Set priority increment for HSRP tracking
cur	- Display current VRRP Priority Tracking configuration

This menu is used for setting weights for the various criteria used to modify priority levels during the master router election process. Each time one of the tracking criteria is met (see [VRRP Virtual Router Priority Tracking Menu on page 189](#)), the priority level for the virtual router is increased by an amount defined through this menu.

Table 7-36 VRRP Tracking Options (/cfg/vrrp/track)

Command Syntax and Usage

vrs <0-254>

Defines the priority increment value (1 through 254) for virtual routers in master mode detected on this switch. The default value is 2.

ifs <0-254>

Defines the priority increment value (1 through 254) for active IP interfaces detected on this switch. The default value is 2.

ports <0-254>

Defines the priority increment value (1 through 254) for active ports on the virtual router's VLAN. The default value is 2.

l4pts <0-254>

Defines the priority increment value (1 through 254) for physical switch ports with active Layer 4 processing. The default value is 2.

reals <0-254>

Defines the priority increment value (1 through 254) for healthy real servers behind the virtual server router. The default value is 2.

Table 7-36 VRRP Tracking Options (/cfg/vrrp/track)

Command Syntax and Usage	
hsrp	Defines the priority increment value (1 through 254) for switch ports with Layer 4 client-only processing that receive HSRP broadcasts. The default value is 10.
cur	Displays the current configuration of priority tracking increment values.
NOTE – These priority tracking options only define increment values. These options do not affect the VRRP master router election process until options under the VRRP Virtual Router Priority Tracking Menu (see page 189) are enabled.	

/cfg/bwm

Bandwidth Management Configuration

```
[Bandwidth Management Menu]
  cont      - Contract Menu
  policy    - Policy Menu
  user      - Set SMTP server user name
  force     - Enable or disable enforce policies
  on        - Globally turn Bandwidth Management processing ON
  off       - Globally turn Bandwidth Management processing OFF
  cur       - Display current Bandwidth Management configuration
```

NOTE – Up to 1024 bandwidth management contracts can be configured on the Alteon AD4 and Alteon WebSystems 184 switches.

Table 7-37 Bandwidth Management Options (/cfg/bwm)

Command Syntax and Usage

cont <contract number (1-1024)>

Displays the Bandwidth Management Contract Menu. To view menu options, see [page 197](#).

policy <policy number (1-64)>

Displays the Bandwidth Management Policy Menu. To view menu options, see [page 198](#).

user <user name>

Sets the SMTP user name to whom the history statistics will be mailed.

force disable|enable

Enables or disables enforces policies. When disabled, no bandwidth limits will be applied on queues. By default, this option is enabled.

on

Globally enables Bandwidth Management on this switch.

off

Globally disables Bandwidth Management on this switch.

cur

Displays the current Bandwidth Management configuration.

/cfg/bwm/cont *<contract number>*

Bandwidth Management Contract Configuration

[BW Contract 1 Menu]

name

- Set Contract name

policy

- Set Contract Policy

prec

- Set Contract Precedence

history

- Enable/disable Saving Contract stats history

wtos

- Enable/disable overwriting IP TOS for this Contract

ena

- Enable BW Contract

dis

- Disable BW Contract

del

- Delete BW Contract

cur

- Display current BW Contract configuration

Table 7-38 Bandwidth Management Policy Menu Options (/cfg/bwm/cont)

Command Syntax and Usage

name <i><15 character name></i>	Sets the name for this Bandwidth Management contract.
policy <i><bandwidth policy number (1-64)></i>	Sets the policy number for this Bandwidth Management contract.
prec <i><bandwidth precedence value (1-255)></i>	Sets the precedence value for this Bandwidth Management contract.
history disable enable	Disables or enables saving statistics for this contract on the server.
wtos disable enable	Disables or enables overwriting the IP Type of Service (TOS) for this contract.
ena	Enables this Bandwidth Management contract.
dis	Disables this Bandwidth Management contract.
del	Removes this contract from the switch.
cur	Displays the current Bandwidth Management contract configuration.

/cfg/bwm/pol *<policy number>*

Bandwidth Management Policy Configuration

```
[Policy 1 Menu]
hard      - Set hard Limit
soft      - Set soft Limit
resv      - Set Reservation Limit
utos      - Set underlimit (soft limit) TOS
otos      - Set overlimit (soft limit) TOS
buffer    - Set Buffer Limit
cur       - Display current Policy configuration
```

Table 7-39 Bandwidth Management Policy Menu Options (/cfg/bwm/pol/)

Command Syntax and Usage

hard *<250K-5000K/1MB-1000MB>*

Sets the hard bandwidth limit for this policy. This is the highest amount of bandwidth available to this policy. The default value is 2000 kbps.

soft *<250K-5000K/1MB-1000MB>*

Sets the soft bandwidth limit for this policy. The default value is 1000 kbps.

resv *<250K-5000K/1MB-1000MB>*

Sets the reserve limit for this policy. This is the amount of bandwidth always available to this policy. The default value is 500Kbytes.

utos *<BW Policy TOS (0-255)>*

Sets the new **utos** value to overwrite the original TOS value if the traffic for this contract is under the soft limit. With this option set to the default value of “0,” the switch will not overwrite the TOS value.

otos *<BW Policy TOS (0-255)>*

Sets the new **otos** value to overwrite the original TOS value if the traffic for this contract is over the soft limit. With this option set to the default value of “0,” the switch will not overwrite the TOS value.

buffer *<Maximum buffer space (bytes) (8192-512000)>*

Sets the buffer limit for this policy. The default value is 32640 bytes.

cur

Displays the current bandwidth policy configuration.

/cfg/bwm/cur

Bandwidth Management Current Configuration

```
Current Bandwidth Management setting: ON
  Policy Enforcement: enabled
  SMTP server user name:

Contract Name                Policy Prec Hist TOS State
      4                      4      4   E   D   E
      6                      4      6   E   D   E
    256   Default            --      0   E   D   E
*Default contract gets all the BW that is available on
  a port after the active contracts reserved BW is taken.

Policy      Hard   Soft  Resv oTOS uTOS Buffer
    1      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
    2           40m   35m   30m   0   0  32640
    3      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
    4         10m    9m    8m    0   0  32640
    5      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
    6      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
    7      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
    8      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
    9      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   10      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   11      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   12      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   13      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   14      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   15      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   16      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   17      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   18      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   19      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   20      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   21      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   22      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   23      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   24      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   25      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   26      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   27      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   28      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   29      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  32640
   30      2000k 1000k 500k   0   0  3264
```

/cfg/isd

iSD Menu

The iSD Menu is used for setting basic parameters for all iSD100-SSL devices. Once you have logged in as an administrator, this menu can be accessed using the following command:

```
# /cfg/isd
```

The iSD Menu is displayed below:

```
[isd Menu]
  ssl      - SSL Offload Menu
  ipstrt   - Set starting IP address for isd servers
  ipnum    - Set number of isd servers
  vrnum    - Set VRRP virtual interface router number to bind with
  on       - Turn IP address assignment ON
  off      - Turn IP address assignment OFF
  cur      - Display current isd server configuration
```

Table 7-40 explains the available configuration options and parameters.

Table 7-40 iSD Menu Options (/cfg/isd)

Command Syntax and Usage	
ssl	Displays the SSL Offload Application Menu. To view menu options, see page 201 .
ipstrt <IP address (such as 192.4.17.101)>	Set the starting IP address for iSD100-SSL units.
ipnum <number (0-32), 0 to disable the IP address assignment for iSD units>	Set the number of iSD100-SSL units. If ipstrt is set at 192.4.17.101 and ipnum is 3, then the iSD100-SSLs attached to the switch will be numbered 192.4.17.101, 192.4.17.102, and 192.4.17.103.
vrnum <1-256>	Set the virtual router number to bind with the WebSwitch. This number must correspond to the virtual router of the WebSwitch that connects to the iSD100-SSL. For more information about virtual routers, see the /cfg/vrrp/vr command in the <i>Web OS 8.3 Command Reference</i> .

Table 7-40 iSD Menu Options (/cfg/isd)

Command Syntax and Usage	
on	Globally turns on all iSD100-SSL processing. This enables the switch to assign IP addresses automatically and manage the iSD100-SSL units.
off	Globally turn all iSD100-SSL processing off. When iSD100-SSL processing is turned off, HTTPS traffic will be forwarded to the real Web server without being redirected to an iSD100-SSL. However, the real Web server must be configured to listen to HTTPS traffic on port 443.
cur	Display current iSD100-SSL configuration.

/cfg/isd/ssl

SSL Offload Application Menu

The SSL Offload Application Menu is used for configuring SSL certificates and iSD100-SSL ports, upgrading iSD100-SSL software, and resetting iSD100-SSL devices.

This menu can be accessed from the WebSwitch CLI prompt using the following command:

```
# /cfg/isd/ssl
```

The SSL Offload Application Menu is displayed below:

```
[SSL Offload Application Menu]
addcrt  - Add certificate for a virtual IP address
tftpcrt - Tftp certificate from remote machine
remcrt  - Remove certificate for a virtual IP address
lstcrt  - List certificate for a virtual IP address
lstip   - List all configured virtual IP addresses
setport - Set port for isd-server communication
lstport - List port for isd-server communication
update  - Update the isd software
shutdn  - Shutdown (halt or reboot) isd
```

[Table 7-41](#) explains the available configuration options and parameters.

Table 7-41 iSD Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/isd/ssl)

Command Syntax and Usage

addcrt

Add a virtual IP address of a certificate to the iSD100-SSLs. Enter the virtual IP address of the certificate, then cut and paste the contents of the certificate at the prompt. Finally, type three periods (. . .) on a new line to denote the end of the certificate.

tftpcrt

Get a certificate using TFTP. Enter an IP address of a TFTP server that has the certificate you want. Then, enter the virtual IP address of the certificate filename.

remcrt

Remove a certificate from the iSD100-SSLs. Enter the virtual IP address of the certificate you want to remove.

lstcrt

Display a certificate by entering the virtual IP address for the certificate. The contents of the certificate are displayed.

lstip

List all virtual IP addresses for which certificates have been configured on the group of iSD100-SSLs.

setport

Set the port for communication between the iSD100-SSLs and the real Web servers. Enter the port number (usually port 81) at which the iSD100-SSLs contact the real Web servers via plain HTTP. All the real Web servers and iSD100-SSLs should be configured to the same port. This command can be used for security against direct access to secure Web pages.

lstport

List the port for communication between the iSD100-SSL and the real Web server. This shows the port that was set using the setport command (usually port 81).

update

Update or upgrade all iSD100-SSL software via TFTP. Enter the IP address of the remote TFTP server where the iSD100-SSL software image is stored. This command will upgrade all iSD100-SSLs that are connected to the WebSwitch.

shutdown <IP address of iSD100-SSL / **all**>

Shutdown/Reboot one or more iSD100-SSLs that are connected to the WebSwitch.

/cfg/setup

Setup

The setup program steps you through configuring the system date and time, BOOTP, IP, Spanning Tree, port, and VLAN parameters.

To start the setup program, at the Configuration# prompt, enter:

```
Configuration# setup
```

For a complete description of how to use **setup**, see [Chapter 3, “First-Time Configuration.”](#)

/cfg/dump

Dump

The dump program writes the current switch configuration to the terminal screen. To start the dump program, at the Configuration# prompt, enter:

```
Configuration# dump
```

The configuration is displayed with parameters that have been changed from the default values. The screen display can be captured, edited, and placed in a script file, which can be used to configure other switches through a Telnet connection. When using Telnet to configure a new switch, paste the configuration commands from the script file at the command line prompt of the switch. The active configuration can also be saved or loaded via TFTP, as described on [page 204](#).

***/cfg/ptcfg* <TFTP server> <filename>**

Saving the Active Switch Configuration

When the `ptcfg` command is used, the switch's active configuration commands (as displayed using `/cfg/dump`) will be uploaded to the specified script configuration file on the TFTP server. To start the switch configuration upload, at the `Configuration#` prompt, enter:

```
Configuration# ptcfg <server> <filename>
```

Where *server* is the TFTP server IP address or hostname, and *filename* is the name of the target script configuration file.

NOTE – The output file is formatted with line-breaks but no carriage returns—the file cannot be viewed with editors that require carriage returns (such as Microsoft Notepad).

NOTE – If the TFTP server is running SunOS or the Solaris operating system, the specified `ptcfg` file must exist prior to executing the `ptcfg` command and must be writable (set with proper permission, and not locked by any application). The contents of the specified file will be replaced with the current configuration data.

***/cfg/gtcfg* <TFTP server> <filename>**

Loading the Active Switch Configuration

When the `gtcfg` command is used, the active configuration will be replaced with the commands found in the specified configuration file. The file can contain a full switch configuration or a partial switch configuration. The configuration loaded using `gtcfg` is not activated until the `apply` command is used. If the `apply` command is found in the configuration script file loaded using this command, the `apply` action will be performed automatically.

To start the switch configuration download, at the `Configuration#` prompt, enter:

```
Configuration# gtcfg <server> <filename>
```

Where *server* is the TFTP server IP address or hostname, and *filename* is the name of the target script configuration file.

CHAPTER 8

The SLB Configuration Menu

This chapter discusses how to use the Command Line Interface (CLI) for configuring Server Load Balancing (SLB) on the switch.

NOTE – New Web OS 8.3 commands are highlighted in **bold**.

/cfg/slb

SLB Configuration

```
[Layer 4 Menu]
real      - Real server menu
group     - Real server group menu
virt      - Virtual server menu
filt      - Filtering menu
port      - Layer 4 port menu
gslb      - Global SLB menu
url        - URL redirection and load balance menu
sync      - Config synch menu
adv        - Layer 4 advanced menu
on         - Globally turn Layer 4 processing ON
off        - Globally turn Layer 4 processing OFF
cur        - Display current Layer 4 configuration
```

Table 8-1 Server Load Balancing Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb)

Command Syntax and Usage

real <real server number (1-255)>

Displays the menu for configuring real servers. To view menu options, see [page 207](#).

group <real server group number (1-256)>

Displays the menu for placing real servers into real server groups. To view menu options, see [page 212](#).

Table 8-1 Server Load Balancing Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb)**Command Syntax and Usage****virt** <virtual server number (1-256)>Displays the menu for defining virtual servers. To view menu options, see [page 217](#).**filt** <filter ID (1-224)>Displays the menu for Filtering and Application Redirection. To view menu options, see [page 225](#).**port** <port number (1-9)>Displays the menu for setting physical switch port states for Layer 4 activity. To view menu options, see [page 234](#).**gslb**Displays the menu for configuring Global Server Load Balancing. To view menu options, see [page 236](#).**url**Displays URL Redirection and Load Balance Menu. To view menu options, see [page 243](#).**sync**Displays the Synch Peer Switch Menu. To view menu options, see [page 246](#).**adv**Displays the Layer 4 Advanced Menu. To view menu options, see [page 248](#).**on**Globally turns on Layer 4 software services for Server Load Balancing and Application Redirection. This option can be performed only after the optional Layer 4 software is enabled (see “Activating Optional Software on [page 261](#)). Enabling Layer 4 services is not necessary for using filters only to allow, deny, or NAT traffic.**off**

Globally disables Layer 4 services. All configuration information will remain in place (if applied or saved), but the software processes will no longer be active in the switch

cur

Displays the current Server Load Balancing configuration.

Filtering and Layer 4 (Server Load Balancing)

Filters configured to allow, deny, or NAT traffic do not require Layer 4 software to be activated. These filters are not affected by the Server Load Balancing **on** and **off** commands in this menu.

Application Redirection filters, however, require Layer 4 software services. Layer 4 processing must be turned on before redirection filters will work.

`/cfg/slb/real` *<server number>*

Real Server SLB Configuration

NOTE – The real-server-number (1 to 255) represents a real server that you wish to configure.

```
[Real server 1 Menu]
layer7 - Real Server Layer 7 Command Menu
rip    - Set IP addr of real server
name   - Set server name
weight - Set server weight
maxcon - Set maximum number of connections
tmout  - Set minutes inactive connection remains open
backup - Set backup real server
inter  - Set interval between health checks
retry  - Set number of failed attempts to declare server DOWN
restr  - Set number of successful attempts to declare server UP
addport - Add real port to server
remport - Remove real port to server
remote - Enable/disable remote site operation
proxy  - Enable/disable client proxy operation
submac - Enable/disable source MAC address substitution
ena     - Enable real server
dis     - Disable real server
del     - Delete real server
cur     - Display current real server configuration
```

This menu is used for configuring information about real servers that participate in a server pool for Server Load Balancing or Application Redirection. The required parameters are:

- Real server IP address
- Enabling the real server

Table 8-2 Real Server Configuration Menu Options (`/cfg/slb/real`)

Command Syntax and Usage

layer7

Displays the Layer 7 Menu. To view menu options, refer to [page 211](#).

rip *<server IP address>*

Sets the IP address of the real server in dotted decimal format. When this command is used, the address entered is PINGed to determine if the server is up, and the administrator will be warned if the server does not respond.

Table 8-2 Real Server Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/real)

Command Syntax and Usage

name *<string, maximum 15 characters/ none>*

Defines a 15-character alias for each real server. This will enable the network administrator to quickly identify the server by a natural language keyword value.

weight *<server weight (1-48)>*

Sets the weighting value (1 to 48) that this real server will be given in the load balancing algorithms. Higher weighting values force the server to receive more connections than the other servers configured in the same real server group. By default, each real server is given a weight setting of 1. A setting of 10 would assign the server roughly 10 times the number of connections as a server with a weight of 1.

Weights are not applied when using the hash or minmisses metrics (see [“Server Load Balancing Metrics” on page 215](#)).

maxcon *<maximum connections (0-200000)>*

Sets the maximum number of connections that this server should simultaneously support. This option sets a threshold as an artificial barrier, such that new connections will not be issued to this server if the maxcon limit is reached. New connections will be issued again to this server once the number of current connections has decreased below the maxcon setting.

If all servers in a real server group for a virtual server reach their maxcon limit at the same time, client requests will be sent to the backup/overflow server or backup/overflow server group. If no backup servers/server group are configured, client requests will be dropped by the virtual server.

tmout *<even number of minutes (2-30)>*

Sets the number of minutes an inactive session remains open (in even numbered increments).

Every client-to-server session being load balanced is recorded in the switch's Session Table. When a client makes a request, the session is recorded in the table, the data is transferred until the client ends the session, and the session table entry is then removed.

In certain circumstances, such as when a client application is abnormally terminated by the client's system, TCP/UDP connections will remain registered in the switch's binding table. In order to prevent table overflow, these orphaned entries must be aged out of the binding table.

Using the tmout option, you can set the number of minutes to wait before removing orphan table entries. Settings must be specified in even numbered increments between 2 and 30 minutes. The default setting is 10.

This option is also used with the Persistent option (see /cfg/slb/virt/pbind). When persistent is activated, this option sets how long an idle client is allowed to remain associated with a particular server.

Table 8-2 Real Server Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/real)

Command Syntax and Usage

backup *<real server number (1-255)>* | **none**

Sets the real server used as the backup/overflow server for this real server.

To prevent loss of service if a particular real server fails, use this option to assign a backup real server number. Then, if the real server becomes inoperative, the switch will activate the backup real server until the original becomes operative again.

The backup server is also used in overflow situations. If the real server reaches its max-con (maximum connections) limit, the backup comes online to provide additional processing power until the original server becomes desaturated.

The same backup/overflow server may be assigned to more than one real server at the same time

inter *<number of seconds between health checks (0-60)>*

Sets the interval between real server health verification attempts.

Determining the health of each real server is a necessary function for Layer 4 switching. For TCP services, the switch verifies that real servers and their corresponding services are operational by opening a TCP connection to each service, using the defined service ports configured as part of each virtual service. For UDP services, the switch pings servers to determine their status.

The **intr** option lets you choose the time between health checks. The range is from 1 to 60 seconds. The default interval is 2 seconds. An interval of “0” disables health checking for the server.

retry *<number of consecutive health checks (1-63)>*

Sets the number of failed health check attempts required before declaring this real server inoperative. The range is from 1 to 63 attempts. The default is 4 attempts

restr *<number of consecutive health checks (1-63)>*

Sets the number of successful health check attempts required before declaring a UDP service operational. The range is from 1 to 63 attempts. The default is 8 attempts

addport *<real server port (2-65534)>*

Add multiple service ports to the server.

remport *<real server port (2-65534)>*

Remove multiple service ports from the server.

remote **disable** | **enable**

Enables or disables remote site operation for this server. This should be enabled when the real IP address supplied above represents a remote server (real or virtual) this switch will access as part of its Global Server Load Balancing network.

Table 8-2 Real Server Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/real)

Command Syntax and Usage

proxy disable|enable

Enables or disables proxy IP address translation. With this option enabled (default), a client request from any application can be proxied using a load-balancing Proxy IP address (PIP).

submac disable|enable

Enables or disables source MAC address substitution.

exclude disable|enable

Enables or disables exclusionary string matching.

enable

You *must* perform this command to enable this real server for Layer 4 service. When enabled, the real server can process virtual server requests associated with its real server group. This option, when the `apply` and `save` commands are used, enables this real server for operation until explicitly disabled.

See `/oper/slb/ena` on [page 258](#) for an operations-level command

dis

Disables this real server from Layer 4 service. Any disabled server will no longer process virtual server requests as part of the real server group to which it is assigned. This option, when the `apply` is are used, disables this real server until it is explicitly re-enabled. This option *does not* perform a graceful server shutdown.

See `/oper/slb/dis` on [page 258](#) for an operations-level command.

del

Deletes this real server from the Layer 4 switching software configuration. This removes the real server from operation within its real server groups. Use this command with caution, as it will delete any configuration options that have been set for this real server. This option *does not* perform a graceful server shutdown.

cur

Displays the current configuration information for this real server.

/cfg/slb/real/layer7

Real Server Layer 7 Configuration

[Layer 7 Commands Menu]

addlb

- Add URL path for URL load balance

remlb

- Remove URL path for URL load balance

nocook

- Enable/disable no available URL cookie operation

exclude

- Enable/disable exclusionary string matching

cur

- Display current real server configuration

This menu is used for entering commands and strings for Layer 7 processing.

Table 8-3

Command Syntax and Usage

addlb <URL path ID (1-128)>	Adds the predefined URL loadbalance string ID to the real server.
remlb <URL path ID (1-128)>	Removes the predefined URL loadbalance string ID from the real server.
nocook disable enable	Enables or disables the cooked assigned server.
exclude disable enable	Enables or disables <i>exclusionary string</i> matching.
cur	Displays the current real server configuration.

/cfg/slb/group <group number> Real Server Group SLB Configuration

NOTE – The *real-server-group-number* (1 to 256) represents the number of the real server group that you wish to configure.

```
[Real server group 1 Menu]
metric - Set metric used to select next server in group
content - Set health check content
health - Set health check type
backup - Set backup real server or group
name - Set real server group name
realthr - Set real server failure threshold
add - Add real server
rem - Remove real server
del - Delete real server group
cur - Display current group configuration
```

This menu is used for combining real servers into real server groups. Each real server group should consist of all the real servers which provide a specific service for load balancing. Each group must consist of at least one real server. Each real server can belong to more than one group. Real server groups are used both for Server Load Balancing and Application Redirection.

Table 8-4 Real Server Group Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/group)

Command Syntax and Usage

metric leastconns|roundrobin|minmisses|hash

Set the load balancing metric used for determining which real server in the group will be the target of the next client request. See [“Server Load Balancing Metrics”](#) on page 215.

content <filename>|/ /<host> /<filename>|none

This option defines the specific content which is examined during health checks. The content depends on the type of health check specified in the `health` option (see below).

Table 8-4 Real Server Group Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/group)

Command Syntax and Usage	
health icmp tcp http dns pop3 smtp nntp ftp imap radius sslh wsp script<n>	
Sets the type of health checking performed. The options are as follows:	
icmp	For Layer 3 health checking, ping the server.
tcp	For TCP service, open and close a TCP/IP connection to the server.
http	For HTTP service, uses HTTP 1.1 GETS when a HOST: header is required to check that the URL content specified in content is accessible on the server. Otherwise, an HTTP/1.0 GET occurs.
dns	For Domain Name Service, check that the domain name specified in content can be resolved by the server.
pop3	For user mail service, check that the user:password account specified in content exists on the server.
smtp	For mail-server services, check that the user specified in content is accessible on the server.
nntp	For newsgroup services, check that the newsgroup name specified in content is accessible on the server.
ftp	For FTP services, check that the filename specified in content is accessible on the server through anonymous login.
imap	For user mail service, check that the user:password value specified in content exists on the serve
radius	For RADIUS remote access server authentication, check that the user:password value specified in content exists on the switch and the server. To perform application health checking to a RADIUS server, the network administrator must also configure the /cfg/slb/secre parameter. The secre value is a field of up to 32 alphanumeric characters that is used by the switch to encrypt a password during the RSA Message Digest Algorithm (MD5) and by the RADIUS server to decrypt the password during verification.
sslh	Enables the switch to query the health of the SSL servers by sending an SSL client “Hello” packet and then verify the contents of the server’s “Hello” response. During the handshake, the user and server exchange security certificates, negotiate an encryption and compression method, and establish a session ID for each session.
wsp	Enables connectionless WSP content health checks for WAP gateways. The content under /cfg/slb/adv/waphc (see page 252) must also be configured.
script	Enables the use of script-based health checks in send/expect format to check for application and content availability.

Table 8-4 Real Server Group Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/group)

Command Syntax and Usage

backup *r*<real server number (1-256)>*g*<group number>*none*

Sets the real server or real server group used as the backup/overflow server/server group for this real server group.

To prevent loss of service if the entire real server group fails, use this option to assign a backup real server/real server group number. Then, if the real server group becomes inoperative, the switch will activate the backup real server /server group until one of the original real servers becomes operative again.

The backup server/server group is also used in overflow situations. If all the servers in the real server group reach their *maxcon* (maximum connections) limit, the backup server/server group comes online to provide additional processing power until one of the original servers becomes desaturated.

The same backup/overflow server/server group may be assigned to more than one real server group at the same time.

name <string, maximum 15 characters>

Defines a 15-character alias for each Real Server Group. This will enable the network administrator to quickly identify the server group by a natural language keyword value.

realthr <real server failure threshold (0-15)>

Sets real server failure threshold.

add <real server number (1-255)>

Adds a real server to this real server group. You will be prompted to enter the number (1 to 256) of the real server to add to this group.

rem <real server number (1-255)>

Remove a real server from this real server group. You will be prompted for the ID number for the real server to remove from this group.

del

Deletes this real server group from the Layer 4 software configuration. This removes the group from operation under all virtual servers it is assigned to. Use this command with caution: if you remove the only group assigned to a virtual server, the virtual server will become inoperative.

cur

Displays the current configuration parameters for this real server group.

Server Load Balancing Metrics

Using the `metric` command, you can set a number of metrics for selecting which real server in a group gets the next client request. These metrics are described in the following table:

Table 8-5 Real Server Group Metrics (/cfg/slb/group/metric)

Option and Description

minmisses

Minimum misses. This metric is optimized for Application Redirection. When `minmisses` is specified for a real server group performing Application Redirection, all requests for a specific IP destination address will be sent to the same server. This is particularly useful in caching applications, helping to maximize successful cache hits. Best statistical load balancing is achieved when the IP address destinations of load balanced frames are spread across a broad range of IP subnets.

Minmisses can also be used for Server Load Balancing. When specified for a real server group performing Server Load Balancing, all requests from a specific client will be sent to the same server. This is useful for applications where client information must be retained on the server between sessions. Server load with this metric becomes most evenly balanced as the number of active clients increases.

hash

Like `minmisses`, the hash metric uses IP address information in the client request to select a server.

For Application Redirection, all requests for a specific IP destination address will be sent to the same server. This is particularly useful for maximizing successful cache hits.

For Server Load Balancing, all requests from a specific client will be sent to the same server. This is useful for applications where client information must be retained between sessions.

The hash metric should be used if the statistical load balancing achieved using `minmisses` is not as optimal as desired. Although the hash metric can provide more even load balancing at any given instance, it is not as effective as `minmisses` when servers leave and reenter service.

If the Load Balancing statistics indicate that one server is processing significantly more requests over time than other servers, consider using the hash metric.

leastconns

Least connections. With this option, the number of connections currently open on each real server is measured in real time. The server with the fewest current connections is considered to be the best choice for the next client connection request.

This option is the most self-regulating, with the fastest servers typically getting the most connections over time, due to their ability to accept, process, and shut down connections faster than slower servers.

Table 8-5 Real Server Group Metrics (/cfg/slb/group/metric)

Option and Description
<p>roundrobin</p> <p>Round robin. With this option, new connections are issued to each server in turn: the first real server in this group gets the first connection, the second real server gets the next connection, followed by the third real server, and so on. When all the real servers in this group have received at least one connection, the issuing process starts over with the first real server.</p>
<p>NOTE – Under the <code>leastconns</code> and <code>roundrobin</code> metrics, when real servers are configured with weights (see the <code>weight</code> option on page 207), a higher proportion of connections are given to servers with higher weights. This can improve load balancing among servers of different performance levels. Weights are not applied when using <code>hash</code> or <code>minmisses</code>.</p>

`/cfg/slb/virt` <virtual server number> Virtual Server SLB Configuration

```
[Virtual Server 1 Menu]
service - Virtual Service Menu
vip      - Set IP addr of virtual server
dname    - Set domain name of virtual server
cont     - Set BW Contract
layr3    - Enable or disable layer 3 only balancing
ftpp     - Enable or disable FTP SLB parsing for virtual server
ena      - Enable virtual server
dis      - Disable virtual server
del      - Delete virtual server
cur      - Display current virtual configuration
```

This menu is used for configuring the virtual servers which will be the target for client requests for Server Load Balancing. The required parameters to configure are

- Virtual server IP address
- Adding a virtual TCP/UDP port and real server group
- Enabling the virtual server

Table 8-6 Virtual Server Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/virt)

Command Syntax and Usage

service <virtual port or name, from 2 - 65534>

Displays the Virtual Services Menu. The virtual port name can be a well-known port name, such as http, ftp, and so on. To view menu options, see [page 219](#).

vip <server IP address>

Sets the IP address of the virtual server using dotted-decimal notation. The virtual server created within the switch will respond to ARPs and PINGs from network ports as if it was a normal server. Client requests directed to the virtual server's IP address will be balanced among the real servers available to it through real server group assignments.

dname <domain name>|none

Sets the domain name for this virtual server. The domain name typically includes the name of the company or organization, and the Internet group code (.com, .edu, .gov, .org, etcetera). An example would be foocorp.com. It does not include the hostname portion (www, www2, ftp, etcetera). To define the hostname, see hname below. To clear the dname, specify the name as **none**.

Table 8-6 Virtual Server Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/virt)

Command Syntax and Usage

cont <BWM contract (1-1024)>

Enter a new Bandwidth Management Contract for this virtual service. By default, all services under this virtual server are assigned this BW contract. However, the BW contract can be changed for a selected virtual server with **/cfg/slb/virt #/ser y/cont**.

All the frames that match this virtual server services are assigned this BW contract if the previously assigned contract for the frame has lower or equal precedence of the virtual server contract.

layr3 disable|enable

Normally, the client IP address is used with the client Layer 4 port number to produce a session identifier. When the **layr3** option is used, the switch uses only the client IP address as the session identifier, associating all the connections from the same client with the same real server while any connection exists between them.

This is necessary for some server applications where state information about the client system is divided across different simultaneous connections, and also in applications where TCP fragments are generated.

If the real server to which the client is assigned becomes unavailable, the Layer 4 software will allow the client to connect to a different server.

ftpp disable|enable

Enables or disables FTP SLB parsing for this virtual server. When this option is enabled, the switch modifies the appropriate FTP method/command to support FTP servers on a private network for both active and passive FTP modes.

To do this, the switch looks deeper into the packet and modifies the **port** command for active FTP or the “entering the passive mode” command for passive FTP.

ena

Enables this virtual server. This option activates the virtual server within the switch so that it can service client requests sent to its defined IP address.

dis

This option disables the virtual server so that it no longer services client requests.

del

This command removes this virtual server from operation within the switch and deletes it from the Layer 4 switching software configuration. Use this command with caution, as it will delete the options that have been set for this virtual server.

cur

Displays the current configuration of the specified virtual server.

/cfg/slb/virt *<server number>* **/service**
<virtual port or name>

Virtual Server Service Configuration

```
[Virtual Server 1 http Service Menu]
group      - Set real server group number
rport      - Set real port
hname      - Set hostname
httpslb    - Set HTTP SLB processing
cont       - Set BW contract for this virtual service
urlcont    - Set BW cont of an URL path specific to this service
pbind      - Set persistent binding type
rcount     - Set multi response count
udp        - Enable or disable UDP balancing
frag       - Enable or disable remapping UDP server fragments
nonat      - Enable or disable only substituting MAC addresses
del        - Delete virtual service
cur        - Display current virtual service configuration
```

This menu is used for configuring services assigned to a virtual server.

Table 8-7 Virtual Server Service Configuration Options (/cfg/slb/virt/service)

Command Syntax and Usage

group *<real server group number (1-256)>*

Sets a real server group for this service. You will be prompted to enter the number (1 to 256) of the real server group to add to this service.

rport *<real server port (0-65534)>*

Defines the real server TCP or UDP port assigned to this service. By default, this is the same as the virtual port (service virtual port). If **rport** is configured to be different than the virtual port defined in **/cfg/slb/virt/service** *<virtual port>*, the switch will map the virtual port to this real port.

hname *<hostname>* **|none**

Sets the hostname for a service added. This is used in conjunction with **dname** (above) to create a full host/domain name for individual services.

The format for this command is as follows: # **hname** *<hostname>*

For example, to add a hostname for Web services, you could specify *www* as the host-name. If a **dname** of “foocorp.com” was defined (above), “www.foocorp.com” would be the full host/domain name for the service.

To clear the hostname for a service, use the following command: # **hname none**

Table 8-7 Virtual Server Service Configuration Options (/cfg/slb/virt/service)

Command Syntax and Usage	
httpslb disable enable	Enables or disables HTTP-based server load balancing. Once enabled, you can proceed to enable one of the following application options and their applicable parameters:
urlslb host cookie browser urlhash others	
■ urlslb : Enable or disable URL SLB	
■ host : Enable or disable for virtual hosting	
■ cookie : Enable or disable cookie-based SLB for cookie-based preferential load balancing. You will be prompted for the following: Cookie name, starting point of the cookie value, number of bytes to be extracted, enable/disable checking for cookie in URI.	
■ browser : Enable or disable SLB, based on browser type	
■ urlhash : Enable or disable URL hashing based on URI	
■ others : Requires inputs for a particular header field	
cont <URL path ID (1-128)> <BWM Contract (1-1024)>	Sets a Bandwidth Management contract for this virtual service.
urlcont <URL path ID (1-128)> <BWM contract <1-1024>>	Sets the Bandwidth Management contract of a string specific to this virtual service. Only use this command when a string is shared by multiple virtual services and each service requires a separate bandwidth.

Table 8-7 Virtual Server Service Configuration Options (/cfg/slb/virt/service)

Command Syntax and Usage

pbind clientip|cookie|sslid|disable

Enable or disable persistent bindings for a real server. This may be necessary for some server applications where state information about the client system is retained on the server over a series of sequential connections, such as with SSL (Secure Socket Layer, HTTPS), Website search results, or multi-page Web forms.

- The `clientip` option uses the client IP address as an identifier, and associates all connections from the same client with the same real server until the client becomes inactive and the connection is aged out of the binding table. The connection timeout value (set in the Real Server Menu) is used to control how long these inactive but persistent connections remain associated with their real servers. When the client resumes activity *after* their connection has been aged out, they will be connected to the most appropriate real server based on the load balancing metric.

An alternative approach may be to use the real server group metrics `minmisses` or `hash` (see [Server Load Balancing Metrics](#)).

- The `cookie` option uses a cookie defined in the HTTP header or placed in the URI for hashing. A *permanent cookie* gets stored on the client's browser, as part of the response from a site's server. It will be sent by the browser when the client makes subsequent requests to the same site, even after the browser has been shut down. A *temporary cookie* is only valid for the browser session. The temporary cookie expires when the browser is closed.
- The `sslid` option is for Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), which is a set of protocols built on top of TCP/IP that allow an application server and user to communicate over an encrypted HTTP session. SSL provides authentication, non-repudiation, and security. The session ID is a value comprising 32 random bytes chosen by the SSL server that gets stored in a session hash table. By enabling the `sslid` option, all subsequent SSL sessions which present the same session ID will be directed to the same real server.
- The `disable` option enables you to disable persistent binding, if it has previously been enabled for a particular application.

rcount <1-16>

Sets the maximum response counter for cookie-based persistence. The WebSwitch will examine each server response until the cookie is found or until the maximum count is reached.

udp disable|enable|stateless

Enable or disable UDP balancing for a virtual port. You can configure this option if the service(s) to be load balanced include UDP and TCP: for example, DNS uses UDP and TCP. In those environments, you must activate UDP balancing for the particular virtual servers that clients will communicate with using UDP.

frag disable|enable

Enables or disables remapping server fragments for virtual port.

Table 8-7 Virtual Server Service Configuration Options (/cfg/slb/virt/service)**Command Syntax and Usage****nonat disable|enable**

Enables or disables substituting only the MAC address of the real server. This option does not substitute IP addresses.

del

This command removes this virtual service from operation within the switch and deletes it from the Layer 4 switching software configuration. Use this command with caution, as it will delete the options that have been set for this virtual service.

cur

Displays the current configuration of services on the specified virtual server.

Direct Client Access to Real Servers

Some clients may need direct access to the real servers to monitor, for example, a real server from a management workstation. This access can be provided in a number of ways, listed below and described in this section:

- Direct Access Mode
- Multiple IP addresses on the server
- Proxy IP addresses
- Port mapping
- Management network

Direct Access Mode

When Direct Access Mode (/cfg/slb/adv/direct) is enabled on a switch, any client can communicate with any real server (to its load-balanced service). Also, in Direct Access Mode, any number of virtual services can be configured to load balance a real service.

Traffic sent directly to real server IP addresses is excluded from load balancing decisions. The same clients may also communicate to the virtual server IP address and have their requests load balanced.

Multiple IP Addresses on the Server

One way to provide both Layer 4 access and direct access to a real server, is to assign multiple IP addresses to the real server. For example, one IP address could be established exclusively for Layer 4 Server Load Balancing, and another could be used for direct access needs.

Proxy IP Addresses

Proxy IP addresses are used primarily to eliminate Server Load Balancing topology restrictions in complex networks. Proxy IP addresses can also provide direct access to real servers.

If the switch port to the client is configured with a proxy IP address, the client can access each real server directly using the real server's IP address. This requires that the switch port connected to the real server has server and client processing disabled (see the `server` and `client` options under `/cfg/slb/port` on [page 234](#)).

Server Load Balancing is still accessed using the virtual server IP address.

Port Mapping

NOTE – Layer 4 port mapping is not supported if Direct Access Mode is enabled on a server.

When Server Load Balancing is used without proxy IP addresses, the virtual server *must* process both the client-to-server requests *and* the server-to-client responses. If a client were to access the real server IP address and port directly, bypassing Layer 4 preparation, the server-to-client response could be mishandled by Layer 4 processing as it returns through the switch.

First, two port processes must be executed on the real server. One real server port will handle the direct traffic, and the other will handle Layer 4 traffic. Then, the virtual server port must be mapped to the proper real server port.

In the following figure, clients can access Layer 4 services through well-known TCP port 80 at the virtual server's IP address. This is mapped to TCP port 8000 on the real server. For direct access that bypasses the virtual server and Server Load Balancing, clients can specify well-known TCP port 80 at the real server's IP address.

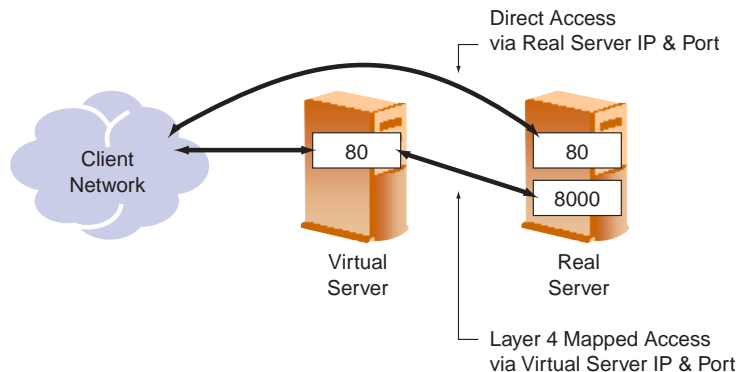


Figure 8-1 Mapped and Non-Mapped server access

Management Network

Typically, the management network is used by network administrators to monitor real servers and services. By configuring the `mnet` and `mmask` options of the SLB Configuration Menu (`cfg/slb`) you can access the real services being load balanced.

NOTE – Clients on the management network do not have access to Layer 4 services and cannot access the virtual services being load balanced.

The `mnet` and `mmask` options are described below:

- `mnet`: If defined, management traffic with this source IP address will be allowed direct (non-Layer 4) access to the real servers. Specify an IP address in dotted decimal notation. A range of IP addresses is produced when used with the `mmask` option
- `mmask`: This IP address mask is used with the `mnet` to select management traffic which is allowed direct real server access.

Mapping Virtual Ports to Real Ports

In addition to providing direct real server access in some situations, mapping is required when administrators choose to execute their real server processes on different TCP/UDP ports than the well known TCP/UDP ports. Otherwise, virtual server ports are mapped directly to real server ports by default and require no mapping configuration.

The format for the mapping command is as follows:

```
>> Virtual server 1# service virtual-server-port | real-server-port
```

NOTE – This option will not work if Direct Access Mode is enabled.

`/cfg/slb/filt` <filter number> SLB Filter Configuration

```
[Filter 1 Advanced Menu]
adv      - Filter Advanced Menu
smac     - Set source MAC address
dmac     - Set destination MAC address
sip      - Set source IP address
smask    - Set source IP mask
dip      - Set destination IP address
dmask    - Set destination IP mask
proto    - Set IP protocol
sport    - Set source TCP/UDP port or range
dport    - Set destination TCP/UDP port or range
action   - Set action
group    - Set real server group for redirection
rport    - Set real server port for redirection
nat      - Set which addresses are network address translated
invert   - Enable or disable filter inversion
ena      - Enable filter
dis      - Disable filter
del      - Delete filter
cur      - Display current filter configuration
```

The switch supports up to 224 traffic filters. Each filter can be configured to allow, deny, redirect or NAT traffic according to a variety of address and protocol specifications, and each physical switch port can be configured to use any combination of filters.

There are several options that can be used to provide more information through syslog. The types of information include:

- IP protocol (`/cfg/slb/filt/adv`, [page 230](#))
- TCP/UDP ports
- TCP flags (`/cfg/slb/filt/adv`, [page 230](#))
- ICMP message type

The required parameters to configure is as follows:

- Set the address, masks, and/or protocol which will be affected by the filter
- Set the action which the filter takes
- Enable the filter
- Add the filter to a switch port
- Enable filtering on the switch port

Table 8-8 Filter Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/filt)

Command Syntax and Usage

adv

Displays the Filter Advanced Menu. To view menu options, refer to [page 230](#).

smac

Sets the source MAC address.

dmac

Sets the destination MAC address

sip any|<IP address>

If defined, traffic with this source IP address will be affected by this filter. Specify an IP address in dotted decimal notation, or “**any**”. A range of IP addresses is produced when used with the **smask** below.

smask

This IP address mask is used with the **sip** to select traffic which this filter will affect. See details below for more information on producing address ranges.

dip any|<IP address>

If defined, traffic with this destination IP address will be affected by this filter. Specify an IP address in dotted decimal notation, or “**any**”. A range of IP addresses is produced when used with the **dmask** below. For more information, see “[Defining IP Address Ranges for Filters](#)” on [page 229](#).

dmask <IP subnet mask (such as 255.255.255.0)>

This IP address mask is used with the **dip** to select traffic which this filter will affect. See details below for more information on producing address ranges.

proto any|<number>|<name>

If defined, traffic from the specified protocol is affected by this filter. Specify the protocol number, name, or “**any**”. Listed below are some of the well-known protocols.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>
1	icmp
2	igmp
6	tcp
17	udp
89	ospf
112	vrrp

Table 8-8 Filter Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/filt)

Command Syntax and Usage

rport <real server port (0-65535)>

This option applies only when **redir** is specified at the filter action. This defines the real server TCP or UDP port to which redirected traffic will be sent. For valid Layer 4 health checks, this must be configured whenever TCP protocol traffic is redirected. Also, if transparent proxies are used for Network Address Translation (NAT) on the switch (see the **pip** option in [Table 8-13 on page 234](#)), **rport** must be configured for all Application Redirection filters.

nat source|dest

When **nat** is set as the filter action (see above), this command specifies whether the source or the destination information is re-mapped. If **source** is specified, the frame's source IP address (**sip**) and port number (**sport**) are replaced with the **dip** and **dport** values. If **dest** is specified, the frame's destination IP address (**dip**) and port number (**dport**) are replaced with the **sip** and **sport** values.

inver disable|enable

Inverts the filter logic. If the conditions of the filter are met, *don't* act. If the conditions for the filter are *not met*, perform the assigned action.

ena

Enables this filter.

dis

Disables this filter.

del

Deletes this filter.

cur

Displays the current filter configuration.

Defining IP Address Ranges for Filters

You can specify a range of IP address for filtering both the source and/or destination IP address for traffic. When a range of IP addresses is needed, the `sip` (source) or `dip` (destination) defines the base IP address in the desired range, and the `smask` (source) or `dmask` (destination) is the mask which is applied to produce the range.

For example, to determine if a client request's destination IP address should be redirected to the cache servers attached to a particular switch, the destination IP address is masked (bitwise AND) with the `dmask` and then compared to the `dip`.

As another example, you could configure the switch with two filters so that each would handle traffic filtering for one half of the Internet. To do this, you could define the following parameters:

Table 8-9 Filtering IP Address Ranges

Filter	Internet Address Range	dip	dmask
#1	0.0.0.0 - 127.255.255.255	0.0.0.0	128.0.0.0
#2	128.0.0.0 - 255.255.255.255	128.0.0.0	128.0.0.0

/cfg/slb/filt/adv <filter number> Advanced Filter Configuration

```
[Filter 1 Advanced Menu]
tcp      - TCP Flags Advanced Menu
tos      - Set IP Type of Service
tmask    - Set IP TOS mask
newtos   - Set new IP TOS
option   - Enable or disable IP option matching
icmp     - Set ICMP message type
cont     - Set BW contract
tmout    - Set NAT session timeout
proxy    - Enable or disable client proxy
cache    - Enable or disable caching sessions that match filter
log      - Enable or disable logging
ack      - Enable or disable TCP ACK or RST matching
fwlb     - Enable or disable firewall redirect hash method
urlp     - Enable or disable URL parsing
urlcont - Set BW cont of an URL path specific to this filter
ftpa     - Enable or disable active FTP NAT
cur      - Display current advanced filter configuration
```

Table 8-10 Advanced Filter Menu (/cfg/slb/filt/adv)

Command Syntax and Usage

tcp

Displays the TCP Flags Advanced Menu. To view menu options, see [page 232](#).

tos <0-255>

Sets the IP Type of Service. This option is used to match TOS in frames.

tmask <0-255>

Sets the IP Type of Service mask. This option is used to match TOS in frames.

newtos <0-255>

Sets the new IP Type of Service for allow filters. A value of “0” means that the TOS does not change.

option **disable|enable**

Enables or disables IP option matching.

icmp **any|<number>|name**

Sets the ICMP message type. For a list of ICMP message types, refer to [Table 8-12 on page 233](#).

Table 8-10 Advanced Filter Menu (/cfg/slb/filt/adv)

Command Syntax and Usage	
proxy disable enable	Enables or disables client proxy. This option applies only when <code>redir</code> or <code>nat</code> is specified as the filter action. Enable or disable proxy IP address translation for traffic matching the filter criteria. By default, this is enabled. If disabled, any proxy defined for the switch port using the <code>pip</code> command (see page 234) is not performed for traffic meeting the filter criteria. This is useful when certain traffic must retain original IP address information, or when other forms of translation (such as Application Redirection or NAT) are preferred.
cache disable enable	Enables or disables caching sessions that match the filter.
cont <BWM Contract (1-1024)>	Sets the Bandwidth Management Contract.
tmout	Sets the Network Address Translation (NAT) session timeout in an even number of minutes (4–30).
log disable enable	Enables or disables logging filter messages.
ack disable enable	<p>Enable or disable TCP ACK matching. Filters with this option enabled match only those frames that have the TCP ACK or RST flag set. This prevents servers from beginning a TCP connection (with a TCP SYN) from source TCP port 25. The server will drop any frames that have the ACK flag “spoofed” in them and will not allocate space for a new connection.</p> <p>If cache is disabled, it will filter out on a per-packet basis. If the cache is enabled, then filtering is performed on a per-session basis.</p>
fwlb disable enable	To ensure that the <i>stateful inspection</i> behavior of firewalls is maintained, a hashing algorithm is used to ensure that inbound packets and outbound packets for a pair of IPSA/ IPDA traverse through the same firewall. If the <code>dport</code> is 80 or 21, enabling this option changes the hash of the filter from a WCR hash to a FWLB hash.
urlp disable enable	Enables or disables URL parsing.
urlcont <URL path ID (1-128)> <BW contract (1-1024)>	Sets the URL path BW contract for this filter. Only use this command when a string is shared by multiple filters and each filter requires a separate bandwidth.

Table 8-10 Advanced Filter Menu (/cfg/slb/filt/adv)**Command Syntax and Usage****ftpa disable|enable**

Enables or disables active FTP Client Network Address Translation (NAT). When a client in active FTP mode sends a PORT command to a remote FTP server, the switch will look into the data part of the frame and replace the client's private IP address with a proxy IP (PIP) address. The real server port (RPORT) will be replaced with a proxy port (PPORT), that is PIP:PPORT.

cur

Displays the current advanced filter configuration.

/cfg/slb/filt/adv/tcp <filter number>

Advanced Filter TCP Configuration

[TCP flags advanced Menu]

```

urg      - Enable or disable TCP URG flag matching
ack      - Enable or disable TCP ACK flag matching
psh      - Enable or disable TCP PSH flag matching
rst      - Enable or disable TCP RST flag matching
syn      - Enable or disable TCP SYN flag matching
fin      - Enable or disable TCP FIN flag matching
cur      - Display current ACL TCP filter configuration

```

These commands can be used to configure packet filtering for specific TCP flags.

Table 8-11 Advanced Filter TCP Menu (/cfg/slb/filt/adv/tcp)**Command Syntax and Usage****urg disable|enable**

Enables or disables TCP URG (urgent) flag matching.

ack disable|enable

Enables or disables TCP ACK (acknowledgement) flag matching.

psh disable|enable

Enables or disables TCP PSH (push) flag matching.

rst disable|enable

Enables or disables TCP RST (reset) flag matching.

Table 8-11 Advanced Filter TCP Menu (/cfg/slb/filt/adv/tcp)

Command Syntax and Usage	
syn disable enable	Enables or disables TCP SYN (synchronize) flag matching.
fin disable enable	Enables or disables TCP FIN (finish) flag matching.
cur	Displays the current Access Control List TCP filter configuration.

ICMP Message Types

The following ICMP message types are used with the /cfg/slb/filt/adv/icmp command. You can list all ICMP message types with the /cfg/slb/filt/adv/icmp list command.

Table 8-12 ICMP Message Types

Type #	Message Type	Description
0	echorep	ICMP echo reply
3	destun	ICMP destination unreachable
4	quench	ICMP source quench
5	redir	ICMP redirect
8	echoreq	ICMP echo request
9	rtradv	ICMP router advertisement
10	rtrsol	ICMP router solicitation
11	timex	ICMP time exceeded
12	param	ICMP parameter problem
13	timereq	ICMP timestamp request
14	timerep	ICMP timestamp reply
15	inforeq	ICMP information request
16	inforep	ICMP information reply
17	maskreq	ICMP address mask request
18	maskrep	ICMP address mask reply

/cfg/slb/port *<port number>*

Port SLB Configuration

[SLB port 1 Menu]

```

client - Enable or disable client processing
server - Enable or disable server processing
vpn - Enable or disable VPN processing
hotstan - Enable or disable hot-standby processing
intersw - Enable or disable inter-switch processing
proxy - Enable or disable use of PIP for ingress traffic
pip - Set Proxy IP address for port
filt - Enable or disable filtering
add - Add filter to port
rem - Remove filter from port
cur - Display current port configuration

```

Switch software allows you to enable or disable processing independently for each type of Layer 4 traffic (client and server), expanding your topology options.

Table 8-13 Port Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/port)

Command Syntax and Usage

client **disable|enable**

For Server Load Balancing, the port can be enabled/disabled to process client Layer 4 traffic. Ports configured to process client request traffic bind servers to clients and provide address translation from the virtual IP address to the real server IP address, re-mapping virtual server IP addresses and port values to real server IP addresses and ports. Traffic not associated with virtual servers is switched normally. Maximizing the number of these ports on the Layer 4 switch will improve the switch's potential for effective Server Load Balancing.

server **disable|enable**

Ports configured to provide real server responses to client requests require real servers to be connected to the Layer 4 switch, directly or through a hub, router, or another switch. When server processing is enabled, the switch port re-maps real server IP addresses and Layer 4 port values to virtual server IP addresses and Layer 4 ports. Traffic not associated with virtual servers is switched normally.

vpn **disable|enable**

Enables or disables VPN load balancing for firewall load balancing. Enabling VPN ensures that traffic received through a Virtual Private Network (VPN) is returned to the client through the same VPN.

Table 8-13 Port Configuration Menu Options (/cfg/slb/port)

Command Syntax and Usage	
hotstan disable enable	Enables or disables hot-standby processing. Use this option and the <code>intersw</code> option in conjunction with VRRP hot-standby failover.
intersw disable enable	Enables or disables inter-switch processing. This option is enabled for ports connected to a peer switch.
proxy disable enable	<p>Enables or disables a proxy for traffic that ingress this port. When the PIP is defined, client address information in Layer 4 requests is replaced with this proxy IP address.</p> <p>In Server Load Balancing applications, this forces response traffic to return through the switch, rather than around it, as is possible in complex routing environments.</p> <p>Proxies are also useful for Application Redirection and Network Address Translation (NAT). When <code>pip</code> is used with Application Redirection filters, each filter's <code>rport</code> parameter must also be defined (see <code>rport</code> on page 226).</p>
pip <i><proxy IP address></i>	Sets the proxy IP address for this port, using dotted decimal notation. When the PIP is defined, client address information in Layer 4 requests is replaced with this proxy IP address.
filter disable enable	Enables or disables filtering on this port. Enabling the filter sets up the Real Server to look into the VPN session table.
add <i><filter ID (1-224)></i>	Adds a filter for use on this port.
rem <i><filter ID (1-224)></i>	Removes a filter from use on this port.
cur	Displays current system parameters.
NOTE – When changing the filters on a given port, it may take some time before the port session information is updated so that the filter changes take effect. To make port filter changes take effect immediately, clear the session binding table for the port (see the <code>clear</code> command in Table 9-4 on page 258).	

/cfg/slb/gslb

Global SLB Configuration

```
[Global SLB Menu]
site      - Remote Site Menu
lookup    - Network Preference Lookup Menu
ttl        - Set Time To Live of DNS resource records
mincon     - Set minimum number of site connections
inter      - Set interval between remote site updates
weight     - Set local weight
dns        - Enable or disable DNS handoffs
local      - Enable or disable DNS responses with only local
              addresses
one        - Enable or disable DNS responses with only one address
always     - Enable or disable DNS responses at least one address
geo        - Enable or disable geographic awareness
http       - Enable or disable HTTP redirects
usern      - Enable or disable HTTP redirect to real server name
on         - Globally turn Global SLB ON
off        - Globally turn Global SLB OFF
cur        - Display current Global SLB configuration
```

NOTE – The *local*, *one*, *always*, and *geo* options have no effect on *lookup*.

Table 8-14 Global SLB Menu Options (/cfg/slb/gslb)

Command Syntax and Usage

site *<remote site (1-64)>*

Displays the Remote Site Menu for one of up to 64 remote sites. To view menu options, see [page 239](#).

lookup

Displays the Global SLB Lookup Menu. The options in this menu will overwrite the geographic awareness (IANA table) during DNS queries. To view menu options, see [page 241](#).

ttl *<time to live in seconds (0-65535)>*

Specifies the duration (from 0 to 65535 seconds) that the DNS response from the switch (indicating site of best service) will remain in the cache of DNS servers. A lower value may increase the ability of the GSLB system to adjust to sudden changes in traffic load, but will generate more DNS traffic. Higher numbers may reduce the amount of DNS traffic, but may slow GSLB's response to sudden traffic changes.

Table 8-14 Global SLB Menu Options (/cfg/slb/gslb)

Command Syntax and Usage	
mincon <minimum connections, 0-65535>	Sets the minimum number of available site connections. If the site's available sessions fall below this value, traffic won't be redirected to the site. A site is not eligible for more requests (such as DNS or HTTP redirects) once the number of available connections at a site drops below this threshold.
inter <interval in minutes (1-120)>	Sets the time between Distributed Site State Protocol (DSSP) updates between this switch and its peers. The range is between 1 and 120 minutes.
weight <server weight (1-48)>	Sets the local weight. The higher the weight value, the more connections that will be directed to the local site. The default is 1. The response time of this site is divided by <i>this weight</i> before the best site is assigned to a client. <i>Remote site</i> response times are divided by the <i>real server weight</i> before selection occurs.
dns disable enable	Enables or disables DNS handoffs to peer sites by this switch. This should be enabled for proper GSLB operation. If disabled, whenever the switch receives a DNS request for a configured service, it will respond only with its own virtual IP address, regardless of performance or load considerations.
local disable enable	Enables or disables switch responses to DNS queries with local virtual IP addresses. When enabled, the switch will always respond to DNS queries by providing a local virtual IP address, as long as the virtual IP address has healthy real servers with an aggregate number of available connections equal to the total from each server's configured maxcons value, minus the server's current number of connections. When the real servers for the local virtual IP addresses are unavailable or saturated, the switch will respond to DNS requests using normal GSLB rules.
one disable enable	Enables or disables DNS responses with only one address. At most one IP address is included in each DNS response.
always disable enable	Enables or disables DNS responses (with) at least one address. At least one IP address is included in each DNS response. Even if all remote sites cannot handle another request, the local VIP is returned in DNS response to eliminate long DNS timeouts caused by an empty response.

Table 8-14 Global SLB Menu Options (/cfg/slb/gslb)

Command Syntax and Usage

geo disable|enable

Enables or disables geographic awareness, such as the IANA table. If this option is disabled, all clients and sites will be assumed to exist in the same geographic region, allowing all sites to be eligible for each client.

http disable|enable

Enables or disables HTTP redirects to peer sites by this switch. When enabled, this switch will redirect client requests to peer sites if its own real servers fail or have reached their maximum connection limits. If disabled, the switch will not perform HTTP Redirects, but will instead drop requests for new connections and cause the client's browser to eventually issue a new DNS request.

usern disable|enable

Enables or disables an HTTP redirect to a real server name. When a site redirects a client to another site using an HTTP redirect, the client is redirected to the new site's IP address. If **usern** is enabled, the client will be redirected to the domain name specified by the remote real server name plus virtual server domain name:

<remote real server name> . <virtual server domain name>

on

Activates Global Server Load Balancing (GSLB) for this switch. This option can be performed only once the optional GSLB software is activated (refer to “Activating Optional Software” on [page 261](#)).

off

Turns GSLB off for this switch. Any active remote sites will still perform GSLB services with each other, but will not hand off requests to this switch.

cur

Displays current Global SLB configuration.

`/cfg/slb/gslb/site` *<site number>*

GSLB Remote Site Configuration

[Remote site 1 Menu]

prima

- Set primary switch IP address of remote site

secon

- Set secondary switch IP address of remote site

name

- Set remote site name

update

- Enable or disable remote site updates

enable

- Enable remote site

dis

- Disable remote site

del

- Delete remote site

cur

- Display current remote site configuration

Up to 64 remote sites can be configured.

Table 8-15 GSLB Remote Site Menu Options (/cfg/slb/gslb/site)

Command Syntax and Usage

prima <i><server IP address></i>	Defines the IP interface IP address of the primary switch at the remote site used for Global Server Load Balancing. Use dotted decimal notation.
secon <i><server IP address></i>	If the remote site is configured with a redundant switch, enter the IP address of the IP interface for the remote secondary switch here. If the remote site primary switch fails, the local switch will address the remote site secondary switch instead.
name <i><15 character name "none"></i>	Sets the name of the remote site.
update disable enable	Enables or disables remote site updates. If enabled, this switch will send regular Distributed Site State Protocol (DSSP) updates to its remote peers using HTTP port 80. If disabled, the switch will not send state updates. If your local firewall does not permit this traffic, disable the updates.
ena	Enables this remote site for use with Global Server Load Balancing.
dis	Disables this remote site. The switch will no longer use this remote site for Global Server Load Balancing.
del	Removes this remote site from operation and deletes its configuration.

Table 8-15 GSLB Remote Site Menu Options (/cfg/slb/gslb/site)

Command Syntax and Usage	
<code>cur</code>	Displays the current remote site configuration.
NOTE – When <code>update</code> (page 239) is enabled, Global Server Load Balancing uses service port 80 on the IP interface for DSSP updates. By default, the Web OS Web-based interface also uses port 80. Both services cannot use the same port. If both are enabled, configure the Web OS interface to use a different service port (see the <code>/cfg/sys</code> options under Table 7-2 on page 144).	

/cfg/slb/gslb/lookup

GSLB Lookup Configuration

[Global SLB Lookup Menu]

- network - Internet Network Preference Menu
- dname - Set domain name for internal lookup table
- lookups - Enable or disable network preference lookups
- cur - Display current lookup configuration

Table 8-16 GSLB Lookup Menu Options (/cfg/slb/gslb/lookup)

Command Syntax and Usage

network <preference number (1-128)>
Displays the Internet Network Preference Menu. If enabled, the switch responds to DNS requests based on the configured dname and Internet Preference Menu option settings. To view menu options, see page 241 .
dname <domain name> none
Sets the domain name for the internal lookup table.
lookups disable enable
Enables or disables network preference lookups.
cur
Displays the current lookup configuration.

/cfg/slb/gslb/lookup/network

<preference number>

GSLB Internet Network Preference Lookups Configuration

[Network 1 Menu]

- sip - Set Source IP address
- mask - Set net mask
- vip1 - Set VIP address
- vip2 - Set VIP address
- del - Delete internet network entry
- cur - Display current internet network entry configuration

Up to 128 network preference numbers can be set. You can overwrite the IANA table by defining client networks, using the options in this menu. You should use regular GSLB to respond to a DNS request under the following conditions:

- Queried domain is not matched.
- Client IP address doesn't match address in the Network Preference Menu and no default entry is configured.
- There is an entry match in the Network Preference Menu. However, VIP1 and VIP2 are not healthy—they are down or over the minimum number of connections (mincon).

The *default entry* is one where the source IP address and mask are not configured (both are 0.0.0.0) and only the VIP1 and VIP 2 are configured. All client networks not in the Network Preference Menu will use this entry to respond to a DNS request.

Table 8-17 GSLB Internet Network Preference Menu Options
(/cfg/slb/gslb/lookup/network)

Command Syntax and Usage

sip <IP address>

Sets the source IP address. Specify an IP address in dotted decimal notation, or “**any**”. A range of IP addresses is produced when used with the **mask** option.

mask <IP address>

This IP address mask is used with the source IP SIP address to find a correct virtual IP address to respond to a DNS request.

vip1 <IP address>

Sets the first virtual server IP address. The address can either be a local or remote virtual server. The switch returns the VIP address with the least response time that is over the mincon (minimum number of available connections).

vip2 <IP address>

Sets the second virtual server IP address.

del

Deletes the specified network entry.

cur

Displays the current Internet network entry configuration.

`/cfg/slb/url`

URL Resource Definition

[URL Resource Definition Menu]

- `redir` - Web Cache Redirection Menu
- `lb` - Server Load Balancing Menu

Table 8-18 URL Resource Definition Menu Options (`/cfg/slb/url`)

Command Syntax and Usage

redir	Displays the Web Cache Redirection Menu. To view menu options, see page 243 .
lb	Displays the Server Load Balancing Menu. To view menu options, see page 245 .

`/cfg/slb/url/redir`

Web Cache Redirection Configuration

[Web Cache Redirection Menu]

- `add` - Add URL expression
- `rem` - Remove URL expression
- `urlal` - Enable or disable auto-ALLOW for non-GETs to origin servers
- `cookie` - Enable or disable auto-ALLOW for Cookie to origin servers
- `nocache` - Enable or disable no-cache control header to origin servers
- `hash` - Enable or disable URL hashing based on URI
- `header` - Enable or disable server load balance based on HTTP header
- `cur` - Display current URL expression table

Table 8-19 Web Cache Redirection Menu Options (`/cfg/slb/url/redir`)

Command Syntax and Usage

add <i><string></i>	Adds the URL expression.
rem <i><string></i>	Removes the URL expression.

Table 8-19 Web Cache Redirection Menu Options (/cfg/slb/url/redir)

Command Syntax and Usage

urlal disable|enable

Enables or disables auto-ALLOW for non-GETs to origin servers.

- If this command is enabled, the switch will redirect all non-GET requests to the origin server.
- If this command is disabled, the switch will compare the URI against the expression table to determine whether all non-GET requests should be redirected to a cache server or origin server.

cookie disable|enable

Enables or disables auto-ALLOW for cookie to origin servers.

- If this command is enabled, the switch will redirect all requests that contain *Cookie:* in the HTTP header to the origin server.
- If this command is disabled, the switch will compare the URI against the expression table to determine whether it should redirect all requests that contain *Cookie:* in the HTTP header to a cache server or origin server.

nocache disable|enable

Enables or disables no-cache control header to origin servers.

- If this command is enabled, the switch will redirect all requests that contain *Cache-Control: no-cache* in HTTP/1.1 header, or *Pragma: no-cache* in HTTP/1.0 header to the origin server.
- If this command is disabled, the switch will compare the URI against the expression table to determine whether it should redirect requests that contain *Cache-Control: no-cache* in HTTP/1.1 header, or *Pragma: no-cache* in HTTP/1.0 header to a cache server or origin server.

hash disable|enable

Enables or disables URL hashing based on the URI.

- If hashing is enabled, you can set the length of URI that will be used to hash into the cache server.
- If hashing is disabled, the switch will only use the host header field to calculate the hash key.

header disable|enable

Enables or disables server load balancing based on HTTP header.

cur

Displays the current URL expression table.

/cfg/slb/url/lb

Server Load Balance Resource Configuration

[Server Loadbalance Resource Menu]

message

- Set error message

add

- Add URL path for load balance

rem

- Remove URL path for load balance

cont

- Set BW contract for the URL path

cur

- Display current URL paths

Table 8-20 URL Cache Redirection Menu Options (/cfg/slb/url/lb)

Command Syntax and Usage

message <64 byte error message>
Sets the message that will be displayed when an error occurs.
add <URL path string>
Adds the URL path string for load balancing.
rem <URL path ID>
Removes the URL path string from load balancing.
cont <URL path ID (1-128)> <BWM contract (1-1024)>
Sets the Bandwidth Management contract for a specified string for the URL path ID.
cur
Displays the current URL paths.

/cfg/slb/sync

Synchronize Peer Switch Configuration

```
[Config Synchronization Menu]
peer      - Synch peer switch menu
filt      - Enable or disable syncing filter configuration
ports     - Enable or disable syncing port configuration
prios     - Enable or disable syncing VRRP priorities
pips      - Enable or disable syncing proxy IP addresses
bwm       - Enable or disable syncing BWM configuration
state     - Enable or disable syncing persistent session state
update    - Set stateful failover update period
cur       - Display current Layer 4 sync configuration
```

To synchronize the configuration between two switches, a peer must be configured and enabled on each switch. Switches being synchronized must use the same administrator password. Peers are sent SLB, FILT, and VRRP configuration updates using **/oper/slb/synch**.

Table 8-21 Synchronization Menu Options (/cfg/slb/sync)

Command Syntax and Usage

peer <peer switch number (1-2)>

Displays the Sync Peer Switch Menu. To view menu options, see [page 247](#).

filt **disable|enable**

Enables or disables synchronizing filter configuration.

ports **disable|enable**

Enables or disables synchronizing Layer 4 port configuration.

prios **disable|enable**

Enables or disables syncing VRRP priorities.

pips **disable|enable**

Enables or disables synchronizing proxy IP addresses.

bwm

Enables or disables synchronizing Bandwidth Management configuration between Master and backup switches.

state **disable|enable**

Enables or disables stateful failover for synchronizing the persistent session state.

Table 8-21 Synchronization Menu Options (/cfg/slb/sync)

Command Syntax and Usage	
update <seconds, 1-60>	Sets the stateful failover update interval. The active server sends update packets of persistent binding entries to the backup switch at the specified update interval. The default value is 30 seconds.
cur	Displays the current Layer 4 synchronization configuration.

/cfg/slb/sync/peer <peer switch number>
Peer Switch Configuration

[Peer Switch 1 Menu]

addr - Set peer switch IP address

ena - Enable peer switch

dis - Disable peer switch

del - Delete peer switch

cur - Display current peer switch configuration

To synchronize the configuration between two switches, a peer must be configured and enabled on each switch. Switches being synchronized must use the same administrator password.

Table 8-22 Synch Peer Switch Menu Options (/cfg/slb/sync/peer)

Command Syntax and Usage	
addr <IP address>	Sets the peer switch IP address.
ena	Enables the peer for this switch.
dis	Disables the peer for this switch.
del	Deletes the peer for this switch
cur	Displays the current peer switch configuration.

/cfg/slb/adv

Advanced Layer 4 Configuration

```
[Layer 4 Advanced Menu]
script    - Scriptable Health Check Menu
waphc   - WAP Health Check Menu
imask     - Set virtual and real IP address mask
mnet      - Set management network
mmask     - Set management subnet mask
pmask     - Set persistent mask
secret    - Set RADIUS secret
direct    - Enable or disable Direct Access Mode
grace     - Enable or disable graceful real server failure
matrix    - Enable or disable Virtual Matrix Architecture
tcp     - Enable/disable Transparent Proxy Cache Protocol
fastage - Session table fast-age (1 sec) period bit shift
slowage - Session table slow-age (2 min) period bit shift
cur       - Display current Layer 4 advanced configuration
```

Table 8-23 Layer 4 Advanced Menu Options (/cfg/slb/adv)

Command Syntax and Usage

script <health script number (1-8)>

Displays the Scriptable Health Check Menu. To view menu options, see [page 250](#).

waphc

Displays the WAP Health Check Menu. To view menu options, see [page 252](#).

imask <IP subnet mask (such as 255.255.255.0)>

Configures the real and virtual IP address mask using dotted decimal notation. For more information, see “[Configuring the imask](#)” on [page 251](#).

mnet <IP address>

If defined, management traffic with this source IP address will be allowed direct (non-Layer 4) access to the real servers. Specify an IP address in dotted decimal notation. A range of IP addresses is produced when used with the **mmask** option.

mmask <IP subnet mask (such as 255.255.255.0)>

This IP address mask is used with the **mnet** to select management traffic which is allowed direct real server access.

pmask <IP subnet mask (such as 255.255.255.0)>

Sets persistent mask.

Table 8-23 Layer 4 Advanced Menu Options (/cfg/slb/adv)

Command Syntax and Usage	
secret <1-32 character secret>	To perform application health checking to a RADIUS server, the network administrator must configure two parameters in the switch: the /cfg/slb/secret value and the cntnt parameter with a username:password value. The secret value is a field of up to 32 alphanumeric characters that is used by the switch to encrypt a password during the RSA Message Digest Algorithm (MD5) and by the RADIUS server to decrypt the password during verification.
direct disable enable	Enable/disables Direct Access Mode to real servers/services. This option also allows any virtual server to load balance any real server. For details, see “Direct Access Mode” on page 251 .
grace disable enable	Enables or disables graceful real server failure. Allows existing connections to newly failed server to gracefully continue.
matrix disable enable	Enables or disables the use of Virtual Matrix Architecture on the switch. For details, see “Virtual Matrix Architecture” on page 251 .
tcp disable enable	Enables or disables the TPCP (Transparent Proxy Cache Protocol). This command is used for security reasons—the UDP port can be closed.
fastage <0-7>	<p>Controls how frequently a <i>fastage scan</i> is performed. The default interval is two seconds. Each incremental increase of the value doubles the length of the interval.</p> <p>The fastage scan is used to remove TCP sessions that have been closed with a FIN and sessions that have been identified by the slowage scan as idle for the maximum allowed period. If a large value of slowage is used, a session can remain in the session table for minutes.</p>
slowage <0-15>	<p>Controls how frequently a <i>slowage scan</i> is performed. The default interval is two minutes. Each incremental increase of the value doubles the length of the interval.</p> <p>The slowage scan is used to remove idle or non-TCP sessions from the session at the specified intervals. If a large value of slowage is used, a session can remain in the session table for months.</p>
cur	Displays the current Layer 4 advanced configuration.

/cfg/slb/adv/script

Scriptable Health Checks Configuration

[Health Script 1 Menu]	
open	- Add open command to end of script
send	- Add send command to end of script
expect	- Add expect command to end of script
close	- Add close command to end of script
rem	- Remove last command from script
del	- Delete script
cur	- Display current script configuration

The Health Script menu provides commands that can be used to define the health “script.” The total number of characters cannot exceed 1024 bytes. Up to eight scripts can be configured.

Table 8-24 Scriptable Health Check Menu Options (/cfg/slb/adv/script)

Command Syntax and Usage	
open <TCP port-number>	Sets the TCP port to be opened.
send	ASCII string to send through open TCP port.
expect	ASCII string expected for successful health check on open TCP port.
close	Closes TCP connection.
rem	Removes the last entered line from the script.
del	Deletes the current script.
cur	Lists the current script configuration.

Configuring the imask

The imask determines how many different IP addresses each real and virtual server will represent and respond to. By default, the imask setting is 255.255.255.255, which means that each real and virtual server represents a single IP address. An imask setting of 255.255.255.0 would mean that each real and virtual server represents 256 IP addresses. For example, consider the following:

- A virtual server is configured with an IP address of 172.16.10.1.
- Real servers 172.16.20.1 and 172.16.30.1 are assigned to service the virtual server.
- The imask is set to 255.255.255.0.

If the client request was sent to virtual IP address 172.16.10.45, the unmasked portion of the virtual IP address (0.0.0.45) gets mapped directly to whichever real IP address is selected by the Server Load Balancing algorithm. Thus, the request would be sent to either 172.16.20.45 or 172.16.30.45.

Direct Access Mode

Some clients may need direct access to the real servers to monitor, for example, a real server from a management workstation. When Direct Access Mode (`/cfg/slb/direct`) is enabled on a switch, any client can communicate with any real server to its load-balanced service. Also, in Direct Access Mode, any number of services on the virtual server can be configured to load balance a service on the real server.

NOTE – When Direct Access Mode is enabled on a server, Layer 4 port mapping is not supported in some configurations.

Traffic sent directly to real server IP addresses is excluded from load balancing decisions. The same clients may also communicate to the virtual server IP address and have their requests load balanced.

Virtual Matrix Architecture

Virtual Matrix Architecture (VMA) is a hybrid architecture that takes advantage of any unused resources within a WebSwitch by distributing the workload to multiple processors. Dividing the workload and using multiple processors to complete a task increases the number of concurrent sessions per switch.

NOTE – When VMA is enabled and a proxy IP address is configured, you must configure proxy IP addresses (PIPs) on all switch ports.

When `matrix` (VMA) is enabled, each client is assigned to a designated port's CPUs for Layer 4-7 processing, regardless of where it ingresses. The algorithm ensures even distribution of traffic. Packets to and from the same client are always processed by the same CPUs. Memory at all eight ports is pooled to increase storage capacity, enabling up to 512K session table entries, depending on platform and configuration, even when all traffic enters at a single port.

/cfg/slb/adv/waphc

WAP Health Checks Configuration

[WAP Health Check Menu]	
<code>wspport</code>	- WSP port number to health check
<code>offset</code>	- Offset in received WSP packet
<code>sndcnt</code>	- Content to be sent to the WAP gateway
<code>rcvcnt</code>	- Content to be received from the WAP gateway
<code>cur</code>	- Display current WAP health check configuration

Table 8-25 WAP Health Check Menu Options (/cfg/slb/adv/waphc)

Command Syntax and Usage

wspport <port number (0-65534)>
Enter the port on which WSP health checks will be performed. The default port number is 9200.
offset <WSP receive offset (0-256)>
Enter the receive offset value content of the received WSP packages. An offset value of 0 (default) sets the switch to start comparisons from the beginning of the content of the received packet.
sndcnt <hexadecimal string>
Enter a hexadecimal string that represents a connectionless WSP request to a WSP gateway. This string will be delivered to the WSP gateway.
rcvcnt <hexadecimal string>
Enter a hexadecimal string that represents the content that the switch expects to receive from the WSP gateway.
cur
Displays the current WAP Health Check configuration.

CHAPTER 9

The Operations Menu

The Operations Menu is generally used for commands which affect switch performance immediately, but do not alter permanent switch configurations. For example, you can use the Operations Menu to immediately disable a port (without the need to apply or save the change), with the understanding that when the switch is reset, the port returns to its normally configured operation.

NOTE – The new Web OS 8.3 commands are highlighted in **bold**.

/oper

Operations Menu

[Operations Menu]

port	- Operational Port Menu
mirr	- Operational Mirroring Menu
slb	- Operational Server Load Balancing Menu
vrrp	- Operational Virtual Router Redundancy Menu
bwm	- Operational Bandwidth Management Menu
ip	- Operational IP Menu
swkey	- Enter key to enable software feature
rmkey	- Enter software feature to be removed

The commands of the Operations Menu enable you to alter switch operational characteristics without affecting switch configuration.

Port Mirroring menu options are accessible only to the Alteon AD4 and Alteon 184 Web-Switches.

Table 9-1 Operations Menu Options (/oper)

Command Syntax and Usage

port *<port as number (1-9)>*

Displays the Operational Port Menu. To view menu options, see [page 255](#).

mirr

Displays the Operational Mirroring Menu. To view menu options, see [page 256](#).

slb

Displays the Operational Layer 4 Menu. To view menu options, see [page 258](#).

vrrp

Displays the Operational Virtual Router Redundancy Menu. To view menu options, see [page 259](#).

bwm

Operational Bandwidth Management Menu. To view menu options, see [page 259](#).

ip

Displays the IP Operations Menu, which has one sub-menu/option, the Operational Border Gateway Protocol Menu. To view menu options, see [page 259](#).

swkey *<16-hex-digit key to enable software feature>*

Enter key to enable software feature. For details, see [page 261](#).

rmkey *<software feature to be removed>*

Enter software feature to be removed. For details, see [page 262](#).

`/oper/port <port number>`

Operations-Level Port Options

[Operations Port 1 Menu]

rmon

- Enable/Disable RMON for port

ena

- Enable port

dis

- Disable port

cur

- Current port state

Operations-level port options are used for temporarily disabling or enabling a port, and for changing RMON status on a port.

Table 9-2 Operations-Level Port Menu Options (/oper/port)

Command Syntax and Usage

rmon	Temporarily enables/disables RMON on the port. The port will be returned to its configured operation mode when the switch is reset.
ena	Temporarily enables the port. The port will be returned to its configured operation mode when the switch is reset.
dis	Temporarily disables the port. The port will be returned to its configured operation mode when the switch is reset.
cur	Displays the current settings for the port.

/oper/mirr

Operations-Level Port Mirroring Options

```
[Port Mirroring Menu]
  to      - Set "Monitoring" port
  from    - Set "Mirrored" port
  dir     - Set Direction [in, out, both]
  tmout   - Set Mirroring Timeout value
  ena     - Enable Port Mirroring
  dis     - Disable Port Mirroring
  cur     - Display current Port Mirroring configuration
```

The Port Mirroring Menu is used to configure, enable, and disable the port monitor. When enabled, Layer 2 network packets being sent and/or received on a target port are duplicated and sent to a monitor port. By attaching a network analyzer to the monitor port, you can collect detailed information about your network performance and usage.

NOTE – Layer 3 and Layer 4 traffic is not mirrored through this facility.

NOTE – Port Mirroring cannot be used simultaneously with Layer 4 services (Server Load Balancing or Application Redirection) on any switch port connected to a server either directly, or through another switch or hub. For Server Load Balancing, this applies to any switch port configured with server processing enabled. For Application Redirection, this applies to any switch port that has a cache server attached to it directly or indirectly. Use your network analyzer with a full-duplex pass-through connection or an Ethernet hub when troubleshooting a switch port connected to a server providing Layer 4 services.

Table 9-3 Port Mirroring Menu Options (/oper/mirr)

Command Syntax and Usage

to *<port number (1-9)>*

This defines the monitoring port. When port mirroring is enabled, packets received and/or transmitted by the mirrored port will be duplicated to the switch port specified in this command.

from *<port number (1-9)>*

This defines the mirrored port. When port mirroring is enabled, packets received and/or sent by the port specified in this command will be sent to the monitor port.

dir *in/out/both*

This determines which type of packets will be sent to the monitor port:

- *in* = packets received at the mirrored port
 - *out* = packets sent from the mirrored port
 - *both* = packets sent and received by the mirrored port
-

tmout *<seconds (0-86400)>*

Port mirroring will be automatically disabled (regardless of port state) after the time-out period specified in this command. Valid times are from 0 (does not time-out) to 86400 seconds.

ena

Turns port mirroring on.

dis

Turns port mirroring off.

cur

Displays the current mirroring settings.

/oper/slb

Operations-Level SLB Options

```
[Server Load Balancing Operations Menu]
ena      - Enable real server
dis      - Disable real server
synch    - Synchronize SLB, FILT, and VRRP configuration on peers
clear    - Clear session table on port
cur      - Current SLB operational state
```

When the optional Layer 4 software is enabled, the operations-level Server Load Balancing options are used for temporarily disabling or enabling real servers and synchronizing the configuration between the active/active switches.

Table 9-4 Server Load Balancing Operations Menu Options (/oper/slb)

Command Syntax and Usage

- ena** *<real server number (1-255)>*

Temporarily enables a real server. The real server will be returned to its configured operation mode when the switch is reset.
- dis** *<real server number (1-255)>*

Temporarily disables a real server, removing it from operation within its real server group and virtual server. The real server will be returned to its configured operation mode when the switch is reset.
- synch**

Synchronizes the SLB, filter, and VRRP configuration on a peer switch (a switch that owns the IP address). To take effect, peers must be configured on the switches and the administrator password on the switches must be identical.
- clear**

Clears all session tables and allows port filter changes to take effect immediately. Note: This disrupts current Server Load Balancing and Application Redirection sessions.
- cur**

Displays the current SLB operational state.
-

`/oper/vrrp`

Operations-Level VRRP Options

[VRRP Operations Menu]
back - Set virtual router to backup

This menu is used to force a master virtual router to become backup router.

Table 9-5 Virtual Router Redundancy Operations Menu Options (`/oper/vrrp`)

Command Syntax and Usage

`back` *<virtual router number (1-256)>*

Forces the specified master virtual router on this switch into backup mode. This is generally used for passing master control back to a preferred switch once the preferred switch has been returned to service after a failure. When this command is executed, the current master gives up control and initiates a new election by temporarily advertising its own priority level as 0 (lowest). After the new election, the virtual router forced into backup mode by this command will resume master control in the following cases:

- This switch owns the virtual router (the IP addresses of the virtual router and its IP interface are the same)
 - This switch's virtual router has a higher priority and preemption is enabled.
 - There are no other virtual routers available to take master control.
-

`/oper/bwm`

Operations-Level Bandwidth Management Options

[Bandwidth Management Operations Menu]
sndhist - Send BW History to SMTP server

The `sndhist` command is used to send bandwidth management statistics to a system administrator specified under `/cfg/bwm/user` (see [page 196](#)).

Table 9-6 Bandwidth Operations Menu Options (`/oper/bwm/sndhist`)

Command Syntax and Usage

sndhist

Sends the bandwidth history to an SMTP server.

/oper/ip

Operations-Level IP Options

```
[IP Operations Menu]
  bgp      - Operational Border Gateway Protocol Menu
```

Table 9-7 IP Operations Menu Options (/oper/ip)

Command Syntax and Usage

bgp

Displays the Border Gateway Protocol Operations Menu, shown below.

/oper/ip/bgp

Operations-Level BGP Options

```
[Border Gateway Protocol Operations Menu]
  start    - Start peer session
  stop     - Stop peer session
  cur      - Current BGP operational state
```

Table 9-8 IP Operations Menu Options (/oper/ip)

Command Syntax and Usage

start <peer number (1-4)>

Starts the peer session.

stop <peer number (1-4)>

Stops the peer session.

cur

Displays the current BGP operational state.

/oper/swkey

Activating Optional Software

The `swkey` option is used for activating any optional software you have purchased for your switch.

Before you can activate optional software, you must obtain a software license from your Alteon WebSystems representative or authorized reseller. One software license is needed for each switch where the optional software is to be used. You will receive a Licence Certificate for each software license purchased.

To obtain a software key, you must register each License Certificate with Alteon WebSystems and provide the MAC address of the Web OS switch that will run the optional software. Alteon WebSystems will then provide a License Password.

NOTE – Each License Password will work only on the specific switch which has the MAC address you provided when registering your Licence Certificate.

Once you have your License Password, perform the following actions:

1. **Connect to the switch's command line interface and log in as the administrator** (see [Chapter 2, “The Command Line Interface”](#)).
2. **At the Main# prompt, enter:**

```
Main# oper
```

3. **At the Operations# prompt, enter:**

```
Operations# swkey
```

4. **When prompted, enter your 16-digit software key code. For example:**

```
Enter Software Key: 123456789ABCDEF
```

If the correct code is entered, you will see the following message:

```
Valid software key entered.  
Software feature enabled.
```

/oper/rmkey

Removing Optional Software

The **rmkey** option is used for deactivating any optional software. Deactivated software is still present in switch memory and can be reactivated at any later time.

To deactivate optional software, enter the following at the Operations Menu:

```
Operations# rmkey
```

When prompted, enter the code for software to be removed. For example:

```
Enter Software Feature to be removed: [SLB]|GSLB|WCR: SLB
```

CHAPTER 10

The Boot Options Menu

To use the Boot Options Menu, you must be logged in to the switch as the administrator. The Boot Options Menu provides options for:

- Selecting a switch software image to be used when the switch is next reset
- Selecting a configuration block to be used when the switch is next reset
- Downloading or uploading a new software image to the switch via TFTP

NOTE – The new Web OS 8.3 commands are highlighted in **bold**.

To access the Boot Options Menu, at the Main Menu prompt, enter:

```
Main# boot
```

The Boot Options Menu is displayed:

```
[Boot Options Menu]
  image - Select software image to use on next boot
  conf  - Select config block to use on next boot
  gting - Download new software image via TFTP
  ptimg - Upload selected software image via TFTP
  reset - Reset switch [WARNING: Restarts Spanning Tree]
  cur   - Display current boot options
```

Each of these options is discussed in greater detail in the following sections.

Updating the Switch Software Image

The switch software image is the executable code running on the switch. A version of the image ships with the switch, and comes pre-installed on the device. As new versions of the image are released, you can upgrade the software running on your switch.

Upgrading the software image on your switch requires the following:

- Loading the new image onto a TFTP server on your network
- Downloading the new image from the TFTP server to your switch
- Selecting the new software image to be loaded into switch memory the next time the switch is reset

Downloading New Software to Your Switch

The switch can store up to two different software images, called `image1` and `image2`, as well as boot software, called `boot`. When you download new software, you must specify where it should be placed: either into `image1`, `image2`, or `boot`.

For example, if your active image is currently loaded into `image1`, you would probably load the new image software into `image2`. This lets you test the new software and reload the original active image (stored in `image1`), if needed.

To download a new software to your switch, you will need the following:

- The image or boot software loaded on a TFTP server on your network
- The hostname or IP address of the TFTP server
- The name of the new software image or boot file

NOTE – The DNS parameters must be configured if specifying hostnames. See “[Domain Name System Configuration](#)” on page 171).

When the above requirements are met, use the following procedure to download the new software to your switch.

1. **At the `Boot Options#` prompt, enter:**

```
Boot Options# gtimg
```


2. Enter the name of the switch software to be replaced:

```
Enter name of switch software image to be replaced  
["image1"/"image2"/"boot"]: <image>
```

3. Enter the hostname or IP address of the TFTP server.

```
Enter hostname or IP address of TFTP server: <server name or IP address>
```

4. Enter the name of the new software file on the server.

```
Enter name of file on TFTP server: <filename>
```

The exact form of the name will vary by TFTP server. However, the file location is normally relative to the TFTP directory (usually /tftpboot).

5. The system prompts you to confirm your request.

You should next select a software image to run, as described below.

Selecting a Software Image to Run

You can select which software image (image1 or image2) you want to run in switch memory for the next reboot.

1. At the Boot Options# prompt, enter:

```
Boot Options# image
```

2. Enter the name of the image you want the switch to use upon the next boot.

The system informs you of which image is currently set to be loaded at the next reset, and prompts you to enter a new choice:

```
Currently set to use switch software "image1" on next reset.  
Specify new image to use on next reset ["image1"/"image2"]:
```

Uploading a Software Image from Your Switch

You can upload a software image from the switch to a TFTP server.

1. At the **Boot Options#** prompt, enter:

```
Boot Options# ptimg
```

2. The system prompts you for information. Enter the desired image:

```
Enter name of switch software image to be uploaded  
["image1"|"image2"|"boot"]: <image>
```

3. Enter the name or the IP address of the TFTP server:

```
Enter hostname or IP address of TFTP server: <server name or IP address>
```

4. Enter the name of the file into which the image will be uploaded on the TFTP server:

```
Enter name of file on TFTP server: <filename>
```

5. The system then requests confirmation of what you have entered. To have the file uploaded, enter **Y**.

```
image2 currently contains Software Version 8.3.12  
that was downloaded at 15:05:47 Fri Dec 1, 2000.  
Upload will transfer image2 (778656 bytes) to file "test"  
on TFTP server test.  
Confirm upload operation [y/n]: y
```

Selecting a Configuration Block

When you make configuration changes to the switch, you must save the changes so that they are retained beyond the next time the switch is reset. When you perform the `save` command, your new configuration changes are placed in the *active* configuration block. The previous configuration is copied into the *backup* configuration block.

There is also a *factory* configuration block. This holds the default configuration set by the factory when your switch was constructed. Under certain circumstances, it may be desirable to reset the switch configuration to the default. This can be useful when a custom-configured switch is moved to a network environment where it will be reconfigured for a different purpose.

Use the following procedure to set which configuration block you want the switch to load the next time it is reset:

1. **At the `Boot Options#` prompt, enter:**

```
Boot Options# conf
```

2. **Enter the name of the configuration block you want the switch to use:**

The system informs you of which configuration block is currently set to be loaded at the next reset, and prompts you to enter a new choice:

```
Currently set to use active configuration block on next reset.  
Specify new block to use ["active"/"backup"/"factory"]:
```

Resetting the Switch

You can reset the switch to make your software image file and configuration block changes occur.

NOTE – Resetting the switch causes the Spanning Tree Protocol to restart. This process can be lengthy, depending on the topology of your network.

To reset the switch, at the `Boot Options#` prompt, enter:

```
>> Boot Options# reset
```

You are prompted to confirm your request.

CHAPTER 11

The Maintenance Menu

The Maintenance Menu is used to manage dump information and forward database information. It also includes a debugging menu to help with troubleshooting.

/maint Maintenance Menu

NOTE – To use the Maintenance Menu, you must be logged in to the switch as the administrator.

```
[Maintenance Menu]
  sys      - System Maintenance Menu
  fdb      - Forwarding Database Manipulation Menu
  debug    - Debugging Menu
  arp      - ARP Cache Manipulation Menu
  route    - IP Route Manipulation Menu
  uudmp    - Uuencode FLASH dump
  ptdmp    - tftp put FLASH dump to tftp server
  cldmp    - Clear FLASH dump
  panic    - Dump state information to FLASH and reboot
  tsdmp    - Tech support dump
```

Dump information contains internal switch state data that is written to flash memory on the switch after any one of the following occurs:

- The switch administrator forces a switch *panic*. The `panic` option, found in the Maintenance Menu, causes the switch to dump state information to flash memory, and then causes the switch to reboot.
- The switch administrator enters the switch reset key combination on a device attached to the console port. The switch reset key combination is <Shift-Ctrl-6>.
- The watchdog timer forces a switch reset. The purpose of the watchdog timer is to reboot the switch if the switch software freezes.
- The switch detects a hardware or software problem that requires a reboot.

Table 11-1 Maintenance Menu Options (/maint)

Command Syntax and Usage	
sys	Displays the System Maintenance Menu. To view menu options, see page 270 .
fdb	Displays the Forwarding Database Manipulation Menu. To view menu options, see page 271 .
debug	Displays the Debugging Menu. To view menu options, see page 272 .
arp	Displays the ARP Cache Manipulation Menu. To view menu options, see page 273 .
route	Displays the IP Route Manipulation Menu. To view menu options, see page 274 .
uudmp	Displays dump information in uuencoded format. For details, see page 275 .
ptdmp	Saves the system dump information via TFTP. For details, see page 276 .
cldmp	Clears dump information from flash memory. For details, see page 276 .
panic	Dumps MP information to FLASH and reboots. For details, see page 277 .
tsdmp	Tech Support dump.

/maint/sys

System Maintenance Options

This menu is reserved for use by Alteon WebSystems Customer Support. The options are used to perform system debugging.

/maint/fdb

Forwarding Database Options

[FDB Manipulation Menu]

find	- Show a single FDB entry by MAC address
port	- Show FDB entries for a single port
vlan	- Show FDB entries for a single VLAN
refpt	- Show FDB entries referenced by a single port
dump	- Show all FDB entries
del	- Delete an FDB entry
clear	- Clear entire FDB

The Forwarding Database Manipulation Menu can be used to view information and to delete a MAC address from the forwarding database or clear the entire forwarding database. This is helpful in identifying problems associated with MAC address learning and packet forwarding decisions.

Table 11-2 FDB Manipulation Menu Options (/maint/fdb)

Command Syntax and Usage

find <MAC address> [<i><VLAN></i>]
Displays a single database entry by its MAC address. You are prompted to enter the MAC address of the device. Enter the MAC address using the <i>xx:xx:xx:xx:xx:xx</i> format (such as 08:00:20:12:34:56) or <i>xxxxxxxxxxxxxx</i> format (such as 080020123456).
port <port number (0-9)>
Displays all FDB entries for a particular port.
vlan <VLAN number (1-4094)>
Displays all FDB entries on a single VLAN.
refpt <port number>
Displays all FDB entries reference by a single port.
dump
Displays all entries in the Forwarding Database. For details, see page 85 .
del <MAC address>
Removes a single FDB entry.
clear
Clears the entire Forwarding Database from switch memory.

/maint/debug

Debugging Options

[Miscellaneous Debug Menu]	
tbuf	- Display MP trace buffer
snap	- Display MP snap (or post-mortem) trace buffer
sptb	- Display SP trace buffer

The Miscellaneous Debug Menu displays trace buffer information about events that can be helpful in understanding switch operation. You can view the following information using the debug menu:

- Events traced by the Management Processor (MP)
- Events traced by the Switch Processor (SP)
- Events traced to a buffer area when a reset occurs

If the switch resets for any reason, the MP trace buffer and SP trace buffers are saved into the snap trace buffer area.

The output from these commands can be interpreted by the Alteon WebSystems Customer Support organization.

Table 11-3 Miscellaneous Debug Menu Options (/maint/debug)

Command Syntax and Usage

tbuf <IP address>

Displays the Management Processor trace buffer. Header information similar to the following is shown:

```
MP trace buffer at 18:27:37 Wed Jan 24, 2001; mask: 0x2ffff748
```

The buffer information is displayed after the header.

snap <IP address>

Displays the Management Processor snap (or post-mortem) trace buffer. This buffer contains information traced at the time that a reset occurred.

sptb <port number>

Displays the Switch Processor trace buffer. Header information similar to the following is shown:

```
Port 1 trace buffer at 18:27:41 Wed Jan 24, 2001; mask:0x018007e
```

The buffer information is displayed after the header.

/maint/arp

ARP Cache Options

[Address Resolution Protocol Menu]

find	- Show a single ARP entry by IP address
port	- Show ARP entries on a single port
vlan	- Show ARP entries on a single VLAN
refpt	- Show ARP entries referenced by a single port
dump	- Show all ARP entries
add	- Add a permanent ARP entry
del	- Delete an ARP entry
clear	- Clear ARP cache
addr	- Show ARP address list

Table 11-4 Address Resolution Protocol Menu Options (/maint/arp)

Command Syntax and Usage

find <IP address>	Shows a single ARP entry by IP address.
port <port number>	Shows ARP entries on a single port.
vlan <VLAN ID>	Shows ARP entries on a single VLAN.
refpt <port number>	Shows all ARP entries referenced by a single port.
dump	Shows all ARP entries.
add <IP address>	Adds a single ARP entry from switch memory.
del <IP address>	Removes a single ARP entry from switch memory.
clear	Clears the entire ARP list from switch memory.
addr	Shows the list of IP addresses which the switch will respond to for ARP requests.

NOTE – To display all ARP entries currently held in the switch, or a portion according to one of the options listed on the menu above (find, port, vlan, refpt, dump), you can also refer to “ARP Information” on [page 83](#).

/maint/route

IP Route Manipulation

[IP Routing Menu]	
find	- Show a single route by destination IP address
gw	- Show routes to a single gateway
type	- Show routes of a single type
tag	- Show routes of a single tag
if	- Show routes on a single interface
dump	- Show all routes
clear	- Clear route table

Table 11-5 IP Route Manipulation Menu Options (/maint/route)

Command Syntax and Usage

find <IP address>
Shows a single route by destination IP address.

gw <gateway>
Shows routes to a single gateway.

type <type>
Shows routes of a single type.

tag <tag number>
Shows routes of a single tag.

if <interface number>
Shows routes on a single interface.

clear
Clears the route table from switch memory.

dump
Shows all routes.

NOTE – To display all routes, you can also refer to “IP Routing Information” on [page 80](#).

/maint/uudmp

Uuencode Flash Dump

Using this command, dump information is presented in uuencoded format. This format makes it easy to capture the dump information as a file or a string of characters. You can then contact Alteon WebSystems Customer Support for help analyzing the information.

If you want to capture dump information to a file, set your communication software on your workstation to capture session data prior to issuing the `uudmp` command. This will ensure that you do not lose any information. Once entered, the `uudmp` command will cause approximately 1460 lines of data to be displayed on your screen and copied into the file.

Using the `uudmp` command, dump information can be read multiple times. The command does not cause the information to be updated or cleared from flash memory.

NOTE – Dump information is not cleared automatically. In order for any subsequent dump information to be written to flash memory, you must manually clear the dump region. For more information on clearing the dump region, see [page 276](#).

To access dump information, at the Maintenance# prompt, enter:

```
Maintenance# uudmp
```

The dump information is displayed on your screen and, if you have configured your communication software to do so, captured to a file. If the dump region is empty, the following appears:

```
No FLASH dump available.
```

`/maint/ptdmp <server> <filename>`

TFTP System Dump Put

Use this command to put (save) the system dump to a TFTP server.

NOTE – If the TFTP server is running SunOS or the Solaris operating system, the specified `ptdmp` file must exist *prior* to executing the `ptdmp` command, and must be writable (set with proper permission, and not locked by any application). The contents of the specified file will be replaced with the current dump data.

To save dump information via TFTP, at the Maintenance# prompt, enter:

```
Maintenance# ptdmp server filename
```

Where *server* is the TFTP server IP address or hostname, and *filename* is the target dump file.

`/maint/cltmp`

Clearing Dump Information

To clear dump information from flash memory, at the Maintenance# prompt, enter:

```
Maintenance# cltmp
```

The switch clears the dump region of flash memory and displays the following message:

```
FLASH dump region cleared.
```

If the flash dump region is already clear, the switch displays the following message:

```
FLASH dump region is already clear.
```

`/maint/panic`

Panic Command

The `panic` command causes the switch to immediately dump state information to flash memory and automatically reboot.

To select `panic`, at the `Maintenance#` prompt, enter:

```
Maintenance# panic
```

Enter **y** to confirm the command:

```
Confirm dump and reboot [y/n]: y
```

The following messages are displayed:

```
Starting system dump...done.  
  
Reboot at 11:54:08 Wednesday January 24, 2001...  
  
Boot version 1.0.1  
  
Alteon 184  
  
Rebooted because of console PANIC command.  
  
Booting complete 11:55:01 Wednesday January 24, 2001:
```

Unscheduled System Dumps

If there is an unscheduled system dump to flash memory, the following message is displayed when you log on to the switch:

```
Note: A system dump exists in FLASH. The dump was saved  
      at 13:43:22 Thursday Jan 25, 2001. Use /maint/uudmp to  
      extract the dump for analysis and /maint/cldmp to  
      clear the FLASH region. The region must be cleared  
      before another dump can be taken.
```


APPENDIX A

Web OS Syslog Messages

The following syntax is used when outputting syslog messages:

<Time stamp><Log Label>Web OS<Thread ID> : <Message>

where

■ *<Timestamp>*

The time of the message event is displayed in month day hour:minute:second format. For example: Aug 19 14:20:30

■ *<Log Label>*

The following types of log messages are recorded: LOG_EMERG, LOG_ALERT, LOG_CRIT, LOG_ERR, LOG_WARNING, LOG_NOTICE, LOG_INFO, and LOG_DEBUG

■ *<Thread ID>*

This is the software thread that reports the log message. The following thread IDs are recorded: stp, ip, slb, console, telnet, vrrp, system, web server, ssh, and bgp

■ *<Message>*: The log message

Following is a list of potential syslog messages. To keep this list as short as possible, only *<Thread ID>* and *<Message>* are shown. The messages are sorted by *<Log Label>*.

Where the *<Thread ID>* is listed as *mgmt*, one of the following may be shown: console, telnet, web server, or ssh.

LOG_ALERT

<mgmt>: ERROR: Synchronization from non-configured peer <ip_address> was blocked
 <mgmt>: new synch configuration did not apply (rc=<error_code>)
 <mgmt>: new synch configuration did not save (rc=<error_code>)
 <mgmt>: new synch configuration did not validate (rc=<error_code>)
 <mgmt>: Sync Password Failed-No Password Line
 <mgmt>: Synch Password Failed-Bad Password
 <mgmt>: WARNING: Synchronization from non-configured peer <ip_address>
 bgp: notification (<reason>) received from <BGP peer ip_address>
 bgp: session with <BGP peer ip_address> failed (<reason>)
 ip: cannot contact default gateway <ip_address>
 slb: cannot contact real server <ip_address>
 slb: cannot contact real service <ip_address:real_port>
 slb: real server <ip_address> disabled through configuration
 slb: real server <ip_address> has reached maximum connections
 slb: real server failure threshold (<threshold>) has been reach for group <group_id>
 slb: received update from <ip_address> for unknown remote server
 slb: received update from <ip_address> for unknown virtual service
 stp: own BPDU received from port <port_id>
 vrrp: received errored advertisement from <ip_address>
 vrrp: received incorrect addresses from <ip_address>
 vrrp: received incorrect advertisement interval <seconds> from <ip_address>
 vrrp: received incorrect password from <ip_address>

LOG_CRIT

system: can't allocate memory in load_MP_INT
 system: internal power supply failed
 system: redundant power supply failed
 system: temperature at sensor <sensor_id> exceeded threshold

LOG_ERR

<mgmt>: <"apply"|"save"> is issued by another user. Try later

<mgmt>: <"Apply"|"Save"> not done

<mgmt>: A hot-standby port cannot also be an inter-switch port

<mgmt>: At least one virtual router must be enabled when group is enabled

<mgmt>: BGP peer <bgp_peer_id> have same address as IP interface <ip_interface_id>

<mgmt>: BGP peer <bgp_peer_id> IP interface <ip_interface_id> is not enabled

<mgmt>: BGP peer <bgp_peer_id> must have an IP address

<mgmt>: BGP peers <bgp_peer_id> and <bgp_peer_id> have same address

<mgmt>: Broadcast address for IP interface <interface_id> is invalid

<mgmt>: Client bindings are not supported with proxy IP addresses

<mgmt>: DAM must be turned on or a PIP must be enabled for port <port_id> in order for virtual server %lu to support FTP parsing

<mgmt>: DAM must be turned on or a PIP must be enabled for port <port_id> in order for virtual server <server_id> to support URL parsing

<mgmt>: DAM must be turned on or a PIP must be enabled for ports <port_id> in order to do URL based redirection

<mgmt>: Direct access mode is not supported with default gateway load balancing

<mgmt>: domain name must be configured

<mgmt>: duplicate default entry

<mgmt>: Dynamic NAT filter <filter_id> must be cached

<mgmt>: Enabled external lookup IP address has no IP address

<mgmt>: Enabled real server <server_id> has no IP address

<mgmt>: Enabled virtual server <server_id> has no IP address

<mgmt>: Error writing BGP changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing BWM changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing FILT changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing GSLB changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing HCS changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing IP changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing NAME changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing NTP changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing RSA changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing SLB changes to FLASH

LOG_ERR (continued)

<mgmt>: Error writing SSH changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing URL changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing URL changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Error writing VRRP changes to FLASH

<mgmt>: Extracting length has to set to 8 or 16 for cookie rewrite mode

<mgmt>: Filter with ICMP types configured (<icmp_type>) must have IP protocol configure to ICMP

<mgmt>: Filter with L4 ports configured <port_id> must have IP protocol configured

<mgmt>: For Global SLB, Web server must be moved from TCP port 80

<mgmt>: Hot-standby must be enabled when a virtual router has a PIP address

<mgmt>: intrval input value must be in the range [0-24]

<mgmt>: IP Interfaces <interface_id> and <interface_id> are on the same subnet

<mgmt>: Loadbalance string must be added to real server <server_id> in order to enable exclusionary string matching

<mgmt>: multiple static routes have same destination

<mgmt>: NAT filter <filter_id> cannot have port ranges

<mgmt>: NAT filter <filter_id> dest range includes RIP <server_id>

<mgmt>: NAT filter <filter_id> dest range includes VIP <server_id>

<mgmt>: NAT filter <filter_id> must be cached

<mgmt>: NAT filter <filter_id> must have same smask and dmask

<mgmt>: Network <static_network_id> has no VIP address

<mgmt>: New Path Cost for Port <port_id> is invalid

<mgmt>: No apply is needed, although a save is needed

<mgmt>: No apply is needed, although there are saved changes

<mgmt>: No apply needed

<mgmt>: Not all ports in trunk group <trunk_id> are in VLAN <vlan_id>

<mgmt>: Only <MAX_SLB_SERVICES> remote services are supported

<mgmt>: Only <MAX_SLB_SITES> remote servers are allowed per group

<mgmt>: Please configure primary RADIUS server address

<mgmt>: Port filtering must be disabled on port <port_id> in order to support cookie based persistence for virtual server <server_id>

<mgmt>: Port Mirroring changes are not applied

<mgmt>: Primary and secondary remote site <site_id> switches must differ

LOG_ERR (continued)

<mgmt>: PVID <vlan_id> for port <port_id> is not created

<mgmt>: RADIUS secret must be 1-32 characters long

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> (Backup for <server_id>) is not enabled

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> and group %u cannot both have backups configured

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> cannot be added to same group

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> cannot be backup server for both real server <server_id> and group <group_id>

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> has same IP address as IP interface <interface_id>

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> has same IP address as real server <server_id>

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> has same IP address as switch

<mgmt>: Real server <server_id> has same IP address as virtual server<server_id>

<mgmt>: Real server group <group_id> cannot backup itself

<mgmt>: Redirection filter <filter_id> must be cached

<mgmt>: Remote site <site_id> and real server <server_id> must use different addresses

<mgmt>: Remote site <site_id> and virtual server <server_id> must use different addresses

<mgmt>: Remote site <site_id> does not have a primary IP address

<mgmt>: Remote sites <site_id> and <site_id> must use different addresses

<mgmt>: RS <server_id> can't exist for VS <server_id> vport <virtual_port>

<mgmt>: Save not done

<mgmt>: Save the configuration before resetting switch

<mgmt>: SLB Radius secret must be 16 characters long

<mgmt>: STP changes can't be applied since STP is OFF

<mgmt>: Switch cannot support more than <MAX_SMT> real services

<mgmt>: Switch cannot support more than <MAX_VIRT_SERVICES> virtual services

<mgmt>: Switch port <port_id> has same IP address as IP interface <interface_id>

<mgmt>: Switch port <port_id> has same proxy IP address as port <port_id>

<mgmt>: Switch reset is required to turn STP on/off

<mgmt>: There must be at least one inter-switch port if any hot-standby port exist

<mgmt>: Trunk group (<trunk_id>) ports must all have a PIP

<mgmt>: Trunk group (<trunk_id>) ports must have same L4 config

<mgmt>: Trunk group <trunk_id> contains no ports but is enabled

<mgmt>: Trunk group <trunk_id> contains ports with different PVIDs

<mgmt>: Trunk group <trunk_id> has more than <max_trunk_ports> ports

LOG_ERR (continued)

<mgmt>: Trunk groups <trunk_id> and <trunk_id> can not share the same port

<mgmt>: Two services have same hostname, <host_name>.<domain_name>

<mgmt>: Two services have same hostname, <host_name>.<domain_name>

<mgmt>: Virtual router <vr_id> cannot have same IP address as <ip_address>

<mgmt>: Virtual router <vr_id> cannot have same VRID and VLAN as <vlan_id>

<mgmt>: Virtual router <vr_id> corresponding virtual server <server_id> is not enabled

<mgmt>: Virtual router <vr_id> IP interface should be <interface_id>

<mgmt>: Virtual router <vr_id> must have an IP address

<mgmt>: Virtual router <vr_id> must have sharing disabled when hotstandby is enabled

<mgmt>: Virtual router group must be enabled when hotstandby is enabled

<mgmt>: Virtual router group must have preemption enabled when hotstandby is enabled

<mgmt>: Virtual router group must have sharing disabled when hotstandby is enabled

<mgmt>: Virtual server %lu: support nonat IP but not layer 3 bindings

<mgmt>: Virtual server <server_id> has same IP address and vport as virtual server <server_id>

<mgmt>: Virtual server <server_id> has same IP address as IP interface <interface_id>

<mgmt>: Virtual server <server_id> has same IP address as switch

<mgmt>: Virtual server <server_id>: port mapping but Direct Access Mode

<mgmt>: Virtual server <server_id>: port mapping but layer3 bindings

<mgmt>: Virtual server <server_id>: UDP service <virtual_port> with out-of-range port number

<mgmt>: Virtual servers <server_id> and <server_id> that include the same real server <server_id> cannot map the same real port or balance UDP

<mgmt>: Virtual servers <server_id> and <server_id> with same IP address must support same layer3 configuration

<mgmt>: Virtual servers: all that support IP must use same group

<mgmt>: VLAN <vlan_id> has a member port that can not support jumbo frame

<mgmt>: With VMA, ports 1-8 must all have a PIP if any one does

ip: cannot contact NTP server <ip_address>

ip: unable to listen to NTP port

LOG_NOTICE

<mgmt>: boot config block changed

<mgmt>: boot image changed

<mgmt>: second syslog host changed to <ip_address>

<mgmt>: switch reset from CLI

<mgmt>: syslog host changed to <ip_address>

system: internal power supply ok

system: rebooted <last_reset_information>

system: rebooted <last_reset_information> administrator logged in <mgmt>:

Next boot will use new software image<1|2>

system: redundant power supply present and ok

LOG_WARNING

slb: filter <filter_id> fired on port <port_id>, <source_ip> -> <dest_ip>

APPENDIX B

Web OS SNMP Agent

The Web OS SNMP agent supports SNMP Version 1. Security is provided through SNMP community strings. The default community strings are “public” for SNMP GET operation and “private” for SNMP SET operation. The community string can be modified only through the Command Line Interface (CLI). Alteon WebSystems is registered as Vendor 1872. Detailed SNMP MIBs and trap definitions of the Web OS SNMP agent can be found in the following Alteon WebSystems enterprise MIB documents:

- Altroot.mib - Alteon product registrations which are returned as sysObjectID.
- Altswitch.mib - Alteon enterprise MIB definitions.
- Alttrap.mib - Alteon enterprise trap definitions.

Users may specify up to two trap hosts for receiving SNMP Traps. The agent will send the SNMP Trap to the specified hosts when appropriate. Traps will not be sent if there is no host specified.

Web OS SNMP agent supports the following standard MIBs:

- RFC 1213 - MIB II (System, Interface, Address Translation, IP, ICMP, TCP, UDP, SNMP Groups)
- RFC 1573 - MIB II Extension (IFX table)
- RFC 1643 - EtherLike MIB
- RFC 1493 - Bridge MIB
- RFC 1757 - RMON MIB (Statistics, History, Alarm, Event Groups)

Web OS SNMP agent supports the following generic traps as defined in RFC 1215:

- ColdStart
- WarmStart
- LinkDown
- LinkUp
- AuthenticationFailure

The SNMP agent also supports two Spanning Tree traps as defined in RFC 1493:

- NewRoot
- TopologyChange

The following are the enterprise SNMP traps supported in Web OS:

Table 11-6 Web OS-Supported Enterprise SNMP Traps

Trap Name	Description
altSwPrimaryPowerSupplyFailure	Signifies that the primary power supply failed.
altSwRedunPowerSupplyFailure	Signifies that the redundant power supply failed.
altSwDefGwUp	Signifies that the default gateway defined is alive.
altSwDefGwDown	Signifies that the default gateway defined is down
altSwDefGwInService	Signifies that the default gateway is up and in service
altSwDefGwNotInService	Signifies that the default gateway is alive but not in service
altSwSlbRealServerUp	Signifies that the real server is up and operational
altSwSlbRealServerDown	Signifies that the real server is down and out of service
altSwSlbRealServerMaxConnReached	Signifies that the real server has reached maximum connections
altSwSlbBkupRealServerAct	Signifies that the backup real server is activated due to availability of the primary real server
altSwSlbBkupRealServerDeact	Signifies that the backup real server is deactivated due to the primary real server is available
altSwSlbBkupRealServerActOverflow	Signifies that the backup real server is deactivated due to the primary real server is overflowed
altSwSlbBkupRealServerDeactOverflow	Signifies that the backup real server is deactivated due to the primary real server is out from overflow situation
altSwSlbFailoverStandby	Signifies that the switch is now a standby switch
altSwSlbFailoverActive	Signifies that the switch is now an active switch
altSwSlbFailoverSwitchUp	Signifies that the failover switch is alive
altSwSlbFailoverSwitchDown	Signifies that the failover switch is down
altSwfltFilterFired	Signifies that the packet received on a switch port matches the filter rule
altSwSlbRealServerServiceUp	Signifies that the service port of the real server is up and operational
altSwSlbRealServerServiceDown	Signifies that the service port of the real server is down and out of service

Glossary

DIP (Destination IP Address)	The destination IP address of a frame.
Dport (Destination Port)	The destination port (application socket: for example, http-80/https-443/DNS-53)
NAT (Network Address Translation)	Any time an IP address is changed from one source IP or destination IP address to another address, network address translation can be said to have taken place. In general, half NAT is when the destination IP or source IP address is changed from one address to another. Full NAT is when both addresses are changed from one address to another. No NAT is when neither source nor destination IP addresses are translated. VIP-based load balancing uses half NAT by design because it translates the destination IP address from the virtual server IP address, to that of one of the real servers.
Preemption	In VRRP, preemption will cause a Virtual Router that has a lower priority to go into backup should a peer Virtual Router start advertising with a higher priority.
Priority	In VRRP, the value given to a Virtual Router to determine its ranking with its peer(s). Minimum value is 1 and maximum value is 254. Default is 100. A higher number will win out for master designation.
Proto (Protocol)	The protocol of a frame. Can be any value represented by a 8-bit value in the IP header adherent to the IP specification (for example, TCP, UDP, OSPF, ICMP, and so on.)
Real Server Group	A group of real servers that are associated with a virtual server IP address, or a filter.

Redirection or Filter-Based Load Balancing

A type of load balancing, one that operates differently from VIP-based load balancing. With this type of load balancing, requests are transparently intercepted and “redirected” to a server group. “Transparently” means that requests are not specifically destined for a VIP that the switch owns. Instead, a filter is configured in the switch. This filter intercepts traffic based on certain IP header criteria and load balances it.

Filters can be configured to filter on the SIP/Range (via netmask), DIP/Range (via netmask), Protocol, SPort/Range or DPort/Range. The action on a filter can be Allow, Deny, Redirect to a Server Group, or NAT (either the SIP or DIP). In redirection-based load balancing, the DIP is not NAT’ed to that of one of the real servers. Therefore, redirection based load balancing is designed to load balance devices that normally operate transparently in your network—such as a firewall, spam filter, or transparent Web cache.

RIP (Real Server)

An IP addresses that the switch load balances to when requests are made to a virtual IP address (VIP).

SIP (Source IP Address)

The source IP address of a frame.

SPort (Source Port)

The source port (application socket: for example, HTTP-80/HTTPS-443/DNS-53).

Tracking

In VRRP, a method to increase the priority of a virtual router and thus master designation (with preemption enabled). Tracking can be very valuable in an active/active configuration.

You can track the following:

- Vrs: Virtual Routers in Master Mode (increments priority by 2 for each)
- Ifs: Active IP interfaces on the switch (increments priority by 2 for each)
- Ports: Active ports on the same VLAN (increments priority by 2 for each)
- l4pts: Active Layer 4 Ports, client or server designation (increments priority by 2 for each)
- reals: healthy real servers (increments by 2 for each healthy real server)
- hsrp: HSRP announcements heard on a client designated port (increments by 10 for each)

VIP (Virtual Server IP Address)

An IP address that the switch owns and uses to load balance particular service requests (like HTTP) to other servers.

VIR (Virtual Interface Router)

A VRRP address that is an IP interface address shared between two or more virtual routers.

Virtual Router

A shared address between two devices utilizing VRRP, as defined in RFC 2338. One virtual router is associated with an IP interface. This is one of the IP interfaces that the switch is assigned. All IP interfaces on the Alteon switches must be in a VLAN. If there is more than one VLAN defined on the switch, then the VRRP broadcasts will only be sent out on the VLAN of which the associated IP interface is a member.

Virtual Server Load Balancing

Classic load balancing. Requests destined for a virtual server IP address (VIP), which is owned by the switch, are load balanced to a real server contained in the group associated with the VIP. Network address translation is done back and forth, by the switch, as requests come and go.

Frames come to the switch destined for the VIP. The switch then replaces the VIP and with one of the real server IP addresses (RIP's), updates the relevant checksums, and forwards the frame to the server for which it is now destined. This process of replacing the destination IP (VIP) with one of the real server addresses is called half NAT. If the frames were not half NAT'ed to the address of one of the RIPs, a server would receive the frame that was destined for its MAC address, forcing the packet up to Layer 3. The server would then drop the frame, since the packet would have the DIP of the VIP and not that of the server (RIP).

VRID (Virtual Router Identifier)

In VRRP, a value between 1 and 255 that is used by each virtual router to create its MAC address and identify its peer for which it is sharing this VRRP address. The VRRP MAC address as defined in the RFC is 00-00-5E-00-01-{VRID}. If you have a VRRP address that two switches are sharing, then the VRID number needs to be identical on both switches so each virtual router on each switch knows whom to share with.

VRRP (Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol)

A protocol that acts very similarly to Cisco's proprietary HSRP address sharing protocol. The reason for both of these protocols is so devices have a next hop or default gateway that is always available. Two or more devices sharing an IP interface are either advertising or listening for advertisements. These advertisements are sent via a broadcast message to an address such as 224.0.0.18.

With VRRP, one switch is considered the master and the other the backup. The master is always advertising via the broadcasts. The backup switch is always listening for the broadcasts. Should the master stop advertising, the backup will take over ownership of the VRRP IP and MAC addresses as defined by the specification. The switch announces this change in ownership to the devices around it by way of a Gratuitous ARP, and advertisements. If the backup switch didn't do the Gratuitous ARP the Layer 2 devices attached to the switch would not know that the MAC address had moved in the network. For a more detailed description, refer to RFC 2338.



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