Chapter 8: VLAN



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Chapter 8 VLAN

8.1 VLAN Overview

Virtual Local Area Network (VLAN) groups the devices of a LAN logically but not physically intosegments to implement the virtual workgroups. IEEE issued the IEEE 802.1Q in 1999, which was intended to standardize VLAN implementation solutions.

Through VLAN technology, network managers can logically divide the physical LAN into different broadcast domains. Every VLAN contains a group of workstations with the same demands. The workstations of a VLAN do not have to belong to the same physical LAN segment.

With VLAN technology, the broadcast and unicast traffic within a VLAN will not be forwarded toother VLANs, therefore, it is very helpful in controlling network traffic, saving device investment, simplifying network management and improving security.



A VLAN can span across multiple Switches, or even routers. This enables hosts in a VLAN to be dispersed in a looser way. That is, hosts in a VLAN can belong to different physical networksegment.

Compared with the traditional Ethernet, VLAN enjoys the following advantages.

1) Broadcasts are confined to VLANs. This decreases bandwidth utilization and improves network performance.

2) Network security is improved. VLANs cannot communicate with each other directly. That is, a host in a VLAN cannot access resources in another VLAN directly, unless routers or Layer 3 Switches are used.

3) Network configuration workload for the host is reduced. VLAN can be used to group specifichosts. When the physical position of a host changes within the range of the VLAN, you need not change its network configuration.

8.1.1 VLAN Principles

VLAN tags in the packets are necessary for the Switch to identify packets of different VLANs. The Switch works at Layer 2 (Layer 3 Switches are not discussed in this chapter) and it can identify the data link layer encapsulation of the packet only, so you can add the VLAN tag fieldinto only the data link layer encapsulation if necessary.

In 1999, IEEE issues the IEEE 802.1Q protocol to standardize VLAN implementation, defining the structure of VLAN-tagged packets.

IEEE 802.1Q protocol defines that a 4-byte VLAN tag is encapsulated after the destination MAC address and source MAC address to display the information about VLAN.



As shown in Figure 1-2, a VLAN tag contains four fields, including TPID (Tag Protocolldentifier), priority, CFI (Canonical Format Indicator), and VID (VLAN ID).

TPID is a 16-bit field, indicating that this data frame is VLAN-tagged. By default, it is 0x8100. **Priority** is a 3-bit field, referring to 802.1p priority. Refer to section "QoS & QoS profile" fordetails.

CFI is a 1-bit field, indicating whether the MAC address is encapsulated in the standard formatin different

transmission media. This field is not described in detail in this chapter.

VID (VLAN ID) is a 12-bit field, indicating the ID of the VLAN to which this packet belongs. It is the range of 0 to 4,095. Generally, 0 and 4,095 is not used, so the field is in the range of 1 to 4,094.

VLAN ID identifies the VLAN to which a packet belongs. When the Switch receives an un-VLAN-tagged packet, it will encapsulate a VLAN tag with the default VLAN ID of the inbound port for the packet, and the packet will be assigned to the default VLAN of the inboundport for transmission. For the details about setting the default VLAN of a port, refer to section "02-Port Configuration".

8.2 Configure 802.1Q VLAN

8.2.1	802.1Q	VLAN	Configuration	List
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Configuration Task	Description	Detailed
		Configuration
Create and Modify VLAN	Required	8.2.2
Delete Port Members from a VLAN	Optional	8.2.3
Delete VLAN	Optional	8.2.4

Configure Interface Default vlan ID	Optional	8.2.5
Configure Interface VLAN Mode	Optional	8.2.6
VLAN Attributes Based on Hybrid Interface	Optional	8.2.7
VLAN Attributes Based on Trunk Interface	Optional	8.2.8
Configure Port Priority	Optional	8.2.9
Configure Ingress Filtering	Optional	8.2.10
Configure Types of Interface acceptable-frame	Optional	8.2.11
Display VLAN configuration	Optional	8.2.12

8.2.2 Create and Modify VLAN

Switch supports 4094 VLANs.

Perform following commands in privilege mode

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Create a vlan and enter vlan configuration mode	vlan vlan-list	
Add port member to a vlan	port ethenet interface-num	
Configure vlan description	description vlan-name	By default, vlan description is empty.
Display the related information about VLAN	display vlan { vlan-id brief }	

Note: If the VLAN to be created exists, enter the VLAN mode directly. Otherwise, create the VLAN first, and then enter the VLAN mode.

Vlan-id allowed to configure is in the range of 1 to 4094. Vlan-list can be in the form of discretenumber, a sequence number, or the combination of discrete and sequence number, discrete number of which is separate by comma, and sequence number of which is separate by subtraction sign, such as: 2, 5, 8, 10-20.

8.2.3 Delete Port Members from a VLAN

Perform following commands in privilege mode.

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Create a vlan and enter vlan configuration mode	vlan vlan-list	
Delete port member from VLAN	undo port { all ethernet interface-num }	
Display the related information	display vlan { vlan-id brief }	
about VLAN		

8.2.4 Delete VLAN

Perform following commands in privilege mode.

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Delete VLAN	undo vlan {	
Display the related information about VLAN	display vlan { vlan-id brief }	

8.2.5 Configure Interface Default VLAN ID

Perform following commands in privilege mode.

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Enter Interface configuration mode	interface ethernet interface-num	
Configure interface pvid	port default vlan vlan-id	
Configure interface default pvid	undo port default vlan	Vlan1 by default
Display interface detailed configurations	display interface ethernet interface-num	
Display interface brief configurations	display interface brief ethernet [interface-num]	

8.2.6 Configure Interface VLAN Mode

Interface VLAN mode can be divided into three types according to the different process modesthe interface performs on tag label:

Access: the interface only belongs to one vlan, and it usually is used to connect the terminal device.

Trunk: the interface can be able to receive and forward multiple vlans. When the packet is forwarded, the default vlan packet will not carry the tag whereas the other vlan will carry the tag, and the tag is applied to the Switch interface.

Hybrid: the interface can be able to receive and forward multiple vlans, and it allows multiple vlans to carry the tag or not carry the tag.

Interface VLAN mode	Processing on receiving		Processing on forwarding message
	message		
	Untag	Tag	
Access	Receive it	If the VLAN ID	If the VLAN ID carried in a packet is the VLAN ID that the port allows to pass through, the VLAN tag will be striped and the packet will be forwarded.
Hybrid	and add a tag of pvid to it.	a VLAN that the port allows to pass through, the packet will be accepted.	 If the VLAN ID carried in the packet is the UNTAG VLAN ID the port allows to pass through, the VLAN tag will be striped and the packet will be forwarded. If the VLAN ID carried in the packet is the TAG VLAN ID the port allows to pass through, the VLAN tag will remain and the packet will be forwarded
Trunk		be accepted. Otherwise, thepacket will bediscarded be discarded	 When the VLAN ID carried in a packet is the VLAN ID that the port allows to pass through:: 1. If the VLAN ID is not consistent with the port PVID, VLAN tag will be remainedand the packet will be forwarded 2. If the VLAN ID is consistent with the port PVID, VLAN tag will be stripped and the packet will be forwarded.

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Enter Interface configuration mode	interface ethernet interface-num	
Configure interface vlan mode	<pre>port mode { access hybrid trunk }</pre>	Hybrid by default.

8.2.7 VLAN Attributes Based on Hybrid Interface

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Enter Interface configuration mode	interface ethernet interface-num	
Configure interface vlan mode	port mode hybrid	
Do not allow the specified vlan to pass through this trunk port	undo port trunk allowed vlan { vlan-list all }	

8.2.8 Configure Port Priority

If Switch receives a untagged packet, system will add a vlan tag to the packet in which the vidvalue in the tag is the PVID value and the priority value is the port priority value.

Operation	Comman d	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Enter Interface configuration mode	interface ethernet interface-num	
Configure port priority	priority value	
Restore default priority	undo priority	0 by default
Display the port detailedconfigurations	display interface ethernet interface-num	
Display the port brief configurations	display interface brief ethernet [interface-num]	

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Enter Interface configuration mode	interface ethernet interface-num	
Configure interface vlan mode	port mode trunk	
Allow the specified vlan to pass through this trunk port	port trunk allowed vlan { vlan-list all }	
Do not allow the specified vlan to pass through this trunk port	undo port trunk allowed vlan {	

8.2.9 VLAN Attributes Based on Trunk Interface

8.2.10 Configure Ingress Filtering

By default, interface will check whether the receiving packet belongs to the vlan, if it does, the interface will perform the forward processing. Otherwise, it will discard the packet. Thisprocess is called ingress

filtering. Switch will enable this function by default and this function is allowed to be disabled.

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Enter Interface configuration mode	interface ethernet interface-num	
Configure ingress filtering	[undo] ingress filtering	Enabled by default
Display the configuration information	Displayress [interface interface-num]	

8.2.11 Configure Types of Interface Acceptable-frame

By default, regardless of any type of packet (tag or untag) received by the Switch, it is allowed to change the port to receive only tag packets.

Operation Command	Remarks

Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
Enter Interface configuration mode	interface ethernet interface-num	
		"all" means it can receive
		the tag packets and untag
Configure interface priority	ingress acceptable-frame { all tagged }	packets; "tagged" meansit
		can only receive the tag
		packets.
Display the configuration information	display ingress [interface interface-num]	

8.2.12 Display VLAN configuration

Operation	Command	Remarks
Display VLANconfiguration by vlanid	display vlan [vlan-id]	
Display VLAN configuration by brief	display vlan brief	
Display VLAN configuration by interface	display vlan interface [ethernet <i>interface-num</i>]	

8.3 Configure MAC-Based VLAN

8.3.1 MAC-Based VLAN Overview

As noted earlier, a single port in the campus network has multiple services, and each service belongs to different

VLANs. So, the flexible configuration of VLAN under the Switch port to identify different services has become a

key issue of the campus network management.

In order to solve the above-mentioned problems, the MAC-based VLAN is proposed. MAC (Media Access Control) address is burnt on a Network Interface Card (NIC), also known as thehardware address. It's composed of 48 bits long (6 bytes), 16 hex digits.

MAC-based VLAN is another way to distinguish VLAN that tag of VLAN is added to packet according to the

source MAC address. This is often in combination with security technologies (such as 802.1X) to achieve the

purpose of the terminal's safety and flexible access.

8.3.2 Configure MAC-Based VLAN

Users should bind the terminal MAC address with VLAN via the command line, and the devicewill generate a corresponding MAC VLAN table.

The implementation of this approach is simple, only involved in access equipment. But in this way, it is necessary to manually configure the MAC VLAN of the terminal-on-terminal accessable ports. It was a big project.

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
	mac-vlan mac-address mac-address vlan	
Configure static vlan-mac table		
	[priority]	
	undo mac-vlan [mac-address	
Delete vlan-mac table	mac-address]	
Display vlan-mac table	display vlan-mac-table [mac-address]	

8.4 Configure Protocol-Based VLAN

8.4.1 Protocol-Based VLAN Overview

Protocol-based VLAN: the packet distributes different VLAN ID according to the receiving protocol types and encapsulation formats. "Protocol types + encapsulation formats" is also called model agreement. One protocol vlan can be able to bind multiple model agreements. Different model agreements can be distinguished by the vlan-protocol table index. Agreement profile is referenced to the port, and then you can modify the packet vlan according to the model agreements.

Untagged packet processing (no vlan tag):

1. If the packet protocol types and encapsulation formats are conform to the modelagreements, it will be tagged with the protocol vlan-id.

2. If the packet protocol types and encapsulation formats are not conforming to the modelagreements, it will be tagged with the port default VLAN ID.

Tagged packet processing (has vlan tag):

1. If the packet protocol types and encapsulation formats are conform to the modelagreements, the outer vlan information will be modified to be the protocol vlan-id.

2. If the packet protocol types and encapsulation formats are not conform to the modelagreements, the processing mode will be the same as the port-based vlan.

This feature is mainly applied to bind the service type with VLAN, providing convenientmanagement and maintenance.

There are two types' configuration modes of protocol-based VLAN. Please choose the suitableone according to the equipment type.

8.4.2	Configure	Protocol-Based	VLAN
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Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
	protocol-vlan profile index frame-type	
Configure protocol profile	eth-type	
	undo protocol-vlan profile [index]	
Delete protocol profile		
	interface ethernet interface-num	
Enter Interface configuration mode		
	protocol-vlan profile index vlan vlan-id	
Bind protocol-vlan profile	[priority <i>priority</i>]	
	undo protocol-vlan profile [index]	
Undo bind protocol-vlan profile		
	display protocol-vlan profile [index]	
Display protocol-vlan profile		
	display protocol-vlan interface [ethernet	
Display protocol-vlan profile bind	interface-num]	

8.5 Configure IP-subnet VLAN

8.5.1 IP-subnet VLAN Overview

IP subnet-based vlan is divided according to packet source IP address and subnet mask. Afterdevice received packets from the interface, it will confirm the packets belonging to which VLAN and then automatically divide these packets to specified VLAN.

8.5.2 Configure IP-subnet VLAN

Operation	Command	Remarks
Enter global configuration mode	system-view	
	ip-subnet-vlan ipv4 ip-address mask mask	
Configure ip-subnet-vlan table	vlan <i>vlanid</i> [priority <i>priority</i>]	
	undo ip-subnet-vlan [ipv4 <i>ip-address</i> mask	
Delete ip-subnet-vlan table	mask]	
Enable the IP subnet-based VLAN	ip-subnet-vlan precede	
Disable the IP subnet-based VLAN	undo ip-subnet-vlan precede	
	display ip-subnet-vlan [ipv4 ip-address	
Display ip-subnet-vlan table	mask mask]	